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### The Financial Situation.

If the action of the Federal Reserve Board two weeks ago in sanctioning an increase in the rediscount rate of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York from 5% to 6%, after having repeatedly refused to consent to such an increase, was intended to check speculation on the Stock Exchange, or to interfere with it in any way, it has signally failed of its purpose. Evidence of such failure is seen on every side. The surprise nature of the advance in the rate, and the suddenness with which the move was determined upon, and coming at a time when no one was prepared for it—the Reserve Board's previous course and the utterances emanating from it having led to the conviction that the members of the Board were firmly resolved not to let the rate go above 5%, the figure at which it had been maintained for over a year—this surprise element in the action caused a tremendous collapse on the Stock Exchange on Friday, August 9. But it did not take the public long to reach the conclusion that the rise in the rate was not likely to prove of any great consequence, that it could not in any event serve to increase the tension in the money market, since the Reserve Banks always trail behind the market in fixing their rates instead of directing the course of money, as do the central banks of Europe, that in short marking up the rate was simply bringing the Reserve rate in line with prevailing credit conditions, and as such was little more, after all, than a gesture. This conclusion having been reached, the market rebounded the very next day (Saturday, August 10), and since then stock prices have continued to swing upward in more pronounced fashion than ever before.

Instead of repressing speculative fervor, the stock market has been engaged in staging a new bull movement in which caution has been scattered to the winds and prices have been rising day by day in such dazzling fashion as to startle persons conserva-

tively inclined. A feeling has again grown up that there is no limit to the upward surge of Stock Exchange values. Day after day the story has been the same and spectacular and sensational advances have become a mere matter of routine. For over a year the object of Reserve policy has been to prevent the further absorption of bank credit in speculative channels. Has this been accomplished, or has this step of raising the rediscount rate—which step, by the way, should have been taken long ago—contributed in any way to bring such a result about? The answer is furnished in the course of brokers' loans, which have been recording new high totals, week after week, with only an occasional interruption to the expansion. The rate of expansion, indeed, has latterly been increasing.

It happened last week that the total of these brokers' loans—reflecting the liquidation on the Stock Exchange the previous week—showed a decrease of \$68,000,000, but how inconsequential this was appeared from the fact that it followed an uninterrupted increase for the seven weeks immediately preceding aggregating no less than \$676,000,000, leaving wholly out of consideration the huge preceding increases extending back for several years. Now comes this week's returns, showing that the expansion has already again been resumed, the week's addition to the total being no less than \$133,000,000, or nearly twice last week's decrease of \$68,000,000, and bringing the total, of course, to a new high record in all time. With this new addition of \$133,000,000, the grand total of these loans to brokers and dealers by the reporting member banks in New York City stands at \$6,085,000,000 August 21; a year ago, on August 22 1928, when the aggregate was already unduly large, the amount was nevertheless no more than \$4,201,000,000, accordingly showing an expansion during the past twelve months of \$1,884,000,000.

As to the money market itself, what has been its course since the raising of the rediscount rate to 6% by the New York Federal Reserve Bank<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>. If money had further tightened, the effect might have been to discourage further speculative commitments in the stock market, because of the increased carrying costs. As a matter of fact, however, the call loan situation—and borrowing on Stock Exchange account is carried on mainly by means of call loans—has actually eased considerably since the Reserve rate has been raised. In the early part of the week in which the action was taken the call loan charge was as high as 12%. Since the rate was raised, call loans have never been higher than 8%, much of the time have been no higher than 6%, or the same as the Federal Reserve rediscount rate. It may be said, indeed, that the gigantic strides taken by the stock market during the last two weeks

has been based in great part on this easing of the money situation, at least as far as the call loan branch of the market is concerned, on which the speculative fraternity mainly relies. At the same time, it is only too plainly evident that underlying factors in the money market have not changed in the slightest degree. This is evident from the fact that the rate for time loans on security collateral has during all this period not varied at all, but has remained at the high figure of  $8\frac{3}{4}@9\%$ . In other words, the effect of the rise in the Federal Reserve rate has been to create artificial ease in the call loan market.

It will be recalled that besides marking up its rediscount rate from 5% to 6%, the Reserve Bank at the same time reduced its buying rate for bankers' acceptances from  $5\frac{1}{4}\%$  to  $5\frac{1}{8}\%$ . Federal Reserve theory is that in this way, that is by granting a preferential rate on acceptances, the Reserve System is helping the mercantile community while withholding aid from the stock market. But does the scheme work in the way intended? Obviously not. We have already seen that stock speculation has not been arrested, that brokers' loans have continued to expand, and that call money rates have declined since the Reserve rate has been marked up, though, to be sure, there is no element of permanency in this latter. If the Reserve authorities think that buying acceptances affords no assistance to the stock market they are only deceiving themselves.

As previously explained in this column, when the Reserve Banks create a special market for acceptances they are releasing for other uses the funds which the member banks would have to employ in financing the mercantile community in the ordinary way. These other uses unfortunately are employing the funds referred to in making security loans for the benefit of the stock market. The volume of acceptances has lately been growing very rapidly, and the total outstanding runs far in excess of \$1,000,000,000. According to the American Acceptance Council, there was a further increase during July of \$13,649,559 in the outstanding volume of acceptances, raising the total on July 31 to \$1,126,698,805, which is \$148,834,879 in excess of the amount a year ago, when the total stood at \$977,863,926.

There is a double incentive to the member banks in creating acceptances. In the first place, the commission which is charged for accepting the bills of merchants is an important consideration. It constitutes a certain source of revenue and naturally the banks are anxious to get as much of this as possible. In the second place, there is the advantage already referred to that no funds of the banks are required for the purpose. Instead of advancing the merchant the money represented by his bill, the bank simply indorses its acceptance of the bill on the bill itself. The bill is then sold to the acceptance houses, which thereupon find a market for it or sell it to the Federal Reserve Banks. Up to the beginning of the present year it was the policy of the Federal Reserve Banks to buy all the acceptances that might be offered to them. But during the closing months of 1928 acceptances poured in on the Reserve Banks in such volume that a halt had to be called.

At the beginning of 1929 the Reserve Banks reversed their policy, and during the first six months of the present year virtually stopped buying bills, letting the old bills run off as they matured and

not replacing them with new bills, and they also stopped giving a preferential rate to acceptances, which practice has now again been resumed, the Reserve discount rate being 6% and the buying rate for acceptances only  $5\frac{1}{8}\%$ . There can be no doubt that if the Reserve Banks stand ready to take all acceptances that may be offered to them they will be accommodated in very liberal fashion, and the direct and immediate effect will be to place a corresponding amount of funds at the command of the security markets. This is so since, as already stated, the funds that would have been required to finance the merchants in the ordinary way will be available for other uses, which other uses, in this instance, happen to be the making of security loans on stock and bond collateral.

The benefits to the mercantile community are problematical, at least with acceptance rates as high as they are at present, and allowing for the additional charge imposed by the acceptance commission. This commission is usually  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 1%, which is at the rate of 1% per annum on a ninety-day bill and  $1\frac{1}{2}\%$  per annum on a sixty-day bill. This 1% must be added to the  $5\frac{1}{8}\%$  at which the Reserve Bank stands ready to discount the bills, making the cost to the merchant of his borrowings at least  $6\frac{1}{8}\%$  per annum, which is certainly not a low charge for accommodating the mercantile community! When acceptances could be discounted at low rates, say  $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ , the argument in favor of the acceptance was much stronger. It is to be noted that notwithstanding that the Federal Reserve Banks have reduced their buying rates for acceptances from  $5\frac{1}{4}\%$  to  $5\frac{1}{8}\%$ , the market rate for acceptances has this week actually advanced. This has not been done in the case of shorter maturities, that is, those for 30, 60 and 90 days, but it has been done in the case of the longer maturities. The Federal Reserve Banks usually buy 90 day bills, and in these there has been no change in market rates, which remain at  $5\frac{1}{4}\%$  bid and  $5\frac{1}{8}\%$  asked. For bills running 120 days where the rate was  $5\frac{3}{8}\%$  bid and  $5\frac{1}{8}\%$  asked, the asking rate has been raised to  $5\frac{1}{4}\%$ , and in the case of bills running for 150 days and 180 days, where the quotation was  $5\frac{3}{8}\%$  bid and  $5\frac{1}{8}\%$  asked, the bid rate has been raised  $\frac{1}{8}$  to  $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ , and the asked rate has been advanced  $\frac{1}{4}\%$  to  $5\frac{3}{8}\%$ . The acceptance market has again become congested, and while the Reserve Banks are once more adding to their acceptance holdings, they have not been buying in the open-handed way in which they did in the closing months of 1928. Still they held, on August 21, \$442,668,000 of acceptances for account of their foreign correspondents, and \$132,137,000 on their own account, making \$574,805,000 together.

As far as the stock market is concerned, while easing of the call loan rate always exercises a sentimentally favorable effect upon prices, the experience of the last twelve months goes to show that a bull speculation will proceed even when money rates rise to very high figures. The view entertained in that respect was well expressed in the review of Tuesday's stock market, which appeared in the "Wall Street Journal" on that day, where it was said: "While the stock market may have to pay fairly high rates for its accommodation, it has taken the attitude right along that it could afford to pay well for its funds so long as high earnings continued in the major branches of trade. With business assured of a plentiful supply of credit at reasonable



levels, the earnings factor appears safeguarded, and representative stocks are free to go ahead with the process of discounting the nation's notable prosperity." In other words, it is the "plentiful supply of credit" that is important rather than the price that has to be paid for it.

The feature of the returns of the Federal Reserve Banks the present week, as already indicated, is the further great increase disclosed in the total of brokers' loans. As noted further above, the total has risen in amount of no less than \$133,000,000, or nearly twice the decrease of \$68,000,000 shown the previous week, following upon the liquidation in the stock market caused by the temporary collapse which ensued in stock prices when the rediscount rate of the Federal Reserve Bank was so suddenly and unexpectedly raised on August 9. This new increase, too, comes after no less than \$676,000,000 increase in the seven weeks immediately preceding. With this further increase the grand total of these loans on securities to brokers and dealers by the reporting member banks in New York City is brought up to the figure of \$6,085,000,000. It is almost needless to say that this establishes another new high record in all time. Most unfortunate of all, the whole of this week's increase, and more, too, is found in the most objectionable class of these loans, namely those "for account of others," meaning corporations and large capitalists, and representing the loaning out of deposits against which no reserves are kept. These loans for account of others increased during the week almost \$200,000,000, the amount having risen from \$3,178,000,000 to \$3,372,000,000. This last amount constitutes, of course a new high record for the loans in that category. The loans made by these reporting member banks for their own account decreased during the week from \$965,000,000 to \$926,000,000, and the loans made for account of out-of-town banks also fell off, dropping from \$1,810,000,000 to \$1,787,000,000.

As to the statements of the Reserve Banks themselves, the changes are of the same character as in the weeks immediately preceding. Member bank borrowing has further slightly decreased, the discounts for these member banks having fallen from \$1,027,988,000 August 14 to \$986,378,000 August 21. The Reserve Banks, however, have further moderately enlarged their holdings of acceptances, the amount of these acceptances this week standing at \$132,137,000 as against \$117,885,000 a week ago. The total of the purchases for foreign correspondents is also somewhat larger at \$442,668,000 against \$441,924,000. However, the Reserve Banks have also reduced their holdings of United States Government securities, the amount of these the present week being \$148,607,000 against \$154,303,000 last week. The net result of these various changes is that the total of the holdings of bills and securities, representing the amount of reserve credit in use, is somewhat smaller this week than last week, standing at \$1,283,072,000 against \$1,310,826,000.

In the stock market speculation has continued to wax apace, and new high levels of prices have been established day by day, though on Thursday the market was slightly reactionary under the influence of sales to realize profits. The high-priced shares have again been prime favorites and the advances

in these may be said to have proceeded by leaps and bounds. United States Steel stock has again been a foremost leader, but there have been many others of the same kind in which the advances have been of phenomenal proportions. General Electric rose to above 400, Commercial Solvents to above 500, Allis Chalmers joined the 300 class, besides which numerous other instances of the same kind might be enumerated. The higher a stock sells the more buyers there appear to be for it. The spirit animating those buying these high-priced shares is illustrated in market comments that have appeared this week with reference to the rise in United States Steel shares. These comments tell us that "buying which carried steel into new high ground was of the same impressive character which has accompanied the advance since the stock crossed 200. Instead of taking profits, important interests were adding to their holdings, declaring that the major portion of the upswing in steel was still ahead. These people predicted that in the course of time steel would go up 5 to 10 points a day without attracting any more comment than is heard now when similar gains are made by stocks like General Electric and Westinghouse. It was figured that a 50-point move in steel at recently prevailing levels was about equal to a 10-point move in a stock selling around 50, and interests with substantial long-pull positions of steel were not inclined to disturb their holdings because of fears that the stock might be moving too fast."

But bullish manipulation has not been confined to the high-priced stocks. All through the list one group of share properties after another has been taken up and rapidly advanced. One day it would be the oil stocks, another day the motors, and the third day still other groups, while the steel shares under the leadership of United States Steel have moved upward in a continuous procession. Easier call loans have been a stimulating factor throughout. The reactionary tendency on Thursday followed, not alone because of selling to realize profits, but also because the market became somewhat hesitant pending the appearance (after the close of business) of the Federal Reserve figures of brokers' loans, which, it was feared, in view of the speculation which has been in progress, would show a further increase. These fears were realized when at the close of the day the Reserve figures appeared and showed a new increase of \$133,000,000. But this had no deterrent effect upon the market or upon the powerful forces behind it, and prices on Friday continued onward and upward.

Trading has again been on a large scale, but with a tendency of transactions to contract whenever, as on Thursday, the market became reactionary. On the New York Stock Exchange the sales at the half day session last Saturday were 2,227,250 shares; on Monday they were 3,975,550 shares; on Tuesday, 4,637,930 shares; on Wednesday, 4,716,530 shares; on Thursday, 3,436,200 shares, and on Friday, 4,794,820 shares. On the New York Curb Exchange the sales last Saturday were 1,304,500 shares; on Monday, 1,790,600 shares; on Tuesday, 2,035,700 shares; on Wednesday, 1,948,900 shares; on Thursday 1,682,500 shares, and on Friday, 2,023,100 shares.

It is needless to say that as compared with Friday of last week the record is again one of large and general advances in prices. United Aircraft & Transport closed yesterday at 137 against 134 on

Friday of last week; American Can at 180 against 177; United States Industrial Alcohol at 194 against 186; Commercial Solvents at 497 against 482; Corn Products at 106 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 97 $\frac{3}{8}$ ; Shattuck & Co. at 183 against 181; Columbia Graphophone at 64 $\frac{3}{4}$  against 64; Brooklyn Union Gas at 238 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 241; North American at 176 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 167 $\frac{3}{8}$ ; American Water Works at 148 against 146; Electric Power & Light at 75 against 75 $\frac{3}{8}$ ; Federal Light & Traction at 90 against 90 bid; Pacific Gas & Elec. at 86 against 76; Standard Gas & Elec. at 142 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 136 $\frac{5}{8}$ ; Consolidated Gas of New York at 175 $\frac{1}{2}$  against 179 $\frac{5}{8}$ ; Columbia Gas & Elec. at 92 $\frac{1}{2}$  against 93 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Public Service of N. J. at 119 $\frac{7}{8}$  against 117 $\frac{7}{8}$ ; International Harvester at 122 against 118 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Sears, Roebuck & Co. at 162 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 162 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; Montgomery Ward & Co. at 131 $\frac{3}{4}$  against 122; Woolworth at 99 $\frac{3}{8}$  against 89 $\frac{7}{8}$ ; Safeway Stores at 176 $\frac{7}{8}$  against 175 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Western Union Telegraph at 225 against 216 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Amer. Tel. & Tel. at 294 $\frac{1}{2}$  against 283 $\frac{1}{2}$  and Int. Tel. & Tel. at 138 $\frac{1}{2}$  against 117 $\frac{3}{8}$ .

Allied Chem. & Dye closed yesterday at 329 against 328 on Friday of last week; Davison Chemical at 48 $\frac{1}{2}$  against 48 $\frac{5}{8}$ ; E. I. du Pont de Nemours at 222 against 195; Radio Corporation at 96 against 85 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; General Elec. at 393 $\frac{1}{2}$  against 398 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; National Cash Register at 123 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 125 $\frac{3}{8}$ ; Wright Aeronautical at 137 against 132; International Nickel at 54 $\frac{3}{8}$  against 51 $\frac{1}{8}$ ; A. M. Byers at 133 $\frac{1}{8}$  against 129; Timken Roller Bearing at 104 $\frac{7}{8}$  against 103 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Warner Bros. Pictures at 61 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 61 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Mack Trucks at 99 $\frac{3}{8}$  against 96 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Yellow Truck & Coach at 37 $\frac{5}{8}$  against 36; National Dairy Products at 81 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 78 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; Johns-Manville at 203 against 192; National Bellas Hess at 41 $\frac{3}{4}$  against 40 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Associated Dry Goods at 48 $\frac{3}{4}$  against 48 $\frac{5}{8}$ ; Lambert Company at 137 $\frac{5}{8}$  against 137 $\frac{5}{8}$ ; Texas Gulf Sulphur at 72 $\frac{1}{2}$  against 74 $\frac{1}{2}$ , and Kolster Radio at 29 $\frac{7}{8}$  against 30 $\frac{3}{4}$ . The list of stocks which the present week have made new high records for the year is again a long one, it including, among others, the following:

## STOCKS MAKING NEW HIGH FOR YEAR.

<i>Railroads—</i>	General Electric
Baltimore & Ohio	Gillette Safety Razor
Chicago & North Western	Granite City Steel
Erie	Hershey Chocolate
N. Y. Central	Homestake Mining
N. Y. Chic. & St. Louis	Indian Refining
N. Y. New Haven & Hartford	Inland Steel
Norfolk & Western	Ingersoll Rand
Pennsylvania	Int. Tel. & Tel.
Pere Marquette	Kraft Cheese
Union Pacific	Nat. Power & Light
<i>Industrial &amp; Miscellaneous—</i>	Pacific Gas & Electric
Air Reduction	Packard Motor Car
Allis Chalmers	Pan-Amer. Petroleum & Trsnp'n
American Can	Paramount Famous Lasky
American European Securities	Philadelphia Co.
American & Foreign Power	Prairie Pipe Line
American Ice	Pub. Service Corp. of New Jersey
American International Corp.	Purity Bakeries
American Machine & Foundry	Republic Iron & Steel
American Telephone & Telegraph	Simmons Co.
American Tobacco	Simms Petroleum
American Water Works & Elec.	Southern Calif. Edison
Atlantic Gulf & W. J. S. S. Line	Sparks Withington
Auburn Automobile	Spencer Kellogg & Sons
Best & Co.	Standard Gas & Electric
Bethlehem Steel	Standard Oil of New Jersey
Brooklyn Union Gas	Standard Oil of New York
Columbian Carbon	Texas Corp.
Commercial Investment Trust	Union Carbide & Carbon
Commercial Solvents	U. S. Industrial Alcohol
Consolidated Gas (N. Y.)	U. S. Steel
Continental Can	Warner Bros. Pictures
Crucible Steel of America	Warren Bros.
Eastman Kodak	Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg.
E. I. du Pont de Nem	Woolworth Co.
First National Stores	Worthington P. & M.
Follansbee Bros.	Yale & Towne
General American Tank Car	Young Spring & Wire
General Asphalt	Youngstown Sheet & Tube

The steel shares have again been leaders in the upward movement and, as the foregoing shows, many of them have risen to new high figures for the year,

with U. S. Steel again especially conspicuous in that respect. Steel shares closed yesterday at 259 $\frac{3}{4}$  against 238 $\frac{5}{8}$  on Friday of last week; Bethlehem Steel at 139 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 125 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Republic Iron & Steel at 117 $\frac{1}{2}$  against 109 $\frac{5}{8}$ ; Ludlum Steel at 94 $\frac{3}{8}$  against 92 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; Youngstown Sheet & Tube at 166 against 154 $\frac{3}{4}$ . The motors have also come into prominence. General Motors closed yesterday at 73 $\frac{5}{8}$  against 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Nash Motors at 87 against 86 $\frac{7}{8}$ ; Chrysler at 73 $\frac{7}{8}$  against 72 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Packard Motors at 153 against 146; Hudson Motor Car at 84 $\frac{1}{8}$  against 83 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; Hupp Motors at 42 against 41 $\frac{5}{8}$ . In the rubber group Goodyear Tire & Rubber closed yesterday at 108 $\frac{1}{2}$  against 104 $\frac{5}{8}$  on Friday of last week; B. F. Goodrich at 73 against 73 $\frac{3}{8}$ ; United States Rubber at 46 $\frac{5}{8}$  against 45 $\frac{1}{2}$ , and the preferred at 71 against 71.

In the railroad list the high-priced stocks, with Atchison, Pennsylvania and New York Central in the forefront, have again led in the upward movement. Pennsylvania RR. rose to above 100 on rumors of a new stock allotment later in the year. As the shares have a par value of \$50, this is the same as 200 for a stock with a par value of \$100, like New York Central. Pennsylvania closed yesterday at 99 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 96 $\frac{5}{8}$  on Friday of last week; Atchison closed at 277 against 276 $\frac{3}{8}$ ; New York Central at 242 against 243 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Erie RR. at 86 $\frac{1}{8}$  against 87 $\frac{3}{8}$ ; Delaware & Hudson at 21 $\frac{7}{8}$  against 21 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Baltimore & Ohio at 137 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 137 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; New Haven at 123 against 123 $\frac{1}{8}$ ; Union Pacific at 283 $\frac{3}{4}$  against 287; Southern Pacific at 146 $\frac{3}{4}$  against 142; Missouri Pacific at 92 against 93 $\frac{7}{8}$ ; Kansas City Southern at 100 $\frac{3}{8}$  against 101 $\frac{1}{8}$ ; St. Louis-Southwestern at 99 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 101 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; St. Louis-San Francisco at 129 against 127 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Missouri-Kansas-Texas at 54 $\frac{7}{8}$  against 56; Rock Island at 138 against 136 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; Great Northern at 123 $\frac{1}{2}$  against 122, and Northern Pacific at 110 against 108 $\frac{5}{8}$ .

The copper group has also shown some revival of activity. Anaconda closed yesterday at 122 against 119 $\frac{1}{2}$  on Friday of last week; Greene-Cananea at 181 $\frac{7}{8}$  against 178 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Calumet & Hecla at 45 $\frac{3}{8}$  against 44 $\frac{7}{8}$ ; Andes Copper at 54 $\frac{5}{8}$  against 53 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Inspiration Copper at 44 $\frac{1}{2}$  against 45 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Calumet & Arizona at 129 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 128 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Granby Consolidated Copper at 79 against 78 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; American Smelting & Refining at 114 $\frac{1}{2}$  against 115, and U. S. Smelting & Ref. at 53 against 54.

The oil stocks have also continued active and strong under the leadership of Standard Oil of N. J., which closed yesterday at 72 $\frac{3}{4}$  against 70 $\frac{1}{2}$  on Friday of last week and 56 $\frac{3}{8}$  the previous Friday; Simms Petroleum closed yesterday at 38 against 37 $\frac{5}{8}$ ; Skelly Oil at 42 against 44 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; Atlantic Refining at 67 $\frac{5}{8}$  against 69 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; Pan American B at 65 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 64 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; Phillips Petroleum at 38 $\frac{1}{4}$  against 40 $\frac{3}{8}$ ; Texas Corporation at 70 $\frac{3}{8}$  against 65 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Richfields Oil at 43 against 43 $\frac{1}{8}$ ; Standard Oil of N. Y. at 46 $\frac{3}{8}$  against 43 $\frac{1}{8}$ , and Pure Oil at 27 against 27 $\frac{3}{4}$ .

Stock exchanges in the important European centers were firm in most sessions this week, although trading remained on a very limited scale. The markets were apparently disposed to place less emphasis than formerly on the uncertain developments in international finance. The conference of governments at The Hague made little progress in its efforts to place the Young plan of reparations payments in effect, but the impending adjournment of this gathering appears to have been discounted to some ex-



tent. Gold continued to move from London to Paris and Berlin, but in lesser amounts than in previous weeks. Two factors that contributed greatly to the greater cheerfulness were the improvement in sterling in relation to dollar exchange, and the unchanged discount rates at European centers.

The London Stock Exchange began the week with a firm tone, which extended to virtually the whole list. Gilt-edged securities were marked up slightly on improved investment demand. The most active section of the market was the oil group, which was up on favorable reports from the United States. The generally firm tone was well maintained Tuesday, gilt-edged stocks registering further slight gains notwithstanding the steady drain of gold. Home rails also were taken at moderate increases. The best performance, however, was staged by the International list, shares in this group rising steadily owing to the upward movement at New York. A degree of irregularity was noted in Wednesday's session at London, with gilt-edged securities dull on a loss of more than £1,000,000 gold by the Bank of England. Some of the international issues made further gains, but the volume of trading declined. With the Bank of England rate unchanged on Thursday, British funds were fairly firm. Some of the home rails were rather easy, however, and international stocks also suffered a set-back, occasioning much unevenness in the list. The volume of trading dropped to extremely low levels. A slightly firmer tendency was noted at London yesterday, with gilt-edged issues hardening perceptibly.

The Paris Bourse was steady at the opening Monday, although trading was very limited in volume. Disquieting reports from The Hague conference had little influence, reports said, and slow upward progress was made by most stocks. The transactions, however, were ascribed chiefly to professional operators. Trading was again limited on Tuesday, but the Bourse maintained its firmness and a good many stocks made slight advances. Electrical shares, motor stocks and steel shares were prominent in this movement. The general tendency remained firm Wednesday also, but the gains were less widely distributed. Bank stocks and foreign issues were sold, while French utilities and the industrials were in demand. Thursday's session was a very dull one on the Bourse, but most of the stocks remained firm. Interest was shown chiefly in coal mines and electrical stocks, both sections showing fair gains. The Paris market was again steady in yesterday's final sessions of the week.

The Berlin Boerse began the week with a pronounced depression, caused by the failure of the Frankfurter General Insurance Company. This organization found itself in difficulties owing to the financing of instalment selling. The general market was affected by the development and declines of 3 to 6 points were the rule. Nervousness on the Boerse was dispelled to some extent Tuesday by the announcement that several banks intended to support the Frankfurter Insurance Company to prevent greater losses. Speculators made covering purchases, and some fair gains were recorded. This improvement again gave way to depression in Wednesday's market, with weakness pronounced in almost all sections of the list. Pessimistic views were expressed on The Hague conference, and this contributed to the decline. After an irregular opening Thursday, the atmosphere improved and many

issues made slight progress. Trading also gained in volume, with mining shares the favorites. An irregular tendency again prevailed yesterday.

Progress was slow and halting this week at The Hague conference of governments, which began its deliberations Aug. 6 in an effort to sanction and place in operation the Young plan of German reparations payments. Efforts of the assembled diplomats were again directed toward an exploration of all possible avenues that might lead to satisfaction of the demands of Philip Snowden, Chancellor of the British Exchequer. Mr. Snowden startled the gathering at its very inception by strenuous objections to the distribution of the reparations payments and their division into postponable and non-postponable annuities. He demanded a restoration of the Spa percentages of payments, from which he declared the experts at Paris had deviated, and also requested an increase in the amount of non-postponable annuities allotted to Great Britain. Continuance of German payments in kind also was attacked by Mr. Snowden, who maintained that they worked to the great disadvantage of Britain in her struggle for world markets. These criticisms were voiced by the chief British delegate in a sharp and unfriendly manner, which all other delegations found highly objectionable. As a result the conference centered for a few days largely about the personality and the tactics of the British Chancellor. His demands, however, were placed on the plane of the highest authority by a supporting statement from Prime Minister MacDonald, made public early last week. The representatives of France, Belgium, Italy and Japan thereupon began an intensive study of the new scheme of reparations payments in an effort to find means of meeting the British claims.

A set of proposals was evolved on Aug. 15 and formally placed before the British delegation on the following day. The substance of the offer had been previously revealed and previously rejected by Mr. Snowden. A full exposition was nevertheless prepared by the delegates of the four powers committed to integral acceptance of the recommendations of the Experts' committee, and Premier Jaspar of Belgium handed the document to the British Chancellor at the latter's hotel in Scheveningen Aug. 16. The burden of this message was that Mr. Snowden had not taken into account the advantages England would obtain from the Young plan, and that when he demanded application of the Spa percentages to the total receipts from Germany, he overlooked the concessions obtained by the British experts at Paris. If these advantages are taken into account, it was contended, England would not be entitled to an additional 45,000,000 marks yearly, as maintained by Mr. Snowden. Much was made of the provision in the Young plan for closing of the accounts on sequestered German property, as against the previous obligation under the Treaty of Versailles and the London Agreement of 1925 for turning sums thus secured into a common pool. It was contended England profited to the extent of 500,000,000 marks in this manner, equivalent at 6% to an annuity of 30,000,000 marks. This computation, it was held, cuts the British claim for an additional 45,000,000 marks to 15,000,000 marks. Britain was further urged by the four powers to take into account sums that might be realized by continuing the Debt Re-

covery Act. The two items together, the note said, would easily equal the 45,000,000 marks annually claimed by Mr. Snowden.

After thus replying to the British contentions, several suggestions were put forward in the note of the four powers, designed to meet the claims of Mr. Snowden. The Young plan, it was pointed out, lays down a system for the use of German payments during the last five months of the Dawes plan, which will leave about 300,000,000 marks to be apportioned. Various claims are lodged against this, but the other creditors declared their willingness to agree to liberal arrangements in behalf of England. The note further said a constantly increasing amount of German payments would be liberated as the requirements of the Dawes plan loan became less. In 37 years this amount averages 58,000,000 marks annually, and this amount the others were willing to count for England, to be compensated by a corresponding decrease in her part of the conditional annuities. As for deliveries in kind, the four nations expressed their willingness to give assurances against re-exportation. This was all the four nations had to offer Britain," a Hague dispatch to the New York "Times" said. "It is obvious that to accept this point of view, Mr. Snowden must admit he did not know the Young plan, and it is evident that it really offers England only the balance of five months of Dawes plan payments, which might be calculated as meaning an annuity of ten to fifteen million marks." Mr. Snowden, after considering this note, again informed Premier Jaspar that the offer was insufficient. He added, however, that he was willing to discuss the points raised and to listen to any other offer that might be forthcoming.

A formal reply to the note of the four powers in which the contentions made were answered point by point was handed by Mr. Snowden to Premier Jaspar early last Saturday. In this note the British Chancellor reiterated his position that the distribution must be brought into line with the Spa percentages. No prospect was seen of meeting the British claims by internal shifts in the Young plan, and the announcement was further made that the British shortage on reconsideration is placed at 48,000,000 marks annually instead of 45,000,000 marks. Regarding the German payments during the last five months of the Dawes plan, Mr. Snowden replied that the best this can do is to reduce the British claims of 48,000,000 marks to 42,000,000 marks. In answer to the contention that England has profited relatively through the sale of sequestered German property, Mr. Snowden replied that on an exact accounting England, instead of having a surplus, would be entitled to receive a considerable sum. Treating again of the demand for more unconditional payments, Mr. Snowden said he could not reconcile France's receiving 500,000,000 marks out of the total of 580,000,000 marks with the promise made by former Premier Poincare to former Chancellor of the Exchequer Winston Churchill that France would seek no priority on mobilization rights and the French note to London confirming this agreement. The note concluded with the statement that the offer of the four powers was unacceptable, and could not seriously be considered by the British delegation as a basis for discussion. After digesting this reply, the delegates of the four nations proposed to the British that a meeting of experts be arranged to consider adaptation of the Young Plan

toward meeting the British demands. This proposal was accepted by the British Chancellor.

A further development of extreme importance in European affairs was made known at the conference on Monday of this week. The British Government, it was said, has definitely decided to begin the withdrawal of its 6,000 troops from occupied German territory in September and to complete the operation as soon as practicable, possibly by the end of this year. Moreover, the decision stands, regardless of the acceptance or non-acceptance of the Young Plan, a Hague dispatch to the New York "Times" said. "This brings yet another clash between London and Paris," the report added, "since the French do not intend to start evacuation until the Young Plan has gone into effect. Whether the British move will have the effect of pleasing the Germans and making trouble between Berlin and Paris may have been considered, since any government would consider the political effects of such an action." It was remarked that this decision by Britain adds to the irritation felt by France and other former Allied countries at the British criticisms of the Young Plan. "Certainly," the "Times" report stated, "the new development does not purify the already poisoned atmosphere at The Hague conference, which was called to liquidate the war and bring brotherly love to Europe. Although this ill-fated conference must adjourn, to be resumed after the League Assembly session, the prospect it faces is not bright."

With the conference apparently drifting toward a lame and inconclusive adjournment, Dr. Gustav Stresemann, Foreign Minister of Germany, made a vigorous assertion in behalf of the Reich delegation on Tuesday. In a letter to Premier Jaspar, who assumed the role of mediator in the conference, Dr. Stresemann requested a convocation of the six major powers whose financial experts, together with the unofficial American experts, formulated the Young Plan. The purpose of the meeting, the German Minister said, was to examine the situation, and the other powers readily agreed to his request. A further development of considerable importance Tuesday was a meeting between Premier Briand of France and Chancellor of the Exchequer Snowden, at the Japanese headquarters. This was the first meeting of the heads of the British and French delegations. "The two chiefs explained their respective positions at great length," a dispatch to the New York "Times" said. M. Briand, it was said, took the stand that any promises made by M. Poincare in respect to the Spa percentages were to be considered in the light of considerably higher annuities than those finally fixed in the Young Plan. Mr. Snowden maintained, however, that the Spa percentages must be restored and England given 48,000,000 marks more annually. Shortly after this meeting a joint communication was issued saying that M. Briand and Mr. Snowden had decided to make a careful study of the report of the experts on the monetary value of the offer made to Britain last week. The developments of the day were concluded by the issuance of a statement by Signor Masconi, of Italy, to American press correspondents, dealing with rumors about Italy's position and indicating in general that Italy is not willing to make further sacrifices.

Although the meeting of the six interested governments on Wednesday brought out little that was



new, it provided the means for a further clearing of the atmosphere. The meeting was preceded by a long private conference between M. Briand and Dr. Stresemann, concerning which no information was revealed. It was also preceded by an announcement of the financial experts of their inability to come to a formal agreement on the monetary value of the offer made to the British delegation by France, Belgium, Italy and Japan last week. The French delegation, however, formally notified the British that France would guarantee to offer an amount equal to 50% of the England demands. This message was sent to Mr. Snowden with a request for an early statement as to whether or not this compromise offer is acceptable. In the meeting of the six interested governments late Wednesday, Dr. Stresemann delivered a carefully prepared speech. He said that in the Young Plan, Germany had seen a definite arrangement and had made all preparations to meet, as from September 1, the payments provided in the Young Plan and not those of the Dawes Plan. Since it is provided in the Young Plan that payments should be counted from September 1, Dr. Stresemann asked that the Plan be regarded as in effect as of that date so far as German payments are concerned, leaving the creditor nations to settle among themselves their difficulties over the distribution of annuities. He could never induce the Germans, he said, to see that after September 1 they should continue to make the Dawes Plan payments. Continuing his plea, the German Minister asked the occupying powers to give Germany a firm undertaking to evacuate the Rhineland at a given date, or, at any rate, a pledge contingent on the adoption of the Young Plan.

These arguments were promptly answered for France by Premier Briand, who declared that his country was entirely loyal and had come to The Hague conference intending to put the Young Plan into operation and to make arrangements for the evacuation of the occupied territory in Germany. If England was not ready to accept the Young Plan, he declared, it was not the fault of France. M. Briand took the position, however, that he could not meet either of Dr. Stresemann's requests. Without assurance that the Young Plan would ever come in force, he stated, France would not agree that the only result of the financial debates of the conference should be reduction of German payments. On evacuation, he declared it was entirely impossible for him to go back to Paris without the Young Plan while having made concessions on withdrawal of troops from the Rhineland. Chancellor of the Exchequer Snowden spoke next, evidently embarrassed, reports said, by the great pressure which had been put upon him. He expressed regret that he had been blamed for the failure of the conference to make progress, but restated firmly that the position of England remained unaltered regarding the right of the Paris experts to change the Spa percentages. He demanded again that they be restored. Mr. Snowden said he did not see why he should be called an enemy of peace for supporting the just rights of his country. As for Dr. Stresemann's demands, Mr. Snowden supported M. Briand that the financial benefits for Germany should not begin to run until the Young Plan has been put into effect. The British position on evacuation had already been made known. Dr. Stresemann made a rejoinder in which he insisted that he was being placed in a position which would

cause the certain fall of the German Cabinet if he went back to Berlin empty-handed. An adjournment was taken owing to the lateness of the hour.

When the meeting was resumed Thursday morning it was decided, dispatches said, to make one more effort to meet the British demands, partly because of a slightly more conciliatory attitude on the part of Mr. Snowden. The British Chancellor let it be known that the French proposal to make a flat 50% offer on his demand for 48,000,000 marks would not be accepted. Accordingly, the French, Belgian, Italian and Japanese representatives came together again to consider ways of raising the amount. The new offer, it is indicated, is likely to be in the neighborhood of 75% of what the British ask, and the hope was expressed that it will result in British acceptance of the Young Plan in principle. By this means, a dispatch to the New York "Times" pointed out, the delegates hope to secure adjournment of the conference in a manner which would permit the experts to work during the next three or four weeks on technical problems of the Young Plan so the conference could resume in a month with better prospects. "The situation has now become such that the French and other creditors might give Mr. Snowden 48,000,000 marks annually if Britain would accept the Young Plan," the dispatch continued. "But Mr. Snowden will not do that because he has many other changes to ask, and so extremely complicated negotiations are under way to enable the French to know, if they engineer the deal, just what they will be buying." In their attempt to increase the sum offered Britain the delegates of the four powers called in the German experts to ascertain if the Reich would forego its claims on sums remaining in the five overlapping months of the Dawes and Young Plans. "The German official answer to this is not recorded," a report to the New York "Herald Tribune" said, "but the opinion in German circles here on the point can only be appreciated by those enjoying a comprehensive grasp of Teutonic profanity."

The British delegation at The Hague gave evidence Thursday of increasing sensitiveness to the enormous mass of sharp criticism of their attitude current on the Continent. A statement was issued by the British spokesman, saying: "It has been stated that the proposals of the British Government for revision of the distribution arrangements of the Young Plan is merely a pretext and that the real object is to prevent the creation of the Bank of International Settlements. There is, of course, no foundation for this rumor, and by this time it should be unnecessary to reiterate that the British claims in the financial sphere are based upon the elementary consideration of justice and good faith and that their satisfaction is the sine qua non of further progress. These claims are in no way connected with the bank scheme which, in the view of the British delegation, must be dealt with in due course on its merits. The British delegation, so far as they are concerned, have always viewed with the greatest sympathy the objective underlying the bank scheme and it is their hope that the proposed institution may contribute to closer co-operation among the central banks of the various countries in regard to such questions as control of credit and gold reserves. Such proposals as the British delegation may put forward will be directed toward promoting the usefulness of the bank in this sphere."

The new compromise proposal of France, Belgium, Italy and Japan was placed before the British delegation yesterday, but it was again turned down by Mr. Snowden as insufficient. The proposals were not in writing, but were communicated personally by Premier Jaspas of Belgium, a dispatch to the New York "Evening Post" said. According to information obtained in British circles at The Hague, they represented little advance on the previous offer, the report stated. Neither of the problems of unconditional annuities and of deliveries in kind were dealt with in the latest offer, it was indicated. Regarding deliveries in kind, the announcement was made that France and her Continental Allies will accept any decision reached by the British and German delegations. Although debate on these points continued, the opinion prevailed that the conference is due to adjourn within a very few days, as many of the diplomatists are to proceed to Geneva shortly for the September session of the League of Nations Assembly. A further meeting of the six interested governments is to take place this afternoon, and it appears likely that a plenary session will be held early next week to determine further steps.

Naval disarmament negotiations between Great Britain and the United States were carried a step further Monday, when Ambassador Charles G. Dawes resumed his discussions with Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald at the latter's home in Lossiemouth, Scotland. The American Ambassador journeyed to Scotland to acquaint Mr. MacDonald with the contents of a new important communication from Washington on the subject, it is understood. In response to persistent questioning by press correspondents, Mr. MacDonald issued a statement Tuesday in which he made it plain that the exchange of views concerned a Washington message which marks "a distinct advance in our conversations." He remarked that the problems under consideration are those of reconciling three positions which have hitherto baffled the representatives of both countries. These three positions, Mr. MacDonald said, are: "The American claims for parity, which we admit; the British necessities, which have no relation at all with American building but which are determined by our relations to and responsibilities in the rest of the world; the desire, common to both governments, to reduce armaments."

The Prime Minister stated that these questions have been discussed with great frankness, the very best of good-will, and an increasing understanding of the position of both sides. "Everything has been under review," he continued, "from the composition and effects of a yardstick to the function of police cruisers; and the composition of fleets, from first-class battleships to submarines, has been surveyed. Everything at the moment is tentative. It would only mislead the public if the trial suggestions and proposals were disclosed. We are examining everything that promises to be helpful. A good deal of hampering undergrowth has been cut away, and we are up against hard realities, with some very valuable agreements of a general character behind them. Both of us are now fully aware, however, that no agreement between us two can carry us very far unless the other powers agree, and this is the condition of all our work. A wide conference—say, a resumption of the Washington Conference before the date now fixed for it—is at the back of

our minds all the time." In the customary press conference in Washington, Tuesday, President Hoover stated that he was unable to make any announcement concerning the naval disarmament conferences going on between Prime Minister MacDonald and Ambassador Dawes. He added, however, that he hoped in the near future to be able to disclose the progress of the deliberations. The further statement was made at the White House Thursday that Prime Minister MacDonald of Great Britain would come to the United States about the middle of October to confer with President Hoover on the subject of naval armament curtailment. This was accepted as a virtual assurance of a general disarmament conference late this year or early in 1930.

Menacing gestures on the part of Russians and Chinese alike have again emphasized the serious situation produced in Manchuria by the Nanking Government's seizure on July 10 of the Chinese Eastern Railway after the arrest on propaganda charges of numerous Russian officials. Reports of border clashes have become more frequent and are admitted by both sides. Whether the regular forces of either nation have been engaged in these conflicts remains in doubt, the Russians maintaining that bodies of White Russians have crossed into Siberia and committed depredations. Soviet detachments are alleged to have crossed the frontier in their turn to destroy the "nests" of the White Russians. Mobilization of troops and their concentration at border points has continued in the meantime, Shanghai reports indicating that at least 100,000 additional Chinese soldiers are to be sent to Manchuria, while extensive Russian detachments are said already to be stretched along the border. One encouraging feature of the situation is the continued refusal of the Japanese Government to permit the Chinese to use the South Manchurian Railway for troop movements. This will delay the arrival of the Chinese brigades at border points for weeks, and thus make less likely any clash of large forces. State Department officials in Washington viewed the developments with increasing alarm, reports said, but continued to believe that formal declarations of war could be delayed and possibly avoided altogether by the influence of the world powers.

An official communication of the Chinese Government to the signatories of the Kellogg-Briand treaty for the renunciation of war as an instrument of national policy was made public Wednesday. In this note, the developments which led to the present impasse were reviewed from the Chinese viewpoint. The charges of Communist propaganda by the Russian railway officials in Manchuria were repeated at great length and it was declared that the Chinese Government is in possession of documentary proof of the claims. Notwithstanding the fact that the Soviet Government holds undisputed title to the Chinese Eastern Railway, the Nanking Government's note accuses the Soviet of plans "to organize secret forces for destroying the Chinese Eastern Railway, and to carry out a policy of wholesale assassinations and thereby bring about a world-wide revolution." The note concluded with the statement that China "is ready at any time within the limits of possibility to discuss and settle with the Soviet Government the disputes induced by a misrepresentation of facts on the part of the Soviet Government." Through diplomatic channels reports



reached Washington Thursday stating that Russia has sent a memorandum to the Nationalist and Manchurian Governments of China demanding the immediate disarming of Russian White Guard troops, which were alleged to have raided Soviet territory. Some credence was given Wednesday to a statement cabled to the "Daily Mail" of London by its Far Eastern correspondent, saying that Russia has completed plans for a punitive expedition into Chinese territory. According to this report, the Russians aim to take Harbin, the most important interior city in Manchuria. An official declaration of war was declared unlikely.

Announcement made by the State Department in Washington, Monday, of the appointment of Senator Walter E. Edge of New Jersey as United States Ambassador to France, to succeed the late Myron T. Herrick. Rumors of Mr. Edge's appointment to the Paris post had been current for some time, but they could not be confirmed from official sources. It is now made clear in the State Department announcement that the French Government has already been consulted regarding Senator Edge and has given assurance that he is *persona grata*. Washington dispatches of Monday stated that the nomination of the senior Senator from New Jersey for the second most important American diplomatic post will go to the Senate early in the Fall and that Mr. Edge will probably proceed to Paris to take up his new duties shortly after the Senate votes confirmation. In the meantime, Norman Armour, the American Charge d'Affaires, will continue to represent the United States in Paris. Senator Edge, who is a former Governor of New Jersey, is 55 years old and is now serving his second term as United States Senator. He was engaged in business in Paris for a number of years prior to the war, dividing his time between France and the United States. In an Associated Press report on Monday from Paris it is remarked that one of the principal tasks of the new Ambassador will be to continue work on plans for a Paris building where all American official missions will be gathered under one roof near the Place de la Concorde. "The general feeling is," the dispatch adds, "that Senator Edge comes to France at a most propitious time to develop international friendship now that the delicate debt question has been settled."

Military unity among the Little Entente countries of Czechoslovakia, Rumania and Yugoslavia has been effected through a secret treaty concluded at the last conference of these governments at Belgrade, according to a Prague journal which is the recognized mouthpiece of Dr. Edouard Benes, Foreign Minister of Czechoslovakia and founder of the Little Entente. It is stated in a Prague report of Tuesday to the New York "Times" that the actual provisions of the treaty remain closely guarded. "But it can be revealed," the dispatch adds, "that it establishes an agreed military unity between the Little Entente countries and thus raises the status of the group to the level of a great power." The three countries are thus welded into a formidable military combination with a strength in army effectives of nearly 400,000 men. The territory represented by this new military power in Central Europe is 2,720,000 square miles, with a total population of 43,450,000. It is pointed out in the "Times" dispatch that Italy, with 40,000,000 people, has an

army, including Gendarmerie and the Fascist militia, of 329,000 men. The new military accord will be formally demonstrated in this year's Czechoslovakian maneuvers in Moravia, in which high officials of the Rumanian and Yugoslavian governments will participate. General Petain will view the maneuvers in behalf of the French Government, which is allied to all of the Little Entente nations. Regret was expressed in the Prague journal that details of this important treaty must not be disclosed to the German and Slovakian members of the Cabinet. A warning was given at the same time that participation in the Government compels their unconditional loyalty to the State. A lame denial of its own story was made by the Prague journal Wednesday, but this, a dispatch to the New York "Times" said, "failed to convince public opinion that the newspaper officially listed as the organ of the National Socialist Party, of which Foreign Minister Benes is the leading figure, would make such a detailed announcement with nothing to base it on."

A settlement of the Gran Chaco boundary dispute between Paraguay and Bolivia will probably be reached before the expiration on September 13 of the life of the Inter-American Commission on Conciliation, which has been sitting in Washington. The Commission was formed after border clashes gave the dispute a menacing aspect late last year, each country charging the other with aggression while ordering mobilization of all military forces. It is indicated in a Washington report to the New York "Times" that the Commission has under consideration the drawing of a line of demarcation from Port Leda on the Paraguay River, to El Hito on the Pilcomayo River. This would give to Bolivia territory on the upper Paraguay River, hitherto claimed by Paraguay and extending to Fort Galpin, about 150 kilometers beyond the proposed line. As a compensation, it would give to Paraguay certain territory to the west which heretofore has been in dispute. The location of the line was determined largely by a report submitted by an official of the State Department, covering in detail a description of the land, rivers, existing ports, economic potentialities of the region, population, military posts and a discussion of the comparative economic interests of Paraguay and Bolivia, as already established. This report shows that Bolivia has in the Chaco no established interests of appreciable importance aside from those pertaining to Bolivian settlements on the border, while Paraguay has very considerable interests, including cattle raising and agriculture. The area of the disputed territory is given as 97,938 square kilometers, while the population, almost exclusively Indian, is estimated at 30,000 to 35,000.

There have been no changes this week in the discount rates of any of the central banks of Europe. Rates continue at 7½% in Germany; at 7% in Italy; at 5½% in Great Britain, Holland, Norway and Spain; 5% in Belgium and Denmark; 4½% in Sweden; and 3½% in France and Switzerland. London open market discounts for short bills are 5 7-16% against 5 3/8@5 7-16% on Friday of last week, and 5½% for long bills the same as on the previous Friday. Money on call in London yesterday was 4%. At Paris open market discounts remain at 3½%, and in Switzerland at 3¼%.

The Bank of England made no change in its rate of discount on Thursday. The Bank's statement for the week ended Aug. 21 shows a decrease in gold bullion of £2,485,931, but as this was attended by a decrease of £5,148,000 in note circulation reserves increased £2,662,000. Public deposits expanded £11,287,000, while other deposits contracted £8,902,229. The latter is made up of bankers' accounts, which decreased £8,650,846, and of other accounts, which decreased £251,383. The reserve ratio is now 27.71%, against 25.99% last week and 22.41% the week previous. A year ago the ratio was 52.10%. The Bank now holds £138,202,004 of gold as compared with £174,823,209 a year ago. Loans on Government securities decreased £2,375,000 and those on other securities increased £2,150,837. The latter item consists of discounts and advances, which have declined £1,356,255, and of securities which have increased £3,507,092. Below we give a comparison of the various items for the past five years:

## BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	1929. Aug. 21.	1928. Aug. 23.	1927. Aug. 24.	1926. Aug. 25.	1925. Aug. 26.
	£	£	£	£	£
Circulation.....	365,443,000	134,919,000	136,429,755	140,271,005	144,266,870
Public deposits.....	26,286,000	15,611,000	17,424,169	26,116,116	21,812,962
Other deposits.....	91,888,000	97,893,000	102,737,468	102,057,104	104,218,070
Bankers' accounts.....	55,850,949	-----	-----	-----	-----
Other accounts.....	36,037,051	-----	-----	-----	-----
Government securities	71,066,855	27,969,000	55,421,999	38,773,589	35,414,033
Other securities.....	32,570,202	45,093,000	48,140,304	73,313,855	70,114,076
Disct. & advances.....	3,832,387	-----	-----	-----	-----
Securities.....	28,737,815	-----	-----	-----	-----
Reserve notes & coin	32,757,000	59,653,000	34,812,468	34,284,509	38,677,352
Coin and bullion.....	138,202,004	174,823,209	151,492,223	154,805,514	163,194,222
Proportion of reserve to liabilities.....	27.71%	52.10%	28.97%	26.75%	30 3/4%
Bank rate.....	5 1/4%	4 3/4%	4 3/4%	5%	4 1/4%

a On Nov. 29 1928 the fiduciary currency was amalgamated with Bank of England note issues, adding at that time £234,199,000 to the amount of Bank of England notes outstanding.

The Bank of France statement for the week ended Aug. 17 1929 shows a gain in gold holdings of 3,700,724 francs. The total gold held now amounts to 38,476,161,987 francs compared with 38,472,461,263 francs last week and 38,109,644,344 francs two weeks ago. Credit balances abroad decreased 20,000,000 francs and bills bought abroad increased 13,000,000 francs. Note circulation contracted 325,000,000 francs reducing the amount outstanding to 64,691,256,725 francs. A decrease was shown in creditor current accounts of 210,000,000 francs, in French commercial bills discounted of 1,010,000 francs, and in advances against securities of 3,000,000 francs. Below we give a comparison of the various items for the past three weeks:

## BANK OF FRANCE'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Changes		Status as of	
	for Week.	Aug. 17 1929.	Aug. 10 1929.	Aug. 3 1929.
	Francs.	Francs.	Francs.	Francs.
Gold holdings.....Inc.	3,700,724	38,476,161,987	38,472,461,263	38,109,644,344
Credit bals. abr'd. Dec.	20,000,000	7,264,293,083	7,284,293,083	7,302,293,083
French commercial bills discounted. Dec.	1,010,000	8,496,832,280	8,497,842,280	8,092,842,280
Bills bought abr'd. Inc.	13,000,000	18,522,532,307	18,509,532,307	18,499,532,307
Adv. agt. secur. Dec.	3,000,000	2,440,409,970	2,443,409,970	2,518,409,970
Note circulation...Dec.	325,000,000	64,691,256,725	65,016,256,725	65,679,256,725
Cred. curr. acct. Dec.	210,000,000	19,476,463,404	19,686,463,404	18,681,463,404

In its statement for the second week of August, the Bank of Germany shows an increase in gold and bullion of 1,946,000 marks raising the total of the item up to 2,150,264,000 marks, as compared with 2,240,915,000 marks the corresponding week last year. Reserve in foreign currency contracted 28,062,000 marks and notes on other German banks increased 4,727,000 marks. Notes in circulation showed another decrease, this time of 180,406,000 marks. This reduces the total of notes outstanding to 4,291,803,000 marks, as against 4,134,369,000 marks last year and 3,592,437,000 marks two years ago. Deposits abroad

remain unchanged. Silver and other coin increased 10,347,000 marks and advances 41,962,000 marks. A contraction of 232,192,000 marks was shown in bills of exchange and checks and of 12,196,000 marks in other assets, while investments remain unchanged at 92,744,000 marks. A decrease was shown in other daily maturing obligations of 37,673,000 marks and an increase in other liabilities of 4,611,000 marks. Below is furnished a comparison of the various items of the Bank's return for the past three years:

## REICHSBANK'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

Assets—	Changes for	Aug. 15 1929.	Aug. 15 1928.	Aug. 15 1927.
	Week.	Retchsmarks.	Retchsmarks.	Retchsmarks.
Gold and bullion.....Inc.	1,946,000	2,150,264,000	2,240,915,000	1,831,232,000
Of which depos. abr'd.	Unchanged	149,788,000	85,626,000	66,543,000
Res've in for'n curr. Dec.	28,062,000	308,661,000	217,003,000	168,590,000
Bills of exch. & checks Dec.	232,192,000	2,197,422,000	2,004,318,000	2,193,928,000
Silver and other coin...Inc.	10,347,000	134,347,000	103,180,000	89,642,000
Notes on oth. Ger. bks. Inc.	4,727,000	19,417,000	23,693,000	22,658,000
Advances.....Inc.	41,962,000	85,770,000	61,702,000	46,355,000
Investments.....	Unchanged	92,744,000	93,820,000	92,261,000
Other assets.....Dec.	12,196,000	545,683,000	572,286,000	505,434,000
Liabilities—				
Notes in circulation...Dec.	180,406,000	4,291,803,000	4,134,369,000	3,592,437,000
Oth. daily matur. obllg. Dec.	37,673,000	452,731,000	560,718,000	598,951,000
Other liabilities.....Inc.	4,611,000	343,438,000	236,492,000	394,431,000

Rates for money in the New York market have again been steady this week, the charge for both demand and time loans showing no substantial change from previous levels. Call loans on the Stock Exchange ruled at 7% all of Monday and Tuesday, with the tone gradually inclining toward ease. In the first session of the week, withdrawals by the banks amounted to approximately \$30,000,000 and this served to prevent an overflow into the unofficial street market. Offerings were more liberal Tuesday, and some transactions in the street market were fixed at 6 1/2%, or a 1/2% concession from the official figure. After renewing at 7% Wednesday, call loans dropped to 6% on the Stock Exchange, while in the street market some deals were made at 5 1/2%. Thursday's market was similar to that of the previous day in all respects, loans renewing at 7% and declining to 6% officially, while 5 1/2% was done "outside." A slightly firmer tendency again appeared yesterday, all transactions being at 7%, with no concessions from this figure reported in the street market. Withdrawals yesterday amounted to about \$20,000,000. Time money was quoted at 8 3/4 to 9% all week. Brokers loans against stock and bond collateral again surged upward to a new high figure in the report of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for the week ended Wednesday night. The increase was \$133,000,000. Gold movements through the port of New York for the same period consisted entirely of imports, receipts of \$4,992,000 being reported from England, while \$115,000 was received chiefly from Latin America.

Dealing in detail with the call loan rates on the Stock Exchange from day to day, all loans on Monday and Tuesday were at 7%, including renewals. On Wednesday and Thursday the renewal charge was again 7%, but on new loans there was a drop each day to 6%. On Friday all loans were at 7%, including renewals. Time money has continued inactive and without noteworthy movement, the quotation all week remaining at 8 3/4 @ 9% for all maturities from 30 days to six months. Commercial paper continues very quiet. Rates for names of choice character maturing in four to six months remain nominally at 6 @ 6 1/4%, while names less well known are 6 1/4 @ 6 1/2%, with New England mill paper quoted at 6 1/4%.



The market for prime bankers' acceptances has continued quiet, with offerings in excess of demand. Rates for the longer maturities were advanced on Wednesday. In the case of 120-day bills, the bid rate was left unchanged at  $5\frac{3}{8}\%$ , but the asked rate was raised from  $5\frac{1}{8}\%$  to  $5\frac{1}{4}\%$ , while in the case of 150 and 180-day bills the bid rate was advanced  $\frac{1}{8}$  to  $5\frac{1}{2}\%$  and the asked rate  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $5\frac{3}{8}\%$ . The posted rates of the American Acceptance Council are now  $5\frac{1}{4}\%$  bid and  $5\frac{1}{8}\%$  asked for bills running 30 days, and also for 60 to 90 days;  $5\frac{3}{8}\%$  bid and  $5\frac{1}{4}\%$  asked for 120 days and  $5\frac{1}{2}\%$  bid and  $5\frac{3}{8}\%$  asked for 150 and 180 days. The Acceptance Council no longer gives the rates for call loans secured by acceptances, the rates varying widely. Open market rates for acceptances have also been advanced for the longer maturities and are as below:

SPOT DELIVERY.

	—180 Days—		—150 Days—		—120 Days—	
	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.
Prime eligible bills.....	$5\frac{1}{4}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{1}{4}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{3}{8}$	$5\frac{1}{4}$
	—90 Days—		—60 Days—		—30 Days—	
	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.
Prime eligible bills.....	$5\frac{1}{4}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{1}{4}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{1}{4}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$

FOR DELIVERY WITHIN THIRTY DAYS.

Eligible member banks.....	$5\frac{1}{4}$ bid
Eligible non-member banks.....	$5\frac{1}{4}$ bid

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

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

Federal Reserve Bank.	Rate in Effect on Aug. 23.	Date Established.	Previous Rate.
Boston.....	5	July 19 1928	$4\frac{1}{2}$
New York.....	6	Aug 9 1929	5
Philadelphia.....	5	July 26 1928	$4\frac{1}{2}$
Cleveland.....	5	Aug. 1 1928	$4\frac{1}{2}$
Richmond.....	5	July 13 1928	$4\frac{1}{2}$
Atlanta.....	5	July 14 1928	$4\frac{1}{2}$
Chicago.....	5	July 11 1928	$4\frac{1}{2}$
St. Louis.....	5	July 19 1928	$4\frac{1}{2}$
Minneapolis.....	5	May 14 1929	$4\frac{1}{2}$
Kansas City.....	5	May 6 1929	$4\frac{1}{2}$
Dallas.....	5	Mar. 2 1929	$4\frac{1}{2}$
San Francisco.....	5	May 20 1929	$4\frac{1}{2}$

Sterling exchange continues under pressure, but on the whole shows very little change from a week ago, day-to-day quotations fluctuating narrowly at close to the export point for gold from London to New York. The range this week has been from 4.84 5-16 to  $4.84\frac{1}{2}$  for bankers' sight bills, the same as last week. The range for cable transfers has been from  $4.84\frac{3}{4}$  to  $4.84\frac{7}{8}$ , also the same as last week. The main features of the exchange situation differ in no respect from those operative during the past several weeks. London continues to lose gold. The high money rates at New York attract funds from abroad and the market is under a cloud of uncertainty as to the probable course which the Bank of England may take respecting the official discount rate. The London rate continues at  $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ . The market is expecting from Thursday to Thursday an advance in the rate. The impasse at the Hague conference adds uncertainty to the situation and the receipt in New York this week of \$4,992,000 gold from England does not improve the situation. The position of the Bank of England as indicated by the weekly statement issued on Thursday is of great interest to foreign exchange circles. As had been expected, bullion holdings of the bank showed a decline of £2,485,931 to £138,202,004. The bearish implications of this decline, however, were partly offset by a substantial decrease in

the note circulation, leaving the note ratio in relation to gold essentially unchanged around 37%. The banking position showed a slight improvement, as indicated by an increase in the proportion of banking reserves to deposit liabilities of 27.71% or over the ratio of 25.99% shown on the last statement. The outlook for a higher Bank of England rate of rediscount remains obscure.

The Bank is making strong efforts against high money rates which, it is believed in London, could not fail to react most unfavorably on British trade. Assurance has been given that provided there are no further large or sudden gold withdrawals from London the Bank rate will at least not be advanced for a few weeks to come. What would happen if the Hague conference should break up and the creditor powers scrap the Young plan is admittedly uncertain. There seems little doubt that the Bank of England authorities had such a possibility in view when the intimation was made recently that no immediate advance in the Bank rate was contemplated, for no assurance was given that the rate would not be raised a little later. While the steady depletion of the metal stock clearly indicates the necessity of a higher rate of discount if traditional policy is to be followed, there are undoubtedly political and diplomatic reasons connected with the Hague conference and the position at home of the Labor party which makes an unchanged rate desirable. Many traders point to the autumn of 1927, however, when sterling showed a substantial recovery over the levels of the summer months, as an argument that the financial situation may possibly correct itself now without the necessity for an increased rate. It must be recalled that exchange normally favors London in the summer and is against sterling from August to the close of the year. Money rates in New York have eased off decidedly during the week. Should this easing of call money prove in any way permanent, the exchange situation might of course show improvement. The gold movement from London to Paris and Berlin has been resumed owing to the advance of French francs and German marks with respect to sterling. It was thought a week ago that this movement had come to an end, and its resumption is viewed with some anxiety in London. The receipt at New York of \$4,992,000 compares with expected receipts of approximately \$7,500,000. It would seem that approximately \$2,500,000 which had been engaged more than a week ago for New York has been cancelled in deference to London banking opinion.

Present gold holdings of the Bank of England, £138,202,004, compare with holdings a year ago of £174,823,209. On Saturday the Bank of England sold £309,830 in gold bars and exported £2,000 in sovereigns. It was reported in the London bullion market that this gold bullion shipment was to Germany. On Monday the bank sold £1,711,536 in gold bars. London dispatches relating to this sale indicated that £1,000,000 was taken for shipment to Paris and that the greater part of the remainder was consigned to Berlin. On Tuesday the Bank bought £646,197 and sold £399,278 in gold bars, and exported £3,000 in sovereigns. On Wednesday the Bank sold £1,000,000 in gold bars. The bullion market in London credited £900,000 of this as a French shipment and the balance as having been taken by Germany. The Bank bought £100,000 from an unknown source. On Thursday the Bank

sold £201,005 in gold bars and bought £1,646 in foreign gold coin. The London bullion market reported practically all the gold bars as for France. On Friday £100,000 was taken from the Bank for shipment to France. On Thursday news reached London of a shipment of £1,000,000 gold from Australia to London. Next week £540,000 in gold bars will be available in the open market and the following week £337,000 in bars and £750,000 in sovereigns will be available. A further £450,000 in sovereigns is expected from Argentina next week.

At the Port of New York the gold movement for the week Aug. 15 to Aug. 21 inclusive, as reported by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, consisted of imports of \$5,107,000, of which \$4,992,000 came from England and \$115,000 chiefly from Latin America. There were no gold exports and there was no change in gold earmarked for foreign account. In tabular form the gold movement at the Port of New York for the week ended Aug. 21, as reported by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, was as follows:

GOLD MOVEMENT AT NEW YORK, AUG. 15-21, INCLUSIVE.

<i>Imports.</i>	<i>Exports.</i>
\$4,992,000 from England. 115,000 chiefly from Latin America.	None.
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\$5,107,000 total.	
<i>Net Change in Gold Earmarked for Foreign Account.</i>	
None.	

Canadian exchange continues at a discount. On Saturday last Montreal funds were at 11-16 of 1% discount; on Monday at 21-32; on Tuesday at 21-32; on Wednesday at 9-16; on Thursday at 9-16, and on Friday at  $\frac{5}{8}\%$ . The improvement in Montreal funds as the week progressed was attributed in part to the easing in the call money market at New York.

Referring to day-to-day rates sterling exchange on Saturday last was steady around the gold export point in the usual quiet half-holiday market. Bankers' sight was 4.84 5-16@4.84 7-16; cable transfers, 4.84  $\frac{3}{4}$ . On Monday the market was firmer. The range was 4.84 5-16@4.84 7-16 for bankers' sight and 4.84  $\frac{3}{4}$ @4.84 13-16 for cable transfers. On Tuesday the tone of the market was irregular, but again firm. Bankers' sight was 4.84 5-16@4.84 7-16; cable transfers, 4.84 25-32@4.84 13-16. On Wednesday the undertone was steady and inclined to firmness. The range was 4.84 5-16@4.84  $\frac{1}{2}$  for bankers' sight and 4.84 13-16@4.84  $\frac{7}{8}$  for cable transfers. On Thursday the market was irregular. The range was 4.84 5-16@4.84  $\frac{1}{2}$  for bankers' sight and 4.84  $\frac{3}{4}$ @4.84 13-16 for cable transfers. On Friday the range was 4.84 5-16@4.84 7-16 for bankers' sight and 4.84  $\frac{3}{4}$ @4.84 13-16 for cable transfers. Closing quotations on Friday were 4.84 7-16 for demand and 4.84 13-16 for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at 4.84  $\frac{1}{4}$ ; 60-day bills at 4.79  $\frac{3}{8}$ ; 90-day bills at 4.77  $\frac{1}{4}$ ; documents for payment (60 days) at 4.79  $\frac{3}{8}$ , and 7-day grain bills at 4.83 9-16. Cotton and grain for payment closed at 4.84  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

The Continental exchanges have been dull so far as trading in New York is concerned. French francs have been slightly easier, although the franc has again moved up materially with respect to sterling, and, as noted above, has resulted in large shipments of gold from London to Paris. The Bank of France statement for the week ended Aug. 17 showed an increase of 3,700,724 francs in gold holdings, the total standing at 38,476,161,987 francs. Recent Paris dispatches state that among other influences

arising from high money rates in New York is that the movement of capital between Europe and America is bound to be affected. During recent months the export of funds from Europe to America has been directly determined by the high rates for money in Wall Street. In general Paris believes that the rise in the official rediscount rate at New York is not expected to accelerate the westward movement of capital, but it is also thought that the rise in the New York bank rate will bring progressive tightening of the American money market resulting in further decrease in American subscriptions to foreign securities. Notwithstanding the large gold reserve of the Bank of France, there is some apprehension that the Bank will increase its rate of rediscount owing to the money tension in other markets. It is estimated that French deposits with New York banks have increased rapidly in recent weeks and that they now amount to probably not less than \$900,000,000.

German marks have been steady. As noted above, the position of the mark with respect to sterling resulted in considerable shipments of gold from London to Berlin. Demand for mark exchange here has been relatively quiet, although the most active of Continental exchanges. The flow of money from Europe to the New York security markets is of course largely responsible for the relative quietness in mark transactions. The Paris and Amsterdam markets are considered more important for Germany at the present time than either London or New York, Amsterdam and Paris supplying credit which under more normal money conditions would be sought in New York.

Italian lire have been steadier and firmer, largely, it is believed, as the outcome of Italian official operations which occur from time to time when the lira rate is inclined to show weakness as the result of normal exchange conditions. The minor Continental exchanges have been extremely dull and more or less nominally quoted in the New York market.

The London check rate on Paris closed at 123.87 on Friday of this week, against 123.84 on Friday of last week. In New York sight bills on the French centre finished at 3.91  $\frac{1}{8}$ , against 3.91  $\frac{1}{4}$  on Friday a week ago; cable transfers at 3.91  $\frac{3}{8}$ , against 3.91  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and commercial sight bills at 3.90  $\frac{7}{8}$ , against 3.91. Antwerp belgas finished at 13.89  $\frac{1}{2}$  for checks and at 13.90  $\frac{1}{4}$  for cable transfers, against 13.89  $\frac{1}{4}$  and 13.90  $\frac{1}{2}$  on Friday of last week. Final quotations for Berlin marks were 23.81 for checks and 23.82 for cable transfers, in comparison with 23.80  $\frac{3}{4}$  and 23.81  $\frac{3}{4}$  a week earlier. Italian lire closed at 5.22  $\frac{7}{8}$  for bankers' sight bills and at 5.23  $\frac{1}{8}$  for cable transfers, as against 5.22  $\frac{5}{8}$  and 5.22  $\frac{7}{8}$  on Friday of last week. Austrian schillings closed at 14  $\frac{1}{4}$  on Friday of this week, against 14.10 on Friday of last week. Exchange on Czechoslovakia finished at 2.96  $\frac{1}{8}$ , against 2.96  $\frac{1}{8}$ ; 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 at 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 continue dull. With the exception of Spanish pesetas the neutral exchanges have been inclined to move in sympathy with the sterling rate. Pesetas have continued the steady advance begun a few weeks ago when the official committee at Madrid decided upon firming operations to maintain the



unit over the vacation season, while the Spanish international fairs were playing so important a part in attracting tourist traffic to Spain. Holland guilders continue to show a weak undertone. This is due entirely to the heavy movement of Dutch funds to Germany and other markets where money rates are more attractive. Money rates in Amsterdam ranged from 1 to 2% above last year's level, but funds are in great abundance in the hands of large lenders, who take every possible opportunity to reap profit from London, Berlin, and New York, so that there is a greater demand for these units in Amsterdam than can be offset by normal transfers to Holland from foreign centres.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam finished on Friday at 40.04½, against 40.04½ on Friday of last week; cable transfers at 40.06½, against 40.06½, and commercial sight bills at 40.01, against 40.00. Swiss francs closed at 19.24 for bankers' sight bills and at 19.25 for cable transfers, in comparison with 19.22½ and 19.23½ a week earlier. Copenhagen checks finished at 26.61 and cable transfers at 26.62½, against 26.62 and 26.63½. Checks on Sweden closed at 26.77½ and cable transfers at 26.79, against 26.77½ and 26.79, while checks on Norway finished at 26.62 and cable transfers at 26.63½, against 26.61½ and 26.62½. Spanish pesetas closed at 14.71 for checks and at 14.72 for cable transfers, which compares with 14.65 and 14.66 a week earlier.

The South American exchanges continue steady, but for the most part have been extremely dull. Argentina continues to send gold to London. The peso should be firmer at this time, but for a renewal of strike difficulties at Rosario which burst out afresh this week. Argentine paper pesos closed on Friday at 41.98 for checks, as compared with 41.98 on Friday of last week, and at 42.03 for cable transfers, against 42.03. Brazilian milreis finished at 11.86 for checks and at 11.89 for cable transfers, against 11.86 and 11.89. Chilean exchange closed at 12.10 for checks and at 12.15 for cable transfers, against 12.10 and 12.15, and Peru at 3.98 for checks and at 3.99 for cable transfers, against 3.98 and 3.99.

The Far Eastern exchanges have been dull. The Chinese units show only slight changes from a week ago and seem not to have reflected in any way the more threatening situation between China and Russia. Japanese yen continue firm. There is continued confidence and optimism over the prospects for the yen and for the removal of the gold embargo by the Tokio Government at the earliest practical moment. It is believed that the lower tone in yen that has been at times in evidence this week is largely attributable to anxiety respecting the Manchurian situation as it develops between Russia and China, but it may also be ascribed to overbuying of yen during the past few weeks. Closing quotations for yen checks were 46½@46⅞, against 46.55@46 15-16 on Friday of last week. Hong Kong closed at 48 3-16@48½, against 48½@48 9-16; Shanghai at 58@58½, against 57¾@58; Manila at 49¾, against 50; Singapore at 56½@56¼, against 56½@56¼; Bombay at 36 3-16, against 36 1-16, and Calcutta at 36 3-16, against 36 1-16.

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 522 of the Tariff Act of 1922, the Federal Reserve Bank is now certifying daily to the Secretary of the Treasury the

buying rate for cable transfers in the different countries of the world. We give below a record for the week just past:

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES CERTIFIED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS TO TREASURY UNDER TARIFF ACTS OF 1922 AUG. 17 1929 TO AUG. 23 1929, INCLUSIVE.

Country and Monetary Unit.	Noon Buying Rate for Cable Transfers to New York Value in United States Money.					
	Aug. 17.	Aug. 19.	Aug. 20.	Aug. 21.	Aug. 22.	Aug. 23.
<b>EUROPE—</b>						
Austria, schilling	1.40754	1.40787	1.40769	1.40798	1.40737	1.40746
Belgium, belga	1.38992	1.38997	1.39000	1.38992	1.39008	1.38990
Bulgaria, lev	.007217	.007234	.007227	.007220	.007230	.007215
Czechoslovakia, krone	.029597	.029590	.029593	.029596	.029596	.029596
Denmark, krone	.266186	.266190	.266169	.266197	.266173	.266161
England, pound sterling	4.847187	4.847414	4.847574	4.848052	4.847484	4.847627
Finland, marka	.025156	.025151	.025145	.025147	.025150	.025151
France, franc	.039140	.039142	.039140	.039135	.039135	.039131
Germany, reichsmark	.238112	.238125	.238126	.238153	.238124	.238121
Greece, drachma	.012918	.012918	.012921	.012918	.012916	.012917
Holland, guilder	4.00603	4.00582	4.00575	4.00610	4.00586	4.00594
Hungary, pengo	.174332	.174389	.174425	.174373	.174419	.174403
Italy, lira	.052270	.052270	.052275	.052310	.052311	.052303
Norway, krone	.266256	.266261	.266247	.266275	.266255	.266255
Poland, zloty	.112105	.112181	.112181	.112108	.112183	.112105
Portugal, escudo	.044610	.044720	.044720	.044760	.044760	.044800
Rumania, leu	.005939	.005937	.005937	.005940	.005937	.005937
Spain, peseta	.146776	.146839	.146863	.146854	.147040	.147104
Sweden, krona	.267810	.267825	.267803	.267819	.267838	.267820
Switzerland, franc	.192323	.192330	.192332	.192363	.192422	.192476
Yugoslavia, dinar	.017558	.017559	.017555	.017565	.017559	.017557
<b>ASIA—</b>						
<b>China—</b>						
Chefoo tael	.599166	.599166	.599166	.599583	.599583	.600000
Hankow tael	.592500	.592187	.592500	.592812	.593437	.593750
Shanghai tael	.576785	.576785	.576964	.577142	.578035	.577928
Tientsin tael	.609166	.609583	.609583	.610000	.610000	.610833
Hong Kong dollar	.480625	.480267	.480535	.480535	.480625	.480446
Mexican dollar	.414166	.415000	.413333	.413958	.414375	.414791
Tientsin or Pelyang dollar	.415833	.416666	.416250	.417291	.417291	.417291
Yuan dollar	.412500	.413333	.412500	.413958	.413958	.413958
India, rupee	.359392	.359446	.359657	.359600	.359635	.359888
Japan, yen	.466053	.466400	.466992	.466784	.465828	.466178
Singapore (S. S.) dollar	.558750	.558583	.558583	.558583	.558583	.558583
<b>NORTH AMER.—</b>						
Canada, dollar	.992985	.992995	.993244	.994166	.994448	.993770
Cuba, peso	.999610	.999375	.999375	.999437	.999500	.999500
Mexico, peso	.488275	.487033	.487100	.487100	.486560	.485375
Newfoundland, dollar	.990279	.990156	.990593	.991561	.991781	.991031
<b>SOUTH AMER.—</b>						
Argentina, peso (gold)	.953940	.953404	.953858	.953915	.953639	.953687
Brazil, milreis	.118577	.118586	.118627	.118647	.118677	.118661
Chile, peso	.120463	.120605	.120607	.120611	.120606	.120607
Uruguay, peso	.984103	.983104	.984804	.983804	.984348	.984348
Colombia, peso	.963900	.963900	.963900	.963900	.963900	.963900

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, Aug. 17.	Monday, Aug. 19.	Tuesday, Aug. 20.	Wednesday, Aug. 21.	Thursday, Aug. 22.	Friday, Aug. 23.	Aggregate for Week.
\$ 155,000,000	\$ 114,000,000	\$ 170,000,000	\$ 161,000,000	\$ 147,000,000	\$ 156,000,000	\$ 903,000,000

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	Aug. 22 1929.			Aug. 23 1928.		
	Gold.	Silver.	Total.	Gold.	Silver.	Total.
England	138,202,004	—	138,202,004	174,823,209	—	174,823,209
France a	307,809,296	d	307,809,296	242,155,596	d	242,155,596
Germany b	107,513,200	c	994,600	108,507,800	c	994,600
Spain	102,569,000	28,760,000	131,329,000	104,337,000	28,099,000	132,436,000
Italy	55,793,000	—	55,793,000	53,261,000	—	53,261,000
Netherl'ds.	37,326,000	1,741,000	39,067,000	36,243,000	1,947,000	38,190,000
Nat. Belg.	28,932,000	1,270,000	30,202,000	22,950,000	1,249,000	24,199,000
Switzerl'd.	20,287,000	1,367,000	21,654,000	17,983,000	2,179,000	20,162,000
Sweden	12,971,000	—	12,971,000	12,776,000	—	12,776,000
Denmark	9,585,000	420,000	10,005,000	10,100,000	606,000	10,706,000
Norway	8,153,000	—	8,153,000	8,166,000	—	8,166,000
Total week	829,140,500	34,552,600	863,693,100	790,113,455	35,074,600	825,188,055
Prev. week	824,445,639	34,626,600	859,072,239	789,122,762	35,129,600	824,352,362

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 £7,489,400. c As of Oct. 7 1924. d Silver is now reported at only a trifling sum.

*Experts Versus Experts—The Hague Conference and the Young Committee.*

The conference at The Hague, if conference is the proper term to apply to a meeting at which a few spokesmen for half a dozen Powers do all the talking while the rest of the 158 delegates sit by and wait for something to happen, appears to have developed into a trial of strength between Great Britain on the one side and France, Belgium, Italy, Germany and Japan on the other, with no clear prospect as yet of an early agreement upon anything. Incidentally, however, the controversy that has been going on for the past three weeks has had the effect of putting the Young Plan on the defensive, and raising sharply a number of questions about the details as well as the larger provisions of the experts' report. The committee of financiers who spent nearly four arduous months at Paris working out a plan for settling the reparations issue was certainly an expert body, and it was doubtless expected that their report, bearing on its face the presumption of competence and impartiality, would be accepted by the interested Powers with no particularly important change. It should be remembered, on the other hand, that the delegates at The Hague are also, although in a different way, a body of experts, and the criticisms to which the Young Plan has been subjected, however roughly they may at times have been put, are obviously as much entitled to consideration as are the provisions of the Plan itself.

There is certainly something to be said, for example, for Mr. Snowden's contention that the Paris experts exceeded their authority in changing the Spa percentages. The published correspondence seems to show that the British and French Governments, at least, expected that the Spa schedule would be adhered to. The Spa Conference, it will be recalled, agreed that in the division of the reparations payments France should receive 52%, Great Britain 22%, Italy 10%, Belgium 8%, Greece, Rumania and Yugoslavia together 6½%, and Portugal and Japan each ¾ of 1%. The percentages of the annuities agreed upon by the Young committee were not, for some reason, included in the texts of the report cabled to this country, but they have now been given in a valuable bulletin on the Young Plan issued on August 21 by the Foreign Policy Association of New York. According to this bulletin, France is to receive, as its share of the proposed annuities over the whole period of fifty-nine years, 52.7%, the British Empire (not Great Britain alone) 20.6%, Italy 10.7%, Belgium 5.8%, Rumania 1%, Serbia 4.2%, Greece 4-10 of 1%, Portugal 7-10 of 1%, Japan 7/10 of 1%, and Poland 3/10 of 1%, the payments to Portugal and Japan ceasing after 37 years. Just why the Paris experts, who must be assumed to have known of the Spa agreement and its implied obligation, should have changed the percentages, and without calling attention to the change, we do not know, but their action gave Mr. Snowden an opportunity to assail the report at a point where the report itself appears to be vulnerable.

To what extent Mr. Snowden, in objecting also to the continuance for ten years of deliveries in kind, was influenced by the proposed ratio of distribution of the deliveries we do not know. The total amount of these deliveries, which scale down in the Young Plan from 750,000,000 marks in the

first year to 300,000,000 marks in the tenth, is not of very great importance in comparison with the other annuities, but it is interesting to compare the percentages proposed for the two classes of payments. Under the Young Plan, France would receive 54.45% of the deliveries in kind, Great Britain 23.05%, Italy 10%, Belgium 4.5%, Japan ¾ of 1%, Serbia 5%, Portugal ¾ of 1%, Rumania 1.1%, and Greece 4-10 of 1%. These figures seem to give some support to Mr. Snowden's contention that the continuance of deliveries in kind would be prejudicial to British trade.

The sensational announcement in the New York "World" on Wednesday, in a dispatch cabled by its London correspondent on Tuesday, that a "gigantic error" had been discovered in the Young Plan by which France would "actually receive \$25,000,000 yearly more than the Plan states she is to get," has not been officially confirmed, but the statement, if true, would not be the first example of expert work that turned out to be somewhat inexpert. According to the "World" correspondent, the computation of the annuities which France was to receive for the first 37 years was thought at Paris to give France £52,000,000 annually, whereas the amount it would actually receive is £57,000,000. The comment of the London "Evening News" that "it is not gratifying to know that the financial watchdogs of the nations have been raging together these many days amid shouts of 'Shylock' merely because some person or persons could not add" probably voices a reasonably large volume of British public opinion. One may suspect that the allegation has something to do with the report, cabled by the New York "Times" correspondent at The Hague on Wednesday, that "the French delegation formally notified the British that France would guarantee to offer an amount equal to 50% of the English demands" was an offer which Mr. Snowden was not prepared to accept.

Now that the offer has been made, however, it seems not improbable that strenuous efforts will be made to increase it, perhaps to the full measure of Mr. Snowden's demands. Another offer on Friday, said to represent some 75% of the British demands, was also refused by Mr. Snowden, but it nevertheless shows the direction in which discussion is moving. On the other hand, there will be much left to do even if this hurdle is surmounted. Mr. Snowden has not withdrawn his objections to deliveries in kind, nor abated his demand for half of the 160,000,000 marks of unconditional annuities that are left after allocating 500,000,000 marks to France, nor made clear how weighty his objections to the Bank for International Settlements are. Of these three remaining difficulties, the most serious, perhaps, is the Bank, and on that subject the events and discussions of the past few days have thrown additional light.

It is difficult to see that the Bank, in spite of the important functions assigned to it in the Young Plan, is necessarily an essential part of a reparations settlement. A careful reading of the expert's report fails to disclose any functions which the Bank is to perform in the handling of reparations that could not be equally well performed by the administrative machinery set up by the Dawes Plan. The collection of the German payments, their distribution among the creditor governments, the transfer of funds from Germany to other countries, the super-



vision of deliveries in kind, and of bond issues if some part of the debt is commercialized—all these, together with the elaborate accounting which they involve, are fully within the powers of the present Agent for Reparation Payments and the other officials associated with him. None of them imperatively requires a bank. It seems a legitimate conclusion, accordingly, that the primary purpose of the experts in proposing an international bank was very much less the mere financial convenience which such an institution would offer than the large general banking powers which the institution would enjoy. The experts themselves, in their report, do not hesitate to proclaim their hope that the Bank will eventually fill a large place in the field of international finance, exercise an important influence in the gold market, and take a hand in the development of world trade. It is possible that the experts, in proposing a bank, were primarily interested in facilitating the handling of reparations, but the bank plan itself, as outlined in the report, clearly envisages a super-bank with vast potential powers.

Recent dispatches from Europe afford significant indication of a growing volume of doubt, indeed of open criticism, about the Bank. Business circles in Germany, for example, were reported by the Berlin correspondent of the New York "Times" on August 16 as predicting that "if the Bank seeks to fulfill its function of fostering international trade it will become an instrument of national trade rivalry, and for that reason a country unimportant in itself and commercially neutral is preferred for the Bank's headquarters." Writers in German financial journals, the correspondent continues, welcome the Bank "as a suitable instrument for reparations collection, but condemn as useless or injurious the exercise of functions as a credit institution." Joseph Caillaux, a former French Minister of Finances, in a long article in the "Neue Zürcher Zeitung" (Switzerland), is reported as opposing strongly a bank "above the heads of the existing central banks in the principal capitals." Such a bank, he said in substance, "by concentrating the economic life of Europe, would suppress liberty and competition in trade and would be a costly experiment. . . . It would be undesirable that the assembly of bankers should administer the material lives of peoples above the heads of their governments." Professor T. E. Gregory of the University of London, speaking at the Williamstown Institute of Politics on Wednesday in favor of the Bank, admitted that if the Bank "were situated in any of the major money markets of the world except London he doubted if it would be allowed to operate without constant political pressure," characterized as "picturesque rather than accurate" the language used in the experts' report in describing the Bank plan, and rebutted the statement of the report that the ultimate purpose of the Bank was to provide additional facilities for international commerce and finance by remarking that "it is extremely difficult to find any such facilities which are now lacking."

The substantial fruits of The Hague discussions thus far are the announcement that British troops will begin evacuating the Rhineland on Sept. 1, and the further announcement on Wednesday that Belgian troops are preparing to leave the second Rhineland zone on Sept. 15. Neither of these steps pleases M. Briand, who has sought all along to continue some kind of foreign control of Germany, and

who was reported on Wednesday to have been informed by Marshal Petain, the head of the French army, that the Marshal "cannot accept the responsibility for moving the troops from the Rhineland in less than six months." Aside from this, the financial settlement still hangs in balance. The report that Prime Minister MacDonald had been summoned on Friday to an urgent conference on the question at London may mean that the conference has reached a crisis which requires some reconsideration of the British demands.

#### *Our National Income.*

For the Committee on Recent Economic Changes, of which President Hoover is Chairman, Professor Morris A. Copeland of Cornell University has estimated the total realized income in the United States for 1928 to be about \$89,000,000,000, or a per capita of about \$745. The money income, he calculates, is about \$81,000,000,000. But much depends upon the manner in which these alleged incomes are assembled. We are told that paper profits, profits from the sale of capital assets and the value of housewives' services are excluded. And at once the questions arise: Are paper profits, since they are in the nature of unrealized profits, profits at all, and are they income in the true sense of the word? And are profits from the sale of capital assets income that will recur in another year once the sale is made? And is there any possible way by which the value of the service in the home by the housewife can be ascertained?

There are, in like manner, factors in the making of the total national income that are included which are arbitrary, unreal, uncertain, and therefore the \$9 billions must be taken with a large grain of allowance, and considered only as a general estimate. But how proud we are of these colossal figures! A people with such an income is invincible. With such an income we are optimists, all. No wonder we are so prosperous! Optimism is the progenitor of prosperity. Business forges ahead, regardless of needs, upon so favorable a showing. Since 1914, despite the war, our national income has steadily increased. In 1914 it was only \$35,600,000,000; in 1919, \$65,900,000,000; in 1920, \$74,000,000,000; in 1921, \$63,400,000,000, and in 1922, \$65,900,000,000 (years of depression), and in 1923 back again to \$74,300,000,000; rising then steadily to \$89,000,000,000 in 1928. And, says Professor Copeland, "the prosperity of the past few years is shown in the rapid growth of national income since 1921. There is only a slight check in the growth of income in 1924."

But when we come to divide up the \$89,000,000,000 income of 1928, it does not look so big—it is only \$745 per capita. Since averages range from extreme to extreme, there must be many whose income is minus. And, of course, covering the whole population, this is unavoidably true. But considering only the earners of incomes, there is not room for universal joy in \$745 per capita. Incomes reduced to \$745 will not compare favorably with that of wage-earners who get twelve to fifteen dollars a day. But counting five incomes in a family of five, the result is more encouraging. Yet in thousands of such families there is but one income, *which is held down by the average*. On one such income there is no invitation to buy a new car each year; there is not much room for savings in the bank; sickness

amounts to a disaster; and the wolf of misfortune cannot be far away. Optimism is not born of \$745. Autosuggestion of 89 billions may make us all rich; unfortunately, we are not. And those who would "equalize" all incomes have a herculean task before them.

In this gigantic estimated income the "poor farmer" is not forgotten. A comment on the report tells us: "Over a thirteen-year period, the proportion of income going to agriculture has decreased 3%, Professor Copeland said, but he argued that this was partly due to increasing industrialization of the nation and partly due to a change in the relative remuneration of agriculture. In average current income, however, the survey indicated an apparent improvement in agriculture's position." Just why, may we interpose the question, do we consider anything in these estimates *but* "average current income"? In war-time in laying taxes we got into the habit of mingling profits and incomes. We went so far as to heavily tax what we called "excess profits." Slowly, as evidenced by the exclusions of this report, we are getting away from that custom. But in war-time, under the excess profits tax, if a man made a deal in real estate, in some instances, perhaps the only deal of the kind in his lifetime, we blithely considered his profit as income and took the most of it in taxes. By any rational definition, income is something that comes in in every year, in greater or less degree.

Our interests, as a people, in such a report as this must always be more in distribution than in the total amount of the national income. One of the first requirements must be an elimination of the overlapping of corporate and personal incomes. Until this is done the figures are of partial value. That there is such overlapping cannot be doubted. It would be an almost impossible task to separate them wholly. How can we arrive at the average personal income without this mountainous labor? How can we rightly gauge our income taxes without such rigid separation? And how can we find how prosperous a people is until we know the average income of all as individuals?

How can we separate earned and accrued incomes for purposes of taxation? Boasting over huge totals for the purpose of boosting business and for the purpose of creating optimism to sustain enterprise may easily lead us astray if we are not careful to state our premises carefully. There is already too much pride in our industrial condition as a field of personal opportunity. Over against income is outgo. Over against our incomes are our expenditures. What we spend is as important as what we earn.

The \$8,000,000,000 difference between what is conveniently called realized and cash income should give us pause. Counting the rent on an owned dwelling house as income is a dangerous proposition. It is not the equivalent of the house-value turned into money loaned. It may be one thing, or it may be another, according to circumstances. Perhaps it is not income at all until it *is* cash. There are pitfalls like this in all these estimates. We are never sure of the chickens until they are hatched. And, looked at from one viewpoint, it matters little to the individual what the national income may be. He is vitally interested in his personal income or in that of his business. Eighty-nine billion is a convenient slogan to promoters, but of itself it adds nothing to the income of the individual. Some of our huge

enterprises may be projected on the totality of the national income, but we do not fix salaries or wages upon it. Income is founded upon capital invested, energy applied, and service rendered. And as for taxation, any income tax will always be a tribute exacted upon ability and work.

"Increase in efficiency of management" and "improvement in processes of production" naturally augment income. But true income is not the accident of a year's effort and endeavor. It is the steady accretion of a steady business. According to the returns of this report there *has* been a fairly steady increase in the total national income for a period of years. And a time of depression, 1921-1922, seems to have had its usual effect. But since those years, have we not been living in a period of excessive prices, high wages, enlarged credits, almost unjustified optimism and general inflation? Can we reasonably expect the same proportional increase for the next ten years? These estimates and averages are to be taken with caution. Is it not strange that, save for the two years mentioned, the increase shown has occurred in an after-the-war period, when recuperation has compelled, or should have compelled, a form of restriction necessary to the payment of huge war debts and reorganization of business? Is income inflated as well as conditions and values?

#### ***Progress: and the Egotisms of the Intellect.***

At night, from the roof of a tall building in an ocean resort, huge projectors throw changing colored lights on the waves of the surf as they rise and roll and break in foam on the beaches nearby. It is a pleasing and beautiful sight. But the great deep in untroubled. The tides ebb and flow in ceaseless succession. And the forces which create the perpetual motion of the waves are the same as those which caused the poet to exclaim: "Break, break, break, on the cold gray rocks, O sea!" We find in this picture a simile for the efforts of man to control the action and life of mankind. Something, greater than the combined wisdom of all men, guides and shapes and fashions our human destiny.

And yet in our intellectual egotism we are little abashed by the thought. As the generations come and go, we find in the complications of endeavor and the exigencies of civilization food for all our science, philosophy, and art. We would control by means of economics, politics, government and business, the toil and thought, the comfort and happiness, of the peoples of earth. In our self-conscious efforts we think of our own people first. But in our dream-theories of progress we are coming to look upon the world as a unit, and we do not hesitate to project leagues and laws that circle the globe. But the formal processes of sustaining life remain the same and the generations appear and disappear without solving the age-old problems of peace and prosperity.

Focusing the glass of our investigation upon our own people, at the present moment, what do we see? The restless waves of ceaseless endeavor lighted by rainbow hues of inordinate confidence and theoretical promise! We essay to complete any task which the imagination and desire project upon the ocean of the future. We are submissive in nothing. We are reverent almost alone to our own powers. Economics and the natural law we strive to subvert by government and statutory laws. In and through politics we fashion government into a new



thing for new times. We worship the flaming ages of Progress and bow before the golden shrine of Prosperity. But the great deep of normal work for life-sustenance is unchanged; we must eat to live. Production, however it is complicated by wants and needs, however much it may change from era to era, is primal and indispensable. The one indefatigable law of life is labor. Yet even here in our intellectual egotism we would annihilate time and distance, multiply the hours and happiness of life by labor-saving machinery, and dream that through the industrial agencies we create we can fasten upon the future our own conceptions of love and joy. Contented in nothing, aspiring to all things, we gather our fruits before they are ripe.

It is a prosaic illustration, but an ever-current one, to point to the greed and gusto of national tariff walls as an example of artificial processes to produce prosperity. Herein is a contradiction we constantly ignore and seemingly cannot escape. Before our railroads are able to earn a sustaining rate we introduce flying machines to carry passengers and express. Through government we essay to help the farmer and compromise by helping him to help himself. We now propose to shape our banking laws not by the needs of credit but by the theories of politicians. In a hundred ways, carried forward by the enthusiasm of intellectual egotism, we would shape the life of the individual by the fancied needs of the masses. We raise up the shibboleth of "equalization" and imagine that the individual can be made more potent by robbing him of both initiative and enterprise. And in our associations and federations of the many into one, we refuse to recognize the supreme fact that in the freedom of the millions who toil and think and follow the integral law of their own being to produce there lies the universal law of a competition that levels and lightens and in the end becomes truly co-operative.

Now unless we can really change or annul the laws of nature, human and inanimate, we must be working at cross-purposes, and adding confusion to contradiction by ignoring them. And if this is true, we are brought back to simplicity of life and effort as our only sure and safe guide. So huge are our complexities that we are asking seriously, "Is our present civilization doomed to perish?" Have we foregone the spiritual in our mad rush into the material? Are we impoverishing the coming generations and sowing the seeds of subsequent wars by the huge debts with which we maintain the fever of our progress and gild the guerdon of our vaunted prosperity? Is science vanquishing religion? Is business, in its swollen bigness, becoming a balloon which some unforeseen circumstance may puncture and destroy all values? Is philosophy become the scorn of profligacy, spending substance in splendor or amusements and the vanity of spectacles and games? And why ask these questions unless progress is filled with doubt and the individual perishing in his own conceits?

How tremendous this problem of shaping the destiny of mankind! How impossible the task for any one race or people! Peace? Yes. Prosperity? True, if the right kind. The spiritual? That, when achieved, promises to be the only immutable! But the material is still the indispensable—a soul housed in a physical body; and mankind environed in a real world! What nation, what people, can write the horoscope of the future? Projecting the search-

light, the painted dream-light, of one nation or one people, upon the wavering shadows of the unknown will not solve the problem. Nor will assumed leadership through self-conscious intellectual opinion. All human plans that do not follow the divine plan, fail.

Behind, and in, and through, all the advance, there is a purpose—or there is nothing. Recognition is the great religion, the spiritual science. Governments are the creations of peoples; but they are unfitted to lead. Peoples are made up of individuals; but the only harmony of individuals lies in following the natural law. And this natural law consists in the freedom of men to so express the material and spiritual as to maintain the race and pass on the achievements, accomplishments, institutions and knowledge, wrought out of common lives and energies, to those who follow. Choice is the great prerogative. No one generation, or epoch, can prejudge another. As liberty may be smothered in law, so the future may be drowned in the present.

If we cannot express these things clearly, it is because we cannot see them clearly. And this is proof positive that the true advance lies in the mingling of effort and opinion in the masses; where, as the particles of water make up the mighty oceans, the toil and thought of countless individuals constitute, through example, the only reality and the only leadership. May not many of our processes of life, our inventions, our very institutions, become the scorn of to-morrow? Do we build that others may also build? Or, are we fastening upon generations unborn, governments, laws, social customs, political theories, business endeavors, that they may discard? In a word, are we preserving their individualism as well as our own? It is not a fair answer to say that we are following the only path open to us. The fact is we are thinking little, or not at all, of the conditions of future lives. We assume that what is best for us, what is our conception of the duties of life and living, is best for all time. We leave little to the future genius of the race when we stamp our own image on the coinage of the future. Not only do we borrow future labor to gratify our increasing vanity, but we prevent the orderly development, through individual freedom, of the masses that are to come.

It follows, if any conclusion can be drawn, that what we call "progress," our present conception of life (achievement and success), is not entirely warranted. When we pass beyond normal needs to gratify extravagant wants, we are reaching into the unknown. When we assume, as a nation or a people, world leadership, we are ignoring the orderly development of other peoples through the natural law that guides and controls, and we are sacrificing the liberties of the future to the laws of the present. Beyond continuous industry to satisfy normal needs, beyond frugal living that each generation may be sufficient unto itself, beyond thought and feeling, that love and fellowship and the spiritual may flower, beyond gratitude for the opportunity to live and learn, which is respect for the cause and worship of the "Other than Self" we may not rightly go. Not wealth, but the chance to work; not achievement, but the joy of achieving; not the material, however splendid and powerful, but that it is the mold of the spiritual; these are the things that rank highest, and leave the future free. As for the madness of pleasure, the trumpeting of the new, the

haste and rush to destroy time and space—these are but the foam that though iridescent with dreams falls back into the deep that lives forever!

### *Maturing Opinion at the Institute.*

As time advances interest and opinion are maturing if not crystallizing in the Williamstown Institute. In the select groups at the different Round Tables, despite the intelligence and matured opinions of the carefully chosen leaders, discussion increases, and when, in turn, opportunity comes to each leader to introduce his subject in the General Conference where the crowd gathers, interest is always keen. The leader summarizes his position, the meeting is thrown open, and the American freedom of speech has its way. The amiable temper and perfect goodwill of the Institute prevails, but debate is pressing and lacks nothing of conviction. Themes as diverse as the importance of statistics and the proposed Canadian St. Lawrence canal at one time, or the "bunk" of the Political Economy of Adam Smith and Stuart Mill and the iniquity of sending American capital abroad to-day, at another, evoke sharp questioning and eager, if not heated, discussion, prolonged afterwards and confirming President Garfield's repeated announcement that the aim of the Institute is discussion.

Dr. W. T. Foster in his Round Table, in discussing "Public Policies on Trade and Employment," emphasized the primary need of exact information which even now the Department of Labor does not possess. Basic facts as to employment and population we know, but not their connection. The larger business organizations both here and abroad are making great advance in gaining this as well as scientific knowledge, and statistics in all countries are under pressure. The next census report will contain much important information, and the Department of Commerce, following Mr. Hoover's direction, is doing much to aid the movement begun by business organizations to spread information of mutual value.

As yet the actual work is done only in four or five of the States. Governor Brewster of Maine told how his State is dealing with it. In its towns and cities where 1,000 or 1,500 men walked the streets, public State construction was at once begun with the best results, so good indeed that he had introduced the subject in the Convention of Governors recently held in New Orleans, and an Act was drawn to be presented to Congress. The chief problem is securing information; then of uniform methods, and to reach the mass of growing youth each year. The opposition is chiefly political from fear of local effort, but the State is committed to the policy of effective direct dealing with the problem. An exchange system of unemployment bureaus is now the great need, and, as he thinks, some system of unemployment insurance. Mr. Royal Meeker pointed out that Britain, Norway and Sweden, and to some extent Germany, are now doing this. It is recognized that statistical information must be limited to those who have been employed and are now unemployed.

An elaborate report is prepared by the Pollak Foundation for Economic Research, with which Dr. Foster is connected, which gives, in connection with a Draft Act to be presented to Congress, a complete account of the situation as it exists in every State of the Union. In the General Conference the question at once broadened in view of the great changes

that have followed the war. We have more industrial machinery and more wealth than ever, or even than we need. We face anew the old problem; production does not automatically control consumption, nor does the flow and diffusion of money keep pace with production. Must the older political economy be cast aside? Is it necessary or possible to change the whole system? Current explanations of the situation range from sun-spots to free trade. At once a new field for discussion opened, and schemes of many kinds were offered, with not a little even radical dissent. It was pointed out that \$6,000,000,000 worth of goods have been placed by new methods of selling and the introduction of partial payments. The chief need now is of conveniences of payment. Increased facility of consumption is now advanced by chain stores, cheap and rapid transportation both of consumers and of goods, and the integration of the whole system from the producer to the consumer, delivering the goods freely and at lowered cost.

The members of the British Cabinet, Messrs. Gregory and Young, dissented from Dr. Foster, in whole or in part, standing by the philosophy of Adam Smith and John Stuart Mill, and saying that England, with her settled convictions, could show many examples of successful advance. Dr. Foster stood his ground, holding that public works instituted by the State, as well as increased capital equipment, from whatever source capital can be had, are a community benefit and amount to advance payment to the people.

Dean Corbett of McGill University introduced from his Round Table on "Canadian-American Relations," Mr. L. R. Thomson, a consulting engineer and member of the Science Department of the same university, and modestly gave him all his time at the General Conference to present the important subject of the St. Lawrence waterway. With clearness and scientific accuracy, Mr. Thomson interested all. We can only report some of the salient facts. The United States is now the chief wheat producer, but Canada is the second largest exporter of agriculture in the world. The wheat area common to us both extends far into her Northwest and is much greater in the whole than any wheat area elsewhere. Its transport is of vital importance, and that to the Atlantic coast is chief. The present freight rate from Lake Superior to the East end of Lake Erie is 3 1/3c. a bushel, and thence to Montreal by shallow draught vessels 6c. If the deep draught vessels of the upper lakes could go to Montreal 3 2/3c. per bushel would be saved.

To provide a 27-foot waterway throughout, some \$840,000,000, apart from interest and amortization, would be required. Of this \$480,000,000 would be properly charged to power development, and met by sale of power. The remaining \$360,000,000 would be chargeable to the Canadian and American Governments, and a fair division would be two-thirds to the United States and one-third to Canada. The maintenance, interest and amortization cost of the Canadian third would be \$10,000,000 a year, and this would approximately be equalled by the saving on freight of Canadian origin normally to be moved to Montreal. He spoke largely from a Canadian standpoint to overcome his own country's opposition to a project which is urged by the United States, as the United States has now a disadvantage of 500 miles in transportation to the sea that waits to be overcome if it is to hold markets.



Many questions followed. The service of the Erie Canal with its 12-foot draught steadily diminishing was recognized as insignificant. \$25,000,000 would have to be added to the proposed cost to meet cost of harbor facilities, and altogether the project is unfair to the railways who are already doing the wheat business. An American plan of a deep canal going around Buffalo to Lake Ontario and again from Oswego to the Hudson, or some way to the ocean, might, when the need appeared, meet the situation. Reference was made to a book containing the report of the Brookings Organization of Washington to be presented to Congress addressed against efforts for a great sea trade to the West, contends that it would not support big vessels. Smaller canals and smaller boats might pay, but the Canadian plan would not, at least now.

Mr. Thomson replied that as a matter of fact the pressure on Canada to proceed is from interests in the United States, that Canada's work is going forward at her own expense, that the enlargement of the Welland Canal will be complete in a year and a half, and that of the two systems which embrace all her railways, one belongs to the State and consequently shares directly its interests, and the other, the Canadian Pacific, approves the new project, under the general conviction, which we may say is well established, that the railways will prosper as the country prospers.

It might be added that the General Conference given to the Round Table on "Politics and Trade," conducted by Dr. H. C. Howe, the chemist, of Washington, and at which he gave way at the opening to Mr. Matthew Woll, Vice-President of the American Federation of Labor, produced a strenuous attack upon bankers and capital, especially because of operations and investments abroad. When thousands are out of work, and the number is increasing, why should we send abroad millions of dollars or let down our barriers against foreigners or foreign goods? The Government will have to interfere; and more to the same effect. There was much interest and some applause. The two representatives of the British Labor Government present were called upon and were obliged to say that while they agreed in part, there was much they could not accept. Britain is successfully working out her corresponding difficulties, and does not want to make comparisons.

The conclusion obviously was that while America doubtless has room enough and apparently money enough for its people, though many are unemployed and the cost of living is high, it is not quite ready for a revolution, or even an appeal to the Government. Most of the money sent abroad through the banks and bankers is the people's money seeking profitable investment, the returns coming home for daily use; or it goes with a definite desire to aid other lands to better their heavily burdened condition and to share with us the growing prosperity which has such promise for all. Meanwhile it may be assumed that automobiles, radios, telephones, victrolas and even sewing machines and labor-saving devices of all kinds will continue to be seen in the homes of the people here, and in time in larger degree than to-day, abroad.

### **French Foreign Balances.**

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It is a well-known fact that the Bank of France and the French Treasury have balances abroad estimated at over

\$500,000,000. It is also well known that through these balances, which are held primarily in London and in New York, the Bank of France is in a position to draw gold from these centers whenever it desires, and that at the present time the London money market, and particularly the gold holdings of the Bank of England, have to a considerable extent been affected by the attitude of the Bank of France. In this connection the question may very well be asked how France was able to accumulate these balances abroad and how it is in a position not only to maintain but to increase them continuously. In order to find a proper answer to this question, one would have to make a very careful analysis of the French balance of payments during the past two years. Although figures on the French balance of payments are available, they are in most cases not accurate and to a large extent based on estimates.

In spite of this shortcoming, a study of the available official figures, coupled with general information, does nevertheless give an answer to the above-raised question. It is true that the balance of trade of France for the year 1928 showed a deficit of about 2,000,000,000 francs. It is equally true that the trade deficit during the first half of the present year has increased substantially, amounting for the past six months to about 5,300,000,000 francs. It should not be overlooked, however, that large as the excess of imports over exports may appear, the invisible receipts of France are far larger than the excess of imports.

France is receiving increasing amounts from Germany on reparations account, while settlement made with various debtor nations such as Rumania, Yugoslavia and others has increased the payments of principal and interest from these countries to France. Perhaps the greatest item in the French balance of payments at the present time is the receipts from tourists, which, according to the most conservative estimates, amount to hundreds of millions of dollars. The receipts from these invisible items by far exceed the trade deficit of France and the comparatively small annuities which France has to pay to the United States and Great Britain on account of inter-Allied debts. The inflow of these funds is to a considerable extent responsible for the ease of money prevailing in the Paris money market and is the chief source from which balances abroad are built up.

Under normal conditions France would have utilized these foreign balances for foreign investments. It is a well-known fact that the domestic demand for capital in France is comparatively small and that before the war a very large percentage of accumulated savings were invested abroad. At the present time, however, foreign investments by France in the form of publicly offered securities in the French markets are non-existent. The extent of participation of French industries in banks and foreign corporations is small as compared with the excess of receipts over debits in the country's balance of payment; hence, the accumulation of foreign balances and the power of France to draw gold from London and New York.

There is no evidence that the balance of payment of France will turn unfavorable. So long, however, as the French are hesitant about placing their funds abroad, and so long as French investors are unwilling to purchase foreign securities, there is no indication that the accumulation by France of balances abroad will stop. While this situation continues, both London and New York must be prepared to meet the demand for gold from France. While the gold holdings of the United States are sufficiently large to do so, the withdrawal of gold from England continues a real menace for the last-named country.

### **Capitalizing Management—Investment Trusts and Finance Companies.**

[Editorial in New York "Journal of Commerce" August 23.]

The financial world has been startled during the past few weeks by the creation of several new gigantic finance companies, some of them having initial assets of upwards of \$100,000,000. The stocks of these companies have been eagerly sought by the public, with the result that they often have a market quotation 50 to 200% higher than the liquidating value of their assets. There has thus been an apparent "creation of values" amounting to several hundred millions of dollars, so that the future operations of these companies will naturally have an important effect on the financial situation generally.

These big finance companies are being organized not by newcomers in the financial district or by obscure promoters, but by several of the largest investment banking houses in the country. Their boards of directors include a number of the best known names in American industry and finance. Therefore, it is to be presumed that the public is being solicited to place large amounts of capital into these companies for definite purposes which the organizers believe will prove profitable.

As a matter of fact, it is rather generally known that these finance companies are destined by those who control their destinies to play an important role in the corporate consolidation movement now getting under way. Several of them are more or less specialized in the public utility and railroad field. Others look to the general industrial field as their area of operations, while not a few expect to do their most effective work in banking and insurance. Thus the managements of these companies have in mind certain "deals" which will apparently prove profitable enough to make the present comparatively high selling prices of their stocks something more than fanciful valuations.

It may be asked just why the general public is willing to pay such vast sums in capitalizing the expected future earning power of these newly formed and unseasoned finance companies. The present situation brings to mind a discussion of the late Thorstein Veblen, written 25 years ago, in which he analyzed the willingness of the public to pay large amounts of money for the good will or intangible earning capacity of such newly formed combinations as United States Steel and American Can. Contrary to the opinion of the time, he believed that this intangible earning power was, under our present economic system, an item of great value, and fully entitled to a large specific market value. At the same time, he wondered why our great banking houses, which had achieved such confidence with the investing and trading public that they could float almost any security they sponsored, did not capitalize their own good will, which gave them vast earning power, by liberal issues of securities. Some believed this question was being asked in jest, but now, after a quarter of a century, it is being tried in real earnest.

More than half a century ago, the London market enjoyed its own finance company era, with many of the same features that characterize our own misnamed investment trust movement. About the same time a succession of finance companies in France operated along similar lines. The lesson of these rather unhappy experiences was that the finance companies tended to overextend their operations and fill their own portfolios with assets which could not be liquidated, so that with a change for the worse in the general business situation, they suffered heavily. It remains to be seen whether or not the men in control of the destinies of the finance company movement here can avoid these pitfalls.

### **Local Bankers "Surprised" by Federal Reserve Rate Boost in New York—Laugh Is On Local Reserve Directors as Wall Street Hears Story.**

[David A. Morrissey in "Evening World" for Aug. 17.]

Men close to the workings of the Federal Reserve are having a good, quiet laugh to-day as they tell how the rediscount rate was boosted here to 6% from 5%. And according to these stories the laugh is on the Directors of the local Federal Reserve Bank, mostly bankers.

According to the prevailing ideas of most men in the Street, the rate was raised after long and profound discussions on how the credit situation was getting ready to topple because of the increased demands on the part of buyers of securities and that something had to be done to save the situation. Comment has been made that Governor Young once made the statement that the rate would be raised only as a last resort. Naturally, the raising of the rate to 6% was considered by many to have been the result of finding no other means of checking speculation. The fact that the rise to 6% hasn't checked the market, though it may have checked speculation by making many traders fearful of a drying up of funds, lends the truth to the tale of how and why the increase was made.

As a matter of fact, the Federal Reserve Board in Washington is not disturbed very much over the credit situation at present and believes that time will work it out to the

satisfaction of the Board without in the meantime doing any harm to business. And the members of the Board were of that opinion when they received the request of the local Reserve Bank to increase the rate to 6%.

Now last week was not the first time the New York Reserve Bank had requested a 6% rate, pleading many dire evils if the rate were not increased. Previously it had been denied. The Board was against the boost. According to those who tell the story from an inside source, the Directors of the Reserve Bank here had no idea the request would be granted. But they sent it along as a matter of course to keep clear the record that they held a 6% rate was necessary. When the request was received again in Washington the members said in effect:

"Oh, here's that old request again. Well, why not let the New York Bank have a 6% rate? It can't do any harm, and, temporarily, it may do some good. Sure, let 'em have it, but they will have to go it alone."

And so, suddenly, and without warning, immediately after the market closed the announcement was made, and, according to the views of those who tell the story:

"You could have knocked the Directors of the Reserve Bank here over with a feather. They were so surprised."

That there had been no leak of the purpose of the Federal Reserve Board was shown by the fact that the market closed strong that Thursday afternoon.

It might be remarked also that "you could have knocked many traders over with a feather," too, and the next morning brokers' offices were piled high with orders to sell. The "wise" ones in the Street, however, feeling as the Federal Reserve Board in Washington felt, that the rise couldn't do any harm and might temporarily do some good, began to pick up the stock being thrown on the market. Except in a few stocks the break did not amount to more than 1 to 6 points in most stocks and all that and more has been recovered since that time, with about fifty or more stocks running into new high ground. The boost in the rate just scared a lot of weak holdings out of the market.

Now the rate boost so far seems to have worked out all right, so far as credit is concerned. It has brought money here and has made the call rate easier. But there is still a question in the minds of some money experts as to what will happen over next month. Some believe that the call money rate is easier not because of the 6% rediscount rate in itself, but because the higher rate has scared many margin holders out of their stock and the picking up of that stock by what is called "strong hands." "Strong hands" have been buying since the break and the weak ones, still scared, have been standing aloof. Hence, there has not been a big demand for funds and consequently the 7% rate has held.

The fact that money is being drawn here from outside of New York may cause a pinch in other districts and some of those other districts may be forced to raise their rediscount rates to hold their funds, just as it is believed Great Britain will have to jump up her rate to prevent the flow of gold here.

The question of the effect on Great Britain is also being discussed. Some maintain that there must be an understanding between the local Reserve Bank and the English Bank about credit here to prevent shipments of gold. The local bank could buy foreign acceptances and keep sterling above the shipping point.

If there be no such agreement and sterling is allowed to drop to a point where England will lose more gold to the United States, Wall Street money experts see in the move to boost the rediscount rate, somewhere, somehow, an attempt to put on the screws to force the British Labor Government into line on the Young Plan of reparations. This naturally will be denied on all sides, but if the rise in the rediscount rate allows sterling to drop and more gold is taken from England there will be those who will believe that Washington may have had a little more in mind than checking stock market credit.

The effect of the rise in the rediscount rate here will be interesting to watch from many angles.

### **Twin City (Minneapolis and St. Paul) Bankers Adopt Group Plan—Form Two Holding Companies to Acquire Control of Banks at Key Points.**

Charles B. Cheney in New York "Times," Sunday, Aug. 18.]

Group banking, so-called, is the new big business development in the Northwest. "Chain banking," its opponents



term it. Under whatever name it goes, the new system of bank organization is working economic changes already, and promises to be highly important and significant.

Backed by the resources of the three largest banks in the Twin Cities, two big holding companies are rapidly drawing within their control many of the strong banks at so-called "key points" in Minnesota and the two Dakotas. One of them is also reaching into Wisconsin, Iowa and Nebraska. The rapid growth of these two new organizations is challenging attention of the business world in the Northwest. It is a ruling topic of conversation.

Key towns, which have been growing at the expense of country villages, now find themselves more closely tied to Minneapolis. Their business men generally welcome the affiliation of small city banks with the powerful Twin City units, but doubts are raised as to the ultimate effect of the plan. There are fears that small towns and small business men will suffer restriction of credit, and that the large units will concentrate their loans more in the Twin Cities, Chicago and New York. Bearing in mind the competition of chain stores, independent bankers are wondering what is going to happen to them. Many of them are trying to get into the big tents. Some are unable, because their financial condition is held to be undesirable. Others, who prefer to keep their independence, are sounding alarms and appealing for support of the unit banks by their communities.

#### BRANCH BANKS ARE BANNED.

Branch banking is illegal in any of these States, and therefore is not permitted to National banks, except as they have been allowed to retain branches in existence when the McFadden law went into effect. Under that dispensation, the First National and the Northwestern National, the two overshadowing Minneapolis banks, each operates three branches in the city. Since the ban went on, they have acquired others through the stock ownership method, the Northwestern listing four and the First National three banks in Minneapolis as "affiliated." These accretions were the genesis of the group plan.

The first of the two big holding companies launched was the Northwest Bancorporation. Its key bank is the Northwestern National, which with its affiliated units in Minneapolis has resources of \$122,000,000. Banks in Fargo, N. D., and Mason City, Iowa, were with it in the opening announcement. The plan is a holding company with \$75,000,000 authorized capital, which acquires virtually all of the stock of each bank taken into the group, giving in exchange the stock of the corporation. The key bank is owned by the holding company the same as all the rest. Sales of \$10,580,000 in stock to the public have been authorized to provide working capital and reserve.

Already some thirty banks have been acquired and new ones are announced every few days. It is predicted that a hundred or more banks will be absorbed into the group by the end of the year. The plan lends itself to aggressive expansion tactics. Speculation has developed in the holding company stock, brought out at 50 and advanced rapidly to 100, then sagging somewhat.

The other holding company is the First Bank Stock Investment Company. It is owned jointly by the First National Bank of Minneapolis and the First National of St. Paul, the two largest banking units in the Twin Cities, with combined resources of \$275,000,000. Their plan is to buy outright, through the holding company, 51% of the stock of banks. The two key banks retain their independence, and between them own all the holding company stocks. Through this plan a score of banks in the three States have been brought into the group. The holding company has an authorized capital of \$50,000,000 and is expected to build up a big group organization, but as the two large banks have to put their own money into buying bank control their plan is not as flexible as the other, with its exchange of stock feature.

#### PLAN NOT WITHOUT CRITICS.

There are few outspoken critics of these plans, though small country bankers generally are believed to be hostile. It is generally conceded that a change is under way and new conditions are to prevail in banking in the Northwest. Some sort of change was inevitable, bankers agree. These States were especially hard hit by the recoil of the land boom and the depression in agriculture, leaving all banks with frozen assets. Since 1920, hundreds have suspended in the Ninth Federal Reserve District. It has been estimated that liquidations involve \$350,000,000 in deposits, of

which there will be about 15% recovery, and further loss of \$50,000,000 to bank stockholders.

There have been insistent demands for some better security to depositors. Bank guaranty laws have been advocated, but the failure of every system of the kind in other States has prevented this experiment being tried in Minnesota, Iowa or Wisconsin. The holding company plans are the answer of the large Twin City banks to this demand for safety and stability.

Expressions of dissent came from some independent bankers in the course of a survey of the subject recently made by the writer for the Minneapolis "Journal." Their contentions covered several points.

One is that the group plan in practice will be the same as branch banking; that it will have the effect of restricting local credit facilities and killing business initiative. Extension of the group plan, these bankers say, will remove all effective opposition to branch banking, and it will be legalized generally.

There also is a foreboding that the mergers will be progressive, ending finally in absorption of the Northwestern holding companies by still larger national units of the Bank of America type.

The claim for greater safety is challenged, too, by the statement that size is no guarantee of safety. It is pointed out that holding companies with no assets other than bank stock will not furnish assurance of meeting the stockholders' liability of their banks in case of liquidation. There is the possibility of promoters forming such holding companies and financing them through stock sales to the public.

#### MOVE FOR REGULATION.

Both State and Federal legislation will be urged to regulate bank stock holding companies and to require them to furnish guarantees of ability to meet stock assessments. The Wisconsin Legislature, the only one in these States meeting in Summer session, is passing a bill requiring such companies to come under State laws and to deposit securities with the State Treasurer to guarantee possible assessments.

Heads of the holding companies insist that fears expressed by the critics are groundless. E. W. Decker, President of the Northwestern National Bank and the Northwest Bancorporation, says they really acted to prevent large numbers of banks in this region from being acquired by outside interests. The Northwest has its own problems, he says, which are best understood by Northwestern bankers and business men. He also points to the growth of great business corporations, and the necessity for larger bank institutions to care for their financial needs.

Lyman E. Wakefield, President of the First National Bank of Minneapolis, one of the heads of the other group, says its main purpose was to "accelerate the business development of the Ninth Federal Reserve District." He says it is well known that banking facilities in many of the communities are not adequate. The group system, he feels sure, is better than branch banking. He and Mr. Decker both declare their opposition to any general system of branch banking, but would welcome its application to limited areas. Mr. Wakefield thinks branches might be limited to a county.

This suggestion of local branch banks is favorably received by some who do not approve of the big groups and their plans. A recent survey showed that 144 small communities in Minnesota, once provided with banks, no longer have banking facilities of any kind. Most of them are too weak in business support to sustain an independent bank. General favor has been given to the suggestion that banks in larger towns be allowed to put branch offices in these small communities and even in city neighborhoods.

The main claim of the group banks to public favor is based on safety for the public's money entrusted to the banks. The group officials feel that this pooling of bank resources over a wide area, with business supervision of each local bank, reduces the chances of loss to an absolute minimum.

It also is set forth that these group organizations give the Northwest more financial power, more independence and better credit facilities for the industries of the region.

#### GROUPS BRING CO-OPERATION.

The group organizations also have done something already toward bringing the cities of the Northwest closer together in a business way.

It is claimed for the group plan that it will result in economies and in better service to bank patrons, by giving them the benefit of the investment facilities of the large

city banks. Securities for investment will be bought centrally for all the banks.

Independent bankers see one good thing in the development. They believe all banks will gain by better banking methods. They also think there will be a place in the sun for the unit banks, because of pride in local institutions.

Group bankers do not hold that the independents will be put out of business. They deny that there will be any restriction of credit in local communities by the group banks. The bank in each community, they say, lives by the good-

will and confidence of the public. It cannot afford to lose these assets. If its policy is not popular it will give way to rivals. As for local loans, they are more profitable than liquid securities, and they will not be neglected. The main purpose of a bank is to make money, and local loans will be encouraged by the group heads, as long as they are within the safety line.

Group banking developments promise to keep well up in the news headlines in the Northwestern press for years to come. They also may figure in politics.

### Gross and Net Earnings of United States Railroads for the Six Months Ending June 30

The record of the earnings of United States railroads for the half year ending June 30 is a record of improvement in gross and net earnings alike, but especially in the case of the net earnings, in which particular it reflects mainly growing efficiency of operations, a feature to which repeated reference has been made in our monthly reviews of the results during the course of the half year. Considering that the half year has been a period of undoubtedly great activity and prosperity in all the so-called key industries of the country, the ratio of increase in the gross revenues is surprisingly small and yet the amount of the increase is of substantial proportions, inasmuch as we are dealing with totals of great magnitude (totals for the half year of 1929 running in excess of \$3,000,000,000), but it is only because of the steadily developing economy of operations that the exhibit as to the net earnings is of such a gratifying nature.

Stated in brief, gross earnings for the six months of 1929 are found to have increased \$151,648,890, which is an addition of only 5.21%, the small ratio of gain here being all the more noteworthy as it comes after \$116,628,506 shrinkage in the gross revenues in 1928 as compared with 1927 and \$9,132,430 shrinkage in 1927 as compared with 1926. As, however, the gain of \$151,648,890 in gross revenues was attended by an augmentation in expenses of only \$36,701,689, or but 1.66%, there remained an increase in the net earnings of \$114,947,201, or 16.36%. In other words, the net earnings (before the deduction of the taxes) for the half year of 1929 stand at \$817,500,221 as against \$702,553,020 in the half year of 1928. The ratio of expenses to earnings was only 73.30% for the six months of 1929 as against 75.83% for the six months of 1928 and 76.34% in the six months of 1927. That the railroads owe it to themselves and the economical and efficient way in which they have been managed, rather than to the effects of trade revival, that they are able to show such greatly improved results is the distinctive feature of the returns, though trade revival has been a contributing factor, even if not to the extent generally supposed. In tabular form the grand totals for the two years compare as follows:

Jan. 1 to June 30—	1929.	1928.	Inc. (+) or Dec. (—)	
Miles of road (183 roads).....	241,412	240,720	+692	0.28%
	\$	\$	\$	
Gross earnings.....	3,057,560,980	2,905,912,090	+151,648,890	5.21%
Operating expenses.....	2,240,060,769	2,203,359,070	+36,701,689	1.66%
Ratio of expenses to earnings.....	73.30%	75.83%	-2.53%	
Net earnings.....	817,500,221	702,553,020	+114,947,201	16.36%

Further evidence of the part played by economy of operations in the improved net results disclosed is found when the figures for the two years immediately preceding 1929 are examined and studied. We have already remarked that this year's gain of \$151,648,890 in gross revenues comes after a loss of \$116,628,506 in the first half of 1928 as compared with the

first half of 1927. But this loss of \$116,628,506 in the gross in 1928 was attended by a loss of only \$13,059,449 in the net earnings, expenses in that half year having been reduced no less than \$103,569,057. In other words, there was growing efficiency of operation even in that year of unfavorable conditions. If we go back still another year we find that while this year's gain in gross of \$151,648,890 came, as already stated, after \$116,628,506 decrease in 1928 and \$9,132,430 decrease in 1927, the \$114,947,201 gain in net the present year came after only \$13,059,449 loss in 1928 and \$16,035,003 decrease in 1927. The result is that net earnings for the half year of 1929 are \$85,000,000 to \$90,000,000 larger than they have ever been before in the corresponding period of any previous half year.

The fact remains, however, that notwithstanding the reduced gross earnings of 1928, with which comparison is being made, and notwithstanding the great revival of trade activity for which 1929 is far famed, the gain in gross revenues the present year has been relatively light. A much larger percentage of improvement in the gross in 1929 would have been more in accord with prevailing views as to the benefits which were accruing to these rail carriers from the unexampled activity in leading lines of industry, entirely independent of the further advantage resulting from the greater economy of operations. If an explanation is sought for the disparity referred to, we can only say, as we did last week in reviewing the figures for June, the closing month of the half-year, that one reason for the comparatively small way in which the gross income of the carriers is increasing is no doubt found in the circumstance that, except in the case of a few large systems favored by a heavy through travel, passenger traffic and passenger revenues of the roads have been undergoing contraction, owing to the intense competition of the automobile and the supplanting of rail travel by motor vehicles either privately owned or operated by bus lines. It might be added, also, that notwithstanding that trade activity is supposed to be on a larger scale than ever before witnessed in the country's history, coal mining has by no means got back to the proportions reached in the year 1927. And coal is the largest single item of freight carried by the railroads.

All through the different months of 1929 the gains in gross earnings have amounted to little more than a recovery of the corresponding losses in the different months of 1928. Trade revival was already under way in certain favored lines of industry in the first half of 1928, but not to such extent that it found reflection in the revenue returns of the railroads, always speaking of these latter in a collective sense and having reference to the whole body of roads making up the railroad system of the country. In our analysis



of the figures for the six months of 1928 we remarked that the half-year had been a poor one throughout for the railroads of the country and that that fact was naturally reflected in the revenue results, both gross and net, though only slightly in the latter, owing to the policy pursued of adjusting expenses to the lowered level of gross earnings. Every month of the half-year, in 1928, showed reduced gross receipts in larger or smaller amount, and every month also recorded some falling off in net earnings, save only February and May, when there were nominal increases. In both of the months last mentioned the railroads had had the advantage of an extra working day in 1928. In February of that year the extra day came by reason of the fact that 1928 was a leap year; in May the extra working day grew out of the circumstance that there were only four Sundays in May 1928, leaving 27 business days, whereas in May 1927 there had been five Sundays, leaving, therefore, only 26 ordinary days. It is to be added that May 1929 enjoyed the same advantage, it also having contained only four Sundays.

In contradistinction to the uniform showing of diminished earnings month by month in 1928, there have been uniform increases in 1929 month by month, and obviously the one grew out of the other, the increases of 1929 following logically from the decreases of 1928. In the table we now introduce we furnish a comparison of the totals for each month of 1929, both gross and net, with the corresponding totals for 1928. It will be noted that there are gains of substantial amount in every month of the half-year in gross and net alike, the increases for February and March, however, falling somewhat below the average, in February because the roads in 1929 lost the advantage of the extra day they had had in 1928 because of its being leap year, and in March because there were five Sundays in the month in 1929, whereas March 1928 contained only four Sundays.

Month.	Gross Earnings.			Net Earnings.		
	1929.	1928.	Increase Or Decrease.	1929.	1928.	Increase Or Decrease.
Jan. . . . .	\$ 486,201,495	\$ 457,347,810	\$ 28,853,685	\$ 117,730,186	\$ 94,151,973	\$ 23,578,213
Feb. . . . .	474,780,516	456,487,931	18,293,585	126,368,848	108,987,455	17,381,393
March. . . . .	516,134,027	505,249,550	10,884,477	139,639,086	132,122,686	7,516,400
April. . . . .	513,076,026	474,784,902	38,291,124	136,821,660	110,884,575	25,937,085
May. . . . .	536,723,030	510,543,213	26,120,817	146,798,792	129,017,791	17,754,001
June. . . . .	531,033,198	502,455,833	28,577,315	150,174,332	127,514,775	22,659,557

Note.—Percentage of increase or decrease in net for above months has been—Jan., 25.04% inc.; Feb., 15.95% inc.; Mar., 5.68% inc.; Apr., 23.39% inc.; May, 12.09% inc.; June, 17.76% inc.

Percentage of increase or decrease in gross for above months has been: January, 6.30% increase; February, 4% increase; March, 2.15% increase; April, 8.06% increase; May, 5.12% increase; June, 5.68% increase.

In January the length of road covered was 240,833 miles in 1929 against 240,417 miles in 1928; in Feb. 242,884 miles against 242,668 miles in 1928; in March 241,185 miles against 240,427 miles in 1928; in April 240,956 miles against 240,816 miles in 1928; in May 241,280 miles against 240,798 miles in 1928; in June 241,608 miles against 241,243 miles in 1928.

We have stated that the half year of 1928 had been a poor one throughout for the railroads of the United States and the figures already cited attest the truth of the remark. It was a poor period, while not being actually a bad one—this relating to industrial conditions generally throughout the United States, if exception be made of two or three leading industries which were favored beyond others and enjoyed better conditions in 1928 than had fallen to their lot during the first half of 1927. In other words, there was nothing to boast of in the state of trade during the early months of 1928, outside the excepted industries, the volume of this trade being in many instances moderately smaller than it had been in 1927 when it was by no means of more than ordinary proportions. There was in 1928 a revival of the automobile trade after the severe slump which that trade had experienced during the previous year, which slump, how-

ever, was due mainly to the fact that the Ford plants were then out of commission, being engaged in devising a new model of car. But it remained for 1929 to show what the automobile industry can do in a period of real trade revival and with the Ford plants once more operating to normal capacity, and apparently no obstacles of any kind existing to full capacity production anywhere. Then also the agricultural implement makers in 1928 found a wider market for their machinery owing to the improved agricultural situation in the spring wheat sections of the Northwest and this together with the increased demand from the automobile makers stimulated a revival of activity in the steel trade—a revival however which was hardly a circumstance alongside the wonderful activity for which the year 1929 has been distinguished up to date.

Outside of these favored lines however there were during 1928 adverse developments of larger or smaller consequence, which played their part in holding railroad revenues down. One of these was the continuance of trade depression in the South and the other the failure of coal production to come back to the level of the previous year and as a matter of fact this last was also still a factor in 1929, though in lessened degree, there having been partial recovery in coal production during the current year, but not sufficiently so to make up for the loss experienced in 1928. As far as the different geographical divisions of the country are concerned, there was really only one section in 1928, namely the spring wheat section of the Northwest, where the situation was generally and widely better than in the year preceding. There a great economic improvement had been wrought by the abundant spring wheat harvest of 1927 after several years of poor or indifferent harvests in that part of the country. In 1928 the spring wheat territory of the Northwest was blessed with still another bounteous harvest which served as a favoring influence during the half year of 1929 though somewhat of a setback to general prosperity in that part of the country came with the big slump in the price of wheat which occurred in May 1929, only to be followed by an equally sharp recovery in June and July which unfortunately is to be offset by a heavy reduction in spring wheat production in that part of the country in the present year, the sharp cutting down of yield by drouth in both the American Northwest and the Western provinces of Canada being in fact responsible for the great upsurge in wheat values which immediately followed the big collapse in May 1929.

The improvement in gross revenues which our compilations disclose as having taken place in 1929, whether it be considered merely as a recovery of the losses sustained in previous years or not, follows indubitably from the wonderful activity of the automobile industry and of the iron and steel trade, along with a partial recovery in the output of coal. Over a million more motor vehicles were produced in the first six months of 1929 than in the first six months of 1928 or in the first six months of 1927, the output for the six months of 1929 having been 3,223,090 cars and trucks, against 2,201,521 vehicles in the first six months of 1928 and 2,068,974 in the first six months of 1927. Fed by the great demand for steel on behalf of the automobile concerns and by the great building activity, the demand on behalf of the agricultural implement makers, the railroads and other sources, the production of iron and steel

attained heights in 1929 never before known. The American Iron and Steel Institute has just published the figures for the first half of 1929 and these show the largest production on record, the make of iron in the first six months of 1929 being put at 21,820,060 gross tons, as against 18,686,412 tons in the first half of 1928 and 19,430,678 tons in the first half of 1927. The record of steel production makes a still more impressive comparison. The American Iron and Steel Institute calculates the output of steel ingots for the first six months of 1929 as 28,967,174 tons, the largest ever recorded in any half year, as against 24,798,073 tons in the first six months of 1928 and 23,807,387 tons in the first six months of 1927.

As to coal production there has been, as already stated, a recovery during 1929 of part of the falling off sustained in 1928, but by no means the whole of it. The situation in the coal trade, however, during the first half of both 1928 and 1927 was quite unusual and it is necessary to rehearse the conditions then existing for proper understanding and comprehension of the reasons for the failure of mining in 1929 to attain the proportions recorded during the six months of 1927. In 1927 conditions in the soft coal trade were very exceptional. For the first three months of that year the soft coal mines were worked to capacity, owing to the knowledge that on April 1 there was to be a strike at all the union-controlled mines in the United States. The output of coal accordingly reached maximum figures. During the last three months of the half year, after the strike was actually in effect, there was a pretty general suspension of mining at the different unionized mines throughout the country, about the only exceptions being a few in Pennsylvania, which continued operations on the old scale of pay as a result of temporary agreements between miners and operators, but even these stopped work at the end of June when the operators refused to continue the old scale any longer. As far as the country as a whole was concerned, the strike proved of little consequence, the non-union mines heavily increasing their output, thereby making up in part at least for the stoppage of production in the unionized field. Nevertheless, the roads serving the union mines lost the coal traffic they would otherwise have had except for the strike. The result altogether was that owing to the prodigious amount of coal then mined in the early months, the production of soft coal for the half year, notwithstanding the strike beginning with April, was actually somewhat larger than in the first half of the previous year (1926).

During 1928 the demand for coal was poor throughout. This was so for a threefold reason, namely, the mild weather, the inactive state of general trade and the fact that large stocks of coal were carried over from the previous year, the stocks accumulated early in that year, when every one (the railroads, public utilities, as well as ordinary consumers, and also dealers) stocked up with coal in preparation for the strike not yet having been worked off. It was a foregone conclusion of course that during the first three months of 1928 there would be a big decrease in the soft coal output as compared with the same period of 1927, when the output was of such huge dimensions, and that railroad revenues would be reduced as a consequence. As it happened, however, the output during the three months from April 1 to June 30 in that year also fell below that of the cor-

responding months in 1927, when mining was so heavily reduced because of the strike. This last served to illustrate the slackness of trade and business more clearly than anything else, since it showed that the general trade demand for coal had become so contracted that current output sufficed to meet it, notwithstanding it had been so severely curtailed. For the first six months of 1928 the production of bituminous coal in the United States reached no more than 234,289,000 tons against 275,545,000 tons in the same six months of 1927, there having hence been a falling off in 1928 of over 41,000,000 tons. In the hard coal region the slump in output in 1928 was no less pronounced.

In 1929, in contradistinction to the falling off in 1928, there was in all the months except March an increase in the production of soft coal as compared with the reduced output of 1928, but an increase nevertheless very moderate in extent, considering the great industrial activity prevailing, and an increase that failed to bring the total back not alone to the exceptional proportions of 1927, but leaving it smaller also than in many other previous years. In other words, for the first six months of 1929 the output of bituminous coal was 253,034,000 tons, as against 234,289,000 tons in the six months of 1928, but comparing with 275,545,000 tons in 1927, 265,229,000 in 1926 and with 282,865,000 tons back in 1923. In the case of anthracite production there was not even a partial recovery in 1929 from the antecedent great slump, and production dropped to the lowest figures in all recent years, if we except 1926, during the early months of which the strike inaugurated on Sept. 1 1925 was still in effect and a complete suspension of hard coal mining in the Pennsylvania coal fields existed. During the first six months of 1929 only 36,815,000 tons of hard coal were produced, as against 37,103,000 tons in the first six months of 1928, 40,616,000 tons in the first half of 1927, 43,969,000 tons in 1925, 44,757,000 tons in 1924 and 50,041,000 tons in the first six months of 1923. This great shrinkage in anthracite production followed in part as a consequence of the mild winter weather experienced here in the East in nearly all recent years, thereby reducing the consumption of hard coal, but in part it also followed from the further fact that hard coal is being in increasing degree supplanted by other fuels, more particularly by oil.

It deserves to be noted, however, as was the case in our review of the result for the month of June, that as against the great activity in the manufacturing industries of the country there were some offsetting disadvantages in 1929. In portions of the West the low prices for grain reached in May 1929, to which reference has already been made, proved a retarding influence. Grain prices, as noted above, sharply recovered from the May depression and wheat at least was thereafter marketed on a somewhat larger scale, under the influence of these higher prices, but unfortunately, in the spring-wheat territory of the Northwest, the damage done by drouth has been very severe, just as it has in the Western Provinces of Canada, and accordingly wheat raisers in those parts are faced with the certainty that they will have much less spring wheat to market from the new crop than was the case from the bounteous harvest of 1928 and 1927.

As it happened, too, Western roads, speaking of them as a whole, suffered a heavy reduction of their grain traffic in 1929. With the single exception of



wheat, the receipts of which at the Western primary markets ran somewhat higher than a year ago—133,779,000 bushels, against 131,901,000 bushels—all the different cereals contributed to the decrease. In the case of corn and oats, the falling off was exceptionally heavy, the receipts of these two cereals at the Western primary markets for the 26 weeks ending June 29 1929 aggregating only 142,537,000 bushels and 57,179,000 bushels, respectively, as compared with 182,852,000 bushels and 69,984,000 bushels, respectively, in the corresponding period of 1928. Adding barley and rye, the receipts for the five grains combined reached only 361,385,000 bushels in 1929 as against 414,524,000 bushels in 1928. In the following table we give the details of the Western grain movement in our usual form:

WESTERN FLOUR AND GRAIN RECEIPTS.						
Jan. 1 to June 29.	Flour. (bbls.)	Wheat. (bsh.)	Corn. (bush.)	Oats. (bush.)	Barley. (bush.)	Rye. (bush.)
<b>Chicago—</b>						
1929	6,047,000	8,203,000	42,358,000	14,497,000	3,570,000	1,522,000
1928	5,297,000	11,612,000	60,241,000	26,929,000	3,751,000	1,090,000
<b>Milwaukee—</b>						
1929	1,008,000	1,155,000	6,304,000	2,356,000	4,042,000	247,000
1928	1,099,000	618,000	9,458,000	3,375,000	4,732,000	305,000
<b>St. Louis—</b>						
1929	3,304,000	15,479,000	19,797,000	12,046,000	591,000	9,000
1928	3,083,000	12,626,000	21,549,000	9,511,000	35,000	35,000
<b>Toledo—</b>						
1929	-----	5,556,000	848,000	3,183,000	50,000	35,000
1928	-----	3,855,000	890,000	1,440,000	18,000	31,000
<b>Detroit—</b>						
1929	-----	794,000	370,000	603,000	76,000	118,000
1928	-----	797,000	576,000	620,000	17,000	159,000
<b>Peoria—</b>						
1929	1,540,000	838,000	12,461,000	3,045,000	1,831,000	88,000
1928	1,726,000	506,000	13,424,000	5,073,000	1,479,000	47,000
<b>Duluth—</b>						
1929	-----	17,883,000	723,000	892,000	3,898,000	1,707,000
1928	-----	24,252,000	424,000	520,000	2,193,000	3,969,000
<b>Minneapolis—</b>						
1929	-----	37,158,000	5,126,000	7,677,000	7,540,000	2,473,000
1928	-----	42,551,000	5,740,000	9,946,000	9,399,000	1,825,000
<b>Kansas City—</b>						
1929	-----	26,337,000	22,259,000	2,350,000	45,000	-----
1928	-----	16,902,000	26,993,000	1,734,000	-----	-----
<b>Omaha &amp; Indianapolis—</b>						
1929	-----	9,599,000	20,147,000	8,186,000	2,000	-----
1928	-----	7,132,000	29,785,000	8,226,000	30,000	31,000
<b>St. Joseph—</b>						
1929	-----	2,835,000	6,288,000	720,000	-----	-----
1928	-----	2,979,000	6,557,000	631,000	5,000	1,000
<b>Wichita—</b>						
1929	-----	7,131,000	2,817,000	222,000	-----	-----
1928	-----	7,351,000	1,744,000	170,000	-----	-----
<b>Total all—</b>						
1929	11,899,000	133,779,000	142,537,000	57,179,000	21,690,000	6,200,000
1928	11,835,000	131,901,000	182,852,000	69,984,000	22,185,000	7,602,000

In the Western livestock movement there was also a marked falling off. At Chicago the receipts for the six months of 1929 comprised only 106,072 carloads as against 119,146 carloads in 1928 and 123,096 in 1927; at Omaha, 39,153 carloads, against 46,833 carloads in 1928 and 46,264 carloads in 1927, and at Kansas City 50,206 cars, as compared with 51,391 cars and 48,741 cars, respectively, in 1928 and 1927.

The South, so long an exception to the prosperity enjoyed in most other parts of the country, while having done somewhat better in 1929 than previously, at the best enjoyed only partial recovery, and in a few instances appears to have suffered greater depression even than in 1928 or 1927. This trade prostration in the South, it may be recalled, had its origin in the first instance in the collapse of the speculative boom in real estate and the havoc caused by the Florida hurricane of September 1926. The situation was made acute by the big drop in the price of cotton which came with such suddenness in the autumn of 1926, when the cotton consuming world began to realize that the crop that was then being gathered was to be of immense size. The depression persisted all through 1927, even though the price of cotton fully recovered and not only came back to the level prevailing before the break, but actually moved higher than before. The depression continued during 1928, besides which the reduction in the size of the crop itself meant a considerable re-

duction in railroad tonnage, the 1927 yield of cotton in the United States having been only 12,956,043 bales, against 17,977,374 bales in 1926. The 1928 crop proved larger again, being put at 14,450,007 bales, and this served to bring somewhat of a recovery in trade, but not a recovery which extended to all parts of the South, depression still remaining very pronounced in Florida and contiguous territory. As bearing on this last mentioned point we may note that bank clearings at Miami the first six months of 1929 aggregated only \$83,534,000, against \$90,044,000 in the first six months of 1928, \$168,702,415 in the same six months of 1927 and \$441,472,095 in the first six months of 1926. At Tampa clearings the first half of 1929 were \$88,636,036, against \$103,602,772 in 1928, \$136,417,696 in 1927 and \$255,456,969 in 1926, while at Jacksonville clearings for 1929 footed up only \$434,485,582, against \$456,180,633 in 1928, \$564,700,947 in 1927 and no less than \$896,788,324 in 1926.

Notwithstanding the cotton crop raised in 1928 was much in excess of that of 1927, the movement of the staple in the South during 1929 was only slightly larger than in 1928. Gross shipments overland in the six months of 1929 aggregated 475,570 bales, as against 379,522 bales in 1928, but comparing with 625,348 bales in 1927 and 598,596 bales in the six months of 1926. At the Southern outports the cotton receipts reached 1,929,832 bales in the six months of 1929, as against 1,811,414 bales in the corresponding period of 1928, but as against 3,815,138 bales in 1927 and 2,757,939 bales in the six months of 1926. Details of the latter are set out in the subjoined table:

RECEIPTS OF COTTON AT SOUTHERN PORTS FROM JAN. 1 TO JUNE 30 1929, 1928, 1927, 1926, 1925 AND 1924.

Ports.	Since Jan. 1.					
	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.	1924.
Galveston	574,222	387,746	921,851	740,597	923,578	595,274
Texas City, &c	555,019	435,908	1,002,201	638,872	816,791	261,659
New Orleans	531,687	542,108	935,427	728,087	618,103	543,522
Mobile	90,404	80,363	110,697	62,146	46,372	44,616
Pensacola	1,048	1,658	2,878	4,224	2,874	4,778
Savannah	76,818	176,035	405,479	303,948	182,091	179,275
Charleston	33,275	77,963	212,726	129,488	126,407	46,128
Wilmington	22,391	53,734	84,803	35,195	49,063	32,687
Norfolk	44,968	54,875	139,076	115,382	143,026	101,726
Lake Charles	-----	1,024	-----	-----	-----	-----
Brunswick	-----	-----	-----	-----	350	64
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,929,832</b>	<b>1,811,414</b>	<b>3,815,138</b>	<b>2,757,939</b>	<b>2,903,655</b>	<b>1,809,719</b>

Perhaps reference should also be made among the favorable influences of 1929 that the ore-carrying roads, more particularly those carrying ores to the head of the Great Lakes, had a distinct advantage the present year, not alone because of the larger demand for ore owing to the great activity of the iron and steel trades, but also because of the much earlier opening of navigation on the Great Lakes as contrasted with the very late opening in 1928. Thus these roads were favored in a double way. It may be recalled that in our review of the earnings for the first half of 1928 we explained the relatively heavy losses in earnings sustained by such roads as the Duluth Missabe & Northern and the Duluth & Iron Range, as due to the late opening of navigation, and added that this must also have been a drawback on the ore-carrying lines of the Great Northern Ry., offsetting to that extent the advantage which the latter system then derived from the large spring-wheat harvest in its territory and the economic revival which this brought with it in that part of the country. The present year the same roads, favored in the double way already mentioned, recovered these losses of 1928 and more, too, they all having very large gains to their credit.

As a composite picture of the entire traffic situation, the statistics furnished by the American Railway Association from week to week of the loading of revenue freight may be cited as perhaps the best indication of the traffic movement over the railroads as a whole. In our analysis of the traffic results for the first 6 months of 1928 we noted a falling off in this loading of revenue freight on the railroads of the United States, as compared with the year preceding, of over 1,000,000 cars. During the half year of 1929 the whole of this loss was recovered, but not much more than that, the loading of revenue freight for the 26 weeks of 1929 footing up 25,596,938 cars, against 24,461,773 cars in the 26 weeks of 1928, and 25,521,040 cars in the 26 weeks of 1927. In other words, as far as these statistics are concerned, the traffic of 1929 got back to that of 1927, but increased only a trifle more than that.

And yet, comprehensive though these statistics are, they are not conclusive as to the volume of transportation services rendered by these rail carriers. In order to get at this volume of the freight movement, it is necessary to multiply the tonnage handled by the average distance which each ton was moved; in that way we arrive at the number of tons of freight moved one mile, which is the true measure of the volume of transportation services rendered. Some statistics have just come to hand from the Bureau of Railway Economics at Washington, which give the figures and comparisons in that form. These statistics tell us that the freight traffic on the railroads of the United States for the first half of 1929 totaled 238,638,592 net ton miles, which was an increase of 14,687,726,000 ton miles, or 6.6%, over the first half of 1928, and an increase of 4,634,565 net ton miles, or 2%, over the previous high record for any corresponding half-year period established in the first half of 1927. We would particularly emphasize the fact that the increase in the total traffic movement over 1928 is thus shown to be 6.6%. The increase in the gross earnings of the railroads, as appears by our tabulations and mentioned at the beginning of this article, is only 5.21%. The difference between the two ratios would seem to be ascribable in large part to the loss of passenger traffic as a result of the competition of the automobile, while the rest of the falling off is no doubt accounted for by the slow but steady diminution which is all the time taking place in freight rates. In the larger traffic movement of 1929 the roads in the Eastern district, serving the manufacturing communities of New England and the Middle and Middle Western States, shared in the most pronounced degree, they showing an increased freight movement, as compared with the first 6 months of 1928, of 8.9%. The Western district comes next with an increase of 5.3%. The Southern district, where the long-continued trade depression has not yet in some parts entirely relaxed its hold, has fared least well of all, its increase being only 1.6%. In 1928, the Eastern district showed a decrease below 1927 of 8.1% and the Southern district a decrease of 8.5%, while the Western District then showed an increase of 3.1%.

With traffic and gross revenues so generally recording for 1929 an increase over 1928, even though the increase in large part constitutes merely a recovery of what was lost in 1928, it follows inevitably that the separate roads and systems must have to their credit a similar record of improvement. Accordingly it is no surprise to find that instances of

roads which have suffered decreases in either gross earnings or net earnings are very few, while, on the other hand, cases of roads and systems recording increases are numerous and general. In the gross there are only five roads or systems which have suffered decreases in amount of over \$500,000, all of them roads in the South or Southwest. The Louisville & Nashville, which has fallen \$2,674,895 behind in gross and also has suffered a loss of \$1,441,257 in net, following \$4,535,836 and \$1,169,702 losses in gross and net, respectively, in 1928 comes first; the Texas & Pacific, comes second, with \$1,522,267 shrinkage in gross and \$1,092,173 shrinkage in net, following, however phenomenal gains in preceding years on account of the oil developments in Northern Texas, the road's addition to earnings in 1928 alone having been \$5,822,117 in gross, and \$3,744,887 in net. Aside from these two systems the only other roads which show losses of over \$500,000 in gross are the Kansas City Mexico & Orient of Texas for \$1,168,196, the Kansas City Mexico & Orient for \$515,250, and the Norfolk & Southern for \$500,531. In the net the large decreases besides those of the L. & N. and the Texas & Pacific are the Chicago Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific, which has fallen behind in net \$1,009,946, and the Cincinnati New Orleans & Texas Pacific, which shows a decrease of \$862,411.

The Milwaukee & St. Paul's decrease follows entirely as a result of increased expenses, the gross of that system having risen \$1,497,924. The Northern Pacific also shows a loss in net, somewhat less than \$500,000 and yet closely approaching that amount, it reporting a decrease in net of \$492,167—also as a result of heavier expenses—the gross for the six months having been \$89,631 better than that for the six months of 1928. And these heavier expenses call attention to the fact that many of the Northwestern roads in 1929 had very inclement weather conditions to contend with, as a result of which operating costs were for the time being heavily augmented. As is well known, the severity of the winter weather often plays an important part in affecting railroad revenues both gross and net during several of the months. In 1929, weather conditions were not much of a drawback in the northern part of the Eastern half of the country. In the Western half, however, the winter was quite severe, extreme cold accompanied in many instances by repeated heavy snowfalls, having seriously interfered with railroad operations. The remark applies particularly to Wisconsin, Iowa, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho and thence all the way west to the State of Washington. Colorado seems to have suffered most from accumulated snow. Thus Associated Press dispatches from Denver, Feb. 7 said that railroad transportation in the mountainous regions of Southwestern Colorado was at a standstill, while section crews began a two weeks' task of clearing tracks of the heaviest snow slides in many years. The towns of Silverton, a mining community, and Craig on the Denver & Rio Grande Western RR. were completely isolated, it was stated. Nine snow slides had crashed down on the tracks since Feb. 2 and one of these was said to have been from 40 to 75 feet deep and 800 feet wide. The Rio Grande Southern, operating on the Lizard's Head Pass, it was also stated, was blocked by snowdrifts, though there were no snowslides. It was also reported that highways in Wyoming, Utah and



Idaho were blocked by snowdrifts and that zero temperatures were general. Montana appears to have suffered in a similar way. On Feb. 9 Associated Press advices from Kansas City stated that railroad transportation in Southwestern Colorado had been further hindered by additional snow, and that zero temperatures prevailed in that region and in Kansas, Oklahoma and the Texas Pan Handle. Two more snowslides had crashed on the tracks of the Denver & Rio Grande Western between Durango and Silverton, Col., making a total of 11 in 13 miles. On Feb. 17 press dispatches from Durango stated that relief from a food shortage, which had become serious, was in sight for the isolated town of Silverton, Col., as large forces of workers continued to cut through mountains of snow, which had blockaded the once famous mining camp since Feb. 3. Avalanches of snow, which had buried the Denver & Rio Grande Western tracks into the town to a depth ranging from six to 80 feet were then expected to be cleared away within three days to enable a train to pull into the town with food and commodities. At different times during March also there came reports of snowslides at widely separated points in the section of country referred to—Colorado, the Dakotas, Montana, the State of Washington, &c.

The increases in earnings in the case of the separate roads and systems are so numerous that it would be tiresome to attempt to enumerate more than a few of the most conspicuous. As showing how widely distributed the increases are, it will be sufficient to say that in the gross the Pennsylvania leads with a gain of \$21,582,854, the Atchison comes second with a gain of \$11,469,282, the New York Central third with an increase of \$10,629,747 (and this would be raised to \$17,858,688 if the various auxiliary and controlled lines were taken into account), the Southern Pacific fourth with \$10,102,352 gain, the Baltimore & Ohio fifth with \$8,063,696, the Great Northern sixth with \$6,218,075, the Norfolk & Western seventh with \$5,811,972, the Erie eighth with \$4,290,309, and so on down the list. The record of the gains in the net is much the same, all classes of roads and all sections of the country being represented, even some in the South. Among these Southern roads those which attract special attention are of course the roads and systems traversing Florida, or connecting with the same. The Florida East Coast suffered a further decrease of \$396,584 in gross for the six months, but managed to convert this into a gain of \$360,895 in net through reduced expenses. In the first half of 1928 the Florida East Coast reported \$2,638,049 decrease in gross with \$110,647 increase in net, after having suffered \$5,970,975 decrease in gross and \$2,467,463 decrease in net in 1927. The other prominent systems with Florida connections managed to recover a considerable part of their losses of the two previous years. Thus the Atlantic Coast Line the present year has added \$3,292,176 to its gross and \$4,845,714 to its net, and the Seaboard Air Line has enlarged its gross by \$1,717,693 and its net by \$1,145,530. Among other roads in the South the falling off of \$2,674,895 in gross and of \$1,411,257 in net of the Louisville & Nashville has already been referred to. The Illinois Central is more of a Western road than a Southern, though it has its lines to New Orleans over which a heavy traffic passes; it reports \$1,471,713 gain in gross and \$1,203,462 gain in net. The Southern Ry. gives its usually good account of itself, showing

\$1,454,933 gain in gross and \$1,272,067 gain in net, following, of course, losses in the two previous years, as in the case of most other roads in the South. The figures given are for the Southern Ry. itself. Including the various other roads which go to make up the Southern Ry. System, the result is an increase of \$3,049,341 in gross and of \$1,171,137 in net. In the following we show all changes for the separate roads or systems for amounts in excess of \$500,000, whether increases or decreases, and in both gross and net:

PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN THE GROSS EARNINGS FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30 1929.

	Increase.		Increase.
Pennsylvania	\$21,582,854	Reading	\$1,207,117
Atchison Top. & S Fe (3)	11,469,282	Boston & Maine	1,169,647
New York Central	10,629,747	Lehigh Valley	1,158,718
Southern Pacific (2)	10,102,352	Chic Burlington & Quincy	1,117,421
Baltimore & Ohio	8,063,696	Delaware & Hudson	1,067,990
Great Northern	6,218,075	Cinc New Orl & Texas Pac	956,468
Norfolk & Western	5,811,972	Denver Rio Grande West	872,875
Erie (3)	4,290,309	Hocking Valley	858,469
Missouri Pacific	3,963,965	Western Pacific	837,911
Chicago Rock Island (2)	3,942,730	Chicago & Northwestern	830,389
Michigan Central	3,549,772	Rich Fred & Potomac	728,176
Atlantic Coast Line	3,292,176	Grand Trunk Western	719,350
Wabash	3,276,019	Elgin Joliet & Eastern	681,465
Det Toledo & Ironton	2,892,434	Virginian	638,176
Union Pacific (4)	2,741,969	Duluth & Iron Range	609,414
Pere Marquette	2,382,435	Nash Chatt & St Louis	571,788
Chesapeake & Ohio	2,331,297	Minn St P & S S M	566,678
Duluth Missabe & North'n	2,087,574	St Louis Southwestern (2)	555,457
Los Angeles & Salt Lake	1,979,737	Long Island	528,316
N Y Chicago & St Louis	1,863,887	Union	516,217
Pittsburgh & Lake Erie	1,764,850	Pittsburgh & West Virginia	
C C C & St Louis	1,717,693		
Seaboard Air Line	1,527,303	Total (66 roads)	\$149,464,670
St Louis-San Francisco (3)	1,524,785		
Wheeling & Lake Erie	1,516,289		
Bessemer & Lake Erie	1,497,924		
Chic Mil St Paul & Pac	1,471,713	Louisville & Nashville	\$2,674,895
Illinois Central	1,454,933	Texas & Pacific	1,522,267
Southern Ry	1,413,884	K C Mex & Orient of Texas	1,168,195
Missouri Kansas Texas	1,379,860	K C Mexico & Orient	515,250
N Y New Hav & Hart	1,306,634	Norfolk Southern	500,531
Central Vermont	1,294,919		
Delaware Lack & Western		Total (5 roads)	\$6,381,139

a This is the result for the New York Central proper. Including the various auxiliary and controlled roads, like the Michigan Central, the "Big Four," &c., the whole going to form the New York Central System, the result is an increase of \$17,858,688.

b This is the result for the Southern Railway proper. Including the Alabama Great Southern, the Cincinnati New Orleans & Texas Pacific, the Georgia Southern & Florida, the New Orleans & Northeastern, and the Northern Alabama, the whole going to form the Southern Railway System, the result is an increase of \$3,049,341.

PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN NET EARNINGS FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30 1929.

	Increase.		Increase.
Pennsylvania	\$15,146,975	Illinois Central	1,203,462
Atchison Topeka & S Fe (3)	13,052,518	Long Island	1,200,059
Southern Pacific (2)	7,045,786	Virginian	1,147,587
Baltimore & Ohio	5,602,120	Seaboard Air Line	1,145,530
Norfolk & Western	5,565,428	Chicago & Northwestern	1,019,228
Norfolk & Western	4,845,714	Denver Rio Grande West	978,317
Atlantic Coast Line	3,691,969	Minn St P & S S M	921,296
New York Central	3,453,938	Nash Chatt & St Louis	870,921
N Y New Hav & Hart	3,354,965	Wheeling & Lake Erie	798,298
Great Northern	3,180,603	Hocking Valley	791,299
Chicago Burl & Quincy	2,979,918	Elgin Joliet & Eastern	698,738
Erie (3)	2,465,575	Western Pacific	697,175
Chesapeake & Ohio	2,381,399	Union	618,329
Central Vermont	2,313,323	West Jersey & Seashore	542,344
Detroit Toledo & Ironton	2,007,343	Dul & Iron Range	537,979
Los Angeles & Salt Lake	1,998,736	Chicago & Alton	530,772
Duluth Missabe & No	1,773,846	Missouri Kansas Texas	520,290
Missouri Pacific	1,623,860		
Michigan Central	1,616,808	Total (52 roads)	\$109,248,099
N Y Chic & St Louis	1,593,545		
Union Pacific (4)	1,531,610		
Pere Marquette	1,425,654	Louisville & Nashville	\$1,441,257
Wabash	1,392,561	Texas & Pacific	1,092,173
Bessemer & Lake Erie	1,273,910	Chic Mil St Paul & Pac	1,009,946
Del Lack & Western	1,272,067	Cinc New Orl & Tex Pac	862,411
Southern Ry	1,240,345		
Lehigh Valley	1,205,353	Total (4 roads)	\$4,405,787
C C C & St Louis			

a These figures merely cover the operations of the New York Central itself. Including the various auxiliary and controlled roads, like the Michigan Central, the "Big Four," &c., the result is an increase of \$6,948,500.

b This is the result for the Southern Railway proper. Including the Alabama Great Southern, the Cincinnati New Orleans & Texas Pacific, the Georgia Southern & Florida, the New Orleans & Northeastern and the Northern Alabama, the whole going to form the Southern Railway System, the result is an increase of \$1,171,137.

When the roads are arranged in groups or geographical divisions according to their location, it will be no surprise to hear that improvement is shown in gross and net alike in the Eastern District, the Southern District and the Western District, and also in each of the separate regions in the three different districts. As already noted, the percentage of increase in the Southern region is smaller than in the other regions. Our summary by groups and geographical divisions is as below. We group the roads to conform to the classification of the Inter-State Commerce Commission. The boundaries of the different groups and regions are indicated in the footnote to the table:

Table with columns for District & Region, Gross Earnings (1929, 1928), Inc. (+ or Dec. (%) and Net Earnings (1929, 1928), Inc. (+ or Dec. (%). Rows include Eastern District, Southern District, Western District, and Total all districts (181 roads).

NOTE.—We have changed our grouping of the roads to conform to the classification of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, and the following indicates the confines of the different groups and regions:

EASTERN DISTRICT.

New England Region.—This region comprises the New England States. Great Lakes Region.—This region comprises the section on the Canadian boundary between New England and the westerly shore of Lake Michigan to Chicago, and north of a line from Chicago via Pittsburgh to New York. Central Eastern Region.—This region comprises the section south of the Great Lakes Region, east of a line from Chicago through Peoria to St. Louis and the Mississippi River to the mouth of the Ohio River, and north of the Ohio River to Parkersburg, W. Va., and a line thence to the southwestern corner of Maryland and by the Potomac River to its mouth. Southern District. Pocahontas Region.—This region comprises the section north of the southern boundary of Virginia, east of Kentucky and the Ohio River north to Parkersburg, W. Va., and south of a line from Parkersburg to the southwestern corner of Maryland and thence by the Potomac River to its mouth. Southern Region.—This region comprises the section east of the Mississippi River and south of the Ohio River to a point near Kenova, W. Va., and a line thence following the eastern boundary of Kentucky and the southern boundary of Virginia to the Atlantic. Western District. Northwestern Region.—This region comprises the section adjoining Canada lying west of the Great Lakes region, north of a line from Chicago to Omaha and thence to Portland and by the Columbia River to the Pacific. Central Western Region.—This region comprises the section south of the Northwestern region, west of a line from Chicago to Peoria and thence to St. Louis, and north of a line from St. Louis to Kansas City and thence to El Paso and by the Mexican boundary to the Pacific. Southwestern Region.—This region comprises the section lying between the Mississippi River south of St. Louis and a line from St. Louis to Kansas City and thence to El Paso and by the Rio Grande to the Gulf of Mexico.

We now add our detailed statement for the half year. It shows the results for each road separately, classified in districts and regions, the same as in the foregoing summary:

EARNINGS OF UNITED STATES RAILROADS FROM JAN. 1 TO JUNE 30.

Table showing Earnings of United States Railroads from Jan. 1 to June 30, categorized by Eastern District, Southern District, and Western District. Includes sub-sections for New England, Great Lakes, and Canadian National systems.

Table showing Great Lakes Region earnings for 1929, 1928, 1929, and Net 1928, with Inc. or Dec. percentages. Includes sub-sections for New Haven System, N Y N H & Hartford, N Y Ont & West, and N Y Central Lines.

Table showing Central Eastern Region earnings for 1929, 1928, 1929, and Net 1928, with Inc. or Dec. percentages. Includes sub-sections for Ak Can Ygstown, Baltimore & Ohio System, and Chesapeake & Ohio System.

Total Eastern District (72 roads) 1403441395 1321111669 375,021,672 317,976,488 +57,045,182

Southern District.

Table showing Southern District earnings for 1929, 1928, 1929, and Net 1928, with Inc. or Dec. percentages. Includes sub-sections for Atl Birm & Coast, Atl Coast L System, and various regional lines.

Total (30 roads) 393,570,009 386,852,758 99,812,492 91,600,349 +8,212,143

Table showing Pocahontas Region earnings for 1929, 1928, 1929, and Net 1928, with Inc. or Dec. percentages. Includes sub-sections for Ches & Ohio System, Ches & Ohio, and Norfolk & West.

Total Southern District (34 roads) 527,174,385 510,944,796 149,239,718 131,399,035 +17,840,683

Western District.

Table showing Western District earnings for 1929, 1928, 1929, and Net 1928, with Inc. or Dec. percentages. Includes sub-sections for Northwestern Region, Canadian Nat Sys, and various regional lines.

Total Western District (75 roads) 1,126,945,200 1,073,855,625 +53,089,575 4.91



Northwestern Region—	Gross		Net		Inc. or Dec.
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Chic & N W Sys—					
Chic & Northw—	72,091,523	71,261,134	15,721,529	14,702,301	+1,019,228
Chic S P M & Om	12,404,093	12,674,860	1,985,143	1,793,014	+192,129
Chic Mt Western	12,059,213	11,670,165	2,166,806	2,187,533	-20,727
Chic Mil St P & Pac	80,882,124	79,384,200	18,104,369	19,114,315	-1,009,946
Chic River & Ind.	3,469,631	3,386,480	1,500,829	1,265,087	+235,742
Dul & Iron Range	2,819,815	2,181,639	677,311	139,332	+537,979
Dul Missabe & No	7,464,610	5,175,924	4,021,156	2,022,420	+1,998,736
Gt Northern	56,185,558	49,967,453	15,088,390	11,733,425	+3,354,965
Lake Sup & Ishp.	1,352,603	876,372	623,061	187,425	+435,636
Min & St. Louis	6,804,359	6,773,092	888,708	479,312	+409,396
Northern Pacific	44,665,953	44,576,322	8,815,719	9,307,886	-492,167
Spokane Port & Seat	4,387,103	4,130,884	1,528,728	1,379,845	+148,883
Union Pac System—					
Los Ang & Salt Lake—See Central Western Region.					
Oregon Short Line—See Central Western Region.					
St Joseph & Gr Isl—See Central Western Region.					
Union Pacific—See Central Western Region.					
Gre-Wash Ry & N	13,397,012	13,376,969	1,870,270	1,648,218	+222,052
Green Bay & West.	957,060	843,570	213,647	228,332	-14,685
<b>Total (18 roads)</b>	<b>345,706,843</b>	<b>332,437,014</b>	<b>79,182,448</b>	<b>71,142,656</b>	<b>+8,039,792</b>

Central Western Region—	Gross		Net		Inc. or Dec.
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Atchison System—					
Atch Top & Sa Fe	102,125,229	91,508,763	31,806,649	19,883,458	+11,923,191
Gulf Colo & Santa Fe—See Southwestern Region.					
Panhandle & Santa Fe—See Southwestern Region.					
Bingham & Garfield	287,385	234,380	113,738	29,895	+83,843
Burlington Route—					
Chic Burl & Quin.	76,227,002	75,109,581	23,805,897	20,625,294	+3,180,603
Quin Oma & K C.	333,724	362,568	-61,692	-48,424	-13,268
Ft Worth & Den C	5,347,810	5,117,065	1,485,959	1,471,891	+14,068
Colo & South.	5,600,388	5,512,525	1,047,426	825,133	+222,293
Wichita Valley—See Southwestern Region.					
Chic & Alton	13,951,760	13,570,821	3,097,402	2,566,270	+530,772
Deny & Rio Gr W.	15,474,064	14,601,189	4,046,031	3,067,714	+978,317
Denver & Salt Lake.	1,677,560	1,815,129	529,728	566,791	-37,063
Neveda Northern	720,446	488,531	459,586	236,394	+223,192
Northwestern Pac.	2,715,492	2,747,114	90,883	26,313	+64,570
Peoria & Pekin Union	885,549	996,997	233,913	332,906	-98,993
Rock Isl System—					
Chic R I & Gulf.	3,620,395	3,072,593	1,415,283	920,647	+494,636
Chic R I & Pac.	65,893,507	62,498,669	14,416,984	14,750,559	-333,575
Southern Pac Sys—					
Southern Pac.	108,828,028	102,213,573	32,950,929	28,935,851	+4,015,078
Texas & New Orleans—See Southwestern Region.					
Toledo Peoria & W.	1,087,125	982,412	342,617	179,199	+163,418
Union Pacific Sys—					
Los Ang & Salt L.	13,500,571	11,412,997	3,710,985	1,793,642	+2,007,343
Ore Short Line.	17,895,344	17,176,391	5,265,638	4,482,602	+783,036
Ore Wash Ry & Nav—See Northwestern Region.					
St Jos & Gr Isl	1,799,443	1,883,361	529,463	594,821	-65,358
Union Pacific.	53,673,703	51,587,012	16,014,299	15,360,484	+653,815
Utah.	1,020,247	783,716	397,578	196,278	+201,300
Western Pacific.	7,830,594	6,992,683	932,610	235,445	+697,165
San Diego & Ariz.	723,264	661,371	244,077	184,171	+59,906
Ill Terminal.	3,593,333	3,296,703	1,072,426	831,300	+241,126
<b>Total (24 roads)</b>	<b>504,812,253</b>	<b>474,626,144</b>	<b>144,009,741</b>	<b>118,007,048</b>	<b>+26,537,682</b>
			143,948,049	117,958,624	+25,989,425

Southwestern Region—	Gross		Net		Inc. or Dec.
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Atch System—					
Atch Top & Santa Fe—See Central Western Region.					
Gulf Colo & Santa Fe	12,720,883	12,391,427	2,060,810	1,832,312	+228,498
Panhandle & Santa F.	6,260,440	5,737,080	1,634,468	733,639	+900,829
Burlington Route—					
Chic Burl & Quincy—See Central Western Region.					
Quincy Omaha & K C—See Central Western Region.					
Colo & Southern—See Central Western Region.					
Ft Worth & Den City—See Central Western Region.					
Wichita Valley.	669,881	848,803	250,597	368,754	-118,157
Ft Smith & West.	700,389	687,489	94,633	56,225	+37,808
Frisco Lines—					
Ft Worth & RioGd	620,508	607,338	33,314	11,026	+22,288
St Louis San Fran.	40,104,119	38,697,498	10,981,066	10,764,453	+216,613
St L San Fr of Tex	914,080	805,568	179,834	134,048	+45,786
Galveston Wharf.	996,053	962,332	359,382	402,890	-43,508
Kansas City Mex & Orient Lines—					
K C Mex & Orient	1,008,751	1,524,001	-9,089	160,871	-169,960
KCMex & O of Tex	1,841,897	3,010,093	473,249	557,874	-84,625
Kansas City Southern—					
Texark & Ft Smith	1,557,407	1,321,134	768,187	572,522	+195,665
K C Southern	9,104,310	8,856,871	2,825,313	2,657,066	+168,247
Kan Okla & Gulf	1,767,727	1,434,921	832,401	428,176	+404,225
Louisiana & Arkan.	3,719,102	3,524,991	1,110,627	942,542	+168,085
La Ry & Nav Co of Tex	492,383	494,461	-17,278	-47,321	+30,043
Midland Valley.	1,676,588	1,700,579	662,203	642,686	-19,517
Mo & North Arkan.	895,039	795,454	70,313	50,777	+19,536
Missouri Illinois	1,098,915	1,039,314	378,405	283,548	+94,857
Missouri Kan Texas	26,709,308	25,295,424	7,764,310	7,244,020	+520,290
Missouri Pacific System—					
Beau & S L & W.	1,821,210	1,605,167	474,986	330,316	+144,670
Int'l Gt Northern	9,009,417	8,770,552	1,709,045	1,509,409	+199,636
Missouri Pacific.	65,129,166	61,165,201	15,289,068	13,515,222	+1,773,846
N O Tex & Mex	1,374,251	1,491,935	227,628	354,039	-126,410
St L Br & Mex.	4,767,693	4,524,101	1,621,354	1,546,060	+75,294
San Ant Ev & Gulf	1,095,891	1,174,496	325,271	398,742	-73,471
Texas & Pacific.	22,715,113	24,237,380	6,700,522	7,792,695	-1,092,173
St L Southw System—					
St Louis Southw	9,134,117	8,804,261	3,560,161	3,050,368	+509,793
St L S West of Tex	3,656,437	3,419,615	-949,256	-319,477	-629,779
Southern Pacific Lines—					
Southern Pacific—See Central Western Region.					
Texas & New Ori	36,237,246	32,749,349	8,440,594	5,409,886	+3,030,708
Term Ry Assoc of STL	6,326,591	6,563,016	1,948,965	2,086,436	-137,471
Texas Mexican	695,144	656,978	136,215	190,692	-54,477
Trinity & Brazos Val	936,267	1,045,835	-79,562	46,367	-125,929
Wichita Falls & Sou.	669,881	848,803	250,597	368,754	-118,157
<b>Total (33 roads)</b>	<b>276,426,104</b>	<b>266,792,467</b>	<b>70,108,334</b>	<b>64,076,217</b>	<b>+6,032,117</b>
<b>Total Western Dis-</b>	<b>1126,945,200</b>	<b>1073,855,625</b>	<b>293,238,831</b>	<b>253,177,497</b>	<b>+40,061,334</b>
<b>Grand total (181 roads)</b>	<b>3057,560,980</b>	<b>2905,912,090</b>	<b>817,500,221</b>	<b>702,553,020</b>	<b>+114,947,201</b>

RESULTS FOR EARLIER YEARS.

As already indicated the increase of \$151,648,890 in gross and \$114,947,201 in net in the first half of 1929 follows \$116,628,406 loss in gross and \$13,059,449 in net the first half of 1928. In 1927 also conditions were not altogether favorable, so that our tables then likewise showed some shrinkage in both gross and net earnings. The Mississippi River floods, the coal miners' strike, the slump in the auto, mobile trade, the depression in the South, the impaired status of the agricultural classes, especially in the Northwest, by reason of successive poor crops of spring wheat, all

imposed a state of quietude on general trade in that year and left their mark on railroad revenues. However, the decrease was very slight—only \$9,132,430 in the gross, or less than one-third of 1%, and \$16,035,003 in the net, or 2.20%. In the two years preceding, on the other hand—1926 and 1925—the situation was different. Then the returns were distinguished for quite considerable improvement. Especially was this the case in 1926, when our compilations recorded no less than \$131,448,135 increase in gross and \$71,056,875 increase in net. There were increases also in 1925 over 1924, but they were much more moderate, at least in the gross, having been only \$23,096,456 in that item, but \$58,807,728 in the net. However, these increases came after a big falling off in both gross and net in 1924. This latter year was the year of a Presidential election, when, pending the outcome, a tremendous slump in business occurred, which involved a corresponding contraction in the traffic and the revenues of the railroads. The falling off in the gross in 1924 amounted to no less than \$225,987,341; in the net it was \$54,000,364.

But in noting the 1924 shrinkage in gross and net it is important not to overlook the fact that this followed prodigious gains in gross and net a like in the year preceding, that is 1923, the addition to the gross that year having been no less than \$480,926,565 and to the net \$117,564,651. Moreover, this improvement, at least in the net, came after large increases in 1922 and the year before, too, the improvement, however, in those two years following entirely as a result of savings in expenses, gross earnings in both 1922 and 1921 having recorded losses. In 1922, as against \$63,399,701 decrease in gross, the saving in expenses was \$281,731,725, affording, therefore, a gain in net earnings of \$218,332,024. In 1921, in like manner, though there was \$67,476,090 loss in gross, this was turned into a gain of \$141,808,030 in net by a reduction of \$209,284,120 in expenses. The 1921 reduction in expenses would have been very much greater than actually recorded except that the railroads were operating under much higher wage scales, the United States Labor Board having in July 1920 awarded an increase of 20%. On the other hand, the decrease of 12% made by the Labor Board, effective July 1 1921, was a factor in lowering expenses in the first half of 1922.

It must be particularly remembered, however, that previous to 1921 expenses had been mounting up in a frightful way, until in 1920 a point was reached where even the strongest and best managed properties were barely able to meet ordinary running expenses, not to mention taxes and fixed charges. And it is these prodigiously inflated expense accounts that furnished the basis for the savings and economies that were effected in 1921 and 1922 and in the years since then. As compared with 1920, the roads in both 1921 and 1922 also had the advantage of much more favorable weather conditions. In 1921 the winter was exceptionally mild, and much the same was true of the winter of 1922, though this last is declared to have been a hard one in certain special sections—in Wyoming and Montana, for instance, and contiguous territory. In 1920, on the other hand, not only was the winter unusually severe, but many other adverse influences and conditions existed at the time, all combining to cut down the net, and in our review of the earnings for this half year period we were prompted to say that it was not likely that we would ever be called upon to record a poorer statement of net earnings of United States railroads for any period of six months than that for the first half of 1920. Rising costs of operation—induced by wage increases, advancing prices for material, fuel, supplies and everything else entering into the operating accounts of the railroads, and by heavy extra expenses arising out of special unfavorable circumstances of one kind or another—had been a feature of railroad affairs for many years, we then pointed out, but in 1920 the movement, unquestionably, might be said to have reached its climax and its apex, many of the roads failing to earn bare operating expenses. Altogether, the result of this array of unfavorable influences on earnings in the first half of 1920 was that as against a gain in gross earnings of \$358,015,357, our compilations showed an addition to expenses of no less than \$425,461,941, leaving the net diminished in amount of \$67,446,584.

It should be noted, furthermore, that the falling off in net in 1920 was merely one of a long series of losses in net. In the first six months of 1919 the higher rates then in force (as compared with 1918) for the transportation of passengers and freight barely sufficed to meet the great rise in expenses; our compilations then showed \$265,635,870 addition to

gross earnings with a coincident increase in expenses of \$265,952,855, leaving net slightly smaller, namely by \$316,985. In the preceding two years the results were equally bad, huge increases in expenses acting to cause heavy losses in the net. For instance, in 1918 the addition to expenses (over 1917) reached the prodigious sum of \$457,054,265, or about 34%, with the result that a gain of \$181,848,682 in gross was turned into a loss of no less than \$275,205,583 in the net, or over 50%. Not only that, but in 1917 a gain of \$205,066,407 in gross was concurrent with an addition of \$212,222,155 to expenses, leaving a loss of \$7,155,748 in net. In the following we furnish the half yearly comparisons back to 1906:

Year.	Gross Earnings.			Net Earnings.		
	Year Given.	Year Preceding.	Increase or Decrease.	Year Given.	Year Preceding.	Increase or Decrease.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Jan. 1 to June 30.						
1906.	923,524,268	815,486,025	+108,068,243	272,101,047	226,345,855	+45,755,192
1907.	999,082,691	884,426,163	+114,656,528	280,697,496	261,423,946	+19,273,550
1908.	863,860,965	1036,729,560	-172,868,595	231,254,071	294,738,973	-63,484,902
1909.	1172,185,403	1051,853,195	+120,332,208	871,591,341	294,951,102	+576,440,239
1910.	1351,570,837	1172,481,315	+179,089,522	408,380,483	371,562,668	+36,817,815
1911.	1310,580,765	1339,539,563	-28,958,798	378,852,053	404,569,430	-25,717,377
1912.	1365,355,859	1309,006,353	+56,349,606	373,370,171	375,407,648	-2,037,477
1913.	1502,472,942	1366,304,199	+136,168,743	400,242,544	373,442,875	+26,799,669
1914.	1401,010,280	1486,044,706	-85,033,426	343,835,677	394,495,885	-50,660,208
1915.	1407,465,982	1447,464,542	-39,998,560	394,683,548	347,068,207	+47,615,343
1916.	1731,460,912	1403,448,334	+328,012,578	559,476,894	393,225,507	+166,251,381
1917.	1946,395,084	1741,329,277	+205,066,407	555,683,025	562,838,773	-7,155,747
1918.	2071,337,977	1889,489,295	+181,848,682	265,705,922	540,911,505	-275,205,583
1919.	2339,750,126	2074,114,256	+265,635,870	265,007,159	265,325,144	-316,985
1920.	2684,672,507	2326,657,150	+358,015,357	193,832,649	229,233	-7,446,584
1921.	2671,369,048	2738,845,138	-67,476,090	310,890,365	169,082,335	+141,808,030
1922.	2602,347,511	2665,747,212	-63,399,701	530,420,651	312,088,627	+218,332,024
1923.	3086,129,793	2605,203,228	+480,926,565	649,131,565	581,566,924	+67,598,641
1924.	2865,947,474	3091,934,815	-225,987,341	597,828,199	651,828,563	-54,000,364
1925.	2837,608,623	2864,512,167	-26,906,456	656,663,561	597,855,833	+58,807,728
1926.	3022,413,801	2890,965,666	+131,448,136	727,905,072	656,848,197	+71,056,875
1927.	3011,796,048	3020,928,478	-9,132,430	711,888,565	727,923,568	-16,035,003
1928.	2901,379,728	3018,008,234	-116,628,506	700,846,779	713,906,228	-13,059,449
1929.	3057,560,980	2905,912,090	+151,648,890	817,500,221	702,553,020	+114,947,201

As far as the winter weather has played a part in affecting the traffic and earnings of the roads in the different years, it has already been indicated that in 1929, while in the northern part of the eastern half of the country weather conditions were not much of a drawback, on the other hand in the western half the winter was quite severe, extreme cold accompanied in many instances by repeated heavy snowfalls having seriously interfered with railroad operations. Particularly does this remark apply to Wisconsin and Iowa, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, and as a matter of fact along much the same parallels of latitude all the way west to the State of Washington. In contra distinction to this, the winter of 1928 ranks as one of the mildest on record, complaints of obstruction to railroad operations from snow or ice or extreme cold having been entirely absent in all parts of the country in that year. In 1927, too, the winter was not severe in any apt of the country, if we except a limited area in the Rocky Mountain regions, where unusually heavy falls of snow were encountered during January, February and March. In fact, it may be said that in some of the Rocky Mountain States, particularly Colorado and Wyoming, repeated heavy snowstorms occurred all through the winter of 1927, making railroad operations difficult; even towards the middle of April an unusually severe spring blizzard was reported, seriously interrupting traffic, the latter extending also into South Dakota. Barring this, however, the winter of 1927 did not impose drawbacks of any great consequence anywhere. In 1926, likewise, the winter on the whole was not much of a disturbing influence. The situation in that respect was not so extremely good as it had been in 1925 and yet was on the whole quite favorable. In January weather conditions in 1926 did not interfere with railroad operations to any great extent over any large sections of the country. On the other hand, in February

the New England roads suffered, presumably by reason of heavy falls of snow. The winter of 1926, taking the country as a whole, was, as stated, quite mild, but in February there were some big snowstorms in the East, with, however, nothing approaching a blizzard. In other words, there were no big drifts to tie up traffic and interfere seriously with the running of trains. In this city there was in 1926 no snowfall of any consequence during the winter until February, but in this last mentioned month there were two very heavy snowstorms, namely, one on Feb. 3-4, when 10.3 inches of snow fell, and another on Feb. 9-10, when the snowfall was 11.6 inches. For the whole month of February the snowfall in this city in 1926 aggregated 25.7 inches, being the heaviest on record for any February since 1899, when the fall was 27.5 inches, and comparing with only 0.8 inch in February 1925 (when, however, the fall was extremely heavy in January), and with 11.5 inches in February 1924 and 17.9 inches in February 1923. The February snowstorms of 1926 seem to have extended all over New England and through New York State. New England roads virtually all reported for that month large losses in gross as well as in net, and no doubt the circumstance mentioned was in part responsible for this, in addition to which, however, these roads must have had their coal traffic reduced by the anthracite miners' strike.

In both 1925 and 1924 the railroads enjoyed quite remarkable exemption from bad weather and from the often extreme rigors of the winter. In January 1925 bad weather was somewhat of a drawback on certain lines here in the East, though not to any great extent for the country as a whole. There were repeated snowstorms in these parts in the month in 1925, and in New York City the fall of snow was the heaviest of any January in the history of the local weather bureau, reaching 26.2 inches. This compared with only 2.6 inches in January 1924, but with 21.9 inches in January 1923, this latter having also been a month of very heavy snowfalls. A storm which came toward the end of the month in 1925—that is, Thursday, Jan. 29, and extended into Friday, Jan. 30—proved particularly mischievous in New York State. The New York Central R.R. reported it as the worst in its history, especially between Albany and Rochester, causing considerable delay in the running of trains. The Twentieth Century train from Chicago was 16 hours late in reaching the Grand Central Terminal in New York City. It was due at 9:40 a. m., but did not arrive until 1:18 and 1:33 the following morning (Saturday), coming in two sections. The area of disturbance, however, in this way was very much circumscribed, being confined largely to New York and New England, while elsewhere in the northern part of the country the winter was comparatively mild, and little complaint was heard of obstruction because of snow and ice or because of extreme cold.

After this heavy snowstorm in New York State the latter part of January (1925), from which, as noted, other parts of the country were exempt, mild weather developed in February, and this may be said to have been a condition common to the whole United States and even Canada, the winter nearly everywhere having been an open one and spring having come unusually early virtually everywhere. Nor, as already stated, was there much severe winter weather in 1924, but in 1923, on the other hand, the winter was of unusual severity in many parts of the northern half of the United States, especially in New England and in northern New York, where the roads suffered from repeated snowstorms, and from the depth of the accumulated snowfalls, with resulting large increases in operating expenses. Weather conditions in prior years have already been detailed above.

## Indications of Business Activity

### THE STATE OF TRADE—COMMERCIAL EPITOME.

*Friday Night, Aug. 23 1929.*

Wholesale and jobbing trade keeps up on a relatively satisfactory scale for this time of the year and the industries are also reasonably active. Trade does not show the striking increase over that of last year that at one time distinguished it. In fact it is now not generally much if at all larger than at that time. But industries in general reflect a noteworthy increase as compared with this time in 1928. It is true that the production of steel has latterly declined somewhat. Backlogs are not so large as they were. In general steel prices are about steady without anything

aggressive in the tone and some wire products have recently declined. Automobile specifications are not what they were. Alabama pig iron, competing for northern trade, has declined 50 cents. One of the significant signs of the times is the buoyancy of the stock market despite high record loans, loans which it would at once have seemed entirely fabulous. Yet money on call has been easier. Cottongoods have been in fair demand, though nothing more, but prices have been steady with raw cotton apparently tending upward. At Manchester, England, the arbitration court in the Lancashire cotton mills wage dispute has sustained the employers demand for a reduction of wages, but allowed only about half



the cut that the mills wished to make, that is to say, 6.41% instead of 12½%. But this promises to have a good effect in the textile industry of Great Britain and was not without a certain cheering influence in the London stock market.

The shoe manufacturing industry is busy both east and west, though at the West the country buying is not so brisk as it is in the cities. It is said that the dry weather in Kentucky and Maryland has been unfavorable for the tobacco crop in those States. Forest fires in the State of Washington have died down under rains but they have made regrettable progress in Western Montana and in Idaho owing to continued dry weather. The embargo on citrus fruit in Florida will be modified about the first of next month. Louisiana it appears will have the largest cane sugar crop for years past. It is regrettable that the Texas cotton crop threatens to be reduced by prolonged dry weather.

Wheat declined 4 to 6c. with a glut of grain at primary markets and the export business mostly small. Some of the European crop reports, moreover, were more favorable, those from France in particular, where the crop is said to have been of high record size. The market, too, had become overbought. Yet the yield per acre in Canada seems to be small, and possibly the European crop reports are a bit oversanguine—something not very difficult to understand. The Canadian Pacific Ry. Co. did not estimate the Canadian crop at 330,000,000 bushels. The rumor that it had helped at one time to bring about lower prices. Argentina still seems to need rain. The winter wheat crop movement is letting up and it is hoped there will be more orderly marketing at the Northwest from now on. The farmers who crowd into the market regardless of the result have only themselves to thank if prices fall. Corn, though lower for September in sympathy with declining prices for wheat, has risen for other months and the crop is late and of problematical size. In fact the outlook is dubious. Country offerings of corn are not large and contract stocks at Chicago are relatively small. It is true, however, that European crops are far larger than last year, so that export business in American corn may not be very important. Oats declined but little despite the hard cash market conditions arising from the congestion of grain at primary markets. Rye followed wheat downward.

Cotton has advanced as the prolonged drought in Texas has not been relieved and the dry weather in Oklahoma, and Arkansas has also attracted attention as an additional detriment to the crop. The weevil population, it is stated, is increasing rapidly in most of the big weevil area. Pronounced damage has been done by the pest in the central and more northerly districts of the belt. Even the dry portions of Texas complain of the weevil. Texas is the sore point. What the cotton belt badly needs is at least 2 inches of rain in Texas, perhaps the same quantity in Oklahoma and Arkansas, to resuscitate the plant and at the same time hot dry weather in the big Eastern belt to deal a telling blow to the weevil. Meanwhile the spot demand has increased and the ginning is moderate though ginning in August has no necessary significance. Worth Street has done a little better business and one large concern, it appears, has this week sold more than its production of gray cloths for the first time in some weeks. Manchester has a somewhat better trade with India and the Near East and Egypt. The Shanghai auctions have been more successful. Wool has been firm with a moderate business. Copper has been steady and tin has advanced. Hides have been advancing.

Coffee advanced in what looked like, a more or less over-sold market while on the spot mild coffee at least was higher with a better demand. The smallness of the cost and freight offerings from Rio and Victoria was signal feature. Spot prices were also strengthened by the smallness of the warehouse stocks. Santos coffee has again been hit by competition of mild coffee. Needless to say Brazil has been buying from time to time "*pour encourager les autres.*" Rains in the Sao Paulo district were not without some effect as it was feared they might be followed by a freeze. Sugar has been tolerably steady at around 2 1-16c. for prompt Cuban and futures advanced very slightly with deliveries on September contracts just ahead and also the announcement of the terms of plans of a co-operative sales agency. Hedged prompt Cuban can be had at 2 1-16c., but there is none at all offered for September. Larger sales of Cuban for September and October shipment were reported. The technical position seems to be better. Cuban interests at one time bought December freely. Rubber has declined in London and Singapore, in the absence of any stimulating

demand. New York prices have therefore followed what appeared to be the world trend at this time. English stocks have increased nearly 4,000 tons and predictions that the increase will in the next six weeks reach 15,000 tons together with large Malayan shipments have partly accounted for a decline of about half a cent.

An enthusiastic stock market all through the week has carried prices further upward. On the 20th inst. prices advanced 2 to 17 points. The purchases were in unusually large lots. A long list of stocks reached new high prices. Chalmers ran up 43 points to 330. General Electric advanced to \$403, Commercial Solvents to 500, and United States Steel common reached 250½. Big buying appeared in Radio and International Telephone. Inter. Tel. & Tel. advanced to 135, a rise of 12 points. Radio was up 4½. Call money was plentiful at 7%. International Telephone & Telegraph 4½% bonds rose 17½ points, selling at 201½. Large operators and investment trusts were said to be buying. To-day stocks took a new upward turn despite the increase in brokers' loans of \$133,000,000 or nearly double the decrease in the previous week and lifting the total to the highest ever known. This and new high average prices for stocks apparently disturbed neither the speculative world nor the banking authorities. The sales were close to 4,800,000 shares. Westinghouse rose 15 points to a new high of close to 300, Du Pont advanced 12 points, U. S. Steel common 9½, Radio 5, American Tobacco went to a new high. London was firmer with money easy. In bonds here there was a better demand for Government issues and some convertibles reached new highs. Money on call was 7%.

Fall River, Mass., reported that the Parker Mills has ceased all night work in its plant. It has been customary to operate approximately 500 looms nightly but conditions of late have not warranted continued operations. Curtailment in one form or another is looked for in this center in the near future, including some of the fine goods plants. Charlotte, N. C., wired that most of the mills are now curtailing or will do so during the month. It is understood that more than 80% of the mills in all sections have decided to close down entirely one week in September and one week in October in an effort to bring the supply of manufactured goods in line with the demand and stabilize the market. Manufacturers report some advance in goods, but say that prices offered on most lines are still too low for replacement costs. They report a good inquiry for nearly all lines, but at prohibitive prices. Raleigh, N. C., wired Aug. 19th that two companies of State troops were called to Marion, N. C., to suppress rioting which followed attempts of the management of Clinchfield Mills to resume operations. The effort to operate the mill was suspended until the 20th. Between 200 and 300 non-union workers were ready to go to work when the mill gates opened after being closed for three weeks. They were unable to make their way through the picket lines formed by 600 union members. Raleigh, N. C., wired Aug. 21st, however, that 380 non-union employees of the Clinchfield Mill No. 2, the larger of the two mills of the company at Marion were at work, with a belief on the part of the management that the backbone of the strike had been broken. Under the terms of the agreement reached between the union and the management, the employees who wish to work will not be molested. The mills have agreed not to import strike breakers, but insist on their right to give employment to workers who want jobs. The No. 2 plant is now fully manned. Troops have remained in camp a mile from the mill. Picket lines are maintained by the union, but are entirely peaceful. Striking employees of the Marion Manufacturing Co., now in their sixth week of idleness, are not to be given work at Clinchfield, nor allowed to form a part of the picket lines. Marion, N. C., wired on the 22nd, inst., that the Clinchfield strike had ended. At Chester, S. C., the Springstein Mills after this week will be closed indefinitely. It makes fine gingham and has a spindleage of 14,560 and a battery of 610 looms. The Eureka Cotton Mills at Chester which manufactures print cloths and sheetings is operating full time day and night.

Manchester, England, cabled that the arbitration court in the wage dispute among the Lancashire cotton mills sustained on the 22nd, inst., the employers' demand for a reduction in wages, but awarded a decrease of 6.41% instead of the 12½% that the employers had demanded.

A general strike which began at Rosario, Argentina, on the 21st inst. is not strictly speaking, a labor conflict, said a special cable to the New York "Times." It is the latest





**Continued Upward Movement of Wholesale Food Prices.**

Continued upward movement of wholesale prices is shown for July by data collected in leading markets by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor. The Bureau's weighted index number stands at 98.0 for July compared with 96.4 for June, an increase of 1 2-3%. There was an increase of 2 1/4% over May, when the index number was 95.8, the lowest level reached during the present year. Compared with July 1928, with an index number of 98.3, a decrease of 1-3 of 1% is shown. Based on these figures the purchasing power of the dollar in July 1929, was 102.0 compared with 100.0 in the year 1926. Under date of Aug. 19 the Bureau adds:

Farm products showed the greatest price increases from June to July, with pronounced advances for all grains, especially wheat, and for eggs and potatoes. Prices for calves, beef steers, hogs, lambs, and flaxseed were also upward, while only a few articles, including cows, hay and onions showed a decrease. The net increase for the group as a whole was more than 4%.

Goods also showed a decided increase in average price, with wheat flour, cornmeal and certain meat products advancing considerably. Butter, cheese, and milk showed a decrease in average price. The net gain in the group as a whole was slightly less than 4%.

Hides and skins and leather continued their upward movement, resulting in a net increase of over 1% for the hides and leather products group. Boots and shoes and other leather products showed very little or no change.

The greatest increase for any group of commodities took place in cattle feed, with an advance of 13% in July over June.

Textile products and fuel and lighting materials recorded the greatest decreases among the groups as a whole. Minor changes took place in metals and metal products and building materials, with no change shown for the group of chemicals and drugs.

Raw materials, semi-manufactured articles and finished products all averaged higher than in June, as did also non-agricultural commodities, taken as a whole.

Of the 550 commodities or price series for which comparable information for June and July was collected, increases were shown in 130 instances and decreases in 118 instances. In 302 instances no change in price was reported.

Comparing prices in July with those of a year ago, as measured by changes in the index numbers, it is seen that metals and metal products were considerably higher while building materials were somewhat higher. Smaller increases took place during the year period in farm products, foods, house-furnishing foods, and articles classed as miscellaneous. Hides and leather products decreased over 12% from July, 1928, to July 1929, with smaller decreases shown for textile products, chemicals and drugs, and fuel and lighting materials.

**The index numbers follow:**

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

Groups and Sub-Groups.	July, 1928.	June, 1929.	July, 1929.	Purchasing Power of the Dollar, July 1929.
All commodities.....	98.3	96.4	98.0	102.0
Farm products.....	107.1	103.3	107.6	92.9
Grains.....	111.6	91.0	102.2	97.8
Livestock and poultry.....	112.1	111.0	114.9	87.0
Other farm products.....	102.1	102.3	104.5	95.7
Foods.....	102.3	98.9	102.8	97.3
Butter, cheese and milk.....	103.3	105.5	103.4	96.7
Meats.....	112.7	111.5	116.7	85.7
Other foods.....	95.5	88.5	94.0	106.4
Hides and leather products.....	124.2	108.0	109.2	91.6
Hides and skins.....	155.8	110.9	114.5	87.3
Leather.....	128.5	110.3	112.1	89.2
Boots and shoes.....	110.8	106.1	106.1	94.3
Other leather products.....	108.6	105.5	105.8	94.5
Textile products.....	96.8	93.3	92.8	107.8
Cotton goods.....	102.0	99.1	98.7	101.3
Silk and rayon.....	81.7	79.5	78.6	127.2
Woolen and worsted goods.....	101.5	97.8	97.2	102.9
Other textile products.....	89.6	80.3	79.7	125.5
Fuel and lighting.....	82.8	83.3	82.0	122.0
Anthracite coal.....	90.5	88.1	89.1	112.2
Bituminous coal.....	91.4	89.6	89.9	111.2
Coke.....	84.6	84.7	84.7	118.1
Manufactured gas.....	94.8	94.0	*	---
Petroleum products.....	73.5	76.6	73.3	136.4
Metals and metal products.....	98.6	105.1	105.0	95.2
Iron and steel.....	94.0	98.2	97.9	102.1
Nonferrous metals.....	92.6	104.8	105.1	95.1
Agricultural implements.....	98.8	98.3	98.3	101.7
Automobiles.....	105.1	112.2	112.2	89.1
Other metal products.....	96.9	98.5	98.5	101.5
Building materials.....	94.4	96.4	96.7	103.4
Lumber.....	89.5	94.2	94.0	106.4
Brick.....	93.2	89.1	89.1	112.2
Cement.....	96.5	94.6	94.6	105.7
Structural steel.....	94.5	99.6	99.6	100.4
Paint materials.....	87.6	86.5	90.7	110.3
Other building materials.....	104.1	106.1	105.7	94.6
Chemicals and drugs.....	94.5	93.4	93.4	107.1
Chemicals.....	100.2	98.6	99.1	100.9
Drugs and pharmaceuticals.....	70.4	69.8	69.8	143.3
Fertilizer materials.....	93.0	92.6	90.7	110.3
Fertilizers.....	97.5	96.7	97.3	102.8
Housefurnishing goods.....	96.9	96.6	97.2	102.9
Furniture.....	97.4	95.0	96.7	103.4
Furnishings.....	96.6	97.7	97.5	102.6
Miscellaneous.....	80.8	80.4	81.3	123.0
Cattle feed.....	132.4	106.2	120.5	83.0
Paper and pulp.....	89.2	88.2	88.2	113.4
Rubber.....	39.8	42.7	43.9	227.8
Automobile tires.....	61.6	55.3	55.3	180.8
Other miscellaneous.....	98.4	109.7	109.0	91.7
Raw materials.....	99.5	96.6	99.1	100.9
Semi-manufactured articles.....	97.8	94.4	96.0	104.2
Finished products.....	97.8	96.7	97.8	102.2
Non-agricultural commodities.....	95.9	94.6	95.5	104.7

\* Data not yet available.

**W. W. Putnam of Union Trust Co. of Detroit Finds Continued Business Activity—Michigan Operations At High Level.**

Although moderately curtailed by midsummer influences, business by and large during the past month continued

active, says Wayne W. Putnam, Assistant Vice-President of the Union Trust Company, Detroit. Much of the vigor which characterized industrial operations during the first half of the year was still in evidence during recent weeks, says Mr. Putnam, who notes that trade also was good. He adds:

The general level of both industry and trade continues above that of a year ago. Such barometers of the movement of goods into consumption as freight car loadings and bank clearings bear witness to that. The attention of the business world is now being focused on credit and crops, the two influential factors that will largely determine the state of business for the remainder of 1929.

As to conditions in Michigan, Mr. Putnam has the following to say:

Business in Michigan, as reflected in reports from bankers and business executives in all sections of the State, is maintained at a high level for the month of August. It is doubtful whether commerce and industry in this State have ever experienced a more active Summer. A few lines have slowed down to the normal seasonal pace, but numerous other lines have contracted only slightly. Radio production has turned upward. Paper mill operations recently quickened, but the improvement was only temporary. The industry is almost equally divided between the mills that are running normal and those that are operating below normal.

A firmer tone is evident in the furniture industry and the outlook is for steady improvement. The July furniture market was fairly satisfactory. Canning factories are well occupied. Furnace and stove manufacturers report an improvement in business during recent weeks and a better outlook for the latter half of the year. Paint, varnish, pharmaceutical and chemical output is holding at a satisfactory level. Business in the Upper Peninsula is in a healthy condition. All copper and iron mines are working and lumber mill activity is better than usual.

The chief source of strength in Michigan's industrial situation is coming, of course, from its automotive plants. July production for the industry amounted to 524,155 cars and trucks, which was 42,589 units below the June output but 106,843 vehicles above the number manufactured in July a year ago. Several companies bringing out new models are not working on heavy schedules. August production is expected to equal that for July and may exceed it. The industry produced 3,835,000 units during the first seven months of this year and stands a good chance of reaching the five and one-half million mark by the end of the year.

Employment conditions throughout the State are highly satisfactory. Industrial employment is reported normal in 44 cities, increasing in 13 and decreasing in 9. The Detroit employment index, prepared by the Detroit Board of Commerce, stood at 131 on August 1 as compared with 128 on July 1 and 123.5 on August 1 a year ago. Ford plants are now employing 117,326 workmen and output is averaging 8,200 units daily. Employment in Muskegon is at the highest peak in that city's history.

Consumption of electricity by Michigan industries in July totaled 200,048,355 kilowatt hours, a decrease of 6% in comparison with June, but a gain of more than 8% in comparison with July a year ago.

Twenty principal cities in Michigan issued construction permits in July aggregating \$17,895,064 in comparison with \$16,813,985 in the previous month and \$18,629,721 in July last year.

Bank debits in Detroit in July totaled \$2,331,137,000, which was 5% above the debits for June 1929 and 33% above those for July 1928. Savings deposits of Detroit banks and trust companies on August 1 amounted to \$548,576,000 in comparison with \$518,922,000 on the same date in 1927, and \$236,000,000 on January 1 1922.

Michigan's crop production will be 9% less than that of 1928, according to the forecast prepared by the Michigan Department of Agriculture. Higher prices for potatoes, fruits, wheat and other grains should offset the decrease in this year's harvests.

The volume of wholesale and retail sales is good. Retail trade, however, is quite spotty. Tourist trade has been heavy during the past month. Men's furnishings and dry goods are making the best showing. Building supplies is the slowest line in wholesale trade. Retail collections are fair. Wholesale collections are fair to good.

**Union Trust Company of Cleveland Finds Late Summer Business at Higher Level Than Was Expected.**

Business has continued during the late summer at a higher level than was expected, and with the marked improvement in agricultural conditions, a favorable period for trade is in prospect during the remaining part of 1929, says the Union Trust Co., Cleveland. "The improvement in agricultural prices, particularly wheat, has been the outstanding economic development in the country during the last month" says the bank, in its magazine Trade Winds. "It is estimated that the general advance in grain prices from the low point in May, has added more than one billion dollars to the wealth of the country." The bank further states:

"The assurance of good purchasing power on the part of the farmers is a powerful factor in the direction of good business. As farmers continue to use more and more of the products of our factories, farm returns may be expected to be more directly reflected in production schedules of industry. In fact, there are indications that farm prosperity will provide impetus to the automobile and other industries during the closing months of 1929.

"In the meantime business continues at surprisingly high levels. There has not been as much of a seasonal recession as was looked for in many quarters. Carloadings are running higher than has ever before been the case at this time of the year. Employment remains high and at Cleveland employment in July hit a new mark for a number of years.

"The real test of our credit situation may be expected to manifest itself, as time goes on, with respect to foreign exchanges and foreign trade. If high interest rates in this country continue to attract foreign capital here to such an extent that our foreign markets may be adversely affected, it is possible that a period of recession and readjustment might ensue."

**Loading of Railroad Revenue Freight Heavier Than Both Last Year and the Year Before.**

Loading of revenue freight for the week ended on Aug. 10 totaled 1,090,616 cars, the Car Service Division of the American Railway Association announced on Aug. 21.

This was a reduction of 13,577 cars under the preceding week, but was an increase of 46,348 cars above the corresponding week last year. It also was an increase of 40,977 cars above the corresponding week in 1927. The report particularizes as follows:

Grain and grain products loading for the week totaled 64,123 cars, an increase of 6,099 cars over the corresponding week last year and 10,512 cars over the same period in 1927. In the Western districts alone, grain and grain products loading totaled 45,761 cars, an increase of 4,279 cars over the same week in 1928.

Ore loading amounted to 78,953 cars, an increase of 18,396 cars over the same week in 1928 and an increase of 19,254 cars compared with the corresponding week two years ago.

Miscellaneous freight loading for the week totaled 424,462 cars, 16,051 cars above the same week last year and 24,115 cars over the corresponding week two years ago.

Coal loading amounted to 161,464 cars, an increase of 235 cars over the same week in 1928 but 9,644 cars below the same period in 1927.

Live stock loading totaled 22,042 cars, 1,638 cars below the same week last year and 5,352 cars under the corresponding week in 1927. In the Western districts alone, live stock loading amounted to 16,269 cars, a decrease of 1,272 cars compared with the same week in 1928.

Loading of merchandise less than carload lot freight amounted to 259,328 cars, an increase of 2,310 cars above the same week in 1928, but 93 cars below the same week two years ago.

Forest products loading totaled 68,501 cars, 2,489 cars above the same week in 1928 and 189 cars above the corresponding week in 1927.

Coke loading amounted to 11,743 cars, an increase of 2,406 cars above the corresponding week last year and 1,996 cars over the same week two years ago.

All districts, except the Southern, reported increases in the total loading of all commodities compared with the same week in 1928, while all, except the Pocahontas and Southern Districts, showed increases over 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.....	4,307,944	4,752,559	4,982,547
Four weeks in April.....	3,983,978	3,740,307	3,875,589
Four weeks in May.....	4,205,709	4,005,155	4,108,472
Five weeks in June.....	5,260,571	4,924,115	4,995,854
Four weeks in July.....	4,153,220	3,944,041	3,913,761
Week ended Aug. 3.....	1,104,193	1,048,821	1,042,038
Week ended Aug. 10.....	1,090,616	1,044,268	1,049,639
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>31,944,967</b>	<b>30,498,903</b>	<b>31,508,478</b>

### July Sales of Life Insurance in U. S. Increase 13%.

July sales of ordinary life insurance in the United States gained 13% over July 1928. This large monthly increase was shared by every section of the country, according to the Life Insurance Sales Research Bureau of Hartford, Conn. The Bureau's advices, August 19, continue:

Only eight States failed to equal their production in last July. Another indication of the general nature of the prosperity is evidenced by the fact that 72% of the reporting companies record gains.

For the first seven months of the year, every section again records increased production. The country as a whole shows a gain of 8%, which was shared by 71% of the contributing companies. This increase was shared by companies of all sizes. The "A" companies, those having in force \$400,000,000 of insurance or over, gained 7%, and 56% of these companies increased their production in the first seven months of 1929. The "B" companies, which have in force from \$150,000,000 to \$400,000,000, gained 5%, and 61% of the companies in this group showed increased sales. The smallest companies, "C" and "D," having in force under \$150,000,000 of insurance, showed the largest year-to-date increase. 88% of these companies report increased sales, with an average gain of 18%.

The twelve-month period ending July 31 1929 was a successful period for sales of ordinary life insurance throughout the country. The United States as a whole increased its sales 7% over the preceding twelve months. These figures are issued by the Life Insurance Sales Research Bureau and are based on 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 show the unusual gain of 18% in July sales of ordinary life insurance over July 1928. Every State increased its production during the month. For the first seven months of the year and for the twelve-month period ending July 31 1929; the New England States show a 7% increase over the same months of last year.

#### Middle Atlantic.

The Middle Atlantic States pay for about one-third of the total new business sold in the country. This section shows a gain of 15% in July. Pennsylvania leads with a monthly gain of 21%. This section shows a 10% gain both for the year-to-date and the twelve-month period ending July 31.

#### East North Central.

The East North Central States show a 10% gain in insurance sales in July over July 1928. For the first seven months of the year these States record an 11% increase. Every State in this section shows gains for the month, year-to-date and twelve-month period just ended.

#### West North Central.

The West North Central States show a 10% gain in July over July 1928. Kansas led this section with a monthly gain of 22%. For the first seven months of the year the West North Central States gained 2%. For the twelve-month period just ended, these States increased their production 1% over the preceding twelve months.

#### South Atlantic.

During July these States record an increase of 6% in sales of life insurance over July 1928. Delaware, with a monthly increase of 42%, leads this section. For the first seven months of the year, these States record a 2% gain over the same months in 1928. During the twelve-month period ending July 31 1929 these States just equalled their production in the preceding twelve months.

#### East South Central.

The East South Central States increased their production 6% in July over July 1928. For the first seven months of the year, these States record an increase of 2%. During the past twelve months the section increased sales 1% over the preceding twelve months.

#### West South Central.

The West South Central States show a gain of 18% in July over July 1928. Every State records increased production for the month. Texas leads with a 25% gain. For the first seven months of the year, these States show a 4% increase over the same months in 1928. For the twelve-month period ending July 31 1929 these States record a 3% gain.

#### Mountain.

The Mountain States lead all sections with a monthly increase of 19% over July 1928. All States except Nevada share this large increase. Arizona leads all States in the country with a monthly gain of 59%. This section also leads the country in both the year-to-date and twelve-month period just ended with increases of 13% and 11% respectively.

#### Pacific.

The three States in this section all record increased production for July. This section shows an average monthly gain of 14%. The gain for the first seven months of the year is 10%, and the gain for the twelve-month period ending July 31 is 8%. All States share both the year-to-date and twelve-month gain.

### Canadian Sales of Ordinary Life Insurance Gain 15% In July.

July sales of ordinary life insurance in Canada show the unusual increase of 15% over July 1928. 60% of the companies reporting figures to the Bureau record increased sales. British Columbia shows the largest increase of any Province, 42%. Ontario and Quebec pay for over half the new business sold in the Dominion, these Provinces record increases of 23% and 14% respectively. 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 the Dominion. In its report for July the Bureau also says:

For the first seven months of 1929 the Dominion of Canada as a whole has paid for a volume of insurance 10% greater than in the same months in 1928. Nova Scotia, with a 19% increase, shows the largest gain of any Province. Newfoundland, for which figures are also reported, shows a year-to-date increase of 25%.

The record for the twelve-month period ending July 31 1929 shows that Canada has increased its sales of ordinary life insurance 12% over the preceding twelve-month period. Every Province, except Prince Edward Island, shares this gain. Ontario leads the Provinces with a 17% gain over the preceding twelve-month period.

Every city for which figures are reported shows an increase in July over July 1928. For the first seven months of the year all cities except Winnipeg, which shows a slight decrease, show increased sales.

### Industrial Situation in Illinois During July—Employment About on Level with June.

Employment in Illinois industries, both manufacturing and non-manufacturing, remained at almost the same level in July as in June, with a decrease of 0.1%, while payroll earnings decreased 3.4%, according to the review of the industrial situation in Illinois during July, made public August 22 by C. E. Anderson, Acting Chief of the Bureau of Statistics and Research of the Illinois Department of Labor. The review says:

The index of employment was 7 points higher than in July 1928. Manufacturing industries alone, however, decreased in relatively steeper fashion with a loss in employment of 0.7% and a decrease in payroll earnings of 4.5% compared with June. The movement of both employment and earnings is usually downward in July, but the change this year has been less abrupt than in 1928.

Metals, machinery, and conveyances, the most important industry from the point of view of numbers employed, declined 2.3% in employment and 6.3% in earnings. Exceptions to the decline within this group were cars and locomotives, machinery, and sheet-metal work and hardware. Iron and steel remained practically stationary in July as compared with June, but payroll earnings fell 3.1%. Food, beverages and tobacco went down 2.0% in employment, but payroll earnings rose 4.2%. The rise in earnings was due to certain seasonal industries such as fruit and vegetable canning, which added 79% to its June employees and increased its payroll earnings by 97.5%, manufactured ice, and ice cream. Slaughtering and meat packing increased 0.3% in employment and 2.5% in payroll earnings. Miscellaneous groceries fell off 0.3% in employment, but increased 2.4% in earnings. Bread and other bakery products came up 14% in number of workers and 5.8% in payroll earnings.

Printing and paper goods increased 1.9% in employees, but fell slightly in payroll earnings. Job printing was the leader in this group, with an increase of 8.7% in numbers employed and of almost 8% in earnings. All other industries in this group declined both in employment and earnings. Employment in clothing and millinery was reduced by 1.7%, while earnings fell off 9.1%. Men's clothing, the largest group in this classification, dropped 1.6% in numbers employed and more than 11% in earnings. Women's clothing reduced employment by 7.5% as compared with June, with most of the reduction in women workers. Women's underwear, however, increased in numbers employed, though earnings fell below the June figure.

In wood products, employment represented a reduction from June of 1.5%, with a much larger decrease (13.8%) in payroll earnings.

Furniture and cabinet work accounted for most of this decrease with a 3% drop in workers and 22.5% decline in earnings. Saw and planing



mills, however, increased their workers nearly 9% and their total payroll earnings 13%.

Chemicals, oils and paints increased 0.5% in workers, with a slight decrease in payroll earnings.

Fur and leather goods added nearly 3% to their employees, but fell slightly in earnings. Boots and shoes accounted for the greater part of this tendency, with an increase in workers of almost 3% and a decrease in earnings of 1.4%.

Stone, clay and glass products reduced forces by 2.2%. Earnings declined 10% from those reported in June.

Public utilities added 0.3% to their workers, but decreased 3% in payroll earnings. The increase in telephone workers was entirely responsible for the general upward trend in numbers employed by the utility companies.

Trade went up 1.4% in employees and 2.7% in earnings. Mail order houses and milk distributing accounted for most of the increase.

Coal mining increased its employees by 7.4% and its payroll earnings by 2.7%. Its employment index for July is 69.3, which is considerably above the index of 50.4 for July 1928. The change in earnings from June to July of this year, however, is about the same as the change from June to July a year ago.

Laundries gained 4% in employees, but declined slightly in earnings. Hotels and restaurants decreased slightly both in numbers of employed and in the amounts earned.

Building and contracting registered a gain of nearly 1% in employees and 4.7% in earnings. These increases were due not to building construction, in which there was practically no change in numbers employed and little change in earnings, but to miscellaneous contracting and road contracting. The former increased 8.2% in employment and 22.6% in earnings. The latter went up 2.3% in numbers employed and 19.4% in payroll amount.

**In presenting the analysis by cities, Mr. Anderson says:**

Reports from fifteen representative Illinois cities concerning employment conditions in July showed rather favorable conditions on the average. Vacations, inventory taking and seasonal readjustments usually cause a sag in the employment index. This year the decline was only 0.7% as contrasted with 2.0% in 1928.

Aurora.—There were increases in employment in the clothing industry in Aurora during July that offset seasonal declines in most other manufacturing activities and caused a net employment gain of 0.1%. Payrolls showed 6.1 smaller earnings for the workers. The movement was sharply upward in agriculture, with an acute shortage of experienced farm help. The ratio of registrations to positions opens as reported by the free employment office remained high at 143%. Building permits increased in number and values involved.

Bloomington.—A sharp drop of 23.6% in numbers employed and of 40.1% in their earnings was the measure of the July slump as reported by manufacturing concerns in Bloomington, but it must be remembered that reduction of forces on account of vacations and inventory taking affect these figures, and from February to July, Bloomington had reported significant gains. The value of building permits fell from \$137,000 in June to \$108,000 in July. Harvest activities absorbed a number of workers.

Chicago.—From June to July of this year Chicago showed practically no change in employment, but total wage payments dropped 1.4%. Chicago made a better showing this year than in July of 1928 in both the number of workers employed and the amount of their earnings. Last year the July figures fell below those for June 2.2% in employment and 4.3% in payroll earnings.

Some of the industries that have been showing State-wide weakness made actual gains in employment; for example, the wood industries. There were losses, however, in the metals group. The job-seeking index of the free employment offices went up sharply from 140 in June to 163 in July. There was a 6% gain in building permits as measured by value.

Cicero.—Cicero experienced a heavy decline in monthly building permits during July, but gained 2.5% in manufacturing employment over June, though total wage payments fell off. Press dispatches recorded a very high employment in Cicero's great electrical industry. A high registration at the free employment office was in part due to the making out of new cards in connection with the beginning of a new fiscal year, but there are many unemployed and charity activities have been necessary for many months, though with lessened urgency of late.

Danville.—July reports from manufacturing concerns indicate that the lists of names on the payroll averaged 8.1% shorter than in June, and the amounts earned fell off 10.5%. Building permits gained on account of important "alternations, additions and repairs." There was a strong demand for corn plowers, harvest hands and extra gang men. The public employment office's index of job seeking declined from 140 to 136.

Decatur.—Part time work and reduction of forces in manufacturing firms caused a shrinkage of 7.6% in payroll earnings in July as compared with June and a reported loss of 3.5% in working forces. Building activity, on the contrary, increased as was indicated by press dispatches and reports of new permits. During the full swing of the harvest season there was a shortage of experienced men. There was a ten point drop in the public employment office index of workers registered as compared with openings.

East St. Louis.—East St. Louis led the State in per cent. of increase in employment as reported by manufacturers in the principal Illinois cities. Comparing July with June there were gains of 5.2% in names and 0.7% in payroll earnings. Public improvements in the form of four new school buildings, a well whose cost will be half a million dollars, and important park developments were under way. Building permits increased from \$146,000 in June to \$217,000 in July. The free employment office ratio made little change, easing off one point in the indicated amount of unemployment.

Galesburg.—The full swing of harvest activities strengthened the July labor market in the Galesburg area. There was also active demand for skilled mechanics. Factory operatives were as fully employed as is usual for the time of the year. A heavy registration at the newly established public employment office outran the calls for help until there were 175 seeking work for each 100 positions listed as open. Building activities were reported to be very light.

Joliet.—The usual July sag in employment as reported by manufacturing concerns resulted in a loss of only 0.6% in number of names on payroll, according to reports from Joliet. The drop in earnings, however, was 8.9%. Joliet shared in the general State movement of an increase of nine points in the unemployment ratio. There was a drop in the number and value of building permits issued in July as compared with June. Business men and employers in general reported business conditions unexpectedly good for this time of year.

Moline-Rock Island.—Building activities and manufacturing moved in opposite directions during July. There was an 80% increase in the value

of building permits issued for the month in the two cities, and a smaller, though marked, increase in building operations, which showed itself in calls for more labor, skilled and unskilled. In manufacturing lines the taking of inventory and general seasonal dullness resulted in a loss of 5% of names from payroll but practically no change in payroll earnings. The demand for agricultural help as reported by the free employment office included both dairy and harvest hands. Contrary to the general State movement, there was a decline in the unemployment ratio, which changed from 140 to 133.

Peoria.—Peoria experienced no increase in the unemployment ratio during July, and registered increases of 1.3% in the volume of factory employment and 1.4% in payroll earnings. The building permits issued in July were more than twice as great in value as in the preceding month and were 30% larger than in July of 1928. The most active demand for labor was in construction work, harvesting, and in domestic service, with many short time jobs for common labor.

Quincy.—Recession in manufacturing activities, while clearly apparent, was less than is usual at this season of the year. Reports indicated that the shrinkage in number of names was 2.9% and in earnings 13.0%. Building permits, as measured by number and by value, showed a marked gain over the preceding month and over July 1928. Building construction and street and road work relieved the usual excess of common labor. The demand for harvest hands, while active during the month, eased off toward the end as the threshing crews were made up. The unemployment ratio increased slightly over 5 points as compared with a State-wide increase of 9 points.

Rockford.—Building activities continue to be on a much larger scale than in 1928. The value of new permits increased from \$352,000 in June to \$396,000 in July. The total for the first 7 months of this year exceeds the total for the corresponding months of 1928 by \$580,000. The number of placements through the free employment office in July was 1,333, the largest in the State outside of Chicago, and the unemployment ratio was reduced from 109 to 97. Contrary to the movement in the State as a whole, the volume of factory employment went up, with a gain of 0.9%, but the payroll earnings fell off 4.4%. There continues to be a shortage of tool and die makers, patternmakers and molders.

Springfield.—The fact that July placements by the free employment office exceeded the June number in spite of the interruption due to moving and the low unemployment index, 108, indicated considerable support of the labor market. "Good and bad periods of weather automatically opened and closed orders [at the free employment office] with the ever frenzied calls for men in numbers by contractors and farmers." Reports from manufacturers showed cuts of practically 50% in factory employment and payroll earnings, but temporary layoffs for inventory purposes and to concentrate vacations are characteristic of July. Building permits for the month fell off 55% as compared with June, but the total for the first seven months of 1929, \$2,381,000, is still well ahead of the corresponding total for 1928, which was \$2,039,000.

Sterling-Rock Falls.—Employment in factories increased 1.5% in July, but earnings dropped 7.3% from June.

**July Automobile Production Ahead of Previous Years.**

The output of automobiles in July did not come up to that of the months immediately preceding, but ran far in excess of that for the corresponding month last year. According to the Department of Commerce, July production (factory sales) of motor vehicles in the United States was 500,331, of which 426,159 were passenger cars, 73,118 trucks, and 1,054 taxicabs, as compared with 545,375 passenger cars, trucks and taxicabs in June and 392,086 in July 1928. The table below is based on figures received from 150 manufacturers in the United States for recent months, 47 making passenger cars and 117 making trucks (14 making both passenger cars and trucks). Figures for passenger cars include only those designed as pleasure vehicles, while the taxicabs reported are those built specifically for that purpose, pleasure cars later converted to commercial use not being reported as taxicabs. Figures for trucks include ambulances, funeral cars, fire apparatus, street sweepers and buses. Canadian figures are supplied by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

**AUTOMOBILE PRODUCTION.**  
(Number of Machines.)

	United States.				Canada.		
	Total.	Passenger Cars.	Trucks.	Taxi-cabs.	Total.	Passenger Cars.	Trucks.
<b>1928.</b>							
January ----	231,728	205,142	26,082	504	8,463	6,705	1,758
February ----	323,796	290,689	32,645	462	12,504	10,315	2,189
March ----	413,314	371,150	41,493	671	17,469	15,227	2,242
April ----	410,104	364,265	45,227	612	24,211	20,517	3,694
May ----	425,783	375,356	49,920	507	33,942	29,764	4,178
June ----	396,796	356,214	40,174	408	28,399	25,341	3,058
July ----	392,086	338,383	53,294	409	25,226	20,122	5,104
Tot. (7 mos.)	2,593,607	2,301,199	288,835	3,573	150,214	127,991	22,223
August ----	461,298	400,124	60,705	469	31,245	24,274	6,971
September --	415,314	358,615	56,423	276	21,193	16,572	4,621
October ----	397,284	339,487	57,138	659	18,536	13,016	5,520
November --	257,140	216,764	39,686	700	11,769	8,154	3,615
December --	234,116	204,957	28,123	1,036	9,425	6,784	2,691
<b>Total (year).</b>	<b>4,358,759</b>	<b>3,821,136</b>	<b>530,910</b>	<b>6,713</b>	<b>242,382</b>	<b>196,741</b>	<b>45,641</b>
<b>1929.</b>							
January ----	401,036	347,382	51,590	2,064	21,501	17,164	4,337
February ----	466,352	405,708	58,536	2,108	31,287	25,584	5,703
March ----	*585,222	*513,344	*69,799	2,079	40,621	32,833	7,788
April ----	621,336	537,225	82,425	1,686	41,901	34,392	7,509
May ----	*604,071	516,055	*86,698	1,318	31,559	25,129	6,430
June ----	*545,375	*452,624	*91,373	*1,378	21,492	16,511	4,981
July ----	500,331	426,159	73,118	1,054	17,461	13,600	3,861
Tot. (7 mos.)	3,723,723	3,198,497	513,539	11,687	205,822	165,213	40,609

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

**Lumber Movement Still Trails Production.**

Although orders and shipments for both hardwood and softwood lumber continued to trail production, there is indication of a slight improvement in the call for and shipment of softwood during the week ended Aug. 17 in reports from 768 hardwood and softwood mills to the National Lumber Manufacturers Association. Softwood orders for the week received at reporting mills moved up to about 10% under production, while shipments improved to only 6% under. New hardwood orders for the week were reported by 215 mills as 14%, and shipments as 13%, below production. Unfilled softwood orders on hand at 457 mills amount to the equivalent of about 21 days' production, a figure around which they have been hovering for several weeks past.

Lumber orders reported for the week ended Aug. 17 1929, by 578 softwood mills totaled 326,750,000 feet, or 10% below the production of the same mills. Shipments as reported for the same week were 342,154,000 feet, or 6% below production. Production was 362,202,000 feet.

Reports from 215 hardwood mills give new business as 41,863,000 feet, or 14% below production. Shipments as reported for the same week were 42,320,000 feet, or 13% below production. Production was 48,659,000 feet. The Association's statement continues:

*Unfilled Orders.*

Reports from 457 softwood mills give unfilled orders of 1,068,229,000 feet, on Aug. 17 1929, or the equivalent of 21 days' production. This is based upon production of latest calendar year—300-day year—and may be compared with unfilled orders of 485 softwood mills on Aug. 10 1929, of 1,153,345,000 feet, the equivalent of 22 days' production.

*Identical Mill Reports.*

The 337 identical softwood mills report unfilled orders as 828,475,000 feet, on Aug. 17 1929, as compared with 900,877,000 feet for the same week a year ago. Last week's production of 394 identical softwood mills was 277,366,000 feet, and a year ago it was 282,077,000 feet; shipments were respectively 270,944,000 feet and 274,940,000; and orders received 252,322,000 feet and 284,070,000. In the case of hardwoods, 203 identical mills reported production last week and a year ago 46,288,000 feet and 39,860,000 feet; shipments 39,998,000 feet and 39,874,000; and orders 39,550,000 feet and 42,845,000.

*West Coast Movement.*

The West Coast Lumbermen's Association wired from Seattle that new business for the 211 mills reporting for the week ended Aug. 17 totaled 176,206,000 feet, of which 61,488,000 feet was for domestic cargo delivery and 37,775,000 feet export. New business by rail amounted to 69,765,000 feet. Shipments totaled 185,583,000 feet, of which 60,612,000 feet moved coastwise and inter-coastal, and 41,066,000 feet export. Rail shipments totaled 71,727,000 feet and local deliveries 12,178,000 feet. Unshipped orders totaled 661,806,000 feet, of which domestic cargo orders totaled 261,150,000 feet, foreign 215,747,000 feet, and rail trade 184,909,000 feet. Weekly capacity of these mills is 241,567,000 feet. For the 32 weeks ended Aug. 10, 140 identical mills reported orders 6.1% over production, and shipments 4.5% over production. The same mills showed a decrease in inventories of 12.7% on Aug. 10, as compared with Jan. 1.

*Southern Pine Reports.*

The Southern Pine Association reported from New Orleans that for 165 mills reporting, shipments were 4% below production, and orders 6% below production and 1% below shipments. New business taken during the week amounted to 70,644,000 feet (previous week, 69,603,000 for 165 mills); shipments, 71,526,000 feet (previous week, 65,268,000), and production, 74,766,000 feet (previous week, 65,583,000). The three-year average production of these mills is 82,260,000 feet. Orders on hand at the end of the week at 122 mill were 164,262,000 feet. The 151 identical mills reported a decrease in production of 6%, and in new business a decrease of 18%, as compared with the same week a year ago.

The Western Pine Manufacturers Association of Portland, Ore., reported production from 36 mills as 38,226,000 feet, shipments 34,899,000 and new business 30,375,000 feet. Thirty-five identical mill reported production 5% more, and new business 2% less than for the same period last year.

The California White & Sugar Pine Manufacturers Association of San Francisco reported production from 18 mills as 25,924,000 feet, shipments 19,182,000 and orders 18,087,000. The same number of mills reported a 1% increase in production and an 8% decrease in orders, compared with the corresponding week last year.

The Northern Pine Manufacturers Association of Minneapolis, Minn., reported production from nine mills as 9,837,000 feet, shipments 10,475,000 and new business 9,591,000. The same number of mills reported a decrease in production of 22%, and an increase in new business of 16%, compared with 1928.

The Northern Hemlock and Hardwood Manufacturers Association, of Oshkosh, Wis., reported production from 25 mills as 3,005,000 feet, shipments 3,299,000 and orders 2,712,000. Twenty-four identical mills reported production 28% less, and new business 14% less, than for the same week a year ago.

The Northern Carolina Pine Association, of Norfolk, Va., reported production from 93 mills as 11,089,000 feet, shipments 9,236,000 and new business 11,297,000. Forty-one identical mills reported production 3% more and orders 21% more than for the corresponding week last year.

The California Redwood Association, of San Francisco, reported production from 14 mills as 7,780,000 feet, shipments 7,918,000 and orders 7,804,000. The same number of mills reported an increase of 25% in production, and of 67% in new business, compared with the same period a year ago.

*Hardwood Reports.*

The Hardwood Manufacturers Institute, of Memphis, Tenn., reported production from 190 mills as 42,884,000 feet, shipments 36,526,000 and new business 35,525,000. Reports from 179 identical mills showed an increase of 21% in production and a decrease of 11% in new business, in comparison with a year ago.

The Northern Hemlock and Hardwood Manufacturers Association, of Oshkosh, Wis., reported production from 25 mills as 5,775,000 feet, shipments 5,794,000 and orders 6,338,000. Twenty-four identical mills reported a 10% decrease in production and a 16% increase in orders, compared with the corresponding week last year.

**CURRENT RELATIONSHIP OF SHIPMENTS AND ORDERS TO PRODUCTION FOR THE WEEK ENDING AUG. 17 1929 AND FOR 33 WEEKS TO DATE.**

Association—	Production, M. Feet.	Shipments, M. Feet.	P.C. of Prod.	Orders M. Feet.	P.C. of Prod.
<b>Southern Pine:</b>					
Week—165 mill reports.....	74,766	71,526	96	70,644	94
33 weeks—4,892 mill reports.....	2,201,020	2,328,506	102	2,227,723	101
<b>Western Coast Lumbermen's:</b>					
Week—218 mill reports.....	191,575	185,619	97	176,240	92
33 weeks—6,542 mill reports.....	5,734,749	5,868,095	102	5,918,731	103
<b>Western Pine Manufacturers:</b>					
Week—36 mill reports.....	38,226	34,899	91	30,375	79
33 weeks—1,232 mill reports.....	1,134,659	1,164,069	103	1,113,426	98
<b>California White &amp; Sugar Pine:</b>					
Week—18 mill reports.....	25,924	19,182	74	18,087	70
33 weeks—849 mill reports.....	860,788	879,045	102	899,839	105
<b>Northern Pine Manufacturers:</b>					
Week—9 mill reports.....	9,837	10,475	106	9,591	97
33 weeks—297 mill reports.....	246,489	288,052	117	278,070	113
<b>Northern Hemlock &amp; Hardwood (softwoods):</b>					
Week—25 mill reports.....	3,005	3,299	110	2,712	90
33 weeks—1,381 mill reports.....	151,514	140,025	92	131,195	87
<b>North Carolina Pine:</b>					
Week—93 mill reports.....	11,089	9,236	83	11,297	102
33 weeks—2,523 mill reports.....	333,166	323,730	97	298,848	90
<b>California Redwood:</b>					
Week—14 mill reports.....	7,780	7,918	102	7,804	100
33 weeks—459 mill reports.....	243,073	246,907	102	263,384	108
<b>Softwood total:</b>					
Week—578 mill reports.....	362,202	342,154	94	326,750	90
33 weeks—18,195 mill reports.....	10,905,458	11,148,429	102	11,131,216	102
<b>Hardwood Manufacturers' Inst.:</b>					
Week—190 mill reports.....	42,884	36,526	85	35,525	83
33 weeks—6,965 mill reports.....	1,294,973	1,364,731	105	1,364,282	105
<b>Northern Hemlock &amp; Hardwood:</b>					
Week—25 mill reports.....	5,775	5,794	100	6,338	110
33 weeks—1,381 mill reports.....	387,135	294,768	76	277,728	72
<b>Hardwoods total:</b>					
Week—215 mill reports.....	48,659	42,320	87	41,863	86
33 weeks—8,346 mill reports.....	1,682,108	1,659,499	99	1,642,010	98
<b>Grand total:</b>					
Week—768 mill reports.....	410,861	384,474	94	368,613	90
33 weeks—25,160 mill reports.....	12,587,566	12,807,928	102	12,733,226	101

**Paper Production in June Below That for May.**

The total paper production in June, according to identical mill reports to the American Paper and Pulp Association, was 557,887 tons as compared with 605,209 tons in May, and 536,913 tons in June 1928. Under date of Aug. 21 the Association adds:

All grades excepting newsprint, wrapping and hanging registered increases in monthly production over last year. Felts and building showed an increase of 10% over June, 1928, production while uncoated book increased almost 9%, paperboard 7%, writing 7%, bag 2%, and tissue less than 1%. The following grades registered production decreases in June, 1929 as against June, 1928: newsprint 5%, wrapping 3.5% and hanging 5.4%. Shipments in June, 1929, of all grades, excepting newsprint, wrapping and hanging, increased over June, 1928. The total shipments of all grades increased 5% above the total for June of last year.

All grades, excepting paperboard, wrapping, writing, tissue, hanging and felts and building, registered decreases in inventory at the end of June, as compared with May, 1929. As compared with June, 1928, all grades excepting paperboard and hanging showed substantial decreases in inventory. The total stock on hand for all grades increased 1% over May, 1929, but was 9% lower than that of June, 1928.

Identical pulp mill reports for June, 1929, showed that the total production of all grades of pulp was about 6% greater than June, 1928.

There was 11% more sulphate consumed in June, 1929, at the reporting mills than in June, 1928. All grades, excepting news grade sulphite, registered decreases in outside shipments as compared with June, 1928.

All grades excepting groundwood, sulphate and soda pulp, showed decreases in inventory at the end of June as compared with May, 1929. As compared with June, 1928, all grades excepting groundwood, bleached sulphite, easy bleaching sulphite and soda pulp, registered decreases in inventory.

**REPORT OF PAPER OPERATIONS IN IDENTICAL MILLS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 1929.**

Grade.	Production, Tons.	Shipments, Tons.	Stocks on Hand End of Month, Tons.
Newsprint.....	113,407	114,558	24,602
Book, uncoated.....	84,482	85,016	38,143
Paperboard.....	213,855	210,547	64,994
Wrapping.....	49,720	49,104	50,383
Bag.....	14,577	15,014	5,848
Writing.....	30,810	30,304	40,082
Tissue.....	12,295	11,993	10,340
Hanging.....	4,260	3,553	4,627
Felts and building.....	7,384	7,251	1,392
Other grades.....	27,067	27,253	16,712
<b>Total, all grades.....</b>	<b>557,887</b>	<b>554,593</b>	<b>257,123</b>

**REPORT OF WOOD PULP OPERATIONS IN IDENTICAL MILLS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 1929.**

Grade.	Production, Tons.	Used During Month, Tons.	Shipped During Month, Tons.	Stocks on Hand End of Month, Tons.
Groundwood.....	92,895	86,721	2,114	120,386
Sulphite news grade.....	38,372	35,009	3,579	7,125
Sulphite bleached.....	24,270	22,308	2,008	2,767
Sulphite easy bleaching.....	3,228	3,183	113	488
Sulphite Mitscherlich.....	6,753	5,864	1,071	620
Soda pulp.....	29,928	23,908	5,200	4,546
Sulphate pulp.....	25,209	16,128	8,356	4,718
Pulp, other grades.....	36	---	75	9
<b>Total, all grades.....</b>	<b>220,691</b>	<b>193,121</b>	<b>22,576</b>	<b>140,649</b>



**West Coast Lumbermen's Association Weekly Report.**

According to the West Coast Lumbermen's Association, reports from 214 mills for the week ended Aug. 10 1929 show that orders and shipments were 17.95% and 16.38%, respectively, below output, which amounted to 191,843,957 feet. The association's statement shows:

**WEEKLY REPORT OF PRODUCTION, ORDERS, AND SHIPMENTS.**  
214 mills report for week ended Aug. 10 1929.  
(All mills reporting production, orders and shipments.)

Production	191,843,957 feet (100%)
Orders	157,003,556 feet (17.95% under production)
Shipments	160,426,632 feet (16.38% under production)

**COMPARISON OF CURRENT AND PAST PRODUCTION AND WEEKLY OPERATING CAPACITY (281 IDENTICAL MILLS).**  
(All mills reporting production for 1928 and 1929 to date.)

Actual production week ended Aug. 10 1929	216,187,289 feet
Average weekly production, 32 weeks ended Aug. 10 1929	198,911,599 feet
Average weekly production during 1928	201,639,591 feet
Average weekly production last three years	205,356,081 feet
* Weekly operating capacity	279,726,282 feet

\* Weekly operating capacity is based on average hourly production for the 12 last months preceding mill check and the normal number of operating hours per week.

**WEEKLY COMPARISON (IN FEET) FOR 210 IDENTICAL MILLS—1929.**  
(All mills whose reports of production, orders and shipments are complete for the last four weeks.)

Week Ended—	Aug. 10.	Aug. 3.	July 27.	July 20.
Production	190,661,685	187,308,730	191,463,210	187,581,101
Orders	157,003,556	190,972,905	160,796,224	177,157,379
Rail	65,990,058	67,660,730	71,590,006	74,611,531
Domestic cargo	48,366,844	60,401,786	50,858,858	56,365,875
Export	30,422,024	44,698,735	26,510,459	28,407,949
Local	12,224,630	18,211,654	11,836,901	17,772,024
Shipments	159,816,698	186,569,234	182,991,773	192,455,153
Rail	70,008,016	70,948,507	72,479,778	74,927,456
Domestic cargo	46,713,469	62,179,043	60,102,965	66,695,296
Export	30,870,583	35,230,030	38,572,129	33,060,377
Local	12,224,630	18,211,654	11,836,901	17,772,024
Unfilled orders	676,301,298	682,865,517	683,857,064	709,492,886
Rail	188,421,950	193,165,833	198,202,903	200,355,256
Domestic cargo	260,795,058	261,124,738	265,674,527	276,832,952
Export	227,084,290	228,574,896	219,979,634	232,304,678

**112 IDENTICAL MILLS.**

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

	Week Ended Aug. 10 1929.	Average 32 Weeks Ended Aug. 10 1929.	Average 32 Weeks Ended Aug. 1 1928.
Production (feet)	117,443,802	109,648,169	113,712,076
Orders (feet)	95,885,438	113,447,950	122,325,532
Shipments (feet)	100,845,153	114,375,862	122,128,927

**DOMESTIC CARGO DISTRIBUTION WEEK END. AUG. 3 '29 (115 mills).**

	Orders on Hand Begin'g Week Aug. 3 '29.	Orders Received.	Cancel-lations.	Ship-ments.	Unfilled Orders Week Ended Aug. 3 '29.
Washington & Oregon (98 Mills)—	Feet.	Feet.	Feet.	Feet.	Feet.
California	90,452,517	19,492,047	173,000	20,111,307	89,660,257
Atlantic Coast	123,125,885	29,906,355	155,167	30,150,554	122,726,519
Miscellaneous	5,217,651	214,311	None	376,629	5,055,333
Total Wash. & Oregon	218,796,053	49,612,713	328,167	50,638,490	217,442,109
Brit. Col. (17 Mills)—					
California	944,051	500,000	None	550,000	894,051
Atlantic Coast	14,686,935	6,493,963	618,126	5,226,427	15,336,345
Miscellaneous	2,505,808	None	None	218,004	2,287,804
Total Brit. Columbia	18,136,794	6,993,963	618,126	5,994,431	18,518,200
Total domestic cargo	236,932,847	56,606,676	946,293	56,632,921	235,960,309

**DOMESTIC CARGO DISTRIBUTION WEEK END. JULY 27 '29 (118 mills).**

	Orders on Hand Begin'g Week July 27 '29.	Orders Received.	Cancel-lations.	Ship-ments.	Unfilled Orders Week Ended July 27 '29.
Washington & Oregon (100 Mills)—	Feet.	Feet.	Feet.	Feet.	Feet.
California	85,708,507	22,446,704	425,529	18,131,070	89,598,612
Atlantic Coast	131,782,781	17,637,129	249,522	24,285,740	124,884,643
Miscellaneous	7,289,721	167,000	None	2,239,070	5,217,651
Total Wash. & Oregon	224,781,009	40,250,833	675,051	44,655,880	219,700,911
Brit. Col. (18 Mills)—					
California	1,870,051	230,000	None	109,000	1,991,051
Atlantic Coast	18,758,732	5,667,730	62,000	8,644,527	15,719,935
Miscellaneous	2,573,004	156,804	48,000	315,000	2,368,808
Total Brit. Columbia	23,201,787	6,054,534	110,000	9,068,527	20,077,794
Total domestic cargo	247,982,796	46,305,367	785,051	53,724,407	239,778,705

**Canadian Wheat Crop is 52.8% of Normal One—Estimate for West Issued by Grain Pool at Winnipeg.**

The Canadian Press in a dispatch from Winnipeg on Aug. 12 published in the Montreal "Gazette" of Aug. 13 reported that the estimate of the crop conditions in Western Canada by the Canadian Wheat Pool shows the following: Wheat, 52.8% of normal; oats, 43.3 and barley 50.8%, it was announced to-day. These figures are based on information received by telegraph on Aug. 8 and on reports mailed Aug. 3 by 1,500 pool elevator local managers.

The corresponding figures issued on July 25 were: Wheat, 53%; oats, 48%; barley, 53%. The present condition of the wheat crop is, therefore, virtually the same as on July 25, improvement in some areas having counteracted deterioration in others. There has, however, been an appreciable drop since July 25 in the condition of the coarse grains, oats in particular having declined approximately 9%.

The statement explains that there is no possible comparison between the Dominion Government and Pool condition figures; they are based upon totally different crop reporting systems. The Dominion Bureau reports on con-

ditions are all based on information from crop correspondents who report the condition of each crop as a percentage of the average yield per acre in the preceding 10 years. All Pool condition reports are based on a percentage of a normal crop, the normal being described as a condition of perfect healthfulness unimpaired by drought, disease, hail or other injurious agencies, and with such growth and development as may be reasonably looked for under such favorable conditions.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics on Aug. 12 pointed out that in the crop report issued Saturday, Aug. 10, no estimate was made in bushels of Canada's wheat crop. The estimate was 66% of the 10 years' average condition. To figure this out to mean 330,000,000 bushels, as was done in the Canadian Press despatch of Aug. 11, officials of the Bureau said, is misleading. The figure was arrived at by comparing the estimate of 66% with the estimate made on Aug. 1 1928, of 107% of the 10 years' average. The crop on the Prairies last year was slightly over 511,000,000 bushels. Taking into consideration the increased acreage it worked out to about 330,000,000. On the other hand, taking the 10-year average yield per acre instead of last year's crop figures, the estimate this year would be some 264,000,000. This, bureau officials declared, showed how unwise it is at this time to fix estimates in bushels.

Last year on Aug. 1, weather conditions had been such that the crop was improving, whereas it is vastly different this year, Bureau officials point out.

With harvesting of the new wheat crop in Western Canada under way at a number of points, reports received here at Winnipeg, Aug 12, indicated that the 1928 crop totalled approximately 530,616,515 bushels. This estimate is based upon deliveries from farms to country elevators in the three Prairie Provinces between Aug. 1 1928, and Aug. 9 1929, to the extent of 480,625,515 bushels. To this is added 50 million bushels retained on farm for seed and feed and a small amount still being gristed at country mills.

**Galveston Wheat Embargo Lifted—Permit System Established.**

R. C. Andrews, District Manager of the Car Service Division of the American Railway Association, announced on Aug. 21 the lifting of the absolute embargo order against wheat moving at Galveston from export and establishment of a permit system instead. It was stated that complete freedom from embargo restrictions at Galveston would be granted when accumulations are reduced to normal proportions, and there is current outlet for grain sufficient to take care of incoming shipments. Mr. Andrews is quoted in the "Wall Street Journal" as saying:

What is most needed now is an increase of foreign buying in order that more wheat may be shipped out. Ample elevator facilities and ocean tonnage are and have been available, the only factor lacking being sufficient foreign demand. In my opinion foreigners are holding off in their buying because they feel that with the great amount of grain in storage at Galveston and Houston they can sooner or later buy at their own figure. But if these accumulations were reduced, foreigners would realize that the supply is limited and so would be stimulated in purchasing. I think, therefore, that the best thing for Galveston to do is to further reduce accumulations here by moving out wheat as quickly as possible.

The Galveston embargo was referred to in these columns July 20, page 399, and Aug. 10, page 878.

**Canadian Wheat Ships Tied Up—Elevators Crammed With No Relief in Sight.**

The "Wall Street Journal" of Aug. 21 reported the following from its Montreal bureau:

Some 120 inland steamers are laid up in lake and canal ports and some 1,800 Canadian sailors idle as a result of the tie-up of wheat in Montreal and other ports. With the Canadian wheat price considerably above the United States and Argentine prices, bins of the elevators in Montreal are practically full, with no immediate signs of relief.

In a short time the 1929 wheat crop will have to be accommodated. Country elevators and the augmented elevator facilities of the Canadian Wheat Pool will be able to take a considerable quantity of the new wheat.

**Grain Embargo at Minneapolis and St. Paul and Other Northwest Points.**

A nine-day embargo against the glut of grain at Minneapolis, St. Paul, Duluth and Superior was ordered by northwestern railroads on Aug. 21 on shipments of barley, oats and rye, accordig to a St. Paul dispatch on that date to the Chicago "Journal of Commerce." The dispatch said:

The embargo will go into effect on Aug. 23 and end on Aug. 31. A lack of storage facilities and the piling up of railway cars in the terminal yards were the principal reasons assigned for the embargo order. The grain transportation committee recommended the nine-day bar at the four important grain centers, and proposed that wheat and grains other than those named be accepted subject to delay.

*Big Movement of Barley and Oats.*

The heavy movement for barley, oats and rye, for which little demand has been shown, has interfered with the handling of wheat and corn, and loading and unloading of cars in the terminal markets have been greatly delayed.

Representatives of the northwest shippers' advisory board said the quantity of the embargoed grains in storage and low prices made it advisable for farmers to reduce shipments.

Reports available to-day indicated that more than 28,000,000 bushels are already in storage in warehouses with facilities for 35,000,000 bushels. Advices stated that 60,000,000 bushels of grain, compared with 20,000,000 bushels last year, are held at Fort William and Port Arthur.

**Dissolve Sugar Export Pool.**

The following is from the "Wall Street Journal" of Aug. 21:

The joint foreign sales syndicate formed several months ago to dispose of about 900,000 tons of Cuban sugar to markets other than the United States has been dissolved. Approximately 280,000 tons of sugar of the original allotment remain unsold and this will be turned back to the original owners.

The "Times" in its issue of Aug. 22 stated:

Another step in the stabilization of the Cuban sugar situation has been taken, it was learned yesterday, with the announcement that the joint foreign sales syndicate formed several months ago to dispose of 900,000 tons of Cuban sugar to markets other than the United States had been dissolved.

Dissolution of the syndicate was expected by the sugar trade here, following the recent decree of President Machado establishing a single selling agency to dispose of all Cuban sugar. The new agency will become operative on Oct. 1 and it was explained by sugar authorities yesterday that with its advent the joint foreign sales syndicate would be compelled to wind up its affairs.

The 280,000 tons remaining in the hands of the syndicate is not an important factor in the market and is not likely to depress the price of sugar, it was said. The Cuban crop this year amounted to more than 5,100,000 tons.

**Proposal by Canadian Wheat Pool Interests to Bring Argentine Into World Wheat Pool.**

The Argentine Republic is being approached by Canadian wheat pool experts with a view to inducing the farmers of that country to enter a proposed world wheat pool, according to the agricultural department of the Canadian National Rys. W. J. Jackman, representative in the Argentine for the United Farmers of Canada, is authority for the statement, says an announcement by the Canadian National Rys., the advices also stating:

The immediate program, according to Mr. Jackson, who has been in conference with wheat pool leaders in western Canada, is the organization of a pool in the Argentine. As the Argentine controls 30% of the world's normal exportable surplus of wheat that country is a vital factor in establishing world prices.

In the establishment of a world pool, the first and foundation step, according to Saskatchewan pool experts, would be the acquiring by organized farmers or national Governments of adequate storage elevators operated as a public service and not as an adjunct to "the trade." Mr. Jackman has stated that Argentine growers have fully realized the benefits to the producer of the pool system of marketing as illustrated in Canada.

Senor Estaban Pracinza, President of the Argentine farmers organization, expressed the opinion to Canadian wheat pool executives recently that a world pool was necessary before the problem of commodity marketing could be made fully effective. He stated that Argentine farmers would gladly co-operate with Canadian farmers in forming such a pool.

The reason for protracted "dumping" activities of Argentine wheat growers is explained as not due to bad marketing principles but to the almost total lack of elevator storage facilities in that country. The producers' condition is represented as being worse, economically, than was that of the Saskatchewan farmers before organization of their co-operative elevator system.

**Nine Grain Companies at Winnipeg to Merge—New Organization Will Control 339 Country Elevators.**

Nine of the important local grain and elevator companies at Winnipeg, Canada, with assets totaling nearly \$10,000,000 are to be merged into one organization, the Assistant Trade Commissioner at Winnipeg, C. E. Brookhart, has informed the Department of Agriculture. The new company will be known as Federal Grains, Ltd., and will control 339 country elevators and terminal elevator space with a capacity of 7,250,000 bushels, the report stated. The full text of the Department's statement, as given in the "United States Daily" for Aug. 9, follows:

The companies involved in this merger are: Stewart Terminals, Consolidated Elevator Co., Federal Grain, International Elevator, Union Grain, Northwestern Elevator, McLaughlin Elevator, Topper Grain and Brooks Elevator. James Stewart will be Chairman of the Board. He is known as one of the most prominent figures in the grain trade of Western Canada, and during 1919-1920 was in charge of the Canadian Wheat Board which the Government established as an emergency marketing organization for handling all Canadian wheat. Other officers of the new company will be: J. C. Gage, President; Harry E. Sellers, Vice-President, and A. P. Michael General Manager.

Additional financing for this merged organization will be handled by a public offering of bonds and preferred stock. This is the second large merger here in recent months where public offerings of securities have been made.

**Manchester (England) Cotton Mill Workers Return to Mills—Board of Arbitration Fixes Wage Reduction at 6.41% Instead of 12½% Sought.**

According to Associated Press accounts from Manchester, Eng., on Aug. 23, Lancashire cotton mill workers have been

asked to accept a reduction of 6.41% in their wages, just half what their employers sought more than a month ago to impose. Yesterday's (Aug. 23) Associated Press advices state:

The arbitration court appointed last week when the workers went back to their jobs, after remaining away three weeks, stopping the mills, needed but two days to arrive at its findings.

Its five members agreed the cotton industry was in an exceedingly depressed condition, needing an immediate palliative. They were not sure, however, a wage reduction was the proper cure for the depression.

The employers previously had asked for a reduction of 25% on the standard piece price list, which would have meant 12½% on the current rates of wages paid to more than 500,000 workers. The arbitration board decided to award a 12½% reduction on the standard list, which is about 6.41% reduction in actual wages.

It was believed both employees and employers would accept the new scale.

The reaching of an agreement on Aug. 15, between the employers and workers, enabling the mills to reopen on Aug. 19, was referred to in our issue of Aug. 17, page 1050. On Aug. 19 the Associated Press advices from Manchester said:

Lancashire went to work today after three weeks of paralysis in the cotton industry. The drone of machinery as 500,000 mill hands went back to their tasks and smoke pouring from tall factory chimneys throughout the factory towns proclaimed the end of the stoppage that cost workers and employers many millions of pounds sterling.

Only the cardrooms, where workers return tomorrow, were silent. The wage dispute which caused the stoppage is in the hands of a board of arbitration whose deliberations begin Wednesday.

Meanwhile, workers will be paid the old scale of wages until a settlement is reached. A proposed reduction of the present scale by 12½% caused the cotton workers to quit the machines three weeks ago.

The official board of arbitration in the dispute which began its deliberations on Aug. 21 was composed of Judge Rigby Swift, Chairman; Sir Arthur Balfour, C. T. Cramp, Sir Archibald Ross and A. G. Walkden.

**Department of Agriculture Revises Mediterranean Fruit Fly Quarantine.**

The Secretary of Agriculture issued on Aug. 21 a general revision of the Mediterranean fruit fly quarantine and regulations, effective Sept. 1, giving the conditions under which Florida fruits, vegetables, nursery stock and other restricted articles may be moved inter-State during the coming shipping season. The Department's announcement says:

Under these regulations provision is made for the movement in inter-State commerce of all restricted fruits and vegetables other than those produced in areas or on properties which may be determined as infested. All infested fruit is required to be promptly destroyed, but the destruction of host fruits and vegetables over considerable areas surrounding the infestation will be discontinued. This change of policy is made possible as a result both of the intensive eradication effort in Florida of the last four months and the determination of methods of sterilizing citrus and other host fruits which are believed to eliminate risk of carrying infestation. Such movement will be further safeguarded for the present by control of distribution. With the development of adequate facilities for the commercial application of these methods of sterilization, it is expected that a broader field than that now authorized will be open for the marketing of Florida host fruits and vegetables.

In large measure the revision of the regulations follows the recommendations of the advisory committee of specialists appointed by the Secretary to investigate the fruit fly situation in Florida. The committee's report, which was published on July 19, recommended the continuation and expansion of the eradication program and the authorization of shipment of the Florida citrus crop under methods of sterilization which recent research work by the Department had indicated, in the belief of the committee, to be effective and economically feasible.

Two methods of sterilization are now available, namely, (1) the maintenance of a temperature 110 degrees Fahrenheit (inside the fruit) for eight hours under an air humidity of 90%; and (2) pre-cooling the fruit to a temperature of 28 degrees Fahrenheit (inside the fruit) for five hours and then holding it at 30 degrees for five days.

As to these methods, the Department announces that while they have given every promise of being commercially practicable, the final judgment as to their complete availability must necessarily await the demonstration which can be made only when the crop now developing begins to be moved. In the meantime, the Department of Agriculture, in co-operation with all available agencies—grower, packer and carrier—is continuing the experimentation on a larger scale so that if possible the benefit of such control can be made more generally available before the heavy shipping season opens. It is appreciated also that it may not be possible for all packing houses or other establishments to make the changes and installations necessary for such sterilization by the beginning of the crop season.

Pending such determinations and adjustments, provision has been made in the regulations for movement of host fruits and vegetables under safeguards similar to those hitherto required, namely, restrictions as to destination areas. In general the restrictions provided for on the movement of host fruits and vegetables from Florida are as follows:

Sterilization is required as to all fruit produced within a mile of points at which infestation has been, or is hereafter, determined. Such sterilized fruit may be authorized movement anywhere in the United States other than into the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Arizona, California, Georgia, Idaho, Louisiana, Mississippi, Nevada, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, and Washington, or the Territory of Porto Rico.

Sterilized fruit produced in eradication areas (substantially equivalent to infested and protective zones as hitherto designated) may likewise be authorized to move under permit anywhere in the United States, other than into the Southern and Western States and Territory named. Unsterilized fruit, other than as to any portion of the eradication area designated as infested, may be authorized movement only to the District of Columbia, including Potomac Yards in Virginia, and to destinations in the States of Maryland, Pennsylvania and States north and east thereof, including shipments to foreign countries by way of any of such States.

It is anticipated that a strong effort will be made by organizations and persons in interest in Florida to give preference, in any aid which may be obtained from the Federal Farm Board or otherwise, for the financing of



packing house adjustments necessary for such sterilization, in the first instance to areas in which infestation has at any time been determined, and thereafter in other portions of the eradication area or areas.

Host fruits produced in Florida outside of eradication areas may, whether sterilized or unsterilized, be authorized movement anywhere in the United States other than into the Southern and Western States and the Territory of Porto Rico.

The eradication areas are designated as including the entire counties of Brevard, Citrus, Flagler, Hernando, Hillsborough, Lake, Marion, Orange, Pasco, Pinellas, Putnam, Seminole, Sumter and Volusia, and parts of the counties of Alachua, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Levy, Osceola, Polk and St. Johns.

Methods of sterilization for host vegetables have not yet been worked out. Pending the development of satisfactory treatment for such vegetables, peppers and lima and broad beans produced in eradication areas may be authorized movement only to the District of Columbia, Potomac Yards, Virginia, and to destinations in Maryland, Pennsylvania and states north and east thereof. Tomatoes and egg plants produced anywhere in the State and peppers and lima and broad beans produced outside eradication areas may be authorized movement throughout the United States other than into the Southern and Western States and Territory listed above.

As a condition for the authorization of interstate movement of Florida host fruits and vegetables, the State is to require and enforce certain extermination measures prescribed in the regulations. These include the maintenance of a host-free period throughout the eradication areas extending for citrus and other host fruits from April 1 until Oct. 1 each year and for host vegetables from June 15 to Oct. 1 subject to such modification as may later be authorized. During the host-free period no host fruits or vegetables are to be permitted to grow or exist within the eradication area except as authorized in the regulations, and all wild and cultivated host plants which normally produce fruit or vegetables susceptible to infestation during the host-free period indicated are to be eliminated. Of equal importance are the spraying and cleanup measures required throughout these areas on both commercial and non-commercial properties. All local handling and utilization agencies are to be operated and maintained under conditions satisfactory to the United States Department of Agriculture.

The restrictions hitherto in force prohibiting shipments of host fruits or vegetables by truck, automobile, or in bulk or the shipment of culls in any manner, and restricting the movement of soil, fruit-picking equipment and nursery stock, and the requirement of cleaning at the unloading point of railway cars, boats, and other vehicles used in transporting restricted articles are continued approximately as before.

**Price of Tobacco To Be Stabilized—Buying Corporations Reach Agreement with Tobacco Association of United States.**

The Tobacco Association of the United States has reached an agreement, it was learned on Aug. 10, with the large tobacco buying corporations in this country whereby tobacco prices during the coming selling season will be stabilized, thus eliminating those fluctuations which have for years been the source of complaint from the tobacco planters. The Raleigh "News and Observer," in reporting this in its issue of Aug. 11, in a dispatch from Danville, Aug. 10, went on to say:

*Would Prevent Gluts.*

Under the terms of the agreement the big companies are willing to maintain the prices for the grades they handle from the beginning to the end of the selling season, this having the effect of assuring the grower of a reasonable return and obviating "glut" periods seen when tobacco on reaching a peak price brings the growers to the market centres by the hundred, overtaxing the marketing facilities. This invariably results in a sudden slump because of the inability to rehandle the leaf before it has suffered some deterioration.

*Means Orderly Marketing.*

John L. Tucker, President of the Danville Warehouse Corp., this evening admitted that the agreement has been reached and issued a statement urging farmers to realize that it will be to their interest not to rush their leaf to market. The principle, if carried out successfully, will mean, it is said, the establishment of "orderly marketing" and very probably an extension of the selling period instead of crowding it into a few months.

The price stabilization plan is expected to do away with the reclamation of tobacco. Farmers often add to the costs of marketing by refusing to accept the price bid on the auction floors and taking the tobacco to another warehouse in the hope of getting a better price. The agreement is viewed by the tobacco trade here as one of the most important contributions of recent years towards placating differences between the growers and tobacco buyers.

**Prime Minister MacDonald Plans Subsidy for Cotton Mills—Calls for Industrial Revival in England.**

From the New York "Times" of Aug. 17 we take the following London cablegram Aug. 16:

A challenging call to British industry to tackle its problems with new energy and in a new spirit was made by Premier Ramsay MacDonald tonight in welcoming the termination of the disastrous Lancashire cotton stoppage.

Apparently the Government has in mind the granting of a subsidy to enable this important industry to regain its feet while the arbitration court is hearing the employers' claim for a reduction of wages, for Mr. MacDonald referred to a "temporary accommodation" which will follow the arbitrators' award, and added:

"This may be used as an opportunity for both sides and all sections in cotton to get together and face the facts and overcome them."

Taking the cotton industry as a whole, in all its interdependent sections, it requires "far more co-operative organization," in Mr. MacDonald's opinion.

"Peace and co-operation are essential and workers must feel that their interests are not being sacrificed," the Prime Minister said. "After all, we work to live not any kind of a life, but a decent life."

"Our coal industry has been allowed to be torn by senseless rivalry and competition until in the end conditions have arisen which have created frightful problems both for the owners and the men.

"I think the cotton industry saw the red light thrown out by the coal experiences and I hope that coal is so prepared to put new energy and a new spirit into the solution of its difficulties."

Mr. Justice Rigby Swift, former Conservative member of the House of Commons for St. Helen's, Lancashire, has been appointed Chairman of the Cotton Arbitration Board, which, consisting of two representatives each from the employers and the workers, will hear the employers' case.

It is estimated that the cotton mills lost \$2,000,000 in orders during the eighteen-day stoppage.

**Governors of New York Cotton Exchange Adopt Amendments to By-Laws Covering Southern Deliveries—Deny Petition to Ballot on Closing of Exchange Saturday Before Labor Day.**

The Board of Governors of the New York Cotton Exchange on Aug. 14 adopted amendments to the by-laws covering Southern deliveries. The changes will be voted on by members Aug. 26. A petition of members asking the Board to set a date for balloting on a proposal to close the exchange for trading Aug. 31, the Saturday preceding Labor Day, was denied.

**Georgia Legislature Passes Bill Legalizing Future Contracts, According to Advices to New York Cotton Exchange.**

Members of the New York Cotton Exchange were gratified yesterday (Aug. 23) by the receipt of telegrams from Atlanta announcing that the Georgia Legislature had passed a bill legalizing transactions in future contracts. The measure awaits only the signature of Governor Hardman to become immediately effective. Gardiner H. Miller, President of the Exchange, said that the enactment of this measure would enable the New York Cotton Exchange to render greater service to the cotton growers and manufacturers, as well as the entire cotton trade of Georgia. Mr. Miller said:

"The anti-future laws existing in Georgia have made debts from losses on futures transactions uncollectible, if any resident of the State chose to invoke the law and repudiate such obligation on the ground that it was a gambling transaction."

"The passage of this bill is another evidence of the tendency to recognize the economic necessity of future transactions for the safe conduct of business. Coupled with the recognition given by the Federal Farm Board to facilities offered by exchanges for the hedging of the cotton crop, the action of the Georgia Legislature is very gratifying as indicating a broad-minded and more liberal attitude toward exchanges."

**Activity in the Cotton Spinning Industry for July, 1929.**

The Department of Commerce announced on Aug. 20 that according to preliminary figures compiled by the Bureau of the Census, 34,829,022 cotton spinning spindles were in place in the United States on July 21 1929, of which 30,395,858 were operated at some time during the month, compared with 30,628,122 for June, 30,910,282 for May, 30,924,184 for April, 31,103,998 for March, 31,007,936 for February, and 28,159,676 for July 1928. The aggregate number of active spindle hours reported for the month was 7,744,243,369. During July the normal time of operation was 25 days (allowance being made for the observance of Independence Day) compared with 25 for June, 26½ for May, 25 2-3 for April, 26 for March, and 23 2-3 for February. Based on an activity of 8.88 hours per day the average number of spindles operated during July was 34,883,979 or at 100.2% capacity on a single shift basis. This percentage compares with 104.6 for June, 110.9 for May, 110.3 for April, 109.3 for March, 110.7 for February, and 79.7 for July 1928. The average number of active spindle hours per spindle in place for the month was 222. The total number of cotton spinning spindles in place, the number active, the number of active spindle hours and the average hours per spindle in place, by states, are shown in the following statement.

State.	Spinning Spindles.		Active Spindle Hours for July.	
	In Place July 31.	Active During July.	Total.	Average Per Spindle in Place.
United States.....	34,829,022	30,395,858	7,744,243,369	222
Cotton growing States	18,847,636	18,003,104	5,270,910,855	280
New England States	14,558,778	11,123,854	2,237,819,183	154
All other States.....	1,422,608	1,268,900	235,513,331	166
Alabama.....	1,802,398	1,756,152	504,185,962	280
Connecticut.....	1,105,084	1,022,068	209,343,483	189
Georgia.....	3,125,398	2,979,762	892,569,676	286
Maine.....	1,059,300	790,242	158,537,498	150
Massachusetts.....	8,588,960	6,453,918	1,304,838,550	182
Mississippi.....	177,346	117,978	32,781,636	185
New Hampshire.....	1,390,642	995,782	209,111,800	150
New Jersey.....	381,012	354,118	51,739,868	136
New York.....	688,128	605,606	121,684,526	177
North Carolina.....	6,222,928	5,900,168	1,688,556,859	271
Rhode Island.....	2,207,888	1,744,940	338,352,618	145
South Carolina.....	5,835,110	5,490,696	1,693,312,634	303
Tennessee.....	616,788	553,388	200,243,914	325
Texas.....	282,324	239,976	60,930,821	216
Virginia.....	709,054	679,254	121,430,969	171
All other States.....	796,662	711,810	161,571,555	203

**Stocks of Brazilian Coffee in U. S.**

Total stocks of Brazilian coffee in the United States and afloat for this country as of Aug. 17 totaled 794,586 bags,

against 907,031 bags on the same date last year and 933,052 bags in 1927, according to data compiled by the New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange on Aug. 19. Receipts of coffees at Rio and Santos during the current crop year from July 1 to Aug. 19 totaled 1,348,000 bags, as compared with 1,518,000 bags in the corresponding period last year and 1,878,000 bags in the similar 1927 period.

#### Building Trades Reaffirm 5-Day Week for 60,000— New Schedule with 10% Pay Rise Started Aug. 24.

More than 60,000 workers in a dozen crafts of the building trades were definitely guaranteed a five-day week and a 10% increase in wages when the executive committees of the Building Trades Employers' Association and the Building Trades Council met at offices of the association, 2 Park Avenue, on Aug. 12, and reaffirmed their agreement made May 4. By terms of the agreement says the New York "Herald-Tribune" of Aug. 13 the five-day week and increase in wages will be granted Aug. 24. The two committees also reaffirmed their agreement under which all disputes between the employers and the workers will be settled by arbitration.

The action formally ended a dispute between the council and association which threatened last February and again several weeks ago to tie up a construction program of \$300,000,000 in greater New York. The only dispute that remains now to be settled, it is stated, is between Local 3 of the Electrical Workers' Union and the manufacturers of electrical fixtures.

#### Haverhill (Mass.) Shoe Strike Settled—Workers Accept Peace Terms After Being Out 11 Weeks.

Haverhill (Mass.) Associated Press advices Aug. 17 were reported as follows in the New York "Times":

A vote of members of the Shoe Workers Protective Union accepting the proposed peace settlement here today ended the shoe strike which has crippled the industry for eleven weeks. The referendum of the ten locals resulted in a 1,750 to 1,093 vote. Thirty factories and 6,000 employees were affected.

#### Longshoremen's Strike in Boston Ended.

A strike of several hundred longshoremen was ended at Boston on Aug. 17, when representatives of the American-Hawaiian Steamship Co., the Jarka Corp., and the longshoremen arrived at an agreement. The Associated Press accounts state:

The men will return to work Monday. The terms of the settlement were not announced.

The strike was called Aug. 5 after the American-Hawaiian Line and the Jarka Corp., which handles the stevedoring work for the line, had installed new equipment designed to expedite the unloading of ships. A new type of truck was adopted which would carry larger loads.

#### Building Wage Rise Effective To-Day—About Forty Trades Go On a Five-Day Week—Painters' Status Still in Doubt.

The following is from the New York "Times" of Aug. 23:

The five-day week with 10% increase in wages will become effective in the building trades to-morrow under the agreement reached ten days ago between the Building Trades Council and the Building Trades Employers' Association. The 115,000 men affected will receive a \$138,000 increase daily or \$690,000 in a working week of five days.

Among the major trades affected are carpenters, steam fitters, plumbers and workers in sheet metal, architectural iron, cement, metal laths, tiles, asbestos, composition roofing, slate and tile roofing, glass and mosaics. About forty trades in all will benefit.

The status of members of the painters' union still remained in doubt yesterday, it was said by Charles C. Norman, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Building Trades Employers' Association.

"They have enjoyed a five-day week for the past five years under an agreement which does not expire until next Dec. 31. They have had nothing to do with the Building Trades Council, but now they are trying to take advantage of the agreement we have made with the Council for a 10% increase. Just how this will be settled has not yet been worked out."

The painters' wage is \$1.50 an hour or \$12 a day.

The Building Trades Council has observed an attitude of aloofness towards the moves of the painters and at the office of the former it was said yesterday: "What they do is none of our business." Eugene McNamara, Secretary of the New York District Council of the Painters' Brotherhood, announced yesterday, however, that 60% of employers concerned had agreed to extend the increase to the painters, and that employers who did not agree would find themselves facing a painters' strike Monday.

#### Strike of Painters Effective Monday—Ordered to Refuse to Work Unless Increase Granted Other Trades is Forthcoming.

In its issue of Aug. 22 the New York "World" said:

The Painters District Council, representing 12,000 painters and decorators, sent notices to its members to strike Monday morning for the 10% increase in wages awarded all other building trades by the Building Employers Association effective Saturday. The master painters, affiliated with the Employers' Association, offered to make the raise effective Dec. 1.

The painters, who are not members of the Building Trades Council, with which the Building Trades Employers' Association has a blanket agreement, have had the 5-day week for 5 years. They have also had an understanding whereby general increases given other crafts would be given them. When the other trades were given an increase, in order to make the 5-day effective without loss of earnings, they demanded a like raise.

Under the instructions issued by Secretary Eugene McNamara, the painters will report to union halls Monday, when those whose employers may have conceded the increase will be sent to work. The others will remain idle pending a settlement. In a statement, Mr. McNamara said 40% of the master painters had conceded the wage increase, effective Saturday.

#### Petroleum and Its Products—Impending California Conservation Law Holds Interest of Producers— See Possible Reduction in State of 200,000 Barrels Per Day—Country Establishes New Record High in Crude Output.

With the effective date of the new California gas conservation law only one week away, producing interests throughout the country are centering their attention upon the developments in that State and the probable outcome of enforcement. It is conceded that steps will immediately be taken by certain interests to test the validity of the law. Speculation is regarding what effect the operation of the law will have if it is found Constitutional.

Producers on the Pacific Coast are occupied now with devising methods for observing the law with as little loss and friction as is possible under the circumstances. Plans under discussion include the distribution of gas outlets among producers and the unit management of gas production from a given field. General opinion in California, as reported in the East, is that the new law, if found to be constitutional and if enforced, will have the following effects: First of all, a reduction in the crude output of the State of about 200,000 barrels a day; an increase in the use of natural gas for industrial purposes in direct competition with oil; a readjustment of crude oil prices is one result which is attracting considerable comment; a decrease in the output of high gravity oil fields as against a maintenance of the output of low gravity fields; an increase in drilling in certain fields and in wildcat territory. There is little question, but that every voluntary agreement leading to conservation of oil has ended fruitlessly. Whether or not the State can find the solution remains an open question in the minds of the industry's leaders. They feel that the success of the California law may lead to adoption of similar measures in other oil producing States.

Meanwhile production last week reached a new high record when the daily average rose to 2,941,500 barrels, an increase of 45,550 barrels daily over the previous week. The increase was mainly due to the jump in production in Santa Fe Springs, where the average daily increase totaled 29,000 barrels. The increase in California averaged 25,000 barrels daily. Expected changes in Mid-Continent crude oil prices have not yet materialized. It is thought possible that producers there are awaiting the result of the California cut before adjusting prices.

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

Bradford, Pa.	\$3.45	Smackover, Ark., 24 and over	\$9.90
Corning, Ohio	1.75	Smackover, Ark., below 24	.75
Cabell, W. Va.	1.35	El Dorado, Ark., 34	1.14
Illinois	1.45	Uranla, La.	.90
Western Kentucky	1.53	Salt Creek, Wyo., 37	1.23
Midcontinent, Oklahoma, 37	1.23	Sunburst, Mont.	1.65
Corsicana, Texas, heavy	.80	Artesia, New Mexico	1.03
Hutchinson, Texas, 35	.87	Santa Fe Springs, Calif., 33	1.35
Luling, Texas	1.00	Midway-Sunset, Calif., 22	.80
Spindletop, Texas, grade A	1.20	Huntington, Calif., 26	1.09
Spindletop, Texas, below 25	1.05	Ventura, Calif., 30	1.18
Winkler, Texas	.65	Petrolia, Canada	1.90

#### REFINED PRODUCTS—GASOLINE MARKET CONTINUES WEAK —STANDARD OF NEW YORK IS LOW BIDDER ON 480,000 BARREL DIESEL OIL CONTRACT—SEE GOOD DEMAND FOR KEROSENE THROUGHOUT COMING SEASON.

Weakness continued to predominate in the gasoline markets during this week, with list prices being maintained at 9 to 9½¢ a gallon f. o. b. refinery, tank car, and 10 to 10½¢ a gallon, tank car, delivered to nearby trade. There has been little buying accomplished, inquirers confining their activities to shopping around without placing any sizeable business. Consumption is continuing along expected lines throughout the East, but unexpected competition in this field has offset any beneficial results for the established companies.

A notable feature of this week's refined market was the opening of bids for the supplying of 40,000 barrels of Diesel oil a month for a year, asked by the Shipping Board to meet requirements at Balboa. The low bidder was the Standard Oil Co. of New York with a price of \$1.39 per barrel. That this price is unusually low in consideration of present market conditions is shown by other bids, which included one \$1.63 per barrel from the Union Oil Co. of California, and \$1.75 a barrel from the Asiatic Petroleum Corp. of New York. The consumption of Diesel oil has been well maintained and the market at East Coast terminals continues strong at \$2 per barrel in bulk, f. o. b. terminals. A firm movement of



bunker oil from refineries is reported with harbor quotations unchanged, but steady at \$1.05 per barrel at refinery at \$1.10 per barrel f. a. s. New York.

Price ideas in kerosene are firming up somewhat, due to predictions of a greatly increased demand during the coming cold weather season, added to the satisfactory export movement of this week. In the export trade it is stated that refiners have been booking substantial cargoes for shipment during the rest of the year.

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

N. Y. (Bayonne) \$.09 1/4 - 10	Arkansas ..... \$.06 3/4	North Louisiana..... \$.07 1/4
West Texas ..... .08 1/4	California ..... .08 3/4	New Orleans ..... .06 3/4
Chicago ..... .09 1/4	Los Angeles, export.. .07 1/4	Oklahoma ..... .07
New Orleans ..... .07 1/4	Gulf Coast, export... .08 1/4	Pennsylvania ..... .09 1/4

**Gasoline, Service Station, Tax Included.**

New York.....\$.19	Cincinnati.....\$.18	Minneapolis.....\$.182
Atlanta......21	Denver......16	New Orleans......195
Baltimore......22	Detroit......183	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.**

N.Y. (Bayonne) \$.07 1/4 - 08	Chicago ..... \$.05 3/4	New Orleans ..... \$.07 1/4
North Texas ..... .05 1/4	Los Angeles, export.. .05 1/4	Tulsa ..... .06 1/4

**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) \$.05 1/4	Chicago ..... \$.03	Tulsa ..... \$.0
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**Weekly Refinery Statistics for the United States.**

According to the American Petroleum Institute, companies aggregating 3,107,500 barrels, or 93% of the 3,339,650 barrel estimated daily potential refining capacity of the plants operating in the United States during the week ended Aug. 17 1929, report that the crude runs to stills for the week show that these companies operated to 86.2% of their total capacity. Figures published last week show that companies aggregating 3,068,250 barrels or 91.9% of the 3,339,650 barrel estimated daily potential refining capacity of all plants operating in the United States during that week, but which operated to 85.2% of their total capacity, contributed to that report. The report for the week ending Aug. 17 follows:

NOTE.—All crude runs to stills and stocks figures follow exactly the present Bureau of Mines definitions. In California stocks of heavy crude and all grades of fuel oil are included under the heading "Gas and Fuel Oil Stocks." Crude oil runs to stills include both foreign and domestic crude.

CRUDE RUNS TO STILLS, GASOLINE AND GAS AND FUEL OIL STOCKS WEEK ENDING AUG. 17 (BARRELS OF 42 GALLONS).

District.	P. C. Potential Capacity Report'g	Crude Runs to Stills.	P. C. Oper. of Tot. Capac. Report.	Gasoline Stocks.	Gas and Fuel Oil Stocks
East Coast.....	100.0	3,294,000	83.0	4,685,000	7,967,000
Appalachian.....	84.2	579,800	84.3	962,000	992,000
Ind., Ill., Ky.....	93.7	2,159,300	98.0	5,613,000	3,732,000
Okl., Kan., Missouri.....	79.3	1,872,300	79.6	2,812,000	4,760,000
Texas.....	87.6	3,729,300	89.7	4,116,000	12,256,000
Louisiana-Arkansas.....	96.9	1,356,400	79.6	1,822,000	5,498,000
Rocky Mountain.....	93.4	491,900	56.7	1,479,000	631,000
California.....	98.7	5,260,100	90.6	11,949,000	106,319,000
Total week Aug. 17.....	93.0	18,743,100	86.2	33,429,000	142,155,000
Daily average.....		2,677,600			
Total week Aug. 10.....	91.9	18,297,500	85.2	33,571,000	142,238,000
Daily average.....		2,613,900			
Texas (Gulf Coast).....	98.2	2,825,400	91.5	3,446,000	9,187,000
Louisiana (Gulf Coast).....	100.0	942,300	86.8	1,532,000	4,558,000

Note.—All crude runs to stills and stocks figures follow exactly the present Bureau of Mines definitions. In California stocks of heavy crude and all grades of fuel oil are included under the heading "Gas and Fuel Oil Stocks." Crude oil runs to stills include both foreign and domestic crude.

Due to revision by certain companies in figures they previously reported, Gas and Fuel Oil stocks, by districts, for the week ended Aug. 10, which are comparable with the figures appearing under that heading in this weeks report, are as follows: East Coast, 8,303,000 bbls.; Appalachian, 1,040,000 bbls.; Ind., Ill., Ky., 3,807,000 bbls.; Okla., Kans., Mo., 4,637,000 bbls.; Texas, 12,458,000 bbls.; Louisiana-Ark., 5,214,000 bbls.; Rocky Mountain, 682,000 bbls.; California, 105,097,000 bbls.; Total U. S., 141,238,000 bbls. Texas Gulf Coast, 9,590,000 bbls., Louisiana Gulf Coast, 4,368,000 bbls.

**Crude Oil Output in United States at Record High Level.**

The American Petroleum Institute estimates that the daily average gross crude production in the United States, for the week ended Aug. 17 1929, was 2,941,550 barrels, as compared with 2,896,000 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 45,550 barrels. Compared with the output for the week ended Aug. 18 1928, of 2,444,500 barrels per day, the current figure shows an increase of 497,050 barrels daily. The daily average production east of California for the week ended Aug. 17 1929, was 2,059,750 barrels, as compared with 2,042,800 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 16,950 barrels. The following estimates of daily average gross production, by districts, are for the weeks shown below:

**DAILY AVERAGE PRODUCTION (FIGURES IN BARRELS).**

Weeks Ended—	Aug. 17 '29.	Aug. 10 '29.	Aug. 3 '29.	Aug. 18 '28.
Oklahoma.....	724,000	724,400	730,050	661,450
Kansas.....	127,300	128,200	126,650	102,350
Panhandle Texas.....	120,000	109,850	97,900	63,150
North Texas.....	93,300	88,350	87,300	93,850
West Central Texas.....	57,750	57,900	59,050	55,450
West Texas.....	383,500	387,500	393,000	343,950
East Central Texas.....	17,000	16,950	17,450	20,900
Southwest Texas.....	76,300	77,400	78,900	25,250
North Louisiana.....	36,650	36,000	35,700	40,200
Arkansas.....	67,150	67,300	67,800	87,450
Coastal Texas.....	133,100	128,650	131,750	105,550
Coastal Louisiana.....	20,100	20,200	20,150	24,700
Eastern.....	126,300	125,100	125,100	113,500
Wyoming.....	57,050	54,100	54,400	50,750
Montana.....	11,550	11,500	11,400	10,100
Colorado.....	6,850	6,750	6,800	7,500
New Mexico.....	2,550	2,650	2,900	3,000
California.....	881,800	853,200	862,200	635,400
Total.....	2,941,550	2,896,000	2,908,600	2,444,500

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 ended Aug. 17, was 1,703,250 barrels, as compared with 1,693,850 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 9,400 barrels. The Mid-Continent production, excluding Smackover (Arkansas) heavy oil, was 1,656,950 barrels, as compared with 1,647,500 barrels, an increase of 9,450 barrels.

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

	—Week Ended—		—Week Ended—
	Aug. 10.	Aug. 10.	Aug. 17.
<b>Oklahoma—</b>			
Allen Dome.....	24,450	25,200	
Asher.....	10,600	11,200	
Bowlegs.....	32,650	33,550	
Bristow-Slick.....	20,500	20,800	
Burbank.....	18,850	18,950	
Car City.....	12,600	13,150	
Cromwell.....	8,000	8,000	
Earlsboro.....	86,650	81,750	
East Seminole.....	5,400	4,900	
Little River.....	77,700	79,150	
Logan County.....	19,500	21,000	
Maud.....	13,700	13,000	
Mission.....	26,350	28,500	
Oklahoma City.....	34,700	32,950	
St. Louis.....	71,300	70,400	
Searlight.....	12,200	12,100	
Seminole.....	33,100	33,250	
Tonkawa.....	9,150	9,200	
<b>Kansas—</b>			
Sedwick County.....	36,000	36,350	
<b>Panhandle Texas—</b>			
Carson County.....	9,200	9,250	
Gray County.....	83,500	72,500	
Hutchinson County.....	25,300	25,950	
<b>North Texas—</b>			
Archer County.....	19,500	19,000	
Wilbarger County.....	31,200	29,150	
<b>West Central Texas—</b>			
Brown County.....	7,700	7,800	
Shackelford County.....	11,000	10,800	
<b>West Texas—</b>			
Crane & Upton Cos.....	47,100	45,300	
Howard County.....	38,500	40,000	
Pecos County.....	180,300	185,000	
Reagan County.....	17,500	17,800	
Winkler County.....	141,000	140,000	
<b>East Central Texas—</b>			
Corsicana-Fowell.....	7,150	7,200	
<b>Southwest Texas—</b>			
Laredo District.....	10,500	10,750	
Luling.....	11,100	11,000	
Salt Flat.....	47,200	48,250	
<b>North Louisiana—</b>			
Haynesville.....	5,000	5,050	
Urania.....	6,300	6,400	
<b>Arkansas—</b>			
Champagnolla.....	6,800	7,050	
Smackover (light).....	6,050	6,000	
Smackover (heavy).....	46,300	46,350	
<b>Coastal Texas—</b>			
Barbers Hill.....	18,000	13,700	
Hull.....	7,400	8,000	
Pierce Junction.....	15,350	16,500	
Raccoon Bend.....	8,300	7,900	
Sprindletop.....	25,800	25,100	
Sugarland.....	11,650	11,400	
West Columbia.....	6,350	6,300	
<b>Coastal Louisiana—</b>			
East Hackberry.....	2,300	2,400	
Old Hackberry.....	2,000	1,900	
Sulphur Dome.....	3,150	3,300	
Vinton.....	4,200	4,200	
<b>Wyoming—</b>			
Salt Creek.....	32,600	30,250	
<b>Montana—</b>			
Sunburst.....	6,950	6,950	
<b>California—</b>			
Dominguez.....	9,500	10,000	
Elwood-Goleta.....	22,800	23,500	
Huntington Beach.....	44,000	44,500	
Inglewood.....	24,000	23,500	
Kettleman Hills.....	4,000	4,000	
Long Beach.....	168,000	169,000	
Midway-Sunset.....	68,000	68,000	
Rosecrans.....	6,500	6,500	
Santa Fe Springs.....	289,000	260,000	
Seal Beach.....	47,000	47,500	
Torrance.....	12,600	12,600	
Ventura Avenue.....	60,000	57,000	

**Oil Man Predicts Reduction in Prices—Efforts at Conservation Not Effective and Time Too Short for Legislative Aid—Costs of Storage High.**

Conditions in the petroleum industry, at least so far as the present year is concerned, apparently will be little affected by any efforts at conservation, and as the usual seasonal decline in consumption comes on, the effects of continued over-production are likely to be more keenly felt and to result in lower prices for crude oil and its products, in the opinion of one of the most prominent oil executives in the country. says the New York "Times" in its issue of Sunday, Aug. 18, adding:

Using figures given out by Federal income tax authorities and statistics of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, this man calculated that in the last nine years the petroleum industry of the United States had averaged but slightly more than 3% on its invested capital and had been adding constantly to its burdens by increasing its surplus stocks beyond the point of necessity so that the market had been oversupplied and a reasonable profit had not been attained. The overproduction, according to the statistics, became marked two years ago last Spring.

"To employ a simile," said this executive, "the industry at that time faced a major operation, meaning severe cutting of crude oil prices, sufficient to bring production more nearly in line with demand. However, it followed a less radical course by attempting a constructive effort toward curtailing production while maintaining a price for crude oil higher than supply and demand conditions would seem to have justified. Such temporizing was equivalent to taking castor oil rather than submitting to an operation."

**Conservation Not Obtained.**

"These conservation efforts have been unsuccessful in keeping production in line with consumption. Sufficient conservation through co-operation eventually proved impossible, and if now, through Federal or State legislation, enforcement of conservation became possible, the remedy would likely be too late to avoid at least part of the bad effects of long-continued over-production and accumulation, as a very considerable period must elapse before any laws could become so generally effective as to avoid somewhat serious consequences. It would seem that the castor-oil treatment has had the same result as it would have on a human being—that of weakening the industry to withstand a major operation."

"According to the statistics of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey the industry is now carrying a supply of about 550,000,000 barrels of crude oil in storage at an average cost of about 25 cents a barrel each year, where probably 250,000,000 barrels of crude oil would be sufficient for the needs of the industry. The storing of this excess crude is costing the industry about \$75,000,000 a year, or, roughly estimated, about 20% of its average annual earnings over the last decade. This cost, of course, is borne by companies which have not adopted a policy of restricting their storage of crude oil to what is estimated as being essential to the proper conduct of business. The Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey estimates that about 100 days' supply of crude oil is all that is necessary for running its business."

*Huge Stocks Unnecessary.*

"It is no longer necessary for companies to carry enormous stocks against an emergency; that is, in storage above the ground. There is sufficient production now developed and shut in to be held under ground in proved fields and available to be drawn upon before an emergency could create a scarcity in the supply of crude oil.

In spite of this continued overproduction, there is 20% more drilling in progress now than at this time last year, although meantime there has been added to stocks above ground in the United States about 60,000,000 barrels. At the present time there is little production shut in through consideration of conservation of oil. In the United States there is probably 700,000 barrels daily production shut in for economic reasons. More than half of this shut-in production is in West Texas, where controlled production has been proved to be much more economical than producing the wells to capacity. In California there is considerable shut-in production due to inability to handle it without building storage, and in Wyoming a small amount is shut in as a reserve for refineries in that area.

"The effect of recent legislation in California in the interests of conservation will not be felt until September 1, and opinions as to its effectiveness are various. Undoubtedly the enforcement of the law will be difficult and may work considerable hardship on some fields and operators. Measures are being taken to store a considerable amount of gas in some of the exhausted formations, and the production of this gas may permit a larger amount of crude oil than is justified by market conditions.

*Gasoline Stocks Increased.*

"Last spring there was an important increase in demand for mid-continent crude, which resulted in an increase in the posted price for crude at the well. It now appears that this increased demand was largely a refinery demand rather than a consumer demand, as the refineries in the interior of the United States increased their runs of crude and their gasoline production to a greater extent than the local consumption increased. This has resulted in a large increase in gasoline stocks in the interior of the United States as compared to the same period last year.

"While for a considerable time the average producer in the mid-continent field has lost money, based on the crude market that existed up to the middle of May, it is probable that he has accumulated money. It probably cost him about \$1.35 to produce crude, a third of which cost was depreciation and depletion, which was returned to him in his operation as cash. In reality it was a return of capital, but he was in the paradoxical condition of losing money and increasing his deposits at the bank.

"At the same time there has been a loss, or at least a tremendous waste, in distribution of facilities through useless duplication. The result is that the facilities serving the consumer are operated at half capacity with a resulting increase in cost. Many of the distributors are satisfied to sell gasoline at cost, hoping he may make profit out of their sales of automobile accessories, cigars, hot dogs and other things. If the facilities were distributed more nearly to capacity, the saving in cost would result in a material increase in the earnings of the industry.

*Comparison of Prices.*

"Another factor contributing to the unsatisfactory financial results in the oil business is also expressed by saying the gasoline to-day, which returns about 70% of the total income of the oil industry, is selling at very little more than the 1913 price, while other commodities in general use are up 30 to 100%. As a specific example, the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey's Newark tank wagon price is up 4.52% above its 1913 price, while the index figure of 550 commodities as reported by the Department of Commerce is up 39.9% in 1928 over 1913. It is a startling condition to realize that the taxes paid by the oil industry, including consumption tax on gasoline, is averaging the enormous figure of \$500,000,000 each year, a figure greater than the net profits of the industry.

It is evident that overproduction, which has been almost continual for the last eight or nine years, cannot go on much longer without serious consequences to the industry. How long the day of reckoning can be postponed is a matter of opinion. Whether conservation efforts can become effective in time to prevent a serious situation in the industry is problematical. It is certainly a matter of serious concern when an industry that supplies 75% of the motive forces in the country is in such an unsatisfactory condition.

A tremendous economy in producing costs is effected in those regions where operations are carried on as a unit, either by having the leases all put under a single management, or by having identical producing conditions over the field, and retaining a pressure on the producing formations. In new areas the modern practice is to operate under such conditions.

### Huge Flow Expected from Yates Oil Pool—Production Now 130,000 Barrels a Day—Cost Only One-Sixth of That at Seminole.

Already one of the most prolific oil fields in the country, the Yates pool in Pecos County, Tex., gives promise of greatly increasing its output in the next few months, according to oil executives. Estimates based on results already shown in the top 150 feet of the present producing sand place the recoverable oil from the entire pool at between 400,000,000 and 600,000,000 barrels, which would establish it as one of the marvels of the industry. The New York "Times," in reporting this on Sunday, Aug. 18, went on to say:

Up to July 1 the 1,500 producing areas of the Yates pool had produced 43,583,277 barrels of crude oil. This total, it is expected, will be increased within three years to 200,000,000 barrels. The estimate is based on the current rate of production of 130,000 barrels a day. The production cost over the next three years has been estimated at 20c. a barrel, which would compare with \$1.20 a barrel in the Seminole field.

Nearly half of the total production is owned jointly by the Transcontinental Oil Co. and the Mid-Kansas Oil Co., their properties having produced 45% of the total yield in the Yates pool up to July 1. These companies are producing more than 47% of the total. On the basis of the estimates covering the entire field, their properties are expected to produce in excess of 73,500,000 barrels in the next three years. Transcontinental's half interest would amount to 36,750,000 barrels, making the company one of the largest independent producers in the country.

Transcontinental, regarded as the most important single factor in the Yates field, has found it possible to increase production materially by deepening producing wells. This is instanced by the fact that the output of five wells was increased from an original potential of 40,150 barrels to 300,050 barrels by this method.

According to eminent geological opinion, the present producing strata at Yates are overlaid by other important oil sands which may be reached after the present horizons are exhausted.

**June Gas Sales Increase—Production Declines.**

A 9% increase in gas sales during the first 6 months of 1929 is reflected in a report just compiled by the statistical department of the American Gas Association. This report, which offers substantial proof of the continued growth of the gas business, analyzes gas sales of 91 companies, representing the major portion of the industry. The customers of these companies aggregated 9,254,000, as of June 30 1929, an increase of 2.5% over June 30 1928. For the six months period, the per cent. increase in total sales registered by the reporting companies in the various geographic regions was as follows: New England, 5.6%; Middle Atlantic, 1.2%; South Atlantic, 2%; East North Central, 9.9%; West North Central, 2.9%; South Central and Mountain, 54.9%, and Pacific Coast, 20.8%. The Middle Atlantic regions continued to show a relatively smaller increase than other sections. The South Central and Mountain States show an abnormally high increase, due to the fact that three of the reporting companies now distribute natural gas and formerly sold manufactured gas. In California, Connecticut, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin, sales for the first six months were far ahead of the corresponding period of last year. In all sections of the country, the largest gains were made in industrial-commercial and house-heating sales.

The reports of the 91 companies indicate that the amount of by-product coke over gas being distributed by the gas industry is rapidly increasing, while the quantity of carburetted water gas produced is gradually declining. Data on gas produced and purchased for distribution by the 91 companies shows the following significant trends for the first half year: (1) 7.7% decrease in water gas production; (2) 11.4% decrease in retort coal gas production; (3) 36.2% increase in coke oven gas production; (4) 25.5% increase in quantity of coke over gas purchased from steel and coke companies operating by-product coke oven plants; (5) 51% increase in natural gas purchased.

The Association's statement further shows:

## COMPARATIVE STATISTICS OF 91 GAS COMPANIES IN UNITED STATES.

Month of June—	1929.	1928.	% Inc.
Customers	9,254,360	9,028,247	2.5
Gas sales (thousand cu. ft.)	34,126,124	31,946,553	6.8
Revenue	\$32,795,421	\$31,864,368	2.9
Gas produced (thousand cu. ft.):			
Water gas	11,795,649	14,334,549	-17.7
Coal gas	2,914,567	3,163,808	-7.9
Coke oven gas	3,309,976	2,576,196	28.5
Oil gas	2,180,429	1,980,784	10.1
Total gas produced	20,200,621	22,055,337	-8.4
Coke oven gas purchased	8,229,536	6,119,888	34.5
Total mfg. gas produced & purchased	28,430,157	28,175,225	0.9
Natural gas purchased	6,272,145	4,314,682	45.4
Total gas produced and purchased	34,702,302	32,489,907	6.8
Six Months Ended June 30—			
Customers	9,254,360	9,028,247	2.5
Gas sales (thousand cu. ft.)	224,758,142	206,089,835	9.1
Revenue	\$212,336,815	\$203,621,040	4.3
Gas produced (thousand cu. ft.):			
Water gas	93,623,100	101,450,918	-7.7
Coal gas	18,028,467	20,353,961	-11.4
Coke oven gas	19,910,090	14,615,798	36.2
Oil gas	17,331,937	15,047,386	15.2
Total gas produced	148,893,594	151,468,063	-1.7
Coke oven gas purchased	47,007,776	37,458,540	25.5
Total mfg. gas produced & purchased	195,901,370	188,926,603	3.7
Natural gas purchased	47,691,845	31,587,478	51.0
Total gas produced and purchased	243,593,215	220,514,081	10.5

### Improved Business in Copper and Lead—Export Sales of Copper Increase.

An improved demand for copper and lead has been manifested in the past week, lead inquiries especially having increased in the last day or two, with the improvement in the price abroad, "Engineering and Mining Journal" reports, adding:

No particular interest, however, has been shown in tin or silver, and zinc has been exceedingly dull, though the prices on these metals has been well maintained. Most sellers report more interest in copper, although the total domestic sales of approximately 14,000 tons do not indicate any particular buying wave. The price has been uniformly 18 cents for Connecticut delivery basis, and 18 1-8 cents in the Middle West. The foreign demand has been satisfactory. Total export sales so far this month approximate the total for the entire month of July.

Somewhat more than an average week's business was booked in lead, with buying fairly well distributed among the important consuming industries. A feature in the situation was the persistent call for nearby lead, indicating that consumers are in urgent need of the metal. A good part of the tonnage sold was placed in the last two days, the buying reflecting higher lead quotations from London. The New York price held at 6.75 cents throughout the period. The ruling quotation in the Middle West was 6.55 cents.

Price changes in tin were relatively insignificant, with trading rather slow. Speculative activity in London has been unimportant of late and the market appears to be marking time. Spot Straits has been in somewhat better demand than futures. Zinc sales fell off in the past week. Producers are uniformly holding at 6.80 cents in spite of efforts of consumers to depress quotation.



**Pig Iron Production in United States According to American Iron and Steel Institute.**

The American Iron and Steel Institute has made public the following statistics of the production of pig iron and ferro-alloys in the United States in the first half of 1929:

HALF YEARLY OUTPUT OF PIG IRON AND FERRO-ALLOYS BY STATES.  
Half-Yearly Production of Pig Iron by States.\*

States.	Blast Furnaces.a				Production of Pig Iron no Including Ferro-Alloys—Gross Tons.		
	Blast Dec. 31 1928.	In June 30 1929.			First Half of 1928.	Second Half of 1928.	First Half of 1929.
		In.	Out.	Total.			
Massachusetts	1	1	0	1	1,213,685	1,153,205	1,444,109
New York	12	16	7	23			
New Jersey	0	0	2	2			
Pennsylvania	63	71	24	95	5,762,007	6,290,398	7,200,722
Maryland	5	6	0	6			
Virginia	0	0	9	9			
West Virginia	0	3	1	4			
Kentucky	2	2	1	3	938,864	1,043,869	1,039,524
Mississippi	0	0	1	1			
Texas	0	0	1	1			
Tennessee	1	3	4	7			
Alabama	18	17	14	31	1,252,229	1,265,256	1,411,933
Ohio	43	45	12	57	4,296,980	4,720,045	4,972,419
Illinois	17	19	6	25	2,042,079	1,900,333	2,265,105
Indiana	14	16	2	18	2,345,888	2,237,177	2,582,253
Michigan	8	8	2	10			
Wisconsin	0	0	0	0			
Minnesota	2	3	0	3			
Missouri	0	0	2	2	460,609	479,024	488,589
Colorado	3	2	3	5			
Utah	1	1	0	1			
Total	193	213	93	306	18,312,341	19,089,307	21,404,654

Half-Yearly Production of Pig Iron and Ferro-Alloys According to Fuel Used.

	189	208	90	298	18,233,238	19,025,450	21,337,150
Coke pig iron	4	5	3	8	79,103	63,857	67,504
Charcoal pig iron							
Total pig iron	193	213	93	306	18,312,341	19,089,307	21,404,654
Total ferro-alloys	10	12	6	18	6374,071	6379,995	6415,406
Grand total	203	225	99	324	18,686,412	19,469,302	21,820,060

\* Does not include the production of ferro-manganese, speigeleisen, ferro-silicon, or other ferro-alloys.  
a Completed and rebuilding pig iron furnaces.  
b Includes ferro-manganese, speigeleisen, ferro-silicon and other ferro-alloys made in blast furnaces or in electric furnaces.

**Steel Output High—Orders Decline—Prices Unchanged.**

A tapering demand for steel is yet to be reflected definitely in mill operations, which are still at a near-capacity rate in most districts, reports the "Iron Age" in its current issue. Meanwhile shipments are cutting heavily into backlogs in some lines, and prospects for a continuance of present high output in September depend somewhat on the extent of the expected recovery in automobile buying, adds the "Age," which further states:

Automobile steels, including body sheets, strip steel and bars, have been more affected by declining specifications than other products. Some automobile companies are rather slow in getting in production on new models, and meanwhile are taking steel in relatively small quantities and in less aggregate volume than they used last month. Indications point to heavier motor car output next month.

Other metal-working industries are on high production schedules and apparently are consuming steel in undiminished tonnage. Notable among the most active lines are building construction and the manufacture of oil tanks, fabricated pipe, farm tractors and steam shovels.

Plates are in the strongest position among finished steel products. Chicago plate mills are booked for four to ten weeks and Pittsburgh mills from 6 to 8 weeks. At Chicago, 6,500 tons of plates has been ordered for oil tanks to be built in the Southwest and 15,000 tons for similar work is pending.

In sheets, specifications are holding up fairly well, despite the decline in consumption by the automobile industry. The leading sheet producer is operating its mills at just under 100% this week and has a backlog sufficient for 60 days. Tin plate demand is receding, however, partly because the bulk of the season's requirements has been covered, but also on account of lessened needs in California, where crop damage has reduced the food pack. Some strip steel mills have reached the point of being in actual need of orders.

Pipe mills are operating at about 65%, which is considered a good rate in view of the large capacity and the volume of business which has gone in recent months to a fabricator of pipe electrically welded from plates. About 250,000 tons of pipe will be required for a gas line from Amarillo, Tex., to Omaha and Chicago which the Texas Co. is sponsoring. A 10,000-ton pipe line at Everett, Wash., is up for bids.

Rail mills, now at about a 75% operation, will soon reach the end of their orders, with the beginning of the fall buying movement at least 4 to 6 weeks off. Mill schedules may be reduced somewhat further by Sept. 1.

Builders of railroad cars will complete their present orders within a month or so, and new car buying in prospect is not in large volume. Several roads mentioned as possible buyers have yet to issue formal inquiries. The week's orders totaled 750 cars.

Building construction continues active, the week's awards of structural steel, at 51,000 tons, having been the largest since the last week of June. Included were 8,100 tons for New York subway work, 7,000 tons for a bank building in Newark, N. J., and 7,000 tons for a bridge at Toledo, Ohio. The pending list was augmented by 32,000 tons.

Despite the growing unevenness of demands for various forms of finished steel, ingot output in principal producing districts holds at about 95% the falling off in some lines being offset by continued large demands in others. There is promise of high ingot production during the remainder of the quarter, even assuming a further reduction in requirements of finished steel, as badly depleted stocks of raw steel will be built up.

Outstanding in the pig iron situation is the continued weakness of Southern iron, which has declined another 50c. a ton at Chicago to \$12.50, Birmingham,

thereby underselling Chicago iron on a delivered basis by \$2 a ton. Elsewhere in the North, Alabama iron is competing strongly for business at prices ranging from \$13 to \$14, yet Northern iron prices have not been affected. Shipments of Birmingham district furnaces have increased in the past two weeks, largely because of sales to outside territories.

Some buying of iron for fourth quarter has been done, but generally melters are waiting. Most furnaces are sold up for this quarter, and one Buffalo interest has withdrawn from the market for deliveries earlier than October. At Cleveland, shipments have gained through releases by foundries in the automotive field.

Foundry equipment manufacturers report July the largest month for orders since last August. Bookings for the 7-months of the year were 23% ahead of the corresponding period of 1928 and shipments averaged 63% above the January-July period last year.

Heavy melting is up 25c. a ton at Chicago on sales of 15,000 tons or more and down 25c. a ton at Pittsburgh. Strength in scrap is apparent at St. Louis, Cleveland, Detroit and Birmingham.

The "Iron Age" composite prices remain at last week's levels, that for pig iron at \$18.42 a ton and that for finished steel at 2.398c. a lb. Pig iron is \$1.38 higher than a year ago and finished steel is \$1 a net ton higher as the following table shows:

Finished Steel.				Pig Iron.			
Aug. 20, 1929, 2.398c. a Lb.				Aug. 20, 1929, \$18.42 a Gross Ton.			
One week ago	2.412c.			One week ago	\$18.42		
One month ago	2.412c.			One month ago	18.54		
One year ago	2.348c.			One year ago	17.04		
10-year pre-war average	1.689c.			10-year pre-war average	15.72		

Based on steel bars, beams, tank plates, wire, rails, 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—\$18.71	May 14
1928—2.391c. Dec. 11	2.314c. Jan. 3	1928—18.59	Nov. 27
1927—2.453c. Jan. 4	2.293c. Oct. 25	1927—19.71	Jan. 4
1926—2.453c. Jan. 5	2.403c. May 18	1926—21.54	Jan. 5
1925—2.560c. Jan. 6	2.396c. Aug. 18	1925—22.50	Jan. 13

Structural shape and steel plate bookings the past week mount up to a total that would be noteworthy even at the spring and fall peaks of business, says the "Iron Trade Review" of Aug. 22 in its weekly summary of iron and steel conditions. With automotive specifications for steel bars expanding—August business to date exceeding the comparable period of July for some makers—and demands for sheets and pipe substantially equaling shipments, the iron and steel industry continues on an unusually high plane for late August, continues the "Review," which goes on to say:

Within the industry there are conflicting opinions whether there will be an upturn this fall, as usual, or whether business will ebb slowly over the remainder of the year. Certain it is that the decline in both bookings and production this month will be smaller than anticipated 30 days ago. The position of integrated steelmakers with a broad line of finished products is generally better than that of specialized manufacturers.

August automotive production appears to be exceeding July, but there is no expectation that the record rate of the first half year will be regained. Freight car awards the past week exceeded all July, and 6,250 cars are on inquiry, with Chicago expecting five western roads in the equipment market shortly. Farm implement manufacturers will be starting their fall runs by Sept. 15. Fabricating shops have booked nearly 50,000 tons in the past week.

Considering that quarterly buying is not a factor at this time, pig iron selling is brisk. The American Radiator Co. has bought 15,000 to 20,000 tons of iron, both northern and southern, for its western plants. Orders at Cleveland exceeded 20,000 tons the past week, with shipments bettering the July rate. At New York sales approached 9,000 tons. Recent buying of southern iron in the Chicago district has topped 15,000 tons. New business at St. Louis, including southern iron, totaled 12,000 tons.

Large structural steel orders have gone chiefly to the McClintic-Marshall Co., including 8,100 tons for New York subways, 7,000 tons for a bridge at Toledo, O., and 5,300 tons for bridge approaches at St. Louis. The same interest also took the largest concrete bar award of the week—2,100 tons for highway bridges at Pittsburgh. New structural work includes 4,850 tons for bridges for the Great Northern railroad. Two bank buildings in Ohio, to be placed soon, require 10,000 tons. Industrial expansion includes round tonnages for Chevrolet and Olds automobile plant extensions. Four pending jobs in New York specify 37,000 tons.

Freight car awards include 500 by the North American Car Corp., 300 by the Great Northern and 200 by the Reading, plus about 65 miscellaneous cars, contrasted with 341 cars placed in all July. New inquiry includes 250 for the Central of New Jersey. Car builders in the Chicago district are active specifiers of plates and small shapes.

Some large lots of plates are being closed quietly by Chicago district mills. For tanks ordered in the Southwest, Chicago tankmakers will specify 7,000 tons of plates. Western mills still ask 8 to 10-week delivery on heavy plates. Pittsburgh mills look to improved plate demand in the fall. Exclusive of improved automotive orders, bar business originates in diversified sources. Heavy steel is firm at 1.95c., Pittsburgh.

Softness in wire nail prices is more pronounced, and in some districts wire is affected. Backlogs of stripmakers have been rapidly dissipated, and prompt shipments can generally be offered. Cold finished bar orders barely offset shipments. Sheet requirements are diversified, with not much improvement yet noted from automotive sources. Blue annealed sheet deliveries are deferred as much as 15 weeks at Chicago. Black and galvanized sheet prices continue unsteady in some districts.

Steel corporation subsidiaries are operating this week at about 95%, four points below last week but comparing with 77% a year ago. The entire industry is averaging 85% to 88%, or 10 points better than a year ago. Mechanical breakdowns have impaired sheet mill operations in the Mahoning valley, but next week more than 100 of the 120 independent units will again be operating.

From the standpoint of steel producers, the senate finance committee's revision of the house tariff measure is generally favorable. On raw materials, such as manganese ore, ferromanganese and alloys used for steel making, reductions have been ordered, while pig iron, plates, structural material and fencing are more highly protected.

The "Iron Trade Review" composite of 16 leading iron and steel products is stationary this week at \$36.52. Its average for July was \$36.71 and last August \$34.96. The peak of the recent upward movement was \$37.13, late in May.

Although most of the leading steel centers continue to report active operations in the mills, there has been quite some let-up in the less important districts, which has resulted in a reduction of 3% in the ingot production in the entire steel industry during the past week, according to the "Wall Street Journal," of Aug. 21, which adds:

The U. S. Steel Corp. has come down 2%, while independent plants reduced activities between 3½ and 4%.

Curtailment at this time is decidedly seasonal, reflecting the smaller demand which has come with the mid-summer and the fact that steel makers have been catching up with their contracts on hand. Consumers are able to get deliveries in many products sooner than in several months, and most of the large units have been cutting into their backlogs in the past few weeks, so that a decision to curtail production at this time is considered justified.

Average ingot production is now estimated at a shade better than 90% of capacity, compared with around 93% in the preceding week, and above 94% two weeks ago.

The U. S. Steel Corp. is running at approximately 95%, against about 97% a week ago and a fraction over 98% two weeks ago.

Independents are down to between 86 and 87%, contrasted with better than 90% in the previous week and 91% two weeks ago.

At this time last year the Steel Corp. was running at 80%, with independents about 73%, and the average was slightly in excess of 76%.

### Employment and Wages in Anthracite Industry Declined During July According to Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia.

Anthracite employment and payrolls declined in the period from June to July and were appreciably lower than in July 1928, according to figures compiled by the Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia on the basis of reports received from 155 collieries by the Anthracite Bureau of Information. The number of wage earners decreased about 10% in the month and 15% in comparison with a year earlier. Similarly, the volume of wage disbursements dropped 20% in July and was about 31% smaller than in the same month last year.

Index numbers based on the monthly average for 1923, 1924, and 1925 furnished by the bank follow:

INDEX NUMBERS—1923-25 MONTHLY AVERAGE 100.

	Employment.			Wage Payments.		
	1927.	1928.	1929.	1927.	1928.	1929.
January	122.2	115.8	109.8	101.9	91.9	112.6
February	118.3	110.6	109.4	92.2	85.4	107.0
March	119.3	113.9	101.3	91.9	83.1	79.5
April	121.4	116.3	104.1	115.4	116.8	77.4
May	114.1	114.0	107.2	119.5	97.6	85.4
June	112.6	102.3	95.4	87.8	60.6	71.0
July	109.9	100.7	85.6	87.5	82.5	56.8
August	118.9	110.9		114.2	97.2	
September	113.2	112.7		104.9	112.5	
October	117.3	135.9		115.5	134.7	
November	120.6	117.7		100.1	110.1	
December	121.0	109.4		101.9	92.9	

### Revised Figures on Production of Coal in July.

A preliminary report of the production of bituminous coal and anthracite during the month of July 1929 was given on page 888 of our Aug. 10 issue. The United States Bureau of Mines has now released the following revised data, the production of bituminous coal during the month amounting to 40,635,000 net tons, as against 38,073,000 tons in June, and 36,276,000 tons in July 1928. The average daily rate of output in July last was 40,000 tons higher than for the month of June. The production of anthracite decreased from 5,069,000 net tons in June to 4,993,000 tons in July, at which figure, however, comparison was with only 4,475,000 tons in July 1928. The Bureau's statement follows:

MONTHLY PRODUCTION OF BITUMINOUS COAL AND ANTHRACITE IN JULY (NET TONS).

Month.	Bituminous.			Anthracite.		
	Total Production.	No. of Work- ing Days.	Average per Working Day.	Total Production.	No. of Work- ing Days.	Average per Working Day.
May 1929	40,172,000	26.4	1,522,000	6,308,000	26	243,000
June a	38,073,000	25	1,523,000	5,069,000	25	203,000
July a	40,635,000	26	1,563,000	4,993,000	26	192,000
July 1928	36,276,000	25	1,451,000	4,475,000	25	179,000

a Revised.

### Production of Bituminous Coal and Beehive Coke for Week Ended Aug. 10 1929, Exceeds That of Corresponding Period Last Year—Anthracite Output Lower.

According to the report of the United States Bureau of Mines, Department of Commerce, the output of bituminous coal and beehive coke for the week ended Aug. 10 1929, continued to show advances over the corresponding period a year ago, while Pennsylvania anthracite output dropped below the figure for the same week last year. Total production for the week under review was as follows: Bituminous

coal, 9,571,000 net tons; Pennsylvania anthracite, 1,103,000 tons, and beehive coke, 125,500 tons. This compares with 9,002,000 net tons of bituminous coal, 1,389,000 tons of Pennsylvania anthracite and 58,700 tons of beehive coke produced in the week ended Aug. 11 1928, and 9,226,000 net tons of bituminous coal, 1,290,000 tons of Pennsylvania anthracite and 133,400 tons of beehive coke in the week ended Aug. 3 1929. The Bureau's statement says:

#### BITUMINOUS COAL.

The total production of soft coal during the week ended Aug. 10 1929, including lignite and coal coked at the mines, is estimated at 9,571,000 net tons. Compared with the revised estimate for the preceding week, this shows an increase of 345,000 tons, or 3.7%. Production during the week in 1928 corresponding with that of Aug. 10 amounted to 9,002,000 tons.

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

Week Ended—	1929		1928	
	Week.	Cal. Year to Date.	Week.	Cal. Year to Date. a
July 27	9,480,000	288,734,000	8,964,000	265,535,000
Daily average	1,580,000	1,638,000	1,494,000	1,506,000
Aug. 3. b	9,226,000	297,960,000	8,757,000	274,292,000
Daily average	1,538,000	1,634,000	1,460,000	1,505,000
Aug. 10. c	9,571,000	307,531,000	9,002,000	283,294,000
Daily average	1,595,000	1,633,000	1,500,000	1,504,000

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 Aug. 10 (approximately 188 working days) amounts to 307,531,000 net tons. Figures for corresponding periods in other recent years are given below:

1928	283,294,000 net tons	1926	322,713,000 net tons
1927	322,100,000 net tons	1925	288,154,000 net tons

As already indicated by the revised figures above, the total production of soft coal for the country as a whole during the week ended Aug. 3 amounted to 9,226,000 net tons. This is a decrease of 254,000 tons, or 2.7%, from the output in the preceding week. The following table appertains the tonnage by States and gives comparable figures for other recent years:

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

State—	Week Ended—				Average a
	Aug. 3 '29.	July 27 '29.	Aug. 4 '28.	Aug. 6 '27.	
Alabama	323,000	306,000	304,000	361,000	397,000
Arkansas	32,000	24,000	36,000	29,000	26,000
Colorado	127,000	118,000	176,000	167,000	173,000
Illinois	911,000	900,000	838,000	139,000	1,363,000
Indiana	287,000	265,000	244,000	242,000	440,000
Iowa	58,000	54,000	58,000	11,000	100,000
Kansas	d	d	d	32,000	40,000
Kentucky—Eastern	865,000	928,000	969,000	945,000	765,000
Western	192,000	203,000	231,000	440,000	217,000
Maryland	44,000	47,000	48,000	54,000	44,000
Michigan	14,000	12,000	10,000	16,000	21,000
Missouri	56,000	48,000	57,000	41,000	61,000
Montana	44,000	45,000	46,000	41,000	50,000
New Mexico	42,000	49,000	50,000	44,000	49,000
North Dakota	11,000	11,000	13,000	10,000	20,000
Ohio	440,000	464,000	297,000	146,000	871,000
Oklahoma	49,000	50,000	53,000	59,000	55,000
Pennsylvania (bitum.)	2,510,000	2,635,000	2,157,000	2,237,000	3,734,000
Tennessee	97,000	97,000	98,000	102,000	118,000
Texas	19,000	21,000	16,000	27,000	24,000
Utah	68,000	54,000	70,000	85,000	83,000
Virginia	230,000	241,000	229,000	241,000	248,000
Washington	32,000	33,000	32,000	53,000	47,000
W. Va.—Southern b	1,982,000	2,075,000	1,876,000	2,065,000	1,552,000
Northern c	663,000	678,000	716,000	781,000	838,000
Wyoming	90,000	78,000	98,000	81,000	154,000
Other States d	42,000	44,000	3,000	5,000	4,000
Total bituminous coal	9,226,000	9,480,000	8,757,000	8,462,000	11,538,000
Pennsylvania anthracite	1,290,000	1,289,000	1,164,000	1,362,000	1,926,000
Total all coal	10,516,000	10,769,000	9,921,000	9,824,000	13,464,000

a Average weekly rate for the entire month. b Includes operations on the N. & W.; C. & O., Virginian, K. & M., and Charleston division of the B. & O. c Rest of State, including Panhandle. d Kansas included in "Other States."

#### PENNSYLVANIA ANTHRACITE.

The total production of Pennsylvania Anthracite during the week ended Aug. 10 is estimated at 1,103,000 net tons. Compared with the output in the preceding week, this shows a decrease of 187,000 tons, or 14.5%. The cumulative production of anthracite during the present calendar year to Aug. 10 is approximately the same as for the corresponding period in 1928.

Estimated Production of Pennsylvania Anthracite (Net Tons).

Week Ended—	1929		1928	
	Week.	Cal. Year to Date.	Week.	Cal. Year to Date. a
July 27	1,289,000	41,091,000	1,066,000	40,933,000
Aug. 3	1,290,000	42,381,000	1,164,000	42,097,000
Aug. 10. b	1,103,000	43,484,000	1,389,000	43,486,000

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

#### BEEHIVE COKE.

The total production of beehive coke during the week ended Aug. 10 is estimated at 125,500 net tons, a decrease of 7,900 tons, or 5.9%, from the output in the preceding week. Production during the week in 1928 corresponding with that of Aug. 10 amounted to 58,700 tons. In the Connellsville region, according to the Connellsville "Courier," there was a net decrease of 80 in the number of ovens fired during the week ended Aug. 10.

Estimated Production of Beehive Coke (Net Tons).

Region—	Week Ended—			1929 to Date.	1928 to Date. a
	Aug. 10 1929. b	Aug. 3 1929. c	Aug. 11 1928.		
Pennsylvania and Ohio	104,300	112,500	38,100	3,204,300	1,867,600
West Virginia	10,900	8,400	10,700	328,200	368,800
Georgia, Ky. and Tenn.	800	2,000	1,400	48,500	108,300
Virginia	6,000	6,000	4,800	168,600	150,400
Colorado, Utah and Wash.	3,500	4,500	3,700	165,700	131,400
United States total	125,500	133,400	58,700	3,915,300	2,626,500
Daily average	20,917	22,240	9,733	20,607	13,824

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



## Current Events and Discussions

### The Week With the Federal Reserve Banks.

The consolidated statement of condition of the Federal Reserve banks on Aug. 21, made public by the Federal Reserve Board, and which deals with the results for the 12 Reserve banks, shows a decrease for the week of \$41,600,000 in holdings of discounted bills and of \$5,700,000 in U. S. Government securities, and an increase of \$14,300,000 in bills bought in open market. Member bank reserve deposits declined \$38,300,000, while Federal Reserve note circulation increased \$7,500,000 and cash reserves \$14,000,000. Total bills and securities were \$27,800,000 below the total reported for Wednesday, Aug. 14. After noting these facts, the Federal Reserve Board proceeds as follows:

Holdings of discounted bills declined \$51,200,000 at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, \$21,300,000 at Cleveland and \$8,400,000 at San Francisco, and increased \$21,200,000 at Boston and \$7,200,000 at St. Louis. The System's holdings of bills bought in open market increased \$14,300,000 and of U. S. Treasury notes \$1,900,000, while holdings of Treasury certificates declined \$7,600,000.

The principal changes in Federal Reserve note circulation for the week include an increase of \$8,300,000 at Boston and declines of \$3,600,000 at Philadelphia and \$4,200,000 at Cleveland.

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 1249 and 1250. A summary of the principal assets and liabilities of the Reserve banks, together with changes during the week and the year ended Aug. 21, is as follows:

	Aug. 21 1929.	Increase (+) or Decrease (-) During	
	\$	Week.	Year.
		\$	\$
Total reserves.....	3,142,814,000	+13,996,000	+381,412,000
Gold reserves.....	2,954,188,000	+15,749,000	+340,200,000
Total bills and securities.....	1,283,072,000	-27,754,000	-145,874,000
Bills discounted, total.....	986,378,000	-41,610,000	-51,068,000
Secured by U. S. Govt. obliga's.....	448,120,000	-63,335,000	-136,784,000
Other bills discounted.....	538,258,000	+21,725,000	+85,716,000
Bills bought in open market.....	132,137,000	+14,252,000	-51,463,000
U. S. Government securities, total.....	148,607,000	-5,696,000	-58,303,000
Bonds.....	42,693,000	+20	-11,906,000
Treasury notes.....	90,943,000	+1,890,000	+5,292,000
Certificates of indebtedness.....	14,971,000	-7,606,000	-51,689,000
Federal Reserve notes in circulation.....	1,822,853,000	+7,475,000	+180,886,000
Total deposits.....	2,337,173,000	-38,939,000	+11,543,000
Members' reserve deposits.....	2,292,032,000	-38,333,000	+11,472,000
Government deposits.....	18,468,000	+307	+1,137,000

### 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 has increased no less than \$133,000,000, thereby establishing a new high record in all time. The present week's increase of \$133,000,000 follows a decrease last week of \$68,000,000. The total of these loans now (Aug. 21 1929) stands at \$6,085,000,000, which is \$65,000,000 above the previous high of \$6,020,000,000, reached on Aug. 7 1929. This is only the second time that these figures have exceeded \$6,000,000,000. The present week's total of \$6,085,000,000 compares with \$4,201,000,000 on Aug. 22 1928.

#### CONDITION OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN CENTRAL RESERVE CITIES.

	New York.		
	Aug. 21 1929.	Aug. 14 1929.	Aug. 22 1928.
	\$	\$	\$
Loans and investments—total.....	7,354,000,000	7,381,000,000	6,883,000,000
Loans—total.....	5,637,000,000	5,653,000,000	5,134,000,000
On securities.....	2,775,000,000	2,822,000,000	2,470,000,000
All other.....	2,862,000,000	2,830,000,000	2,663,000,000
Investments—total.....	1,717,000,000	1,728,000,000	1,749,000,000
U. S. Government securities.....	955,000,000	962,000,000	996,000,000
Other securities.....	762,000,000	766,000,000	753,000,000

	Aug. 21 1929.	Aug. 14 1929.	Aug. 22 1928.
	\$	\$	\$
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.....	700,000,000	703,000,000	692,000,000
Cash in vault.....	52,000,000	56,000,000	52,000,000
Net demand deposits.....	5,120,000,000	5,172,000,000	4,986,000,000
Time deposits.....	1,149,000,000	1,142,000,000	1,158,000,000
Government deposits.....	11,000,000	11,000,000	25,000,000
Due from banks.....	83,000,000	89,000,000	86,000,000
Due to banks.....	810,000,000	836,000,000	852,000,000
Borrowings from Federal Reserve Bank.....	144,000,000	191,000,000	229,000,000
Loans on securities to brokers and dealers.....			
For own account.....	926,000,000	965,000,000	809,000,000
For account of out-of-town banks.....	1,787,000,000	1,810,000,000	1,513,000,000
For account of others.....	3,372,000,000	3,178,000,000	1,880,000,000
Total.....	6,085,000,000	5,952,000,000	4,201,000,000
On demand.....	5,738,000,000	5,597,000,000	3,350,000,000
On time.....	347,000,000	355,000,000	851,000,000
Chicago.			
Loans and investments—total.....	2,063,000,000	2,068,000,000	2,044,000,000
Loans—total.....	1,661,000,000	1,662,000,000	1,578,000,000
On securities.....	936,000,000	948,000,000	846,000,000
All other.....	725,000,000	714,000,000	731,000,000
Investments—total.....	403,000,000	406,000,000	466,000,000
U. S. Government securities.....	165,000,000	166,000,000	216,000,000
Other securities.....	237,000,000	240,000,000	250,000,000
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.....	175,000,000	176,000,000	179,000,000
Cash in vault.....	15,000,000	16,000,000	16,000,000
Net demand deposits.....	1,257,000,000	1,254,000,000	1,226,000,000
Time deposits.....	669,000,000	669,000,000	672,000,000
Government deposits.....	3,000,000	3,000,000	12,000,000
Due from banks.....	137,000,000	144,000,000	150,000,000
Due to banks.....	307,000,000	310,000,000	340,000,000
Borrowings from Federal Reserve Bank.....	33,000,000	43,000,000	77,000,000

### 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 Aug. 14:

The Federal Reserve Board's condition statement of weekly reporting member banks in 101 leading cities on Aug. 14 shows declines for the week of \$132,000,000 in loans and investments, of \$49,000,000 in net demand deposits and of \$44,000,000 in borrowings from Federal Reserve banks, and an increase of \$18,000,000 in time deposits.

Loans on securities declined \$143,000,000 at all reporting banks as well as at reporting banks in the New York district and \$7,000,000 in the Chicago district, and increased \$9,000,000 in the San Francisco district. "All other" loans increased \$18,000,000 in the New York district, \$18,000,000 in the Chicago district and \$41,000,000 at all reporting banks and declined \$11,000,000 in the Kansas City district.

Holdings of U. S. Government securities show little change for the week, while holdings of other securities declined \$16,000,000 in the New York district, \$7,000,000 in the Chicago district and \$31,000,000 at all reporting banks.

Net demand deposits, which at all reporting banks were \$49,000,000 below the Aug. 7 total, declined \$44,000,000 in the New York district, \$22,000,000 in the Chicago district, \$9,000,000 in the Cleveland district and \$6,000,000 in the Richmond district, and increased \$19,000,000 in the San Francisco district and \$9,000,000 in the Atlanta district. An increase of \$29,000,000 in time deposits in the Chicago district was partly offset by reductions in most of the other districts, all reporting banks showing an increase of \$18,000,000.

The principal changes in borrowings from Federal Reserve banks for the week comprise a decrease of \$98,000,000 at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and increase of \$18,000,000 at Cleveland, \$15,000,000 at Philadelphia, \$10,000,000 at Chicago and \$9,000,000 at Boston.

A summary of the principal assets and liabilities of weekly reporting member banks, together with changes during the week and the year ending Aug. 14 1929, follows:

	Aug. 14 1929.	Increase (+) or Decrease (-) Since	
		Aug. 7 1929.	Aug. 15 1928.
Loans and investments—total.....	22,460,000,000	-132,000,000	+695,000,000
Loans—total.....	16,949,000,000	-102,000,000	+1,152,000,000
On securities.....	7,575,000,000	-143,000,000	+794,000,000
All other.....	9,374,000,000	+41,000,000	+358,000,000
Investments—total.....	5,511,000,000	-30,000,000	-457,000,000
U. S. Government securities.....	2,734,000,000	+1,000,000	-185,000,000
Other securities.....	2,777,000,000	-31,000,000	-272,000,000
Reserve with Federal Res'v'e banks	1,674,000,000	-1,000,000	+9,000,000
Cash in vault.....	246,000,000	+4,000,000	+10,000,000
Net demand deposits.....	13,194,000,000	-49,000,000	+284,000,000
Time deposits.....	6,730,000,000	+18,000,000	-101,000,000
Government deposits.....	44,000,000	-5,000,000	-141,000,000
Due from banks.....	1,079,000,000	+30,000,000	+21,000,000
Due to banks.....	2,634,000,000	-54,000,000	-164,000,000
Borrowings from Fed. Res. banks.....	726,000,000	-44,000,000	-39,000,000

### Summary of Conditions in World Markets, According to Cablegrams and Other Reports to the Department of Commerce.

The Department of Commerce at Washington releases for publication Aug. 24 the following summary of market conditions abroad, based on advices by cable and radio:

#### ARGENTINA.

Business for this week ending Aug. 16 continued quiet. Considerable interest in good roads was developed in the Argentine National Congress which closed a successful session on Saturday, Aug. 17. Prices of carded yarns are lower, while the demand, pending further price reductions, also remains slight. There was some demand for mercerized yarn with the result that prices were maintained. Some buyers look for reductions in the near future, but in general stocks are lower, and the outlook promising. A third official Argentine estimate lists wheat left over from last year at 346,000 metric tons and linseed at 50,000 metric tons with the estimated crop for 1928-29 at 2,103 metric tons; and the exportable surplus on Aug. 16 at 671,000 metric tons.

#### AUSTRALIA.

While Australian business is maintaining the level of recent months, the improvement in trade anticipated from June inventories has failed to materialize. Fairly general rainfall in the Eastern States has improved pasture and saved the wheat crop from failure, though the yield has been affected by the drought. The Western Australia wheat season is reported as excellent. Shearing is now general in New South Wales and fair quantities of wool are arriving, but prices are low. Bankers point to the probability of a reduction in credit for financing imports as compared with last year. London balances of Australian banks are reduced. Funds for investment purposes, however, appear to be ample. Industrial amalgamations featured the past month, and construction work showed improvement after settlement of the timber strike in New South Wales, although it is as yet subnormal. The coal deadlock continues, causing considerable restriction in the industry. Pig iron production on July by the largest company operating in Australia was 50% below that of July 1928, and the output 27% lower. June exports from the Commonwealth totaled £7,460,000 as compared with £10,250,000 for the corresponding month a year ago, the decrease being accounted for by lower shipments of mutton, apples and wheat. Imports were valued at £12,730,000, an increase of £2,014,000 over figures for June 1929.

#### BELGIUM.

Industrial conditions in Belgium remained generally favorable during July, with textiles still constituting the most unfavorable element. A more optimistic tone prevails in the metallurgical market, prices are firmer, producers are booking orders, and longer delivery delays are required. The coal market continues firm, and the cement and glass industries are normal. Conditions in the leather trade are unstable and in the Brussels shoe factories a general lockout has been declared. The textile market continues calm, and the automobile business is facing a seasonal decline. Retail trade has been depressed during the vacation period and there are complaints that the tourist trade was distinctly below expectations. On July 31, the discount rate of the National Bank was raised to 5%. Excessive drought and heat during July and early August have damaged certain crops.

#### BRAZIL.

Money has been easier and credits much improved compared with recent weeks. Discounts for prime paper are averaging 10%, as compared with 12%, and higher, a few weeks ago. Exchange has had a tendency to weaken but is being held firm by the Bank of Brazil. Coffee is fairly firm, with exports somewhat reduced. Sugar prices are improving slightly. Textiles are still very dull, being depressed by extremely large stocks and the recent serious credit stringency. The Brazil nut crop has terminated and that prices continue low. Brazil nut exports for the first six months of this year amounted to 11,120 long tons to the United States and 17,270 long tons to Europe. Exports of shelled nuts to the United States amounted to 129 tons and to Europe 24 tons. An important oil seed company has requested a composition with creditors and several minor bankruptcies are imminent. There are rumors of the establishment of a tire factory in Para. The American organization which is interested in developing rubber in Brazil is reported to have planted 400 hectares, thus fulfilling its contractual requirements for the first two years period.

The road delegation reports satisfactory progress. Formal sessions of the American Road Congress opened in Rio de Janeiro on Aug. 16.

#### CANADA.

Wholesale and retail trade has been fair during the past week. Wearing apparel in the lighter weights has been moving well in Montreal and some fall lines are now on display. Fishing tackle and other supplies for tourists are in demand. Good business in radio equipment is reported from Hamilton, Ont. Manufacturing activity has been generally quiet in the Toronto district. Radio manufacturers, however, are busy. At Montreal, the footwear industry appears to be improving and fairly liberal orders are reported to have been booked for fall lines. The leather trade is also said to be experiencing an increased demand, with more stable prices. Many of the shingle mills in British Columbia are suspending production for an indefinite period, according to Trade Commissioner E. G. Babbitt, Vancouver. Overproduction and lessened building activity are said to be the causes.

The crop report of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, issued on Aug. 17, indicates better conditions than were unofficially expected. It is stated that potatoes, corn and root crops in Prince Edward Island are above average. Fruit crop prospects in Nova Scotia are fairly good, although the weather has been extremely dry. Quebec grain has been improved by showers; apples and potatoes there are promising. Rain is badly needed in Ontario; the total of the fall wheat harvest is expected to be well above average, while the condition of the province's spring grain is said to be fair. A good yield of hay in Ontario has been made. Wheat cutting, continues the report, is well advanced in many districts. Wheat on summer fallow in the Brandon district of Manitoba is yielding better than anticipated; the condition of the barley crop ranges from poor to good, and of oats and potatoes is generally poor. The Manitoba Department of Agriculture expects a wheat yield of about 75% of the ten-year average provincial yield. Pastures, and the potato and corn crops of Manitoba have been improved by recent showers, but no improvement has been reported within the last two weeks with respect to crops in Saskatchewan, where the wheat is expected locally to be very much below the average. Harvesting is general in the central and southern sections of Alberta; crops are fair in the Edmonton district and good northwest of that area and to some distance east. Conditions remain good in the Peace River section. A per-acre yield of from 10 to 35 bushels, grading chiefly Nos. 2 and 3, is expected for southern Alberta. July exports of wheat, amounting to 17,019,000 bushels, valued at \$20,373,000, were below the business of a year ago by 48% in quantity and 52% in value. Exports of flour reached 835,600 barrels valued at \$4,434,000, representing an increase of 7% in quantity and a decrease of 11% in total value as compared with July, 1928, trade. Stocks of wheat in Canada on July 31 aggregated 104,426,000 bushels, a total greater by 35% than that of a year ago. Lakehead stocks on Aug. 9 amounted to 47,149,000 bushels. Storage stocks of creamery butter on Aug. 1, at 20,839,000 pounds, were 8% below the total a year previous. Cheese stocks however, at 28,319,000 pounds were larger by 20%. With mills operating at an average of 84.8% of their rated capacity—or slightly below the June level—the July output of newsprint amounted to 229,045 tons. The price of sulphuric acid advanced by \$1 a net ton during July. Red lead increased by \$1 a hundred pounds.

#### INDIA.

The outstanding feature of India's economic situation in the past four weeks is the outbreak of a strike in the jute industry, involving nearly 40 mills and about 200,000 workers. Although mill owners are conciliatory the strikers are obdurate, stirred on by their leaders, and the outcome is problematic. The situation, however, with regard to the Bombay cotton mill strike has greatly improved and but few mills remain idle. The Bombay Government introduced two measures designed to accelerate improvement, authorizing police authorities to deport undesirables from the city, and making intimidation a cognizable offense. Although incidental floods have occurred, drought conditions obtain in several areas. General progress of the season's monsoon, however, is considered favorable. Bazaar business continues seasonably dull, and not much improvement can be looked for until after termination of the monsoonal rains.

#### BRITISH MALAYA.

The automobile trade is the principal bright spot in British Malayan business conditions. The market has recently shown improvement and automotive dealers are optimistic regarding the future. Import lines in general, however, are overstocked and local prices are below replacement costs. Several failures among Chinese dealers have occurred. Except for continued activity in Japanese goods, the textile market is quiet. Chinese failures and slow collections tend to make importers cautious. Local opinion regarding the rubber market is somewhat bullish because of heavy consumption and light stocks. Foreign trade of British Malaya in July was larger than in the previous month and showed an increase of 16% in exports and 15% in imports compared with July a year ago.

#### NETHERLANDS.

July trade and industry in the Netherlands showed less than the usual summer slackness, while the weather was favorable to crop development. The condition of the fruit, vegetable and field crops is satisfactory, although some crops and pasture lands suffered from lack of rain. The commodity market turnover was moderate during July. The shoe output was seasonally low, textile mills were less active, but the electrical, radio, margarine and dairy products industries have operated at record capacity; while shipbuilding and ship repair yards as well supplied with domestic orders. Building activities are lively, and sawing and planing mills have large orders and the lumber trade is active. Unemployment showed a heavy decline and business failures during July were also much lower. The money market has been relatively firm, while stock exchange trading was seasonally quiet. A large increase occurred in the volume of capital issues.

#### NETHERLAND EAST INDIES.

The fact that the past month was marked by widespread interest on the part of importers in specialty and luxury lines, indicates greater confidence in the business future. Heavy sales of sugar at fairly profitable prices have had a favorable reaction. A number of textile importers, however, are taking losses, as prices show a downward tendency. The volume of automotive trade continues normal. The city of Semarang is anticipating establishing a motor bus service and information on American busses is desired. The air mail and passenger service between Batavia and Singapore was inaugurated on Aug. 15 as far as Palembang, Sumatra.

#### PANAMA.

Business in Panama is experiencing its seasonal slump. The smaller merchants are feeling the effects of the 10% cut in the salary of Government employees. Government expenses during July amounted to \$847,000, of which \$391,000 represented current expenses. A general exposition of medical and surgical supplies is to be held in Panama by the Latin American Medical Congress from Jan. 30 to Feb. 5 1930. The Republic of Mexico, Guatemala, Costa Rica and El Salvador have accepted the Government's invitation to participate in the Pan American Highway Conference during October.

#### SWEDEN.

There were 291 new companies registered in Sweden during the quarter ending June 30 1929 and their total share capital amounted to 14,800,000 crowns. The increase in capital made during that quarter by the companies that were already in operation totaled 71,400,000 crowns. Of the latter amount, 60,000,000 crowns were in shares issued for subscription and 11,400,000 crowns were in bonus shares. Reductions of capital totaled 14,300,000 crowns.

#### UNITED KINGDOM.

A conference between cotton textile employers and operatives, held Aug. 15, resulted in an official announcement to the effect that the mills would start operating again on Aug. 19 and that the former rate of wages would be paid pending the result of arbitration. The conference announcement also stated that the employers and the operatives have agreed to create a joint consultative committee to discuss proposals for improvement



of the cotton industry. July overseas trade figures, as published by the Government Board of Trade, placed the value of imports at £93,551,000, exports of United Kingdom goods at £66,520,000, and re-exports at £7,970,000. As compared with the comparable values for July, 1928, last months imports represent a decrease of 2%; exports, on the other hand, were 9% higher and were 33% above the abnormally low export total for June. The value of re-exports was 6% less than in July, 1928.

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

**PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.**

The turnover of merchandise was fairly good in July, but sales profits were low and competition for the normally reduced rainy-season buying was very keen. Present conditions indicate a very slight improvement in undertone of the textile market which has been overstocked for several months. No improvement is anticipated until October in the automotive market which continued slow in July for all classes of cars and trucks. A revision in the estimate of abaca stocks which added about 23,000 bales to the former estimate, has rendered the current market dull. Recent accumulations at Cebu, together with heavy arrivals last week, brought total stocks at ports on Aug. 12 to nearly 240,000 bales. There is little interest in the current market and price quotations are nominal. Heavy buying by local oil mills, due partly to improved London demand, has strengthened the copra market. Unless outside demand is greatly improved, however, anticipated future increased production of copra is expected to halt the present price advance. Recent heavy rains have relieved the drought in sugar areas and also have improved the rice crop outlook.

**Rockefeller Body Offers League of Nations Aid—  
Foundation Will Give \$40,000 for Publication of  
Nations' Monetary and Bank Laws.**

A wireless dispatch from Geneva dated Aug. 13 and published in the New York "Times" Aug. 14, is authority for the statement that an offer of \$40,000 by the Rockefeller Foundation for the publication of monetary and banking laws was announced by the League of Nations on that day. The laws, which will be printed in book form, will be only those of countries in which the currency is stable, both de facto and de jure, it is stated, the account adding:

The Secretariat began collecting these laws in 1928 following a recommendation to that effect by the League's Financial Committee which the Council approved. The Rockefeller offer will be placed before the Council for acceptance at the session beginning on Aug. 30 by the Persian member, who will preside at the meeting.

Aside from the gift of John D. Rockefeller Jr. of \$2,000,000 for the new League library, the Rockefeller Foundation has already given the League more than \$1,000,000 for various purposes, such as the publication of other documents and health work.

Another offer of \$500 which has been made by private persons, whose names are withheld, for the purpose of defraying part of the cost of printing the minutes of the Opium Advisory Committee, will also come before the Council for acceptance.

The report of the Secretary-General, Sir Eric Drummond, on the proposal made at the December Council session to reduce the number of Council meetings—four are held annually now—is another point of the agenda.

**Thomas W. Lamont of J. P. Morgan & Co. on British  
Stand Respecting German Reparations.**

From the New York "Herald-Tribune" of Aug. 21 we take the following advices from London Aug. 20 (copyright):

On his way back to the United States without accepting an invitation to attend the international reparations conference now in session at the Hague, Thomas W. Lamont, partner in the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., declared to-day that the British objections which are threatening to wreck the conference already had been heard and "presumably answered" by the financial experts who drew up the Young plan. Mr. Lamont was one of the American financiers who assisted in drafting the Young plan in Paris.

The conference in Paris, he said, was confronted with exactly the same problem that Philip Snowden, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, has so vigorously emphasized at the Hague. While the British experts in Paris, Mr. Lamont added, theoretically were acting without the authority of the Government, he (Lamont) was certain that Sir Josiah Stamp, the British financial expert, had received the approval of the Conservative Government then in power before accepting the schedule of payments as written into the Young plan.

Mr. Lamont went on to say that, far from holding out against a change in the Spa percentages, the point on which Mr. Snowden has expressed particular disapproval, the British financial experts themselves actually suggested the percentage to be paid to Great Britain. To borrow a phrase from the latest Shaw political drama—the apple cart of the experts was upset by the change of government.

The opinion was expressed by Mr. Lamont that financial circles in London, while first backing Mr. Snowden in his firm insistence on British rights, are now apprehensive and are not extending their support to the point of wishing the Chancellor to hold his ground at the expense of the failure of the conference.

"They feel that failure to reach some agreement would mean international disarrangements," said Mr. Lamont, "would endanger the gold standard and threaten British financial losses far greater than £2,000,000 a year, or £2,000,000 a day."

Mr. Lamont will sail in the White Star Liner Olympic for America tomorrow. He and Mr. J. P. Morgan have been grouse shooting in Scotland. Mr. Morgan is remaining here.

**Berlin Criticizes Bank for International Settlements—  
Skeptical of Plan for Wide Credit Operations—  
Some Banking Authorities Hostile.**

A wireless message Aug. 16 from Berlin to the New York "Times" said:

Dispatches reporting the British desire to make London the headquarters of the proposed International Reparations Bank excite strong opposition here. Business circles predict that if the Bank seeks to fulfill its function of fostering international trade it will become an instrument of national trade rivalry, and for that reason a country unimportant in itself and com-

mercially neutral is preferred for the bank's headquarters. Financial journals publish long articles on the International Bank plan. Most writers welcome it as a suitable instrument for reparations collection, but condemn as useless or injurious the exercise of functions as a credit institution. The Frankfurt banker Alfred Hahn gives the opinion that even collection of reparations would be better performed by a non-banking institution. As for a credit institution, Mr. Hahn describes the Bank as an absurdity, since it cannot create new capital nor credit and since the credit and capital of existing banks suffice for distribution. Dr. Melchior Palyi of the Deutsche Bank considers that the suggested function of the International Bank in mitigating fluctuation of exchanges in international transfers would be almost nullified by the fact that its deposits must necessarily be held on short term and will thus be subject to summary withdrawal. Dr. Walter Sulzbach, a high banking authority, considers that the International Bank cannot have great effectiveness even in facilitating transfers.

**Joseph Caillaux, Former President of French Council,  
Sees No Need for Young Plan for International  
Bank—Declares That Institution Would Suppress  
Liberty and World Competition in Trade.**

The following from Geneva Aug. 18 appeared in the New York "Times":

The *Neue Zürcher Zeitung* publishes a long article to-day by Joseph Caillaux, former President of the French Council, in which he expresses himself strongly against the institution of the International Bank for Settlements, as recommended in the Young plan, above the heads of the existing central banks in the principal capitals.

M. Caillaux considers that such an International Bank, by concentrating the economic life of Europe, would suppress liberty and competition in trade and would be a costly experiment.

Further, he said, it would be undesirable that the assembly of bankers should administer the material lives of peoples above the heads of their governments in the different countries, and contends that the present system is sufficient for the requirements of Europe and America.

**United States Investment Abroad Called Peril to  
Labor by Matthew Woll, Vice-President of American  
Federation of Labor—Cites Need for Jobless.**

Matthew Woll, Vice-President of the American Federation of Labor and President of the Union Labor Life Insurance Co., speaking before a general conference of the Institute of Politics at Williamstown, Mass., on Aug. 10, demanded either voluntary restraint or governmental action to curb the growing value of American private investments abroad. Mr. Woll, speaking as a representative of organized labor of the country, described our growing foreign investments as "a menace to the wellbeing of our masses and the security of our national future." "I am convinced," he continued "that we have now reached a period at which we are called upon to devise means by which our bankers and our manufacturers may be led voluntarily to alter their course."

"Bankers," he said, "have no moral right to employ their money abroad merely for higher financial gain so long as unemployment exists at home." The New York "Herald-Tribune," in its issue of Aug. 11, reported the address as follows:

Mr. Woll began his attack by drawing a distinction between what he termed "loans" or money paid for bonds of foreign Governments or public utilities, and what he termed "investments," or money loaned "to productive and competitive enterprises," in which class he stressed especially the growing investment in American-owned branch plants.

*Cites Ford Plants Abroad.*

As an example of the latter form of investment he cited the plants of the Ford Motor Co. in Ireland, where the Fordson tractors are now manufactured, the tractor plants in the United States having been closed down. In this way, he argued, American workmen have been deprived of jobs and wages and the American peoples deprived of the taxes on the plants, although the tractors are re-imported to be sold in the United States in competition with local products.

The growth of the second or "investment" type of capital export Mr. Woll described as a new development. "Except in small amounts," he said, "American money was not until recently loaned abroad directly for the development of a commodity-producing enterprises. We have come to a sharp turn in the road. We face a new problem.

"Statisticians find that between \$300,000,000 and \$400,000,000 of American money is invested in the stocks and bonds of manufacturing companies in Europe and that approximately \$500,000,000 is invested directly in American branch banks in Europe. The investment in branch plants has been growing much more rapidly than the investment in European owned plants.

*Investments in Canada.*

"The American investment in Canadian plants is about \$1,100,000,000 while there is roughly another \$1,000,000,000 in Latin America and about \$500,000,000 scattered throughout the rest of the world, a total of something like \$3,500,000,000 invested in productive enterprise in other countries."

But the exact figures, Mr. Woll continued, were less significant than the trend which they seemed to indicate.

"We do know," he said, "that we are entering the greatest era of industrial migration the world has ever known. Quite regardless of the amount of capital exported actually we are investing a large part of the surplus earnings of American industry in the building up of competing industries abroad."

This development, Mr. Woll declared, would imperil the American standard of living by bringing American labor directly into competition with the low-standard labor of other countries. At present, he argued, the tariff was in many cases no longer a protection, since the patent laws of the United States extended to articles, even when manufactured abroad. Thus, he said, the Irish workers in the Ford tractor plants were actually protected by American law against American workers at home.

But the new trend, Mr. Woll continued, might imperil the tariff itself. American owned or financed industries abroad will be forced to export in order to pay for their raw materials, he said, which would result in these

industries, short-sightedly acting in concert with European-owned plants, American importers and international bankers, all joining in the attacks on the American tariff to flood our home markets with sweated goods.

Declaring that "informed labor opinion is nationalistic," Mr. Woll argued that its interests are necessarily confined to the home market. In the American-owned plants abroad, he said, "all manner of commodities are made." These commodities are what might be called American commodities, since nearly all of them were originally made in this country most of them are patented here and they find their best markets here. But in every case the wage pay roll stays in the foreign country.

"Finally, the commodities are largely shipped back to the United States to be sold in a market that has been bereft of the benefit of the wages paid in manufacture and bereft of a hundred other benefits of manufacture, in a market that extends its governmental protection to the commodities in the form of patents and trademark protection, in a market that cannot be invaded by any competitor.

"This new financial policy, for it is that, is depriving our workmen of the opportunity for employment in all these great industries, while our consuming population is exploited by the manufacturers who sell the imported article in a patent-pocketed market at prices based on American wages.

"It will be said that the profits from these ventures come back to Americans. That is true if and when there are profits, but the return is to the stock and bond holders and not to the masses of our people. The great pay rolls are gone forever, and pay rolls are usually and necessarily greater than dividends.

#### *Urges Embargo on Capital.*

Mr. Woll was frank in urging what would amount to a partial embargo on the export of capital in order to turn it to still greater development at home. Labor, he said, was interested in the extension of foreign trade only in so far as it brings us raw materials or non-competitive goods; it has no interest in the exportation of goods merely for the sake of the additional work made possible by exportation.

"In spite of all our vaunted prosperity," he declared, "we have the problem of increasing unemployment and under-employment. Until this problem is solved the custodians of the national savings, whether they be bankers or industrialists, have no moral right to employ the invested funds in their hands outside of this country on mere promises of higher financial returns. By such a process individuals may get back their invested capital, but the country will never recover its lost opportunities."

After listing such things as housing, new roads, electrification, improved machinery or farm needs as items upon which our surplus could be spent at home, Mr. Woll went on to argue that there is a political danger in great foreign investments.

"Within the next five years," he declared, "we may easily enough see our troops going to the ends of the earth to 'protect' factories that have gone to the ends of the earth to seek easier fields for the exploitation of workers."

Ending with an appeal to economic nationalism, Mr. Woll said that "as I see it, we are about to enter upon a field of international competition that will overshadow anything of the kind the world has ever known.

"Our duty to our country demands that we cannot conserve all our resources, that we be constantly on the alert. Our money should be used at home in fortifying our defences against the day when they shall be subjected to attack."

Mr. Woll's thesis was at once attacked from the floor. George Foster Peabody, former director of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, attacked both the nationalistic and protectionist basis of Mr. Woll's position and Professor T. E. Gregory, of the London School of Economics, assailed the economic theory underlying it.

### **France Ends Dispute on Export Values—Agrees to Return of American Agents to Assess Duties on Production Costs—Washington Will Employ French-Speaking Agents, Who Will Avoid "Espionage" Charge.**

The controversy between the French and American Governments which began two years ago over the application of the American valuation system to French exports to the United States has finally been settled to the satisfaction of both countries, reports Carlisle MacDonald in a special cable from Paris, dated Aug. 15 and published in the New York "Times" Aug. 16. Further particulars are given as follows:

One of the chief sources of irritation has thereby been removed and a decided improvement in Franco-American tariff relations should follow, although, of course, there remains the French resentment regarding American duties on de luxe importations. In any event, when the two nations get together at an early date to discuss the commercial treaty, the present solution will undoubtedly be found to have a beneficial effect upon the situation as a whole.

The amicable disposal of the delicate problem was made possible by French acceptance of the proposals contained in the State Department note delivered here on July 24. In its reply to this communication, which is now on its way to Washington, the French Foreign Office agrees to permit the return to this country of American treasury agents. The agents were withdrawn after the temporary tariff accord reached between the two nations in November 1927, but their departure provoked a controversy which had gone on ever since.

The agents had been ordered to France and other European countries in compliance with a provision of the tariff act of 1922 compelling foreign shippers to submit their books to the treasury agents for the purpose of ascertaining foreign production costs. The American duties were then calculated upon the basis of the agents' findings.

#### *Treasury Agents Angered Europe.*

The arrival of these agents at once caused widespread anger in Europe, and nowhere was the outburst more vehement than in France. Charges of "commercial espionage" were hurled at the American Government by exporters, who declared the system an outrage.

The agitation was intensified by the enforcement of another provision of the 1922 tariff denying admission to goods shipped by foreign firms which refused to submit their books to the American agents. One French exporting house, which would not submit its books, asserted later that the application of the law had ruined its business.

In the temporary tariff agreement of 1927 France succeeded in having the agents withdrawn, but their going left no means of collecting the necessary information concerning production costs. Complaints were again heard from the French shippers, who asserted that the American valua-

tion and not the French was being applied to imports from France. Such an arrangement, they said, placed their goods at a great disadvantage compared with American products.

#### *French-Speaking Agents to be Used.*

Active negotiations on the subject have been going on for nearly a year and the latest French communication is expected to bring the matter to a close.

The American Government has promised to send only agents who speak French and who are able to transmit business in that language. They will be attached to the consulate at Paris, but, unlike their predecessors will not enjoy diplomatic immunity. Furthermore, they will act only on "invitations of French exporters," and special care will be taken so that the former unfortunate impression of "commercial espionage" is not suggested by their examinations.

The French note makes one reservation, namely, that acceptance of the American proposals will be at once cancelled should Congress fail to eliminate the embargo clause from the proposed new tariff measure. As written, the new measure does not contain this clause.

There remains one other possible cause of difficulty and that is the procedure to be applied to those French firms, if any, which refuse to comply with the solution their Government has offered. It is presumed here that the American valuation system will of necessity be applied to these objectors, since no way would be open to obtain the information required by the American law.

### **Dwight W. Morrow, Ambassador to Mexico, Returns to United States for Vacation.**

Dwight W. Morrow, U. S. Ambassador to Mexico, who left Mexico City on Aug. 17, arrived at his home at Englewood, N. J., on Aug. 21. The New York "Times" in an Englewood dispatch that date said:

The Ambassador maintained a strict silence on his plans and declined to reveal whether his return to this country was prompted by official business or whether it was in the nature of a vacation.

It is expected that Mr. Morrow will remain in Englewood for at least two months. His last visit to his home was for only a few days and persons close to him say that he wants a long rest.

New Jersey Republican leaders searching for a candidate to succeed Walter E. Edge in the United States Senate have interested themselves in Mr. Morrow's home coming. His name has been mentioned as a possible successor to Senator Edge, who will resign from the Senate at the close of the tariff debate to take the post of Ambassador to France.

### **Senator Edge of New Jersey To Succeed the Late Myron T. Herrick as Ambassador To France.**

Senator Walter Evans Edge of New Jersey has been selected by President Hoover for the post of Ambassador to France, it was announced at the State Department on Aug. 19, according to advices from Washington to the New York "Journal of Commerce" from which we quote further as follows:

"At the request of the President," said the State Department's official announcement, "the Secretary of State instructed Norman Armour, the American Charge d'Affaires at Paris, to inform the French Government that the President desired to appoint the Hon. Walter Evans Edge, Senator from New Jersey, as American Ambassador to France." The department has received a telegram from Armour stating that the appointment of Senator Edge was agreeable to France.

Senator Edge, newspaper owner, banker, and former Governor of New Jersey, was born in Philadelphia Nov. 20 1874. He was a printer's "devil" on the "Atlantic Review," Atlantic City, and later became proprietor of the Atlantic City "Daily Press" and Atlantic City "Evening Union." He organized an international advertising agency, with offices in the United States and in France, and England, and he also was identified with banking and other business interests.

He was elected Governor of New Jersey for the term from 1917 to 1920, but resigned in 1919 to take a seat in the United States Senate, term 1919-25. He was re-elected for the term 1925-31.

In politics Mr. Edge has been a "regular" Republican and in the Senate has frequently acted as Administration spokesman.

### **G. J. Diekema of Michigan Named as Minister to Holland Succeeding R. M. Tobin.**

According to Associated Press advices from Washington Gerrit J. Diekema of Michigan was appointed on Aug. 20, to be Minister to Holland to succeed Richard M. Tobin of California, who has resigned. The despatches also state:

Mr. Diekema, whose parents were born in Holland, speaks Dutch and has long been a student of the affairs of the Netherlands Government. He was born in Michigan, March 27 1859, and is a graduate of Hope College, Mich., and of the University of Michigan. He was a member of the Sixtieth Congress. From 1901 to 1907 he was a member of the Spanish Treaty Claims Commission. He is a banker and lives in Holland, Mich. Tobin has served as Minister at The Hague since March 5 1923.

### **United States Refuses to Give Up Extraterritorial Rights in China.**

In a note transmitted to China by the State Department on August 9, the United States declined to accede to the request of the Nanking Government for immediate abolishment of extraterritoriality, as urged in a note from the Nationalist Foreign Minister of April 27. The New York "Times," in a dispatch from Washington, in its issue of August 10, discussed the matter as follows:

While the long-expected reply is sympathetic and leaves the door open for consideration of the question in the future, it permits no doubt as to the belief of the United States Government that China is not in a position to guarantee justice to Americans in Chinese courts.

Other powers are sending similar notes to China, and although the communications of Great Britain, France, the Netherlands, Brazil and



Norway are not identic in language with that of the United States, it is understood they correspond in all essential respects, having been prepared after Secretary Stimson had conferred on the question repeatedly with their diplomatic representatives here. Thus the several Governments are in the position of presenting a united front.

The State Department did not give out the note, explaining that the document would probably be made public at Nanking or Peking.

The position of the United States is based largely on the grounds set forth in the report of the International Commission on Extraterritoriality of 1926. That report, which was the result of an abortive conference at Peking, was signed for the United States by Silas H. Strawn, the Chicago lawyer, and called on the Chinese Government to put into effect certain modifications and improvements in jurisprudence and practices.

Included among the suggestions as a condition precedent to the relinquishment of extraterritorial rights was the adoption by China of civil and commercial codes, a revised criminal code, banking laws, patent laws and a land expropriation law.

The report emphasized that the administration of justice should be protected from unwarranted interference by the executive or other branches of the Government, whether civil or military, and set forth necessary improvements in judicial, police and prison systems. The report implied that as China made these improvements a progressive relinquishment of extraterritorial rights might be expected.

#### *Blasts Hopes of Hanking.*

The note dispatched to-day indicates that in the opinion of the United States these improvements are far from being carried out, although China contends progress has been made toward their adoption. It is admitted that because of unsettled conditions the Nationalist Government has been handicapped in bringing about reforms in legal and penal systems.

The position taken by the note has long been forecast but probably will come as a disappointment to Nanking, which had hoped that the United States would take the lead in relinquishing extraterritorial rights, as it did in recognizing the new government and in granting to it the right of tariff autonomy.

But in the latter case the United States was careful to safeguard its position through a "most favored nation" clause which guarantees that American goods shall never be subjected to less favorable treatment than that accorded those of any other nation.

Had the United States ever considered relinquishing its extraterritorial rights immediately, this possibility, it is conceded, would have disappeared through recent incidents such as the direct action taken by the Nanking Government against the Chinese Eastern Railroad and its arbitrary acts toward the foreign press and foreign correspondents, whose privileges have been canceled because they dared to report viewpoints unfavorable as well as favorable to the Nationalist Government.

#### *Recent Threats by China.*

What the reaction of the Nationalist Government will be to the notes of the United States and the European powers is problematical. Nationalist leaders, in recent months, have declared that on January 1 next China would terminate by unilateral action all extraterritorial rights. Such a step has never been threatened in any of the communications to the United States, and officials here hesitate to credit the authority with which the declarations have been made.

Should China denounce the treaties under which the rights exist, the United States will serve notice that it does not recognize the right of Nanking to take such action. The treaty with the United States does not expire by limitation until 1934.

The Chinese note of April 27 stated that in addition to the codes of laws then in force a civil code and a commercial code, "now in the final stages of preparation, will be ready for promulgation before January 1 1930." The note also stated that "those countries which have ceased to enjoy extraterritorial privileges have found satisfaction in the protection given to their nationals by Chinese law and have had no cause for complaint."

The principal governments which have no extraterritorial rights in China are Germany, Russia, Austria and Hungary. There is conflicting evidence as to how their nationals have fared and there is some that these have suffered through being compelled to resort to Chinese courts.

Belgium, Italy, Denmark, Portugal and Spain have agreed to surrender their extraterritoriality if all other governments do likewise. Recently China denounced the extraterritorial treaty with Japan and the two governments are negotiating for a new treaty. Some Chinese leaders have admitted that the Nationalist Government has not reached the stage where it can guarantee democratic civil government.

### **German Mark One of Strongest Currencies Due to Discipline of Money Market, According to J. Henry Schroder Banking Corporation.**

A new phase of Germany's economic life is beginning and the long time business outlook is distinctly good, in the opinion of the J. Henry Schroder Banking Corp. The German money market has had good discipline, the firm points out in its monthly finance and trade commentary, with the result that to-day the mark is one of the strongest currencies. The firm states:

The recent improvement in the exchange situation has allowed the Reichsbank to abolish its policy of credit restriction, and German business, according to latest reports, is progressing very well. Unemployment is no longer the serious concern it was several months ago. Despite unfavorable weather, crops seem above the average. Most important, however, is the decline in Germany's import balance, due in large part to increased exports of raw materials and manufactured goods, and reduced imports of foodstuffs.

The loss of foreign investments, shipping trade, and colonies, and the payment of reparations, make it vitally necessary that Germany increase her national production far above its present level. Fortunately, the importance of Germany as an export market for other countries makes it incumbent upon the latter to encourage production through loans. Otherwise Germany probably would have to reduce her consumption and domestic long-time construction, concentrating a greater proportion of energy on the export trade. The long time business outlook in Germany under these circumstances is distinctly good.

### **Poland Initiates Circulation of New Silver Coins.**

Poland is now initiating the circulation of a new silver coin, thus fulfilling the last requirement of the Stabilization

Plan. The new currency was issued at about the same time as the new currency in the United States, and it is an interesting coincidence that Charles S. Dewey, who was among those responsible for the design of the new American money, is also supervising the circulation of the new money in Poland. This is learned from the "Survey of Poland," published by the American Polish Chamber of Commerce in New York. In its account it also says:

The Stabilization Plan called for the conversion of the outstanding Treasury notes, so that the notes of the Bank of Poland would constitute the sole paper currency in circulation. One half of the 280 million zlotys was exchanged for the bank notes purchased by the Treasury in the Bank of Poland out of the sums acquired from the Stabilization Loan. The Government is now proceeding to replace the remaining 140 million zlotys with 28 million of the new 5 zloty silver coins.

As the new 5 zloty coins will weigh 18 grams and will contain 13½ grams of pure silver, the amount of silver necessary for the 13 million coins to be minted in Poland is 175,500 kg. It is expected to obtain this amount from domestic sources. The Government has purchased 24,000 kilograms from the Bank of England, and the remaining 151,500 kilograms will be acquired as a result of changes to be made in the 1 and 2 zloty pieces now in circulation. All silver 1 zloty coins will be withdrawn from circulation and replaced by nickel coins, and all 2 zloty coins now in use will be replaced by zloty coins containing 50% silver instead of 75% as at present.

While Assistant Secretary of the United States Treasury, Mr. Dewey undertook as one of his responsibilities the initial operations connected with the new American money which circulated last month. As Financial Adviser to the Polish Government and Director of the Bank of Poland, Mr. Dewey is supervising the circulation of the new Polish coins. He states:

"The changes in the type of 1 and 2 zloty coins in circulation will result in a saving in silver which was not foreseen in the Stabilization Plan, and the whole fund of 90 million zlotys designated for silver purchase will not be required. It is estimated that there will be a balance of approximately 23,000,000 zlotys left over which, due to lack of any specified usage, the State is entitled to employ for general purposes. The Financial Adviser, in agreement with the Government and the Bank of Poland, has authorized the transfer of 11,000,000 zlotys of this amount to Fund F for economic development, which was created for that purpose by the Stabilization Plan of Poland."

### **Annual Report of National Economic Bank of Poland.**

Progress in almost every branch of economic life in Poland has accompanied a general upward trend in the prosperity of the Nation, according to the fifth annual report of the National Economic Bank of Warsaw, Poland. In indicating this, in an announcement, August 17, the American Polish Chamber of Commerce and Industry in the United States, Inc., quotes the report as stating:

"The stabilization of conditions—as shown by the favorable position of the State finances—the all round increase in prosperity, and last, but not least, the increased foreign confidence in the economic and political conditions of the country, was reflected last year in the great increase of deposits in the banks, with a resultant development in the activity of the credit institutions. During the first nine months of 1928 the total of deposits in purely Polish credit institutions increased by 29%, from 1,905 million zloty to 2,450 million zloty.

"It is a matter of great satisfaction to note that the largest increase was in respect of deposit accounts, which rose from 882 million zloty to 1,323 million zloty, an increase of 50%. There was also a large increase in the deposits of savings banks and credit corporations, which enjoy an ever increasing confidence, owing to the support they receive from our Bank. The deposits with the former institutions increased from 291 million zloty to 447 million zloty, a rise of 64%, and with the latter from 114 million zloty to 164 million zloty, a rise of 44%.

"In connection with the increasing capitalization, which is growing at a rate faster than that of any other European country, there has been a favorable development in the credit activities of the leading financial institutions. The general total of short term credits rose from 1,949 million zloty in January to 2,692 million zloty at the end of September, an increase of 38%, the corresponding increase for 1927 having been 560 million zloty.

"The year 1928 was the first year in the history of the Bank during which its activities were carried out in accordance with the program outlined in its statutes, as well as in conformity with its character as a State Credit Institute. In this lies the great difference as compared with the preceding year, when the Bank was still occupied with the liquidation of the financial obligations incurred during the economic crisis of 1924-25, and had not yet completely taken over its statutory functions. It can therefore be stated with all certainty that during this year the National Economic Bank has firmly established its position as being the principal supplier of long term credits and the main source of the funds required for the financing of the necessities of the nation; and that thanks to this the Bank has now assumed a definite position in the internal economic system of the country.

"The best indication of the considerable progress recorded by the bank during the year lies in the noticeable increase in the total of the balance sheet, which rose from 1,425 million zlotys at the end of 1927 to 1,715 million zlotys at the end of 1928. In consequence of this the capital of the Bank was increased in December 1927 by 30 million zlotys to 150 million zlotys and reached therefore, including the reserves, the total of 195 million zlotys on December 1928.

"In spite of the unfavorable conditions obtaining for the placing of long term interest bearing securities on the market during the year under review, the Bank continued to show further progress in this direction. At the end of 1927 the total of the loans granted by the Bank amounted to 1,027 million zlotys, of which 38%, or 391 million zlotys, was represented by bonds and debentures, while at the end of 1928 the figure of loans had risen to 1,331 million zlotys, and the amount covered by issues had increased to 583 million zlotys, or approximately 44% of the total. Increase in the total of long term sinking funds credits was larger in proportion than that of any of the other categories of credits. An indication of the general progress achieved during the year is given by the fact that the total of long term loans in mortgage bonds and debentures paid out during 1928 amounted to 201.8 million zlotys as compared with 194.5 million zlotys in 1927."

### The Chamber's announcement adds:

In general, the Bank has turned this credit into communal rather than private channels. Local government loans during the year amounted to 72% of the whole, while in 1927 they comprised only 21%. Of the balance of the credit activity, there were more loans granted for industry and for building than for property mortgages, the proportion of the latter having dropped from 24% of the total in 1927 to 15% in 1928. The policy is directly in keeping with the original plan on which the bank was established, i.e., that as a government organization it should cater primarily to public interests and institutions and leave the long term mortgage credits on real estate to private concerns.

Of this total of 145.7 million zlotys granted in loans against communal debentures during 1928, about 100 million were given to investment credits. Of this amount 40% was for electrification, 22% for road construction, and the remainder for industrial projects considered of particular value to the economic stability of the country. The latter include particularly the chemical, electrical, and metallurgical industries.

As a result of the rapid progress made after the 1924-25 crisis, the demand for industrial credit with which to purchase modern manufacturing equipment and to improve facilities was very great. This can be seen in the activity of the Bank itself outside of its local government loans. The Bank's industrial investments increased from 20,113,000 zlotys at the end of 1927 to 46,285,000 zlotys at the end of 1928.

Deposits in the National Economic Bank during 1928 increased 18% to a total of 707.6 million zlotys.

### Ten Swedish Pulp Companies With \$75,000,000 Assets Brought Together by Kreuger & Toll Co.

#### An announcement on Aug. 21, says:

A holding company to take over majority control of ten leading saw mill and pulp mill concerns in Northern Sweden has been formed by the Kreuger & Toll Co., and the Svenska Handelsbanken, according to an announcement made yesterday. The total assets involved in this deal are approximately \$75,000,000, based on a very conservative valuation.

This new combination will represent the largest wood industry concern yet formed in Sweden and will control approximately 450,000 tons of Sweden's annual production of wood pulp and 140,000 standards of sawn wood with a combined export value of approximately \$30,000,000. This new combination will serve to rationalize and stabilize the wood products industry through internal co-operation and increased economy in exploitation of forests.

The companies included in the combination are all old established enterprises largely centered around Sundsvall, the chief timber district of Sweden. In this district are also located the waterfalls owned by Hammarforsens Power Co., which is controlled by the Kreuger & Toll Co. and which also will enter into the consolidation. The new pulp concern will own 4,000,000 acres of land in the best timber section of Sweden.

In announcing the formation of the holding company, the Kreuger & Toll Co. yesterday made the following statement in a cable to Lee, Higginson & Co.:

"All the shares in the new holding company will be taken over by Kreuger & Toll Co. and the whole transaction may be considered as part of the policy of this company to make investments in large industrial enterprises of different nature in order to make the basis for its expansion as broad as possible."

### The New Statutes of the State Bank of Soviet Russia.

In the June 30 number of the "Economic Survey," issued by the State Bank of the U. S. S. R., we find the following:

The supreme legislative body of the U. S. S. R. has approved a new constitution for the State Bank of the U. S. S. R. Hitherto the State Bank has been operating on the basis of the statutes laid down at the time of its inauguration on October 13 1921, and supplemented from time to time. The Bank was originally established as the State Bank of the R. S. F. S. R., but on July 6 1923 the Central Executive Committee of the U. S. S. R. passed an order altering it to the State Bank of the U. S. S. R. The Bank continued to operate on the basis of the old statutes until recently, when the new statutes, the drafting of which has been proceeding for several years, have been enacted.

The new statutes differ very materially from the statutes that have been in operation up till now, introducing considerable changes in the structure of the State Bank.

The new statutes consist of 61 Articles, divided into the following Sections:

Section 1. General objects and functions of the Bank, consisting of Arts. 1 to 13. Section 2. The Capital of the State Bank; Arts. 14 to 16. Section 3. Bank note issues; Arts. 17 to 24. Section 4. The operations of the State Bank; Arts. 25 to 44. Section 5. Accountancy; Arts. 45 to 48. Section 6. Distribution of profits; Art. 49. Section 7. Management; Arts. 50 to 60. Section 8. Branches of the State Bank; Art. 61.

Section 1 defines the activities of the Bank and lays it down that the object of the Bank is "to regulate the currency circulation and to provide short term credits for industry, agriculture, commerce, transport and other branches of national economy," and that it carries on these functions "in accordance with the general plan of development of the national economy of the U. S. S. R." (Art. 1.) Thus, emphasis is made on the planned character of the operations of the State Bank and on two of its main functions, i.e., to regulate the currency circulation and provide credits.

At the same time the new statutes emphasize more clearly the Bank's independence and integrity as a legal entity.

The fact that the Bank represents an integral central institution is emphasized in Art. 2, which states that: "The State Bank, with all its offices, branches, agencies, and sub-agencies represents an integral Bank of the U. S. S. R., is a legal entity and operates on a commercial basis." On the other hand, Art. 3 states that the State Bank "bears responsibility for the obligations of the U. S. S. R. and of the Allied Republics, as well as of their central and local bodies, only in cases when it accepts such responsibility in accordance with sub-section 'f' of Art. 25." (Art. 25 deals with the giving of security for financial obligations and the acceptance of bills.) By this emphasis is laid on the fact that the State Bank is responsible only for such obligations as it itself undertakes.

Art. 4 reads: "The authorized capital of the State Bank serves as security for the obligations of the Bank and shall not be reduced. In the event of the annual balance sheet showing a loss on the operations of the Bank exceeding the amount of the reserve capital, the part of the loss uncovered by the reserve capital shall be covered out of the All-Union Budget."

The independence of the Bank is especially referred to in the first paragraph of Art. 5, which states that: "The State Bank operates independently, within the limits of the present statutes."

In the old statutes, par. 4 of Art. 1 stated: "The State Bank is included in the People's Commissariat for Finance and is directly subordinate to the People's Commissar for Finance." There was a corresponding paragraph in Art. 14 of the Regulations of the People's Commissariat for Finance of the U. S. S. R. issued on November 12 1923. These regulations might have been interpreted in the sense that the State Bank was an organ of the People's Commissariat for Finance and therefore not an independent institution. The new statutes remove all doubts on this point, for the reference to its forming a component part of the People's Commissariat for Finance has been deleted and by the special resolution endorsing the new statutes the corresponding par. "j" of Arts. 3 and 14 of the Regulations of the People's Commissariat for Finance is also deleted.

Thus, from the moment the new statutes come into force, the State Bank ceases to be subordinate to the People's Commissariat for Finance. Nevertheless, the new statutes retain certain rights for the People's Commissar for Finance over the State Bank. Par. 2 of Art. 5 states: "The People's Commissar for Finance of the U. S. S. R. sanctions the limit of issue of bank notes, sanctions the appointment of members of the Board of Directors on the recommendation of the Council of the Bank, sanctions the annual accounts and balance sheets of the Bank as well as the orders for the issue and withdrawal of bank notes and the terms of reference of the Auditing Committee." At the same time, the People's Commissar for Finance is the Chairman of the Council of the State Bank, to whom further reference will be made lower down. The above mentioned functions belong only to the Commissar for Finance; the Statutes give no administrative rights to the People's Commissariat for Finance over the State Bank. It reserves for it, however, the rights of supervision that it enjoys over all other All-Union credit institutions.

Although the State Bank is a separate State credit institution operating independently of other organs of the Union and is therefore independent of the People's Commissariat for Finance, it nevertheless maintains close contact with the latter, firstly receiving and paying its accounts and secondly in handling State loans. In regard to the first, the State Bank "transacts, in accordance with the special laws of the U. S. S. R., cash operations in connection with the State Budget of the U. S. S. R. and with local budgets," and in regard to the latter it "participates, by special agreement with the People's Commissariat for Finance of the U. S. S. R., in the placing of State loans for the U. S. S. R. and for the Allied Republics and of Treasury bills of the People's Commissariat for Finance."

The granting of this large measure of independence to the State Bank necessitates the establishment of a special body to act side by side with the Board of Directors of the Bank and generally to direct the latter's work. Hence, the new statutes provide for the establishment of a Bank Council which very materially alters the structure of the administration of the Bank. Hitherto, the Bank was under the sole management of the Board of Directors; now, however, it has to be under the management of two bodies—the Council and the Board of Directors.

The newly established Council consists of 40 members, with the Commissar for Finance as Chairman. The Council is composed of the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the State Bank, the Chairmen of Boards of Directors of other central banks and persons appointed by the Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R. on the recommendation of the Commissariat for Finance, the State Savings Banks, the State Insurance Department, the Supreme Economic Council, the Commissariat for Trade, Commissariat of Ways of Communication, Commissariat of the Workers' and Peasants' Inspection, the Council of the Industrial and Commercial Congress, the Council of Syndicates, the central co-operative bodies and the All-Union Trade Union Council; it also has one representative of each of the Allied Republics and twelve persons, noted for their knowledge of currency circulation and credit, the latter appointed by the Council of People's Commissars. Thus, on the Council are represented the various Government departments and the various republics as well as individuals well versed in matters of finance. It is therefore a very authoritative body well able to give general direction to the work of the Board of Directors of the Bank.

In the new statutes the functions of the Council are described as follows:

"(a) To receive reports from the Board of Directors of the State Bank of the general state of currency circulation and credit and to give the Board general guidance in the direction of its work.

"(b) To endorse instructions on questions of principle.

"(c) Decide on the opening or closing of branches of the Bank in the U. S. S. R. or abroad.

"(d) Sanction the estimates of the management and upkeep expenses of the Bank and of its branches.

"(e) Examine the annual report and balance sheet of the Bank and submit them for endorsement to the People's Commissar for Finance of the U. S. S. R.

"(f) Nominate members for the Board of Directors and submit them for endorsement to the People's Commissar for Finance of the U. S. S. R. and elect members of the Auditing Committee.

"(g) Fix the limit of unsecured credits to be granted for special purposes loans, secured overdrafts and current accounts.

"(h) Verify the cash and safe deposits of the Board of Directors of the Bank on the day the accounts for the year are closed.

"(i) Permit, on the recommendation of the Board of Directors, operations in accordance with subsection "p" of Article 25.

In addition to the above, the Council examines and decides all matters raised by the Chairman of the Council or on the order of the Board of Directors of the Bank, as well as matters raised by the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the State Bank in the event of the Chairman disagreeing with the decision of the majority of the Board" (Article 59).

The Council is convened by the Chairman of the Council not less than twice a year.

The Board of Directors of the Bank retains the same functions it held hitherto, namely: it is the executive body of the Bank; conducts the operations of the Bank and manages all its affairs and property and carries out a number of functions enumerated in detail, in the statutes. The members of the Board, of whom there must be no fewer than seven, are, as we noted above, nominated by the Council of the Bank and confirmed by the People's Commissar for Finance of the U. S. S. R., while the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Board are appointed by the Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R.

While introducing material changes and defining more precisely the character of the activities of the State Bank as an independent institution, clearly defining the relations between the State Bank and the People's Commissariat for Finance and introducing important changes in the structure of the Board of Directors of the Bank by establishing the Council of the Bank, the new statutes at the same time introduce numerous changes in regard to the Bank's operations and in this respect they differ markedly from the former statutes. We will not dwell on details concerning the various operations of the Bank. We will note only that the new statutes contain a special point which lays it down that the State Bank has the monopoly for issuing bank notes. As has been stated already, the statutes contain a special section entitled: "Bank note issues," which the old statutes, passed a year before the issue of the Chervonetz, could not, of course, contain. However, Section 3, dealing with bank note emissions, does not contain anything materially new; it is merely a repetition of certain Articles of the Act of October 11 1922 and of certain



Articles of the present "Regulations of the State Bank governing the issue, utilization and withdrawal of bank notes." In particular, Art. 22 of the statutes provides for the establishment of a special Note Issue Department, and Arts. 23 and 24 regulate the functions of the Council of the Note Issue Department. It must be stated that, unlike the old statutes, the new statutes contain no provision for loan and discount committees.

The capital of the Bank is made up of authorized and reserve capital. The new statutes fix the authorized capital of the Bank at 40,000,000 Chervonetz. As the present authorized capital of the Bank stands at 25,000,000 Chervonetz, the new statutes provide for an increase of capital up to 40,000,000 Chervonetz. This should strengthen the position of the Bank in the economy of the country.

The net profits of the Bank are to be distributed as follows: 50% are to be transferred to the Treasury; 5% is to go to the employees' welfare fund; a sum not exceeding 0.25% is to be allocated to the bonus fund, and the remainder is to be transferred to the reserve fund.

When the reserve fund reaches the amount of the authorized capital, the balance of profits is either to be used for the purpose of increasing the authorized and reserve capital or to be transferred to the Treasury. The manner in which the profits are to be distributed in such a contingency is to be decided by an order of the Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R.

In regard to the branches of the State Bank the new statutes contain an Article which defines their position. This is Art. 61, which says: "Branches of the Bank are: Republic and regional offices; offices in large commercial and industrial centers, branch agencies and sub-agencies."

Such are the main features of the new statutes of the State Bank. These statutes are the outcome of painstaking work. They remove all that is obsolete and give formal recognition to the new features in the activities of the Bank that manifested themselves and became defined in the course of the seven or eight years of its existence, and they will serve as the basis for the further development of the main activities of the Bank in regulating the currency circulation and in providing short term credits for national economy.

### Japanese Steel and Gold Embargo—Manufacturers, with One Year of More Satisfactory Profits, View Problem with Alarm.

The "Wall Street Journal" of Aug. 20 reported the following from Tokio:

The Japanese steel industry, which has made remarkable progress in the past 18 months, is watching the gold embargo problem with alarm. The industry as a whole was able to make profits last year for the first time since the end of the post-war boom, due to higher European prices and the fact that the yen was at a 10% discount.

Reports made public by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry show that marked gains have been made in efficiency but there is no doubt that the return of the yen to a level 10% higher than that which ruled last year would mean operating losses, unless the tariff were to be raised or new subsidies granted.

The Imperial Government Steel Works is run under the best conditions. It has almost half the nation's output and is able to fix prices to a large extent. Since the war it has never shown a loss.

However, for last year it reported a profit of 15,426,000 yen for production of 937,053 metric tons, or about 15 yen a ton. It is evident that if the domestic price, because of the rising yen, drops 10%, the Government Steel Works will just about break even or make but a small profit, unless there is increase in efficiency. Private plants have no such profit margins, for without exception they have reported losses from time to time since 1920. Overhead of necessity is higher and they do not have mass production to lower unit costs.

Steel in Japan is a military quite as much as an economic problem. The Government wishes the nation to be in position to supply its own needs in case world developments cut it off from an outside supply. Consequently, it is doing everything to make it worth while for its steel companies to continue in business. High tariffs and consequent high wages in the United States have removed America as a competitive factor except in one or two specialty lines, but if there are indications that European imports are going to embarrass domestic producers it is believed that further official steps will be taken in Japanese companies' aid.

### Cuba Studies Gold Standard.

From the New York "World" of Aug. 22 we take the following Associated Press advices from Havana:

The gold standard may be adopted by the Cuban Government, it was reported to-day at the Treasury Department. Orders were issued yesterday by Secretary of the Treasury Gutierrez de Celis for a thorough study of monetary systems of other nations, to secure a working basis to put Cuba on the gold standard.

### Argentina's Debt Rivals Germany's—Southern Republic Owes \$189 Per Capita—Reich \$155 on Reparations Bill.

Argentina is loaded down with a heavier per capita public debt than the German per capital Reparation payments recently arranged in Paris for payment over a period of fifty-nine years. This statement is contained in a cablegram from Buenos Aires, August 16, to the New York "Times," which goes on to say:

The Argentine situation is aggravated by several unfavorable economic circumstances which do not promise a bright outlook for international trade this year from now on. Figures just compiled show that the public debt is 3,889,000,000 paper pesos, including the bonded and floating debt, short-term notes and not including loans already authorized by the National Congress and Provincial Legislatures, which bring the total to 4,500,000,000 pesos [nearly \$1,890,000,000], or 450 pesos [\$189] per capita. The reparation experts in Paris fixed German reparation payments at about \$155 per capita, or about \$34 less per capita than Argentina's indebtedness.

There has been a marked tendency in interior cities and provinces to increase loans. Rosario increased its debt from 4,000,000 pesos to 34,000,000 last year; the city of Santa Fe by 14,000,000, and others accordingly.

\$396,000,000 Borrowed Here.

Three hundred and ninety-six million dollars of Argentine loans are in the United States. The national government has not increased its foreign

loans, President Irigoyen being determined not to borrow abroad if possible to avoid it. But as the national government has not been paying its debts since October, it is not seeking money. It owes 85,000,000 pesos for supplies, and purveyors no longer bid for government business.

Foreign trade decreased in the first five months of this year, according to the latest available figures. Imports decreased by \$18,000,000, or 5%. Gold imports were \$40,000 compared with \$94,000,000 in the first five months of last year. Exports decreased \$31,000,000, or 6½%, while gold exports were \$47,000,000 compared with none in the corresponding period of last year.

### Trade Balance Favorable.

There was a favorable trade balance of \$96,000,000 at the end of the five months, compared with \$109,000,000 in the corresponding period of last year. Gold exports have withdrawn from circulation 98,000,000 paper pesos, this being 6½% of the currency in circulation.

The labor situation is far from satisfactory. There were seventy-two strikes in Buenos Aires in the first six months of this year. Rosario has been in continual turmoil for more than a year.

Rosario has become the center of Communist activities in Argentina. The large and well organized Communist party there agitates continually, and this threatens to spread nationally whenever the agitators can find an excuse for so spreading it.

Many newspapers condemn the "stagnation" of government administrative activities under the Irigoyen regime, although they are almost unanimous in declaring that this is due to the physical impossibility of one man personally doing the amount of routine work President Irigoyen is trying to handle.

### Rosario Port Closed by Strike in Argentina—Police Guard Called as 5,000 Workers Join Street Car Walkout—Packing Center of Republic Affected Twice in Month.

A cablegram from Rosario, Argentina, Aug. 21 to the New York "Herald Tribune" was published as follows in the Aug. 22 issue of that paper:

A heavy police guard patrolled the streets of Rosario to-night as the second general strike within a month went into effect. Early to-day the city-wide walk-out, called in sympathy with street car workers who went on strike in July, sent 5,000 union men into the streets. Although many of the unions that had signified intention or adhering to the original plan of a complete walkout did not join the strike, port operations were practically suspended.

Local police force were augmented by the arrival of 150 mounted police, increasing the total available police force to the neighborhood of a thousand. Patrols guarded the main arteries leading into the city to prevent interference with the arrival of meat and milk from the countryside. The precautions were taken, although the strike does not appear to have the wide support of the recent port workers strike, when convoys were necessary to insure arrival of incoming food.

### Street Car Strike Leads.

The strike resulted from the refusal of street car workers to accept company counter proposals to their demands for revision of wage and hour schedules. The street car union called upon affiliated labor organizations to join in a general strike. Slaughter house workers, brick layers and bag makers answered the call. Municipal telephone employees indicated willingness to join but later withdrew.

In the light of to-day's lack of disorder observers here do not expect the movement to develop into major proportions. It was pointed out that the national government has not taken official cognizance of the situation as it did recently when the Minister of the Interior was dispatched as mediator.

It was admitted, however, that the inclination of many unions to participate in the strike is taken as an indication of the general unrest, the recent port workers walkout taken as a gauge.

The following further advices from Rosario Aug. 22 appeared in the New York "Times":

Communist agitators are encountering extreme difficulty in keeping the strikers from returning to work. The general strike probably would have collapsed to-day if not for the fact that to-morrow is the second anniversary of the Sacco-Vanzetti execution, and labor agitators are trying to make this date the occasion of an annual strike in Rosario.

Heavy police guards were placed around all the American business houses and several Government buildings to-night in an effort to prevent bombing and other terrorist demonstrations of last Aug. 22.

Several more acts of violence to-day resulted in several persons being wounded. A strike breaker working as a street car conductor was killed. The stevedores met to-night to decide on returning to work.

The calling of the strike was reported as follows in a cablegram from Rosario Aug. 17 to the "Times":

Labor union delegates of this port at 2 o'clock this morning voted a new general strike, commencing Monday morning and of indefinite duration, in sympathy with the street car strikers, who have been out ever since last month's general strike.

The new general strike would tie up port activities again, although the port workers obtained a complete victory on all their demands last month. The labor situation is seriously affecting economic conditions not only in Rosario but in the entire northern portion of the Republic, of which Rosario is the port of outgoing and incoming traffic.

The Federal authorities here received long telegraphic communications from President Irigoyen this afternoon, the nature of which is not known beyond the fact that the President instructed them to do everything possible to prevent a new outbreak.

Strike meetings have been called by practically every labor organization in Rosario for to-morrow afternoon to vote on the project of supporting the street car strikers.

### Argentina Warns United States of Trade War—Asks Us to Further "Orderly Marketing" Instead of Causing Economic Conflict.

From the New York "Evening Post" of Aug. 21 we take the following Associated Press dispatch from Washington, Aug. 20:

A communication urging that the United States center its attention on "orderly marketing" of agricultural products instead of "declaring an economical war by your tariff scheme" was received by the Senate Finance

Committee to-day from the Association National de Agriculture of Argentine.

The memorandum, signed by Jorge Towes, President of the Buenos Aires organization, was forwarded to the Committee by the State Department.

It was the first communication from Argentina touching on American tariff legislation concerning which more than fifty representations have been received previously from twenty-nine foreign nations and colonial possessions of the British Empire.

*Produce "Seriously Affected."*

"The pending menace to world's economy, contained in the extraordinary rise at your country's tariffs," the communication said, "affects very seriously our farming produce."

The Argentine Government, it added, had not joined in the "general protest," but this did not mean that the "population of our country is indifferent to your intentions."

"We know that Argentine produce," the communication continued, "is responsible to a great extent for the disorder in prices ruling on the world's markets, as they were manipulated up to the present time by concerns bare of any interest in their value and in an orderly marketing of same."

It said, however, that a strong movement was spreading throughout Argentina aimed at a permanent orderly marketing of all produce.

*Hoover Told of Conditions.*

"Your President Hoover on the occasion of his visit here was informed of this," it added, "and that much more could be awaited in benefit of your own and our farmers from an organized marketing than from fixing high tariffs."

"Your relief law, duly handled by able men, soon will find the way to distribute any surplus which people in need will absorb gladly."

"It is most important to you to know that other industrial countries are preparing to take advantages of what you are presenting in a population accustomed to use only American machinery, motors, trucks, &c."

"Let orderly marketing be the lead in your decisions and give world's economy a chance to settle in a friendly way difficulties of intercourse, instead of declaring an economical war by your tariff scheme."

### Offering of \$15,000,000 Chilean Consolidated Municipal Loan.

One of the largest items of South American financing this year is represented in an offering by a banking group composed of the Grace National Co., Inc.; Brown Brothers & Co.; E. H. Rollins & Sons, and the Continental Illinois Co., Inc., of a new issue of \$15,000,000 Chilean consolidated municipal loan 31-year 7% external sinking fund gold bonds, series A, 1929. The signing by the Ministers of Interior and of Finance of the Republic of Chile of a contract for the sale of the bonds to the Grace National Co., Inc.; Brown Brothers & Co., and E. H. Rollins & Sons was announced in advices received from Santiago on Aug. 19. Sixty-five municipalities having a combined population of approximately 1,900,000 participate in the loan.

The bonds were publicly offered by the banking group on Aug. 21 at 94 and interest, to yield 7.50% to the final maturity. The issue will be dated Sept. 1 1929 and will mature Sept. 1 1960. A cumulative sinking fund is calculated to retire the entire issue by maturity through drawings at 100. The bonds are issued with the official approval of the Chilean National Government. They will be in coupon form in denominations of \$1,000 and \$500, registerable as to principal. Principal and interest (March 1 and Sept. 1) will be payable in New York City at the offices of Grace National Bank of New York, Brown Brothers & Co., or E. H. Rollins & Sons, financial agents for the loan, in United States gold coin without deduction for Chilean taxes except in the case of Chilean owners. Cumulative sinking fund of 1% per annum operating semi-annually by drawings provides for redemption at 100 on each interest date. The municipalities reserve the right to effect extraordinary amortizations by surrendering bonds for cancellation. The bonds are not redeemable prior to Sept. 1 1934 except for sinking fund; redeemable as a whole or in part on Sept. 1 1934, or on any interest date thereafter on 30 days' notice at 100. The offering circular says:

The Loan Agreement, signed by the Ministers of the Interior and of Finance representing the participating Municipalities and the Government of Chile, provides in substance that these bonds shall constitute direct joint obligations of the participating Municipalities, each municipality being obligated for the proportional part of principal, interest and sinking fund corresponding to its share in the loan; that as special security for the loan there shall be set aside from the proceeds of the loan \$600,000 which shall be immediately deposited in a special deposit in the Treasury General of Chile, and that if there should occur any default in the service of the loan there shall be remitted from such deposit on request of the financial agents the amount necessary to cover such deficiency, and that any amounts withdrawn from the deposit shall be restored before the next semi-annual service payment date by the respective municipalities in default or by a proportional increase in the quotas payable by the municipalities for the service of the loan.

Information regarding the purpose of the issue, &c., supplied under date of Aug. 16 to the bankers offering the bonds, by Senor Guillermo Edwards Matte, Minister of the Interior, and Senor Pablo Ramirez, Minister of Finance, of the Republic of Chile, is summarized as follows:

*Government Regulation.*—The revenues of the municipalities are collected and disbursed under the direct control and supervision of the Ministries of Finance and of the Interior of the Chilean National Government. The regulatory powers of the Government further include:

1. The Government's approval is required for all municipal loans, budgets and accounts.

2. Monthly reports of receipts and disbursements must be sent to the Comptroller-General.

The present issue was arranged through the Ministries of the Interior and Finance of Chile and has been officially approved by the Chilean National Government. The Loan Agreement and (or) existing laws and decrees provide in substance, among other things, that:

1. The Government will retain and (or) collect from the revenues of the respective Municipalities funds sufficient to meet the service of this loan.

2. The Government will cause adequate provision for the service of this loan to be included in the budgets of the respective municipalities.

3. If actual municipal revenues fall short of budget estimates, precedence is to be given to the payment of debt service over all other municipal payments.

4. In the event of any default in the payment of the service of the loan, the entire loan may be declared and shall become due and payable upon notice given by the financial agents or by 5% of the bondholders.

5. The service of the loan is to be transmitted through the Treasury General of Chile.

6. No municipality shall contract any loan in the future if thereby its total debt would exceed its total revenues during the preceding three years unless authorized by special law and unless additional revenues are created to cover such excess.

7. If any municipality shall create any debt specifically secured by lien or charge upon any of its assets or revenues, the obligation of such municipality on account of these bonds shall share in such lien or charge equally and ratably with such other debt.

*Finances.*—Upon completion of this financing the aggregate funded debt of the 65 Municipalities will amount to \$24,561,947 including this issue, 55 of the municipalities having no other funded debt. The provisions of the 1929 budgets of the municipalities for the payment of their respective floating debts will reduce the total of such debts outstanding at the beginning of the year to \$233,252. For the three years ended Dec. 31 1928 the combined income of these 65 municipalities exceeded expenditures by \$1,352,218.

According to official records, during the past 100 years no Chilean municipality has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest on its funded debt.

*Purpose of Issue.*—The proceeds of the present issue will be used by the municipalities under the supervision and control of the Ministry of the Interior for the purchase, construction or improvement of municipal buildings or other public works, street paving, and the funding or consolidation of outstanding obligations.

*General.*

The combined population of the 65 participating municipalities which include Santiago, Valparaiso and practically all other important municipalities in Chile is approximately 1,907,420, equivalent to more than 45% of the total population of the Republic. During the past 20 years the population of these municipalities has increased more than 22%. Santiago, the capital and chief city of Chile, has a population of 432,375. It is the fourth largest city in South America. Valparaiso is the principal port of Chile and the most important commercial center on the West Coast of South America. Vina del Mar—the Newport of Chile—adjoins Valparaiso. Antofagasta, Iquique, Arica and Tocopilla are leading ports of northern Chile; through these ports passes the greater part of Chile's exports of nitrates, copper and other minerals and the greater part of the total foreign trade of Bolivia. Concepcion, Valdivia and Chillan are important centers in the rich agricultural sections of Southern Chile. Magallanes (Puna Arenas), the most southerly city in the world, handles a large part of the total Chilean export of wool and mutton from the great grazing lands of Patagonia. The participation of the above mentioned municipalities is 78.22% of the entire loan.

*Chile.*

Chile with a population now estimated at over 4,200,000 has an area of 290,000 square miles. The leading industries are agriculture and mining. Agriculturally the country is self-supporting and its mineral output averages approximately \$250,000,000 per annum. American capital invested is estimated at over \$550,000,000 and British capital at more than \$500,000,000.

The Chilean Government is carrying out, with modifications, a program of administrative reform outlined by the Kemmerer Financial Commission in 1925. This has resulted in the stabilization of the currency on a gold basis, the establishment of a central bank of issue, a general budget law with a balanced budget, and the installation of an independent Comptroller-General. Various measures have been passed to stimulate the economic development of the country, taxation has been reorganized and economies effected by a reduction of personnel and control of expenditures.

The gold and gold exchange held by the Banco Central de Chile on July 5 1929 was \$61,010,546, providing a ratio of 94.47% gold cover to notes outstanding and deposits.

### Chilean Consolidated Loan Offered in Amsterdam.

A Central News cablegram to the New York News Bureau from Amsterdam Aug. 23 says:

The issue is announced by the Amsterdamsche Bank of \$1,000,000 7% 31-year sinking fund gold bonds, part of the \$15,000,000 issue of the Chilean consolidated loan. The issue is priced at 94½.

### Bonds of Hungarian-Italian Bank, Ltd. Retired.

Hallgarten & Co. and William R. Compton Co. announce that \$9,000 principal amount of Hungarian-Italian Bank, Ltd. (Magyar-Olasz Bank Reszvenytarsasag) 7½% 35-year sinking fund mortgage gold bonds, series AC, dated Oct. 1 1928, due Oct. 1 1963, have been tendered to the sinking fund for retirement, leaving outstanding \$2,682,500 par value of bonds.

### Bondholders Syndicate of America Seeks Information from American Holders of Imperial Russian Government Bonds of 1894 Regarding Their Holdings.

The following notice has been issued by the Bondholders Syndicate of America, Inc. of 149 Broadway, this city:

As a matter of record and for the information of those interested in that issue known as the Imperial Russian Government 4% rentes of 1894, kindly make note of the following:



It appears that due to the peculiar circumstance of a New York Stock Exchange listing (1902-1921) of the Imperial Russian 4% Rentes of 1894 (sponsored by certain influential New York institutions) and because said issue was payable in U. S. dollars at a minimum fixed rate of exchange in New York City, there was sold to American Nationals, by Europe, a considerable amount of these securities. (Principally during and subsequent to the war period).

That the extent of the American interest in the Imperial Russian Government 4% Rentes of 1894 may be definitely established prior to any debt settlement discussions, and in order that American holders of said issue will not be in an inferior position to those of other Russian Government bonds held in this country (for which protective committees have already been formed) the Bondholders Syndicate of America, 149 Broadway, New York City, is collecting data on the subject.

For mutual protection and for a period of time to be limited, without notice, at the discretion of the Bondholders Syndicate of America, Inc., American holders of Imperial Russian Government 4% Rentes of 1894 are requested to register their names and addresses, together with the amount of their holdings, at this office.

### Federal Farm Board to Make Advances of Between \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000 to Cotton Co-operative Associations.

A tentative agreement to extend financial advances to cotton co-operative associations was made known on Aug. 19 by the Federal Farm Board at Washington, which stated that "it is expected that the sum involved for this year's marketing operations will run some where between \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000." The Board's announcement follows:

Following a number of conferences with officials at the American Cotton Growers' Exchange, the Federal Farm Board has tentatively agreed to make certain financial advances to cotton co-operative associations of the South to assist in the movement of this year's crop.

These associations are now able to obtain loans from the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank to the amount of 65% of the value of the cotton. The Federal Farm Board proposes to loan an additional 25%—a total of 90% for the two Government agencies—on cotton on which a definite value has been fixed by hedging it in the futures market.

The total volume of advances of this sort to be made by the Federal Farm Board will be limited only by the actual requirements of the cotton co-operative associations. It is expected that the sum involved for this year's marketing operations will run somewhere between \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000.

The effect of the secondary loans by the Federal Farm Board will be to permit the co-operative associations to make final settlement with the member grower when the latter desires to sell his cotton, without forcing that cotton onto the market at a time when buyers may already be oversupplied.

From the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank and the Federal Farm Board, the association will receive advances equal to 90% of the fixed value. In this amount the cotton associations will add 10% from their own capital reserves, will pay in full the grower who is in distress and must have money, and will at the same time be able to merchandise the cotton in an orderly fashion as the spinning mills of the world require it.

It was stated in a Washington dispatch Aug. 19 to the New York "Times" that the arrangement already includes the 14 State organizations operating in the American Cotton Growers' Exchange and the Staple Cotton Co-operative Association of Greenwood, Miss. The "Times" also said:

The American Cotton Growers' Exchange is the selling agency for about 300,000 co-operative members producing in 14 States where associations affiliated with the Exchange are maintained.

Carl Williams of Oklahoma City, member of the Board, said it is ready to make any necessary advances to the co-operatives, and that the range of advances mentioned was only an estimate, as neither the co-operatives nor the Board knew now what would be required.

"The co-operatives can get all the money they need," Mr. Williams said.

"The arrangement will permit the organizations to operate more efficiently and serve the growers better than ever before; to meet the demands of the growers and at the same time preserve an orderly marketing."

*Edgar Markham Takes Board Post.*

The Board announced the appointment of Edgar Markham as assistant to the Chairman of the Board in charge of press relations. Mr. Markham has been Washington correspondent for the St. Paul "Pioneer-Press" and St. Paul "Dispatch" for 12 years.

### Philip B. Weld Says Action of Federal Farm Board in Extending Advances to Cotton Co-Operatives Will Help Industry.

The announcement of the Federal Farm Board that it would lend between \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000 to American cotton growers in secondary loans to the extent of 25% above the 65% loans already authorized by the Federal Intermediate Banks, all values being based on future hedging contracts on representative cotton exchanges, is a great testimonial to the efficiency of the various cotton exchanges, said Philip B. Weld, Acting President of the New York Cotton Exchange on Aug. 19. This action by the Farm Board, Mr. Weld stated, will not only be of great help to the industry, but also constitutes a tribute to the exchanges. He said:

"The cotton planter will now be able to borrow 90% on the value of his cotton, 65% through the Federal intermediate banks, and 25% on secondary loans from the Federal Farm Board, thus permitting the realization of 90% of the price at which cotton is selling in the futures markets. This action emphasizes the satisfactory feeling on the part of the Government bodies toward the exchanges and a realization of the valuable help that the New York Cotton Exchange offers in financing and moving the American cotton crop."

### Federal Farm Board in Co-Operation With Banks to Furnish Sun-Maid Raisin Growers Credit of \$9,000,000—Financial Aid Also Extended to Federal Fruit Stabilization Corporation.

In line with its policy of aiding agriculture by developing and strengthening farmer-owned and farmer-controlled marketing organizations, the Federal Farm Board announced on Aug. 18 that it has agreed to extend substantial financial aid to California organizations engaged in the handling of raisin grapes and other grapes. The Board's announcement said:—

The organizations involved are the Sun-Maid Raisin Growers of California, one of the country's oldest and largest co-operatives, and the Federal Fruit Stabilization Corp., a new organization recently created for the purpose of helping to stabilize the grape industry.

The Federal Farm Board has undertaken, in co-operation with the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Berkeley, the Security-First National Bank of Los Angeles, and the Bank of Italy, the National Trust and Savings Association, and the Anglo London & Paris National Bank of San Francisco, to furnish the Sun-Maid Raisin Growers of California a credit up to a maximum of \$9,000,000 with which to make advances to farmers on their 1929 raisin crop. The Board and the banks each furnish half of the sum named.

The Board has also agreed to aid the Sun-Maid co-operative in such other ways as will insure to the raisin growers the undisturbed use and control of the valuable Sun-Maid trademarks, the modern and efficient plants, and the international sales organization which the raisin growers of California have built up over a long period of years as a part of their courageous struggle to better conditions in their industry.

It has also been agreed between the Federal Farm Board and the banks named above that the Federal Fruit Stabilization Corp. shall be granted sufficient financing to stabilize the fresh grape phase of the industry by purchases of white grapes from California growers.

This financial aid to the fresh grape industry has been given because the Federal Farm Board recognizes that the success of any effort to improve conditions in the grape industry of California must be dependent (1) upon complete co-ordination between the different elements involved, such as raisin grapes and fresh grapes, and (2) recognition on the part of the growers themselves that they must subscribe to an industry program and be willing to follow the leadership brought about by an agreement on the part of the various organizations interested. The Board and the banks, with the exception of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank, which is not permitted by law to lend money on fresh fruits, will each furnish half of the loans on fresh grapes.

The Board feels that the aid extended to the Sun-Maid Raisin Growers will benefit the fresh grape industry of California and it is equally confident that the aid extended to the fresh grape industry will benefit the raisin growers. Both branches of the industry must be considered in any program designed to bring prosperity to California growers of grapes.

The basic rate of the advance to be made by the Sun-Maid Raisin Growers on raisins will be three cents per pound, which is something more than double the amount advanced to growers last year.

The increased amount of this year's advance, the Board believes, is justified by the greatly improved statistical position of the grape industry. For the first time since 1921 there is no carry-over of consequence, and there has been a steadily increasing consumption of raisins under the Sun-Maid's merchandizing methods. The relatively large advance is also made possible by improved conditions within Sun-Maid as a marketing agency.

These advances will permit Sun-Maid to operate raisin pools for its own membership, and also under proper terms to operate annual pools for those raisin growers who are not members of the organization. Sharp reductions in costs during the past year lead the Board to believe that Sun-Maid can operate on behalf of its producer-owners and other raisin growers as efficiently as do its commercial competitors.

The entire program outlined above has been put into effect to cover the immediate necessities and the movement of this year's crop, and the Board is continuing its investigation of the entire industry with reference to its requirements, for a permanent program.

Since 90% of the grapes grown in the United States are produced in California, the Board believes that its action should have a reasonable stabilizing effect on the prices of all grapes grown for the commercial markets anywhere in the United States.

The conferences which finally resulted in the adoption of the Board's program have continued at intervals ever since the organization of the Board itself. Those who have participated as representatives of the various agencies involved include among others Henry M. Robinson, Chairman of the Board of the Security-First National Bank of Los Angeles; J. F. Nagle, General Manager of the California Fruit Exchange of Sacramento, Calif.; A. J. Mount, Executive Vice-President of the Bank of Italy; Harry Creech, President of Sun-Maid Raisin Growers of Fresno, Calif.; Lloyd S. Tenny, President of the California Fruit Stabilization Corp. of San Francisco; Donald Conn, President of the California Vineyardists Association of San Francisco; T. T. O. Gregory of San Francisco; Paul Bestor, Commissioner of the Federal Farm Loan Board; and W. D. Ellis, President of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Berkeley, Berkeley, Calif.

### Financing of Cotton Industry Described as Important Function of British Banks—Methods Employed in United Kingdom Said To Be Radically Different From Those Used in America.

The financing of the cotton industry, by methods radically different from those common in the United States, is one of the most important functions of banks in the United Kingdom, according to a review of England's system of bank advances by the Trade Commissioner at London, Frederic E. Lee, appearing in Trade Information Bulletin No. 636, just issued by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, Department of Commerce. British banks have rendered "valiant aid" to depressed industries during recent years, Mr. Lee says in his review, which explains in detail the system governing loans. The part of the review dealing with bankers' advances follows in full text:

Within the the United Kingdom the financing of the cotton industry, for example, begins with the banks' assistance to the cotton broker. He may be the importer of raw cotton or he may desire to buy raw cotton on the Liverpool Cotton Exchange on behalf of a cotton spinner. The loan or advance from his banker is not made, as is so frequently the case in the United States, on the security of a promissory note; in most such cases the loan takes the form of an overdraft by the customer on his bank.

The cotton broker goes to his banker with the statement that he has an order from a spinning concern for, say, 100 bales of American middling cotton. He arranges with his banker for an overdraft within certain definite limits both as to the amount and as to the probable period the credit is to run. His security may be stocks and shares, commodities, personal guarantees, or, more often, his own unsecured credit. Credit on personal character is still commonly given by British banks.

#### London Plan Used In Permitting Overdrafts.

In connection with such a transaction, at current prices for raw cotton, the broker would probably arrange for an overdraft at his bank amounting to around £4,500. The form which that overdraft would take would depend upon where the transaction is carried out. In permitting overdrafts there is what is called the London plan in distinction from that followed by provincial banks such as those of Manchester and Liverpool. Under the London plan the whole of the £4,500 would be placed to the credit of the broker, and he would be able to draw against this amount when and as he saw fit.

Interest on the whole amount, however, would begin from the day the overdraft was arranged. By the other method interest would be payable only on such amounts as the broker actually drew from the bank as an overdraft. He might not draw the full amount arranged for, and in that case interest charges would be less than under the London plan. The London joint-stock banks operating in provincial centres have had to adopt the provincial plan of overdrafts in order to compete with local institutions.

With the money thus secured from the bank the broker buys the 100 bales of cotton and notifies the cotton spinner that they are ready for delivery. The cotton spinner in turn goes to his bank for an advance in the form of a loan or overdraft to enable him to pay the broker for the raw cotton. With the credit which he receives he pays the broker, who then repays his own overdraft at the bank. The brokers' overdraft may run for only a day or two if he buys spot cotton on the Liverpool exchange. The spinner, however, needs money not only to finance the purchase of his raw materials, but also to pay wages during the spinning of the cotton. Therefore his overdraft must, as a rule, be for a larger amount and for a longer period than the broker's. Similarly the weaver, the bleacher, dyer, and packer must secure bank credit during the processing of the cotton.

The autumn period is the time when raw materials come into the market and are paid for and the spring is the season when the finished textiles are more readily disposed of in the internal market by the retailers. Some six months may elapse between the period when raw cotton is needed and the time when the cotton goods reach the ultimate consumer in the United Kingdom or are ready for the exporter. If the whole process of manufacturing cotton piece goods in Great Britain were conducted by one concern, the process of financing would be made simpler. Here, as a rule, however, a different company enters in for each step, and each step involves the use of bank credits.

In some companies two or three processes may be combined, such as spinning and weaving or bleaching, dyeing and printing, but frequently the various phases of cotton manufacturing are each carried on by separate companies. The banker is therefore called upon to finance in turn the cotton broker, the spinner, the weaver, the bleacher or finisher, the dyer or printer, and the packer. One bank may conceivably be called upon to finance each of the six companies which handle the cotton from the time of its purchase in the bale until the finished product is ready for the merchant or exporter, but probably in practice the different banks would be called upon for different steps in this process.

#### Extent of Overdrafts Shown by Year Book.

The cotton spinner may have to convince his banker that he has bona fide orders for the amount of cotton yarn which he is about to make, or the weaver that he has sufficient piece-goods orders to utilize the product of his looms and that his company is working along right lines. When the yarn is delivered to the weaver, the spinner is able to pay off his overdraft, and the weaver in his turn secures bank credit. The merchant or export houses of Manchester may buy cotton cloth direct from the weavers and then contract with bleachers, dyers, printers, and packers for completing the processes and placing the finished product in the hands of the exporters ready for shipment, but bankers' assistance in the different operations still is necessary.

The extent to which such overdrafts are used by the various sections of the cotton manufacturing industry may be judged by certain figures published in the "Cotton Year Book, 1927." From an examination of the balance sheets of 222 cotton mills in Lancashire in 1926 it was found that 129 companies had bank overdrafts amounting to £8,908,045, an average of £69,612 per company. Interest charges on such overdrafts usually amount to about 1% above bank rate, with a minimum rate of 5 or 6%, so that with a rate of 6% prevailing in 1926, current interest charges for these overdrafts were £538,802, an average of £4,176 per company.

It is not surprising to learn that the long depression through which the cotton industry of the United Kingdom has been passing many of such overdrafts or bankers' advances have become "frozen credits," and the banks have been forced to exert pressure upon the companies to which overdrafts have been granted to reduce the amount of the advances and the accumulated interest thereon. At such times the spinners and weavers have had to realize on some of their liquid assets; that is, their stocks of yarn and cloth, by selling at the best price they could get. During recent years many temporary advances by banks have been, in effect, converted into long-term credits by the companies to which they have been made, and such advances have had to be wiped off by the banks each year as bad or doubtful debts.

Unquestionably the British banks have rendered valiant assistance to the depressed industries of Great Britain during recent years. Despite the present position of the cotton textile industry, the Chairman of the Midland Bank estimates that of a total of £214,000,000 in advance by that bank outstanding at the end of June 1928, textile industries accounted for 12 1/4%.

#### Exchange Banks Handle Financing of Foreign Trade.

In financing the cotton industry of the United Kingdom the majority of the banks in Lancashire begin, as indicated above, with the purchasing of raw materials and end with the placing of the finished products in the hands of the exporting houses. The financing of the foreign trade in cotton textiles is turned over for the most part to overseas or exchange banks, and the export merchants reimburse themselves by securing cash against

documents in London when the goods are ready for shipment. Occasionally export bills are taken which are discounted at the banks or discount houses.

All the joint-stock banks, however, which have developed strong foreign departments of their own, combine within their functions this last step as well, making, to a small degree, advances to textile exporters and discounting for their customers their export paper. Such banks, therefore, finance every phase of the cotton industry in this country, and the extent of their assistance to trade and industry generally may be seen by reference to the amount of "bills discounted" as well as the amount of "advances to customers" as shown in their balance sheets.

Loans, overdrafts, and advances by bankers to other industries in Great Britain are similar in scope and character to those which have been described for the cotton industry. Of the total loans and advances of the Midland Bank (Ltd.) on June 30 1928, the following statement (from the address of the Chairman of the bank on Jan. 22 1929) shows the distribution of such advances by this one bank among 180,000 borrowers and the industries receiving financial assistance from it:

	%		%
Textiles	12 1/2	Shipping and transport	3 1/2
Building and land	11 1/4	Public authorities and utilities	3 1/2
Wholesale and retail trade	11 1/4	Entertainments, clubs, &c.	2 1/2
Iron and steel, engineering, &c.	7 1/4	Professional and private	6 1/2
Mining and quarrying	2 1/2	Insurance, finance, &c.	8
Agriculture	6 1/2	Investment in stocks & shares	8 3/4
Food, drink, and tobacco	6	Impersonal accounts	1 3/4
Leather, rubber, and chemicals	4		
Miscellaneous trades	4	Total	100
		* Percentage of total advances by bank.	

Less than one-half of 1% of the above advances were, according to the bank's statement, extended to undertakings operating abroad, so that practically the whole amount represents financial assistance to British industry and trade. Two of Britain's depressed industries—textiles and iron and steel—account for 20% of the total.

The service rendered by banks in relation to the productive industries of the United Kingdom is thus made clear, and now comes the question of the financing of foreign trade.

#### Purchasing Power of Rent Dollar Increases 10%—1925 to 1929—Survey by Greenebaum Sons Investment Co.

The American family wishing to rent or lease a home this summer may obtain greater accommodations for the same money than at any corresponding period in recent years, it is indicated by an examination of rent levels in the United States just completed by the Research Department of Greenebaum Sons Investment Co. A statement regarding the survey says:

The average dollar expended for rent now has a buying power approximately 10% greater than at this time in 1924. This is a reflection of the general downward trend in rents noted for the country as a whole. As the price of any commodity falls the amount which may be procured for a given amount of money rises, and the purchasing power of the money may be said to have increased correspondingly.

The "value" of the 1929 rent dollar in terms of the 1924 dollar is therefore \$1.10. Last year at this time the rental dollar was worth some \$1.06 as compared with the earlier year. In 1927 the value was \$1.03 and in 1926 it was \$1.01.

These data are averages for the entire United States and represent all types of dwelling accommodations. In some sections the present rent scales are even more favorable to the family pocketbook, and in others somewhat less. In all sections the trend is held to run more or less parallel to a downward tendency in the costs to landlords, both for initial construction and for upkeep and maintenance.

#### Market Value of Listed Shares on New York Stock Exchange Aug. 1 \$84,232,792,083—Increase of \$6,968,663,174 in Month.

The New York Stock Exchange announced on Aug. 20 that on Aug. 1 1929, there were listed 1,257 different stock issues aggregating 1,020,143,620 shares, as compared with 1,238 stock issues aggregating 945,341,007 shares on July 1 preceding. The Exchange further stated:

Also, on Aug. 1 1929, the total market value of all listed shares was \$84,232,792,083, an increase of \$6,968,663,174 from the figure of \$77,264,128,909 on July 1.

Over the same period, borrowings in New York on security collateral increased \$402,573,019 from \$7,071,221,275 on July 1 to \$7,473,794,294 on Aug. 1.

The ratio of Exchange member borrowings to listed share values thus decreased 0.28%, from 9.15% on July 1 to 8.87% on Aug. 1.

The average market price of all listed shares increased 0.83 per share from \$81.73 per share on July 1 to \$82.56 per share on Aug. 1.

#### New York Stock Exchange to Rush New Ticker System—10,000 Faster Machines Will Be in Operation by Middle of Next Year—First Instruments Installed Will Be Slowed Down Temporarily to Prevent Advantage.

Experimental preliminaries having been to a large extent completed, engineers of the New York Stock Exchange and of the Western Union Telegraph Co. are preparing to rush the installation of the new and speedier ticker service which has been adopted as a substitute for the present system. So says the New York "Times" in its issue of Aug. 11, which then proceeds as follows:

Between the present time and the middle of next year the Stock Exchange through its subsidiary, the New York Quotation Co., will put into service about 3,000 of the new tickers, while the Western Union Telegraph Co., which supplies quotations to customers who are not members of the Exchange, will install something like 7,000, making a total of 10,000 for the whole country.



It is estimated that the total cost of scrapping the present system and replacing it with new high-speed ticker service will cost in the neighborhood of \$4,000,000, which will be borne jointly by the New York Quotation Co. and the Western Union. The cost of replacing the stock tickers of the New York Quotation Co., not including operating equipment and incidental expenses, will be about \$1,000,000, it is calculated.

The Western Union will spend more than twice that amount in installing the new stock tickers to its subscribers.

The cost of each of the ticker machines, together with installation expenses, is placed at about \$300.

*New Tickers Temporarily Slowed.*

It is only a question of time, also, before the present stock list will have to be split into two groups, involving the doubling of the ticker service. Engineers of the Exchange it is expected, will begin a study of this problem as soon as they complete the replacement of the present tickers.

Eventually, it is realized, two separate stock tickers will be required to record the quotations.

A few of the new tickers have already been installed in brokerage houses in the Wall Street district and several have been operating at the Exchange, for experimental purposes, for some months.

The task of scrapping the old system and replacing it with the new involve a much more formidable technical problem than is generally realized. Since there are fundamental differences in the mechanism of the two machines, it has been necessary to develop an operating plant especially for the new system.

Besides this, the engineers were obliged to work out a system of dual control because of the fact that it is necessary to continue the old tickers in service while the new ones are being installed. And, in order to insure a uniform service over the two tickers, it was necessary to gear down the new machine for the time being so that it would not furnish quotations more rapidly than the old.

*To Record 8,000,000 Share Sales.*

The new tickers are run at their full speed of 492.6 characters a minute while they are in operation, but an automatic system has been worked out whereby they can be halted at intervals of a few seconds to permit the old tickers to catch up.

In this manner those Stock Exchange houses and non-member subscribers of the Western Union that receive the new tickers in advance of other houses and other non-members are deprived of any advantage in the matter of time. When the installation of the new tickers has been completed throughout the country, which will be around the middle of next year, the retardation of the new machines will be eliminated.

The new tickers are now carrying the full market and are fully meeting the expectations of the Exchange engineers. It has been calculated that they would be able to record the quotations on 8,000,000 and 9,000,000 share markets without any difficulty whereas the old tickers run behind on almost every important expansion in trading, even with the volume figures eliminated.

The Exchange is planning to restore the volume figures when installation of the new machines has been completed.

*Old System Dates From 1867.*

The company which manufactures the new tickers is arranging to supply them to the New York Quotation Co. and the Western Union at a rate which will make it possible for both to complete installation at the same time.

It is planned to install at first about 150 machines and then to pause in the work so that the necessary organization to operate them can be completed. Intensive installation will start late next month or early in October, it is expected. It is believed that about four circuits, of from eight to eighteen tickers each, can be installed daily when the work is in full swing.

The old ticker system which is being replaced was first installed in 1867, although it has undergone repeated changes and improvements since that time.

**Chicago Bank Rate 8% on Collateral—Institutions Announce Advance Following Amendment to Illinois Usury Law.**

Chicago's downtown banks on Aug. 19 advanced the rate on brokers' collateral loans to 8%, thus taking advantage of the recent amendment to the Illinois usury law permitting a higher charge than 7% on loans on stock market collateral. In stating this, a Chicago dispatch, Aug. 19 to the New York "Times" added:

Heretofore the Chicago securities markets and the banks were considered largely at the mercy of the New York Stock Exchange in times of credit stringency. When the call loan rate rose above 7% in Wall Street, big corporations and wealthy individuals in the Middle West found it profitable to transfer the surplus funds to New York. The result has been that banks here have been drained of deposits and the Chicago securities markets have been handicapped by lack of funds.

Now the Chicago banks will be able to assure clients who wish to lend money on stock market collateral as profitable rates as can be obtained in New York. Therefore, it is expected, the new system will bring an influx of money to La Salle St. in flush times and prevent any serious outgo in periods of stringency.

"The present 8% rate and the future course of rates will apply only to brokers and to individuals carrying stocks for speculative purposes," Arthur Reynolds, Chairman of the Continental Illinois Bank and Trust Co. explained. "The change is designed to equalize the Chicago collateral loan rates with those of New York."

**Boston Curb Ruling.**

The Wall Street "News" reports the following from Boston, Aug. 16:

The Governing Committee of the Boston Curb Exchange has voted to make the following change in rules of trading:

On all stocks selling under \$1 a share trading will be in sixteenths and multiples thereof, and members will quote prices and report sales in this manner only. Trading is prohibited in stocks selling under one-sixteenth. This rule is effective Monday, Aug. 19.

**New York Bank Stocks Undisturbed by Federal Reserve Re-discount Action, Says Clinton Gilbert.**

The recent unexpected increase in the Federal Reserve re-discount rate from 5% to 6%, has not disturbed very

materially the current levels of bank stocks, says Clinton Gilbert, in furnishing the following range of market prices during the week ended Aug. 16:

Name—	Prices, Aug. 8 1929.		Prices, Aug. 9 1929.		Prices, Aug. 16 1929.	
	Close.	Low.	Close.	Low.	Close.	Low.
Bank of New York & Trust	887	885	885	885	888	888
Bankers Trust (new)	187	180	180	180	184	184
Brooklyn Trust	1183	1160	1160	1160	1175	1175
Central Hanover	432	415	415	415	430	430
Chase National	233	222	222	222	240	240
Chatham-Phenix	878	870	870	870	866	866
National City	399	387	387	387	391	391
Continental (new)	56½	57	57	57	57	57
Equitable	640	621	621	621	631	631
First National	7700	7525	7525	7525	7775	7775
Guaranty	912	880	880	880	906	906
Irving	77	74	74	74	76½	76½
Manufacturers	276	270	270	270	274	274
National Park (new)	206	198	198	198	213	213
Public	257	252	252	252	273	273
Seaboard	945	932	932	932	945	945

**International Acceptance Bank, Inc., Becomes Non-Member of New York Clearing House Association.**

The New York Clearing House Association issued the following announcement Aug. 19:

NEW YORK CLEARING HOUSE  
77-83 Cedar Street.

New York, Aug. 19, 1929.

Dear Sir:—

Permission has been granted to the Bank of the Manhattan Co. to make the exchanges for the International Acceptance Bank, Inc., 52 Cedar St., beginning Thursday, Aug. 22 1929.

All items drawn on this latter institution, brought to the Clearing House after the close of business, Wednesday, Aug. 21, should be listed accordingly.

By order,

ARTHUR W. LOASBY,  
Acting Chairman, Clearing House Committee.

EDWARD L. BECK,  
Assistant Manager.

**Non-Members in New York Clearing House—Five Now Associated Without Vote Privilege—Clearing Checks Day and Night—About 80% of Exchanges Done at Night.**

In noting that the International Acceptance Bank has become a non-member of the New York Clearing House, clearing through its affiliated organization, the Bank of the Manhattan Co., the "Wall Street Journal" of Aug. 21 said:

This makes five so-called non-members. They are not entitled to vote in the association, but are subject to all rules and regulations of the Clearing House as to interest charges, &c., and in the case of domestic institutions, to examination when required.

The other non-members are Mechanics Trust Co. of Bayonne, N. J., which clears through Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., Bank of Montreal and City Bank Farmers Trust Co., which clear through the National City Bank and Canadian Bank of Commerce, which clears through Irving Trust Co. Bank of Montreal and Canadian Bank of Commerce, being foreign banks, are not subject to the same requirements as to examination. Dues of non-member banks are \$1,500 a year, irrespective of capital.

*Full Membership Requirements.*

Full membership in the Clearing House Association requires a minimum capital of \$1,000,000, and application for membership must be passed on by a committee on admissions, which has the institution examined by the department of examination. Application is then brought before a meeting of the association and on payment of an admission fee of \$5,000, or \$7,500 if capital exceeds \$5,000,000, the new member is accorded the facilities of the Clearing House after signing the constitution of the Clearing House and agreeing to be bound by its terms, rules and regulations.

Expenses of the Clearing House are assessed against each member bank on the basis of the amount brought by each institution in relation to the total amount of the exchanges of all members for the year. The expenses of the department of examination are assessed on the basis of the assets of the institution in relation to the total assets of all members.

The President of the association is elected every two years and is ex-officio member of the Clearing House Committee. The Clearing House Committee has full power to prescribe rules and regulations, which includes the fixing from time to time of the maximum interest rates to be paid on various classes of deposits, except special interest, forms of statements and reports, and various other matters for the promotion of the interests of the members and the maintenance of conservative banking.

*Clearing House Committee.*

Clearing House Committee is the governing body and is composed of senior bank officers, the members serving two years, a new chairman being elected every year. The following make-up the present Clearing House Committee: Jackson E. Reynolds, President First National Bank, Chairman; Arthur W. Loasby, President Equitable Trust Co.; Chellis A. Austin, President Seaboard National Bank; William C. Potter, President Guaranty Trust Co.; Charles E. Mitchell, Chairman, National City Bank; William Woodward, Chairman Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., President of the association.

Executive officers are the manager, assistant manager and chief examiner. The manager, under the control of the Clearing House Committee, having immediate charge of the Clearing House building and the transaction of all business of the Clearing House. The chief examiner is assisted by a staff of 10.

The Clearing House occupies its own building at 77 Cedar St., erected in 1896.

In its issue of Aug. 20, commenting on the functions of the Clearing House, the "Wall Street Journal" had the following to say:

Besides effecting the settlement of checks between its members, the New York Clearing House performs another service in arranging for the collection of items drawn on non-members. While the 10 o'clock exchange is in

progress in the clearing room, the members are bringing into the so-called City Collection Department items drawn on the various firms and individuals on this list. These represent foreign banking houses, investment brokers and bankers, railway companies, insurance companies, and commercial concerns, the number totaling approximately 100. This department enables the member banks to send all such items to a central point, the Clearing House, and receive payment in one check.

The packages are sorted by the Clearing House staff and delivered to the authorized representatives of the firms and individuals drawn on, and by 2.30 p. m. a certified check is received in payment which is used as an offset against the due bills handed to members on receipt of their packages in the morning. These due bills and checks are cleared through the 10 o'clock exchange of the following morning. This department was established in 1917 and the names on the list are selected carefully.

#### Return Item Exchange.

Items included in the packages of the various exchanges which are not paid are either returned by hand directly to the bank presenting them, or if \$5,000 or under, they may be sent back through the 3 p. m. return item exchange. Items which are unpaid by branches of members located at some distance from the main offices, or in what is known as the "outer zone," if \$5,000 or under, are advised by telephone to the main offices and advice slips sent to the banks interested through the 3 p. m. exchange, the items themselves coming back through the midnight exchange. All return items, however, over \$5,000 from those outlying branches are sent back by messengers the same day.

At 5 o'clock in the afternoon, the midnight exchange opens in the vault room and as each bank finishes the work of the day, checks on all the other members, after having been sorted and totaled, are brought to the Clearing House and deposited, a list of the envelopes being made in duplicate, the Clearing House receipting and returning one copy and keeping the other. The envelopes are sorted in the clearing room into boxes for the various member banks to whom they are addressed. This procedure continues until midnight and at that hour and continuing until 3 o'clock in the morning, deliveries are made to the banks with night forces which call at the Clearing House vault room and receive packages which have accumulated in their boxes. The Clearing House staff list these as delivered and take receipts.

#### About Two Tons of Checks.

Banks are permitted to send packages to the Clearing House for this exchange until 2 p. m., and can receive their packages from midnight until 3 a. m. No bank can make more than two deliveries to the Clearing House, although they may call for packages as often as they care to within the prescribed hours.

It is estimated that about 80% of the total of the entire day's clearings goes through the midnight exchange. Measuring this volume in another way, from 1½ to 2 tons of checks are handled by the night force after regular banking hours. Two shifts are employed, the first coming on at 5 p. m. and leaving at 10.30 p. m., and the second from 10.30 p. m. until 3 a. m. At the closing hour, all packages on hand are checked against the record of the number received and delivered and locked in the vault to be taken out five hours later and delivered to the banks not maintaining night forces who call for them.

#### Other Clearing Arrangements.

These exchanges include all checks on members received by the 24 member banks and their 350 odd branches, as well as checks on Clearing House members from these banks, possibly 60 in number, who are depositors of the member banks. All other greater New York banks, clearing items drawn on New York Clearing House member banks, make use of the Federal Reserve Bank, which is also a member of the Clearing House and makes use of the clearing facilities to the fullest extent.

The Federal Reserve Bank, through its Brooklyn-Manhattan and Bronx collection arrangement, clears items drawn on 85 or 90 local banks which are not members of the Clearing House. This arrangement is similar to the City Collection Department except that in the latter case the list is principally non-banking institutions, except foreign banks, while the Federal Reserve Bank confines its list to banks. Those institutions which do not make use of the Federal Reserve Bank or the Clearing House for the clearance of their items, pay on presentation over the counter.

Still a further item bearing on the Clearing House is taken as follows from the "Wall Street Journal" of Aug. 22:

Second only to the clearing of checks in the important banking service performed by the Clearing House is the system of examination of member banks. This function, which originated in Chicago 25 years ago and since has been adopted by nearly all clearing houses in the country, has been in operation long enough to demonstrate its practicability and efficacy.

While it may be easy for non-member banks to dispense with the direct clearing facilities of the Clearing House, by effecting clearance through member banks, the benefits to be derived from co-operation on any specific banking problem and from periodical private examination by experts are matters which cannot properly be provided elsewhere. Particularly is this the case, member banks point out, with regard to the Clearing House examination which has features that recommend it over the official examination by the national or state examiners.

#### Clearing House Examiner Different.

The Clearing House examiner differs from the regular national or state examiner in that he is really a part of the banks themselves, is interested in assisting and co-operating in any way and uses every effort to keep all his intimate inside knowledge of each bank's affairs within the institution itself, rather than expose any of it to other member banks. To this end, the examiner lends his services to the building up and correcting of any undesirable conditions in loans, &c., so as to bring them within the recognized standards and thereby obviate the necessity of incorporating his criticisms in his reports, either to the boards of directors or to the Clearing House Committee.

This attitude on the part of the examiner is not generally understood, the assumption being that his one object is to find trouble and to report it to the directors or the Clearing House Committee.

In a discussion of the Clearing House examiner system by the Clearing House section of the American Bankers Association sometime ago, the purpose of the system was summarized as follows:

"The strength of such a system of examination lies in the fact that it is brought about by the voluntary action of all members of an association for the mutual benefit and protection of all its members. Through judicious and intelligent supervision, the mutual interests of all will foster and encourage conservative management in each, which means the development of closer co-operation, the promotion of harmony, the advancement of sound banking principles, and the discouragement and prohibition of dangerous and doubtful methods."

#### Makes Searching Examination.

Without notice, and, at least, once a year, or oftener if the occasion demands, the examiner enters any bank or trust company and commences

his examination. He is authorized to make as thorough and searching an examination as he desires in any and all matters. The banks in turn are required to give him free access to all their assets and place at his disposal all books, information, &c.

The examiner is privileged to spend as much time as necessary in any bank and is not hampered by any red tape. His examination gives the directors of all banks examined a closer knowledge of their bank's affairs. Furthermore, should assistance be needed at any time, it can promptly be rendered without the delay and danger of an examination made in time of stress.

### New York Joint Legislative Committee Which Is Inquiring into Banking Law Changes, to Meet in New York During September.

The Joint Legislative Committee on Banking, under the Chairmanship of Assemblyman Nelson W. Cheney, which is engaged in a study of the revision of the New York State Banking Law, adjourned on Aug. 16 until the first week in September, when it will hold a hearing in Buffalo. The Committee will hold a meeting in New York City the week of Sept. 16. W. K. Payne, President of the New York State Bankers' Association, announces, under date of Aug. 19, the receipt of the following communication from Mr. Cheney:

Joint Legislative Committee on Banking and Investment Trusts.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 13 1929.

William K. Payne, President,  
New York State Bankers Association,  
128 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Payne—This Committee is now engaged upon an examination of various proposals for changing the Banking Law. Prominent among such proposals are the recommendations made by Commissioner Robert Moses in his report to the Governor on the investigation of the Department of Banking in relation to the City Trust Co.

It will greatly assist this Committee in its work to receive a full expression of the views of your Association and its individual membership in regard to all of the questions involved and also to receive whatever other suggestions they may desire to make in regard to changes in the law, for the work of the Committee will not be limited in any way to the recommendations contained in the report referred to. May we rely on you for that co-operation? Your Association and its membership can be most helpful at the present time by sending to this Committee expressions of their views in letter form. These recommendations may be addressed to the Committee at 512 Manufacturers & Traders Building, Buffalo.

Meetings of the Committee will be held in New York City and elsewhere in the State, during the coming months before the next Legislative Session. At these meetings the various proposals will be discussed. Representation from your Association and your individual membership generally is invited to assist at all meetings, due notice of which will be sent you.

It is planned to hold a meeting in New York City in the week beginning Sept. 16. Accordingly we would appreciate as full a response to this communication as possible before that date.

Yours very truly,

NELSON W. CHENEY, Chairman.

#### The "Times" of Aug. 17 said:

The Committee, which began its hearings here on Thursday forenoon, was to have listened to testimony yesterday by Moreland Act Commissioner Robert Moses, who recently made a report on his investigation of the Department of Banking with regard to the City Trust Co., Mr. Moses, however, was unable to be present owing to his attendance at the funeral of former Police Commissioner Joseph A. Warren, and the committee adjourned without transacting any business.

Assemblyman Cheney said letters will be sent to banking institutions throughout the State on Monday asking for suggestions and that letters are being mailed to bankers inviting them to testify.

The Committee may meet in Syracuse but most of its sessions probably will be held here.

### New York State Superintendent Joseph A. Broderick Urges "Teeth" in Bank Act—Says Law Regulating Private Institutions Is Disgrace to State and Needs Rewriting—Calls for Larger Staff—Only 10% of Private Banks Are Under Department's Supervision He Tells Legislators.

The rewriting and clarification of the New York State private banking Act with changes "to put punches in it" was urged on Aug. 15 upon members of the Joint Legislative Committee on Banking by Joseph A. Broderick, State Superintendent of Banks, at the first of a series of hearings in the Bar Association Bldg., 42 West 44th St. He also recommended the clarification of the investment section of the banking law. The New York "Times," in reporting this in its issue of Aug. 16, went on to say:

Mr. Broderick was the only witness called yesterday by the committee which is gathering information on which to base recommendations concerning the banking laws to be submitted to the next session of the Legislature and thus expedite any proposed new legislation along this line. At the conclusion of Mr. Broderick's testimony, the committee adjourned until 11 a. m. to-day.

The banking superintendent denounced the present private banking Act as a "disgrace to the State," declaring that it is worded ambiguously so that it is often impossible to determine what is intended by the Act.

"Clear and distinct English should be used," said Mr. Broderick, "so that it would not be necessary to go to the Attorney General for an opinion. I hope you will do all you can to have the private banking Act rewritten so that we will know exactly where we stand."

"There is a general impression that all private banks and other agencies which handle deposits, such as steamship ticket agencies, are under the jurisdiction of the department of banking. This is not so. The department has only a small percentage of private banks under its control."

#### Few Private Banks Supervised.

Mr. Broderick estimated that only about 10% of the private banks in the State were under his department's supervision. Any changes in the private



banking Act, he said, should include some means of protecting the small and "unwary" depositors whose experience is more limited than that of persons with larger sums at their disposal.

He pointed out that deposits are accepted by steamship agents and "other people," and that this constitutes private banking. Such agencies, he contended, should be made to open their books for inspection. However, he said, there should be serious consideration before placing all private banking firms in one category in any new legislation.

In connection with the work of his staff in examining private banks that have State licenses and are therefore open to inspection, Mr. Broderick asserted that he had only 50% of the force he needed.

*Clarke Case Discussed.*

Assemblyman Nelson W. Cheney of Eden, N. Y., Chairman of the joint legislative committee, asked if the private banking firm of Clarke Brothers had been examined.

"We had no supervision," replied Mr. Broderick. "We had no way to force an inspection of their books under the terms of the law as interpreted by the Attorney General's office. What we need badly is limited inspection. The department should be enabled to find out if the law is being broken. Where any one receives deposits, the depositors should be protected."

Assemblyman Cheney voiced the belief that the entire committee was in agreement with Mr. Broderick on this point.

In suggesting an inquiry into the investment banking situation to bring about the clarification of this section of the banking laws Mr. Broderick said many corporations which have received licenses from the State under this section should not have them. One of the principal reasons for their taking out these licenses was to enable them to obtain good advertising from the phrase "Under the supervision of the banking department," Mr. Broderick said he believed.

The banking superintendent said he intended to make recommendations for the betterment of his department, including better salaries, especially for deputies, and more employees. He said the State bank examiners were "frightfully underpaid" and that they could earn much more by working for private corporations.

*Says Department Pays Its Way.*

"Well-managed banks in the State," said Mr. Broderick, "welcome proper supervision and they do not object to the appropriation of any funds to this end. The department does not cost the State one penny. The State makes appropriations to carry on the work, but this money comes back to the State from the banking institutions. The costs of examinations are charged up to the banks."

He said also the Department of Banking should have a fund available for emergencies. In passing, he pointed out that his department "did not have one penny" to carry on the investigation of the City Trust Co.

Mr. Broderick was questioned as to specific recommendations and as to the recent report of Moreland Act Commissioner Robert Moses on his investigation of the Department of Banking in relation to the City Trust Co. The Banking Superintendent said he would prefer to discuss these points at a future conference with the committee in executive session. He also said he would be prepared to make certain specific recommendations to the committee in September.

*Cheney Tells Purpose of Inquiry.*

At the conclusion of the session, Assemblyman Cheney issued a statement, which said in part:

"Since the adjournment of the Legislature in April there has been much discussion of a possible need for changes in our banking law. It is evident that some of these proposed changes will be embodied in bills to be presented to the coming session of the Legislature. In view of the importance of the question and its technical nature, it has seemed highly advisable that a thorough study should be made on behalf of the Legislature well in advance of the forthcoming session. Meetings of this committee will be held during the coming months in different cities of the State, at which discussion of the proposals received will be invited. It is hoped that this study will have so far progressed by the time of the opening of the coming session of the Legislature that this committee will be able to make definite recommendations to the Legislature in 1930, thereby expediting necessary legislation, if any.

"This committee, through its chairman, has expressed its desire to carry on its work in co-operation with the special committee appointed by the Governor. It is anticipated that arrangements to this end will be made after the first meeting of the Governor's committee has been held."

The members of the committee who attended the session included State Senator Cosmo A. Cilano of Rochester, Assemblyman James R. Robinson of Ithaca and Assemblyman Maurice Bloch of New York, minority leader, who is a member ex officio. Bradley Goodyear of Buffalo, counsel for the committee, also attended.

The committee also includes Senators William W. Campbell of Lockport and John J. Dunnigan of New York, and Assemblymen Arthur T. Pammenter of East Rochester and Irwin Steingut of Brooklyn.

**Volume of Bankers' Acceptances Outstanding—Increased \$13,649,559 During July—Total at End of Month \$1,126,698,805—Seasonal Wheat Financing Becoming Heavy.**

The volume of bankers' acceptances outstanding on July 31 was larger by \$13,649,559 than on June 29. The results of the monthly survey announced August 19 by the American Acceptance Council place the total of \$1,126,698,805, which is \$148,834,879 more than for July 31 1928, and \$385,000,000 greater than on the same date in 1927. In making public his survey, Robert H. Bean, Executive Secretary of the Council, says:

The increase at this time is almost wholly caused by the volume of wheat bills that have been coming on the market since mid-July. Cotton bills have not as yet made their appearance in any considerable volume, but should swell the bill total in another month, particularly if market rates for acceptances continue at the present level.

The influence of wheat financing is seen in the volume of bills of banks in the Chicago district, where there is a current increase of \$12,000,000 for the month.

It is again seen in the volume of bills against domestic warehouse credits, which have advanced \$11,000,000 since June 30 and to some extent also in the total of bills against goods stored abroad or shipped between foreign countries, which is \$16,000,000 higher.

Import acceptances and dollar exchange bills both fell off \$7,000,000 during July, while export acceptances and those against domestic shipments remained practically unchanged.

Bill market rates on acceptances have been steady and without change for the entire month since the last survey report.

After a period in July when the volume of bills in the dealers' hands was increasing and there was some doubt whether acceptance rates could be kept down, the market has been considerably more active, with bills moving easily at the prevailing rates.

Mr. Bean's survey follows:

**TOTAL OF BANKERS ACCEPTANCES OUTSTANDING FOR ENTIRE COUNTRY BY FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICTS.**

Federal Reserve District.	July 31 1929.	June 29 1929.	July 31 1928.
1-----	\$111,417,377	\$114,865,385	\$112,146,752
2-----	855,462,075	847,450,842	744,966,596
3-----	15,046,496	15,211,133	15,477,487
4-----	12,724,851	12,996,143	11,482,536
5-----	6,807,916	6,541,723	5,966,369
6-----	11,273,836	10,614,840	12,202,672
7-----	62,831,101	50,496,858	35,744,904
8-----	1,114,245	1,007,228	910,375
9-----	2,757,606	1,252,162	3,340,655
10-----	9,442	10,263	11,744
11-----	4,132,288	5,186,607	3,248,799
12-----	43,121,572	47,416,002	32,265,037
Grand total-----	\$1,126,698,805	\$1,113,049,246	\$977,863,926
Increase-----		13,649,559	148,834,879

**CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO NATURE OF CREDIT.**

	July 31 1929.	June 29 1929.	July 31 1928.
Imports-----	\$316,199,571	\$323,497,542	\$319,044,927
Exports-----	368,230,469	368,019,631	351,883,832
Domestic shipments-----	14,629,876	14,196,987	17,803,205
Domestic warehouse credits-----	98,914,521	87,814,239	99,844,476
Dollar exchange-----	48,806,140	55,856,128	24,861,085
Based on goods stored in or shipped between foreign countries-----	279,918,228	263,664,719	164,426,401

**AVERAGE MARKET QUOTATIONS ON PRIME BANKERS ACCEPTANCES JULY 19 TO AUGUST 19.**

Days—	Dealers Buying Rate.	Dealers Selling Rate.	Days—	Dealers Buying Rate.	Dealers Selling Rate.
30-----	5.250	5.125	120-----	5.375	5.125
60-----	5.250	5.125	150-----	5.375	5.125
90-----	5.250	5.125	180-----	5.375	5.125

**American Life Insurance Passes \$100,000,000,000 in Force.**

That the goal of \$100,000,000,000 (one hundred billion dollars) of legal reserve life insurance in force in American companies was achieved last month, probably on Friday, July 26, is revealed by a survey completed Aug. 20 by the Association of Life Insurance Presidents. When the Twenty-second Annual Convention of that organization was held in New York in December last year, a preliminary survey was presented, predicting that the \$100,000,000,000 milestone would be reached early in the autumn of the present year. A hitherto unprecedented amount of new life insurance during the first seven months of 1929, however, has resulted in the \$100,000,000,000 in force being reached two months earlier than was anticipated at the close of last year.

Because of the public interest in this life insurance event, the Association of Life Insurance Presidents has been gathering special reports from companies for the last three months showing the amount of insurance in force. Ordinarily these computations are made only as of the end of the year. The monthly reports came from 44 companies representing 85% of the legal reserve life insurance business transacted by American companies. These reports show that on July 31 of this year the total insurance in force of these companies was \$85,203,895,000, an increase of 5.2% over Dec. 31 1928. Allowing for a similar increase by the companies in the group not reporting—that is, in the other 15% of the business—the total increase in force for all companies as of July 31 approximated \$100,122,085,000. The average net addition to insurance in force for each week day during July was \$25,269,000. At this daily rate of increase in outstanding insurance the \$100,000,000,000 mark, it is estimated by the Association, was passed on July 26.

"Probably no better testimony to the accelerated thrift of the American people can be found than in the remarkable multiplication of this life insurance protection in recent years," said George T. Wight, Manager of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents, in giving out the details of that organization's survey. "While it has taken 86 years of American life insurance to create this protection, by far the greater part of it has been built up in recent years. Thirteen years ago—in 1916—when American life insurance was 73 years old, the total insurance in force amounted to \$24,700,000,000. Thus it has more than quadrupled in less than 13 years." He went on to say:

But the most striking fact disclosed by the survey is that while it took 79 years for life insurance in United States companies to reach, in 1922, the first \$50,000,000,000, the second \$50,000,000,000 has now been achieved in a little more than 6½ years. This \$100,000,000,000 life insurance in force is more than twice the outstanding life insurance of all other countries of the world combined, although the United States has only one-sixteenth of the world's population.

Even as recently as 16 years ago it was not anticipated that the achievement of the \$100,000,000,000 milestone by United States companies would

be attained much before 1940, for the annual net accretions to the insurance in force, after allowance for maturities on account of deaths and endowments and for termination by lapses, averaged in those days about \$1,275,000,000. During the latter part of the World War this annual net increase was somewhat accelerated, reaching \$2,500,000,000. It was not until after the conclusion of the War that the present trend of huge annual accretions was made when the net increase in 1919 leaped to \$6,000,000,000. While there have been fluctuations, the net accretion since that time has averaged \$6,590,000,000 annually and three times it has reached \$8,000,000,000 or thereabouts.

Of course, the big factor in this acceleration has been the increased amount of new business produced each year. In the 10 years from 1909 to 1918 inclusive the amount of new business by all United States companies was \$35,725,000,000, a yearly average of \$3,572,500,000. In the next 10 years from 1919 to 1928 inclusive the total new business written was \$129,875,000,000 or a yearly average of \$12,987,500,000. In other words, during the last 10 years 3½ times as much new business has been produced as during the prior decade.

Perhaps a clearer picture of the acceleration in new business is presented by pointing out that in 1909 the amount of new business was \$2,449,000,000, while in 1928 it was \$18,618,000,000. Thus we see seven and one-half times as much life insurance being purchased annually from American life insurance companies as was the case 19 years ago.

"The economic and social ramifications of this \$100,000,000,000 of life insurance in force are of great importance in the daily lives of our citizens," continued Mr. Wight. "Guaranteeing economic independence to millions of individuals and temporary financial relief to many more millions, contracts binding the aggregate payment of this amount are now in the hands of more than 65,000,000 policyholders. These policyholders are representative of every walk of life, from the industrial wage earner to the corporation president. The accumulation of this vast amount of protection, financed chiefly from current earnings—often at great sacrifice—is concrete evidence of the thrift and foresight of our populace. The use of life insurance materially contributes to the welfare and peace of mind of our citizens. It develops self-reliance and character. It avoids larger State and private aid to dependents. It provides education for orphans and economic reassurance for widows. The acceptance of life insurance by so many Americans as a means towards these ends has largely resulted from the untiring efforts of the many thousands of life insurance agents—the ambassadors of the institution.

"Despite this reassuring picture of economic security, when the situation is reviewed from another angle one does not get quite as great a thrill from the \$100,000,000,000 insurance in force; that is, when we compare it with the national earned income. While there have been no recent definite official figures as to such income, economists generally agree that it is now close to \$100,000,000,000 annually. So those purchasing life insurance have not on the average indemnified their families against death for much more than one year's earned income. In using this figure it is only fair to point out that a small proportion of the \$100,000,000,000 of life insurance in force is on the lives of persons outside the United States, mainly in Canada. On the other hand, there is some life insurance in the United States carried in Canadian companies, although not enough to be a complete offset.

"When we realize the present prosperity of our country, the greatly increased and increasing earning power of our people, our expanding population, our national trend towards thrift and prudent foresight, and when we review the past accomplishments in life insurance protection, especially the accelerations of recent years, it seems reasonable to expect that the second \$100,000,000,000 of net outstanding life insurance protection will have been accomplished before 1940. In any event, life insurance executives and agents alike regard the achievement of this goal of \$100,000,000,000 as a stepping stone to the second \$100,000,000,000."

### Insurance Companies Record Profitable Six Months' Result, According to J. K. Rice Jr. & Co.

J. K. Rice Jr. & Co., in a survey under date of Aug. 14, state:

The semi-annual financial statements of these insurance companies which have been published to date, clearly indicate a banner first half for most of the leading companies. Following are the increases in assets for the first six months of 1929, as compared with the increases for the entire year of 1928, as taken from the statements available. It illustrates the growing nature of this business.

	Assets, June 30 1929.	Increase, Six Mos. 1929.	Increase, Entire Year 1928.
Aetna Casualty & Surety	\$39,446,733	\$3,452,306	\$4,392,943
Aetna Insurance Co.	63,749,917	4,084,014	6,133,719
Aetna Life	396,846,956	15,230,623	42,869,674
American Surety	24,489,495	1,202,179	1,403,329
Baltimore American	9,998,074	1,027,279	2,404,029
Carolina	2,408,798	110,389	225,407
City of New York	7,623,308	395,713	958,246
Continental	97,379,524	5,724,044	10,138,413
Fidelity-Phenix	78,946,542	6,081,511	9,838,207
Fidelity & Casualty	40,334,604	675,952	1,090,586
Firemen's Fund	39,846,805	\$4,442,848	836,095
Franklin Fire	21,972,781	\$9,026,347	853,643
Hanover Fire	21,558,930	2,499,320	\$5,038,290
Harmonia Fire	4,405,755	374,741	\$1,846,892
Hartford Steam Boiler	22,016,829	886,538	2,264,444
Home Insurance	105,011,638	2,214,346	6,891,959
Homestead	1,737,458	202,062	\$798,733
Maryland Casualty Co.	48,177,246	1,072,576	2,710,234
National Liberty Insurance Co.	45,008,041	2,474,879	\$14,747,965
Peoples' National	6,961,551	857,282	1,743,032
Providence-Washington	25,422,604	2,936,287	3,631,273
St. Paul Fire & Marine	33,672,544	1,454,947	2,486,412

Contributed through capital increases: (a) \$5,000,000; (b) \$8,000,000; (c) \$2,500,000; (d) \$1,750,000; (e) \$1,000,000; (f) \$500,000; (g) \$5,000,000.

Although great sums have been added to the assets and surplus of these companies through increases in value of security portfolios, the market prices of insurance stocks do not seem to have discounted this factor. The insurance stocks, as a group, are selling on the average only slightly above the quotations of Dec. 31 1928, while other groups, such as the banks, public utilities, coppers and railroads, are from 25% to 40% higher. Other kinds of business and industries often suffer from new processes and trade variations, which result in staggering losses from large inventories, but the insurance business is comparatively free from such hazard

### Survey of Federal Credit Favored by Senator Fletcher to Check Speculation.

A general survey of the Federal credit conditions by the Senate Banking Committee under a program similar to that

proposed by a resolution introduced in the Senate by Senator King (Dem.) of Utah is favored by Senator Fletcher of Florida, the ranking Democratic member of the committee. This is indicated in advices to the New York "Journal of Commerce" from the Washington bureau Aug. 16, the account further stating:

The Florida Senator, in making this announcement, is of the opinion that the Federal Reserve Board, by stringent policies, can check excessive use of Federal funds by stock market speculators. Because Senator Fletcher is the ranking Democrat on the Committee his views will probably lend considerable influence in bringing about an investigation of this kind.

The resolution of Senator King, which he has repeatedly stated he will push for consideration during the extra session of Congress, proposes a broad inquiry into stock market transactions and into the credit situation generally. This measure is now before the Banking Committee.

Approval of the recent action of the Reserve Board in sanctioning the New York Federal Reserve Bank rediscunt increase of from 5 to 6% is also given by the Florida Senator. He believes that is one method of curbing the use of Federal funds in stock market transactions.

Senator Sackett (Rep.) of Kentucky, also a member of the Committee, believes, however, that there is no action the Federal Reserve Board could take that would bring a halt to the steadily increasing brokers' loans, thereby stopping the speculation on the market.

In his opinion the large volume of brokers' loans are merely the result of a "financial boom," created largely by the \$1,000,000,000 worth of foreign gold in this country, which might end at any time. When these countries find that their gold supply is diminishing, he said, and therefore demand its return, then the stock market will return to normal.

### Federal Reserve Board in Monthly Review of Credit of Situation Comments Upon the Increase Since June in Loans on Securities—Increase also in Other Loans—Decline in Investments.

Commenting on what the Federal Reserve Board has to say in reviewing the credit situation, in its Bulletin for Aug., made public Aug. 22, the Washington correspondent of the New York "Times" points out that this week's Federal Reserve statement shows an increase of \$133,000,000 in the total of brokers' loans to a record peak at \$6,085,000,000, and that this is in sharp contrast with the remarks of the Federal Reserve Board in its Bulletin in reference to the unusual developments which have taken place because of the great activity on the Stock Exchange and the unprecedented demand for credit to finance securities. The Board stresses in its survey that the loans to brokers for account of others, including corporations, which had accounted for the entire increase in brokers' loans in 1928 and the first 5 months in 1929, had not been "an important factor in the growth of these loans since last May," and that the advance had been financed by the banks. In its comments the "Times" says:

That a trend away from this later situation had developed was, however, indicated by the report on brokers' loans of to-day, Aug. 22, which showed that the entire increase since last week has been due to an increase of \$194,000,000 in loans for accounts of others, while loans by New York member banks on their own account and for the account of out-of-town banks have shrunk \$39,000,000 and \$23,000,000, respectively. In some quarters there was seen in this change a tendency on the part of the board again more closely to supervise the loans by the banks.

Further indicating what the Board has to say in its discussion in the August number of its Bulletin, the Washington account to the "Times" states:

#### Member Bank Credit Rises.

The Board said that member bank credit has increased rapidly since the beginning of June and that at the end of July the volume of credit extended by reporting member banks was considerably above the level at the end of May.

The growth of credit in June and July, and particularly of loans on securities, the Board said, has been due in part to end-of-fiscal-year operations and to the issuance of a large volume of securities, in many instances with privileges to holders of stock to subscribe to the new issue on preferential terms.

"There is usually a temporary peak in bank credit at the end of June," the Board said, "but this year, in contrast to 1928 and other previous years, the seasonal expansion in bank credits has not been followed by the usual seasonal contraction in July."

An analysis of the increase in credit since the beginning of June, the Board said, showed that it had been in loans on securities as well as in all other loans, while investments continued to decline. The growth in security loans between the last report date in May and July 31 amounted to \$675,000,000 and the growth in all other loans to \$180,000,000, while investments declined further by \$250,000,000.

The growth in security loans since the end of May, the Board said, has reflected an increase in loans to brokers and dealers in securities chiefly by banks in New York City for their own account and for the account of others. While loans for accounts of others, including corporations, individuals and foreign banks, also increased, the Board said that these had not been an important factor in the recent advance.

"Increased demand for credit to finance Stock Exchange transactions, therefore," the Board said, "has fallen upon the banks, and there has been a large growth in brokers' loans by banks in New York City and elsewhere in the United States."

The Board said that throughout the year the loans other than loans on securities had been above the level of a year ago and that the margin between the two years had been increasing. It was expected, the Board said, that with the growth of business in the United States there would be an accompanying increase in the volume of loans to finance trade, industry and agriculture. There was the unusual development, however, that the trend in so-called commercial loans expected from the latter part of July to the middle of October had begun earlier than in other years.

Influenced by the high money rates caused by the speculative wave, member bank investments, the board said, have shown practically a steady



decline for the past year, and at the end of July investments of reporting banks in leading cities were approximately \$700,000,000 below their peak level reached in June 1928.

"Member banks usually increase their investment accounts," the Board said, "at times when their resources exceed the current demand of their customers and when declining money rates make it probable that securities with fixed returns will appreciate in value.

#### Investment Disposed of.

"During the period from March 10 1922 to June 30 1928 there was an increase of \$4,500,000,000 in member banks' holdings of investments, which increased from 27% of the banks' total loans and investments in 1922 to 31% in 1928.

"During the past year firm money conditions and the continuous demand for credit to finance active business and a large volume of security transactions, together with heavy indebtedness of members, at the Reserve Banks, have caused member banks to dispose of a larger amount of investments than at any other time in years."

Another reflection of the era of speculation and active business was found in the fact that since the middle of 1928 the decline in investments had been accompanied by a decline in time deposits for the first time between call dates since this class of deposits was placed on a lower reserve basis in 1914.

"An explanation of the decline in time deposits," the Board said, "may be found in the increased number of persons purchasing investments and other securities during a year of unusual rise in security values; the loaning in the security market of funds previously held as time deposits by corporations and others also has been a factor in the decline of time deposits during the past year."

#### Rise in Net Demand Deposits.

The decline in investments and time deposits, the Board said, was accompanied by a rapid rise in the net demand deposits in the latter part of 1928, at a time when the total volume of bank credit was increasing and a rapid decline during the early part of the present year when the total volume of bank credit was tending downward.

"In recent weeks," the Board said, "the growth of bank credit has been accompanied by a rise in demand deposits. From \$12,791,000,000, the low point for the year, reached on May 29 1929, demand deposits of reporting member banks increased to \$13,395,000,000 on July 31 and were on that date in considerably larger volume than a year ago.

"This growth in net demand deposits has reflected the increase in member bank loans and particularly of security loans. During the preceding year, when security loans were made largely for account of non-banking lenders, the growth in brokers' loans was not reflected in a growth of deposits, but recently, since banks have increased the volume of security loans for their own account, there has been a corresponding growth in deposits."

The decline in deposits in the early part of the year, the Board said, was general throughout the country, and the increase since the end of May has been fairly widespread. On July 31 net demand deposits of reporting member banks were about \$250,000,000 larger than on the corresponding date a year ago.

The Board said that another factor in the increased demand for Reserve Bank credit was the demand for additional currency caused by the issue of smaller sized money. It was estimated that at its maximum this additional demand increased the volume of currency in circulation by \$130,000,000, and later the volume of money in circulation still appeared to be about \$100,000,000 larger than would otherwise have been the case.

Recent increases in currency and in member bank reserve balances, the Board said, have been reflected in an increase in reserve bank credit.

"Beginning with August," the Board continued, "there is usually an increase in the demand for reserve bank credit, owing to a growth in currency and credit needed to finance the harvesting and marketing of crops.

#### Discount Rise Cited.

"At about this season of the year there is also a growth in the volume of acceptances drawn in connection with the movement of crops to market. Market rates on bills showed some decline in the early part of July, notwithstanding some increase in acceptances drawn.

"On July 12 buying rates at the Federal Reserve Banks were also reduced by between  $\frac{1}{8}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  depending on maturities. After that time acceptance holdings of the Reserve Banks, which on July 10 at \$66,000,000 had been in the smallest volume for five years, began to increase, and on Aug. 7 totaled \$80,000,000.

"On Aug. 9 buying rates on bills up to four months' maturity were further reduced from  $5\frac{1}{4}$  to  $5\frac{1}{8}$ %. At the same time, in order to conserve the resources of the Federal Reserve System, the discount rate at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York was advanced from 5 to 6%."

### Federal Reserve Banks Ready To Buy Bills and Exchange on London, If Needed—Bankers Point Out Formal Credit, While Available, Is Unnecessary—Included in Reserve Statement Each Week.

From the New York "Journal of Commerce" of August 17 we take the following:

The Federal Reserve Banks stand ready to purchase bills on London at any time when necessary to support the pound sterling, it was said here yesterday in informed banking quarters. The relation now existing between the Reserve Banks and the Bank of England are such, it was stated, that no formal credit is necessary to bring this about.

Purchases of sterling bills are included among the holdings of bankers' acceptances of the Reserve Banks, and are not earmarked as being of foreign currency in the weekly Reserve statement. Purchases of balances on London, on the other hand, result in giving the Reserve Bank a credit on the books of the Bank of England, and would thus constitute part of the item "due from bankers" on the weekly Reserve statement.

#### Sterling at Gold Point.

Through purchases of bills or exchange on London, therefore, it was said, the Reserve Banks have the power to prevent a movement of gold from London to New York. Sterling closed yesterday at \$4.84 $\frac{3}{4}$  for cable transfers. The exchange is now calculated to be at gold point at \$4.84 $\frac{3}{4}$ . The Bank of England during the past week was reported to have sold approximately \$5,000,000 in gold to American buyers and the bullion reserves of the Bank of England were lowered to £140,687,000.

Since 1925 the Bank of England had adhered to the recommendations of the Cunliffe Committee that the reserves be maintained above £150,000,000, so that the refusal of the Bank to advance its rediscount rate in the face of the lowering of its reserves to a level below the old unofficial minimum represented a new departure in policy. It was evident in financial circles that the Bank of England was depending upon a weapon other than the traditional one of raising its rate.

Bankers in close touch with the situation, as well as reports from London, have repeatedly declared that the Bank of England could get a credit here whenever it chose, either at the Reserve Banks or with private banking institutions. However, there is no need for such a credit in this specific instance, in view of the purchases of bills and London exchange, which are being made in the normal course of events as part of the regular arrangements between the two institutions. Such purchases now, when the movement of cotton to Great Britain must be financed, constitute a necessary step to make the advance in the London discount rate unnecessary.

It is pointed out, however, that situations may occasionally arise in which it is advantageous to Great Britain to have a contract, the existence of which it could publicly announce. In the case of the 1925 credit announcement was made in Parliament by Chancellor Churchill when England returned to the gold standard. The existence of the credit offset political opposition based upon the assertion that British exchange was not strong enough to permit a return to gold payments on notes. The announcement of the 1925 credit proved politically effective, while the credit itself was never used, never having been needed in so far as support of the exchange was concerned.

The opinion was ventured in informed circles that should the Bank of England find a credit preferable to its usual understanding with the Federal Reserve Bank, it would need only to cable its request for one. If it does not make such a request, the Federal Reserve Bank would be likely to buy London bills or London balances, should such purchases become necessary, in any case.

### Nearly 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ Billions of New Sized Paper Money in Circulation—Production of Notes of National Banks Retarded Slightly.

The Treasury Department has distributed almost a billion and three-quarters dollars in new currency since it first was released July 10, according to an oral announcement Aug. 21 by the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Herriek Bond, who said respecting the distribution that it was going forward entirely satisfactorily except as to national bank notes. The foregoing is from the Aug. 22 issue of the "United States Daily," which added:

Production of the notes to be put out by the national banks has lagged due to a variety of circumstances, but it was the Assistant Secretary's belief that these were being rapidly overcome.

Mr. Bond's figures, compiled as of the close of business Aug. 20, showed \$1,732,659,000 had been sent to the Federal Reserve banks and the national banks which deal directly with the Treasury. This total, he explained, does not represent the amount in circulation, but it is the amount which the Federal Reserve banks have with which to replace the condemned paper as it comes in, excepting of course the small amount of national bank notes sent out.

Federal Reserve notes constitute the bulk of the money that has gone out. There were \$1,400,920,000 in the hands of the Federal Reserve banks or the public to which amounts indeterminate by the Treasury have already been released. United States notes, silver certificates and gold certificates in the amount of \$317,688,000 have been shipped by the Treasury, and since the first national bank notes were ready on July 20, a total of \$14,051,970 has been given the national banks in replacing worn out national bank notes, Mr. Bond reported.

#### Amounts Sent Out Given.

In detail, Mr. Bond's figures showed \$33,880,000 in 10-dollar gold certificates and \$35,840,000 in 20-dollar gold certificates; \$168,808,000 in 1-dollar silver certificates; \$22,520,000 in 2-dollar silver certificates, and \$55,640,000 in 5-dollar United States notes.

The amount of the new Federal Reserve notes which have been shipped was: \$370,400,000 in fives, \$479,840,000 in tens, \$470,480,000 in twenties and \$80,200,000 in fifties.

National bank notes to the amount of \$14,051,000 have been distributed to the banks in replacement of an equal amount of condemned currency, but this amount Mr. Bond said would be increased rapidly as the conditions under which the Department and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing have been working are overcome.

#### Currency Change Satisfactory.

"Thus far," said Mr. Bond, "I think it can be said that the transition from old to new currency has been going forward most satisfactorily. It is true, of course, that we are somewhat behind our program in handling the national bank notes because of conditions over which we have had no control. But the situation is being clarified and it is our hope that the distribution can be made much more rapidly than would be indicated by the \$14,000,000 thus far sent out.

The chief satisfaction which the officials, charged with the currency work are getting out of their jobs now is the "splendid spirit in which the public has received the new money." The Assistant Secretary remarked that the Treasury had anticipated plenty of kick-backs; it always has been so when policies have been altered, but Mr. Bond observed that in the instance of supplanting new money for the old there had been a noticeable lack of complaint. This fact, he said, gave every official and clerk connected with the job the personal satisfaction of knowing that the public understood they had a difficult task to perform and were willing to bear the slight inconvenience of having two sizes of currency in their pockets or wallets without kicking about it.

#### Counting of Notes Difficult.

An inability of some national banks to understand the necessary procedure in some respects has aggravated the Department's problem of getting national bank notes ready for distribution. In addition to this phase of the work which has made for delay, the Treasury has been up against a gigantic physical proposition in counting the national bank notes that have been sent for redemption, according to Mr. Bond. Divisions in the office of the Comptroller of the Currency are engaged now in counting about 3,000,000 pieces a day; their capacity is estimated at 6,000,000, but the organization work required to equip and maintain the personnel and facilities for handling a greater amount has been slow and hard to accomplish, it was stated.

As regards another phase of the physical problem, Mr. Bond related some of the situations in the printing of the national bank notes which have had to be circumvented. He referred in particular to the difficulty of obtaining the necessary plates to print the names or titles and the signatures of the officers of the national banks on the new currency. An especially hard plate is required and there is only one plant in the country able to supply them, according to the Assistant Secretary, who added that the commercial plant with which the Government is dealing has been operating on a

24-hour basis and still cannot keep up. Its problem has been made more difficult by labor troubles and inability to obtain all of the efficient workmen it can use.

#### 24 Printing Plates Needed.

In printing the national bank notes, six of the hard surfaced plates are required for each type of note for each bank. Thus, if a bank is issuing fives, tens, twenties and fifties, 24 plates must be had for the job, it was explained.

The Treasury's job in supplying the national banks is not made much easier by the fact that some of them are not note-issuing banks, Mr. Bond declared. He said that the percentage of the 7,536 national banks which did not issue notes was not large enough to enable the Treasury to observe the effect when the question of currency distribution was before it.

### The "Gold Clause" Analyzed by John T. Madden and Marcus Nadler of Institute of International Finance.

Despite the fact that practically all foreign obligations issued in this country call for payment in "gold coin of the present weight and fineness," it is not necessarily the intention of either the borrowers or the investors that actual payment of these loans shall be made in gold, says a 27-page special study of the "gold clause," issued by the Institute of International Finance. The Institute, a fact-finding body organized to study foreign credit conditions, is conducted by the Investment Bankers Association of America in co-operation with New York University.

"The insertion of the clause 'gold of the present weight and fineness' after the currency in which the loan is stated," the Institute points out, "is intended to eliminate all risk of loss which the holders of the bonds may sustain as a result of possible fluctuations of the currency. The gold clause definitely specifies payment in gold. In actual practice, however, the debtor pays in his own currency while the creditor receives payment in his own currency. As a matter of fact, the debtor can liquidate his obligations only in the legal-tender money of his country, for one of the attributes of sovereignty is the fixing of the legal tender in which debts may be discharged, and generally sovereign States permit debts to be liquidated otherwise than by actual gold. The various gold clauses, therefore, merely provide for an automatic increase in the number of units of the legal-tender currency in which the loan is actually repaid, in case the currency in which the bond is stated has depreciated and the paper currency has been declared legal tender by law."

A summary of the views set out in the study further says:

Yet, despite the fact that the gold clause is seldom interpreted strictly, it is not mere dead-wood and without importance to the investor. In almost all cases where the gold clause was contested, the bulletin emphasizes, bondholders were able to obtain better terms than they would have gained if the word "gold" had not been inserted in the loan contract.

The gold clauses most often used in international loan contracts, the Institute shows, are the gold-coin clause, which calls for the payment of a certain sum or quantity of gold of a definite standard of weight and fineness; the gold value clause, which calls for the payment of a certain amount of gold of a definite standard of weight and fineness, or its equivalent in paper money; and the valuta or foreign exchange clause, which ties the loan to one or to several foreign currencies. Since payment is almost never made in gold there is, in essence, little difference between the first two classes. The Treaty of St. Germain accordingly interprets the gold-coin clause as the equivalent of the gold value clause, an interpretation generally accepted at the present time in the creditor countries.

The valuta clause is commonly used in the case of loans issued in more than one country and stated in several currencies. In such a case, the bondholder usually has the option of receiving payment either in his own currency or in the currency of the other country or countries. Such a clause is to be found in the Rumanian stabilization loan of 1929. The purpose of providing for the payment of the debt service of a loan in various currencies, the bulletin notes, is two-fold; first, to increase the marketability of the loan by making it international in character, and second, to reduce the danger of exchange fluctuation.

"Post-war experience with the gold clause," the Institute points out, induced American, British, Swiss and Dutch bankers to improve the phraseology of the gold clause in order to avoid controversies which might arise from different interpretations of the clause. The clause dealing with the protection from currency depreciations most commonly found in this country reads as follows: "United States gold coin of the present weight and fineness."

While this clause is to be found in the loan contract of almost every foreign issue floated in this country, variations and explanatory clauses are not uncommon. Thus, while the Frederick Krupp, Ltd., covenant to repay in United States gold dollars under any and all circumstances and irrespective of the German law, the Electric Power Corp.'s debt, due in 1950, may be liquidated in German reichsmarks at the current rate of exchange in the event of default. This latter provision is found in a great number of loans. It recognizes that, in event of default, creditors would be obliged to bring suit before a court in the country of the borrower, and, if the assets should be sold at public auction, the proceeds would necessarily be in local currency.

The study has been prepared by John T. Madden and Marcus Madden of the Institute, who in stating that they are responsible for the text, make acknowledgment for suggestions and criticisms to members of the Executive Committee of the Institute—John Foster Dulles, Dr. Max Winkler, Howard M. Jefferson, W. A. Sholten, W. W. Ross, and Raleigh S. Rife.

### U. S. Senate Reconvenes Republican Members of Senate Finance Committee Submit Revised Tariff Schedules—U. S. Valuation Tariff Clause Adopted.

With the reconvening of the Senate on August 19 (a recess was taken by Congress June 19) the Republican members of the Senate Committee on Finance presented to the Democratic members of the committee the schedule of revised tariff rates proposed by the majority members. As revised by the Republicans of the committee, the bill carries about 360 rate increases and reductions from the schedules in the bill as passed by the House on May 28, reference to which appeared in our issue of June 1, page 3622. On Aug. 23 the Republican members of the Senate Finance Committee completed their labors on the administrative sections of the bill and adjourned to meet again on the morning of Sept. 4, said a Washington dispatch Aug. 23 to the New York "Journal of Commerce"; the dispatch also stated that at that time (Sept. 4) the Democratic members will be invited to attend and to cast their votes on the reporting of the measure to the Senate. The Associated Press accounts from Washington Aug. 19, in noting the changes in tariff rates made by the Republicans of the Senate Finance Committee said:

The greatest number of reductions approved were in the chemical schedule, most of the 67 changes recommended in this section being decreases in House duties.

By schedule there were 36 alterations in the earthenware, and glassware schedule; 51 in metals; eight in wood and manufacturers of; nine in sugar; four in tobacco; 70 in agriculture; one in spirits; 20 in cotton manufacturers; seven in flax, hemp, and jute; 33 in wool; one in silk; five in rayon; 10 in papers and books, and 34 in sundries.

Of the important articles which the House took from the free list and made dutiable the finance group retained hides, leather, and shoes, increasing some of the proposed leather rates. They also retained the House rates on cement, now free.

Eight articles in the chemicals, oils and paints schedule which the House left dutiable were recommended for the free list, as well as one, wood tar and pitch of wood, which the House took off the free list.

The committeemen proposed restoration of the present duties on leaf tobacco, which the House increased 40 cents a pound, but provided higher duties on leaf consisting of filler, mixed or packed with over 5% but not more than 35% wrapper.

Senator King of Utah, a Democratic member of the Finance Committee declared the tentative committee bill was an "unsatisfactory as the House bill."

The Republican committeemen's rates carried a caption that they were subject to correction before the entire bill was reported.

On Aug. 16 the Republican members of the committee voted to cut the Hawley tariff bill sugar rates from 2.40c. to 2.20c. for the Cuban product and 3c. to 2.75c. for world. We quote from a Washington dispatch Aug. 16 to the New York "Journal of Commerce" which went on to say:

Before adopting these rates by a vote of 7 to 4, the Republicans rejected, 2 to 9, a motion proposing acceptance of the House rates. This latter motion was offered by Senator Shortridge of California after consideration of the sugar schedule at the morning session. The Californian's only supporter was Senator Bingham of Connecticut.

As the Republican committeemen opened their afternoon session, there were three propositions before them, the rates finally adopted, rates of 2c. for Cuban sugar and 2.50c. for world, and the existing law rates of 1.76c. for Cuban and 2.20c. for world. The votes on the two latter proposals were withheld.

#### No Restrictions on Philippines.

Other decisions reached on the sugar schedule included retention of the House rate of one-sixth of 1c. per gallon on black strap molasses, increase in the House duties on maple sugar and maple syrup from 7½c. to 9c., and 5c. to 6c., respectively, and the retention of the House rate of 2c. on dextrose and dextrose syrup. No restriction was placed on sugar importations from the Philippine Islands, while the House rate of \$3 on sugar cane was cut to \$2 in order to prevent an embargo on cane imported into Porto Rico from Santo Domingo.

At the adjournment of to-day's deliberations, Chairman Smoot announced completion of all schedules in the pending tariff bill, asserting that he expects copies of the committee print to be available to Democratic members and the public at 10 a. m. Monday. He also announced that the Republicans would begin consideration of the administrative provisions at 2 p. m. Monday. The majority program calls for beginning the Senate debate on the tariff bill Sept. 4.

Announcement was also made that the Republicans have disagreed to all Senate amendments to the House bill, including the export debenture plan. The proposal of Senator Glass (Dem.) of Virginia to levy a tax on stock speculation transactions and a similar amendment by Senator Brookhart (Rep.) of Iowa. These amendments were rejected on the ground that they are not germane to the tariff legislation.

In announcing his committee's decisions on the sugar schedule, Chairman Smoot issued a statement in order that "the American people may know the additional maximum cost that could possibly result from the increased rate over the present law." He said "it would be well to analyze the same as follows:

"The total consumption of sugar in 1928 was estimated at 6,000,000 tons. There were used in the industries, according to the Equalization Board's estimate, 3,000,000 tons, leaving a balance of 3,000,000 tons to be used by other sources. The American people should understand that there are four things served without charge in hotels, restaurants and eating houses of all kinds. These four items are as follows: Sugar, salt, pepper and water. Just how much sugar is given out free it is impossible to estimate.

#### Compares with Other Rates.

"The increase made by the committee over the existing law is \$8.80 per ton. Three million tons at \$8.80 amount to \$26,400,000. This is the amount the free trader could claim the increase would cost the American consumer. This increase would average about 22c. per person per year.

"This rate will permit the sugar industry of the United States to live with a small profit. If the sugar industry of the United States were destroyed, we would be entirely at the mercy of the foreign producers.

"The 2 1-5c. per pound duty on sugar, a most difficult commodity to produce, beginning with the planting of the seed and followed with the thinning of the beets, the extreme cultivation, together with the price that must



be paid the farmer per ton, seems rather small as compared with other rates in the pending bill. For instance, cream, fresh or sour, 48c. per gallon; dried whole milk, 6½c. per pound; dried cream, 12 1-3c. per pound; butter, 14c. per pound; cheese, 8c. per pound; birds, dead, dressed or undressed, chickens, ducks, geese, 10c. per pound; wheat, 42c. per bushel; rice, 1½c. per pound; dried cherries, 6c. per pound; figs, 5c. per pound; almonds, not shelled, 5½c. per pound; almonds shelled, 16½c. per pound; walnuts, 15c. per pound; beans, 3¼c. per pound; tomatoes, 2½c. per pound; white or Irish potatoes, 75c. per 100 pounds, or ¾c. per pound; peanuts, 4¼c. per pound; peanuts, shelled, 7c. per pound."

Immediately after Chairman Smoot had announced the cut in sugar duties the domestic sugar interests declared the committee's action was "unsatisfactory and entirely unacceptable."

Speaking for the domestic sugar producers, Stephen H. Love, President of the United States Beet Sugar Association, issued a statement serving notice that they "intend to continue as vigorously as before our fight for equitable treatment in the final draft of the Hawley-Smoot bill."

The Washington correspondent of the New York "Journal of Commerce" (Clarence L. Linz, indicating the changes made by the Republican members of the committee said in part:

As it emerges from the Committee, the bill is replete with changes but the increases are rather offset by the decreases made in some of the important rates and there are evidences of log rolling, past, present and prospective.

The Committee rejected the proposal for a sliding scale plan for the assessment of duties on sugar, but adopted such a plan, applicable to antimony another high ly speculative commodity. The sugar rate is made 2.75c. which means 2.20c. per pound against sugar from Cuba. The present world rate is 2.20c. (1.76c. against Cuba), and the House proposed a rate of 3c. (2.40c. against Cuba). The new proposal is not satisfactory to the domestic cane and beet producers because they contend, it is too low, nor to the importing interests, who hold it to be too high.

**Wool Schedule To Be Target.**

The wool schedule—the same old Schedule K of the Payne-Aldrich law—will offer a good target in the Senate. The committee rejected the House rate of 34c. per pound on raw wool, retaining the present 31c. rate, and so re-wrote the provisions as to make the new rates less protective to the wool growers than the present law, and the importers will not have to pay duty or scoured wool for the dirt it still contains when it enters the United States.

Cement, brick and tile are retained on the dutiable list, but lumber and shingles and cabinet woods are relegated to the free list. From a political standpoint that will be helpful to the Administration. There will be a fight on the shoe and leather paragraphs, since the rates applicable to those commodities are protective as well as compensatory.

A study of the bill and the application of the rates will disclose that the measure will be satisfactory to no group in its entirety and that it contains plenty of ammunition for use against its proponents in the next Congressional campaign. So evident is this fact that, although the bill has only come from the printer in confidential print form, moves are being made to modify some of the rates therein contained.

Drafted in secret session, watchful representatives of interested industries have kept their people advised of rate changes and even before the debate starts in the Senate there is being voiced the dissatisfaction of these industries with what the committee has or has not done.

The end of the week will find each member of the Senate doubtlessly swamped with letters and telegrams of protest, not that each has not already heard of the disappointment that has been occasioned. It is privately said that there are some Senators, particularly some that must stand for reelection a year hence, who wish that President Hoover had never said anything about tariff revision.

**To Seek to Limit Discussion.**

Astute politicians have been listening to the voice of the people and the criticism of the bill in the Senate will be of considerable volume, it is estimated. It was announced to-day by Senator Thomas (Dem.) of Oklahoma, a member of the Finance Committee, that he would offer a resolution in the Senate to limit tariff discussion to the agricultural and related schedules and the products of needy industries. He will be supported by Senator Borah (Rep.) of Idaho and debate on the Thomas resolution promises to be a merry one. Because of the rather muddled condition of the bill it is said that the high tariff group will be pushed to the limit to defend the bill against the proposal to limit its application.

It is promised that while the Senate Finance Committee has juggled the provisions of the House bill, the real remodeling of the measure will be accomplished in part in the Senate itself and later in conferences after the Senate finishes its work. The probabilities are that it will be late in November at least before the final touches are put to the bill if the desire for its conclusion before the beginning of the regular session of Congress in December is accomplished.

From the "Wall Street Journal" of Aug. 20 we take the following Washington advices:

After more than three months' hearings and debate by Republican members, Senate Finance Committee has evolved a tariff bill which is no more limited in scope than that passed by the House. This was revealed when the committee made public what was described as a tentative report on the rate sections of the bill. Administrative sections are still under consideration.

President Hoover was reliably understood to believe that the bill passed by the House was too broad in scope and went beyond Republican Party promises to revise rates solely for agriculture and such industries as were suffering from foreign competition because of changed conditions. The proposed Senate bill differs little from the House bill in this respect.

Coincident with the reporting of the bill, the effort to limit revision to agriculture was revived. This proposition originally set forth in the Borah resolution was beaten in the Senate by one vote. It was revived by Senator Thomas (Democrat) of Oklahoma. He follows the Borah resolution, except that he would allow amendments to the present law to take care of industries in distress and to modernize administrative provisions. He would put upon those who proposed them the burden of proof for necessity for such amendments. How far Senator Thomas's proposal will get is problematical. However, some similar proposal will be sponsored by influential Senators and it is very likely to pass.

**Rates Purely Tentative.**

To this proposal and to such criticism of the measure as came from other sources on Monday Senate Finance Committee members insisted that rates made public were to be regarded as purely tentative and subject to change before a bill is finally reported.

The Senate committee struck out of the coal tar sections of the present law the provision for basing the duty on the American selling price. Committee members were not sure that this action would stand. Reconsideration is likely to come before the bill is finally reported or the matter may be

cared for in the administrative sections. However, it was indicated that the sentiment of the committee was expressed in the bill as tentatively drawn.

The Senate committee lowered the House sugar schedule and eliminated the House increases in the rates on Sumatra tobacco. The House put a 3 cent a pound duty on 96 degree sugar with a 30% differential in favor of Cuba. The Senate rate is 2.75 cents per pound, which makes an effective rate of 2.20 cents against Cuba. The rates on wrapper tobacco were restored to \$2.10 and \$2.75 per pound as in the present law.

Outside of these two items the agricultural schedule as written by the House was not changed in any important particular. Flaxseed was given a rate of 56 cents a bushel in place of the 63 cents rate set by the House and linseed oil was cut from 4.16 cents to 3.7 cents per pound. Duty on cheese and substitutes was raised from 7 to 8 cents a pound and duty on oat from 15 to 16 cents per bushel.

**TABLE OF RATES.**

Articles—	Present.	House Rate.	Senate Rate.
Sugar, 96 degrees	2.2c lb	3c lb	2.75 lb
Sugar, 100 degrees	2.8c lb	3.5c lb	2.97c lb
Cugar sugar, 96 degrees	1.76c lb	2.4c lb	2.20c lb
Corn	15c bu	25c bu	25c bu
Oats	15c bu	15c bu	16c bu
Potatoes	60c cwt	75c cwt	75c cwt
Flaxseed	66c bu	63c bu	56c bu
Linseed oil	3.7c lb	4.16c lb	3.7c lb
Butter and subs	5c lb	14c lb	7c lb
Cheese and subs	5c lb	7c lb	14c lb
Poultry, dead	6c lb	10c lb	10c lb
Eggs in shell	8c	10c	10c
Chickens, live	3c lb	6c lb	8c lb
Cattle	1½ to 2c lb	2 to 2½c lb	2 to 2½c lb
Fresh beef	2 to 3c lb	6c lb	6c lb
Lard	1c lb	3c lb	3c lb
Sheep and goats	\$2 head	\$3 head	\$3 head
Bacon, ham, &c	2c lb	3¼c lb	3¼c lb
Meats, fresh & chilled, not otherwise provided for	20% ad val	6c lb but not less than 20% Same	2c lb Same
Swine	¼c lb	2c lb	2c lb
Pork	¾c lb	2¼c lb	2¼c lb
Sumatra tobacco, unstemmed	\$2.10	\$2.50	\$2
Sumatra tobacco, stemmed	\$2.75 lb	\$3.15 lb	\$2.75 lb
Building bricks	Free list	\$1.25 per M	\$1.25 per M
Calclined gypsum	\$1.40 ton	Free list	\$3 ton
Cement	Free list	8c cwt	8c cwt
Pig iron	\$1.12½ ton	\$1.12½ ton	\$1.50 ton
Tungsten ore	46c lb	50c lb	45c lb
Manganese ore	Free list	1c lb	Free list
Granular or spg. iron	Free list	Free list	\$2 ton
Hammer roll or mill scale	Free list	Free list	75c ton
Spiegeleisen	75c ton	75c ton	\$1 ton
Antimony	¼ to 2c lb	Same	¼ to 4c lb
Auto trucks and busses	25% ad val	25%	25%
Other automobiles	25%	25%	10%
Clocks	35c to \$3	55c to \$4.50	55c to \$4.50
Surgical instruments	45%	75%	45% ad val
Cast iron pipe	20%	30%	30%
Shingles	Free list	25%	Free list
Wool in grease and washed, not finer than 40s	12 to 18c lb	24c lb	24c lb
Scoured wool	24c lb	24c lb	27c lb
Woven wool fabrics weigh'g more than 4 oz. valued at more than 80c lb	37c & 50% ad val	40c & 50% ad val	40c & 50% ad val
Fabrics valued at not more than 80c, but less than \$1.25	45c & 50% ad val	50c & 50% ad val	46c & 50%
Valued at more than \$2 a bbl.	50c & 60% ad val	46c & 50% ad val	46c & 50%
Pile fabrics	40c lb & 50% ad val	44c lb & 55% ad val	41c & 50 to 55%
Woolen hose and gloves valued at \$1.75 per doz. pair	36c lb & 35% ad val	40c lb & 35%	37c lb & 35%
Woolen hose and gloves valued at more than \$1.75 per doz. pair	45c & 50%	50c & 50%	46c & 50%
Rugs, carpets and mats	55%; 50c sq. ft. but not less than 50c, but not less than 45%	60% ad valorum	60% ad valorum
Woolen knit or crocheted underwear valued at not more than \$1.75 per lb.	36c lb & 30% ad val	40c lb & 30%	37c lb & 30%
Same valued at more than \$1.75	45c lb & 50%	50c lb & 50%	46c lb & 50%
Same valued not more than \$2	40c lb & 45%	44c lb & 45%	41c lb & 45%
Same valued at more than \$2	45c lb & 50%	50c lb & 50%	46c lb & 50%
Woolen clothing, not knit, valued at not more than \$2	24c lb to 50% ad val	36c lb & 40%	---
Same valued at not more than \$4	30c lb & 45%	33c lb & 45%	46½c lb & 50%
Same valued at more than \$4	45c lb & 50%	31c lb & 45%	50c lb & 50%
Clothing, silk	60%	65%	65%
Woven silk fabrics	55%	60%	60%
Woven silk fabric, jacquered pat.	55%	65%	65%
Rayon yarns	Basis rate	45%	45%
Spun rayon yarn	20c lb plus 45%	to 50% ad val	Same
Rayon bands and strips	45%	45%	Same
Paper tissue weighing not more than 6 lbs. to ream	6c to 15%	6c to 20%	6c to 20%
Matches	8c gross	20c gross	20c gross
Matches, loose	¾c per 1,000	2c per 1,000	2½c per 1,000
Caseln	2½c lb	2½c lb	2-10c lb., but
Soya bean oil	2¼c lb	5c lb	3¼c lb, not less than 45% ad v
Menthol	50%	75%	50%
Photographic dry plates	15%	25%	25%
Umbrellas	40%	60%	40%
Asbestos	30%	40%	40%
Unsensitized photo paper	3c lb & 15%	5% ad val	3c lb & 15%
Sensitized photo paper	3c lb & 20%	30%	3c lb & 20%
Mechanical pencils	72c doz & 40% ad val	72c doz & 40% ad val	45c doz & 40% ad val
Boots & shoes, & other footwear	Free list	20%	20%
Hides and skins	Free list	10%	10%
Leather sole and belting	Free list	12½%	15%
Uphostery leather and other than show leather	20%	20%	20%
Leather, other than cow, not for shoes	20%	25%	15 to 17%
Leather, rough, not specifically provided for	Free list	15%	15%
Decorated leather	Free list	30%	20%
Side upper & patent leather	Free list	15%	17½%

Largely completing revision of the administrative features of the tariff bill on Aug. 21 the Senate Finance Committee Republicans, says a Washington dispatch that date to the New York "Herald-Tribune" adopted a modified form of the Reed plan for United States valuation, stood by the House flexible tariff provisions, reverted to the substance of the present law relating to make-up of the tariff commission and knocked out the House provision making the Secretary of

the Treasury the final arbiter on questions of valuation. The paper quoted further said:

The United States valuation plan, as first proposed by Senator David A. Reed, of Pennsylvania, was changed on motion of Senator James Couzens, of Michigan, so that the rates proposed by the tariff commission for converting the tariff law to the basis of domestic values instead of foreign values shall be reported to Congress and be subject to the approval of Congress instead of being proclaimed by the President. The tariff commission is to report the rates based on United States valuation not later than Jan. 1 1932.

Should the new basis of valuation, on the domestic basis instead of the present foreign basis, be put into effect, it would make a revolutionary change in tariff matters in this country. In some quarters, however, it is held that there will be indefinite delay in getting approval of Congress.

It is pointed out that it will not be the present Congress but a new Congress which will pass on the matter and then not until close to the Presidential campaign and that the whole matter is likely to be thrown over until the Presidential contest of 1932. Senator Reed, however, hopes for a report much earlier than Jan. 1 1932, and believes there will be no such delay as is predicted by the more pessimistic.

While it was officially given out that there is no final decision on the flexible tariff, it was unofficially asserted the House provision in its essentials had been retained and that the President is given the sweeping power of the House bill to move the tariff rates up or down to the extent of 50% if differences in competitive conditions warrant it. It is well understood the President desires a broad flexible tariff provision. However, the Democratic and insurgent coalition will lead a vigorous attack upon it.

#### Complete Revision To-day.

Senator Reed Smoot, Chairman of the Finance Committee, announced this evening that the majority members of the Committee would complete revision of the administrative sections to-morrow.

Meantime, the Democrats are preparing for war on the bill. Senator F. M. Simmons, Democratic chief on the Finance Committee, returning from his home in North Carolina to-day, said he would call a meeting of the Finance Committee Democrats Friday; that a systematic plan for offering amendments to the bill would be followed; that the Democrats hoped for insurgent support; and that he was doubtful whether the bill could be passed before the regular session.

It will be the plan of the minority, Senator Simmons indicated, to have sub-committees take charge of the minority amendments. He said the Democrats would not attempt to present a substitute bill. He said he was not prepared as yet to discuss the measure in detail.

Senator Robert M. La Follette Jr., who has returned to Washington, took steps to get in touch with other insurgent Republicans and Democrats on tariff. He is prepared for a vigorous fight on many features of the Finance Committee bill. Senator W. E. Borah predicted a vigorous fight and forecasted important changes in the bill on the floor.

That the Democratic-insurgent plan to limit the bill to agricultural rates and related matters will not get the support of Senator J. Thomas Heflin, of Alabama, was made plain to-day by that Senator. Reports are current that because of demand for protection by Alabama industries he will not fight the bill.

#### The U. S. Valuation Provision.

The United States valuation provision, as agreed to by the Finance Committee Republicans, was made public, in view of its great importance in regulation to tariff. It follows:

##### Section 403.—Domestic Value—Conversion of Rates.

"(a) Conversion of Rates by United States Tariff Commission.—The United States Tariff Commission shall ascertain, with respect to each of the ad valorem rates of duty, and each of the rates of duty regulated by the value of the article, specified in this Act, an ad valorem rate (or a rate regulated by the value of the article, as the case may be) which if applied upon the basis of domestic value would have resulted as nearly as possible in the imposition, during the period from July 1 1927 to June 30 1929, both dates inclusive, of amounts, of duty neither greater nor less than would have been collectable at the rates specified in this Act applied upon the basis of value defined in Section 402.

"(b) Report to Congress by Commission.—The Commission shall, as soon as practicable, but in no event later than Jan. 1 1932, submit a report to the Congress setting forth the classes of articles with respect to which the conversion of rates has been made, together with the converted rates applicable thereto.

"(c) Data to be furnished by Secretary of Treasury and Secretary of Commerce.—To assist the Commission in carrying out the provisions of this section, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Commerce are authorized and directed to furnish to the Commission, upon request, any data or information in the possession or control of their respective departments relating to the importation, entry, appraisement and classification of merchandise and the collection of duties thereon.

##### Definitions of Terms.

"(d) Definitions.—When used in this section:

"(1) The term 'domestic value' applied with respect to imported merchandise means:

"(a) The prices at which, at the time of importation of the imported merchandise, such imported merchandise is freely offered for sale, packed ready for delivery, in the principal market of the United States to all purchasers, in the usual wholesale quantities and in the ordinary course of trade, or

"(b) If such imported merchandise is not so offered for sale, then an estimated value based upon the price at which merchandise, whether imported or domestic, comparable in construction or use with the imported merchandise, is so offered for sale, with such adjustments as may be necessary owing to differences in size, material, construction, texture and other differences.

"(2) The term 'Rate of duty regulated by the value of the article' means a rate of duty regulated in any manner by the value of the article, and includes the value classification by which such rate is regulated."

##### Senator Reed's Statement.

Senator Reed said:

"I am greatly gratified over the action of the Finance Committee in adopting the United States value plan. The committee decided that it would be better for Congress to retain control of the taxing power vested in it by the Constitution rather than extend the powers of the President by giving him authority to proclaim the new duties when worked out by the Tariff Commission.

"Although my original proposal contemplated a proclamation by the President, in the belief that this plan would be simpler, I regard the method by which the new duties are to be made effective as less important than the principle of basing our customs duties on a domestic value which can be easily ascertained rather than on a foreign value which is often fraudulent or fictitious.

"In addition, it has been all but impossible to ascertain costs of production in France and several other countries which export a large proportion of their production to the United States.

"Adoption of a domestic-value basis would automatically end this particular difficulty. Values would be quickly and accurately ascertained. Frauds representing the product of foreign conspiracies would be impossible. It would be simpler, easier, more efficient and do away with the friction resulting from inquiries of our agents abroad.

"Practically every country in Europe uses a domestic value as the basis for the assessment of customs duties. It is time we did likewise."

In providing for reorganization of the Tariff Commission the House increased the membership from 6 to 7 and practically made it possible for a partisan commission to be named. The Finance Republicans made the membership 6, as at present, and kept the provision of existing law for a partisan commission. It made the term of office 6 years and made the salary \$12,000 instead of \$7,500, as at present.

Senator James E. Watson, Senate Republican leader, made it plain that so far as he was concerned he did not intend to have important business for regular session, other than tariff, all blocked by a delayed tariff bill. He said if the bill was not passed in the extra session, went into the regular session, and was not soon passed in the regular session, he would move to put it over until after the Presidential election. Senator Watson, however, does not expect this will be necessary. He said the bill could pass this session if there is no filibuster. He also gave it as his opinion the President would sign the bill.

The Senate adjourned on Aug. 19, a few minutes after reconvening, to meet Aug. 22; on the latter date it met, but adjourned immediately after until Aug. 26.

### Revenue Yield of House and Senate Tariff Bills and of Present Law.

From its Washington bureau Aug. 20 the New York "Herald-Tribune" reported the following:

"The dutiable list and free list of the pending tariff bill, as tentatively agreed upon by the majority members of the Senate Finance Committee, provide for approximately 431 changes in rates from the bill as it passed the House," according to a statement to-day by Senator Smoot, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee.

"The changes consist of 177 increases and 254 decreases. Approximately 59% of all changes were decreases in the House rates. Ten of the 15 schedules were decreases from the House rates, one identical to the House schedule and four were slight increases.

"Thirteen per cent of all the increases were in the agricultural schedule itself. Many of the remaining increases were on items contained in the 14 schedules, other than the agricultural schedule, and also in the free list, which related to agriculture, directly or indirectly, such as casein, sugar, and so forth."

The following table gives the approximate amount of revenue provided for in the Senate revision, as compared with the present law (Act of 1922) and the bill as it passed the House:

Schedules—	Present Law.	House Bill.	Revised Senate Bill.
Chemicals, oils and paints	\$27,686,466	\$30,534,735	\$28,167,942
Earthenware and glassware	25,802,163	31,129,659	30,367,860
Metals and manufactures of	45,608,392	51,335,850	42,848,180
Woods and manufactures of	5,193,618	6,704,428	4,143,367
Sugar, molasses and manufactures	118,572,109	161,405,190	148,500,501
Tobacco and manufactures	39,314,791	41,729,431	39,314,791
Agricultural products and provisions	60,063,515	89,792,910	86,906,799
Spirits, wines and other beverages	483,489	591,386	591,386
Cotton manufactures	19,916,330	21,557,559	20,724,749
Flax, hemp, jute and manufactures of	23,973,191	24,869,189	24,987,342
Wool and manufactures of	57,171,665	66,886,360	65,090,664
Silk and silk goods	18,347,719	19,518,181	20,256,956
Rayon manufactures	6,016,337	6,054,430	6,071,474
Papers and books	5,485,073	5,816,043	5,821,389
Sundries	63,949,286	87,949,194	81,705,069
	\$516,581,144	\$646,014,545	\$605,498,469

The table excludes \$15,360,255 duties collected on imports valued at \$32,921,412 in 1928 under the Act of 1922 for which duties could not be calculated under the actual or computed ad valorem rate on such imports. Such imports included straw hats, fur hats, thermos bottles, jewelry, &c.

### Senator Borah Says Agriculture Suffers in House and Senate Committee—Tariff Bills.

Senator Borah (Progressive Republican) in a statement issued at Washington, Aug. 22, criticised the tariff bill as revised by the Republicans of the Senate Finance Committee. Senator Brookhart, also a Progressive Republican, and Senator McKellar, (Democrat) likewise voiced their disapproval of provisions of the bill. Senator Borah in his criticism said:

There never would have been a special session and there would not have been any revision or readjustment of the tariff at this time had it not been for agriculture and the demands of agriculture.

The Republican Party declared in its platform that agriculture was suffering because of its economic inequality and pledged the party to do all within its power to restore economic equality to agriculture. The Democratic Party took practically the same position. In order to clinch that proposition in the minds of the voters and give proof of its purpose to act without delay, a special session was promised and called by the Republican leader.

The sole reason for the calling of the special session was agriculture and its problems. There were two propositions with reference to farm relief: First, that which had to do with legislation aside from the tariff and which has already been disposed of; second, that which had to do with relief through tariff readjustment.

My examination of the bill reported by the Senate Finance Committee convinces me there is very little difference between the two bills in so far as they affect agriculture. If either is passed, agriculture will suffer the same inequality, the same injustice that we were pledged to remedy.

While there has been some changes in the agricultural schedule, some of the proposed changes are ineffective and all of them have been rendered practically ineffective by the increase in industrial rates. In other words, the pledge which we made to remedy inequality existing between agriculture and industry cannot possibly be carried out by the enactment of either one of these bills.

Those who have the interest of agriculture at heart and those who believe that the pledges made ought to be kept are in duty bound to endeavor to



change this bill in the Senate. Agriculture is making an honest fight for fair and equal treatment under the protective tariff system. It is entitled to win.

This is not a mere question of adjusting rates in a particular bill; it is a question of restoring a great industry to a place of equality with other industries, under the protective system. This inequality is admitted, a campaign was made upon that proposition, a victory was won upon that proposition and if ever a great party stood face to face with the fulfillment of a plain, simple, well-understood, vital pledge, the Republican Party does at this time.

The farmer did not seek to have the industrial duties reduced, some of which might well have been attacked. These duties were fixed and established by law, so it was said: "Let them stand but give us a chance to live under this protective system. Help us to realize a price that we may pay the price which is imposed upon us."

But, when agriculture secured the special session, over the reluctance or the objections of those already protected, when the farmers' duties begin to receive consideration up go the duties on the things which they must buy.

It is all wrong. It is a violation of our pledge and if it is possible to defeat the scheme it ought to be defeated.

Returning to Washington from the West, Senator Brookhart (according to Washington advices Aug. 22 to the New York "Times") declared that farmers there disliked the new tariff bill even more than they did the farm relief plan approved by Congress. He said he believed the export debenture feature and also the Glass suggestion to tax speculative stock transfers could be forced into the bill, despite their rejection by the finance committee Republicans.

He said that he now contemplated a modified form of the export debenture proposal, and that former Governor Lowden of Illinois had told him that the debenture plan was even more practicable than the equalization fee, which Mr. Lowden sponsored.

#### H. V. R. Scheel of Botany Mills Prefers Senator Reed's Proposal for Valuation Basis of Tariff Rates.

H. V. R. Scheel, Vice-President of the Botany Mills, on Aug. 22 authorized the following in connection with reported action of the Senate Finance Committee on methods of basing tariff valuation:

Senator Reed's proposal is far better than the form adopted by the Finance Committee because the former would make transfer in value base certain upon the President's being satisfied with the correctness of the Tariff Commission's arithmetic. The committee form makes transfer from the present unreliable and unfair foreign value base to domestic valuation possible only after both Houses of Congress have again passed the whole bill, perhaps paragraph by paragraph, or schedule by schedule.

It should also be remembered that the date of Jan. 1 1932 for completion of the Tariff Commission's work means two years or more of uncertainty, with no assurance even then that the future Congress will adopt domestic value. In other words, the Finance Committee seems to prefer to make the transfer of value base something permissive instead of mandatory.

Far more serious, however, is the failure of the Finance Committee to recognize that the laboring man's wage scale is the real object of protection, that every man, woman and child in America is affected by a maintained continuance of the purchasing power of all the American people. Not only the value of the article should determine the amount of duty levied upon it, when offered for import, but the amount of labor conversion cost in the article should determine the amount of duty to be assessed.

Including a reference to conversion costs, i. e., to the labor cost content of imports, is a matter more important to American labor than to American manufacturers, because they can turn to importing goods but their employees have no such alternative. It is unfortunate that the Washington proposals fail to go directly to what is intended to be protected, the conversion cost, but look only to "value." Such a view makes it possible for two articles in the same paragraph to call for the same rate of duty while one may consist of 30% raw material cost and 70% conversion cost and the other may represent 80% raw material cost and 20% conversion cost.

#### Inter-State Commerce Commission Against Truck Service in New York by Railroads.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission on Aug. 15 put the stamp of its disapproval on the practice of the New York Central, Baltimore & Ohio and Central RR. of New Jersey relative to constructive station service and of trucking in lieu of lighterage on Manhattan Island, New York. The New York "Journal of Commerce" on Aug. 16 reported the action as follows:

The use of trucks beyond the natural railheads of the carriers' lines was held to be preferential of shippers enjoying the service and prejudicial of those not receiving it, in violation of Sections 2 and 3 of the Inter-State Commerce Act.

The Commission held that it is without power under the Act to require carriers to establish store-door receipt and delivery of freight, and that such service is plainly not compatible with the recapture clause of the Transportation Act.

##### Ordered To Discontinue.

The constructive station maintained by the New York New Haven & Hartford RR. must be discontinued because of violation of Section 2 of the Inter-State Commerce Act, and the proposal of the New York Central to continue the practice of constructive lighterage on traffic to and from New England to meet the competition of the New Haven's constructive station was denied by the Commission.

The sweeping decision followed an exhaustive investigation of the entire trucking situation in the New York district and elsewhere. The points covered were the "constructive station," the "inland station" and "trucking in lieu of lighterage."

At its inception, the Commission's investigation concerned only the practices of the carriers serving Manhattan Island, New York, in the collection, delivery and transfer of freight to or through constructive stations by means of motor trucks. The investigation's scope was subsequently broadened to include all auxiliary trucking services, more especially

the so-called practice of trucking in lieu of lighterage, to, from or between points within the lighterage limits of New York Harbor, as defined in the tariffs of the carriers.

The Port of New York Authority strongly favored the constructive-station plan during hearings before the Commission. It objected to discontinuance of the present service on Manhattan Island, but conceded that all the practical and progressive advantages to be derived from constructive stations could be lost through an indiscriminate use of that facility and it would, therefore, limit the practice to Manhattan Island, and to the ferry and bridge entrances to Brooklyn and Queens. It concedes also that the shipper should be required to bear the cost of loading the freight from car to truck at Jersey City.

##### Favors new Regulations.

In reply to an inquiry made at the office of the Port of New York Authority in reference to the ruling of the Inter-State Commerce Commission yesterday restricting the railroads entering New York Harbor in their rendering freight service through the use of trucks for making deliveries away from their own stations, it was said that the Port of New York Authority did not take an active interest in the hearings on the case.

It was stated that the Inter-State Commerce Commission did not condemn the use of trucks as such. On the contrary, it urged a more broad application of trucks for delivery purposes, but subject to certain regulations in regard to the payments to be made by the consignees of the goods for the services thus rendered.

In the past the service given by the railroads to the shippers of goods through the deliveries by trucks away from their own stations, had, in the opinion of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, certain objectionable features, which it intends to eliminate in the future, it was said by the Port Authority.

The ruling handed down by the Commission yesterday acknowledges, it was said, that the Inter-State Commerce Commission has no power to force a railroad to continue a truck delivery service from its station, in case a railroad desires to terminate such a service.

#### Inter-State Commerce Commission Pier Ruling Hailed as Port Aid.

The decision of the Inter-State Commerce Commission suspending the operation of constructive stations by railroads without freight terminals on Manhattan Island and favoring the adoption of the inland station plan by these lines was commented upon favorably to-day by officials of the Port of New York Authority, reported the New York "Times" on Aug. 16, adding:

Constructive stations is simply a name given to a system whereby for eight years railroads without terminal yards on the island loaded the freight upon trucks at points where it was received outside the city and paid the charges to a mythical station on West Street and allowed the consignee to pay the charges from that point to the ultimate destination. By the decision of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, this type of delivery can be and, in all probability, will be abandoned.

In place of it the Port Authority and the Merchants' Association of New York has advocated the adoption of the inland station plan, whereby store-door delivery is employed. Under this arrangement, a portion of the cartage charge would be borne by the shippers and the deliveries confined to reasonable rates.

##### Doesn't Compel Adoption.

The portion of the decision favoring the inland station plan reads:

"Carriers should make every effort to avail themselves of truck transportation and co-ordination, properly policed, on Manhattan Island to the end that expensive pier stations may gradually be discontinued."

"This properly policed truck transportation and co-ordination," is what the Port Authority has been seeking under the name inland stations where railroads not having yards on the island might connect with trucks to their rail heads in New Jersey.

The decision does not compel the railroads to adopt the plan of the Port Authority, but it is generally believed that the moral suasion implied in the wording of the decision will result in its acceptance.

On the other hand, the Brooklyn "Daily Eagle" on Aug. 16 took the view that the Commerce Commission's ruling both helps and hurts the shipping of the Borough of Brooklyn, saying:

Brooklyn business men viewed to-day with mixed feelings the decision of the Inter-State Commerce Commission in refusing to support the present operation of "constructive station service" in Manhattan by railroads in the delivery of freight.

On the whole the feeling was of relief, the consensus being that while the decision might increase expenses of a number of Brooklyn shippers it would end discriminations which have been favoring business men in Manhattan.

##### None Established Here.

A "constructive station" is an imaginary central location in Manhattan from which trucking charges to the consignee's storehouse are calculated.

Such stations, which cut the cost of receiving goods for a shipper, have not been established in Brooklyn. Instead shippers here have had to pay the entire cost of trucking from the waterfront. This has resulted in a large annual loss to many Brooklyn shippers.

A number of shippers in Brooklyn, on the other hand, have largely escaped the inequality of the system by having their goods trucked by the railroads in lieu of lighterage, this costing them only slightly more than the expense to a similar Manhattan shipper.

##### Sees Parity Restored.

The decision of the Inter-State Commerce Commission wipes out this transportation in lieu of lighterage on the ground that "as practiced by the New York Central, Central RR. of New Jersey and Baltimore & Ohio lines such practices were in violation of the Act prohibiting undue preference and unjust discriminations."

"While we did not win out 100% on the matter of truckage in lieu of lighterage, the general effect of the decision will be to restore Brooklyn to the parity with other parts of the port which made it as prosperous as it is to-day," said A. C. Welch, traffic manager of the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce, who represented that body at the hearings before the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

##### Increased Costs to Feared.

"A few shippers who gained by the principle of truckage in lieu of lighterage will find their costs increased. We could not defend this practice before the Commission, however, for there was considerable evidence that

'cutting' in the legal routes of trucks had been going on, and this meant discrimination as bad as the other system we were attacking."

Mr. Welch explained that there would have been no objection on the part of Brooklyn to the "constructive station service" in Manhattan if it had only been extended here. If such stations were established here now the parity between Manhattan and Brooklyn would still be maintained and the initiating of some broad system of inland stations may be the next move by the Commission, Mr. Welch said.

#### Railroads Lost Money.

"The first constructive service station was established by the Erie Railroad on Nov. 10 1921," continued Mr. Welch. "The road had established an inland freight station at Beach and Greenwich Sts., Manhattan, and instead of unloading trucks there and loading them up again, it decided to allow the trucks to go on to their Manhattan storehouse destinations.

"The road had to pay charges to the inland freight station, so it only charged the shipper from an imaginary spot at the bulkhead at the foot of Chambers Street to the shipper's storehouse.

"For competitive reasons, since this idea reduced the trucking charges of the shipper, other railroads had to establish similar stations. Of recent years the railroads have been losing money on the plan and have been supporting the campaign to eliminate such stations."

#### Lines Asked Change.

The Commission's decision pointed out that all the railroads operating in New York except the New Haven had requested authority to end off-track or constructive station deliveries.

The Commission's order stated that the Merchants Association of New York advocated the establishment of "true" store-door delivery, under arrangements to be fixed, whereby a portion of the cartage charge would be borne by the shipper and the deliveries confined to "reasonable limits." The association has submitted a definite plan for store-door delivery in New York which, the Commission said, will be considered later.

### Rail Holding Units Due For Scrutiny—Inter-State Commerce Commission Expected to Consider Their Activities in Merger Moves of Carriers—Legal Opinion Divided.

The activities of holding companies in railroad merger moves is due for close scrutiny by the Inter-State Commerce Commission, according to views expressed in railroad circles reported the New York "Times" on Aug. 11. Legal opinion has been divided it says on the question of whether the commission has jurisdiction over a holding company even though it may be entirely owned by a carrier. The opinion of the commission on the subject was expressed forcibly two weeks ago when it caused the Van Sweringens to trustee stock in the Wheeling & Lake Erie they held through the Allegheny Corp., a non-carrier organization. The "Times" further discusses the matter as follows:

When the Pennsylvania Co. bought the holdings of L. F. Loree in the Wabash and Lehigh Valley, even rivals of the Pennsylvania were reconciled to the belief that the transaction was immune to proceedings by the Commission under the Clayton anti-trust Act. Nevertheless, the Commission some months ago issued Clayton Act citations against the Pennsylvania Railroad and Pennsylvania Co., the former's wholly-controlled subsidiary, for these purchases.

#### Penroad Investigation Urged.

Following this action, the Pennsylvania Railroad formed the Penroad Corporation. This corporation, although headed by former officials of the Pennsylvania, has no corporate connection with the railroad. Its stock was sold to holders of Pennsylvania's stock so that the interests which control the Pennsylvania also control the Penroad Corp. This device was expected not only by the Pennsylvania but by other railroads to free the Penroad Corp. from Clayton Act citation. Acting on this supposition, the management of the Penroad Corp. purchased the Canton Terminal in Baltimore and the Detroit, Toledo & Ironton Ry., two properties desired by the Baltimore & Ohio.

These two purchases by the Penroad Corp. are said to have incensed certain members of the Commission, and it is said that if these members have their way the Commission will bring the power of the Clayton Act to bear against the transactions.

The Commission apparently would act under a clause in Section 7 of the Clayton Act which prohibits a "corporation" from directly or indirectly acquiring stock in two or more "corporations engaged in commerce" where the effect may be substantially to lessen competition. This clause, it is held, gives the Commission power under the Clayton Act to cite corporations which, by intent or otherwise, enable carriers to evade the provisions of the Inter-State Commerce Act. How effective the Clayton Act may be in the hands of the Commission was proved by the defeat of Mr. Loree's proposed Southwestern merger under its provisions.

The Southwestern merger was the object of considerable attention of the Commission's bureau of inquiry for a few years. Another problem which has taken up the time of the bureau has been the citation under the Clayton Act of the Nickel Plate, New York Central and Baltimore & Ohio for their holdings in the Wheeling.

The two latter companies have divested themselves of Wheeling stock through its transfer to the Allegheny Corp., and now under citation, the Nickel Plate and Allegheny Corp. have placed their Wheeling stock in a trusteeship. With these two important cases out of the way, the bureau of inquiry has time to pursue vigorously pending actions against the Pennsylvania Railroad and Pennsylvania Co. and against the Southern Railway, the latter on account of its holdings in the Mobile & Ohio and the New Orleans & Northeastern.

Railroad men already have pointed out that the Allegheny Corp. conceded a substantial point to the Commission when it agreed to trustee its Wheeling holdings instead of claiming immunity from the Commission's jurisdiction. On the other hand, permission to trustee saved the Van Sweringens from making divestments of Wheeling stock in the manner which forced Mr. Loree to abandon his Southwestern merger.

The United States Supreme Court's decision in the Northern Securities case, which involved a plan to merge the Great Northern and Northern Pacific that antedated the one made along different lines and now before the Commission, was the authority invoked by the Commission in pressing its divestment order against the Allegheny Corp., although it was a non-carrier.

The Commission goes so far in the belief of its authority under the Clayton Act that it is prosecuting the Southern Ry. for a transaction, completed in

1902, or twelve years before the Clayton Act was passed, whereby the Southern Railway acquired the Mobile & Ohio. The New Orleans & Northeastern acquisition, however, was made in 1916. There is said to be a division of opinion among the commissioners as to whether the Clayton Act may be employed retroactively in the Mobile & Ohio field.

In the enforcement of its will in the matter of stock acquisitions by the Inter-State Commerce Commission may call upon the United States Department of Justice. The latter may prosecute actions started by the Commission against railroads.

### Great Farm Survey Planned for New York State—Gov. Roosevelt in Silver Lake Address Tells Program of Advisory Commission—Land To Be Classified.

A monumental farm survey, calculated to reveal completely for the first time the State of New York's agricultural possibilities, was outlined by Governor Roosevelt in an address to 500 members of the Wyoming County Historical Society at Silver Lake, on August 15. Pointing out that a large proportion of farm lands is used for the production of the "wrong kind of crop," and that the present soil investigation would take, at its rate of progress, thirty years to complete, the Governor announced that his Agricultural Advisory Commission had planned a survey embracing these projects:

1. Completion of the soil survey, including preparation of detailed maps.
2. Assembling and preparing complete weather data.
3. Classification of land for agriculture, forest, recreation or incidental purposes.
4. Survey of the present uses and best adaptations of land, including charts for vegetables, forests and pastures.
5. Studying the cost of producing milk under the various existing systems of dairying.

This work, the Governor said, could not be finished in one year, but could be properly started at the next session of the Legislature. For the first three years, he estimated, the annual cost would be about \$110,000. Governor Roosevelt believes, says the New York "Times," that this is the first time that a city or regional plan has been extended to take in a whole State. He expressed confidence that "this excellent program" would find unanimous support from all parts of the State. Governor Roosevelt spoke as follows:

"It is appropriate in the center of one of the important agricultural areas of the State to lay down a part of the agricultural program for the coming year.

"People will remember that on the initiation of the Governor's Agricultural Advisory Commission an important program of farm tax relief was put through at the last session of the Legislature. This was in the nature of an emergency program, the result of which could be made of immediate benefit to the farmers of the State.

"The relief from highway taxes, the reduction in grade crossing elimination contributions by the localities, and the increased State aid for small rural schools will save the agricultural taxpayers many millions of dollars every year from now on.

"The same Agricultural Advisory Commission has again been in session, taking up this time one of the important steps for the all-time improvement of agricultural production.

"It is a fact not generally realized that the State does not know what its agricultural possibilities are. In other words, no complete survey has been made for the purpose of making definite plans for the more profitable use of each kind of land. There are dozens of different kinds of land in the State and it is not stretching the point to say that a very large percentage of agricultural lands is now used for the production of the wrong kind of crop.

#### Soil Survey Completion First.

"The commission proposes, therefore, that the first step must be to complete the soil survey of the State. For many years past co-operative work has been going on between the State and the Federal Government, but it has resulted in the survey of less than half of the counties of the State. At the present rate of procedure it would require thirty years to finish the soil survey.

"It is, therefore, the first step in the program that this soil survey shall be speeded up so as to complete the whole State within the next few years. This will result in knowledge of the kind of soils in every county and every neighborhood and every farm and will save millions of dollars during the lifetime of the coming generation.

"For example, it is said that more than half of the orchards of Western New York are planted on the wrong kind of soil. If a knowledge of these soils had been available millions of dollars would have been saved the fruit growers of that part of the State.

"With increasing specialization in crop growing it is essential to know what soil is best adapted to each crop.

#### Climatic Survey Held Need.

"With this soil survey there should go hand in hand a complete survey of the climatic conditions of the State, and it is a fact little recognized that one county may have conditions of climate very different from an adjoining county, so different, in fact, that the effect on the same crop will be marked. This climatic survey applies not only to general crops but especially to orchards and vegetables.

"Most people know of the great success of our State in growing fruits of all kinds, but it is less well known that in the last census year the vegetables produced on the farms of New York represented one-fourth of the total value of all farm crops, and that the State led all other States.

"The third step in the survey is to take an inventory of all of the forest resources of the State.

"While it is true that the State is consuming far more timber each year than it is growing, it is also true that thousands of owners of wood lots are unable to obtain a dependable market for their forest crops. In other words, we are losing at both ends—not growing enough timber, and at the same time not getting what we should for the timber which we have.



"There has been much talk and some legislation on reforesting the waste lands of the State, but we have little detailed knowledge of where that land is, what its boundaries are, and what kind of trees should be planted on it for the best returns.

"For the above reasons the Governor's Agricultural Advisory Commission feels very strongly that the next important step in the advancement of agriculture in our State is to make a complete survey. This cannot be done in one year, but the work can properly be started at the next session of the Legislature.

#### *Outlines the Projects.*

"For the first three years the total cost of the various projects will come to about \$110,000 a year. These projects fall into the following classes:

- "1. Completion of the soil survey including preparation of detailed maps.
- "2. Assembling and preparing complete weather data.
- "3. Classification of land for agriculture, forest, recreation or residential purposes.
- "4. Survey of the present uses and best adaptations of land, including orchards, vegetables, forests, pastures.
- "5. Studying the cost of producing milk under the various existing systems of dairying.

"I have long been interested in the general subject of city and of regional planning. The present proposed survey of the whole State is merely an intelligent broadening of the planning which heretofore has been localized. It is a study for a State-wide plan which will include the use of every acre in the whole State.

#### *Believed First State Plan.*

"So far as I know, this is the first time in the United States that the city or regional plan idea has been extended to take in a whole State. It will, therefore, be of great interest to everyone who realizes the importance of looking ahead and of using our resources to the best advantage.

"I am particularly happy that the Governor's Agricultural Advisory Commission has looked at this big subject in such a broad-minded way. The survey which they propose and which I heartily endorse is necessary before we spend millions of dollars which might otherwise be wasted.

"It is a good, business-like proposition, and will, in the long run, save the agricultural population and also the city-dwelling population many millions of dollars through the more economical production of food crops and the increasing of our forest resources. I am confident that there will be virtually unanimous support for this excellent program from all parts of the State."

Senator John Knight, Republican leader of the Senate, heard the Governor's address and said, according to the New York "Times," that the Republican majority in the Legislature would co-operate with him on the soil survey. He added that he hoped the Legislature would not disagree with him this Winter on the need for spending the money.

### **Bank for International Settlements Discussed at Williamstown Institute of Politics—Bank Likened to Financial League of Nations.**

The proposed Bank for International Settlements, now apparently hanging balanced upon the Young Plan negotiations at The Hague, was described at Williamstown on Aug. 21 by speakers before the Institute of Politics as primarily a great instrument of international co-operation in the financial field, comparable in some ways to the League of Nations in the political field. "The Young Plan report, said Professor Jacob Viner, of the University of Chicago, "is an unsatisfactory document, but every now and then shows a flash approaching inspired poetry. One finds these flashes always connected with the international bank. That section was written with enthusiasm." So says a staff correspondent of the New York "Herald Tribune" at Williamstown. He also says that according to Professor T. E. Gregory, of the London School of Economics, the language in which the report sets forth the bank plan is "picturesque rather than accurate." The report states that the ultimate functions of the bank are to provide supplementary facilities to international commerce and finance, Dr. Gregory said.

"But it is extremely difficult," he continued, "to find any such facilities which are now lacking. That probably was put in for the benefit of the business men. The real interest lies in the possibilities for furthering co-operation between the existing central banks." The function of the bank, Dr. Gregory explained, are divided between those connected with the reparations question and those of a more general character. Confining himself to the latter, he pointed out that while the existing central banking system of the world had shown itself able to co-operate effectively in meeting short-term emergencies, "the existing system has been utterly unable to achieve so far any plan of long-term co-operation."

The need for such a plan Dr. Gregory traced back to the economic conference at Genoa in 1922, when R. G. Hawtrey, a British Treasury official, prepared on his own responsibility a plan for periodical conferences among the world's central banks. According to Dr. Gregory, the fear already had arisen at that time that the world's gold supply would be unequal to the demands made upon it by the nations returning to the gold standard. The Genoa plan, Dr. Gregory said, looked to effecting an economy of the world's gold supply through an agreement whereby all but two or three

of the strongest money markets would remain upon a gold exchange rather than a gold standard. But the periodical conferences of the Genoa plan, he continued, never had been called, because there never had been any agreement as to how this was to be done.

"As a result," Dr. Gregory continued, "in spite of the fact that everybody has been dreading a scramble for gold, the scramble has been taking place during the last two years. The idea underlying the Young Plan is to devise an instrument whereby a plan for the economy of gold may be implemented. "This is clear from Sir Josiah Stamp's recent speeches in support of the plan. Why do we wish to achieve this? Because business economists are haunted by the idea that otherwise a gradual fall in prices is likely to take place. There is a general consensus that something should be done. In the minds of British economists there is a feeling that the bank is intended to halt the scramble for gold."

Assuming that the Young Plan is adopted, Dr. Gregory foresaw two great difficulties in the way of the bank's accomplishing this object. The first, he said, lay in the fact that it would have no single money market with which it was organically connected, such as a central bank possesses, and would be utterly powerless to economize gold without the consent and co-operation of existing banks. He thought, however, that the mere existence of the international bank would encourage this co-operation. The second difficulty, Dr. Gregory said, lay in the danger that the international bank would offend national susceptibilities. "We already have had notice from New York," he said, "that this is an accursed thing. It is a very serious drawback." Dr. Gregory concluded by saying that the bank offered no possible analogy to a "Federal Reserve System for Europe," but was merely a starting point for co-operation.

Dr. Viner agreed that national jealousies were the greatest obstacle to the scheme, and that the exaggerated parochialism of the United States was the chief difficulty to be overcome. Regarded as an instrument of co-operation, he said that it was unfortunate that it was so closely tied up in its origin with the reparations question, just as the League of Nations was tied up in its origin with the enforcement of the peace treaties. It might, he thought, increase American reluctance to assist the bank's growth.

Dr. William E. Rappard, of Geneva, countered this by saying that though the fact was unfortunate, it also was inevitable. It was unfortunate for the League to be connected with the peace treaties, he argued, but if it had not been for the peace treaties the League would not have come into existence. Similarly, he thought it was only the urgencies of the reparations problem which made it even possible to bring such a conception as the bank to realization.

### **Branch Banking and Chain Banking Expected to Have Prominent Place in Deliberations at Convention of American Bankers Association in San Francisco Sept. 30-Oct. 3.**

According to an announcement issued by the American Bankers' Association indications point to an attendance closely approaching ten thousand at the coming Annual Convention to be held at San Francisco Sept. 30-Oct. 3. The convention will mark a full half century in the life of the American Bankers Association. It is expected to prove one of the most memorable annual gatherings in the history of the organization, both in the importance of the subjects discussed and in the recreational phases of the event.

The detailed program of speakers and subjects will not be announced until a short time before the opening of the convention. It is considered probable, however, that some of the liveliest discussion at the gathering will have to do with such questions as branch banking, chain banking, holding company control of banks, and various features of group banking.

The San Francisco committee of bankers in charge of arrangements for the convention has announced that the preparations are proceeding on a systematic plan, backed by a spirit of determination to fulfill in every respect the obligations imposed upon the hostess city. A large organization, with Charles W. Collier in charge as convention director, has been established in headquarters of its own to carry out the details of handling the convention.

Elaborate plans are also being made for the reception and entertainment of the members of the Association of Bank Women which will hold its annual convention in connection with that of the Bankers Association. Official headquarters for the women's group have been established at the Sir

Francis Drake Hotel. The bankers' headquarters will be at the St. Francis Hotel. Plans for the women's activities are being directed by a committee composed of Mrs. Edward Dexter Knight, Miss Margaret Daily, and Miss N. Viola Musgrove.

As we indicated in our issue of Aug. 3, page 742, most of the leading railway systems of the United States have arranged to run special trains bearing the westward bound legion of bankers to the convention city. Traveling by rail and water, the multitude of association members will traverse many of the richest and most picturesque sections of the country. In most instances the tours have been arranged to provide for a number of stopovers to permit closer inspection of the industrial and agricultural development the scenic charms of the great West. A preliminary outline of the program to be presented at the Convention was given in our Aug. 3 issue, page 742.

#### Plans for Annual Convention at Quebec Oct. 12-18 of Investment Bankers' Association of America.

The announcement regarding the program arranged for the Eighteenth Annual Convention of the Investment Bankers' Association at Quebec, Oct. 12 to 18, indicates that from the time of the arrival of the delegates on Oct. 12, until the concluding day's session, the time will be taken up with "a full measure of serious things and pleasurable things—business sessions, golf, sightseeing, dancing," &c. The mornings, following precedent, will be devoted to the business sessions of the convention. There will be the presentation and discussion of the reports of the standing committees, and interspersed among the reports of the committees will be speeches. Men high in Governmental and transportation circles in Canada, and a prominent banker from the United States, are tentatively on the program. One of the speakers whose name appears on the program is E. W. Beatty, Chairman and President of the Canadian Pacific Ry.

A feature of the convention will be the President's reception to the delegates and guests in the St. Lawrence Room of the Chateau Frontenac, the convention headquarters. The reception will be immediately followed by the President's luncheon, at which contrary to the usual custom, speeches will be omitted. The afternoons and several mornings are open to golf or sightseeing trips about Quebec and its environs. An opportunity will be afforded to visit the mill of the Anglo-Canadian Paper Co., Ltd. on Thursday afternoon, Oct. 17. The address of the President of the Association, Rollin A. Wilbur, of the Herrick Co. of Cleveland, is scheduled for Tuesday morning, Oct. 15. Those who are expected to present reports in their capacity as Committee Chairman are:

Business Conduct—Kelton E. White, G. H. Walker & Co., St. Louis.  
 Business Problems—Arthur H. Gilbert, Spencer Trask & Co., Chicago.  
 Sub-Committee on Cost Accounting—William L. Ross, Wm. L. Ross & Co., Inc., Chicago.  
 Sub-Committee on Distribution—Trowbridge Callaway, Callaway, Fish & Co., New York.  
 Sub-Committee on Salesmen's Compensation—Morris F. Fox, Morris F. Fox & Co., Milwaukee.  
 Sub-Committee on Trends of Business—Harry H. Bemis, Curtis & Sanger, Boston.  
 Commercial Credits—Herbert F. Boynton, F. S. Moseley & Co., New York.  
 Constitution and By-Laws—George W. Robertson, Canal Bank & Trust Co., New Orleans.  
 Education—Benjamin F. Taylor, Taylor, Ewart & Co., Inc., Chicago.  
 Federal Taxation—William H. Eddy, Equitable Trust Co. of New York, New York.  
 Finance—Frank M. Gordon, First Union Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago.  
 Foreign Securities—Harry M. Addinsell, Harris, Forbes & Co., New York.  
 Government and Farm Loan Bonds—B. Howell Griswold Jr., Alex. Brown & Sons, Baltimore.  
 Group Chairmen's—Canton O'Donnell, United States National Co., Denver.  
 Industrial Securities—Waddell Catchings, Goldman, Sachs & Co., New York.  
 Industrial Service Securities—Robert E. Hunter, Hunter, Dulin & Co., Los Angeles.  
 Investment Companies—Charles D. Dickey, Brown Brothers & Co., Philadelphia.  
 Irrigation Securities—Thomas W. Banks, Banks, Huntley & Co., Los Angeles.  
 Legislation—Francis A. Bonner, Lee, Higginson & Co., Chicago.  
 Membership—Frank D. Nicol, Nicol-Ford & Co., Detroit.  
 Municipal Securities—Henry T. Ferriss, First National Co., St. Louis.  
 Public Service Securities—Francis E. Frothingham, Coffin & Burr, Inc., Boston.  
 Publications—Ralph Fordon, Backus, Fordon & Co., Detroit.  
 Railroad Securities—Lewis B. Williams, Hayden, Miller & Co., Cleveland.  
 Real Estate Securities—Sidney R. Small, Harris, Small & Co., Detroit.  
 State and Local Taxation—Joseph A. W. Iglehart, J. A. W. Idlehart & Co., Baltimore.

The ticket to be voted on at the convention follows:

For President—Trowbridge Callaway, Callaway, Fish & Co., N. Y. City.

For Executive Vice-President—Alden H. Little 33 South Clark St., Chicago.

For Vice-Presidents—Willis K. Clark, Geo. H. Burr, Conrad & Broom, Inc., Portland, Ore.; Henry T. Gerris, First National Co., St. Louis; Jerome J. Hanauer, Luhn, Loeb & Co., New York City; Sidney R. Small, Harris, Small & Co., Detroit; Wm. J. Wardall, Bonbright & Co., Chicago.

For Treasurer—Robert A. Gardner, Mitchell, Hutchins & Co., Chicago.

For Secretary—Alden H. Little, 33 South Clark Street, Chicago.

For Governors (terms expiring 1930)—A. A. Greenman, Northwestern Trust Co., St. Paul (to succeed Sidney R. Small, Harris, Small & Co., Detroit, nominated a Vice-President) for an unexpired term ending 1930.

\* On account of the resignation of Mr. Schray, Mr. Little has been nominated, pending the selection of a successor to Mr. Schray.

Albert E. Schwabacher, Schwabacher & Co., San Francisco (to succeed Trowbridge Callaway, Callaway, Fish & Co., New York, nominated President) for an unexpired term ending 1930.

(Terms expiring 1931)—Ralph Hornblower, Hornblower & Weeks, Boston (to succeed Herbert F. Boynton, F. S. Moseley & Co., New York, resigned) for an unexpired term ending 1931.

(Terms expiring 1932)—George N. Lindsay, Bancamerica-Blair Corp., N. Y. City; Allan M. Pope, First National Corporation of Boston, N. Y. City; Arthur H. Gilbert, Spencer Trask & Co., Chicago; Edward Hopkinson Jr., Drexel & Co., Philadelphia; Ralph Fordon, Backus, Fordon & Co., Detroit; George G. Applegate, George G. Applegate, Pittsburgh; James H. Daggett, Marshall & Isley Bank, Milwaukee; George W. Robertson, Canal Bank & Trust Co., New Orleans; Rogers Caldwell, Caldwell & Co., Nashville; Meade H. Willis, Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., Winston-Salem.

The National Transportation Committee, with Kelton E. White of G. H. Walker & Co., St. Louis, as Chairman, has worked out complete details for the special trains.

#### Resignation of C. G. Schray as Secretary of the Investment Bankers' Association of America.

The following announcement appears in the Aug. 16 "Bulletin" of the Investment Bankers' Association of America:

An announcement that doubtless will come as a surprise to a number of his friends is contained in the resignation of Clayton G. Schray as Secretary of the Association. Mr. Schray recently tendered his resignation, to become effective Aug. 2 1929. He had been connected with the Association continuously since its pre-organization days and was elected Assistant Secretary when the Association was formed on Aug. 8 1912. He occupied that position until Sept. 30 1927, when, in recognition of his long record of constant and untiring service, he was elected Secretary. His duties, in which he was indefatigable, afforded him contracts with the representative investment banking institutions throughout the country, and it is the sincere wish of those associated with him for many years that success and recognition of his excellent qualities may further attend him.

Pending the selection of a successor to Mr. Schray, the Board of Governors has nominated Mr. Little for the office of Secretary, in addition to the office of Executive Vice-President.

#### Trans-America Corporation Declares 150% Stock Dividend—Formation of Inter-Coast Trading Co. Announced.

Declaration of a 150% stock dividend by the Trans-America Corporation (the holding company for the Gianini interests) and the creation of a "new and non-controlled" enterprise, under the title of the Inter-coast Trading Co., with subscription rights accruing to all of Trans-America's stockholders, was announced on Thursday of this week (Aug. 22) by the corporation's Board of Directors, according to advices from San Francisco to the New York "Times" on that date. The dividend to be distributed represents a market value estimated at more than \$800,000,000. Continuing the dispatch said:

The Inter-coast Trading Co. will have an original issue of 1,800,000 shares of no-par value, and the Transamerica Corporation's stockholders will receive the rights to subscribe to 1,000,000 of the shares on the basis of one share of Inter-coast for each nine shares of Trans-America owned on Aug. 23. Of the remaining 800,000 shares the corporation itself will own 600,000, while 200,000 shares will be reserved for requirements of stockholders who desire to complete fractional shares and for sale to the public. Stock of the new company will be priced to Transamerica's stockholders under their subscription privilege at \$17.50. Such shares as may be available for public sale will be distributed at not less than \$22.50.

Plans for the Inter-coast Trading Co. as announced indicate that it will take over such activities of the Transamerica Corporation as are not directly the functions of a holding company.

The stock dividend will be payable to stockholders of record of Sept. 10. Rights to subscribe to the stock of the new company attach as of Aug. 23. Payment must be made by Sept. 7 by stockholders within the United States and by Oct. 5 by those who are in foreign countries.

#### The "Times" added:

The Transamerica Corporation is a holding company organized last year to handle the widespread interests of A. P. Giannini, San Francisco banker. It controls the Bank of America in New York, the Bank of Italy in California and other financial institutions in this country and abroad. Stockholders in these institutions received the opportunity to exchange their stock for shares of Transamerica and in this way control of the various Giannini enterprises was vested in the holding company.

Shares of the corporation, of which there are approximately 9,000,000 outstanding, are listed on the New York Curb Exchange. They closed yesterday at 149.

Earnings of the Transamerica Corporation for the first half of the current year were \$49,185,172, equal to \$5.47 a share earned on the 8,988,631 average shares outstanding during the period. The earnings did not include, however, the undistributed earnings of the Bank of America, the Bancamerica-Blair Corporation, the Bank of America of California, the Oakland Bank or their subsidiaries or of the other concerns in which Transamerica holds less than 99% interest. It is estimated that the full year's earnings of Transamerica in 1929 will approximate \$103,000,000.



### Col. Dwight F. Davis Assumes Duties as Governor General of Philippines.

On July 8 Dwight F. Davis assumed his duties at Manila as Governor General of the Philippine Islands. In a brief inaugural address he pledged his administration to the friendliest co-operation with the Filipino people, to fearless suppression of dishonesty in government, and to a policy of efficient economy. The inaugural address of the new Governor General, as given in a cablegram July 8 from Manila to the New York "Times" follows:

Twenty-five years ago I first visited Manila, led by idle curiosity. Today I return, not as an idle tourist, but as a sincere friend, animated not by curiosity, but by an earnest desire to work with you and for your welfare and progress and the prosperity of the Philippine people.

You are well to be proud of the material, cultural and spiritual betterment you have brought about in a short quarter of a century and the people of the United States are sincerely happy to co-operate with you in making this development possible. Toward the Philippine people the people of the United States have but one desire, the desire to extend to them their friendly aid in the solution of their problems of the future. That feeling is cordially shared by the President who, better than any Chief Executive of recent years understands the problems of the East.

Next week it will be my pleasure and privilege to discuss my various plans and policies with the Philippine Legislature. On this occasion I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the kind welcome accorded to me. I landed this morning among strangers; already I feel I am among friends.

In my message to the Legislature I intend to discuss the proposals which were introduced into Congress and which were overwhelmingly defeated in the House of Representatives, the proposals to limit the free entry of Philippine sugar into the United States. Today I shall only say that I am strongly and unalterably opposed to this proposal.

As my immediate predecessor has pointed out, the determination of the political future of the Islands does not come within the province of a Governor General.

#### *A Vision of the Future.*

A quarter of a century is but a moment in the life of a people. The progress you have made, while commendable, is merely a start toward fulfilling the needs of the future.

Much has been accomplished but more remains to be done. We cannot rest on past performances. But by looking back on the past progress get facts for the future.

What will the coming years bring to these lovely Islands. I have a vision of that future. In that vision I see the Philippine Islands the happy home of a contented, prosperous people, spiritually, politically and culturally leaders of the fairest land with boundless natural resources to be developed to enrich the inhabitants and thus to establish a high standard of living for all, not merely a fortunate few amid a model of education, sanitation and health.

The start toward this goal has been made, but it is only a start. The goal is still far away. If I can share with you in bringing the vision a little nearer fulfillment I shall rest content in the consciousness of having contributed something to the future greatness of a splendid people.

I have but a single aim, to work with you to promote the welfare, progress, prosperity and Philippine Islands. In that spirit I come to you. In that spirit I seek sincerely to co-operate with you in making what is now but a glorious vision an equally glorious reality.

### Lawrence M. Judd Becomes Governor of Hawaii.

Lawrence M. Judd, Honolulu business man, became Governor of Hawaii in a colorful ceremonial at the Territorial Capitol at Honolulu on July 6, according to Associated Press accounts, which said:

In a brief inaugural address, Governor Judd reviewed the progress of Hawaii, saying that the small home owner was "the very foundation of the Government."

One of the chief functions of government, he said, is encouragement of industry, to the end that universal prosperity shall prevail.

The Governor appealed for observance of the laws and pledged himself to work for equalization of taxes, for better educational facilities and for the care of unfortunates.

Wallace R. Farrington, who retired from office after eight years as Governor, will become president and publisher of the "Star-Bulletin," a leading newspaper of Honolulu.

### Henry Ford Prefers Workers Between 35 and 60 Years of Age—Says They Make for Stable and Experienced Force.

A preference for workers of between 35 and 60 years of age is expressed by Henry Ford, in an article contributed to the July issue of the "Ladies' Home Journal." Mr. Ford's views, presented under the title "When is a Man Old?" were given in an interview with Samuel Crowther. In voicing his views on the subject, Mr. Ford is quoted in part as follows:

Age has never meant anything to me either personally or in my relations with others. We have employed hundreds of thousands of people in the past twenty-five years and have had the opportunity to learn the comparative values of youth and age in a cold dollars-and-cents way. As a result, we have come to think not at all of age, but only of experience and the capacity to learn.

Anyone who stops learning is old—whether this happens at twenty or at eighty. Anyone who keeps on learning not only remains young but becomes constantly more valuable, regardless of physical capacity.

To-day's limitations on the commercial value of a man or woman have nothing at all to do with the number of years lived. There is a place for everyone who is willing to work and to try to go forward. There is no place for anyone who refuses to work or to go forward.

It is not enough just to be willing to work. It is not enough just to desire to push forward. The two must be combined, for the one is of no use without the other. Anyone who is satisfied with the progress that he is making or is inclined to be thankful for having arrived at his present position is old.

Having lived a number of years is a great advantage to anyone if those

years have brought a background of experience. It is usual to associate age with years only because so many men and women somewhere along in what is called middle age stop trying. They let themselves be old.

And yet almost all enduring success comes to people after they are forty. For seldom does mature judgment arrive before then.

Every so often one hears reports that this or that corporation is refusing to hire men or women over forty, and then comes a crop of newspaper articles about the serious problem of the man or woman who needs a job but cannot get it because he or she is over forty.

Every two or three years we are surprised to learn that not only are we refusing to hire anyone over forty but that we are discharging those who have reached that age. For the past ten or fifteen years we have not even bothered to contradict these reports.

In point of fact, we should prefer, if we could make the choice, to have all of our people between thirty-five and sixty years old, for then we should have a stable and experienced force. We would not care how much over sixty the men were so long as they could do their work.

Under no circumstances would we have a working force made up only of young men.

It is absolutely necessary, in order to get the work through, to have a solid framework of older and more experienced men who know exactly what they are doing.

Not long ago in the laboratory at Dearborn I wanted to find out about what was being done. The man who told me everything that I wanted to know, and in clear, quick fashion, was a white-haired, slightly stoop-shouldered man. He was the keenest man in the group and was just as alert physically as he was mentally. I asked him his age and he said he was seventy-four.

It is not to be expected that a man of seventy will have as much endurance as one of twenty-five. It is not at all necessary that he should have, for by the time a man has reached seventy he ought to have something a great deal more valuable than physical strength.

#### *Fitness the Only Test.*

However, the records of the employment department show that the work which calls for endurance is best served as a rule by men who are forty and over. Younger men seem to tire of jobs of this kind rather quickly and want to be transferred to lighter work.

The reason why employment cannot be restricted to men or women over thirty-five is that a certain number of younger men must be taken on for training and also because a large employment roll ought to be as nearly as possible a cross-section of society. At the moment of writing we have somewhat over one hundred and twenty thousand employees in and about Detroit. These have not been classified according to age, but quite recently when the total was about ninety thousand they were divided into age groups, and those proportions undoubtedly hold true to-day. That grouping gave the following results:

Under twenty, 618; between twenty and thirty, 28,483; between thirty and forty, 84,230; between forty and fifty, 20,620; between fifty and sixty, 5,906; between sixty and seventy, 680, and over seventy, 20.

This, as far as we know, is about the age grouping in any large city. It will be noted that there are more than twice as many people over thirty as under that age, and that the group over fifty is very substantial.

The employment department makes no age distinctions whatsoever. Fitness to the work is the only requirement. The older man would probably be assigned to a somewhat slower job than the younger man—that is about the only difference you would notice. We expect the younger men to be faster than the older men, and this generally, although not always, turns out to be the case. Some of our fastest men—by which is meant men who can handle certain kinds of light work very quickly—are around fifty.

Our experience with women workers is not large, although it is considerable. At the present time we have only 710 women working for us in the Detroit district and in the smaller factories nearby.

We have no objection to the employment of women, but only a small portion of our work is suited to them and we also have the very definite policy of not employing any women who do not have others dependent on them.

We put the rule into effect many years ago that we would not employ women whose husbands had jobs and we have not found any reason to change the rule. Our jobs are good jobs and they pay well. There are not many of them, and so we prefer to save them for the women who need the money.

And our experience with ages has been about the same as that with the men, except that we have no very young or very old women. The average probably runs around thirty-five or forty years and, as with the men, we find that the best work is done by the women over thirty-five.

### Differs With Ford on Workers' Ages—Arthur Wilson' Who Hired 300,000 Men for Manufacturer, Holds Those of 30 to 50 Best.

According to a Detroit dispatch, July 4, to the New York "Times," the man who hired 300,000 men for Henry Ford does not quite agree with his former boss that men from 35 to 60 years of age are the best type of workers, but he does believe that Mr. Ford offers the best opportunities to the working man. Continuing, the dispatch said:

"Men of from 30 to 50 years of age are the best for automobile work," said Arthur E. Wilson, who has just resigned as general employment manager of the Ford Company. "Before a man reaches 30 he is not steady and he is likely to change jobs too often. After 50 most of them cannot stand the pace."

Mr. Wilson, however, made it plain that he did not think a working man over 50 had no chance in the automobile industry. The Ford Company employs workers, 18 to 70 years old, and of all types in accordance with Henry Ford's idea that his company has a job for every man. The older men are used in light inspection work.

"We even had twenty blind men on the job, and they were good workers," Mr. Wilson said. "They earned more than the minimum as inspectors. One-armed men and other crippled workers are also put to good use."

The problem of hiring Ford employees is a vital one in the Ford plants, where 700 men daily were being assigned new tasks recently. Labor turnover has been kept at 4% monthly, which Mr. Wilson regards as low.

"The young fellows are the ones who cost money by dropping their jobs," Mr. Wilson went on. "For a time we hired all the young men we could, but many of them have been turned away because they did not stick on the job, often quitting for trivial reasons or just because they wanted to go home."

Mr. Wilson's eleven years of experience with the Ford Company has convinced him that as long as a man does his work properly and is not arrested his personal affairs are his own and not his employer's business. The Ford Company, after six years' trial, abandoned its Department of Sociological Investigators, who visited the homes of Ford workers, inquired how much was being saved and delved into other conditions.

### Ford Speeds Car Output—Builds Second Million in Six Months; First Took Thirteen Months.

Detroit advices July 21 as follows are taken from the New York "Times":

The first Ford Model A car was built on Dec. 3 1927 and it took 13 months to build the first million, while only six months and 20 days later the second million had been completed and Henry Ford now plans to speed up production.

"We are going to build the next million cars in less than six months' time," Mr. Ford said to-day. "Just how much short of six months it is impossible to prophesy, although we are installing new time-saving machinery. There will be many more million Model A cars built. I cannot predict how many.

"The more cars we build the more good it will do the entire automobile industry. We are going to build more cars in the foreign countries. I can safely say that what we export and build abroad our percentage of increase will surpass that of the domestic total, possibly only slightly."

### Ford Plans Soon To Raise \$6 Minimum Wage in Plants.

From the "Times" of July 21 we take the following:

Henry Ford regards the \$6 a day minimum wage paid to his motor factory employees as "certain to be raised" at "no very distant time." In an interview published in the current issue of "The North American Review" Mr. Ford says:

"It is from the \$5-a-day payment that our real business dates. We think a minimum is safer than a maximum. It prevents any possibility of our slipping backward, while it does not hinder us going forward. I regard the \$6 minimum as certain to be raised again at no very distant time."

The \$5 wage was established in 1914 and later increased a dollar.

### Henry Ford Opposes Mexican Labor Law—Inclusion of Collective Contract Will Mean Withdrawal from Field.

In its issue of Aug. 7 the "Wall Street Journal" announced the following from Mexico City:

Henry Ford has taken his stand toward the new Mexican proposed labor code. Necessary amendments to the constitution to make discussion of the law possible have been approved by the Federal Congress. Ford will not accept the law as it is proposed and will not agree to a collective contract which, if retained in the body of the law when finally approved, will result in his retirement from the Mexican field so far as his assembly plant here is concerned. Plans for proposed additions to the plant have been suspended temporarily pending outcome of the labor legislation.

### Nebraska Utility Law Unconstitutional—State Supreme Court Holds Electric Energy a Commodity—Attack Unfair Discrimination.

Lincoln (Neb.) advices are taken as follows from the "Wall Street Journal" of July 25:

The Supreme Court of Nebraska has held unconstitutional a law passed in 1927 permitting the creation of hydro-electric districts of one or more units either urban or rural, on the ground that the Legislature unlawfully delegated legislative powers to the courts, by leaving to their discretion the questions of public policy, convenience and welfare as related to the organization, incorporation, boundaries, powers and government of the district.

The court holds these are, in the first instance, of purely legislative cognizance and may not be referred to the courts for determination. Its powers are limited to determining whether or not the law has been compiled with, as a condition upon which such organization shall come into being, and it cannot adjudicate upon the necessity or political propriety of forming the corporation.

This is the fourth law intended to permit farmers to organize districts, bond themselves to pay for distribution systems and buy current from established plants, and all have failed to meet constitutional requirements. The session just ended amended the 1927 statute to meet objections raised to it, but the new law contains the same defects pointed out by the court in the decision just rendered.

In another decision also regarded by power companies in Nebraska as of major importance, the Nebraska Supreme Court has held, in an action instituted by the State against the Interstate Power Co. of Delaware, that electric energy is a commodity, and that its production, sale and distribution come under the statute which prohibits its sale at a lower rate in one community or city than in another, where conditions are substantially alike, and affirms this to be unfair discrimination.

It further holds that any person or corporation that shall monopolize or attempt to monopolize the sale of electricity within the State or who, for such purpose, shall sell any article or product at less than its fair market value or at a less price than it is accustomed to demand or receive therefor in any other place, under like conditions, is within the prohibitions of the law forbidding restraint in trade, and such acts are in contravention of the public policy thereby established.

The court finds that the company has done these inhibited things for the purpose of destroying the business of a competitor who erected a plant under a contract that will make it the property of the city when the profits repay the cost, and enjoins it from making a rate of six cents where the competitor charges nine cents, the six-cent rate being held to be inadequate and non-compensatory.

### Weather Reports on Airways Broadcast Every Three Hours.

An important new intensive weather reporting and of recasting service for aviators was started on July 1 by the Weather Bureau of the United States Department of Agriculture along the New York-Chicago-San Francisco-Los

Angeles airways. This service, which was made possible by a Congressional appropriation of \$350,000, will have a system of reports broadcast every three hours by voice from four collecting centers where there are powerful radio broadcasting stations of the Department of Commerce. These stations, located at Cleveland, Omaha, Salt Lake City and San Francisco, will receive telegraph reports every three hours, day and night, from about 60 selected reporting stations situated on both sides of the airways, and about 100 to 200 miles from the route taken by fliers. A strip approximately 400 miles wide and stretching from coast to coast will thus be covered by this network of reporting stations, which are about 60 miles apart. Aircraft are now equipped with radio receiving sets so that when information is made available to aviators by broadcasting, it can be picked up along the route, thus insuring greater safety. In announcing this July 2, the Department added:

After being entered on small-area maps, supplementing the countrywide morning and evening weather maps, the reports will be used as the basis for summarized statements of current and predicted conditions, followed by the three-hour airways forecast by voice. A wave-length of about 900 meters (315 to 350 K. C.) will be used.

The reports can be picked up by aircraft having suitable receiving sets, as well as by persons on the ground, and will be available to everybody interested. They will give the general character of the weather, the ceiling or prevailing cloud type, the visibility, wind direction and velocity, temperature, dew point in some cases, pressure, and any unusual features. In other words, they will contain these elements that have been shown by experience to be absolutely necessary for safe flying. The fact that they will be available at three-hour intervals is considered highly important to those on cross-country routes, since they will get direct warning of conditions that have arisen since leaving the last airport. For example, when storms or other hazardous conditions are noted approaching the airway at right angles they will be reported, whereas no mention of them would have appeared in the early report at the time of taking off.

While this information is intended primarily for the benefit of aviators, it will be equally available to the general public, and will doubtless be utilized for many purposes apart from aviation. It should be of especial use to airport managers, air transport officials and many in other lines of business within 150 to 200 miles of these broadcasting stations. Eventually the system may be extended to include the three great transverse airways extending from the northern to the southern boundaries of the United States.

### Over 82,000 Corporations in New York State Subject to Dissolution, Owing to Non-Compliance with Franchise Tax Law.

Eighty-two thousand eight hundred and one corporation will be subject to dissolution under the delinquent corporations law signed by Governor Roosevelt, according to the figures given out at Albany on July 9 by Thomas M. Lynch, Commissioner of Taxation and Finance. The task of checking the corporation list of the State and determining the concerns which have not paid their corporation taxes or made returns during the five years preceding the passage of the law has been completed and the final compilation of the list is said to show this number. The list has been certified and sent to the Secretary of State and he will issue a proclamation which will automatically dissolve these companies for failure to pay their corporation tax or make returns during the past five years, as required by the Corporation Tax Law. The announcement issued July 10 by the office of the State Tax Commissioner says:

Although many of the concerns are inactive, and many others are really concerns which apparently have suspended operations, there are many active companies in the list and seemingly the law was disregarded by the officers of these concerns who will not find their companies deprived of a charter.

The proclamation of the Secretary of State, dissolving these delinquent corporations, will be published in the December issue of the "State Advertising Bulletin," a copy of which will be filed in the office of each County Clerk and 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 are to be reserved for a six months period during which no corporations are to be formed under any name so reserved. During the six months immediately after the date of the publication, and upon the payment of all franchise taxes, penalties and interest charges and the payment of a \$50 fee to the Secretary of State, the proceedings accomplishing the dissolution may be annulled and corporate rights restored.

At the expiration of this period, however, the names of corporations dissolved are released for use by new companies.

Dissolution of all these companies will be an economy of record keeping in the department of taxation and finance and department of State by wiping all the names off the records and it also will release corporate names for new corporations and thus facilitate the organization of new companies desiring to do business in this State.

A previous statement issued by the Department was given in our issue of April 27, page 2748.

### ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, ETC.

Wade Bros. & Co. this week purchased two seats on the New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange. The first, bought from Franklin W. Hopkins, was acquired at \$24,750, up \$250 from the last previous sale. The second membership, purchased from the estate of James N. Jarvis, was bought at \$25,000.



A Chicago Stock Exchange membership sold to a new high record this week when a transfer was recorded for \$100,000. This is \$15,000 above the previous high record.

Arrangements have been reported made for the transfer of a Philadelphia Stock Exchange membership for \$33,000 an advance of \$2,000 over the last preceding sale.

At the meeting of the board of trustees of the New York Trust Co. on Aug. 21, Harry P. Davison of J. P. Morgan & Co. was elected a trustee. Mr. Davison was also appointed a member of the executive committee.

At a meeting this week of the directors of the National Park Bank of New York, the following officers were elected: F. O. Foxcroft, Vice-President; C. H. Beaty, Vice-President; S. F. Ketcham, Assistant Vice-President; W. F. Latus, Assistant Vice-President; F. A. Conefrey, Assistant Cashier; Horace Tomlinson, Assistant Trust Officer; Louis Dezzi, Assistant Manager Foreign Department.

Morton H. Fry of Scholle Brothers was elected a director of the Fidelity Trust Co. of New York at a meeting of the board of directors on Aug. 21.

Stockholders of the Bryant Park Bank, New York City, at a meeting held Tuesday, Aug. 20 voted to increase the capital of the bank from \$200,000 to \$500,000 and to increase the surplus from \$100,000 to \$400,000. It was also voted to reduce the par value of the bank shares from \$100 to \$20 and to issue rights to stockholders to purchase additional shares at \$40 a share of which \$20 will go to capital and \$20 to surplus.

Guaranty Trust Co. of New York announces the appointment of Herbert W. L. Beaumont as an Assistant Treasurer of the company.

William C. Bennett has resigned as Vice-President of Edwin Bird Wilson Inc., financial advertising agents, to become associated with the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co. of New York. Mr. Bennett for the past 12 years has been identified with the publicity work of Southern banks and has specialized in trust work. In addition to his activities in publicity, Mr. Bennett has made a study of banking methods and has worked out plans for the development of new business and increased efficiency. With his knowledge of banking and Southern conditions, together with his intimate contact with bankers, Mr. Bennett's connection with the Central Hanover Bank and Trust Co., it is expected to result in the development of trust and banking business for the New York office and correspondent banks throughout the country.

Lewis H. Rothchild, President of the Chelsea Exchange Corporation of New York has sailed for Europe on the Ile de France. While abroad Mr. Rothchild plans to consummate negotiations already under way for the broadening of the corporation's affairs thus making them international in scope. Chelsea Exchange Corporation is the securities affiliate of the Chelsea Exchange Bank, and according to reports in bank stock trading circles announcement is expected to be made shortly which will bring about a closer alliance between the securities company and the bank, along lines similar to those now existing between the larger Wall Street banks and their securities affiliates. Edward S. Rothchild, President of Chelsea Exchange Bank, has just returned from Europe, having started the preliminary negotiations for the pending alliance.

Bankus Corporation which is the holding company of the Bank of United States announces that F. P. McKim, formerly with Thompson Ross & Co., has joined the Bankus organization.

Terms of the merger agreement by which the Prudential Bank of New York will acquire the Midtown Bank of New York and its branch office were announced on Aug. 16 by A. W. Renz, President of the former institution, in a letter notifying stockholders of a special meeting called for Sept. 19 for the purpose of voting upon the ratification and confirmation of the agreement. Under the agreement the Prudential Bank will issue three shares of its \$20 par value stock for each share of outstanding Midtown stock of \$100 par value. As there 5,000 shares of Midtown stock outstanding, the exchange would require 15,000 shares of Prudential Bank stock, and to supply this amount the bank

has arranged for waivers of such number of shares from certain stockholders who have subscribed thereto under the recent stock increase issue.

The fact that the Chase National Bank in less than 52 years has multiplied its capital 350 times over is indicated in an announcement this week. In 1877, when the bank was founded, it had capital of \$300,000. To-day, after giving effect to its consolidation with the National Park Bank, the enlarged Chase institution will have capital of \$105,000,000. While two New York banks are larger in point of total resources than the vigorously growing Chase organization, the study of bank records is said to show that thus far no other bank in the world which has grown to such size and commanding position in so short a time. The National Park Bank for years has been rated as one of the most conservative in the Greater City. It is 73 years old, having been formed in 1856, and its records show historical transactions dating back to pre-Civil War years. Capital of the consolidated bank will be \$105,000,000 and surplus and undivided profits will exceed \$130,000,000. Combined deposits of the two banks will approximate \$1,200,000,000, while total resources, including those of the security affiliates, will be in the neighborhood of \$1,700,000,000. Physical merger of Chase and National Park will become effective at the close of business to-day (August 24). All offices will open as Chase institutions on Monday next. No ceremonies are planned, the work of transferring the assets and business of one institution to the other being accomplished as simply as the changing of an item on a ledger—at least so far as the outside public and Chase Bank clientele is concerned. There will be no interruption in service. The combined bank will have 28 offices in New York City and Brooklyn, and three foreign branches. Its Board of Directors will consist of the present directors of the two organizations. Likewise, present officers of the two banks will continue to serve as officers of the consolidated institution.

Another new branch bank in the expanding system of the Chase National Bank of New York was opened August 19 at No. 18 East 48th Street, in the heart of the uptown jewelry district. The new unit gave the Chase National 22 offices in Manhattan and Brooklyn, which figure was increased to 27 on August 24 when the physical merger of Chase National and National Park Bank was completed. The Chase Safe Deposit Company also shares the 48th Street office with the Chase National Bank. The new branch, which was opened without formality, is in charge of Louis E. Bruenner, Assistant Cashier, and Richard H. Mansfield, Manager. Mr. Bruenner was formerly in the Chase branch which is located in the Maiden Lane jewelry district, and Mr. Mansfield was formerly Manager of the Chase-Manhattanville branch at 422 West 125th Street.

Following a meeting of the Board of Directors of Chase Securities Corporation this week it was announced that upon consummation of the merger of the Parkbank Corporation with Chase Securities Corporation, Charles S. McCain and James B. Forrestal will become Directors of the latter; Charles S. McCain will become Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors; Robert J. Whitfield, a Vice-President, and Edward S. Flash and Walter A. Paxton, Assistant Vice-Presidents. Charles C. Wells, formerly Assistant General Sales Manager at the Chicago office of Chase Securities Corporation, has been appointed an Assistant Vice-President.

The stockholders of Port Morris Bank of New York have voted to increase the capital from \$200,000 to \$300,000. Rights for the additional \$10 par value stock will permit of purchase of one new share for each two held, and expire September 16. The additional stock will be sold at \$20 per share, with \$10 being applied to capital and \$10 to surplus. The Port Morris Bank was named because of its location in the center of the tract of land taken up by Col. Robert Morris, signer of the Declaration of Independence, who founded Morrisania and whose nephew, Gouvenor Morris, was Chairman of the Committee which devised the gridiron street system of the Island of Manhattan. An item regarding the plans to increase the capital appeared in our issue of July 13, page 226.

With the establishment of a new Morris Plan office and its affiliated installment financing facilities, at Jackson, Mississippi, service will be extended to the principal cities throughout the State, Arthur J. Morris, President of the

Industrial Finance Corporation, the parent company, announces. The Mississippi program follows the work of organization in Louisiana where Morris Plan offices have been established at New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Shreveport, Alexandria and Monroe. Morris Plan banks and companies with branches now totaling 174 are operating in 150 cities in 32 States, and in the District of Columbia. The public has also invested more than \$350,000,000 at various times in Morris Plan certificates at these 174 offices.

The National Bank of Bayside, Long Island, began business on July 27th with a capital of \$200,000 and a surplus of \$100,000; the remaining \$40,000 of the total paid for the 4,000 shares at \$85 a share was set up as a reserve for equipment and expenses. The officers and directors of the new institution are: J. Wilson Dayton, President; Charles V. Bossert, Vice-President; Van R. Zimmerman, Elbert W. Hawley, Frederic Storm, Oliver H. Bartine, Theodore G. Clarke and Edward A. Mandel; Henry L. Doughty is Cashier. John J. Strettle is in charge of the vaults.

The Bay Ridge Savings Bank, Fifth Ave. and 54th St., Brooklyn, an institution with 57,000 depositors and more than \$30,000,000 in deposits, suffered a severe "run" last week, precipitated by malicious stories circulated by a man who was refused a loan on a piece of property. Nearly \$2,000,000 in deposits was withdrawn, resulting in a loss to the withdrawing depositors of \$22,500 in interest. Millions of dollars were mobilized to enable the institution to meet the emergency. The "run" started Tuesday, Aug. 13, reached its peak at noon Thursday, and ceased Friday, Aug. 16, as suddenly as it began. In relating the story of how the "run" began, the New York "Times" of Aug. 16 said:

Two weeks ago a man entered the bank's new \$900,000 building at Fifth Ave. and 54th St. He sought a loan of \$16,000 and offered his home as surety. The bank valued the house at \$10,000, and the loan was refused. Ordinarily, that would have ended the matter.

That it did not was due to the potency of what was told in a neighborhood speakeasy. The man found solace there, and as he drank he began to consider himself much abused. Then he began to abuse the bank. What he said was repeated in the strongly Scandinavian neighborhood of the bank. Before two weeks had passed the original incoherencies had become a compact, although wholly false, attack on the soundness of the savings bank.

The section seethed with gossip. Some of it was that Dr. Maurice T. Lewis, President of the bank, had died; that all of the officers had followed him in death; that the bank had no money, and that another City Trust fiasco was threatened. Reports that several banks in Norway had failed added to the anxiety of nervous depositors.

Just before the doors of the bank were opened on Thursday morning, according to the paper mentioned, a porter affixed a notice signed by Joseph A. Broderick, State Superintendent of Banks. It was a letter written on the previous day to the trustees of the institution and read as follows:

"For the information of your depositors we desire to say that at our examination of your institution, it was found to be in a satisfactory condition, the investments were made in compliance with the law and a surplus was shown in excess of \$1,350,000.

"We consider your bank to be solvent, well managed and in every respect worthy of the full confidence of your customers and the community."

J. A. BRODERICK.

Several other Brooklyn savings banks came to the rescue of the institution. On Thursday morning the "Times" said, a stack of newspapers containing an advertisement pledging support to the Bay Ridge bank, was piled at the door of the institution and handed to the withdrawing depositors as they walked in. The advertisement read as follows:

To the General Public and the Depositors of the Bay Ridge Savings Bank: "The undersigned are members of Group V of the Savings Banks Association of the State of New York. The Bay Ridge Savings Bank is one of its members. We, having full knowledge of the excellent financial condition, the competency and integrity of its management, pledge our full support to the Bay Ridge Savings Bank.

"We also pledge our efforts in assisting the officials of that institution in apprehending the individual or individuals responsible for circulating the malicious rumors which are resulting in direct loss of interest to the depositors. We advise and strongly recommend that the depositors continue to keep their savings on deposit with the Bay Ridge Savings Bank.

Signed

Brevoort Savings Bank  
Brooklyn Savings Bank  
Brownsville Savings Bank  
Bushwick Savings Bank  
Church Lane Savings Bank  
City Savings Bank  
Dime Savings Bank of Brooklyn  
Dime Savings Bank of Williamsburgh  
East Brooklyn Savings Bank  
East New York Savings Bank  
Flatbush Savings Bank  
Fort Hamilton Savings Bank  
Fulton Savings Bank.

Greater New York Savings Bank  
Greenpoint Savings Bank  
Hamburg Savings Bank  
Home Savings Bank  
Kings County Savings Bank  
Kings Highway Savings Bank  
Lincoln Savings Bank  
Navy Savings Bank  
Prudential Savings Bank  
Roosevelt Savings Bank  
South Brooklyn Savings Bank  
Williamsburgh Savings Bank

In reporting the situation at the bank in its issue of Friday night, Aug. 16, the New York "Evening Post" said in part:

Business men in the neighborhood of the bank, at 5th Ave. and 54th St., Brooklyn, predicted to-day that the scare of the last several days would result in more prestige for the bank for standing up to the "run" so valiantly, winning the indorsement of the banks grouped in the Savings

Banks Association, and receiving from Joseph A. Broderick, State Superintendent of Banks, a special note of commendation, to reassure depositors.

While this bank returns to normalcy the public authorities are decrying the action of the hundreds of depositors who kept taking out their savings, despite the exhortations of their own clergymen and of Norse-Americans of high standing in the community. "A crime," Mr. Broderick called the run on the bank.

"It is an excellent institution," he said. "Just think of a neighborhood bank which is managed with so much ability that its deposits amount to \$31,000,000 in 20 years. I checked the records and I find that the conduct of the bank's officers has never been criticized by this department and that our inspections always have shown the bank in an increasingly stronger position, with more deposits and more surplus.

Fifteen Seek Accused Men.

"This matter of bank rumors is a very serious one. A big enough run could break any institution. The Penal Code provides severe punishment for this offense, and if we can get the man or men responsible for this he is going to get it. I understand that between the bank's private detectives and the police force 15 men are looking for the culprits."

Any one who may be responsible for the run on the bank by circulating an untrue report reflecting on its solvency is guilty of a misdemeanor, Mr. Broderick pointed out, and the penalty may be a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both. District Attorney Dodd has said he will prosecute any spreaders of such rumors if the police obtain convincing evidence. They are working under Captain John J. Ryan, in command of 10th District detectives.

According to the Boston "Transcript" of August 21, Alfred E. Wellington has been appointed President of the Columbia Trust Co. of Boston in place of Patrick J. Kennedy, deceased. Mr. Wellington has been with the trust company since its organization in 1895. He was appointed Treasurer in 1897 and elected Vice-President in 1914, remaining as Treasurer over twenty-two years. Brendan J. Keenan has been made Treasurer in lieu of Mr. Wellington. Mr. Keenan has been with the company since its organization and has been its Secretary for twenty-five years. Miss Ethel C. Turner was promoted to Secretary in place of Mr. Keenan. Miss Turner will remain as Assistant Treasurer.

We are advised by the Winchester Trust Co. of Winchester, Mass., that the recently proposed 10-for-1 split-up in the company's stock, reducing the par value from \$100 to \$10 a share, is now going into effect. The bank's capital is \$100,000 with surplus of like amount.

In further reference to the affairs of the closed Hobart Trust Co. of Passaic, N. J., and the failed New Jersey Bankers' Securities Co., which controlled its stock, three new indictments, making a total of six in all, were returned on Friday of last week, August 16, against Harry H. Weinberger, former President of the Securities Company, by the Passaic County Grand Jury, according to advices from Paterson, N. J., on that date to the New York "Times." The new indictments against Mr. Weinberger accuse him of false pretenses and of rendering false statements. The dispatch furthermore said in part:

Weinberger was held in permanent bail of \$50,000 on one of the six indictments in which he is accused of conspiracy, together with his brother, former City Counsel Joseph J. Weinberger of Passaic, and Frank Campbell, a stockholder in the securities company, in connection with funds of the Service Trust Company. On the five other indictments Weinberger was released on his own recognizance. The trial of all three defendants was set tentatively for September 24, the opening day of the September term of the Supreme Court.

Harry H. Weinberger obtained permanent bail of \$50,000 to-day, as did Campbell, after the two men had completed the formality of discharging their writs of habeas corpus whereby they had previously obtained temporary bail of \$50,000 and \$25,000 respectively, instead of \$350,000 and \$100,000 requested by the State. Upon discharging the writs and surrendering to Sheriff Thomas Carliss, they were rearraigned before Common Pleas Judge William B. Harley this afternoon.

Joseph J. Weinberger is still under \$100,000 bail on the conspiracy charge, but Assistant Prosecutor James M. Dunn said he would consent to this bail being reduced to \$50,000 to equalize it with that of his brother and Campbell.

The Grand Jury has yet to complete its deliberations on the kidnaping in June of Willard H. Elliott, former Vice-President of the Hobart Trust Company.

A Passaic dispatch to the "Times" on Monday, August 19, stated that the Hobart Trust Co. and its two branches, the Merchants' Bank and the Service Trust Co., had that day passed from the control of the New Jersey Bankers' Securities Co. to the group of Passaic bankers and business men who purchased the company's stock at \$14 a share on August 8, thus marking the first important step looking towards the reopening of the institution. The purchasers are James H. Walden, Robert D. Benson, Arthur S. Hughes, Dow H. Drukker and Henry C. Whitehead, all of whom are associated with the People's Trust Co. of Passaic. Mr. Whitehead is counsel for the group. The Passaic men received the New Jersey Bankers' Securities Co.'s shares of Hobart Trust Co. stock from John J. Stamler and Nicholas Le Vecchia, permanent equity receivers of the company, for \$422,940. There is a total of 40,000 shares of Hobart Trust Co. Stock outstanding.



Still later Passaic advices to the same paper (Thursday, Aug. 22) reported that Hugh Hilson, Deputy State Commissioner of Banking and Insurance, and a veteran in the banking business in New Jersey, was appointed Executive Vice-President of the Hobart Trust Co., and at a reorganization meeting held on that day by the group of Passaic business men who have purchased the controlling interest in the institution. Eleven new directors were elected at the same meeting, it was said, and more directors and other officers, including the President, were to be chosen at a meeting to be held on Sept. 4. Six of the directors chosen, it was stated, are directors of the People's Bank & Trust Co. of Passaic. They are Robert D. and Byron Benson, James H. Walden, Henry C. Whitehead, Dow H. Drukker, Jr., and William H. Stevens. Coincidental with his appointment as Executive Vice-President, Mr. Hilson sent in his resignation as Deputy State Banking Commissioner to take effect next Monday, Aug. 26, when he will start his duties with the Hobart Trust Co.

On Aug. 14 Francis S. Goglia was elected a director of the newly organized Plaza Trust Co. of Philadelphia, according to the Philadelphia "Ledger" of Aug. 15. The new bank will open for business Sept. 10.

On Tuesday of this week (August 20), the respective stockholders of the Central National Bank of Philadelphia and of the American Bank & Trust Co. of that city, approved the proposed consolidation of the latter with the Central National Bank. According to the Philadelphia "Ledger" of August 21, the actual physical merger of the assets of the two institutions will be accomplished at the close of business August 31. The new organization will retain the title of the Central National Bank of Philadelphia. Total resources of the two banks as of June 29 were \$47,048,429. The enlarged bank will maintain four offices, the main bank remaining at Fifth and Chestnut Street. The others will be at the Northwest corner of 15th and Sansom Street, Broad and Cambria Streets, and Broad Street and Passyunk Avenue. The office at 134 South 15th Street will be discontinued. Negotiations have been completed for the purchase by the Central National Bank of the properties formerly owned by the Integrity Trust Co., at 114 and 116 South 15th Street, adjoining the bank's, at 15th and Sansom Streets. The purchase price was \$750,000, it was said. Under the terms of the union, stockholders of the American Bank & Trust Co. will receive two shares of Central National Bank stock, of the par value of \$10 a share, for each share of American Bank & Trust Co. stock, par value \$50 a share, held. The new institution, Central National Bank of Philadelphia, will increase its capital by the issuance to its stockholders of rights to subscribe to 34,000 shares of new stock, par value \$10 a share, in the ratio of one new share for each five shares held, at the price of \$70 a share. The stockholders of the Central National Bank also approved the formation of the Central National Securities Co., and the transferring of \$1,000,000 from surplus or profits, for that purpose. Officers and employees of the American Bank & Trust Co. will be retained by the new institution, and the Board of Directors of the American Bank will form an Advisory Board. Officers of the new organization will be as follows: Archie D. Swift (President of the Central National Bank), President; Stanley E. Wilson, David R. Carson, Albert H. Ashby (and Cashier), Elwell Whalen (President of the American Bank & Trust Co.), Vice-Presidents; Thomas G. Conklin, Leo M. Kelly, Albert B. Roop, Walter S. Chittick, and Walter C. Brooks, Assistant Cashiers, and William Post, Chairman of the Executive Committee.

Oliver Mead Stafford, a Vice-President and a director of the Union Trust Co. of Cleveland, Ohio, died at his home in Cleveland Heights on Aug. 15 after a brief illness in his 79th year. In announcing Mr. Stafford's death, the Union Trust Co. said:

Mr. Stafford enjoyed a long and eventful business career, the Stafford name having been associated with many Cleveland industrial and banking activities.

In 1883 Mr. Stafford, along with C. A. Grasselli, organized the Broadway Savings & Trust Co., and in 1887 Mr. Stafford organized the Woodland Avenue Savings & Trust Co. During the ensuing year his business activities were manifold. He reorganized the old Turner Worsted Mills and founded the Cleveland Worsted Mills Co. For 50 years he was President of the latter company, and last year was made Chairman of the board.

He entered the field of insurance and organized the O. M. Stafford-Gross-Bedell Co., which is now the Brooks & Stafford Co., becoming Vice-President of the latter company.

At the time of his death he was president of the Sheriff Street Market & Storage Co., Vice-President and director of the Union Trust Co., and director of the Canfield Oil Co.

Although actively engaged in business, up until his death Mr. Stafford found time to take part in a wide range of civic, philanthropic and religious activity. He was one of the charter members of the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce, and for many years was president of the Cleveland Public Library. He was treasurer of St. Alexis Hospital and a member of its advisory committee. He was a member of the Union, Mid-Day and Country Clubs, and also of the New England Society and Early Settlers Association.

Joseph W. Kennedy is now a member of the Business Extension Department of the Union Trust Co., Detroit, according to an announcement by John A. Reynolds, Vice-President, in charge of that department. Mr. Kennedy goes to the Union Trust Co. from Cleveland, where he practiced law for several years, and more recently was Vice-President and Trust Officer of the Midland Bank. He is a graduate of Wooster College, Wooster, Ohio, and took his law degree at Western Reserve University, Cleveland.

The following comes to us this week from the Union Commerce Corp. of Detroit:

Frank W. Blair, President of the Union Commerce Corp., Detroit, announces that the board of directors have recommended to the stockholders an increase in the authorized capital stock from \$10,000,000 to \$25,000,000.

The board of directors also recommended an arrangement whereunder Keane, Higbie and Co. of Detroit will become a constituent part of the Union Commerce Group.

Keane, Higbie & Co. was organized in 1915 to engage in the underwriting and marketing of high grade investment securities. It has been since its inception a major factor in this field and brings to the Union Commerce Group an important unit needed to round out its financial activities. Its volume of business in 1928 amounted to more than \$163,000,000, and for the first seven months of 1929 to more than \$92,000,000. No change is contemplated in the organization of Keane, Higbie & Co. as it is presently constituted, except that Frank W. Blair and Henry H. Sanger will become members of the board of directors. The active management will be in the hands of the following as heretofore: Carlton M. Higbie, Chairman of the Board; Duncan J. McNabb, President and Treasurer; Bradley Higbie, Muir B. Snow, Henry S. Morgan and Millard S. Pryor, Vice-Presidents, and Fred W. Pritchard, Secretary.

Carlton M. Higbie was elected an Executive Vice-President of the Union Commerce Corp.

Arrangements were also recommended for the acquisition by the Union Commerce Group of the Union State Bank of Dearborn, Bank of Commerce, Dearborn, Trenton State Bank of Trenton, Jefferson Savings Bank of Groose Pointe Park, and the Union Joint Stock Land Bank of Detroit.

Announcement was also made at the meeting of the absorption by the National Bank of Commerce of the Union Savings Bank of Brightmoor.

D. Dwight Douglas, President of the First National Bank in Detroit, announced recently that Hamilton Hadden, New York, and Clarence D. Blessed have been appointed Vice-Presidents and Walter F. Truettner and Charles H. McMahon have been made Assistant Vice-Presidents of the bank. Mr. Hadden is also Vice-President and a Director of the First National Co. of Detroit, in charge of the New York office. Mr. Blessed has been Secretary of the company and identified with it since 1921. Mr. Truettner was formerly President of the First National Bank in Bessemer, Mich., and is now actively in charge of the department of banks and bankers. Mr. McMahon is Director of Publicity.

Organization of a new \$250,000,000 holding company, controlling 34 banks with combined resources of \$341,000,000, was announced on Aug. 22 by the First National Bank of Minneapolis and the First National Bank of St. Paul, according to advices by the Associated Press from Minneapolis on that date, appearing in yesterday's New York daily papers. Under the title of the First Bank Stock Corporation, the new holding company, it is said, will weld 34 banks in Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Montana into a centralized system directed from headquarters in the twin cities. The new concern will take over the 17 banks now controlled by the First Bank Stock Investment Co., organized last spring by the First National Bank of Minneapolis and the First National Bank of St. Paul. Formation of the new concern brings into the organization four banks in Montana, it is said, "thus assuring definite association of the financial and commercial structure of the twin cities with the mining industry in the West." The dispatch appearing in the New York "Times" adds:

The Montana banks have combined resources of \$46,000,000. They are the Metals Bank & Trust Co. of Butte, the First National of Great Falls, the Western Montana National of Missoula, and the Midland National of Billings. Of these the Metals Bank & Trust Co. is the largest, having resources of \$23,000,000. Some directors of the Montana banks will sit on the board of the new holding company. They include John D. Ryan, Chairman of the board of the Anaconda Copper Mining Co.; C. F. Kelly, President, and L. O. Evans, general counsel; James E. Woodward, President of the Metals Bank of Butte, and Sam Stephenson, head of the Great Falls Bank.

C. T. Jaffray, President of the Soo Line RR., will head the new organization as chairman of the board, while George H. Prince, Chairman of the First National of St. Paul, is President of the First Bank Stock Corporation. Directors also include the Presidents of the seven leading railroads serving the Northwest territory.

That the First National Bank of Charles City, Ia., and the Security Trust & Savings Bank of that place, institutions having combined resources of approximately \$3,000,000, are about to consolidate, was reported in advices by the Associated Press from Charles City, appearing in the Des Moines "Register" of August 20. Charles D. Ellis will be Chairman of the Board of the enlarged institution (the name of which had not been announced), while Melvin W. Ellis, President of the Oliver Farm Implement Co., will be President, it was stated. The dispatch furthermore said:

The new bank is the first to take advantage of the new law and to have shares issued at \$20 par value.

A proposal to consolidate the Fourth and First National Bank of Nashville, Tenn., and its affiliated institution, the Nashville Trust Co., into one bank to be designated the Fourth and First Bank & Trust Co., was unanimously approved by the stockholders on Aug. 14, according to the Nashville "Banner" of the following day. The new institution, which it is understood will operate under the charter of the Nashville Trust Co., will have a capital of \$4,000,000, surplus of like amount, undivided profits of more than \$2,000,000, and total resources in excess of \$75,000,000. Under the new arrangement the stockholders of the Fourth and First National Bank will receive one and one-third shares of stock in the Fourth and First Bank & Trust Co. in lieu of each share of stock in the Fourth and First National Bank. The Fourth and First National Bank, the paper mentioned said, will continue to operate with capital of \$2,000,000 and surplus of \$40,000, and as heretofore will handle all wills and estates under its jurisdiction. Arrangements for the completion of the proposed union will be perfected at a meeting of the directors, to be called in the near future. The personnel of the new bank will be composed of officers of both the National Bank and the trust company.

Further referring to the proposed amalgamation of certain Seattle banks, indicated in our issues of August 10 and 17, pages 913 and 1074, respectively, the following official statement has been received this week. The statement was issued jointly on August 10 by W. H. Parsons, President of the Dexter Horton National Bank; M. A. Arnold, President of the First National Bank, and J. W. Spangler, President of the Seattle National Bank, the three major banks entering the consolidation:

The Boards of Directors of the First National Bank, the Seattle National Bank and the Dexter Horton National Bank to-day (August 10) voted to consolidate under the name of "The First-Seattle-Dexter Horton National Bank." The new bank will have a capital, surplus and undivided profits of \$10,000,000.

The Board of Directors of the consolidated bank will consist of all the members of the present Boards of Directors of the three banks, with some additions. As this forms a large Board, an Executive Committee of ten, of whom not more than three shall be salaried officials of the bank, will be appointed. The following executive officers have been selected:

W. H. Parsons, Chairman of the Board;  
J. D. Hoge, Vice-Chairman of the Board;  
J. A. Swallow, Vice-Chairman of the Board;  
M. A. Arnold, President;  
J. W. Spangler, Chairman of the Executive Committee;  
H. C. MacDonald, Cashier.

The remaining personnel of the three merging banks will be taken over in toto, each officer and employee continuing his present title and present salary. This plan will enable all the customers of the three banks to become thoroughly familiar with the new organization and to continue to consult the same officers with whom they have previously been accustomed to carry on their business. As a matter of fact, it will probably be several months before the physical consolidation can take place, and meanwhile the consolidating banks will continue business at their respective present quarters.

It is probable that a physical connection will be made between the banking rooms of the Seattle National and the Dexter Horton National Banks, and the business of the consolidated bank carried on in their united quarters. The First National Bank building may or may not be utilized for the new Securities Company and its disposal will await the action of the consolidated bank after it has been better able to determine its physical needs.

There will also be organized a new Securities Company, to be known as "The First-Seattle-Dexter Horton Securities Company." This company will have a capitalization of 400,000 shares, of no par value, but there will be paid in not less than \$2,000,000 in cash or approved securities at the starting in business of this new company.

It is planned that the new Securities Company will take over all the capital stock of the Metropolitan National Bank, University National Bank, First Greenwood National Bank, First Canal Bank, First Rainier Valley Bank, First Security Bank, Dexter Horton State Bank, Georgetown, the separate corporate entity and business of which will be continued. The Seaboard and Ballard branches of the Dexter Horton National Bank will also be taken over and continued as branches of the merged bank. The Securities Company will also acquire the business of First Securities Company, Dexter Horton Securities Company and the Seattle National Company. The bank for savings in Seattle also will be affiliated.

The shares of stock of the new Securities Company will be attached, share for share, to the shares of the consolidated bank, by the same method as now exists in the case of Dexter Horton Securities Company and the Seattle National Company, so that each share in the consolidated bank will own the beneficial interest in a corresponding share in the Securities Company, and a transfer or pledge of each share in the consolidated bank will similarly transfer or pledge the corresponding share in the Securities Company; the effect being that the stockholders of both the company and the bank must always remain identical and in ultimate effect own the same number of shares.

The First National Corporation will be dissolved and there will be distributed to its stockholders the shares of stock in the consolidated bank which it will acquire as practically the sole stockholders of First National Group.

The new bank, with its associate institutions, in point of both capital and deposits, will be the largest bank west of Chicago and north of San Francisco. As shown by the statements of June 29 1929, it will have deposits as follows:

The Dexter Horton National Bank	\$36,771,228.58	
The First National Bank	18,084,824.39	
The Seattle National Bank	28,350,382.25	
		\$83,196,435.22
The Bank for Savings in Seattle		1,218,671.65
Through its Securities company, it will own 100% interest in the following banks, which according to the statements of June 29 1929, had the following deposits:		
Metropolitan National Bank	\$10,210,520.83	
University National Bank	3,250,277.34	
First Greenwood National Bank	548,368.00	
First Canal Bank	518,163.75	
First Rainier Valley Bank	411,019.38	
First Security Bank	684,637.76	
Dexter Horton State Bank, Georgetown	822,109.73	
		16,443,087.39
The total deposits controlled by the new Bank, as shown by the statements of June 29 1929		100,858,194.26
The total resources of the new Bank will be approximately		119,025,542.36

The merged bank will pursue as one of its fixed policies the previous practice of its constituent banks—that of giving the closest attention and encouragement to small business, though it will itself have legal loan limit available to any one firm, individual or corporation of over one million dollars.

This will enable the new bank to fully satisfy the needs of the community in making loans to the larger borrowers, which have heretofore been compelled either to seek outside banks or divide their loans among a number of local banks. The past inability of the larger borrowers to be able to satisfy their borrowing requirements with one institution has resulted, and is steadily resulting, in withdrawing accounts from local institutions and placing them with larger institutions in other cities.

In conformity to the laws governing consolidations, an examining committee, composed of members of each consolidating bank, will go over the assets of the banks. A meeting of stockholders will be called at a date approximating September 16, for the purpose of ratifying the action of the board of directors, after which the new bank will be in position to start business as soon as approval of its act has been given by the Comptroller of the Currency, and it is estimated that formalities will have been concluded and the final consummation of the merger occur not later than Nov. 1 1929.

Persistent rumors to the effect that an outside financial institution is interested as a stockholder in the merged bank, are wholly without foundation; in fact, the truth being that the stockholders in the new bank are the present stockholders in the constituent merging and controlled banks, over 90% of which are residents of the State of Washington.

The new bank does not contemplate engaging in chain or branch banking outside of the City of Seattle, nor has it under consideration merger or other stock affiliations with any bank or banks in other large cities of the Pacific Coast or elsewhere."

W. H. PARSONS,  
*President, The Dexter Horton National Bank.*  
M. A. ARNOLD,  
*President, The First National Bank.*  
J. W. SPANGLER,  
*President, The Seattle National Bank.*

After 51 years of active banking life, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor retires as General Manager of the Bank of Montreal, Montreal, Que., Canada, effective Oct. 15 when he will be come a Vice-President and a director of the institution. H. B. Mackenzie, now Senior Assistant General Manager, will succeed Sir Frederick in the management of the bank. In announcing the retirement of Sir Frederick, the Montreal "Gazette" of Aug. 19 had the following to say:

In retiring from active management and assuming his new duties as Vice-President and director Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor will have completed over 51 years of banking life, during which time he has rendered eminent service to the bank in many capacities. Born in Moncton in 1863, of Empire Loyalist and Ulster stock, Sir Frederick entered the service of the Bank of Montreal in 1878 and after a series of promotions, which included management of the Chicago branch and six years as an inspector of the bank, during which he acquired an unsurpassed knowledge of Canada and Canadian affairs, he was, in 1905, appointed to the important position of Manager of the bank's branch in London, England. It so happened that Sir Frederick's tenure of office in London coincided with the period of Canada's greatest expansion prior to the war, and during his nine years of service in London the bank he represented was the medium through which hundreds of millions of dollars in Canadian loans were placed on the London market.

In 1913 Sir Frederick was called back to Canada to assume the position of General Manager, and this position he has held with distinction during the full period of the war and until his present elevation to a membership in the Board of Directors and election as a Vice-President of the bank.

Sir Frederick's retirement from the General Managership coincides with the period of greatest expansion in the bank's history, the most recent returns showing a position in aggregate resources and strength never before equalled.

Mr. Mackenzie, the new General Manager elect, according to the "Gazette" is a native of Ontario, having been born at Ingersoll, that Province, in 1867. After beginning his banking career with the Canadian Bank of Commerce in Bradford, Ont., in 1884, he joined the Bank of British North America in 1887, of which institution he became Chief Inspector in 1902, Manager at Victoria, B. C., in 1905, Superintendent of central branches at Winnipeg in 1907, Superintendent of branches at head office in Montreal in 1909, and General Manager in 1912, which position he occupied until the Bank of British North America was taken over by the Bank of Montreal in 1918. Mr. Mackenzie was elected to the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade in 1921 and became its President in 1924. He has also been an active member of the Canadian Club of which he was President in 1920-1921.



The following with reference to the affairs of the Marine Bancorporation of Seattle (the holding company of several Seattle and other Washington banks) was contained in advices from Seattle on Aug. 19 to the "Wall Street Journal":

Net income of the Marine Bancorporation for six months ended June 30 1929 amounted to \$460,989, equivalent to more than \$2.50 a share a year, according to Andrew Price, president of the corporation.

Earnings of member banks of the Marine group totaled \$1,114,600, while earnings of the Bancorporation and the Marine National Company, exclusive of dividends from subsidiaries, amounted to \$255,561, a total of \$1,370,161 during the six months. Expenses and interest paid totaled \$891,687.

Balance sheet of Marine Bancorporation as of June 30 1929 follows:

Assets: Cash and call loans, \$1,205,401; stocks and bonds, \$1,023,703; dividends, notes and accounts receivable, \$439,794; investments in stocks of banks and subsidiary companies, at cost, \$11,535,637; total, \$14,204,535.

Liabilities: Dividends payable July 1 1929, \$162,726; capital stock and surplus (represented by 8,842 shares of initial no-par stock and 352,772 shares of fully participating no-par stock), \$14,041,809; total, \$14,204,535.

**THE WEEK ON THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.**

The stock market the present week has been active and strong, and except for a setback on Wednesday the trend of prices has been toward higher levels. Speculative interest has been directed largely to the high priced issues and many new record tops have been registered among the steel stocks, public utilities, and high grade specialties. Oil shares have had spasmodic periods of strength and motor stocks displayed sharp improvement for the first time in weeks. The weekly report of the Federal Reserve Bank made public after the close of business on Thursday showed an increase of \$133,000,000 in brokers' loans, but Friday's market paid no attention to this. Call money fluctuated between 6% and 7% throughout the week.

Little or no change was apparent in the trend or character of the stock market during the abbreviated session on Saturday. Some of the recent speculative favorites continued in demand at the higher prices of the previous days and buying orders appeared in fairly large volume, though there were also indications of the usual week-end profit-taking as the day advanced. One of the outstanding features of the day was the brisk run-up of Amer. Tel. & Tel. to a new top at 295, though it closed somewhat lower with a net gain of 9½ points. Internat. Tel & Tel. followed with a new high at 120. Railroad stocks were represented on the up side by Union Pacific, Rock Island, Ches. & Ohio, New York Central and Norfolk & Western with gains ranging from 2 to 5 points. Oil stocks moved ahead under the leadership of Simms Petroleum which gained about 3 points on the day. Pan American Petroleum "B" also was unusually active and closed nearly 2 points higher. Other strong stocks included Air Reduction which gained 2 points to 175¼, Allis Chalmers which moved 3½ points to 278, Worthington Pump which improved 2 points to 98 and Curtiss Aero Motor which closed at 165½ with a gain of 3½ points. International Paper Co. also ran up nearly 20 points to 79 and Bendix Aviation shot forward nearly 5 points to 96.

United States Steel furnished the major sensation on Monday as it bounded forward more than 10 points into new high ground above 248⅞ and closed at 248½. Bethlehem followed with a gain of 3⅝ points to 128½. In the so-called specialties group General Electric was the outstanding bright spot as it climbed 3 points to 398¾ followed by Westinghouse which reached a new peak at 252½. Allis Chalmers moved up 9 points to 287, American Can jumped 6¼ points to 182¼ and Baldwin Locomotive moved ahead nearly 3 points to 66. In the public utilities group American Telephone & Telegraph continued in the foreground as it advanced to a new high at 299 and closed at 296½ with a gain of 3½ points. American Foreign Power also was noteworthy for its strength as it spurted forward 10 points to a new high mark at 153. Railroad stocks were strong and moved briskly forward under the guidance of Pere Marquette which gained 4 points to 210. Del. & Hud. improved 4 points and Norfolk & Western bounded forward 5 points to 265.

The spectacular run-up of Allis Chalmers was one of the outstanding features of the session on Tuesday as it shot upward more than 40 points to a new high above 330 and closed the day at 325 with a net gain of 38 points. The recent announcement of the 4-for-1 split-up and the increased dividend rate have focused attention on the stock. Other specialties included Radio Corp. which had improved 4¼

points as it closed at 90½. Continental Can also lifted its top into new high ground as it closed at 87¾ with a gain of 5¼ points and American Can likewise established a new top at 183¼, though it slid off 2 points to 180¼ in the final hour. Public utilities moved ahead under the guidance of Internat. Tel & Tel. which surged upward to a new record level above 135, closing at 134 with a net gain of 10 points. Amer. Tel. & Tel. sold up to 298 at its high for the day but yielded to 295½ where it was off about 1 point at the close. Westinghouse Electric recorded a further advance to a new high at 257½ but dipped to 255 and closed with a net gain of 3 points. General Electric raised its top to 403 but dropped to 392½ with a loss of over 6 points. Railroad issues were represented on the up side by New York Central with a gain of 4 points, Norfolk & Western 5 points and a host of other issues ranging from 1 to 3 points.

The market was somewhat irregular and reactionary in the early trading on Thursday, though later in the day it made a substantial recovery. Westinghouse soared upward 20 points to a new record high above 277. General Electric followed with a gain of 10 points at its top for the day and closed at 393. United States Steel common was higher by nearly 2 points and Bethlehem Steel at 133⅝ was at its highest peak since the war. Oil stocks moved forward under the leadership of Texas Company, but motor shares and copper issues failed to maintain the upward swing of the previous day and dropped back from 1 to 3 points. Pennsylvania and Southern Pacific were the strong stocks of the railroad group and Johns-Manville and Du Pont were the outstanding features of the so-called specialties stocks.

On Wednesday numerous strong spots were in evidence among the steel stocks, motor shares and copper issues. United States Steel advanced 4 or more points to 252½ and closed at 248, and Bethlehem Steel climbed to 132½ and closed at 129⅞ with a new gain of 2¼ points. Motor shares attracted considerable speculative attention for the first time in weeks, General Motors being taken in large blocks above 74 and closing at 73 with a gain of 2 points. Copper shares displayed considerable activity, Anaconda selling up to 122½ at its top for the day and closing at 121⅞ with a net gain of a point or more. Greene-Cananea, Kennecott, Howe Sound and Gramby were also higher. Most of the active public utilities were subjected to vigorous selling and losses ranging from 1 to 5 or more points were recorded at the closing hour.

Stocks moved vigorously upward on Friday and an impressive array of new top prices for steel stocks, oil shares, motors and specialties was recorded before the closing hour. Some profit-taking came into the market before the close but caused little or no change in the trend of prices. United States Steel, common, was the feature of the morning trading and reached a new peak at 260 but dropped to 249¾ later in the day. Bethlehem Steel also hit a new top at 139¼ and closed with a net gain of 6¼ points and Republic Iron & Steel raised its top to 118¼ closing with a gain of 6¾ points. Motor stocks were higher, General Motors advancing to 75 with a gain of 2 points followed by Mack Truck, Chrysler and numerous other of the independent motor shares. New record levels were also recorded by Westinghouse Electric, Du Pont, Texas Corp., Woolworth, Pacific Gas & Electric, Internat. Tel. & Tel., Youngstown Sheet & Tube, Union Carbide & Carbon, Crucible Steel, Air Reduction and Chicago & Northwestern RR. Johns-Manville and Radio Corp. were higher but did not reach new tops. The final tone was good.

**TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, DAILY, WEEKLY AND YEARLY.**

Week Ended Aug. 23.	Stocks, Number of Shares.	Railroad, &c., Bonds.	State, Municipal & Foreign Bonds.	United States Bonds.
Saturday	2,227,250	\$6,705,000	\$1,768,000	\$401,000
Monday	3,975,550	7,999,500	1,961,000	127,000
Tuesday	4,637,930	8,479,500	1,995,000	230,000
Wednesday	4,716,530	7,313,000	2,612,000	106,000
Thursday	3,436,200	6,504,000	2,113,000	175,000
Friday	4,794,820	8,252,000	1,495,000	1,065,000
Total	23,788,280	\$45,253,000	\$11,944,000	\$2,104,000

Sales at New York Stock Exchange.	Week Ended Aug. 23.		Jan. 1 to Aug. 23.	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Stocks—No. of shares.	23,788,280	16,163,651	704,498,980	479,184,068
Bonds.	\$2,104,000	\$1,617,000	\$82,908,500	\$135,194,250
Government bonds	11,944,000	9,326,000	404,147,150	532,118,565
State and foreign bonds	45,253,000	16,163,651	1,319,340,000	1,597,486,676
Railroad & misc. bonds				
Total bonds	\$59,301,000	\$27,106,651	\$1,806,395,650	\$2,264,799,491

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE EXCHANGES.

Week Ended Aug. 23 1929.	Boston.		Philadelphia.		Baltimore.	
	Shares.	Bond Sales.	Shares.	Bond Sales.	Shares.	Bond Sales.
Saturday	36,979	\$3,000	435,430	\$6,000	2,862	-----
Monday	*68,259	21,000	499,130	14,100	2,945	\$12,400
Tuesday	*88,440	49,000	4135,874	9,100	4,647	20,000
Wednesday	*96,068	28,000	4120,422	2,000	4,234	9,000
Thursday	*69,495	56,000	486,028	7,000	6,078	49,000
Friday	*55,695	16,000	422,215	-----	3,241	14,000
Total	414,936	\$173,000	499,099	\$38,200	24,007	\$104,400
Prev. week revised	327,067	\$164,000	432,673	\$160,000	23,835	\$203,600

\* In addition, sales of rights were: Monday, 10,500; Tuesday, 5,563; Wednesday, 6,410; Thursday, 25,000.

a In addition, sales of rights were: Saturday, 9,600; Monday, 9,800; Tuesday, 17,400; Wednesday, 5,600; Thursday, 7,000. Sales of warrants were: Saturday, 8,600; Monday, 2,000; Tuesday, 2,800; Wednesday, 2,400; Thursday, 2,400; Friday, 500.

THE CURB EXCHANGE.

There was a firmer trend to Curb Exchange prices this week though profit-taking at times led to considerable irregularity. The utility issues were active. Allied Power & Light, com. advanced from 88 to 98 7/8, reacted to 91 5/8 and closed to-day at 93. Duke Power sold off at first from 288 1/2 to 281 1/2 then up to 324 1/2, the close to-day being at 304 1/2. Electric Bond & Share, com. was conspicuous for an advance of almost 18 points to 172, the final transaction to-day being at 168. Electric Investors improved from 272 1/4 to 290 7/8, finishing to-day at 287 1/2. In the industrial and miscellaneous group Allis Chalmers Mfg. new stock sold for the first time w. i., up from 73 1/4 to 85, the close to-day being at 82 1/2. Aluminum Co. sold down from 474 3/4 to 431 and at 448 finally. Anchor Post & Fence com. was active and advanced from 57 to 73 1/4. Gt. Atl. & Pac. Tea non-voting stock improved from 385 1/2 to 400, and sold finally at 399. Insull Utility Investments com. rose from 105 1/8 to 112 3/8 and reacted finally to 107. National Investors, com. moved up from 198 1/2 to 225 1/2 and sold finally at 217. Transamerica Corp. sold up from 144 1/2 to 155 1/2 and ends the week at 154. A stock dividend of 150% was declared and also rights given to stock of a new affiliated trading corporation. Oil stocks showed strength at first but relapsed into dullness. Chesebrough Mfg. on few transactions sold up from 185 to 210.

A complete record of Curb Exchange transactions for the week will be found on page 1240.

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE.

Week Ended Aug. 23.	Stocks (No. Shares).	Rights.	Bonds (Par Value).	
			Domestic.	Foreign Government.
Saturday	1,304,000	272,000	\$741,000	\$133,000
Monday	1,790,600	268,300	1,365,000	120,000
Tuesday	2,035,700	334,900	1,407,000	127,000
Wednesday	1,948,930	286,300	1,331,000	151,000
Thursday	1,682,500	153,100	1,109,000	154,000
Friday	2,023,100	207,500	1,362,000	143,000
Total	10,784,830	\$1,522,100	\$7,315,000	\$828,000

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS.

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of Aug. 7 1929:

GOLD.

The Bank of England gold reserve against notes amounted to £141,375,637 on the 31st ultimo (as compared with £149,466,630 on the previous Wednesday), and represents a decrease of £12,530,678 since April 29 1925—when an effective gold standard was resumed.

In the open market to-day, £31,000 bar gold from West Africa and £20,000 from other sources was available in addition to the £896,000 from South Africa. The requirements of India and the Home and Continental Trade only amounted to £77,000, and, failing outside enquiry at the price fixed (84 s. 11 1/2 d.), the Bank of England secured the balance as shown in the figures below.

Withdrawals of gold from the Bank for export to France have continued on a smaller scale, but now the exchange with that country has moved above "gold point," further exports of the metal are for the present improbable.

The following movements of gold to and from the Bank of England have been announced, showing a net efflux of £1,699,324 during the week under review:

	Aug. 1.	Aug. 2.	Aug. 3.	Aug. 6.	Aug. 7.
Received	£500,000	£10,000	£250,007	£860,200	-----
Withdrawn	£1,306,866	326,349	1,224,206	335,598	126,512

The receipt on the 2nd inst. was in sovereigns "released." Yesterday £250,000 sovereigns were received from South Africa and to-day £860,200 in bar gold from the same quarter. Of the withdrawals about £3,200,000 in bar gold was for France.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of gold registered from mid-day on the 29th ultimo to mid-day on the 3rd inst.:

Imports—	Exports—
Miscellaneous	France
£18,236	£7,226,074
-----	Germany
-----	1,369,120
-----	Others
-----	29,396
£18,236	£8,624,590

SILVER.

The market has continued quiet and uneventful. Enquiry from India both for prompt shipment and forward delivery, although not very keen, sufficed to keep prices steady until to-day when somewhat freer offerings caused a decline of 1-16d. to 24 1/4 d. and 24 3/4 d. for cash and two months' delivery respectively. The Continent has made small sales but China and America have not shown much interest.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of silver registered from mid-day on the 29th ultimo to mid-day on the 3rd inst.:

Imports—	Exports—
France	£11,024
Mexico	140,755
British India	42,569
New Zealand	15,000
Other countries	9,886
-----	£219,234
-----	£21,775

INDIAN CURRENCY RETURNS.

(In Lacs of Rupees)—	July 31.	July 22.	July 15.
Notes in circulation	18572	18770	18600
Silver coin and bullion in India	10845	10642	10472
Silver coin and bullion out of India	-----	3222	3222
Gold coin and bullion in India	-----	4320	4320
Gold coin and bullion out of India	-----	586	586
Securities (Indian Government)	4319	4320	4320
Securities (British Government)	187	586	586

The stocks in Shanghai on the 3rd inst. consisted of about 81,900,000 ounces in sycee, 123,000,000 dollars and 10,340 silver bars, as compared with about 81,700,000 ounces in sycee, 123,000,000 dollars and 11,260 silver bars on the 27th ultimo.

Quotations during the week:

	—Bar Silver, per Oz., Std.—	Bar Gold per Oz. Fine
	Cash.	2 Mos.
Aug. 1	24 5-16d.	24 3/4 d.
Aug. 2	24 5-16d.	24 7-16d.
Aug. 3	24 5-16d.	24 7-16d.
Aug. 6	24 5-16d.	24 7-16d.
Aug. 7	24 1/2 d.	24 3/4 d.
Average	24.300d.	24.412d.

The silver quotations today for cash and two months' delivery are each 1-16d. below those fixed a week ago.

ENGLISH FINANCIAL MARKET—PER CABLE.

The daily closing quotations for securities, &c., at London, as reported by cable, have been as follows the past week:

	Sat. Aug. 17.	Mon. Aug. 19.	Tues. Aug. 20.	Wed. Aug. 21.	Thurs. Aug. 22.	Fri. Aug. 23.
Silver, per oz.	24 1/4 d.	24 5-16d.	24 5-16d.	24 5-16d.	24 7-16d.	24 5-16d.
Gold per fine oz	84s.11 1/2 d.	84s.11 1/2 d.	84s.11 1/2 d.	84s.11 1/2 d.	84s.11 1/2 d.	84s.11 1/2 d.
Consols, 2 1/2 %	54	54	54	54	54	54
British, 5 %	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4
British, 4 1/2 %	94	94	94	94	94	94
French Rentes	-----	74.25	74.30	74.30	74.40	74.70
(in Paris) fr.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
French War L'n	-----	102.80	102.80	102.75	102.95	103.20
(in Paris) fr.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

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	52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2

COURSE OF BANK CLEARINGS.

Bank clearings will again show a very substantial 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, Aug. 24), bank exchanges for all the cities of the United States from which it is possible to obtain weekly returns will be 35.7% larger than for the corresponding week last year. The total stands at \$12,679,708,591, against \$9,335,085,147 for the same week in 1928. At this center there is a gain for the five days ended Friday of 49.1%. Our comparative summary for the week follows:

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph. Week Ended Aug. 24.	1929.	1928.	Per Cent.
New York	\$6,844,000,000	\$4,591,000,000	+59.1
Chicago	576,640,100	517,696,950	+11.4
Philadelphia	449,000,000	374,000,000	+20.1
Boston	394,000,000	315,000,000	+25.1
Kansas City	121,755,683	133,261,844	-8.6
St. Louis	110,000,000	108,900,000	+1.0
San Francisco	180,751,000	176,800,000	+1.8
Los Angeles	172,937,000	155,093,000	+11.5
Pittsburgh	158,786,448	132,725,433	+19.6
Detroit	203,550,553	173,000,000	+17.7
Cleveland	121,707,767	100,024,118	+21.7
Baltimore	74,468,858	76,770,415	-3.0
New Orleans	46,658,322	44,563,369	+4.7
Thirteen cities, 5 days	\$9,454,255,631	\$6,898,835,129	+37.0
Other cities, 5 days	1,112,168,195	923,547,400	+20.4
Total all cities, 5 days	\$10,566,423,826	\$7,822,382,529	+35.1
All cities, 1 day	2,113,284,765	1,512,702,618	+39.7
Total all cities for week	\$12,679,708,591	\$9,335,085,147	+35.7

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 statements, however, which we present further below, we are able to give final and complete results for the week previous—the week ended Aug. 17. For that week there is an increase of 34.1%, the 1929 aggregate of clearings for the whole country being \$13,021,582,895, against \$9,707,406,004 in the same week of 1928. Outside of this city the increase is only 12.4%, the bank exchange



at this center having recorded a gain of 50.0%. We group the cities now according to the Federal Reserve districts in which they are located, and from this it appears that in the New York Reserve District (including this city) there is an improvement of 49.6%, but in the Boston Reserve District of only 2.5%, and in the Philadelphia Reserve District of 15.0%. In the Cleveland Reserve District the totals are larger by 18.5%, in the Richmond Reserve District by 20.6%, and in the Atlanta Reserve District by 4.9%. The Chicago Reserve District shows a gain of 8.3%, the St. Louis Reserve District of 0.8%, and the Minneapolis Reserve District of 16.2%. In the Kansas City Reserve District the increase is 2.8%, in the Dallas Reserve District 0.2%, and in the San Francisco Reserve District 8.6%.

In the following we furnish a summary by Federal Reserve districts:

SUMMARY OF BANK CLEARINGS.

Week End. Aug. 17 1929.	1929.	1928.	Inc. or Dec.	1927.	1926.
<b>Federal Reserve Dists.</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
1st Boston.....12 cities	551,959,393	438,604,802	+2.5	465,948,255	457,323,044
2nd New York.....11 "	8,579,151,853	5,735,995,932	+49.6	5,733,976,165	4,932,386,553
3rd Philadelphia 10 "	583,193,113	507,046,714	+15.0	552,014,337	537,423,961
4th Cleveland.....8 "	480,586,243	405,402,338	+18.5	402,866,331	399,801,050
5th Richmond.....6 "	185,655,430	153,951,564	+20.6	176,921,999	182,373,640
6th Atlanta.....13 "	178,554,929	170,211,839	+4.9	178,936,424	184,157,614
7th Chicago.....20 "	1,080,987,530	997,011,584	+8.3	984,086,218	959,765,967
8th St. Louis.....8 "	224,055,369	222,288,349	+0.8	209,776,777	216,883,620
9th Minneapolis 7 "	147,997,587	127,332,528	+16.2	117,908,182	117,908,182
10th Kansas City 12 "	274,655,268	267,244,109	+2.8	237,652,871	243,308,158
11th Dallas.....5 "	76,615,225	76,438,977	+0.2	65,695,234	79,628,323
12th San Fran.....17 "	658,160,949	605,976,948	+8.6	533,256,078	565,465,618
<b>Total.....129 cities</b>	<b>13,021,582,895</b>	<b>9,707,406,004</b>	<b>+34.1</b>	<b>9,662,298,541</b>	<b>8,786,515,730</b>
<b>Outside N. Y. City.....</b>	<b>4,602,963,267</b>	<b>4,094,823,245</b>	<b>+12.4</b>	<b>4,046,260,757</b>	<b>3,967,543,570</b>
<b>Canada.....31 cities</b>	<b>427,851,261</b>	<b>433,604,023</b>	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>341,276,012</b>	<b>323,008,680</b>

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

Clearings at—	Week Ended Aug. 17				
	1929.	1928.	Inc. or Dec.	1927.	1916.
<b>First Federal Reserve District—Boston</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Me.—Bangor.....	609,555	582,084	+4.7	702,365	711,964
Portland.....	4,578,574	3,435,922	+33.3	3,488,179	3,502,990
Mass.—Boston.....	487,000,000	388,000,000	+25.5	416,000,000	410,000,000
Fall River.....	1,418,300	1,385,391	+2.4	2,021,260	2,122,356
Lowell.....	1,216,188	1,361,527	-10.7	1,092,848	1,138,335
New Bedford.....	1,472,207	1,149,896	+28.1	1,181,175	1,246,866
Springfield.....	5,620,064	5,149,896	+9.1	4,557,368	4,700,018
Worcester.....	3,892,067	3,165,539	+23.0	3,351,900	3,506,964
Conn.—Hartford.....	19,590,031	12,387,328	+58.1	14,363,014	11,645,604
New Haven.....	9,117,248	7,655,508	+19.1	6,754,175	6,928,431
R. I.—Providence.....	16,722,800	13,719,300	+21.9	12,046,900	11,373,600
N. H.—Manchester.....	722,359	641,865	+12.6	588,981	442,916
<b>Total (12 cities)</b>	<b>551,959,393</b>	<b>438,604,802</b>	<b>+2.5</b>	<b>465,948,255</b>	<b>457,323,044</b>
<b>Second Federal Reserve District—New York</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
N. Y.—Albany.....	5,923,317	6,217,630	-4.7	6,039,243	6,222,202
Binghamton.....	1,486,483	1,240,274	+3.7	1,076,089	991,052
Buffalo.....	72,599,150	53,283,795	+35.9	49,777,470	49,159,997
Elmira.....	1,334,003	1,171,137	+13.9	899,906	931,573
Jamestown.....	1,572,968	1,345,142	+16.9	1,558,960	1,536,571
New York.....	8,418,619,628	5,612,582,759	+50.0	5,616,037,784	4,818,972,160
Rochester.....	14,475,127	13,146,361	+10.1	12,310,552	11,522,663
Syracuse.....	6,625,856	6,644,776	-0.3	5,611,927	5,360,868
Conn.—Stamford.....	4,204,700	4,122,605	+2.0	4,148,316	3,765,563
N. J.—Montclair.....	759,077	731,535	+3.8	732,280	643,357
Northern N. J.....	52,061,544	35,510,418	+46.6	35,783,638	33,280,547
<b>Total (11 cities)</b>	<b>8,579,151,853</b>	<b>5,735,995,932</b>	<b>+49.6</b>	<b>5,733,976,165</b>	<b>4,932,386,553</b>
<b>Third Federal Reserve District—Philadelphia</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Pa.—Allentown.....	1,514,240	1,854,917	-18.4	1,714,565	1,698,265
Bethlehem.....	5,092,503	4,069,199	+25.4	4,079,365	3,945,322
Chester.....	1,269,343	1,151,024	+11.3	1,258,312	1,674,779
Lancaster.....	1,902,202	1,724,760	+10.3	1,918,863	1,902,416
Philadelphia.....	552,000,000	476,000,000	+16.1	521,600,000	506,000,000
Reading.....	4,258,769	4,011,700	+6.5	4,145,635	3,922,904
Seranton.....	6,185,965	5,575,973	+10.5	5,486,570	6,095,568
Wilkes-Barre.....	4,197,492	4,772,853	-12.1	4,435,799	4,123,563
York.....	2,356,908	2,051,229	+14.9	1,828,139	1,821,744
N. J.—Trenton.....	4,415,691	5,835,059	-24.3	6,147,089	6,169,402
<b>Total (10 cities)</b>	<b>583,193,113</b>	<b>507,046,714</b>	<b>+15.0</b>	<b>552,014,337</b>	<b>537,423,961</b>
<b>Fourth Federal Reserve District—Cleveland</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Ohio—Akron.....	7,847,000	7,213,000	+8.8	7,416,000	6,584,000
Canton.....	6,170,840	4,838,521	+27.5	4,786,522	3,755,322
Cincinnati.....	76,232,375	69,903,865	+9.1	79,820,906	73,534,851
Cleveland.....	170,347,123	138,067,462	+23.4	122,986,433	122,303,043
Columbus.....	19,224,400	16,052,400	+19.5	17,246,000	16,072,600
Mansfield.....	2,204,314	2,247,163	-1.9	2,259,791	2,392,707
Youngstown.....	7,270,929	5,826,859	+24.8	5,151,771	5,233,133
Pa.—Pittsburgh.....	191,269,062	161,223,068	+18.6	163,198,558	169,925,394
<b>Total (8 cities)</b>	<b>480,586,243</b>	<b>405,402,338</b>	<b>+18.5</b>	<b>402,866,331</b>	<b>399,801,050</b>
<b>Fifth Federal Reserve District—Richmond</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
W. Va.—Hunt'g'n.....	1,196,268	1,254,612	-4.6	1,130,934	1,505,264
Va.—Norfolk.....	6,002,956	4,510,759	+23.1	5,035,113	6,698,173
Richmond.....	44,964,929	39,917,000	+12.6	47,080,000	47,499,000
S. C.—Charleston.....	1,987,000	2,641,000	-24.8	1,630,013	1,716,623
Md.—Baltimore.....	105,180,754	81,785,836	+28.7	100,540,848	100,951,104
D. C.—Washington.....	26,323,523	23,842,377	+10.4	21,508,091	23,803,476
<b>Total (6 cities)</b>	<b>185,655,430</b>	<b>153,951,564</b>	<b>+20.6</b>	<b>176,921,999</b>	<b>182,373,640</b>
<b>Sixth Federal Reserve District—Atlanta</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Tenn.—Knoxville.....	4,101,701	3,823,881	+7.3	3,380,455	3,076,035
Nashville.....	22,436,982	22,609,759	-0.7	23,240,406	22,679,667
Ga.—Atlanta.....	58,157,277	51,034,314	+14.7	49,336,887	53,593,486
Augusta.....	1,800,741	1,636,943	+10.0	1,786,624	1,774,907
Macon.....	1,706,246	2,304,836	-26.0	2,060,747	1,737,001
Fla.—Jack'nville.....	13,193,076	13,645,048	-3.3	16,268,332	23,476,362
Miami.....	2,591,000	1,815,000	+42.8	3,721,000	6,319,260
Ala.—Birmingham.....	24,115,679	22,364,822	+7.9	23,196,621	23,132,402
Mobile.....	1,947,771	1,680,719	+23.2	1,991,676	1,997,188
Miss.—Jackson.....	2,046,145	2,040,290	+0.3	1,449,120	1,640,000
Vicksburg.....	286,560	306,970	-7.7	323,380	355,732
La.—New Orleans.....	45,811,745	47,049,291	-2.6	52,181,676	54,376,384
<b>Total (12 cities)</b>	<b>178,554,929</b>	<b>170,211,839</b>	<b>+4.9</b>	<b>178,936,424</b>	<b>194,167,614</b>

Clearings at—	Week Ended Aug. 17				
	1929.	1928.	Inc. or Dec.	1927.	1926.
<b>Seventh Federal Reserve District—Chicago</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Mich.—Adrian.....	285,353	277,561	+2.8	247,860	240,698
Ann Arbor.....	1,354,078	1,080,162	+25.4	1,042,138	1,144,882
Detroit.....	222,972,932	213,250,252	+4.5	181,539,964	186,900,333
Grand Rapids.....	6,742,764	8,398,507	-19.7	7,404,720	8,598,885
Lansing.....	4,254,057	3,225,847	+21.9	2,696,995	2,587,605
Ind.—Ft. Wayne.....	4,738,091	2,642,957	+79.3	2,642,957	2,994,454
Indianapolis.....	27,625,000	23,909,000	+15.5	21,967,000	21,722,000
South Bend.....	3,103,955	3,196,300	-2.9	3,047,850	3,104,400
Terre Haute.....	5,186,623	4,860,372	+6.7	4,632,197	4,741,486
Milwaukee.....	40,933,158	45,807,959	-10.6	44,699,522	40,274,974
Ia.—Cedar Rapids.....	3,334,093	2,752,762	+21.1	2,702,304	2,437,297
Des Moines.....	9,896,687	10,683,000	-7.6	8,498,646	8,962,076
Sioux City.....	7,128,896	7,013,605	+1.6	5,749,378	6,385,524
Waterloo.....	1,593,792	1,519,795	+0.0	1,090,175	1,102,700
Ill.—Bloom'gton.....	2,224,582	1,857,819	+19.7	1,583,050	1,418,625
Chicago.....	724,252,943	653,634,003	+9.4	682,809,970	655,828,451
Decatur.....	1,505,819	1,343,620	+12.1	1,312,812	1,199,183
Peoria.....	6,801,269	5,350,796	+27.4	4,730,699	4,588,242
Rockford.....	4,258,122	3,561,468	+19.6	3,122,933	2,968,215
Springfield.....	2,797,306	2,645,599	+5.7	2,375,048	2,456,987
<b>Total (20 cities)</b>	<b>1,080,987,530</b>	<b>997,011,584</b>	<b>+8.3</b>	<b>984,096,218</b>	<b>959,765,967</b>
<b>Eighth Federal Reserve District—St. Louis</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Ind.—Evansville.....	5,337,917	5,412,149	-1.4	6,236,433	5,185,921
Mo.—St. Louis.....	147,100,000	149,900,000	-1.6	137,100,000	143,799,807
Ky.—Louisville.....	37,625,156	35,541,627	+5.9	34,387,716	33,858,156
Owensboro.....	18,121,428	18,745,745	-3.8	18,067,117	19,937,517
Tenn.—Memphis.....	13,131,753	16,834,428	-7.7	17,545,091	17,947,970
Ark.—Little Rock.....	13,246,754	12,254,316	+8.5	12,360,913	13,880,053
Ill.—Jacksonville.....	434,916	422,697	+2.9	423,558	419,645
Quincy.....	1,767,437	1,533,387	+15.3	1,416,349	1,488,521
<b>Total (8 cities)</b>	<b>224,065,359</b>	<b>222,288,349</b>	<b>+0.8</b>	<b>209,776,777</b>	<b>216,883,620</b>
<b>Ninth Federal Reserve District—Minneapolis</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Minn.—Duluth.....	5,857,760	6,543,287	-10.5	6,582,868	7,509,218
Minnesota.....	107,534,545	82,260,761	+28.7	78,563,347	79,919,810
St. Paul.....	26,693,774	30,959,628	-13.8	28,356,867	24,144,021
N. D.—Fargo.....	2,181,121	1,999,406	+9.1	1,737,577	1,719,583
S. D.—Aberdeen.....	1,282,678	1,373,729	-6.6	1,191,635	1,273,321
Mont.—Billings.....	712,719	664,117	+7.3	565,558	559,992
Helena.....	3,735,000	3,532,000	+5.7	1,1	

Commercial and Miscellaneous News

Cleveland Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Cleveland Stock Exchange, Aug. 17 to Aug. 23, 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). Lists various stocks like Aetna Rubber, Allen Industries, Amer Multigraph, etc.

\* No par value.

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

APPLICATION TO ORGANIZE RECEIVED WITH TITLE REQUESTED.

Aug. 13—The Security National Bank of Swea City, Iowa... \$25,000

CHARTERS ISSUED.

Aug. 12—The Bergen County National Bank of Hackensack, N. J. 200,000
Aug. 12—The First National Bank of LaFargeville, N. Y. 25,000
Aug. 12—The University Avenue National Bank of Madison, Wis. 100,000

Aug. 15—The First National Bank in Versailles, Mo. 30,000

CONSOLIDATIONS.

Aug. 15—The Edwardsville National Bank, Edwardsville, Ill. 100,000
Citizens State & Trust Bank, Edwardsville, Ill. 100,000
Aug. 17—The First National Bank of Vinita, Okla. 60,000

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 Adrian H. Muller & Son, New York:

Table with columns: Shares, Stocks, \$ per Sh., Shares, Stocks, \$ per Sh. Lists securities like Columbia Graphophone Mfg. Co., 200 Tonopah Ex. Mining, etc.

By R. L. Day & Co., Boston:

Table with columns: Shares, Stocks, \$ per Sh., Shares, Stocks, \$ per Sh. Lists securities like 5 Merchants Nat. Bank, 100 Nat. Shawmut Bank, etc.

By Wise, Hobbs & Arnold, Boston:

Table with columns: Shares, Stocks, \$ per Sh., Shares, Stocks, \$ per Sh. Lists securities like 25 Nat. Shawmut Bank, 25 Nat. Rockland Bank, etc.

By Barnes & Lofland, Philadelphia:

Table with columns: Shares, Stocks, \$ per Sh., Shares, Stocks, \$ per Sh. Lists securities like \$100,500 note of Max Smith, 50 Northern Central Trust Co., etc.

By A. J. Wright & Co., Buffalo:

Table with columns: Shares, Stocks, \$ per Sh., Shares, Stocks, \$ per Sh. Lists securities like 500 Barry Hollinger Mines, 5 Labor Temple Assn. of Buffalo, etc.



DIVIDENDS.

Dividends are grouped in two separate tables. In the first we bring together all the dividends announced the current week. Then we follow with a second table, in which we show the dividends previously announced, but which have not yet been paid.

The dividends announced this week are:

Table with columns: Name of Company, Per Cent., When Payable, Books Closed Days Inclusive. Sub-sections include Railroads (Steam), Public Utilities, Banks, Trust Companies, and Miscellaneous.

Table with columns: Name of Company, Per Cent., When Payable, Books Closed Days Inclusive. Sub-section: Miscellaneous (Continued).





Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed Days Inclusive.	Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed Days Inclusive.
<b>Banks.</b>				<b>Miscellaneous (Continued).</b>			
Continental (new \$10 par stock) (quar.)	30c.	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 7a	Bucyrus-Erie Co., common (quar.)	25c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 28a
<b>Fire Insurance.</b>				Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 28a
Importers & Exporters (quar.)	*\$1	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 17	Convertible preference (quar.)	62 1/2c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 28a
North River (stock dividend)	*\$100	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 16	Budd Wheel, pref. (quar.)	*\$1.75	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 10
<b>Miscellaneous.</b>				Burroughs Adding Machine—			
Aeame Wire, pref. (quar.)	*2	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 18	New no par stock (qu.) (No. 1)	20c.	Sept. 10	Holders of rec. Aug. 27a
Agnew-Surpass Shoe Stores pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16	Byers (A. M.) Co. pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15a
Ainsworth Mfg. (quar.)	*62 1/2c.	Sept. 3	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Byron Jackson Pump (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 11
Stock dividend (quar.)	*\$1	Dec. 2	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	California Dairies, pref. A (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 11
Stock dividend (quar.)	*61	Mar. 30	*Holders of rec. Nov. 20	California Packing (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a
Stock dividend (quar.)	*61	Mar. 30	*Holders of rec. Feb. 20	Campbell Wyant & Cannon Fdy., com. (qu.)	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Stock dividend (quar.)	*61	Jun 20	*Holders of rec. May 20	Canada Wire & Cable, com. A (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a
Alabama Cash Credit common (quar.)	15c.	Aug. 24	Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Canadian Car & Foundry, ord. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 30	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Preferred (quar.)	15c.	Aug. 24	Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Canadian General Electric, pref. (quar.)	87 1/2c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 14
Preferred (extra)	15c.	Aug. 24	Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Canadian Oil Cos., pref. (quar.)	*2	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Allegheny Steel, common (monthly)	15c.	Sept. 18	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a	Canfield Oil, com. & pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a	Common & preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a	Carman & Co., class A (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Alliance Realty pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 26	Carnation Milk Products—			
Allied Laboratories conv. pref. (quar.)	*\$7 1/2c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Common (payable in common stock)	*1	Jan 230	*Holders of rec. Dec. 21
Allied Motor Industries, com. (quar.)	*25c.	Oct. 10	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Carter (William) Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 16	Holders of rec. Sept. 9
(Common (payable in common stock))	*71	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Case (J. I.) Co., com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 12a
Ambered (quar.)	*75c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 14	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 12a
Allen Industries, Inc., pref. (quar.)	*37 1/2c.	Sept. 16	*Holders of rec. Aug. 31	Caterpillar Tractor (quar.)	*75c.	Aug. 25	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Aluminum Industries (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Celluloid Corp 1st part. pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 10
Aluminum Mfrs., com. (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	\$7 preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 10
Common (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Century Ribbon Mills, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 23a
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Jun 30	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Chartered Inv., Inc. pref. (qu.) (No. 1)	*\$2.25	Nov. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 1
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Chelsea Exchange Corp. class A & B (qu)	25c.	Feb 15'30	Holders of rec. Jan. 31 '30
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Class A & B (quar.)	25c.	My 15'30	Holders of rec. May 1 '30
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Class A & B (quar.)	25c.	My 15'30	Holders of rec. May 1 '30
American Art Works com. & pf. (qu.)	\$1.50	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Chesebrough Mfg. Cons. (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10
Amer. Bank Note, com. (quar.)	50c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Extra	50c.	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10
Preferred (quar.)	75c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Chicago Corporation, pref. (quar.)	*75c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Amer. British & Continental Corp.—				Chicago Yellow Cab (monthly)	25c.	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 20a
(Quarterly)	\$1.50	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Monthly	*25c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Amer. Capital Corp. pref. (quar.)	1.37 1/2	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Monthly	*25c.	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 18
Amer. Cash Credit Corp. com. A (qu.)	60c.	Aug. 24	Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Monthly	*25c.	Dec. 2	*Holders of rec. Nov. 20
Common A (extra)	10c.	Aug. 24	Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Childs Co., com. (quar.)	60c.	Sept. 10	Holders of rec. Aug. 23a
Common B (quar.) (No. 1)	10c.	Aug. 24	Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 10	Holders of rec. Aug. 23a
American Chatillon Co., pf. (qu.)	*1 1/4	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Chile Copper Co. (quar.)	87 1/2c.	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 4
American Chicle, com. (quar.)	50c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 20	Chrysler Corp. (quar.)	75c.	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 3a
Amer. Encaustic Tiling, com. (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 27	Holders of rec. Sept. 12a	Cities Service, com. (monthly)	2 1/2c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Amer. & General Securities Corp.—				Com. (payable in com. stock)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
1st pref. \$3 div. series (quar.)	75c.	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Preferred preference BB (mthly.)	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Amer. Hardware Corp. (quar.)	*1	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 14	Preferred B (monthly)	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Quarterly	*1	Jan 2'30	*Holders of rec. Dec. 17	City Ice & Fuel, com. (quar.)	9c.	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Amer. Home Products Corp. (Mthly.)	30c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 14a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Amer. Internat. Corp., common	\$1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 12a	City Radio Stores, com. (quar.)	37 1/2c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Com. (payable in com. stock)	*2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 12a	City Stores class A (quar.)	87 1/2c.	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15a
American Locomotive, com. (quar.)	\$2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 13a	Cleveland Quarries, com. (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 13a	Common (extra)	25c.	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
American Manufacturing—				Cleveland Stone, common (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Common (quar.)	75c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Co., pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 7
Common (quar.)	75c.	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan 20	Holders of rec. Dec. 7
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Collins & Aikman, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 16a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Colorado Fuel & Iron, pref. (quar.)	\$2	Aug. 26	Holders of rec. Aug. 10a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Columbia Pictures Corp., pref. (qu.)	75c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Amer. Metal, com. (quar.)	75c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 21a	Columbus Auto Parts Co., pref. (qu.)	50c.	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 19
Preferred (quar.)	\$1.50	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 21a	Community State Corp., A & B (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 28
Amer. Multigraph, com. (quar.)	62 1/2c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 17	Class A & B (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 29
American Radiator, common (quar.)	\$1.50	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 11a	Conglomer-Nairn Co., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Sanitary Corp., com. (quar.)	37 1/2c.	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 11a	Consolidated Cigar, pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a	Consumers Co., prior pref. (quar.)	*\$1.50	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
American Radio & Television (in stock)	*\$2 1/2	Sept. 20	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Continental Can, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 14a
Amer. & Scottish Invest. Co., com. (qu.)	30c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Continental Securities, pref. (quar.)	*\$1.25	Sept. 3	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Coon (W. B.) Co., com.	*60c.	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 10
Amer. Smelt & Refr., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a	Preferred	*1 1/4	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 10
American Stores (quar.)	50c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 14a	Corrugated Paper Box pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 16
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 5a	Coty, Inc., stock dividend	1 1/4	Aug. 27	Holders of rec. Aug. 12
Amer. Sugar Refg., com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 2	Holders of rec. Sept. 5a	Stock dividend	1 1/4	Nov. 27	Holders of rec. Nov. 12
Preferred (quar.)	\$2	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 10a	Crane Co., com. (quar.)	43 1/2c.	Sept. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 31
American Tobacco, com. & com. B (qu.)	\$2	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 10a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 31
Amer. Utilities & Gen'l Corp. cl. A (qu.)	32 1/2c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 25	Crosley Radio (stock dividend)	6c.	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 20a
Class B (No. 1)	10c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 25	Crown Willamette Paper, 1st pf. (qu.)	\$1.75	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 13
Amer. Window Glass Co., pref.	*3 1/4	Sept. 3	*Holders of rec. Aug. 21	Crown preferred (quar.)	\$1.50	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 13
American Writing Paper, pref. (quar.)	75c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18a	Crown Zellerbach Corp., conv. pref. (qu.)	\$1.50	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 13
Armour & Co. of Del., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Preferred series A & B (quar.)	\$1.50	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 13
Armour & Co. (Ill.) pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Crum & Forster Ins. Shs., com. A & B (qu.)	*25c.	Aug. 31	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Armstrong Cork, com. (quar.)	*37 1/2c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 16	Cumberland Pipe Line (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 31
Common (extra)	*12 1/2c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 16	Cunco Press, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 1
Artloom Corp. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a	Curtis Publishing common (monthly)	50c.	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 20a
Associated Apparel Industries (qu.)	\$1	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	Common (monthly)	*50c.	Oct. 12	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20a
Associated Dry Goods, 1st pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 10a	Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	Oct. 2	Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Second preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 10a	Curtiss Aeropl. & Motor, com.	50c.	Sept. 16	Holders of rec. Sept. 2a
Associates Investment, com. (quar.)	*\$7 1/2c.	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 22	Cushman's Sons, Inc., 7% pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Preferred (quar.)	*\$1.75	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 22	\$5 preferred (quar.)	\$2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Associated Rayon pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Cypress Petroleum, class A (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 21
Atlantic Coast Fisheries (quar.)	*30c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Dartmouth Mfg. common (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 3	*Holders of rec. Aug. 12
Atlantic Gulf & West Indies S.S. Lines,				Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 3	*Holders of rec. Aug. 12
Preferred (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Decker (Alfred) & Cohn, com. (qu.)	*50c.	Sept. 16	*Holders of rec. Sept. 5
Preferred (quar.)	\$1	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 11a	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 22
Atlantic Refining, com. (quar.)	25c.	Sept. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 21a	Deere & Co., com. (quar.)	\$1.50	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 14
Common (extra)	25c.	Sept. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 21a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Sept. 14
Atlantic Securities, \$3 pref. (quar.)	*75c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Del. Lack. & West. Coal (quar.)	*\$2.50	Sept. 16	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Atlas Imperial Diesel Engine—				Detroit Steel Prod., com. (monthly)	*25c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Class A & B (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Dewey & Almy Chemical, common	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 21
Atlas Portland Cement (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 3	*Holders of rec. Aug. 16	Preferred	\$3.50	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 21
Atlas Powder, com. (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 10	Holders of rec. Oct. 10a	Dexter Co., com. (quar.)	*35c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Atlas Stores, com. (quar.)	*62 1/2c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Diamond Match (quar.)	2	Sept. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a
Badger State Cash Credit Corp. com. (qu.)	10c.	Aug. 24	Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Ditaphone Corp., com. (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 3	*Holders of rec. Aug. 16
Preferred (quar.)	20c.	Aug. 24	Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Preferred (quar.)	*2	Sept. 3	*Holders of rec. Aug. 16
Preferred (extra)	10c.	Aug. 24	Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Dominion Distillers Consol., class A	25c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. July 5
Bakers Share Corp., com. (qu.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 1	Drug Chemical, com. (in common stock)	*\$400	Subject	to stockholders approval
Common (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan 1'30	Holders of rec. Nov. 1	Dunhill Internat. common (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Balaban & Katz, com. (quar.)	*75c.	Sept. 27	*Holders of rec. Sept. 16	Common payable in common (quar.)	\$1	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1a
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 27	*Holders of rec. Sept. 16	Common (quar.)	71	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1a
Bamberger (L.) & Co., 6 1/4% pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 12a	Common (payable in com. stock)	71	Jan 15'30	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
6 1/4% preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 2	Holders of rec. Nov. 11a	Common (quar.)	\$1	Apr 15'30	Holders of rec. Apr. 1a
Bankers Capital Corp., pref. (quar.)	*\$2	Jan 5'30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Common (payable in com. stock)	71	Apr 15'30	Holders of rec. Apr. 1a
Preferred (quar.)	*\$2	Jan 5'30	*Holders of rec. Dec. 31	Durham Duplex Razor prior pref. (qu.)	*\$1	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Bastian Blessing Co., com. (quar.)	*62 1/2c.	Sept. 2	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Eagle (C. K.) & Co., Inc., pref. (qu.)	*1 1/4	Aug. 31	*Holders of rec. Aug. 21
Beacon Participations, Inc., A & B (qu.)	*25c.	Sept. 2	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Eastern Bankers Corp., pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 31
Belding-Corticelli, Ltd., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 14	Holders of rec. Aug. 31	Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	Feb 1'30	



Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed Days Inclusive.	Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed Days Inclusive.
<b>Miscellaneous (Continued).</b>				<b>Miscellaneous (Continued).</b>			
Faultless Rubber, com. (quar.)	50c.	Oct. 1	Sept. 17	International Perfume, com. (quar.)	*25c.	Sept. 3	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Sept. 17	Internat. Safety Razor, cl. A (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 14
Federal Knitting Mills, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Class B (quar.)	25c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 14
Federal Mining & Smelting, pfd. (qu.)	1 1/4	Sept. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 23a	Internat. Sec. Corp. of Am. com. A (qu.)	75c.	Sept. 2	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Federated Capital Corp. common	37 1/2 c	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Common B (quar.)	12 1/4 c	Sept. 2	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Common (payable in common stock)	37 1/2 c	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 15	7% preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 2	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Preferred	37 1/2 c	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 15	6 1/2% preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 2	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Finance Service Co. (Balt.), com. (quar.)	4 1/4	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 15	6% preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 2	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 15	International Shoe, pref. (monthly)	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
First National Stores, com. (quar.)	37 1/2 c	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16a	Preferred (monthly)	*50c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15
First Trust Bank-Stock Corp. (quar.)	12 1/2 c	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. July 31	Preferred (monthly)	*50c.	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 15
Extra	12 1/2 c	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. July 31	Preferred (monthly)	*50c.	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Fitz Simons & Connell Dredge & Dock				Preferred (monthly)	*50c.	Jan 1 '30	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Common (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 21a	International Silver, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Common (stock dividend 1-40th share)	(f)	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 21a	Interstate Iron & Steel, pref. (quar.)	*32	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16
Common (stock div., 1-40th share)	(f)	Dec. 1		Investors Equity, Inc. (quar.)	50c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16
Fleischmann Co., com. (extra)	50c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 24a	Iron Fireman Mfg., com. (quar.)	*25c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Florsheim Shoe, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16a	Jaeger Machine, com. (quar.)	62 1/2 c	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Florsheim Brothers, com. (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a	Jefferson Electric (quar.)	*75c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 17
Common (special)	25c.	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 31	Jewel Tea, common (quar.)	75c.	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 3a
Preferred (quar.)	*35c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 14	Johns-Manville Corp., com. (quar.)	75c.	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 24a
Formica Insulation (quar.)	*35c.	Jan 1 '30	*Holders of rec. Dec. 14	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a
Quarterly	*87 1/2 c	Sept. 3	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Johnson-Stephens-Shinkle Shoe (qu.)	62 1/2 c	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Galland Mercantile Laundry (quar.)	*12 1/2 c	Sept. 3	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Joint Security Corp—			
Extra	1 1/4	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 14a	Com. (payable in com. stock)	71	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 20
General Asphalt, pref. (quar.)	*\$1.75	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Jones & Laughlin Steel, common (qu.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 2	*Holders of rec. Aug. 13
General Box, pref. (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 14d	Common (extra)	*1	Sept. 2	*Holders of rec. Sept. 13a
General Bronze, com. (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 14d	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 2	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20
General Cable, class A (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 8a	Kalamazoo Vegetable Parchment (qu.)	*15c.	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Dec. 21
General Cigar, pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 23a	Quarterly	*15c.	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 21
General Mills, Inc., com. (extra)	50c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 17a	Kaufmann Dept. Stores, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10
General Motors Corp., com. (quar.)	75c.	Sept. 12	Holders of rec. Oct. 7a	Kawner Company (quar.)	*62 1/2 c	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30
6% preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 7a	Quarterly	*62 1/2 c	Jan 1 '30	Holders of rec. Dec. 31
7% preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 7a	Keystone Investing, cl. A (quar.)	*37 1/2 c	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
6% debenture stock (quar.)	75c.	Aug. 26	Holders of rec. Aug. 12a	Kinney (G. R.) & Co., com. (quar.)	25c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16a
General Refractories (quar.)	50c.	Aug. 26	Holders of rec. Aug. 12a	Preferred (quar.)	2	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Extra	10c.	Aug. 24	Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Kirby Lumber (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 10	Holders of rec. Aug. 31
Georgia Cash Credit Corp., com. (qu.)	20c.	Aug. 24	Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Quarterly	*1 1/4	Dec. 10	Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Preferred (quar.)	10c.	Aug. 24	Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Kleinert (I. B.) Rubber, com.	62 1/2 c	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Preferred (extra)	10c.	Aug. 24	Holders of rec. Aug. 12	Knox Hat, com. (quar.)	*\$1.50	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Gillette Safety Razor (quar.)	\$1.25	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 1a	Prior preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Gladding, McBean & Co. com. (in com stk)	*2	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Participating pref. (quar.)	75c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Glidden Co., com. (quar.)	50c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18a	Participating pref. (quar.)	75c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Com. (payable in common stock)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18a	Kobacker Stores Co., pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Prior preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Koplar Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 24
Globe-Democrat Publishing, pref. (qu.)	*43 1/2 c	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Kroger Grocery & Baking, com. (quar.)	25c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 10a
Globe Grain & Milling, 1st pf. (qu.)	*50c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Kuppenheimer (B.) & Co., pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 23a
Goldberg preferred (quar.)	*\$1.75	Sept. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 1	Laekawanna Securities	*\$3	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Golden State Milk Products (quar.)	*40c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Lake of the Woods Milling, com. (quar.)	80c.	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 23
Stock dividend (quar.)	*\$1	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 23
Stock dividend (quar.)	*\$1	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 15	Lahey Foundry & Mach., stk. dividend.	*\$2 1/2	Oct. 30	*Holders of rec. Oct. 15
Goodrich (B. F.) Co., com. (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 17a	Landers, Frary & Clark (quar.)	*75c.	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Quarterly	*75c.	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 21
Gorham Mfg., com. (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 1	Langendorf United Bakeries—			
Common (quar.)	50c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 1	Class A and B (quar.)	*50c.	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Grand Rapids Furniture, pf. (qu.) (No. 1)	*25c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Class A and B (quar.)	50c.	Jan 1 '30	*Holders of rec. Dec. 30
Grand Rapids Varnish (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Langford Mfg. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 21a
Quarterly	75c.	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a	Leath & Co., pref. (quar.)	*\$7 1/2 c	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15
Grand Union Co., \$3 conv. pref. (quar.)	*\$1.25	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 3	Lehigh Coal & Nav. (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. July 31a
Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea, com. (qu.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 3	Lehigh Portland Cement, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 14a
Preferred (quar.)	*75c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Lehn & Fink Products, common (quar.)	75c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Great Northern Paper (quar.)	*75c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Lessings, Inc., common (quar.)	25c.	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 11
Greenfield Tap & Die, 6% pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 14	Libby-Owens Glass Co. (qu.) (No. 1)	25c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 22a
Eight per cent pref. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 14	Liggett & Myers Tob., com. & com. B (qu.)	\$1	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Greenway Corp., 5% pref. (quar.)	*75c.	Nov. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 1	Lindsay (C. W.) & Co., Ltd., com. (qu.)	25c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Griess-Pfeiffer Canning, pfd. (quar.)	*\$1.50	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 24	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Gruen Watch, common (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 21	Lindsay Nunn Publishing, pref. (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Common (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 20	Link Belt Co. (quar.)	65c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Common (quar.)	*50c.	M'1 '30	*Holds. of rec. Feb. 13 '30	Lord & Taylor, 1st pref. (quar.)	*12 1/2 c	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 12
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 21	Lord & Taylor, 2nd pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Feb 1 '30	*Holds. of rec. Jan. 21 '30	Ludlow Manufacturing Associates (qu.)	\$2.50	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 10
Gulf States Steel, com. (quar.)	\$1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16a	Lunkenheimer Co., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16a	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 21
Hale Bros., com. (quar.)	*25c.	Jan 2 '30	*Holders of rec. Dec. 16a	Mallinson (H. R.) pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a
Hamilton Watch, pref. (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Manghin (I. C.), pref. (qu.)	*1 1/4	Nov. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 5
Hancock Oil, com. A, (in stock)	*150	Subject	to stockholders approval.	Manhattan Shirt, com. (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 17a
Hanes (P. H.) Knitting, com. & com. B.	15c.	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Manischewitz (B.) Co. (stk. div.)	*\$1	Sept. 3	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Marmon Motor Car, com. (quar.)	*\$1	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 16a
Harblson-Walker Refr., com. (quar.)	50c.	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 21a	Material Service Corp. (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 19	Holders of rec. Oct. 9a	May Dept. Stores Inc (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Hart-Carter Co., pref. (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	May Hosiery Mills, pref. (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 22
Hartman Corp., class A (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 19a	McCrory Stores Corp., A & B (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 20a
Class B (quar.)	30c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 19a	McIntyre Porcupine Mines (quar.)	25c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Hart, Schaffner & Marx, com. (quar.)	*\$2	Aug. 31	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	McKesson & Robbins, Inc., pref. (qu.)	87 1/2 c	Sept. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a
Hathaway Bakeries, class A (quar.)	75c.	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Mead Pulp & Paper, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a
Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Mengel Co., pref. (quar.)	3	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. July 24
Hathaway Mfg., (quar.)	*\$1	Sept. 3	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Merrimack Mfg., common	2 1/4	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. July 24
Hawaiian Com'l & Sug. (mthly)	*25c.	Sept. 5	*Holders of rec. Aug. 25	Preferred	40c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Monthly	25c.	Oct. 5	*Holders of rec. Sept. 25	Merrill (Rayman & Seatt Corp., com. (qu.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Monthly	*25c.	Nov. 5	*Holders of rec. Oct. 25	Preferred series A (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Monthly	*25c.	Dec. 5	*Holders of rec. Nov. 25	Meteor Motor Car (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 20
Hawaiian Pineapple (quar.)	50c.	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a	Quarterly	*50c.	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 30a
Hayas Body Corp. (quar.) (pay in stk.)	2	Oct. 1	Sept. 26 to Sept. 30	Metro-Goldwyn Pictures, pref. (quar.)	47 1/2 c	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Quarterly (payable in stock)	2	Jan 2 '30	Dec. 25 to Jan. 1	Metropolitan Paving Brick, com. (qu.)	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Hazeltine Corp. (quar.)	*25c.	Aug. 31	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15
Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co. (mthly)	35c.	Aug. 30	Holders of rec. Aug. 23	Midland Royalty, conv. pref. (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 3a
Monthly	35c.	Sept. 27	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Miller (I.) & Sons, pref. (quar.)	\$1.62 1/2	Sept. 41	Holders of rec. Aug. 25
Hires (Charles E.) Co., com. A, (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a	Miller & Hart, Inc., conv. pref. (quar.)	*\$7 1/2 c	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15
Common class A (quar.)	50c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15	Minneapolis-Honeywell, reg. pref. (qu.)	*1 1/4	Nov. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 1
Class B & management stock	\$1	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Mississippi Valley Utilities			
Hobart Mfg., com. (quar.)	*\$2 1/2	Sept. 2	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Investment Co., prior lien pf. (quar.)	\$1.75	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Holophane Co., common	*35c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Mitchell (Robert) Co. Ltd. (quar.)	50c.	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Reference	*\$1.05	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Mohawk Mining	\$2	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. July 31
Holt (Henry) & Co., Inc., partie. A (qu.)	45c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Monsanto Chem. Works, new stock	*31 1/2 c	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 14
Home & Foreign Sec. pf. (qu.) (No. 11)	75c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 20a	Stock dividend.	*\$1 1/2	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 14
Homestake Mining (monthly)	50c.	Aug. 26	Holders of rec. Aug. 20a	Montgomery Ward & Co., cl. A (quar.)	*\$1.75	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Hood Rubber Products, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Moody's Investors Service—			
Horn (A. C.) & Co., 1st pref. (quar.)	*\$7 1/2 c	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 21	Participating pref. (quar.)	75c.	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 1
Horn & Hardart of N. Y., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 13a	Morison Electrical Supply, com. (quar.)	25c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Household Products (quar.)	87 1/2 c	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 15a	Motor Products, com. (quar.)	*50c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Hupp Motor Car Corp. (stk div.) (quar.)	*2 1/2	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15a	Motor Wheel Corp., com.	\$1	Sept. 20	Holders of rec. Sept. 5a
Huron & Erie Mortgage (quar.)	e2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15a	Common (payable in common stock)	*20	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 5a
Illinois Brick (quar.)	*80c.	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Oct. 3	Muncie Gear Co., pref., class A (			



Table with 4 main columns: Name of Company, Per Cent., When Payable, Books Closed Days Inclusive. The table is split into two sections: 'Miscellaneous (Continued)' on the left and another 'Miscellaneous (Continued)' on the right. Each entry lists a company name, its percentage, payment date, and the date books are closed.

Table with columns: Name of Company, Per Cent, When Payable, Books Closed Days Inclusive. Lists various companies like Weber Showase & Fixture, Welch Grape Juice, etc.

\* 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.

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.

STATEMENT OF THE MEMBERS OF THE NEW YORK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION FOR THE WEEK ENDED SATURDAY, AUGUST 17 1929.

Table with columns: Clearing House Members, Capital, Surplus & Undivided Profits, Net Demand Deposits Average, Time Deposits Average. Lists members like Bank of N. Y. & Tr. Co., Bk. of the Manhattan Co., etc.

Includes deposits in foreign branches: (a) \$13,248,000; (b) \$126,411,000; (c) \$13,068,000; (d) \$61,979,000; (e) \$133,503,000.

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.

INSTITUTIONS NOT IN CLEARING HOUSE WITH CLOSING OF BUSINESS FOR THE WEEK ENDED FRIDAY, AUGUST 16 1929.

Table with columns: Loans, Gold, Oth. Cash, Res. Dep., Dep. Other, Gross Deposits. Lists institutions like Manhattan, Bank of U. S., Brynck Pk. Bk., etc.

TRUST COMPANIES—Average Figures.

Table with columns: Loans, Cash, Res'v Dep., Depos. Other, Gross Deposits. Lists trust companies like Manhattan, American, Bank of Europe & Tr., etc.

\* Includes amount with Federal Reserve Bank as follows: Empire, \$3,559,100; Fulton, \$1,752,500.

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:

Table with columns: Aug. 21 1929, Changes from Previous Week, Aug. 14 1929, Aug. 7 1929. Lists items like Capital, Surplus and profits, Loans, etc.

Philadelphia Banks.—The Philadelphia Clearing House return for the week ending Aug. 17, with comparative figures for the two weeks preceding, is given below.

Table with columns: Two Cities (00) omitted, Week Ended Aug. 17 1929, Aug. 10 1929, Aug. 3 1929. Lists items like Capital, Surplus and profits, Loans, etc.

\* 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, Aug. 22, 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 1211, 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 AUG. 21 1929.

Main financial table with columns for dates from Aug. 21 1929 to Aug. 22 1928. Rows include RESOURCES (Gold with Federal Reserve agents, Gold held exclusively agst. F. R. notes, etc.) and LIABILITIES (F. R. notes in actual circulation, Deposits, etc.).

NOTE.—Beginning with the statement of Oct. 7 1925, two new items were added in order to show separately the amount of balances held abroad and amounts due to foreign correspondents. In addition, the caption, "All other earning assets," previously made up of Foreign Intermediate 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.

WEEKLY STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF EACH OF THE 12 FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS AUG. 21 1929

Detailed financial table by bank. Columns include Total, Boston, New York, Phila., Cleveland, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Kan. City, Dallas, San Fran. Rows include RESOURCES and LIABILITIES for each bank.

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	15,950.0		12,050.0	300.0						3,600.0			
Foreign loans on gold													
Total bills and securities	1,283,072.0	113,001.0	348,344.0	120,079.0	104,877.0	63,886.0	82,274.0	159,381.0	73,379.0	37,474.0	37,087.0	58,081.0	85,209.0
Due from foreign banks	724.0	54.0	218.0	70.0	74.0	33.0	28.0	100.0	29.0	18.0	24.0	24.0	52.0
Uncollected items	712,509.0	70,615.0	206,965.0	57,525.0	68,404.0	47,493.0	20,556.0	90,918.0	31,251.0	15,057.0	40,207.0	24,660.0	38,858.0
Bank premises	58,818.0	3,702.0	16,087.0	1,762.0	6,535.0	3,395.0	2,744.0	8,529.0	3,985.0	2,110.0	4,140.0	1,922.0	3,904.0
All other	10,484.0	87.0	900.0	322.0	1,249.0	464.0	4,615.0	851.0	291.0	667.0	159.0	448.0	431.0
Total resources	5,267,203.0	423,606.0	1,548,596.0	380,436.0	493,453.0	213,138.0	250,440.0	830,861.0	188,972.0	140,185.0	222,536.0	148,029.0	426,951.0
<b>LIABILITIES.</b>													
F. R. notes in actual circulation	1,822,853.0	177,823.0	310,831.0	152,561.0	192,943.0	78,242.0	151,194.0	330,416.0	62,099.0	64,933.0	78,754.0	46,384.0	176,673.0
Deposits:													
Member bank—reserve acct	2,292,032.0	142,329.0	905,362.0	132,800.0	187,264.0	65,979.0	59,667.0	350,472.0	76,167.0	50,086.0	90,729.0	60,480.0	170,697.0
Government	18,468.0	1,877.0	1,220.0	1,275.0	1,296.0	2,432.0	1,409.0	2,896.0	554.0	554.0	1,431.0	933.0	1,706.0
Foreign bank	7,142.0	429.0	3,103.0	556.0	591.0	267.0	226.0	794.0	232.0	145.0	191.0	191.0	417.0
Other deposits	19,531.0	105.0	6,981.0	88.0	1,170.0	144.0	171.0	524.0	296.0	280.0	1,097.0	20.0	8,655.0
Total deposits	2,337,173.0	144,740.0	916,666.0	134,719.0	190,321.0	68,822.0	61,473.0	354,686.0	78,134.0	51,065.0	92,448.0	61,624.0	181,475.0
Deferred availability items	654,838.0	68,558.0	177,183.0	50,482.0	65,393.0	45,843.0	19,344.0	84,139.0	31,017.0	12,931.0	35,965.0	25,918.0	38,065.0
Capital paid in	166,217.0	10,585.0	63,727.0	16,482.0	15,489.0	6,176.0	5,448.0	19,897.0	5,223.0	3,065.0	4,266.0	4,495.0	11,364.0
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	31,724.0	2,281.0	8,907.0	2,091.0	2,962.0	1,656.0	2,427.0	5,281.0	1,679.0	1,109.0	1,017.0	918.0	1,396.0
Total liabilities	5,267,203.0	423,606.0	1,548,596.0	380,436.0	493,453.0	213,138.0	250,440.0	830,861.0	188,972.0	140,185.0	222,536.0	148,029.0	426,951.0
<b>Memoranda.</b>													
Reserve ratio (per cent)	75.5	70.8	78.2	69.4	80.6	63.6	62.8	82.6	54.1	72.2	80.8	55.9	82.2
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	442,668.0	32,726.0	134,423.0	42,456.0	45,109.0	20,343.0	17,247.0	60,588.0	17,690.0	11,056.0	14,594.0	14,594.0	31,842.0
F. R. notes on hand (notes rec'd from F. R. Agent less notes in circulation)	503,530.0	48,299.0	204,565.0	39,909.0	22,448.0	14,233.0	29,949.0	33,588.0	12,047.0	6,044.0	9,556.0	9,631.0	73,261.0

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE ACCOUNTS OF FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS AUG. 21 1929.

Federal Reserve Agent at—	Total.	Boston.	New York.	Phila.	Cleveland.	Richmond	Atlanta.	Chicago.	St. Louis.	Minneapolis.	Kan. City.	Dallas.	San Fran.
<b>Two ciphers (00) omitted.</b>													
F. R. notes rec'd from Comptroller	3,749,414.0	307,110.0	929,756.0	273,618.0	292,911.0	179,139.0	301,643.0	599,484.0	117,596.0	148,036.0	136,940.0	75,547.0	387,634.0
F. R. notes held by F. R. Agent	1,423,031.0	80,988.0	414,360.0	81,148.0	77,520.0	86,664.0	120,500.0	235,480.0	43,450.0	77,059.0	48,630.0	19,332.0	137,700.0
F. R. notes issued to F. R. Bank	2,326,383.0	226,122.0	515,396.0	192,470.0	215,391.0	92,475.0	181,143.0	364,004.0	74,146.0	70,977.0	88,310.0	56,015.0	249,934.0
Collateral held as security for F. R. notes issued to F. R. Bk.													
Gold and gold certificates	435,863.0	35,300.0	231,848.0	30,000.0	38,800.0	16,190.0	9,500.0		7,800.0	14,167.0		17,258.0	35,000.0
Gold redemption fund													
Gold fund—F. R. Board	1,125,700.0	114,617.0	53,626.0	98,416.0	105,000.0	30,466.0	93,500.0	329,564.0	13,000.0	40,000.0	71,248.0	4,500.0	171,763.0
Eligible paper	1,062,853.0	108,385.0	266,089.0	85,082.0	75,571.0	57,575.0	79,086.0	133,041.0	73,226.0	24,758.0	35,995.0	51,930.0	72,115.0
Total collateral	2,624,416.0	258,302.0	551,563.0	213,498.0	219,371.0	104,231.0	182,086.0	462,605.0	94,026.0	78,925.0	107,243.0	73,688.0	278,878.0

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 1211, 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 ALL REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN EACH FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT AS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS AUGUST 14 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.
<b>Loans and investments—total</b>	22,460	1,498	8,624	1,228	2,204	677	643	3,378	692	392	707	478	1,940
<b>Loans—total</b>	16,949	1,154	6,602	921	1,566	519	516	2,694	527	269	475	354	1,352
On securities	7,575	482	3,254	480	737	201	152	1,282	241	87	138	104	418
All other	9,374	672	3,348	441	829	318	364	1,412	287	182	337	250	934
<b>Investments—total</b>	5,511	344	2,022	307	638	158	126	684	165	122	232	125	588
U. S. Government securities	2,734	172	1,064	95	304	74	59	311	54	69	110	83	341
Other securities	2,777	172	958	212	335	84	68	373	111	54	122	42	247
Reserve with F. R. Bank	1,674	97	768	76	129	40	39	261	43	26	57	33	107
Cash in vault	246	18	70	15	29	12	11	39	7	6	12	8	20
<b>Net demand deposits</b>	13,194	906	5,761	702	1,049	351	322	1,915	368	230	525	282	781
Time deposits	6,731	458	1,680	260	952	243	236	1,261	225	130	182	143	960
Government deposits	44	2	12	4	5	2	3	4	1		1	3	7
Due from banks	1,079	47	135	60	92	45	68	212	46	50	123	50	152
Due to banks	2,634	111	890	156	203	88	89	436	105	76	224	70	186
Borrowings from F. R. Bank	726	43	230	53	70	28	44	95	45	18	19	28	54

\* 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 Aug. 21 1929, in comparison with the previous week and the corresponding date last year:

	Aug. 21 1929.	Aug. 14 1929.	Aug. 22 1928
<b>Resources—</b>			
Gold with Federal Reserve Agent	285,474,000	284,232,000	175,175,000
Gold redemp. fund with U. S. Treasury	20,107,000	21,404,000	15,932,000
Gold held exclusively agst. F. R. notes	305,581,000	305,636,000	191,107,000
Gold settlement fund with F. R. Board	220,504,000	174,795,000	196,060,000
Gold and gold certificates held by bank	361,136,000	368,428,000	497,466,000
<b>Total gold reserves</b>	887,221,000	848,859,000	884,633,000
Reserves other than gold	72,106,000	74,533,000	27,284,000
<b>Total reserves</b>	959,327,000	923,392,000	911,917,000
Non-reserve cash	16,755,000	19,102,000	18,088,000
<b>Bills discounted—</b>			
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	123,852,000	160,293,000	186,109,000
Other bills discounted	109,295,000	124,078,000	127,917,000
<b>Total bills discounted</b>	233,147,000	284,371,000	314,026,000
Bills bought in open market	65,665,000	63,030,000	41,691,000
U. S. Government securities			
Bonds	7,495,000	2,495,000	1,384,000
Treasury notes	23,907,000	22,046,000	7,583,000
Certificates of indebtedness	6,080,000	14,080,000	17,639,000
<b>Total U. S. Government securities</b>	37,482,000	38,621,000	26,606,000
Other securities (see note)	12,050,000	2,600,000	500,000
Foreign loans on gold			
<b>Total bills and securities (See Note)</b>	348,344,000	388,622,000	382,823,000
<b>Resources (Concluded)—</b>			
Gold held abroad			
Due from foreign banks (See Note)	217,000	217,000	218,000
Uncollected items	206,965,000	226,640,000	170,634,000
Bank premises	16,087,000	16,087,000	16,568,000
All other resources	901,000	969,000	1,349,000
<b>Total resources</b>	1,548,596,000	1,575,029,000	1,501,597,000
<b>Liabilities—</b>			
Fed'l Reserve notes in actual circulation	310,831,000	311,399,000	344,684,000
Deposits—Member bank, reserve acct	905,362,000	921,203,000	879,519,000
Government	1,220,000	1,489,000	2,313,000
Foreign bank (See Note)	3,103,000	885,000	2,828,000
Other deposits	6,981,000	7,667,000	7,115,000
<b>Total deposits</b>	916,666,000	931,244,000	891,775,000
Deferred availability items	177,183,000	188,859,000	146,447,000
Capital paid in	63,727,000	63,585,000	48,845,000
Surplus	71,282,000	71,282,000	63,097,000
All other liabilities	8,907,000	8,600,000	6,839,000
<b>Total liabilities</b>	1,548,596,000	1,575,029,000	1,501,597,000
<b>Ratio of total reserves to deposit and Fed'l Reserve note liabilities combined.</b>			
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondence	134,423,000	133,670,000	81,004,000
	78.2%	74.3%	73.8%

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Railroad and Miscellaneous Stocks.—See page 1239.

Stock Exchange sales this week of shares not in detailed list:

Table with columns: STOCKS, Week Ended Aug. 23, Sales for Week, Range for Week (Lowest, Highest), Range Since Jan. 1. (Lowest, Highest). Lists various stocks like Railroads, Am Mach & Fdry, etc.

New York City Realty and Surety Companies.

(All prices dollars per share.)

Table listing New York City Realty and Surety Companies with columns: Bid, Ask, and company names like Alliance R'ty, Am Surety, etc.

New York City Banks and Trust Companies.

(All prices dollars per share.)

Table listing New York City Banks and Trust Companies with columns: Bid, Ask, and company names like Banks—N.Y., Trust Cos., 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 titled 'Daily Record of U. S. Bond Prices' with columns: Bond Name, Aug. 17, Aug. 19, Aug. 20, Aug. 21, Aug. 22, Aug. 23. Lists various bond series like First Liberty Loan, Treasury, etc.

Note.—The above table includes only sales of coupon bonds. Transactions in registered bonds were: 15 4th 4 1/8s..... 98 3/4 to 98 1/2

Foreign Exchange.—

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for sterling exchange were 4.84 5-16 @ 4.84 1/2 for checks and 4.84 1/2 @ 4.84 1/2 for cables. Commercial on banks, sight, 4.84 1-16 @ 4.84 1/2; sixty days, 4.79 3/4 @ 4.79 7-16; ninety days, 4.77 1/2; and documents for payment, 4.78 15-16 @ 4.79 1/2. Cotton for payment, 4.83 9-16; and grain for payment, 4.83 9-16.

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for Paris bankers' francs were 3 91 1/2 @ 3.91 1/2 for short, Amsterdam bankers' guilders were 40.01 1/2 @ 40.05 for short. Exchange at Paris on London, 123.87 francs; week's range 123.87 francs high and 123.84 francs low.

Table showing exchange rates for the week follows: Sterling, Actual—High for the week, Low for the week; Paris Bankers' Francs—High for the week, Low for the week; Amsterdam Bankers' Guilders—High for the week, Low for the week; Germany Bankers' Marks—High for the week, Low for the week.

The Curb Exchange.—The review of the Curb Exchange is given this week on page 1240. A complete record of Curb Market transactions for the week will be found on page 1270.

Quotations for U. S. Treas. Cfts. of Indebtedness, &c.

Table with columns: Maturity, Int. Rate, Bid, Asked, and specific bond dates like Sept. 15 1929, Dec. 15 1929, Mar. 15 1930.

# Report of Stock Sales—New York Stock Exchange

DAILY, WEEKLY AND YEARLY

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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.						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, Aug. 17.	Monday, Aug. 19.	Tuesday, Aug. 20.	Wednesday, Aug. 21.	Thursday, Aug. 22.	Friday, Aug. 23.		Shares	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest	
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share							
275 279 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	275 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 278	277 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 279 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	275 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 279 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	275 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 279 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	274 277 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	26,500	195 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Mar 28	282 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Aug 12	182 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> Mar	204 Nov		
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187 188 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	136 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> 138	137 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 139 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	135 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 139 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	135 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 139 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	137 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 138 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4,800	169 Jan 2	209 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> July 16	157 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Oct	191 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> May		
*75 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 78	*75 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 78	75 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 78	75 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 78	75 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 78	76 78	76,100	115 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> May 27	140 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> Aug 21	103 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> June	125 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> Dec		
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*80 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 85	*80 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 85	*80 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 85	*80 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 85	*80 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 85	*80 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 85	1,500	79 May 23	92 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Feb 1	82 Jan	95 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> May		
20 20 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	20 20	19 19 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	*19 19 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	19 19	19 19	1,500	18 May 23	44 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Jan 18	14 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Jan	47 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Sept		
*70 80 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	*70 81	*75 81	*70 77	*70 78	*70 78	75 75	64 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Jan 26	85 Mar 2	32 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> July	64 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Nov		
77 77	*74 76	*74 76	75 75	75 75	74 74	340	51 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> July 1	81 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Aug 2	38 Sept	63 Nov		
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*95	*95	*95	*95	*95	*95	5,700	93 Aug 15	101 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Mar 14	98 Sept	107 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Mar		
273 274	273 274	273 274	272 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 275	272 272	268 271	1,900	195 May 20	277 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> July 4	175 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> June	218 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Dec		
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*135 142	*134 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 135 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	135 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 135 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	135 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 135 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	*137 145	138 138	500	134 Apr 24	145 Feb 6	135 Dec	150 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Dec		
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*68 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 72	*68 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 72	*68 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 72	*68 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 72	*70 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 72	*70 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 72	20	65 July 3	80 Jan 25	67 July	85 Apr		
*68 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 70	*68 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 70	*68 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 70	*68 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 70	*68 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 70	*68 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 70	1,200	64 Apr 22	72 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Mar 5	69 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Dec	85 May		
*52 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 55	*53 55	55 55	55 55	55 55	55 55	18,900	50 Aug 14	70 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Jan 2	61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Dec	87 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> June		
212 213	211 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 216	212 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 216	213 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 216	213 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 216	215 217 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	18,900	182 Mar 26	226 July 20	163 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Feb	226 Apr		
150 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 163	149 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 151 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	148 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 150 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	148 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 151 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	149 154	150 153 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	23,900	120 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> June 11	160 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> July 22	125 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Dec	150 Apr		
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61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	7,100	64 Mar 26	89 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Aug 21	48 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> June	72 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Dec		
*59 60	*59 60	*59 60	*59 60	*59 60	*59 60	300	57 Mar 26	68 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> July 2	50 June	63 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Jan		
122 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 123 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	124 126 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	124 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 126	124 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 126	124 124 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	125 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 124 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	35,200	56 Mar 27	63 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> July 2	49 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> June	63 Jan		
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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., Sales for the Week, STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, PBR SHARE Range Since Jan. 1., PBR SHARE Range for Previous Year 1928. Rows include various stock categories like Railroads, Industrial & Miscellaneous, and specific stock names like Wabash, Preferred A, etc.

\* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. x Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights.

For sales during the week of stocks not recorded here, see third page preceding.

Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT. (Saturday, Aug. 17 to Friday, Aug. 23); Sales for the Week; STOCK NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE; PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1. On basis of 100-shares lots (Lowest, Highest); PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1928 (Lowest, Highest). Rows list various stocks like Austin, Nichols & Co., Bethlehem Steel, etc.

\* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. ∅ Ex-div. 50% in stock. ∅ Ex-dividend and ex-rights. z Ex-dividend.



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Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT. (Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday); Sales for the Week; STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE; PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1. (Lowest, Highest); PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1928 (Lowest, Highest). Rows list various stocks like Indus. & Miscel. (Con.), Corp. Products Refining, etc.

\* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. z Ex-dividend.

For sales during the week of stocks not recorded here, see fifth page preceding.

Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT., 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, Grant (W T), etc., with their respective prices and ranges.

\* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. b Ex-dividend 75% in stock. x Ex-dividend. s Shillings. y Ex-rights.



For sales during the week of stocks not recorded here, see sixth page preceding.

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday) and corresponding stock prices per share.

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table listing various stocks such as Mallison (H R) & Co., Preferred, Manati Sugar, etc., with their respective share counts and prices.

PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1.

Table showing the range of stock prices since January 1st, with columns for 'Lowest' and 'Highest' prices.

PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1928

Table showing the range of stock prices for the previous year (1928), with columns for 'Lowest' and 'Highest' prices.

\* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. x Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights.

For sales during the week of stocks not recorded here, see seventh page preceding.

Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT. (Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday); Sales for the Week; STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE (Indus. & Miscell. (Con.) Par); PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1. (Lowest, Highest); PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1928 (Lowest, Highest). Rows list various stocks like Phillips Petroleum, Standard Oil, etc.

\* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. x Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights.



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, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday); Sales for the Week; STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE; PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1. (Lowest, Highest); PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1925 (Lowest, Highest). Rows list various stocks like Indus. & Miscel. (Con.) Par, Inthar Mfg., Preferred, etc.

\* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. a Ex-div. distributed 1 additional share for each share held. z Ex-dividend. v Ex-Frights.

Jan. 1 1909 the Exchange method of quoting bonds was changed and prices are now "and interest"—except for income and defaulted bonds.

Main table containing bond data for the New York Stock Exchange, categorized by 'U. S. Government', 'State and City Securities', and 'Foreign Govt. & Municipals'. Each section lists bond titles, interest rates, prices, and weekly ranges.

On the basis of 100 to the dollar.



Table with columns for Bonds, Interest Period, Price Friday Aug. 23, Week's Range or Last Sale, Range Since Jan. 1, and various bond descriptions including Railroad, N. Y. Stock Exchange, and various municipal and corporate bonds.





Main table containing bond listings with columns for Bond Description, Interest Period, Price (Friday Aug. 23), Week's Range or Last Sale, Range Since Jan. 1, and various other details. The table is organized into two main sections: 'BONDS' and 'N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE'.

d Due May. e Due June. f Due August.

Main table containing bond listings with columns for 'BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Aug. 23.', 'Price Friday Aug. 23.', 'Week's Range or Last Sale', 'Range Since Jan. 1.', 'N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Aug. 23.', 'Price Friday Aug. 23.', 'Weeks Range or Last Sale', 'Range Since Jan. 1.'. Includes sub-sections for 'INDUSTRIALS' and 'BONDS'.



Table with columns for Bond Description, Price, Week's Range, Range Since, and various market indicators. It lists numerous bonds such as MeCroy Stores Corp, Manati Sugar, and various municipal and corporate issues.

Outside Stock Exchanges

Chicago Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Chicago Stock Exchange, Aug. 17 to Aug. 23, 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). Lists various companies like Abbott Laboratories, Acme Steel Co, Adams (J D) Mfg Co, etc.

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). Continues the list of companies from the previous table, including Kalamazoo Stove Co, Kats Drug Co, Kellogg Switching Co, etc.



Table of stock prices for Cleveland Stock Exchange, including columns for Stock (Concluded) Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

Table of stock prices for Philadelphia Stock Exchange, including columns for Stocks (Concluded) Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

Cleveland Stock Exchange.—See page 1242.

Philadelphia Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Aug. 17 to Aug. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table of stock prices for Philadelphia Stock Exchange, including columns for Stocks—Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

Table of stock prices for Cincinnati Stock Exchange, including columns for Stocks—Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

Cincinnati Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Cincinnati Stock Exchange, Aug. 17 to Aug. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table of stock prices for Baltimore Stock Exchange, including columns for Stocks—Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

Baltimore Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Baltimore Stock Exchange, Aug. 17 to Aug. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table of stock prices for Baltimore Stock Exchange, including columns for Stocks—Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded) Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Includes stocks like Lunkenhelmer, Manischewitz, MaLaren Cons, etc.

\* No par value.

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Pittsburgh Stock Exchange, Aug. 17 to Aug. 23, 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). Includes stocks like Allegheny Steel, Aluminum Goods Mfg, Amer Vitriol Prod, etc.

\* No par value. † New stock.

St. Louis Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at St. Louis Stock Exchange, Aug. 17 to Aug. 23, 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). Includes Bank Stocks, Trust Co Stocks, Miscellaneous Stocks, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded) Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Includes Hydraulic Press Br, International Shoe, Preferred, etc.

\* No par value.

Los Angeles Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at the Los Angeles Stock Exchange, Aug. 17 to Aug. 23, 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). Includes Aero Corp Calif, Bank of Am of Calif, Bolsa Chica Oil, etc.

\* No par value.

San Francisco Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at San Francisco Stock Exchange, Aug. 17 to Aug. 23, 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). Includes Alaska Packers Assn, Anglo Lond Paris Nat Bk, Associated Insurance, etc.



Main table of stock prices and financial data. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High), and various other stock names and prices.

Boston Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at the Boston Stock Exchange, Aug. 17 to Aug. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Continuation of the stock price table, listing various stocks such as Railroad, Boston & Albany, and others, with their respective prices and ranges.

\* No par value. z Ex-dividend.

New York Curb Exchange—Weekly and Yearly Record

In the following extensive list we furnish a complete record of the transactions on the New York Curb Exchange for the week beginning on Saturday last (Aug. 17) and ending the present Friday (Aug. 23). It is compiled entirely from the daily reports of the Curb Exchange 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 Aug. 23, Par., Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. Rows include various stocks like Acetol, Acoustic, Aeronautical, Aero Supply, etc.





Stocks (Continued) Par	Friday	Week's Range		Sales	Range Since Jan. 1.		Friday	Week's Range		Sales	Range Since Jan. 1.				
	Last	Low.	High.		Low.	High.		Last	Low.		High.	Low.	High.		
Schulte Real Estate Co.*	16 1/4	16 1/4	16 3/4	500	16	July	39 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	3 1/2	500	2 1/2	July	14 1/2	Jan
Schulte-United 5c to \$1 88*	9 1/4	9 1/4	10 3/4	1,600	5 1/4	Aug	26	Jan	20 1/2	22	700	17 1/2	Apr	32	Jan
7% pref par pd rets.100	55	55	55	600	55	Aug	89	Jan	67	67	200	56 1/2	Apr	78 1/2	May
Second Gen'l Amer Inv Co.									7 1/2	7 1/2	5,700	70	Apr	81	May
Common	25 1/4	25 1/4	26 1/2	1,500	23 1/4	Apr	35 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	1 1/4	700	1 1/4	Jan	18	Jan
6% pref with warrants.	110	110	110 3/4	300	104 1/2	Apr	125	Jan	24	24 1/2	200	21 1/2	May	29 1/2	July
Second Nat Invest unit ctf	146 1/2	145 1/2	147 1/2	600	143	Aug	162	July	26 1/2	28	1,500	24	Aug	41 1/2	Feb
Seaman Bros common.*		64 1/4	64 3/4	200	63 1/2	July	80	Jan	14	14 1/2	500	14	July	30	Mar
Segal Lumber & Hardware.*	12 1/2	12	13 1/4	13,500	8 1/2	July	14	May	39	42 1/2	1,800	39	Aug	58	Mar
Selberling Rubber com.*		30	31	400	30	Aug	65 1/2	Jan	60	61 1/2	200	60	Aug	61 1/2	Aug
Selected Industries com.*	33 1/2	33	33 1/2	24,100	18 1/4	Jan	31 1/2	Feb	12 1/2	12 1/2	500	11 1/2	Mar	16 1/2	Jan
Allot cfs 1st pd.	100	99	100 1/2	23,300	90	June	106	Jan	8 1/2	8 1/2	300	5 1/2	Mar	11 1/2	Jan
Prior preferred.	68 1/2	67	69 1/2	2,900	62	June	69 1/2	Aug	32	33	4,100	31 1/2	Jan	44 1/2	Jan
Sentry Safety Control.*	20	19	20 1/2	9,800	9	Mar	28 1/2	May							
Seton Leather common.*		24 1/2	24 1/2	100	20 1/2	Aug	32 1/2	Jan							
Sharp & Dohme Inc.*	28 1/2	28	28 1/2	1,800	28	Aug	28 1/2	Aug							
Shatruck (Frank G) new.*	61 1/4	59 1/2	61 1/2	9,900	58 1/2	Aug	63 1/2	Aug							
Sheaffer (W A) Pen.*	26 1/2	23	26 1/2	5,700	48	Apr	63 1/2	Jan							
Sheffield Steel com.*	75 1/4	75 1/4	75 1/4	100	65	June	75 1/4	Aug							
Shenandoah Corp com.*	38 1/2	35	39 1/2	144,300	29 1/2	July	39 1/2	Aug							
6% conv pref.	50	57	63	167,500	55	July	69	Aug							
Sherwin-Williams com..25		95 1/2	96	125	81	Aug	105 1/2	Aug							
Sikorsky Aviation com.*	52	50	53	7,700	20 1/4	Jan	63 1/4	Mar							
Silles Gel Corp com v f.c.*	31 1/2	30	33	2,700	20 1/4	Aug	48 1/4	Mar							
Silver (Isaac) & Bro pf.100		104 1/4	105	75	104 1/4	Aug	128	Feb							
Simmons Boardman Pub-															
lishing \$3 pref..*		48	48	100	48	Mar	52 1/4	Jan							
Singer Mfg..100		535	541	40	530	July	631	Jan							
Sisto Financial Corp.*	54 1/2	54	56 1/2	10,400	54	Aug	56 1/2	Aug							
Smith (A O) Corp com.*	243	243	249 1/4	380	163	Feb	260	July							
Sonatrone Tube common.*	35 1/2	33	35 1/2	4,800	23 1/2	July	48 1/2	Feb							
Southern Asbestos.*	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	400	30 1/4	Apr	49 1/2	Feb							
Southern Corp com w l.*	18	16 1/2	18 1/2	11,200	14 1/4	July	20 1/2	Aug							
Soutwest Dairy Corp.*	18 1/2	13 1/2	19 1/2	4,800	12	May	21	Jan							
Span & Gen Corp Ltd..£1	3 1/2	3	3 1/2	4,500	2 1/2	Aug	3 1/2	Jan							
Speigel May Stern pref.100		82	82	100	79 1/2	July	98 1/2	Feb							
Stahl-Meyer Inc com.*	39	39	39 1/2	200	39	Feb	53 1/2	Jan							
Standard Brands Inc (for-															
merly Fleischm-Royal)*	37 1/2	37 1/2	39	263,400	32 1/2	June	40 1/2	July							
Standard Dredging com.*		37	37 1/2	500	34 1/2	July	37 1/2	Aug							
Preferred.		37 1/2	37 1/2	200	28	May	37 1/2	Aug							
Standard Investing com.*	41	41	42 1/2	1,100	31 1/2	July	46 1/4	July							
\$5 1/2 cum conv pref.	100	100	100	200	97	July	103	Jan							
Standard Motor Constr100	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	900	2 1/4	Mar	6 1/4	Jan							
Stand Steel Propeller com.*	52 1/2	50 1/2	54 1/2	14,700	24	May	54 1/2	Aug							
Starrett Corp com.*	33 1/2	32	33 1/2	5,100	28	Apr	33 1/2	Aug							
Starrett (L S) Co com.*	43	42	44	2,600	38 1/2	Aug	44	Aug							
Stein Cosmetics com.*	21 1/2	20 1/2	22 1/2	7,800	15 1/2	Mar	22 1/2	May							
Stein (A) & Co com.*	33 1/2	32	33 1/2	2,400	28	June	38 1/2	Feb							
Preferred.	100	89 1/2	89 1/2	100	87	July	99 1/2	Feb							
Sterch Bros Stores com.*	31 1/4	31 1/4	33	2,900	26	July	33	Aug							
Stern Bros cl A..*		46	46	100	42	Mar	47 1/2	Feb							
Stines (Hugo) Corp..*		13 1/2	14 1/4	300	9 1/4	Jan	16 1/2	Feb							
Strass-Roth Stores com.*	30 1/2	28 1/2	31 1/4	3,100	18 1/2	July	34 1/2	Aug							
Stromberg-Carl Tel Mfg.*		33	33	100	29	Jan	35 1/2	May							
Stroock (S) & Co..*		37 1/2	38 1/2	400	37 1/2	Aug	61 1/2	Feb							
Stutz Motor Car..*		13 1/4	15 1/4	3,800	12	June	35 1/2	May							
Sullivan Mach Co..*		55	55	150	53	Apr	58	July							
Superheater Co..*		190	192	50	158	June	195	July							
Swift & Co..100	132 1/2	131 1/2	133	1,750	123 1/2	July	139 1/2	Jan							
Swift International..15	33	32	33	3,000	29 1/4	Mar	37 1/4	Jan							
Syrac Wash Mach B com.*		20 1/2	20 1/2	600	16 1/4	Mar	22 1/2	Jan							
Taggart Corp common.*	46	45 1/2	46 3/4	500	43 1/2	Apr	49 1/2	Feb							
Taylor Milling com.*		35	35 1/2	200	35	Apr	36 1/2	July							
Thermoid Co com.*		30 1/2	33 1/2	4,600	25	Feb	38	July							
Third Nat Investors com.*	64 1/2	60	64 1/2	5,200	50	May	64 1/2	July							
Thompson Prod Inc cl A.*	50 1/2	50 1/2	53	2,300	46	Jan	59 1/2	Jan							
Thompson Starrett Co pf..*	54 1/2	53 1/2	54 1/2	2,300	50	May	58 1/2	Jan							
Tishman Realty & Constr.*		63 1/2	65 1/2	1,800	49 1/4	Jan	70	May							
Tobacco & Allied Stocks.*		41	42 1/2	600	41	Aug	55 1/2	Jan							
Tobacco Products Exports.*		2	2 1/4	700	1 1/4	Aug	3 1/4	Jan							
Todd Shipyards Corp..*	57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2	300	56	June	76 1/2	Jan							
Toddy Corp cl A..*	31	28	31	900	25 1/4	Apr	31 1/4	Jan							
Class A ctf.		28	29	400	28	Aug	29	Jan							
Class B v t c..*	113 1/2	10	11 1/2	300	9	Aug	14 1/2	Jan							
Transamerica Corp..*	154	144 1/2	155 1/2	35,300	125	Feb	155 1/2	Aug							
Transcont Air Transp..*	24	23 1/2	25	8,300	21 1/2	May	32 1/2	July							
Voting trust ctf.	23 1/2	23	25	6,500	23	Aug	31 1/2	July							
Trans-Lux Pict Screen..*	9 1/4	9 1/4	10	2,200	5 1/2	Jan	24	Mar							
Class A common..*	49 1/2	47 1/2	53 1/2	79,900	30	Jan	57	Aug							
Tri-Continental Corp com.*	111 1/2	111 1/2	115	5,900	104	Apr	119 1/2	Aug							
Triplex Safety Glass..*															
Am rets for ord sh reg..*	17	17	17	100	15 1/4	July	33 1/2	Feb							
Tri-Cont Allied Co..*	102 1/2	102 1/2	104 1/2	48,600	102 1/2	Aug	104 1/2	Aug							
Tri-Utilities Corp..*	54 1/2	51	54 1/2	2,100	45	Aug	54 1/2	Aug							
Trunz Pork Stores..*		35	35 1/2	500	35	Aug	60 1/2	Jan							
Tubez Artificial Silk cl B.*	398	349	398	550	305	June	595	Jan							
Tung Sol Lamp Wks new..*		42	49	3,400	42	Aug	49 1/2	July							
\$3 cum pref..*		44	44	100	42 1/2	Jan	50 1/2	July							
Ulen & Co new com w l.*	32 1/2	32	34 1/2	4,300	30 1/4	Aug	38 1/2	Aug							
Union Amer Investment.*	79 1/2	79 1/2	83 1/2	4,300	51 1/4	Aug	20	Jan							
Union Tobacco com..*	5	5	6	4,600											





Table with columns for 'Friday Last Sale Price', 'Week's Range of Prices', 'Sales for Week', 'Range Since Jan. 1.', and 'Friday Last Sale Price' for 'Bonds (Continued)'. The table lists various bond issues with their respective prices and dates.

\* No par value. † Correction. m Listed on the Stock Exchange this week, where additional transactions will be found. n Sold under the rule. o Sold for cash... s Option sales. t Ex-rights and bonus. w When issued. x Ex-dividend. y Rights. z Under the rule. AA American Meter Co., Jan. 15 at 128; b \$2,000 Procter & Gamble 4 1/2% of 1947...



Quotations of Sundry Securities

All bond prices are "and interest" except where marked "F"

Main table of financial data with columns for Public Utilities, Railroad Equip., Chain Store Stocks, Investment Trust Stocks, and various other securities. Includes sub-sections like 'Standard Oil Stocks' and 'Water Bonds'.

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 second week of August. The table covers eight roads and shows 6.29% decrease over the same week last year.

Second Week of August.	1929.	1928.	Increase.	Decrease.
Canadian National	\$5,004,713	\$5,292,246	-----	\$287,533
Canadian Pacific	3,780,000	4,306,000	-----	526,000
Georgia & Florida	81,475	52,000	\$9,475	-----
Minneapolis & St. Louis	371,936	331,779	40,157	-----
Mobile & Ohio	350,374	308,021	42,353	-----
St. Louis Southwestern	419,190	449,009	-----	29,819
Southern Railway System	3,543,425	3,753,555	-----	210,130
Western Maryland	383,533	356,180	27,353	-----
Total (8 roads)	\$13,914,646	\$14,848,790	\$119,338	\$1,053,482
Net decrease (6.9%)	-----	-----	-----	934,144

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 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)	19,680,198	20,378,281	-798,083	3.93
1st week Apr. (9 roads)	14,258,006	13,994,590	+263,416	6.45
2d week Apr. (8 roads)	13,704,380	12,849,259	+855,121	6.65
3d week Apr. (7 roads)	13,934,100	12,745,841	+1,178,259	9.33
4th week Apr. (8 roads)	20,100,633	16,956,008	+3,144,625	18.51
1st week May (8 roads)	14,083,977	13,198,800	+885,177	6.71
2d week May (8 roads)	14,025,691	13,800,007	+225,684	1.64
3d week May (8 roads)	13,987,172	14,015,235	-28,063	0.20
4th week May (8 roads)	19,925,465	16,187,145	+3,738,320	23.12
1st week June (8 roads)	16,362,466	14,179,740	+2,182,726	15.40
2d week June (8 roads)	14,179,740	13,805,018	+374,722	2.70
3d week June (8 roads)	15,814,954	13,974,488	+1,840,466	13.17
4th week June (8 roads)	20,931,896	18,619,998	+2,311,898	12.41
1st week July (8 roads)	13,783,513	13,461,219	+322,293	2.39
2d week July (8 roads)	14,098,543	13,922,999	+175,544	1.26
3d week July (8 roads)	14,329,624	14,169,119	+160,505	1.13
4th week July (8 roads)	21,329,515	20,439,976	+889,539	4.35
1st week Aug. (8 roads)	14,210,254	14,632,315	-422,061	2.97
2d week Aug. (8 roads)	13,914,646	14,848,790	-934,144	6.29

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.	
	1929.	1928.	Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).	1929.	1928.
	\$	\$	\$	Miles.	Miles.
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
March	516,134,927	505,249,550	+10,884,477	241,185	240,427
April	513,076,026	474,784,902	+38,291,124	240,956	240,816
May	536,723,030	510,543,213	+26,120,817	241,280	240,798
June	531,033,198	502,455,883	+28,577,315	241,608	241,243

  

Month.	Net Earnings.		Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).	
	1929.	1928.	Amount.	Per Cent.
	\$	\$	\$	
January	117,730,186	94,151,973	+23,578,213	+25.04
February	126,368,848	108,987,455	+17,381,393	+15.95
March	139,639,086	132,122,686	+7,516,400	+5.68
April	136,821,660	110,884,575	+25,937,085	+23.39
May	146,798,792	129,017,791	+17,781,001	+13.09
June	150,174,332	127,514,775	+22,659,557	+17.77

**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.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Brooklyn E D Terminal						
July	121,588	113,382	42,028	39,600	34,526	32,032
From Jan 1.	847,833	864,350	337,176	342,998	283,558	283,843
Central Vermont						
July	965,193	768,418	322,651	27,183	306,501	10,957
From Jan 1.	5,274,894	3,771,485	1,240,535	-1,436,332	1,129,478	-1,532,686
Chicago & Alton						
July	2,720,265	2,347,305	-----	a610,666	a173,622	-----
From Jan 1.	16,672,026	15,918,126	-----	a2,014,721	a1,015,291	-----
Conemaugh Black Lick						
July	210,372	168,419	51,224	43,478	50,224	42,478
From Jan 1.	1,251,739	940,772	221,892	65,122	214,892	58,122
Erie Railroad						
July	9,522,092	8,772,704	2,041,368	1,633,151	1,624,467	1,274,323
From Jan 1.	65,160,370	60,763,891	14,079,896	11,499,709	11,020,877	8,975,513
Chicago & Erie						
July	1,223,374	1,264,676	451,416	563,727	395,199	505,166
From Jan 1.	8,962,866	8,382,324	3,909,037	3,233,578	3,515,069	2,858,176
Lehigh Valley						
July	5,640,032	5,608,486	-----	-----	a760,785	a780,104
From Jan 1.	40,723,754	39,533,490	-----	-----	a6,502,449	a5,349,548
Minn St P & S S M						
July	2,739,762	2,316,839	783,961	570,511	193,846	-5,583
From Jan 1.	15,823,471	14,978,999	3,955,346	3,270,094	194,735	-459,745
Monongahela Connecting						
July	238,553	180,543	71,938	53,501	59,983	43,335
From Jan 1.	1,567,053	1,139,448	462,072	270,790	380,970	218,788
Montour						
July	229,792	136,433	94,529	27,591	92,657	26,091
From Jan 1.	1,319,419	875,193	444,203	195,363	432,588	184,863
N Y Chicago & St. Louis						
July	4,915,411	4,141,470	-----	-----	a915,328	a541,346
From Jan 1.	32,767,675	30,013,998	-----	-----	a6,327,084	a4,437,099
N Y Susq & Western						
July	371,507	392,367	71,980	91,371	40,930	62,015
From Jan 1.	2,898,021	2,806,484	717,643	562,157	499,730	356,641
Western Maryland						
July	1,540,134	1,410,103	476,659	433,190	396,659	353,190
From Jan 1.	10,560,346	10,535,290	3,224,975	3,190,676	2,664,975	2,595,676
Wisconsin Central						
July	2,025,159	1,836,378	692,812	431,646	273,283	34,741
From Jan 1.	11,348,386	11,009,385	2,650,903	1,940,244	-119,016	677,269

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**Other Monthly Steam Railroad Reports.**—In the following we show the monthly reports of STEAM railroad companies received this week as issued by the companies themselves, where they embrace more facts than are required in the reports to the Inter-State Commerce Commission, such as fixed charges, &c., or where they differ in some other respect from the reports to the Commission.

	Central Vermont Railway Co.			
	Month of July		Jan. 1 to July 31.	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Railway operating revenues	\$31,094	\$29,392	\$5,150,583	\$5,157,763
Ry. oper. exp. (excl. dep'n)	616,851	590,193	3,877,781	4,201,741
Ry. oper. exp. (dep'n)	20,704	22,228	145,871	135,053
Total railway oper. exp.	637,556	612,422	4,023,653	4,336,794
Net rev. from railway oper.	193,538	216,970	1,126,929	820,969
Railway tax accruals	16,150	19,556	110,787	135,020
Uncollectible ry. revenues	-----	5	182	829
Total taxes & uncol. ry. rev	16,150	19,561	110,970	135,849
Railway operating income	177,387	197,409	1,015,959	685,119
Non-Operating Income				
Hire of freight cars—cred. bal.	8,118	-----	51,390	-----
Rent from locomotives	8,658	1,335	56,124	7,614
Rent from pass. train cars	8,473	9,156	57,926	54,019
Rent from work equipment	15	603	931	1,825
Joint facility rent income	1,068	1,323	7,831	9,812
Income from lease of road	1,402	1,402	9,820	9,820
Miscellaneous rent income	542	882	2,339	2,660
Misc. non-oper. physical prop	54	74	278	450
Inc. from funded securities	250	250	1,750	1,750
Inc. from unfund. sec. & acct's.	3,649	457	12,112	5,296
Miscellaneous income	64	17	471	410
Total non-operating income	32,296	15,503	200,977	93,660
Gross income	209,684	212,913	1,216,936	778,779
Deductions from Gross Income				
Hire of freight cars—debit bal.	-----	22,183	-----	92,781
Rent for locomotives	7,262	6,860	51,406	43,708
Rent for pass. train cars	11,871	11,478	78,570	73,643
Rent for work equipment	60	44	9,091	430
Joint facility rents	4,519	558	2,286	2,374
Rent for leased roads	18,046	18,046	126,322	126,322
Miscellaneous tax accruals	-----	2,192	4,586	16,904
Miscellaneous tax accruals	-----	439	-----	439
Interest on funded debt	18,677	107,207	123,039	737,597
Interest on unfunded debt	3,140	10	22,800	98
Amort. of disc. on fund. debt	1,515	1,282	8,644	8,990
Miscellaneous inc. charges	120	512	407	3,991
Total deduct. fr. gross. inc.	56,163	170,816	427,156	1,107,281
Net income	153,521	42,097	789,780	def. 328,502
Ratio of ry. oper. exp. to rev.	76.71%	73.84%	70.12%	84.08%
Ratio of ry. oper. exp. & taxes to revenue	78.66%	76.20%	80.27%	86.70%
Miles of road operated	413	433	413	433

	Erie Railroad Co.			
	Month of July		7 Mos. End. July 31.	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	\$10,745,466	\$10,037,380	\$74,123,235	\$69,119,211
Operating expenses & taxes	8,725,800	8,257,891	59,587,290	57,285,522
Operating income	2,019,666	1,779,489	14,535,945	11,833,689
Hire of equipment & joint facility rents—net debit	321,815	324,395	2,357,298	2,401,068
Net railway operating inc.	1,697,850	1,455,093	12,178,647	9,432,621
Non-operating income	279,025	357,484	1,923,507	2,543,799
Gross income	1,976,875	1,812,577	14,102,154	11,976,420
Interest, rentals, &c.	1,194,107	1,221,123	8,464,391	8,577,919
Net income	782,768	591,453	5,637,763	3,398,501

	International Railways of Central America.			
	Month of July		7 Mos. End. July 31.	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross revenue	\$675,319	\$630,750	\$5,580,371	\$5,226,224
Operating expenses	404,827	394,276	3,056,339	3,046,774
Inc. applic. to fixed chgs.	260,492	236,474	2,524,032	2,179,550

	The Kansas City Southern Ry. Co.			
	Month of July		7 Mos. End. July 31.	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Railway oper. revenues	\$1,880,604	\$1,803,504	\$12,551,321	\$11,981,515
Railway oper. expenses	1,185,328	1,169,890	8,255,545	8,118,337
Net rev. from ry. oper.	704,276	633,614	4,297,776	3,863,222
Railway tax accruals	134,250	94,611	939,755	848,515



**Southern Pacific Lines.**

	Month of July		7 Mos. End. July 31	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Aver. miles road oper...	13,596	13,627	13,612	13,582
<b>Revenues</b> —				
Freight	20,538,004	18,798,120	131,485,475	121,440,269
Passenger	4,563,552	4,580,222	29,719,194	29,474,708
Mail	670,650	352,044	3,703,133	2,491,989
Express	606,764	651,999	4,539,828	4,186,638
All other transportation	469,424	764,170	4,627,691	4,954,843
Incidental	715,530	673,649	4,694,390	4,149,421
Joint facility—Cr.	31,238	22,073	213,375	180,183
Joint facility—Dr.	-118,722	-127,456	-843,346	-840,324
Railway oper. revenues	27,476,442	25,714,822	178,139,743	166,037,729
<b>Expenses</b> —				
Maint. of way & struc.	3,389,277	3,312,655	22,838,996	22,402,211
Maint. of equipment	4,410,659	4,434,404	31,675,042	30,042,435
Traffic	658,586	586,920	4,472,520	4,324,691
Transportation	8,696,455	8,778,213	59,372,792	58,501,028
Miscellaneous	570,391	448,130	3,389,314	2,832,605
General	983,062	917,058	6,719,278	6,749,389
Transp. for inv.—Cr.	Cr136,930	Cr128,629	Cr802,747	Cr909,774
Ry. oper. expenses	18,571,502	18,348,753	127,665,198	123,942,586
<b>Income</b> —				
Net rev. from ry. oper.	8,904,940	7,366,069	50,474,544	42,095,142
Railway tax accruals	1,997,324	1,922,532	12,987,135	11,976,358
Uncollectible ry. revs.	5,930	4,455	51,802	38,919
Equip. rents (net)	865,187	374,321	4,803,023	3,422,009
Joint facility rent (net)	8,329	15,336	73,087	234,674
Net ry. oper. income.	6,028,168	5,049,394	32,559,496	26,892,528

**Union Pacific System.**

	Month of July		7 Mos. End. July 31	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
<b>Operating Revenues</b>				
Freight	13,803,041	12,360,374	90,626,343	84,877,531
Passenger	2,655,960	2,798,984	15,513,539	15,503,910
Mail	408,188	342,002	2,953,036	2,466,568
Express	397,949	376,106	2,313,572	2,253,490
All other transportation	576,459	527,378	3,049,623	2,962,897
Incidental	425,236	478,032	2,277,350	2,371,849
Ry. operating revenues	18,266,833	16,882,876	116,733,463	110,436,245
<b>Operating Expenses</b> —				
Maint. of way and structures	2,914,550	2,889,426	17,438,021	17,472,847
Maintenance of equipment	3,465,855	5,149,404	22,347,667	22,235,194
Traffic	423,746	392,589	2,922,184	2,793,315
Transportation	5,192,377	5,048,065	34,625,522	33,419,124
Miscellaneous operations	479,935	520,597	2,583,150	2,607,144
General	692,152	679,312	4,849,740	4,527,792
Transp. for investment—Cr.	415	8,278	2,645	25,877
Ry. operating expenses	13,158,200	12,671,115	84,763,639	85,029,539
<b>Income Items</b> —				
Net rev. from ry. operations	5,108,633	4,211,761	31,969,824	27,406,706
Railway tax accruals	1,417,910	1,307,887	9,547,621	8,990,266
Uncollectible ry. revenues	389	674	7,361	4,931
Railway operating income	3,690,334	2,903,200	22,414,852	18,411,609
Equipment rents—net	559,274	662,381	2,617,160	3,376,867
Joint facility rents	76,934	86,759	542,770	600,343
Net railway oper. income	3,054,126	2,154,060	19,254,922	14,434,299
Avg. miles of road operated	9,857	9,799	9,857	9,786
Ratio of expenses to revenues	72.03%	75.05%	72.61%	75.18%

**Western Maryland Railway Co.**

	Month of July		7 Mos. End. July 31	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	1,540,134	1,410,103	10,560,346	10,535,290
Total operating expenses	1,063,475	976,913	7,335,371	7,354,614
Net operating revenue	476,659	433,190	3,224,975	3,180,676
Taxes	80,000	80,000	560,000	585,000
Operating income	396,659	353,190	2,664,975	2,595,676
Equipment rents	52,178	24,522	386,101	250,932
Joint facility rents, net	-15,979	-14,819	-118,839	-109,055
Net railway oper. income	432,858	362,893	2,932,237	2,737,553
Other income	15,633	12,313	109,535	79,897
Gross income	448,491	375,206	3,041,772	2,817,450
Fixed charges	249,426	250,846	1,748,270	1,764,128
Net income	199,065	124,360	1,293,502	1,053,322

**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:

**Boston Worcester & New York St. Ry. Co.**

	Month of June		6 Mos. End. June	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
<b>Operating Revenue</b> —				
Passenger cars	20,948	23,255	114,062	132,718
Coaches	22,628	22,936	121,660	135,422
Busses	11,672	8,429	79,180	59,379
Hart Motorcoach Corp.	9,016	—	28,023	—
Rental busses	2,079	1,370	6,433	10,978
Miscellaneous	112	388	1,012	2,308
Total operating revenue	66,457	56,360	350,373	340,808
Special freight	—	—	—	41,793
<b>Operating Expenses</b> —				
Maint. ways & structures	5,492	4,192	20,033	22,227
Maintenance equipment	5,669	a 2,229	35,894	b 34,322
Power	8,087	6,371	49,388	49,424
Cond. Transportation	11,965	8,583	70,810	89,983
Traffic	2,158	1,512	7,704	8,339
General and miscellaneous	8,802	9,169	56,428	67,282
Rental coaches	14,422	11,483	65,489	69,075
Total operating expenses	56,598	47,543	305,749	340,655
Net operating revenue	9,859	8,836	44,623	41,945
Taxes	1,625	1,614	9,750	9,689
Operating income	8,234	7,221	34,873	32,256
Other revenue	158	170	9,780	1,194
Gross income	8,393	7,391	44,654	33,451
Deductions from gross income	—	—	—	—
Interest on 1st mtge. bonds	1,470	1,470	8,820	c 8,968
Net income	6,923	5,921	35,834	24,482
Depreciation on busses not included.	—	—	—	—
a Depreciation \$1,118.43 included. b Depreciation \$7,638.96 included. c \$148.78 notes, \$8,820 bonds.	—	—	—	—

**Brazilian Traction, Light & Power Co., Ltd.**

	Month of July		Jan. 1 to July 31	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross earnings from oper.	4,335,895	3,664,401	28,372,920	24,203,361
Operating expenses	1,895,790	1,530,551	12,172,430	10,173,572
Net earnings	2,440,105	2,133,850	16,200,490	14,029,789

**Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit System**

(Including Brooklyn & Queens Transit Corp.)

	Month of July		Jan. 1 to July 31	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Total operating revenues	\$ 5,150,887	\$ 4,986,467	\$ 35,077,969	\$ 34,963,630
Total operating expenses	3,507,239	3,453,492	4,097,625	3,958,991
Net revenue from operation	1,643,648	1,502,975	1,980,344	1,004,639
Taxes on operating properties	333,762	343,331	52,132	43,585
Operating income	1,309,886	1,159,644	1,261,222	146,106
Net non-operating income	63,859	110,239	802,089	814,947
Gross income	1,373,745	1,269,883	2,063,311	1,150,645
Total income deductions	766,232	1,079,926	4,097,625	3,958,991
Net income	\$ *607,513	\$ 561,957	\$ 1,965,686	\$ 1,911,654

\* Of which \$99,400 accrues to minority interests in the B. & Q. T. Corp.

**Chicago Surface Lines.**

	Month of July		Jan. 1 to July 31	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross earnings	\$ 5,077,969	\$ 4,963,630	\$ 35,077,969	\$ 34,963,630
Operating expenses, renewals and taxes	4,097,625	3,958,991	4,097,625	3,958,991
Residue receipts	980,344	1,004,639	1,261,222	146,106
Joint account expenses, Federal taxes, &c.	52,132	43,585	52,132	43,585
City's 55%	126,122	146,106	126,122	146,106
Balance	802,089	814,947	802,089	814,947

**Cities Service Co.**

	Month of July		12 Mos. End. July 31	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross earnings	3,532,997	2,779,959	39,175,750	33,267,230
Expenses	109,314	98,179	1,213,753	1,130,606
Net earnings	3,423,683	2,681,779	37,961,996	32,136,624
Int. & disc't. on debentures	620,381	372,893	6,028,304	2,944,705
Net to stocks & reserves	2,803,301	2,308,886	31,933,692	29,191,918
Dividend preferred stock	567,966	563,793	6,773,907	6,792,360
Net to com. stock & res.	2,235,335	1,745,092	25,159,785	22,399,558

**Consolidated Gas Utilities Co.**

(And Subsidiaries)

	Month of July		7 Mos. End. July 31	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross earnings, all sources	\$ 216,256	\$ 204,155	\$ 2,040,220	\$ 1,764,462
Oper. exp. and general taxes	106,369	142,029	953,793	1,061,035
Net earnings	109,887	62,126	1,086,427	703,426
Interest on funded debt	75,124	58,116	540,360	364,736
Balance available for res., Fed. taxes and dividends	34,762	4,010	546,066	338,690
Div. requirements on cl. A stk.	23,697	—	165,883	—

**Florida Power & Light Co.**

(American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary)

	Month of June		12 Mos. End. June 30	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross earnings from oper.	\$ 814,617	\$ 840,047	\$ 11,213,738	\$ 11,782,327
Oper. exp., incl. taxes	459,522	494,784	5,986,058	6,375,556
Net earnings from oper.	355,095	345,263	5,227,680	5,406,771
Other income	104,909	124,149	1,241,935	2,413,464
Total income	460,004	469,412	6,469,615	7,820,235
Int. on mortgage bonds	216,667	216,667	2,600,000	2,350,000
Int. on debentures (all owned by Amer. Fr. & Lt. Co.)	110,000	110,000	1,320,000	1,320,000
Other int. and deductions	6,930	11,873	108,727	336,463
Balance	126,407	130,872	2,440,888	3,813,772
Dividends on preferred stock	—	—	1,130,974	1,057,560
Balance	—	—	1,309,914	2,756,212

**Honolulu Rapid Transit Co., Ltd.**

	Month of July		7 Mos. End. July 31	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross rev. from transport'n.	\$ 88,204	\$ 92,022	\$ 615,811	\$ 625,716
Operating expenses	48,497	52,268	351,800	368,090
Net rev. from transport'n.	39,707	39,754	264,011	257,625
Rev. other than transport'n.	1,084	906	7,684	7,259
Net rev. from operations	40,791	40,660	271,695	264,884
Taxes assignable to ry. oper.	7,932	13,151	66,260	81,709
Interest	550	550	3,850	3,850

Market Street Railway Co.

	Month of July 1929	12 Mos. End. July 31 '29	12 Mos. End. July 31 '28
Gross earnings		\$781,240	\$9,582,725
Net earnings (including other income before provision for retirements)		120,256	1,404,172
Income charges		59,569	727,191
Balance		\$60,687	\$676,980

Minnesota Power & Light Co.  
(American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary)

	Month of June 1929	12 Mos. End. June 30 1928	12 Mos. End. July 31 1928
Gross earnings from oper	\$529,060	\$505,261	\$6,201,656
Operating expenses & taxes	186,906	176,153	2,185,851
Net earnings from oper	342,154	329,108	4,015,805
Other income	7,985	19,415	177,678
Total income	350,139	348,523	4,193,483
Interest on bonds	128,242	129,363	1,547,724
Other interest & deductions	5,134	5,598	60,625
Balance	216,763	213,562	2,585,134
Dividends on preferred stock			900,769
Balance			1,684,365

Orange & Rockland Electric Co.

	Month of July 1929	12 Mos. End. July 31 1928	12 Mos. End. July 31 1928
Operating revenues	\$56,838	\$55,189	\$700,073
Oper. expenses, incl. taxes, but excl. depreciation	34,223	33,179	404,883
Depreciation	22,615	22,010	295,190
Operating income	16,453	16,525	224,635
Other income	787	1,721	11,979
Gross income	17,240	18,246	236,614
Interest on funded debt	5,208	5,208	62,500
Balance	12,032	13,038	174,114
Other interest	250		1,693
Balance	11,782	13,038	172,421
Amortization deductions	1,072	865	15,280
Balance	10,710	12,173	157,141
Other deductions	333		7,119
Balance	10,377	12,173	150,022
Dividends accrued on pf. stk.	5,833	5,833	70,000
Balance	4,544	6,340	80,022
Federal income taxes included in operating expenses	1,500	1,724	22,597

Southern Canada Power Co., Ltd.

	Month of July 1929	10 Mos. End. July 31 1928	10 Mos. End. July 31 1928
Gross earnings	\$173,899	\$151,995	\$1,747,740
Operating expenses	64,678	50,567	608,693
Net earnings	109,221	101,428	1,138,047

Syracuse Lighting Co.

	Month of July 1929	12 Mos. End. July 31 1928	12 Mos. End. July 31 1928
Gross earnings	\$680,593	\$612,536	\$8,466,421
Oper. expenses and taxes	*475,748	429,148	*5,545,276
Net earnings	204,844	183,387	2,921,145
Int. and income deductions	68,077	64,118	787,561
Net income	136,767	119,269	2,133,583
*Incl. credit to res. for depr.	35,166	31,833	405,333

Utica Gas & Electric Co.

	Month of July 1929	12 Mos. End. July 31 1928	12 Mos. End. July 31 1928
Gross earnings	\$397,311	\$356,113	\$5,099,060
Oper. expenses and taxes	*250,966	221,175	*2,993,116
Net earnings	146,345	134,938	2,102,758
Int. and income deductions	76,102	79,433	931,835
Net income	70,242	55,505	1,174,108
*Incl. credit to res. for depr.	19,827	18,118	276,987

York Utilities Co.

	Month of July 1929	12 Mos. End. July 31 1928	12 Mos. End. July 31 1928
Operating revenue	\$6,708	\$8,648	\$65,143
Operating expenses	9,018	9,860	63,608
Net revenue	def2,310	def1,212	1,535
Non-operating income	6	4	30
Gross income	def2,303	def1,208	1,565
Deductions—			
Coupon interest	3,392	3,392	23,744
Miscellaneous interest			58
Taxes	450	450	2,766
Total	3,842	3,842	26,569
Net income	def6,146	def5,050	def25,004
Surplus from previous year			def188,320
Profit and loss—Dr			25
Total surplus			def213,299

New York City Street Railways.

Companies—	Gross Revenue.	Gross Income.	Fixed Charges.	Net Corp. Income.
Brooklyn City	May '29 1,006,750	192,000	39,535	152,464
	'28 1,015,455	175,202	41,365	133,836
5 mos ended May 31	'29 4,977,202	730,334	166,005	579,800
	'28 4,988,756	704,835	208,492	496,339
Brooklyn Heights (rec)	May '29 1,559	7,767	58,009	-50,242
	'28 1,580	7,895	58,009	-50,115
5 mos ended May 31	'29 7,785	38,406	238,625	-187,050
	'28 7,707	38,749	290,045	-251,296
Brooklyn & Queens	May '29 264,200	58,568	58,842	-273
	'28 254,097	45,815	58,798	-12,982
5 mos ended May 31	'29 1,256,112	197,954	237,727	-38,880
	'28 1,214,805	154,476	294,696	-140,218

Companies.	Gross Revenue.	Gross Income.	Fixed Charges.	Net Corp. Income.
Coney Isl & Brooklyn	May '29 234,710	51,262	29,912	21,349
	'28 250,203	65,862	30,654	35,208
5 mos ended May 31	'29 1,057,840	161,713	123,404	47,053
	'28 1,139,033	226,612	152,336	74,274
Coney Isl & Gravesend	May '29 11,653	1,527	6,303	-4,776
	'28 11,062	417	13,760	-13,342
5 mos ended May 31	'29 46,370	11,891	47,906	-56,054
	'28 44,660	-4,469	68,696	-83,165
Elighth & Ninth Aves (rec)	May '29 88,741	4,177	7,822	-3,645
	'28 91,045	5,718	8,000	-2,281
5 mos ended May 31	'29 407,255	6,537	31,048	-24,511
	'28 381,637	8,425	42,286	-33,860
Interboro Rapid Transit (Subway Division)	May '29 4,515,718	2,179,228	1,171,086	1,008,141
	'28 4,245,078	2,005,934	1,102,328	903,606
5 mos ended May 31	'29 22,163,925	10,627,711	5,563,687	5,091,037
	'28 21,121,778	9,938,678	5,513,820	4,424,827
(Elevated Division)	May '29 1,677,680	537,587	464,089	73,497
	'28 1,639,595	441,808	698,139	-256,330
5 mos ended May 31	'29 7,930,781	2,025,781	2,328,629	-280,918
	'28 7,872,621	1,694,956	3,489,273	-1,794,316
Manhat & Queens (rec)	May '29 44,397	8,134	10,203	-2,069
	'28 44,306	8,566	10,111	-1,545
5 mos ended May 31	'29 200,520	28,347	49,935	-21,586
	'28 198,544	27,377	49,223	-21,845
Manhat Bridge 3c Line	May '29 19,018	1,914	456	1,458
	'28 19,036	1,326	413	912
5 mos ended May 31	'29 91,320	2,315	2,289	35
	'28 89,017	3,084	2,066	1,016
Nassau Electric	May '29 543,158	88,666	100,239	-11,572
	'28 532,885	101,015	101,102	912
5 mos ended May 31	'29 2,111,205	333,634	464,380	-131,745
	'28 2,489,479	306,912	502,292	-195,381
New York & Harlem	May '29 90,854	110,001	60,865	49,135
	'28 94,823	94,071	57,489	36,516
5 mos ended May 31	'29 428,167	462,492	264,593	248,688
	'28 464,054	484,071	289,315	214,256
New York & Queens	May '29 83,913	15,750	23,113	-7,363
	'28 77,184	12,813	23,260	-10,446
5 mos ended May 31	'29 383,234	77,079	115,832	-48,752
	'28 353,766	72,126	117,446	-45,319
New York Railways	May '29 541,163	89,245	164,761	-75,516
	'28 572,164	93,885	152,543	-59,157
5 mos ended May 31	'29 5,016,833	1,218,943	1,265,573	-36,634
	'28 2,677,708	365,031	64,731	-499,698
New York Rapid Tr	May '29 3,178,966	1,135,338	595,527	539,811
	'28 3,004,593	1,070,822	514,313	556,509
5 mos ended May 31	'29 15,133,931	5,400,901	1,943,228	2,457,670
	'28 14,594,429	4,765,527	2,593,237	2,171,597
South Brooklyn	May '29 92,982	27,671	18,272	9,399
	'28 97,323	29,517	19,285	10,231
5 mos ended May 31	'29 419,212	68,940	86,382	-16,442
	'28 434,924	119,828	89,724	-29,832
Steinway Railways	May '29 73,115	9,019	5,597	3,422
	'28 71,789	5,790	4,564	1,225
5 mos ended May 31	'29 354,087	32,910	27,414	5,496
	'28 346,624	16,491	22,309	-5,818
Third Avenue	May '29 1,387,522	262,295	230,744	31,551
	'28 1,353,303	267,416	221,221	46,194
5 mos ended May 31	'29 6,484,981	1,041,711	1,169,018	-128,308
	'28 6,464,201	1,097,141	1,134,322	-791,181

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 Aug. 3. The next will appear in that of Sept. 7.

General Motors Corporation.

(Semi-Annual Report—Six Months Ended June 30 1929.)

The condensed consolidated balance sheet of General Motors Corp. as of June 30 1929, together with a comparison of corresponding items at Dec. 31 1928; also a summary of consolidated income for the first and second quarters as well as for the six months ended June 30 1929, together with a comparison with the corresponding periods of 1928 are given under "Reports and Documents on a subsequent page.

Alfred P. Sloan Jr., President Aug. 21 says:

Net earnings of General Motors Corp., including equities in the undivided profits of subsidiary and affiliated companies not consolidated, for the second quarter totalled \$89,949,323. This compares with \$91,799,398 for the second quarter of last year. It will be recalled that the second quarter of last year established a new earnings record for any quarter in the history of the corporation. After deducting dividends on preferred and debenture stocks amounting to \$2,352,066, there remains \$87,597,257, being the amount earned on the common shares outstanding for the quarter. This is equivalent to \$2.01 per share on the common stock as against \$2.06 per share for the second quarter of 1928 calculated on a comparable basis.

Earnings for the 6 months ended June 30 1929, were \$151,800,310. This compares with \$161,267,974 for the corresponding period a year ago. After deducting dividends on preferred and debenture stocks amounting to \$4,703,836, there remains \$147,156,474, being the amount earned on the common shares outstanding. This is equivalent to \$3.38 per share on the common stock as compared with \$3.60 per share for the first half of 1928 calculated on a comparable basis. Cash and marketable securities at June 30 1929 amounted to \$157,024,491 as compared with \$215,905,230 at Dec. 31 1928, a decrease of \$58,880,739. Surplus of \$349,055,073 compared with \$285,458,595 at Dec. 31 1928, an increase of \$63,596,478.

By reference to the balance sheet there will be noted an increase in investments in affiliated and miscellaneous companies of somewhat in excess of \$50,000,000. This includes the purchase for cash of a substantial interest in Adam Opel A.G. of Russelsheim, Germany, the details of which will be dealt with in a subsequent message to stockholders; also a 25% interest in Bendix Aviation Corp. and a 40% interest in Fokker Aircraft Corp., which, together with certain miscellaneous items, account for the total increase indicated in the statement. In addition to these new investment items, the real estate, plant and equipment account shows an increase of \$34,504,514.

The above investments have been made with a view first, to expanding the corporation's motor car manufacturing operations in markets open to it at present only in part; second, to widening the corporation's general activities by entrance into the aviation industry in which the corporation, previous to this time, has not been represented. The additions to real estate, plant and equipment accounts cover broadening the scope of the corporation's regular manufacturing operations.

In this connection it might be stated that it is the policy of General Motors to avail itself of opportunities that may develop from time to time not only to broaden its present manufacturing operations at home and abroad, but to add to its general activities in lines with which its organization is more or less familiar, or can constructively deal in the interest of the stockholders. This should logically result in diversifying the corporation's investments and adding to its profit account.





The present situation began a few weeks ago, when Northern Pacific filed an application for permission to build northward from Woodrow, on its Circle-Breakway branch, to Bloomfield, 24 miles. Bloomfield is only about 15 miles south of the Great Northern's branch line terminus at Richey.

Two weeks later the Great Northern moved to build west from Richey 32 miles to Hamblin, and filed an application. This was followed by an amended application asking the right to make the extension run from Richey 105 miles west to Jordan, which is only 150 miles east of Lewistown. This brought up again the old cross-State project.

However, the present plan of the Great Northern is to build the line along a more northerly route, from Richey westward than was proposed at the time of the clash with the Northern Pacific. As now projected, the line would pass through Jordan instead of Cohagen, as originally surveyed, which would make it about 20 miles farther north.

By following this route, the Great Northern contends, it will not interfere with Northern Pacific developments, and there will be room for both lines.

If the Northern Pacific accepts this view and makes no objections to the Great Northern's proposal, the Great Northern will not oppose the Northern Pacific's Bloomfield branch, officials have indicated.

However, in view of the Northern Pacific's previous victory before the Commission and its ambitions for extensive development in the territory, it is doubtful if it will let the Great Northern revive its old project without a fight.—V. 129, p. 1117.

**International Rys. of Central America.—Formal Opening of New 80-Mile Link Delayed.—**

The company has postponed until later in the year the celebration in connection with the opening of the new 80-mile link between the railway systems of Guatemala and Salvador, according to an announcement made last week.

The postponement was thought advisable because this is the rainy season in Central America. The link will give the rich coffee producing areas of Salvador's Pacific Coast region direct access by rail to the Atlantic Ocean, thereby saving about 15 days in the transportation of crops eastward and on the return shipment of manufactured goods and general freight.—V. 129, p. 276, 125.

**Mahoning Coal RR. Co.—Earnings.—**

Period End.	1929—3 Mos.—1928.	1929—6 Mos.—1928.
Income from lease of road	\$542,983	\$454,736
Other income	44,774	44,242
<b>Total income</b>	<b>\$587,757</b>	<b>\$498,978</b>
Taxes	62,704	48,037
Int. on funded debt	18,750	18,750
Other deductions	2,099	1,917
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$504,204</b>	<b>\$430,274</b>
		\$802,788
		\$784,178

x Decrease in other income due mainly to the fact that in 1928, in addition to 6 months accruals of dividends on the company's holdings of stock of the Lake Erie and Eastern RR., there was included in the dividends for 6 months on that stock payable Jan. 1, 1928, whereas only 6 months accruals are included in 1929.—V. 128, p. 3508.

**New York Central RR.—Cuts Fare.—**

A sharp reduction in the fares between New York and Los Angeles and intermediate points on the New York Central-Universal Air Express-Santa Fe air-rail service, the Great Circle Line, was announced last week by R. A. Bishop, general traffic manager of the Universal Aviation Corp., a unit of the Aviation Corp., and Harry Parry, assistant passenger traffic manager of New York Central RR. This service is the pioneer transcontinental air-rail service and has been in daily operation since June 14.

Heretofore the fare from coast to coast, including lower berth on trains and meals on the air portion of the route, has been \$235.76. Beginning Aug. 16 the journey of 2 days and 3 nights between New York and Los Angeles, with only one day of flying, and this over the level Mid-West, may be made for \$223.51. This is the lowest fare yet offered for coast-to-coast air-rail service and has been made possible by the large increase in such travel. In the first 5 months of 1929 the Universal Air Lines transported 5,210 passengers as against 3,430 for the entire year of 1928.

"The changes are readjustments and equalizations, made as the result of careful study of traffic problems," said Mr. Bishop. "Setting of passenger tariffs on air lines necessarily has been somewhat experimental. We expect to readjust our tariffs as conditions warrant, and this downward readjustment is the result not only of increased air travel but also bringing about a parity of fares on the various divisions in our system."

Passengers using the Universal's transcontinental service board the New York Central's Southwestern Limited at Grand Central Terminal at 5 p. m. and transfer at Cleveland the following morning to 12-passenger trimotored Pokker planes. They fly via Chicago and Kansas City over the level Mid-West to Garden City, Kan., where they take the Santa Fe's California Limited for the remainder of the trip to Los Angeles.

A second transcontinental air-rail service via the New York Central and Western Air Express in conjunction with the Chicago-Alton and Santa Fe railroads was established July 8. By this route passengers travel to Kansas City by rail and board Pokker planes for the rest of the journey to Los Angeles, making the trip in 2 days and 2 nights. The fare by this route is \$245, including lower berth on trains and meals on the air portion of the trip.—V. 129, p. 1117.

**Seaboard Air Line Ry.—Time of Deposit for Bonds Extended.—**

An extension in the date for deposit of 5% adjustment mortgage gold bonds (due 1949) until Sept. 6 has been announced by Charles S. McCain, Chairman of the Committee.

In a joint statement with Robert L. Nutt, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the company, Mr. McCain stated that \$19,924,000, or 79% of the total of \$25,000,000 of these bonds had been tendered up to Aug. 16 last. More have been turned in since that date. While this percentage is regarded as a high figure, the committee is desirous of raising the figure as close to 100% as possible.

The statement signed by Messrs. Nutt and McCain follows in part: Although the holders of such a preponderant percentage of the adjustment bonds have shown their desire to proceed with the consummation of the plan, there still remain approximately \$5,000,000 of the bonds undeposited. Both the company and the committee regard it as essential that there should be further substantial deposits if the plan is to be consummated.

As the deposit period has been largely in the summer, it is believed that many holders of undeposited bonds have not deposited their bonds because, due to absence from their customary residences, they have not learned of the plan or have not had ready access to their bonds.

Attention of holders of undeposited bonds is directed to the fact that only by deposit of their bonds in an amount sufficient to make possible the consummation of the plan, can they and the other depositing bondholders become entitled to receive the 6% interest on the 1st & cons. mtge. bonds to be received in exchange for deposited adjustment bonds, which interest, if the plan is consummated, will accrue from Sept. 1, 1929.

In the conviction that the consummation of the plan is greatly to the benefit of all adjustment bondholders, the committee strongly urge all holders of undeposited adjustment bonds to deposit them promptly with the National Park Bank of New York, 214 Broadway, depository.—V. 129, p. 1118, 792.

**Southern Pacific Co.—New Line.—**

J. H. Dyer, Vice-President in charge of operations, announces that the company's new 96-mile rail line between Klamath Falls, Ore., and Alturas, Calif., will be opened to traffic Sept. 15. The new line shortens the existing route to the East by 211 miles.—V. 129, p. 792, 628.

**Statesboro Northern Ry.—Bonds.—**

The I.-S. C. Commission Aug. 10 authorized the company to extend for 5 years the maturity date of \$120,000 of first-mortgage 6% bonds, which matured June 1, 1929.—V. 119, p. 1627.

**PUBLIC UTILITIES.**

Matters Covered in "Chronicle" of Aug. 17.—(a) Public Utility earnings for June shows moderate increase over 1928, p. 1026. (b) Nearly \$25,500,000 invested in public utility business by 3,000,000 security holders; additional capital funds of \$3,600,000,000 expected to be raised for power and light industry in next 5 years, p. 1067.

**American Cities Power & Light Corp.—Earnings.—**  
In the 6 months ended June 30, last, the company had total net profit from stock and cash dividends, interest and profit on sale of securities of \$4,566,405, equal, after dividends on the class A stock, to \$1.95 a share on 2,203,754 shares of class B stock outstanding as of June 30 1929.—V. 128, p. 4319.

**American Commonwealths Power Corp.—Earnings.—**

12 Months Ended July 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.
Gross earnings—all sources	\$20,606,819	\$17,638,074	\$5,360,647
Oper. exp., incl. maint. & gen. taxes	11,985,311	10,907,132	3,187,429
<b>Net earnings</b>	<b>\$8,621,507</b>	<b>\$6,730,942</b>	<b>\$2,173,218</b>
Int. charges, funded debt, sub. cos.	3,559,016	3,259,358	801,948
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$5,062,492</b>	<b>\$3,471,584</b>	<b>\$1,371,270</b>
Dividends, pref. stocks, sub. cos.	1,529,971	1,292,089	437,737
<b>Balance available Am. Comm. Pr. Corp., and for reserves</b>	<b>\$3,532,521</b>	<b>\$2,179,495</b>	<b>\$933,533</b>
Interest charges, funded debt, Amer. Commonwealths Power Corp.	754,280	515,000	270,000
<b>Balance avail. for divs. &amp; reserves</b>	<b>\$2,778,241</b>	<b>\$1,664,495</b>	<b>\$663,533</b>
Annual div. charges, 1st pref. stock, Amer. Commonwealths Pow. Corp.	534,996	534,996	70,000
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$2,243,245</b>	<b>\$1,129,499</b>	<b>\$593,533</b>
Annual div. charges, 2d pref. stock, Amer. Commonwealths Pow. Corp.	95,977	95,977	95,977

Balance available for reserves, Federal taxes and surplus, \$2,147,267 \$1,033,522 \$497,556  
x The above statement for the 12 months ended July 31 1929 does not include any earnings from the investment in Amer. Commonwealths Power System of Massachusetts, which now approximate \$1,000,000 of gross earnings and \$300,000 of net earnings. This organization has no funded debt nor pref. stocks outstanding; therefore, when included, will add approximately \$300,000 to balance available for reserves, Fed. taxes & surplus.

**Capitalization at July 31 1929.**  
25-year 6% gold debentures, due Feb. 1 1952 \$4,000,000  
25-year 5 1/2% debentures, due May 1 1953 5,000,000  
20-year 6% conv. gold debentures, due May 1 1949 3,985,000  
1st pref. stock, \$7 dividend, series A (no par), outstanding 25,000 shs.  
1st pref. stock, \$6.50 dividend, series (no par), outstanding 55,384 shs.  
2d pref. stock, \$7 dividend series A (no par), outstanding 13,711 shs.  
Common stock, class "A" (no par), outstanding 962,344 shs.  
Common stock, class "B" (no par) (voting), outstanding 388,647 shs.  
Dividends on both classes "A" and "B" common stock are payable at quarterly intervals at the rate of 1-10 share (10% annually, in class "A" common stock on each share of class "A" and-or class "B" common stock outstanding. The next quarterly dividend is payable on Oct. 15 1929 to stockholders of record at the close of business Oct. 1 1929.—V. 129, p. 956.  
Albert Vermeer, Secretary, has also been elected treasurer to succeed the late Frederick E. Webster.—V. 129, p. 956.

**American Light & Traction Co.—Sale of Subsidiary.—**

See Columbia Gas & Electric Corp. below.—V. 129, p. 1118.

**Associated Telephone Co. (Calif.)—Stock Units Offered.—**

Paine, Webber & Co.; Bonbright & Co., Inc., and Mitchum Tully & Co. are offering 34,500 units at \$100 per unit, each unit consisting of three shares \$1.50 cum. pref. stock of the Associated Telephone Co. (Calif.) and one share no par value common stock of Associated Telephone Utilities Co. (Del.).

These units are deliverable in the form of transferable allotment certificates. Each allotment certificate entitles the holder thereof to receive on July 1 1930, or earlier at the option of Associated Telephone Utilities Co., three shares no par value \$1.50 cum. pref. stock of the Associated Telephone Co. (Calif.) and one share no par value common stock of Associated Telephone Utilities Co. (Del.) for each unit represented by the allotment certificate. There will be issued and outstanding allotment certificates for 34,500 units, representing in the aggregate 103,500 shares of the Associated Telephone Co. no par value \$1.50 cum. pref. stock, and 34,500 shares of Associated Telephone Utilities Co. no par value common stock.  
Associated Telephone Utilities Co. has agreed to deposit forthwith with the Continental Illinois Bank & Trust Co., Chicago, as depository, the 103,500 shares of the Associated Telephone Co. pref. stock and the 34,500 shares of Associated Telephone Utilities Co. common stock, for delivery to the holders of the allotment certificates on July 1 1930, or earlier at the option of Associated Telephone Utilities Co. Any dividends and any rights to subscribe accruing to the deposited stock will be forwarded to the holders of the allotment certificates entitled thereto.  
Data from Letter of Marshall E. Sampsell, President of Associated Telephone Utilities Co.

**Associated Telephone Co.—**The issuance of this pref. stock has been authorized by the California Railroad Commission. Transfers agents, Citizens National Trust & Savings Bank of Los Angeles and Continental Illinois Bank & Trust Co., Chicago, Registrars, Bank of American of California, Los Angeles, and First Union Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago.  
Dividends are cumulative and as to assets up to \$25 per share. Red. at the option of the company as a whole or in part upon 30 days' notice at \$26.25 per share and dividend.

**Associated Telephone Co.—**A California corporation. Will upon completion of present financing, own and operate modern telephone systems, supplying telephone service to 40 communities located in southern California, included in the counties of San Bernardino, Orange and Los Angeles. The territory served has an estimated population in excess of 350,000, and embraces an important section of the City of Los Angeles. Through interconnections with the lines of the Bell Telephone companies, long-distance telephone service is available to all subscribers.  
The company's physical properties are in excellent operating condition. There are 62,860 stations operating through 16 exchanges. 88% of the stations are fully automatic. The reproduction cost less depreciation is largely in excess of the combined funded debt and pref. stock and the pref. stock has an asset value of more than \$54 per share, being in excess of 200% of its liquidating value of \$25.

**Purpose of Issue.—**The proceeds from sale of this pref. stock will be used to pay in part the cost of acquisition of the company's properties and for other corporate purposes

Capitalization—	Authorized.	Outstanding.
Funded debt	300,000 shs.	\$3,303,000
\$1.50 cumulative (no par) pref. stock	300,000 shs.	106,312 shs.
Common stock (no par)	300,000 shs.	126,638 shs.

**Earnings Year Ended June 30 1929, (after giving effect to present financing.)**

Gross earnings	\$2,178,490
Oper. expe., maint. & taxes (incl. Federal tax)	973,511
<b>Net earnings before depreciation</b>	<b>\$1,204,979</b>
Annual interest on funded debt	198,180
<b>Balance available for reserves and dividends</b>	<b>\$1,006,799</b>
Annual dividend requirement on \$1.50 cum. preferred stock	159,468

**Balance available for reserves and common stock dividends**—\$847,331  
The balance available for reserves and dividends for the year ended June 30 1929 was \$1,006,799, or more than 6 times the annual dividend requirement on the preferred stock. After deducting the provision for de-



preciation for the year, amounting to \$352,506, net earnings were \$654,293, or more than 4 times the annual dividend requirement on the preferred stock outstanding.

Management.—Through its control by Associated Telephone Utilities Co., The Associated Telephone Co. enjoys efficient and progressive management.

Associated Telephone Utilities Co.—Transfer agent, Continental Illinois Bank & Trust Co., Chicago; registrar, First Union Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago.

Associated Telephone Utilities Co.—Incorp. in Delaware in 1926. Controls through stock ownership or otherwise, groups of telephone properties serving a total population in excess of 2,862,000.

Earnings.—For the year ended April 30 1929, (after giving effect to recent acquisitions and present financing) consolidated gross earnings were \$10,974,938, and net earnings available for amortization, depreciation and common stock dividends were \$2,102,261 equal to \$3.92 per share on the common stock.

Listed.—The common stock is listed on The Chicago Stock Exchange and application will be made to list it on the New York Stock Exchange.

Capitalization—Consolidated Statement (Upon completion of present financing.)

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include Operating companies' funded debt, Operating companies' stocks in hands of public, Preferred stocks, 15-yr. 6% conv. gold debentures, etc.

Associated Gas & Electric Co.—Exchange Offers Expire on Sept. 10.—On Sept. 10 1929, all offers of exchange of securities listed below will end, it is announced.

Table with 3 columns: To Be Deposited, Outstanding with Public, Shares, and 6% Conv. Deben's. Lists various securities like Associated Gas & Electric Co. original series pref., etc.

Table with 3 columns: Bonds (per \$1,000), Amount, and 5 1/2% Inv. Certificates. Lists various bonds from G. & E. Co. to Portsmouth (Ohio) Gas Co.

Table with 3 columns: Bonds (per \$1,000), Amount, and 5 1/2% Inv. Certificates. Lists bonds from Richmond Light & R.R. to York Haven Water & Power Co.

Total \$177,160,350. The 5 1/2% interest bearing convertible investment certificates and 6% convertible debentures will be delivered at 100, in exchange for the above stocks and bonds at the values shown.

The investment certificates and 6% convertible debentures will be available in denominations of \$1,000 in coupon and \$100 or multiples in registered form.

Table with 3 columns: Description, 1929, 1928, and Amount of Incr'se. Rows include Gross earnings & other income, Net earnings, Underlying pref. divs. & int., etc.

Associated Telephone Utilities Co. (Del.)—Stock Units Offered.—See Associated Telephone Co. above.—V. 129, p. 957.

Table with 3 columns: Description, 1929, 1928, and Amount of Incr'se. Rows include Bell Telephone of Penn.—Earnings—6 Mos. End. June 30—Gross income, Net income, etc.

Bethlehem & Nazareth Passenger Railway Co.—Protective Committee.—The company having defaulted the payment of the \$150,000 1st mtge. 5% gold bonds, due May 1 1929, the following committee has been appointed to protect the interests of the bondholders.

Binghamton (N. Y.) Gas Works.—Sale.—See Columbia Gas & Electric Corp. below.—V. 129, p. 1118.

Brazilian Traction Light & Power Co., Ltd.—Rumors Denied.—Secretary A. W. Adams on Aug. 22 denied reports that the International Telephone & Telegraph Co. had purchased the Brazilian company.

Table with 3 columns: Description, 1929, 1928, and Amount of Incr'se. Rows include Buffalo Niagara & Eastern Power Corp.—Earnings—6 Mos. End. June 30—Operating revenue, Net after taxes & depreciation, etc.

Canadian Hydro-Electric Corp. Ltd.—July Output.—The corporation produced 156,749,000 k.h. of electric energy in July, an increase of 66% over July 1928.

Table with 3 columns: Description, 1929, 1928, and Amount of Incr'se. Rows include Central & South West Utilities Co.—Rights—Plans to Split Stock.—The directors have voted to offer common stockholders of record Sept. 3 the right to buy one share of new common stock at \$100 for each 10 shares of common stock held.

Table with 3 columns: Description, 1929, 1928, and Amount of Incr'se. Rows include Central States Electric Corp.—Earnings.—12 Mos. Ended June 30—Stock dividends, Cash dividends & interest, Profit on sale of securities, etc.

Central Vermont Public Service Corp.—Consolidation.—See Rutland Ry., Light & Power Co. below.

Cincinnati Gas Transportation Co.—Deposits.—See Columbia Gas & Electric Corp. in V. 129, p. 1119.—V. 128, p. 3682.

**Cincinnati Newport & Covington Light & Traction Co.—Control.—**

See Columbia Gas & Electric Corp. in V. 129, p. 1119.—V. 128, p. 3682.

**Cities Service Co.—Dividends—Expansion.—**

The company has announced monthly dividends of 2½ cents in cash and ½ of 1% in common stock on the new no par common stock, equivalent to ½ of 1% in cash and ½ of 1% in stock on the old \$20 par value common stock. Regular monthly dividends of 50 cents on the pref. and pref. BB stocks and 5 cents on the preference B stock were also announced, all payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 15. Like amounts are payable on Sept. 1 next.

The Cities Service natural gas system in the Mid-Continent area is being extended by the construction of about 400 miles of main pipe line with many additional miles of line projected for the near future. Several communities in Kansas, Nebraska and East Texas will soon be added to its great natural gas system.

In the Cities Service public utility division the merger of 10 electric light and power companies in Tennessee under the name of the Tennessee Central Service Co. was recently completed.

The new Oklahoma City oil and gas field opened up last December by a Cities Service producing subsidiary has seen the completion of many large wells in the past few weeks including one which recently came in flowing at the rate of 20,000 barrels of oil daily. This field, where Cities Service interests hold leases or royalty interests on 13,000 acres, now promises to be one of the most productive fields in Oklahoma.

Meanwhile the oil transporting, refining and marketing subsidiaries of Cities Service Co. have been expanding their activities. A large Cities Service oil refinery is now under construction at East Chicago, Ind. This refinery will be supplied by a 600-mile oil pipe line now being built from Oklahoma by Cities Service interests and the Texas Corp. As a part of its expansion program in the Middle West a subsidiary of the company recently acquired the entire Ohio marketing system of Louisiana Oil Refining Co., including 135 bulk and service stations.—V. 129, p. 1119.

**Columbia Gas & Electric Corp.—Acquires Binghamton Gas Co.—**

This corporation through the purchase of 45,000 shares of common stock of Binghamton Gas Works, has assumed control of the latter concern, which was a subsidiary of the American Light & Traction Co. John G. Pew, Vice-President of the Columbia corporation, has been elected President of the Binghamton company, succeeding R. B. Brown of Chicago. Charles E. Bennett was re-elected Vice-President and General Manager.

The Columbia corporation, which recently acquired pipe lines of the New York Transit Co., passing six miles north of Binghamton, N. Y., plans to pipe natural gas from its plant in Olean, N. Y., to mix with artificial gas from the Binghamton plant, for distribution to the Binghamton company's 22,000 customers.—V. 129, p. 1119.

**Consolidated Gas Utilities Co.—Earnings.—**

Operating economies resulting from new construction and the laying of a new gas line between the Amarillo fields in Texas and the company's distributing system in Northern Oklahoma and Central Kansas are reflected in the report of this company for the 7 months ended July 31, last, which shows that gross earnings increased 15.6% to \$2,040,220 and that the balance available for reserves, Federal taxes and dividends increased 61% to \$546,067.

With the exception of April when net earnings were affected by non-recurring charges resulting from this construction work, each month of 1929 has shown a large gain in earnings and a sharp improvement in the company's operating ratio over the corresponding month of 1928. The company is now purchasing Amarillo gas under long term contracts at an average cost not exceeding 2 cents per 1,000 cubic ft., which compares with a cost of 8 cents for Northern Oklahoma gas.—V. 128, p. 4001.

**Detroit Edison Co. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—**

12 Months Ended July 31—	1929.	1928.
Total operating revenue	\$55,560,138	\$49,814,028
Non-operating revenue	69,173	75,432
Total revenue	\$55,629,312	\$49,889,460
Operating and non-operating expenses	36,324,299	32,920,124
Interest on funded & unfunded debt	5,334,327	5,032,331
Amortization of debt discount & expense	313,697	314,542
Miscellaneous deductions	33,567	31,542
Net income	\$13,623,422	\$11,590,922

—V. 129, p. 473.

**Detroit & Port Huron Shore Line Ry.—Reorganization Plan.—**

A plan of reorganization has been approved and adopted by the bondholders' protective committee of the 1st mtg. 5s, due 1950.

The proposed plan provides, amongst other things, as follows:  
1. The reorganized company will own the realty or interests therein now owned by the Detroit & Port Huron Shore Line Railway, upon the line from Detroit to Port Huron, and will also own the Gary Terminal, so-called, lying on Gratiot Ave.

2. The holder of a \$1,000 Detroit & Port Huron Shore Line Ry. bond will receive \$100 in cash and a general mortgage bond in the amount of \$400, which general mortgage bond will mature Jan. 1 1959. The total outstanding Detroit & Port Huron Shore Line bonds at the present time is \$2,499,000. The new general mortgage will therefore secure bonds of \$1,000,000. These bonds will bear interest as follows:

During the year 1929, nothing; for the year 1930, 2%; for the year 1931, 2%; for the year 1932, 3%; for the year 1933, 4%; for the year 1934 and thereafter until maturity 5%. The bonds will be callable at par and accrued interest on any interest date.

3. A portion or all of the Gary Terminal will be sold and (or) mortgaged and the proceeds used to pay a portion of the fees and expenses and to pay the \$100 upon each \$1,000 Detroit & Port Huron Shore Line bond.

4. The new Port Huron company will authorize a first mortgage on these properties, which will have a superior lien over the general mortgage bonds above mentioned. The amount of bonds to be secured thereby shall not exceed 75% of the actual cost of betterments, additions and improvements to the mortgaged property, including as additions the acquisition of other items, parcels or things. The remaining 25% of such cost to be furnished by the reorganized company.

5. The stock of the new Port Huron company will be issued to Eastern Michigan Railways, or its nominee.

6. At the present time, the Receiver of the Detroit United Railway claims a very substantial amount which said receiver maintains must be paid prior to anything being paid upon Detroit & Port Huron Shore Line bonds. The trustee claims other amounts from the receiver. The title to the valuable Gary Terminal property is likewise in dispute and litigation, the master having found the Gary Terminal to be subject to the lien of Detroit & Port Huron Shore Line Co. mortgage, but various parties opposed thereto have filed exceptions to the master's report. The plan provides that all the claims and appeals be discontinued, the effect of which would be (a), to relieve the trust estate from any payment of receiver's claims; and (b), to determine the litigation regarding the Gary Terminal so as in effect to bring the same under the lien of the present mortgage.

7. A depositing \$1,000 bondholder of the Detroit & Port Huron Shore Line Railway, who participates in the reorganization will, it is expected, therefore, receive \$100 in cash and a \$400 bond secured by a mortgage as aforesaid on the realty of the reorganized Detroit & Port Huron Shore Line Ry. including the Gary Terminal, (except that part which may be sold or mortgaged to raise the \$100 per bond and a portion of the foreclosure expenses) and the property will have no other mortgage obligations which shall take precedence of that bond except such obligation as may be incurred for the acquisition of additions, betterments and improvements to the extent of 75% thereof and which will be represented by the first mortgage authorized as above. The protective committee of the Detroit & Port Huron Shore Line Ry. bonds have negotiated this agreement and unqualifiedly recommend its acceptance. In the opinion of the committee, it is the most advantageous agreement that can be obtained and secures for the bondholders a maximum amount, that can be secured for their bonds.

Committee.—S. R. Livingston, Henry H. Sanger, W. Howie Muir, James R. Coulter and Chas. R. Dunn with Campbell, Bulkeley & Ledyard, Counsel, and Chas. R. Dunn, Sec. (P. O. Box 1292) Detroit, Mich.—V. 126, p. 4081.

**Engineers Public Service Co., Inc.—Conversions.—**

President Charles W. Kellogg on Aug. 21 announced that over 160,000 shares of \$5 div. conv. preferred stock have now been converted into common stock. The basis of conversion, therefore, changes automatically from 16 shares of common for each 10 preferred to 15 common for each 10 preferred for the last 160,000 shares outstanding.—V. 129, p. 1120.

**General Utilities Co.—New Control.—**

See Midland Utilities Investment Co. below.—V. 113, p. 2621.

**Hammond Whiting & East Chicago Ry.—Foreclosure.**

Suit for foreclosure and application for the appointment of a receiver for the company has been filed in the United States District Court in Hammond, Ind., by the First Union Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago and Emile K. Boisot of California, trustees under the mortgage.

The bill which was filed by F. C. Crumpacker of the law firm of Crumpacker & Frederichs, counsel for the trustees, alleges that the street railway has defaulted in payment of interest on its first mortgage bonds since Feb. 1 1923.

It is expected that sale of the property under the foreclosure proceedings will result from the filing of the suit by the trustees. A syndicate of local business men of East Chicago, Whiting and Hammond has been formed to bid for the property if it is put up for sale in the Federal Court. The Midland Utilities Investment Co. has a minority interest in the syndicate.

The Hammond, Whiting East Chicago Railway Co. operates a system of electric street railways in Hammond, Whiting, East Chicago and Indiana Harbor. The service of the railway is inter-connected with the Chicago Surface Lines.—V. 129, p. 793.

**Interborough Rapid Transit Co.—Makes New Fare Plea For Elevated Road.—**

In a brief filed Aug. 16 with the Transit Commission, the company renewed its plea for an immediate temporary fare "in excess of 5 cents" on its elevated lines, pending final decision on its application of June 19 for a 10-cent fare on that system. The brief, filed in opposition to Corporation Counsel Hilly's motion for dismissal of the application, declared that the Commission has jurisdiction and power to alter the elevated fare regardless of the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court against the 7-cent rate on the combined subway and elevated network.

Dismissal of the application was urged in a joint brief filed by Samuel Untermyer, special counsel for the Commission, and Corporation Counsel Hilly. It declared that the Commission was without jurisdiction because the fare was contractual by virtue of the elevated extension certificates of 1913, which were executed at the same time as the subway fare contract.

The briefs were filed at the request of the Transit Commission, which on Aug. 1 held a hearing on the company's 10-cent fare application, but restricted it to the question of jurisdiction. They sum up the oral arguments made at that time by counsel for the company, the Commission and the city.

The company's brief asked that the Commission's ruling on the jurisdictional question be "in such form that it can be expeditiously reviewed by any party deeming itself aggrieved." The request was interpreted in transit circles as an indication that the Interborough was eager to obtain from the courts at the earliest moment a decision on the legal status of the elevated extension certificates. Mr. Untermyer's contention that the same question is involved in the pending 7-cent fare cases in the State Supreme Court is given in his brief as one of the arguments for dismissing the 10-cent fare application.

In their joint brief Mr. Untermyer and Corporation Counsel Hilly urge dismissal of the application on the basic ground that the 5-cent fare on the elevated is just as contractual and binding as that on the subway lines and therefore beyond the jurisdiction of the Commission. Furthermore, they argue, the company's application was filed in violation of the State Court injunction against efforts to obtain an increased fare and the company is in contempt of Court. The point is also made that the company, having begun its higher fare fight in 1928 under one section of the Public Service Commission Law, has elected its remedy and is barred from pursuing a new course under another section while its first application is pending. An additional ground for dismissal, according to the joint brief, is that the company's present application "invokes action by the Commission which would directly affect rights and issues involved in the litigation that was commenced in the New York Supreme Court prior to the present proceeding and which is now still pending and undetermined in that Court."

In its brief the Interborough questioned the right of the Commission under its order authorizing the Aug. 1 hearing, to restrict that hearing to the question of jurisdiction. The brief declared that the elevated extension certificates were on a different legal basis than the subway fare contract. The Commission, the brief asserted, has the power, under the New York decisions, to alter the fare on elevated lines.

Declaring that "there is no merit in any of the suggested technical and procedural barriers to the consideration of this petition on its merits," the company's brief denies that the elevated fare petition is in contempt of the State Court restraining orders or that the company is barred because of its previous petition under a different section of the Public Service Commission Law. The Transit Commission, the brief continues, cannot bar the present petition because of the suits which it brought against the company in the State Court to prevent enforcement of the 7-cent fare tariffs filed by the company in 1928.

**Tenders.—**

The Guaranty Trust Co., trustee, 140 Broadway, N. Y. City, will until 10 a. m. on Oct. 1, receive bids for the sale to it of 1st & ref. mtg. 5% gold bonds, due Jan. 1 1966, to an amount sufficient to exhaust \$660,514 at a price not exceeding 110 and interest.—V. 129, p. 793.

**Key System Transit Co.—Time Extended.—**

The period for the deposit of Key System securities under the reorganization plan has been extended to Sept. 20.—V. 129, p. 794.

**Manufacturers Light & Heat Co.—Amends Charter.—**

The company has filed a certificate with the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, an amendment to its charter enlarging the sphere of its activities to include the southern tier of the counties of Pennsylvania between Greene and Philadelphia counties and the county of Bradford in the northern tier.—V. 128, p. 2628.

**Market Street Ry. Co.—Earnings.—**

12 Months Ended July 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.
Gross earnings	\$9,582,725	\$9,857,675	\$9,853,531
Net earnings, including other income	1,404,172	1,521,287	1,795,161

—V. 129, p. 631.

**Michigan Railroad.—Distribution to Bondholders.—**

The protective committee representing 1st mtg. five-year gold bond series A, 6%, due May 1 1924, in a notice dated Aug. 14 to the holders of certificates of deposit, says:

Under date of March 15 you were advised that the properties and assets of Michigan RR. and its receiver had been purchased on behalf of the bondholders' protective committee at the foreclosure sale conducted pursuant to the decree of the United States District Court.

Since that time the committee has been engaged in negotiations with various interested parties, with the view of disposing of the properties and assets on the most advantageous terms obtainable. As a result of the committee's efforts, all of the properties and assets acquired at the foreclosure sale have been disposed of and it is now possible to distribute the net proceeds. The expenses of the committee have been kept as low as possible and the members of the committee agreed to act and have acted without compensation. After payment of the taxes and other liabilities subject to the lien of which the properties were acquired at the foreclosure sale, and after provision for payment of the committee's expenses, counsel fees, &c., the net amount available for distribution on the aggregate amount of bonds and interest coupons deposited under the bondholders' deposit agreement is \$1,680,756. The committee has deposited this sum with the National City Bank of New York for distribution to holders of certificates of deposit.

Holders of certificates of deposit issued under the bondholders' deposit agreement dated Oct. 23 1924, may obtain their respective distributable shares of the net proceeds upon the surrender of their certificates of deposit endorsed in blank at the head office of the National City Bank of New York on and after Aug. 15 1929.

The amounts distributable in respect to certificates of deposit issued under the agreement aforementioned are as follows:

To the holders of certificates of deposit representing 1st mtg. gold bond without interest coupons, the sum of \$3.04 in respect to each \$100 principal amount, of bonds without coupons.



To the holders of certificates of deposit representing 1st mtge. gold bonds having May 1 1924, interest coupons attached, the sum of \$44.34 in respect to each \$100, principal amount, bonds bearing said interest coupons.

The distribution constitutes a full and complete settlement of the affairs of the committee. All properties and assets acquired by the committee have been sold, and all known obligations and liabilities of the committee have been paid or provided for, and the deposit of the net proceeds with the National City Bank of New York and the filing of the committee's accounts constitute a full and complete release and discharge of the committee.—V. 128, p. 2804.

**Midland Utilities Investment Co.—Acquisition.**

The company has acquired the General Utilities Co. which supplies 12 communities in Southern Indiana with electric service and two with water service. The General Utilities Co. owns approximately 85 miles of electric transmission and distribution lines, already interconnected with the Interstate Public Service Co., a subsidiary of the Midland Utilities Investment Co.

**New England Power Association.—July Output.**

This Association produced 140,677,000 k.w.h. of electric energy in July, an increase of 38% over the output in July 1928, and 70% over that of July 1927. In the first 7 months of this year the output of the Association was 1,000,583,000 k.w.h., 31% greater than in the corresponding period of 1928 and 65% greater than in the first 7 months of 1927. The output of the Association in the 12 months ended July 31 1929, was 1,614,995,000 k.w.h., an increase of 28% over the output of the Association in the 12 months ended July 31 1928.

The 185,000 h.p. hydro-electric plant of the New England Power Association, now under construction at the lower Fifteen Mile Falls site on the upper Connecticut River, will raise the capacity of the hydro-electric plants of the Association to 414,500 h.p. In addition, the Association has 477,500 h.p. in its steam-electric plants. The Fifteen Mile Falls plant will be the largest hydro-electric development in the New England States and is scheduled for operation Oct. 1 of next year. With the completion of the lower Fifteen Mile Falls development, the International Hydro-Electric System—which controls both New England Power Association and Canadian Hydro-Electric Corp., Ltd.—will have hydro-electric plants in the United States and Canada of an aggregate capacity of 1,037,100 h.p. installed and in operation. More than 800,000 additional hydro-electric horsepower, as yet undeveloped, is available to satisfy the growing power requirements of the areas served by the System in New England and eastern Canada.—V. 129, p. 1122.

**New England Public Service Co.—New Subsidiary.**

See Rutland Ry., Light & Power Co. below.—V. 129, p. 795.

**New England Telephone & Telegraph Co.—Expend.**

The Executive Committee has approved the expenditure of \$2,759,563 for new construction and plant improvements necessary to meet the demand for service. Including this authorization the total commitment of the company for plant expenditures this year is \$32,882,572.—V. 129, p. 631.

**New York Edison Co.—Rate Reduced in Yonkers.**

With the co-operation and approval of the New York P. S. Commission, the maximum rate of the Yonkers Electric Light & Power Co. will be reduced from 10c. a k.w.h. to 8c., effective Oct. 1. This will be equivalent to a cut of \$200,000 annually in the sum paid by customers of the company for electric service used. It will bring the top rate in Yonkers to within a cent of the rate charged by other companies in this system, a differential in price necessitated by the cost of transmitting high voltage power from the generating stations in New York City by underground cables to Westchester.

Like the reductions in the price of electric service supplied by other companies in this system, this one has been made possible by economies realized and others in prospect due to the unified control and management of the five companies. It brings the aggregate annual saving in the electric bills of customers of these companies for the future to approximately \$6,200,000 as follows: \$4,500,000 cut in coal surcharges; \$1,500,000 rate cut in Queens; \$200,000 rate cut in Yonkers.—V. 129, p. 474.

**Niagara Hudson Power Corp.—Deposits.**

Under the merger agreement of the companies forming the Niagara Hudson Power Corp., 96.9% of common stock and 95.8% of the Buffalo Niagara & Eastern Power Corp. class A stock, of the 96.6% of Mohawk Hudson Power common stock, 94.5% of Mohawk Hudson option warrants and 97.2% of Northeastern Power common stock have been deposited.—V. 129, p. 959.

**Northern Texas Electric Co.—Omits Dividend.**

The directors have voted to omit the semi-annual dividend of \$3 a share on the preferred stock, due at this time. Since early in 1928 the dividend has been paid in interest-bearing scrip.—V. 126, p. 107, 413.

**Peoples Light & Power Corp.—Dividends on Class A Common Stock.**

The directors on Aug. 5 declared a quarterly dividend of 60c. per share on the class A common stock for the period ending Sept. 30 1929, payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 7. A similar distribution was made in January, April and July last.

Holders of class A common stock may apply this dividend to the purchase of additional shares of class A common stock at the rate of 1-50th of a share for each share held; this being at the rate of \$30 per share for additional stock purchased. The class A common stock is now selling on the New York Curb Exchange and on the Chicago Stock Exchange at approximately \$53 per share.

Secretary D. L. McDaniel says: "Unless advised on or before Sept. 18 1929, that the stockholder does not elect to exercise the right to subscribe for additional class A common stock and requests that the dividend be paid in cash, certificates for class A common stock and (or) non-dividend bearing scrip certificates therefor will be issued to each registered holder of class A common stock entitled to the Oct. 1 dividend."

This corporation, which is controlled by the Tri-Utilities Corp., reports that subsidiary companies' sales of domestic and industrial appliances, such as stoves, refrigerators, water heaters, electric fans, washing machines, &c., totaled \$115,227 for the month of June, an increase of \$57,669, or more than 100% over June 1928. For the first six months of 1929, such merchandise sales amounted to \$501,065, a gain of \$271,168, or 47.7% over the corresponding period of last year. The total number of major appliances sold during the first half of 1929 was 7,625, of which 6,560 were electric and 1,065 was appliances. It is estimated that the total merchandise sales for this year will approximate \$1,060,000 and, in addition to the profit derived therefrom, will materially augment the corporation's annual revenue, as a result of the increased consumption of electricity and gas on the lines of the system.—V. 129, p. 1122.

**Public Service Corp. of Vermont.—Consolidation.**

See Rutland Ry., Light & Power Co. below.—V. 123, p. 2901.

**Radio Corporation of America.—Earnings.**

Period End, June 30— 1929—3 Mos.—1928. 1929—6 Mos.—1928.  
Gross income from sales \$28,796,766 \$11,690,680 \$60,439,593 \$28,483,226  
&c. (incl. other inc.) 27,387,467 10,288,775 55,443,106 23,958,447  
Expenses

Net profit \$1,409,299 \$1,401,905 \$1,996,487 \$4,524,779  
Shs. com. outst. (no par) 6,526,310 1,155,400 6,526,310 1,155,400  
Earnings per sh. on com. \$0.009 \$0.91 \$0.35 \$3.31  
x General operating and administration expenses, depreciation, cost of sales, patent amortization, estimated Federal taxes and accrued reserve or year-end adjustments.

**To Grant License—To Make Loan to New Radio Tube Corporation.**

See Sonatron Tube Co. under "Industrials" below.—V. 129, p. 1122.

**Railway & Bus Associates.—Acquisition.**

The Railway & Bus Associates, a Massachusetts trust affiliated with the Associated Gas & Electric System, has acquired control of the Schuylkill Valley Traction Co. (V. 70, p. 281) and the Lebanon Valley Street Ry., both of Pennsylvania, from the United Power & Transportation Co., which is controlled by the Interstate Rys. Co. It was announced on Aug. 22 that the 10,000-share capital of each of the street railway companies, 9,995 shares of Schuylkill Valley and 9,992 shares of Lebanon Valley were transferred in this transaction. Both companies are said to have valuable rights-of-way in the industrial section of the State.

**Rutland (Vt.) Ry., Light & Power Co.—Merger.**

The Vermont P. S. Commission has authorized the consolidation, under the name of the Central Vermont Public Service Corp. of six Insull-owned power companies in that State. The companies merged are the Vermont Hydro-Electric Corp., the Rutland Ry., Light & Power Co., the Pittsford Water Co., the Public Service Corp. of Vermont, the Middlebury Electric Co. and the Bradford Electric Light Co.

According to reports, the Insull interests are planning to merge other properties in Vermont. More than 90 towns will be served by the new Central Vermont Public Service Corp., all the stock in which is owned by the New England Public Service Co.—V. 124, p. 3210.

**Schuylkill Valley Traction Co.—New Control.**

See Railway & Bus Associates above.—V. 70, p. 281.

**Southern California Edison Co.—Bonds Offered.**

Harris, Forbes & Co.; E. H. Rollins & Sons, and Coffin & Burr, Inc., are offering at 98 and int., yielding 5.14%, \$15,000,000 ref. mtge. gold bonds, series of 5s, due 1954.

Dated June 1 1929; due June 1 1954. Interest payable J. & D. in New York, Chicago or Los Angeles. Denom. c\* \$1,000 and \$500, and r\* \$1,000, \$5,000 and \$10,000. Red. on any int. date at 105 and int. until and incl. 1943, the premium thereafter decreasing 1/2% per annum, the bonds being red. in 1953 at 100 and int. Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, and Security First National Bank of Los Angeles, trustees. Company agrees to pay int. without deduction for the normal Federal income tax up to 2%.

Issuance—Authorized by Railroad Commission of State of California. Legal for Savings Banks.—All ref. mtge. bonds heretofore issued are legal investments for savings banks and trust funds in New York and for savings banks in Massachusetts.

Company—Owns and operates one of the most comprehensive systems in the world for the generation, transmission and distribution of electricity for power and lighting purposes. The territory served, either directly or at wholesale, embraces ten large counties in southern and central California (including Los Angeles), with a population of over 3,000,000 and an area of 55,000 square miles—equal to the combined area of Massachusetts, Vermont, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Delaware and New Jersey.

The electric generating plants of the company have a present installed capacity of 1,116,060 h.p., of which 631,660 is hydro-electric and 484,400 is steam. The total output of these plants for the year ended June 30 1929 was 2,881,393,684 kw. hrs.

The largest hydro-electric development of the company is located on Big Creek and the San Joaquin River and includes power houses with a generating capacity of 508,500 h.p. This project, upon completion, will include a drainage area of 1,200 square miles and will yield considerably more than 1,400,000 h.p. of hydro-electric energy.

The Long Beach steam plant of the company is the largest steam plant west of Chicago and has a present installed generating capacity of 422,000 h.p.

Capitalization.

Common stock (paying 8%)	\$61,866,422
Preferred stock, series A 7%	26,073,450
Preferred stock, series B 6%	48,451,325
Preferred stock, series C 5 1/2%	28,436,275
Original preferred stock (paying 8%)	4,000,000
Ref. mtge. bonds—Series of 5s due 1954 (this issue)	15,000,000
Series of 5s due 1952	32,000,000
Series of 5s due 1951	55,000,000
Underlying (secured by closed mortgages)	39,000,700

In addition to the stocks shown above as outstanding, the company has subscriptions for \$4,123,100 preferred and \$4,960,500 common stock which is being paid for on the partial payment plan.

Earnings Statement—Years Ended June 30.

	1929.	1928.
Gross earnings	\$37,310,785	\$32,629,041
Operating expenses, maintenance and taxes	12,964,610	10,658,907
Net earnings avail. for int., deprec., divs., &c.	\$24,346,175	\$21,970,134
Annual interest charge on \$141,000,700 bonds	7,084,885	

The ref. mtge. bonds are followed by the preferred and common stocks, which, including those shares subscribed for on a deferred payment plan, have a present market value of approximately \$313,754,000 or more than double the par value of the company's total funded debt. This stock is held by over 120,000 stockholders, of whom more than 85% reside in the territory served. 90% of the permanent employees and 25% of the customers of the company are stockholders. Dividends have been paid on the common stock since 1910; the present rate is 8%.

Bond Issue.—The ref. mtge. bonds are secured by a direct mortgage on the entire California property of the company, subject only to the lien of closed mortgages securing the \$39,000,700 underlying bonds, for the retirement of which ref. mtge. bonds are reserved.

Additional bonds may be issued for only 75% of expenditures for additions and extensions to the company's properties, provided net earnings for a period of 12 months ending not more than 60 days' prior to application for issuance of the additional bonds have been equal to at least 1 1/2 times the annual interest charges on all ref. mtge. bonds, including those proposed to be issued, and on all bonds for the retirement of which ref. mtge. bonds are reserved.

Ref. mtge. bonds may be issued par for par for the retirement of underlying bonds, bonds of equal lien and debentures, and bonds which another series under this mortgage.

Bonds may be issued in various series with such maturities, rates of interest, redemption features, &c., as may be determined from time to time. The mortgage contains provisions permitting its modification (except in certain important particulars) with the assent of the Harris Trust & Savings Bank, as trustee, and the holders of four-fifths in aggregate principal amount of bonds outstanding thereunder.

Special Trust Fund.—Adequate provision for protection of the security of these bonds has been made in the mortgage by means of payments by the company into a special trust fund, which may be increased or decreased by agreement between the trustee and the company. This fund may be withdrawn for the cost of extensions and additions against which no ref. mtge. bonds shall be issued, for renewals and replacements, or at the option of the company for the retirement of ref. mtge. or underlying bonds.

Purpose.—Proceeds will reimburse the company for a portion of the cost of extensions made to its properties.—V. 129, p. 1122.

**Southern Cities Utilities Co.—Acq. Dominican Utilities.**

The company has acquired from the Dominican Republic the electric and water properties which the special American Commission headed by former Vice-President Dawes advised the Republic to sell earlier this year. It was announced on Aug. 21. The Dawes Commission made the suggestion on the ground that it would improve the finances of the Dominican Gov't.

The Compania Electrica de Santo Domingo, C. por A., the Dominican subsidiary of the Southern Cities Utilities System, on Aug. 21 completed arrangements to buy and operate the electric system in Puerto Plata, the principal northern seaport, and the electric and water systems in Santiago, the second largest city of the Republic.

The Dominican company acquired recently the electric system in La Vega, and previously owned the Santo Domingo and San Pedro de Macoris Electric systems, so that it now serves the 5 largest cities of the Republic, including the capital.

The Santiago and Puerto Plata enterprises were purchased in September 1924 by the Dominican Gov't. Following the recommendations of the Dawes Commission, President Horacio Vasquez appointed a special board to receive public bids for the two properties.

President Walter Whetstone states that the consolidated gross revenues of the company and its subsidiaries, including the new Spanish properties for the year ended June 30 1929, amounted to \$5,329,562, an increase of \$1,147,867, or about 21%, as compared with the system's gross revenues for the year 1928. Comparison of the system's net earnings for the same periods show an increase of \$543,112, or 24% over the figures as of Dec. 31 1928. On that date net earnings amounted to \$1,715,998, while the total as of June 30 1929 was \$2,259,110.—V. 128, p. 1227.

**Union Traction Co. of Indiana.—Offer to Bondholders.**

Committees representing bondholders of Union Traction Co. of Indiana, and its underlying companies have entered into agreement with Midland Utilities Investment Co. for



purchase by the latter for cash at varying rates different issues of bonds deposited with the committees.

Tradesmen's National Bank & Trust Co., 1420 Walnut St., Philadelphia, has been designated as depository under the agreement for certificates of deposit for Union Traction Co. of Indiana 5% gen. mtge. gold bonds. Indiana Trust Co., Indianapolis, Ind., is sub-depository.

Girard Trust Co., Philadelphia, has been selected as depository for Indiana Union Traction 1st mtge. 5% 30-year gold bonds. Fidelity-Philadelphia Trust Co., 135 South Broad St., Philadelphia, has been named depository and Indiana Trust Co., Indianapolis, Ind., sub-depository for certificates of deposit of Indianapolis Northern Traction Co. 5% 1st mtge. gold bonds.

The offers are as follows:

(1) Union Traction Co. of Indiana 5% gen. mtge. gold bonds, dated July 1 1899.—The amount payable in cash for deposited Union Traction Co. of Indiana bonds is at the rate of \$240 for each \$1,000 principal amount, from which certain expenses and compensation of the committee and its depositaries will be deducted, not exceeding \$20 for each \$1,000 bond. If the sale is consummated, the depositing bondholders will receive at least \$220 for each \$1,000 of deposited bonds. If not less than 60% of the outstanding bonds under each of the mortgages represented by the committees shall be on deposit with the respective committees after the right to withdraw deposited bonds has expired, and if the other conditions of the agreement shall have been performed, 20% of the purchase price will then be payable, the balance being payable at or before the confirmation of the sales in foreclosure under the various mortgages.

(2) Indianapolis Northern Traction Co. 5% 1st mtge. gold bonds, dated July 1 1902.—The amount payable in cash for deposited Indianapolis Northern Traction Co. bonds is at the rate of \$150 for each \$1,000 principal amount, from which certain expenses and compensation of the committee and its depositaries will be deducted, not exceeding \$15 for each \$1,000 bond. If the sale is consummated, the depositing bondholders will receive at least \$35 for each \$1,000 of deposited bonds. If not less than 60% of the outstanding bonds under each of the mortgages represented by the committees shall be on deposit with the respective committees after the right to withdraw deposited bonds has expired, and if the other conditions of the agreement shall have been performed, 20% of the purchase price will then be payable, the balance being payable at or before the confirmation of the sales in foreclosure under the various mortgages.

(3) Indiana Union Traction Co. 1st mtge. 5% 30-year gold bonds, dated July 1 1903.—The amount payable in cash for deposited Indiana Union Traction Co. bonds is at the rate of \$180 for each \$1,000 principal amount, from which certain expenses and compensation of the committee and its depositary will be deducted, not exceeding \$20 for each \$1,000 bond. If the sale is consummated, the depositing bondholders will receive at least \$160 for each \$1,000 of deposited bonds. If not less than 60% of the outstanding bonds under each of the mortgages represented by the committees shall be on deposit with the respective committees after the right to withdraw deposited bonds has expired, and if the other conditions of the agreement shall have been performed, 20% of the purchase price will then be payable, the balance being payable at or before the confirmation of the sales in foreclosure under the various mortgages.

(4) Muncie Hartford & Fort Wayne Ry. 1st mtge. 5% gold bonds, dated Dec. 31 1904.—The amount payable in cash for deposited Muncie Hartford & Fort Wayne bonds is \$300 for each \$1,000 principal amount.

(5) Indianapolis New Castle & Eastern Traction Co. 1st mtge. 6% 7-year gold bonds, dated June 1 1912.—The amount payable in cash for deposited Indianapolis New Castle & Eastern Traction Co. bonds is \$300 for each \$1,000 principal amount.

(6) Indiana Northern Traction Co. 1st mtge. 30-year 5% gold bonds, dated Oct. 1 1903.—The amount payable in cash for deposited Indiana Northern Traction Co. bonds is \$54 for each \$1,000 principal amount.

(7) Muncie & Union City Traction Co. 1st mtge. 5% 30-year gold bonds, dated June 30 1906.—The amount payable in cash for deposited Muncie & Union City Traction Co. bonds is \$54 for each \$1,000 principal amount.

Under the provisions of the deposit agreements as amended, the committees have entered into the plan and agreement for reorganization by selling the deposited bonds to Midland Utilities Investment Co. for cash, and every holder of the certificate of deposit will be conclusively deemed to have assented thereto unless he withdraws his bonds deposited under the deposit agreement on or before Sept. 3 1929.

The committees have entered into the above-mentioned agreement with the Midland Utilities Investment Co. after careful consideration. They believe that this sale is the best that can be hoped for and affords the most advantageous solution obtainable under the circumstances, as it provides for a sale for cash, which eliminates the disadvantages, delays and uncertainties attendant upon a reorganization by the stockholders. The committees strongly recommend its acceptance by all certificate holders and all bondholders.

The agreement with Midland Utilities Investment Co. applies only to deposited bonds. Therefore all bondholders who have not deposited their bonds should do so at once, in order that they may obtain the benefit of the sale of their bonds under the agreement.—V. 129, p. 796.

**United Power & Transportation Co.—Sale of Two Subs.**  
See Railway & Bus Associates above.—V. 128, p. 4005.

**Utility Equities Corp.—Operating Statistics.**

Since publication of the operating statistics of the corporation for the period from incorporation to July 12 1929, supplemental figures have been made available extending the period of operations recorded, to Aug. 16. These latest figures are submitted below on the same basis used to report previous earnings figures.

Investments at market value.....	\$24,127,522
Cash, call loans and contracts.....	4,736,265
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$28,863,787</b>
Add: Dividends paid.....	453,750
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$29,317,537</b>
Less: Capital subscribed (gross, before deducting initial exps.)..	22,000,000

Income, profits and appreciation (after absorbing initial exps.) \$7,317,537  
Based on 165,000 shares of priority stock and 495,000 shares of common stock the respective gains for approximately 8 months are equivalent to an annual rate of \$66.52 a share on the senior issue, and \$20.34 on the common stock. If the priority stock were converted, these gains would be equivalent to \$11.08 a share on 990,000 shares of common and if the options to buy 330,000 shares of common at \$20 were exercised and the \$6,600,000 of new funds were to earn only a conservative 5%, the annual rate of gain on 1,320,000 shares of common would be \$8.56 a share.

**Assets Value.**  
Based on 165,000 shares priority and 495,000 shares of common stock with total assets \$28,863,787:

(1) Asset value priority stock.....	\$174.93
(2) Asset value common stock (after allowing \$100 a share for priority).....	24.97
Based on 990,000 common shares which would be outstanding, assuming conversion of the priority stock:	
Asset value common stock.....	\$29.15
Based on 1,320,000 shares of common stock with total assets \$35,463,787.	
Asset value common stock.....	\$26.86

—V. 129, p. 632.

**Vermont Hydro-Electric Corp.—Merger.**  
See Rutland Ry., Light & Power Co. above.—V. 128, p. 4323.

**Virginia Electric & Power Co.—New Development.**

President W. E. Wood on Aug. 16 announced that the final application was being filed with the Federal Power Commission covering a 25,000 k.w. hydro-electric development on the Roanoke River. Construction is expected to be started on the project some next year and the ultimate capacity of the plant will be 42,000 kilowatts.—V. 128, p. 2632.

**INDUSTRIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.**

Matters Covered in "Chronicle" of Aug. 17.—(a) New capital flotations during the month of July and for the 7 months ending with July, p. 1032. (b) Manchester cotton mill strike settled, work resumed Aug. 19, p. 1050. (c) Production of bituminous coal, anthracite, and beehive coke higher than at this time a year ago, p. 1057. (d) Brokers move for N. Y. Stock

Exchange ban on trading by the employees of members, p. 1063. (e) Governor Roosevelt of N. Y. announces personnel of commission to study creation of State old age pension system, p. 1065.

**Acoustic Products Co.—Plan Approved.**

The stockholders have approved the plan of reorganization as submitted by the board of directors. The plan provides for an increase in the authorized capital stock from 1,000,000 to 1,500,000 shares of no par value, and the conversion of the outstanding preferred into common stock in the ratio of 10 shares of common stock for each share of preferred stock held. The stockholders are also offered the right to subscribe to new stock at \$4.50 per share in the ratio of one new share for each three now held. Upon completion of these changes in capital structure, the company will have no bonds, mortgages or preferred stock outstanding.

President Eugene P. Merriman announced that since his election, early in July, the company had booked more than \$4,000,000 new business, or more than double the volume done during the entire preceding year. Deliveries of a new line of Sonora radios will be started Sept. 1 through jobbers, the company having lowered its merchandising overhead through closing down branch houses. The company plans to materially diversify its manufacturing facilities and this expansion of operations will be reflected in the balance sheet at an early date.—V. 129, p. 1124.

**Aero Corp. of America.—Listing.**

The Los Angeles Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 328,038 shares of no par common stock with an authorized capital of 500,000 shares of common stock and 50,000 shares of \$50 par preferred stock, the corporation with its subsidiary, the Standard Air Lines, is engaged in the following branches of activity: regular airline transportation and express to Phoenix, Tucson, Denver and El Paso with prospect for a mail route, taxi service including pleasure trips, flying instruction; sale of airplanes and airplane parts and complete hangar service. Affiliation of the company with Western Air Express has been accomplished through common ownership of shares in each company.—V. 129, p. 475.

**Airport Lighting, Inc.—Stock Offered.**—Klopstock & Co., Inc., New York, are offering at \$10 per share 40,000 shares common stock (no par value). The stock is offered as a speculation.

Transfer agent, Irving Trust Co., New York. Registrar, Trust Company of North America, New York.

Capitalization—	Authorized	Outstanding
Common stock (no par).....	*100,000 shs.	90,000 shs.
* 10,000 shares reserved for sale under options to the management.		

**Data from Letter of Commodore F. G. Ericson, Pres. of Company.**

Business.—Company has been organized in Delaware for the purpose of manufacturing and installing at airports a system of night lighting known as the "Donaldson Automatic Night Landing System." This system represents the successful result of many years of aeronautical research experience by Lt. John Shearman Donaldson, the inventor, internationally known as an aircraft engineer and the inventor of a number of military devices used by the U. S. Government.

The company has acquired all of the pending applications for patent right to the Donaldson system, and Lt. John Shearman Donaldson, who is Vice-President of the company, has contracted with the company to transfer to it and without further cost any and all other inventions relating to the same subject matter heretofore made by him, and any and all future improvements which might be made thereon by him.

Black & Bigelow, Inc., leading airport engineers, in the report of their investigation of the Donaldson automatic lighting system, advise that in their opinion this system serves a definite purpose by greatly increasing the safety factor of air transportation and believe that this system has certain advantages over the flood lighting system now commonly used.

The Donaldson automatic night landing system of ground lights automatically controlled by a weather vane, indicates the direction of the wind, the location, length and contour of the runway, the gliding point on the field for landing relative to obstructions and landing triangulation; it aids the pilot in locating the ground level under snow or any other conditions and obtaining landing information by better visibility under fog conditions; the lights are non-glaring and obstructionless, economical in point of cost and operation, will greatly aid in the reduction of air transport insurance, and will remove much of the uncertainty in landing at night which exists with the hand operated systems now commonly used.

**Directors.**—The board of directors will consist of: Frank G. Diffin, aviation engineer, formerly Chairman, International Aircraft Standards Board; Lt. John Shearman Donaldson, Vice-President; Harold H. Emmons, Chairman, Detroit Aircraft Corp.; director Guaranty Trust Co., Detroit; Commodore F. G. Ericson, President; Edward Froede, Sec.-Treas.; Vice-Pres. & director Foreign Trade Securities Co., Ltd., New York; Joseph A. Keenan, Alexander & Keenan, attorneys, New York; Alexander Klein, professor of aeronautical engineering, N. Y. University, Director American Cirrus Engines, Inc.; Paul Klopstock, Pres. Klopstock & Co., Inc., New York; Harry Kraeling, Pres. Standard Steel Products Co., Pittsburgh; Major M. K. Lee, capitalist, Baltimore; Stephen J. McCasque, Alexander & Keenan, attorneys, New York; C. Gilbert Peterson, director of sales, Metal Aircraft Corp., Cincinnati; A. V. Verville, Pres. Verville Aircraft Corp., Detroit; C. Harold Wiatt, capitalist, Detroit.

**Listing.**—Company has agreed to make application to list these shares on the New York Curb Market.

**(The) Airports & Tool Corp.—Stock Units Offered.**—J. D. Currie & Co., Detroit, are offering at \$26.25 per unit, 50,000 units, each unit consisting of one share class A stock and 1/2 share class B stock.

Transfer agent, Guardian Trust Co. of Detroit, Registrar, Union Trust Co. Class A convertible stock is entitled to receive prior cum. divs. at the rate of \$1.50 per share per annum, payable quarterly, the first such quarterly to begin Sept. 1 1929, and is callable upon 30 days' notice at \$24 per share. Class B stock has full and exclusive voting rights except as provided by Michigan statutes and except as to specified matters. The class A stock is convertible into class B stock, share for share, at the option of the holder any time up to five days before redemption date.

Capitalization—	Authorized	Outstanding
Class A convertible stock (no par).....	75,000 shs.	50,000 shs.
Class B stock (no par).....	*200,000 shs.	56,900 shs.

\* 10,000 shares class B stock under option for one year at \$10 per share. 50,000 shares set aside for conversion of outstanding class A stock.

**Data from Letter of Joseph W. Rothmeyer, President of the Company.**

Company.—Has been formed in Michigan to acquire the business, including good-will, of Wayne Tool Co. and H. R. Kreuger & Co. both of Detroit.

The Wayne Tool Co. was organized in 1916 with a paid-in capital of less than \$500. No additional capital has been employed except that reinvested from earnings. The business of the company supplements the engineering and tool departments of manufacturers of products in the metal working industries where the output is to be put on a mass production basis. Products of the company include dies, jigs, tools and fixtures, special machinery, and short-run production work. The company also maintains an experimental division to manufacture new models and production line layouts for automotive, aircraft, radio, refrigeration, marine motor, oil burner, and other manufacturers. Approximately 30% of the company's present output is for the aviation industry.

H. R. Kreuger & Co. was organized in 1922 with a paid-in capital of \$1,200. Additions to working capital have been solely from earnings. This company operates in the same field as the Wayne Tool Co. and specializes in cost reductions for manufacturers through the designing and manufacturing of multiple drill heads, counterboring and counter-sinking heads, and special multiple drilling machinery to increase production. The aircraft business of the Kreuger company is also continually increasing and this industry provides a large field for additional business.

The two companies maintain an organization totaling approximately 350 men, including a designing and engineering staff and a force of highly skilled mechanics such as tool and die makers.

At both plants day and night shifts have been required almost continuously during the last few years. Each year it has been necessary to provide additional floor space and equipment. The most important such expenditure was made in the spring of 1928, with the result that the sales for that year were more than double the volume of the preceding year and the net profits almost tripled.



Combining the operations of the two companies in one organization will increase the output of the combined organization with no additional outlay for equipment and should result in a large reduction in manufacturing and sales cost and overhead.

**Sales and Earnings.**—Arthur Young & Co., certified public accountants, have made an audit of the Wayne Tool Co. and H. R. Kreuger & Co., and have prepared a certified statement of the consolidated earnings for the three years and six months ended June 30 1929, after eliminating non-recurring charges in the amount of \$563 for 1926; \$2,130 for 1927; \$4,193 for 1928 and \$2,892 for the six months ended June 30 1929, and substituting proportionate officers' salaries (including commissions), depreciation on cost of reproduction new per appraisal, estimating charges for proposed building in lieu of rent, and Federal income tax at 12%, which were then as follows:

Calendar Years—	1926.	1927.	1928.	1929 (6 mos)
Sales, net.....	\$608,471	\$602,649	\$1,374,020	\$904,827
Net profit.....	84,278	85,126	245,746	136,650
Earns. per sh. on class A	\$1.68	\$1.70	\$4.91	\$2.73
Earns. per sh. on class B			3.00	1.74

Sales for the first six months of 1929 show an excess over the same period of 1928 of 72%.

**Assets.**—Pro forma balance sheet at June 30 1929, after giving effect to the agreements providing for the consolidation of Wayne Tool Co. and H. R. Kreuger & Co., show total current assets and available funds amount to 4.9 times current liabilities.

**Dividends.**—Class A stock is entitled to receive preference dividends in the amount of \$1.50 per share per annum, payable quarterly, and the directors will place the class B stock on a dividend basis of 75c. per share, per annum, payable quarterly. Dividends on both classes are to begin with the quarter commencing Sept. 1 1929.

**Albers Bros. Milling Co.—Balance Sheet June 30.**

Assets—	1929.	1928.	Liabilities—	1929.	1928.
Real estate, plants, goodwill, &c.....	\$3,855,760	3,885,940	Preferred stock.....	2,255,100	2,255,100
Cash in banks and on hand.....	190,941	154,995	Common stock.....	2,206,900	2,206,900
Notes & accounts receivable.....	1,298,818	1,272,309	1st mtg 6s.....	1,320,000	1,350,000
Inventories.....	1,116,073	1,139,944	Accounts payable.....	230,589	179,640
Adv. against grain.....	79,142	98,854	Notes payable.....	200,000	200,000
Sundry investm'ts.....	124,261	102,420	Acceptances payable.....	125,171	180,046
Def'd charges, &c.....	154,101	145,660	Tax, int., &c, acsr.....	46,332	47,185
			Real est. pur.contr.....	15,000	20,000
			Surplus.....	450,599	271,250
			Total (each side).....	6,849,696	6,800,123

x After deducting \$1,556,867 reserve for depreciation. y After deducting \$25,080 reserve for doubtful account.—V. 127, p. 1255.

**Allison Drug Stores Corp.—Operations Under Supervision of the Loft, Inc. Management.**

See Loft, Inc. below.—V. 127, p. 2092.

**Amerada Corp.—New Well Completed.**  
The Amerada Petroleum Corp. reports the completion of a new well in section 32 of the Seminole area flowing 1,000 barrels a day. The well is known as Nevins No. 1 and is owned jointly by Amerada and Burk & Greiss.—V. 129, p. 1125.

**American Chain Co., Inc.—Wins Patent Suits.**

An important decision in three patent suits involving recoverable profits and damages estimated at approximately \$500,000 has been won by this company from the Stewart-Warner Products Service Station, the Grable-Berger Co., Inc., the Franklin New York Co., Inc., and the Franklin Motor Service Co., it was announced on Aug. 19. The cases were tried in the U. S. District Court, Eastern District of New York, before Judge Marcus B. Campbell. Judge Campbell held that three spring bar automobile bumper patents—to Hoover, Nos. 1,191,306 and 1,221,800, and to Lyon, No. 1,198,246—all owned by the American Chain Co., Inc., are valid and had been infringed.

The bumpers involved were made by the Stewart-Warner Speedometer Corp. of Virginia and distributed by the Stewart-Warner Speedometer Corp. of New York. They are of the so-called pivot and construction. This type has been widely adopted by the automobile companies for standard equipment, having been manufactured by the C. G. Spring & Bumper Co., the Eaton Axle & Spring Co., the Biflex Products Co. and a number of other concerns who are now operating under license from the American Chain Co., Inc.

Counsel for the American Chain Co., Inc., stated that unlicensed manufacture and sale of spring bar bumpers by the Stewart-Warner companies had continued over a number of years in spite of infringement notices given from time to time by the American Chain Co., Inc., and of suits brought under the patents owned by it. The production of bumpers by the Stewart-Warner companies during this period amounted to a large total, with estimated, recoverable profits and damages, approximating \$500,000.—V. 129, p. 476.

**American Co.—Control Acquired by Pacific American Associates, Inc.**

See Goldman Sachs Trading Corp. below.—V. 128, p. 251.

**American Machine & Foundry Co. (& Subs.)—Report.**

6 Mos. End. June 30—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Sales.....	\$3,288,176	\$2,943,807	\$3,599,099	\$3,190,996
Royalties.....	109,529	98,403	79,231	70,985
Total income.....	\$3,397,704	\$3,042,210	\$3,678,330	\$3,261,982
Mfg. cost and expense.....	2,570,324	2,577,682	2,951,287	2,724,958
Operating profits.....	\$827,380	\$464,528	\$727,043	\$537,024
Interest, deprec'n, &c.....	179,652	158,008	196,131	213,330
Federal taxes.....	70,962	20,204	26,609	10,624
Profit.....	\$576,766	\$286,316	\$504,304	\$312,569
Divs. rec. from Int'l Cig. Machine Co.....	392,250	196,125	130,750	-----
x Prop. Int. in profits of Int. Cigar Mach. Co.....	150,756	149,439	87,384	118,633
Other divs. and int. rec.....	107,710	4,000	-----	-----
Min. int. in Standard Tobacco Stemmer Co.....	Dr.41	Dr.142	Dr.101	Dr.86
Total profit.....	\$1,227,442	\$635,737	\$722,336	\$431,117
Preferred dividends.....	70,000	70,000	70,000	-----
Common dividends (net).....	371,258	220,914	-----	-----
Balance, surplus.....	\$786,184	\$344,823	\$652,336	\$431,117

Surplus Account June 30 1929.—Earned surplus Dec. 31 1928, \$6,669,833, surplus for period \$635,428, total surplus \$7,305,261; add adjustment account prior years \$19,339, minority interest in Standard Tobacco Stemmer Co. \$8, earned surplus June 29 1929, \$7,324,591, capital surplus, \$2,657,778, total surplus June 29 1929, \$5,982,369.  
x Proportionate interest in net profit of International Cigar Machinery Co., for 6 months ended June 30 not received as dividends and not included in surplus.

**Consolidated Balance Sheet as of June 30.**

Assets—	1929.	1928.	Liabilities—	1929.	1928.
Fixed assets.....	5,817,630	5,595,470	Pref. stock (7%).....	2,000,000	2,000,000
Goodwill, pat'ts, &c.....	1,432,894	1,432,894	Common stock.....	26,881,100	6,734,050
Marketplace sec.....	1,800,935	1,325,994	Mortgage payable.....	520,000	560,000
Stock officers and employees.....	237,021	913,395	Funded debt.....	1,141,500	1,576,000
Inv. in and adv. to affil. & contr. cos.....	831,429	6,421,429	Accounts payable.....	253,419	224,401
Cash.....	421,820	421,820	Taxes pay. acsr.....	175,982	97,620
Call loans.....	1,700,000	1,400,000	Accr. s. f. and int.....	73,260	82,652
Accounts, notes & acceptances rec.....	701,966	872,042	Reserve for deprec.....	3,448,194	3,307,354
Inventories.....	1,778,877	1,958,879	Special reserves.....	1,449,326	-----
Prepaid insurance & royalties.....	10,672	14,064	Prov. for conting's.....	-----	476,127
Misc. adv., claims, &c.....	101,711	226,563	Earned surplus.....	7,324,591	6,310,233
Deferred charges.....	33,515	246,318	Capital surplus.....	2,657,777	2,654,941
			Minority int. in Standard Tobacco Stem Co.....	1,247	5,891
			Total (each side).....	25,926,396	24,028,670

x Represented by 197,622 shares, no par value.—V. 129, p. 476.

**American Cyanamid Co.—Class B Com. Stock Increased.**  
The stockholders have voted to increase the authorized class B common stock from 1,600,000 shares to 3,000,000 shares.—V. 129, p. 798.

**American Solvents & Chemical Corp.—Registrar.**  
The Equitable Trust Co. of New York has been appointed registrar for the stock of this corporation.—V. 129, p. 1125.

**American Steel Car Lines, Inc.—Earnings.**

*Income Account Six Months Ended June 30 1929.*

Gross operating revenue.....	\$110,380
Repairs & renewals.....	39,792
Other expenses.....	14,163
Net operating income.....	\$56,425
Interest on trust certificates.....	21,449
Depreciation.....	17,756
Net operating income.....	\$17,220
Other income.....	898
Net income for the period.....	\$18,118

**Comparative Balance Sheet.**

Assets—	June 30 '29.	Mar. 31 '29	Liabilities—	June 30 '29.	Mar. 31 '29
Tank cars, office furn. & fixtures.....	\$1,457,240	\$1,468,993	Accts. pay. (cred.).....	\$13,994	\$19,192
Cash in banks.....	14,531	8,172	Accrued divs. on equip. c'tfs.....	12,281	11,756
Cash in skg. funds.....	27,931	12,629	Reserves.....	1,246	-----
Accts. rec. (railroads & lessees).....	15,048	19,411	Div. on pref. stock.....	6,125	3,500
Accts. rec. (others).....	38	3,002	Equip. tr. c'tfs. out. ut'g (ser. A, B, C & D).....	1,092,000	1,092,000
Deferred charges.....	4,703	3,259	7% pref. stock.....	350,000	350,000
Organiz'n expenses.....	1,165	1,058	Surplus.....	\$45,010	40,086
Total.....	\$1,520,657	\$1,516,534	Total.....	\$1,520,657	\$1,516,534

x After reserve for depreciation of \$24,304. y Represented by 12,250 no-par shares common stock.—V. 128, p. 3687.

**American Utilities & General Corp.—Stock Offered.**  
G. E. Barrett & Co. are offering at \$57.50 per unit, 75,000 units, each unit consisting of one share of \$3 cum. pref. stock and two shares of class B stock, the latter represented by voting trust certificates.

The units are issued in the form of one year allotment certificates of Chatham Phenix National Bank & Trust Co., depository. The \$3 cum. pref. stock is preferred over the class A stock as to cum. divs. at the annual rate of \$3 a share, and as to assets in the event of liquidation to the extent of \$50 a share and accrued and unpaid dividends; is redeemable at the company's option at any time, as a whole or in part on 30 days' notice, at \$5 and accrued dividends. Dividends payable quarterly, on the first days of March, June, September and December of each year. Dividends free of present normal Federal income tax.

**Capitalization.**

	Authorized.	Outstanding.
\$3 cum. preferred stock (no par).....	500,000 shs.	75,000 shs.
Class A stock (par \$20).....	200,000 shs.	196,323 shs.
Class B stock (no par value).....	*1,400,000 shs.	1,007,354 shs.

\* Including 392,646 shares reserved for conversion of class A stock.

**Data from Letter of E. G. Diefenbach, Vice-Pres. of the Company.**

**Business.**—Corporation was organized in Del. on Jan. 24 1929, as an investment company of the general management type to acquire, hold, sell, underwrite, offer and generally deal in securities. Corporation deals principally in securities of gas and other utility companies and affords its stockholders of only a wide diversification of selected investments and constant supervision under experienced management, but a means of participating indirectly in financial operations, which would not be available to them as individuals.

**Earnings.**—Due to the affiliations and close associations of the corporation's management with large gas and electric utility companies, affording opportunities for participating profitably in refunding and other operations of these companies, substantial profits should be realized for the benefit of its stockholders. The earnings of the corporation for the six months' period from commencement of operations to Aug. 15 1929, which do not reflect any benefit from the additional capital derived from the sale of the \$3 cum. pref. stock, were as follows:

Net profits.....	\$755,914
Six mos. div. require. on 75,000 shs. \$3 cum. pref. stock.....	112,500

Balance for Federal taxes and class A and class B stock.....\$642,414  
The net profits, as above, are equivalent to more than 6 1/2 times six months' dividend requirements on the 75,000 shares \$3 cum. pref. stock. After deducting six months' dividend requirements on the outstanding class A stock, the balance for Federal taxes and class B stock amounts to \$515,805, equivalent on an annual basis to \$1.02 per share on the outstanding class B stock.

**Dividend.**—Directors has declared an initial dividend of 10 cents a share on the class B stock, payable Sept. 3 1929.

**Equity.**—The 75,000 shares of \$3 cum. pref. stock are followed by 196,323 shares of class A stock and 1,007,354 shares of class B stock, having a total market value, based on current quotations, of over \$11,000,000.

**Management.**—The board of directors is as follows: G. E. Barrett, E. G. Diefenbach, O. R. Seagraves, G. F. Balme, Henry M. Brooks, C. E. Morrow, C. H. Walker.—V. 129, p. 1126.

**Anglo American Corp. of South Africa, Ltd.—Oper.**

The following are the results of operations for the month of July 1929:

	Tons Milled.	Total Rev.	Costs.	Profit.
Brakpan Mines, Ltd.....	85,500	£144,109	£87,104	£57,005
Springs Mines, Ltd.....	70,500	£149,227	£81,047	£68,180
West Springs, Ltd.....	65,000	£80,440	£60,370	£20,070

—V. 129, p. 963, 477.

**Apex Electrical Mfg. Co.—Accumulated Dividends.**  
The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2% on pref. stock and an extra payment of 1% on account of accumulated pref. dividends, both payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 20. Like amounts were paid on July 1 last.—V. 129, p. 963.

**Arcadian Consolidated Mining Co.—50c. Assessment.**  
The company has levied an assessment of 50c. a share, payable Sept. 5 by stockholders of record Sept. 4.—V. 126, p. 2967.

**Argo Oil Co.—Control Sought.**  
See New Bradford Oil Co. below.—V. 128, p. 3515.

**Armour & Co. (Ill.)—Farm Interest Asked for Views on Proposed Changes in Packers' Consent Decree.**

Hearings to ascertain the views of the agricultural interests regarding the proposed modification of the Packers' Consent Decree will be held, beginning Sept. 3, by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, in response to a request made by the Attorney-General.  
Under this decree the four packers concerned were enjoined from owning any interest in any public stockyard market, stockyard terminal railroad or stockyard market newspaper; from using or permitting their facilities to be used in handling or dealing in commodities unrelated to the packing business; from manufacturing, jobbing, selling, transporting (except as common carriers), distributing or otherwise dealing in fish, vegetables, fruits, confectionery, syrups, soda fountain supplies, molasses, honey, bread, wafers, cereals, grain, grape juice and certain enumerated farm hardware and building supplies; from conducting any retail meat market; owning any interest in any public store or cold storage warehouse and distributing or otherwise dealing in fresh milk and milk.  
The petition of the packers, which has been set for hearing Oct. 2 in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, prays for modification of the decree so as to permit these packers to own and operate retail meat markets; to own any interest in any public stockyard market company or stockyard terminal railroad; to manufacture, distribute or otherwise deal in any commodities included in the decree; to own in whole or in part the capital stock of any corporation engaged in manufacturing, distributing such commodities; to use or permit others to use their distributive system and facilities

for the handling of such commodities; to lease or sell any of the items of their distributive system; to own interests in public cold storage warehouses and engage in the fresh milk and cream business.

In order to obtain the views of agricultural groups regarding the probable economic effect on the agricultural and livestock interests of the country of the proposed modification of the Packers' Consent Decree, the Secretary of Agriculture is inviting various agricultural groups to present their views regarding the subject. Since the hearing by the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia is scheduled for Oct. 2, the oral statements by agricultural representatives at the department hearing must necessarily be brief. In order that the information obtained may be as concrete as possible, it is desirable that supplemental written statements supplying supporting evidence be filed with the department. If any producers' organizations so desire, they may submit not later than Sept. 16 written statements of their views in lieu of oral statements and personal appearance. —V. 129, p. 1126.

#### Atlantic Securities Corp.—Earnings.—

Income Account, Six Months Ended June 30 1929.	
Dividends and interest received and accrued	\$133,604
Profits on sales of securities	392,226
<b>Total income</b>	<b>\$525,830</b>
General expenses	13,540
Taxes paid other than Federal income tax	3,361
<b>Balance to surplus</b>	<b>\$508,926</b>
Earned surplus Dec. 31 1928	349,786
<b>Total surplus</b>	<b>\$858,712</b>
Preferred dividend	45,000
Reserve for preferred dividend (accrued)	15,000
Adjustment Federal income tax 1928	6,672
<b>Earned surplus June 30 1929</b>	<b>\$792,040</b>
Earns. per share on 168,250 shares (no par) common stock outstanding, before Federal income taxes	\$4.75
The balance sheet as of June 30 1929 was published in V. 129, p. 477.	

#### Autocar Car Co., Ardmore, Pa.—To Refinance, &c.—

According to Philadelphia, Pa., dispatches, officials of the company state that a refinancing plan is being worked out which will include a split-up of the company stock. Announcement will be made in the near future.

Following a special meeting of the directors on Aug. 20, President Robert P. Page, Jr., announced the election of three new Vice-Presidents and a Secretary. J. C. Taney, Treasurer of the company for the last six years, was named Senior Vice-President, succeeding John S. Clarke, resigned. H. M. Cole, formerly general sales manager, was made Vice-President in charge of sales, and B. B. Bachman, ex-President of the Society of Automotive Engineers, was elected Vice-President in charge of engineering. W. H. Brearley, formerly head of the company's legal staff, was named Secretary to succeed R. T. Anthony, resigned. —V. 129, p. 284.

#### Autosales Corp., N. Y. City.—Rights.—

The corporation has notified the New York Stock Exchange that the common holders of record Aug. 30 will be given the right to purchase additional common stock at \$25 a share in the ratio of one new share for each five held. Rights will expire Sept. 23. —V. 129, p. 800, 284.

#### Barc-Ray Holding Corp., N. Y. City.—Bonds Offered.—

S. W. Straus & Co., Inc., are offering at 97.92 and int. \$3,000,000 6½% 5-year guaranteed collateral trust bonds.

Dated July 15 1929; due July 15 1934. Straus National Bank & Trust Co. of New York, trustee.

These bonds are unconditionally guaranteed both as to principal and interest by Frederick Brown, one of New York's most successful real estate owners and operators.

This bond issue of \$3,000,000 is secured by mortgages amounting to \$4,061,000 on 4 parcels of land and buildings owned in fee, situated in strategic locations in the Borough of Manhattan, one being in the downtown financial district and 3 on prominent corners in the midtown section.

The total amount of the mortgages on these 4 properties, including the mortgages deposited as collateral for these bonds, is 77.4% of Mr. Brown's valuation.

#### Beatrice Creamery Co.—Common Stock Increased.—

The stockholders on Aug. 19 increased the authorized common stock, par \$50, from \$12,000,000 to \$25,000,000.

It is not planned at this time to make any offer of this additional stock, but during the past two years the company has been acquiring various properties through the exchange of stock, and as a result thereof the authorized unissued stock was nearly exhausted, and the reason for requesting an increase in the authorized capital at this time was to have additional stock available in case it was desired to acquire additional properties through the exchange of stock.

No change at this time is contemplated in the authorized amount of pref. stock, which will remain at \$8,000,000.

President C. H. Haskell, in a recent letter to the stockholders, said: "The company is continuing to acquire additional properties, and the directors felt additional stock might be required in the near future."

"Since the end of the fiscal year, which was Feb. 28 1929, we have acquired the following companies: Richards Dairy, Kewanee, Ill.; Tastells Ice Cream Co., St. Joseph, Mo.; Champaign Ice Cream Co., Champaign, Ill.; Champaign Sanitary Milk Co., Champaign, Ill.; Wright Ice Cream Co., Easton, Ill.; Kankakee Ice Cream Co., Kankakee, Ill.; Gibson City Ice Cream Co., Gibson City, Ill.; Mattoon Ice Cream Co., Mattoon, Ill.; Clinton Dairy Products Co., Clinton, Ill.; Capital City Ice Cream Co., Springfield, Ill.; Illinois Dairy Co., Springfield, Ill.; A. & S. Sanitary Dairy Co., Council Bluffs, Ia.; Union Dairy Products Co., Decatur, Ill.; Decatur Milk & Butter Co., Decatur, Ill.; Premier Dairy Co., Galesburg, Ill.; Thompson Ice Cream Co., Marysville, Kan.; Bond Dairy Co., Abington, Ill.; Tip Top Creamery Co.'s of Vincennes, Ind., Princeton, Ind., and Washington, Ind.

"In addition to this, the company has contracts signed at the present time with the Model Dairy Co., Pueblo, Colo., and Davidson Dairy Co., Colorado Springs, Colo.

"The earnings of the companies acquired during the past year are all showing up very satisfactory. The additional acquisitions made in recent months are also giving some of the older plants more outlets for their own products. Plans for more economies and more effective distribution are being effected right along.

"The company now operates 25 creameries, 27 milk plants, 49 ice cream plants, 8 cold storage warehouses, 3 ice plants and 9 distributing branches. These plants are located in 72 cities in the United States. The company operates a total of 86 plants and branches located in 16 States and doing business in 36 States." See also V. 129, p. 800.

#### Berkshire Hills Paper Co.—To Pay Creditors Half Cent on Dollar.—

Henry L. Harrington of Adams, former President and temporary receiver for the company, has filed his final accounting in the Mass. Superior Court.

Preferred claims of \$5,774 have been paid, leaving a balance of \$2,491 for claims of common creditors amounting to \$743,873. Dividends to creditors will be at the rate of \$.00577 on the dollar. If the final account is allowed, the First National Bank of Boston, said to be the largest of the common creditors, will receive a final dividend of \$3,359 on its claims of \$582,299. —V. 126, p. 4085.

#### Blue Ridge Corp.—Stocks Offered.—

Goldman, Sachs & Co. Aug. 20 offered 1,000,000 shares optional 6% conv. preference stock, series of 1929 (par \$50), at \$51.50 per share and accrued (cash) div., and 1,000,000 shares common stock (no par) at \$20 per share.

Holders of preference stock of this series are entitled, in preference over the common stock, to receive cumulative dividends in common stock of the company at the quarterly rate of 1-32 of a share of common stock per share of preference stock, or at the option of such holders to receive cash at the cumulative quarterly rate of 75c. per share.

Preference stock of this series is convertible, at the option of the holders at any time up to and including the second day prior to the redemption date,

into common stock at the rate of 1½ shares of common stock for each share of preference stock, with provisions for adjustment of the conversion and stock dividend rates in the event of split-ups, combinations, certain common stock dividends and rights to subscribe, all as set forth in the certificate of incorporation, and subject to the provisions therein contained with respect to consolidation, &c. Redeemable at any time in whole or in part on 30 days' notice at, and entitled in liquidation to receive, in preference over the common stock, \$55 per share and accrued dividends.

Transfer Agents, Manufacturers Trust Co., New York, and National Shawmut Bank of Boston, Registrars, Pacific Trust Co., New York, and United States Trust Co., Boston.

Capitalization—

Preference stock (par \$50 per share)	10,000,000 shs.	Authorized	Outstanding
Common stock (no par value)	€30,000,000 shs.	€7,250,000 shs.	

a Series of 1929, optional 6% convertible (dividend payable quarterly; cumulative from Sept. 1 1929). b In addition a further number of shares of preference and common stock may be issued by the company in exchange for certain common stocks. c There are to be reserved the number of shares required for conversion of preference stock of this series to be immediately outstanding and for stock dividend requirements on such preference stock for 8 years.

Listed.—Preferred and common stock listed on Boston Stock Exchange.

Data from Letter of C. F. Stone, President, Aug. 17 1929. Company.—Has been formed in Delaware to buy, sell, trade in and hold stocks and securities of any kind, to participate in syndicates and underwritings and to exercise such other of its charter powers as its board of directors may from time to time determine. Company has been organized at the instance of Shenandoah Corp.; the latter corporation is to purchase for long time investment 6,250,000 shares of common stock of the company for \$62,500,000 cash.

Shenandoah Corp. was organized in July 1929, under the joint sponsorship of the Goldman Sachs Trading Corp. and Central States Electric Corp. Each of these corporations to an acquired and now holds for long time investment 2,000,000 shares of the common stock of Shenandoah Corp. The Goldman Sachs Trading Corp. and Central States Electric Corp. are now purchasing for long time investment from Shenandoah Corp. for cash at par and accrued cash dividend 750,000 shares (par \$50 per share) of its optional 6% convertible preference stock, series of 1929, and at \$33 1-3 per share 750,000 shares of its common stock. The sale of these shares of preference and common stock, all of which will be of additional issue, will provide Shenandoah Corp. with the required \$62,500,000 cash. After the issuance of this stock the outstanding capitalization of Shenandoah Corp. will consist of 1,750,000 shares of optional 6% convertible preference stock, series of 1929, and 5,750,000 shares of common stock.

The Goldman Sachs Trading Corp., the total market value of whose issued capital stock, based on current prices, exceeds \$500,000,000, is interested primarily in securities of industrial and financial corporations. Central States Electric Corp., the total market value of whose issued capital stock, based on current prices, also exceeds \$500,000,000, is interested primarily in securities of public utility operating and holding companies. Included in its portfolio is the largest single block of the common stock of The North American Co., the controlling interest in the class B stock of American Cities Power & Light Corp. and a substantial investment in the common stock of Electric Shareholdings Corp. These latter two corporations in turn have important holdings in the common stocks of The North American Co. and other public utility holding and operating companies.

Directors.—The membership of the board of directors of the company is identical with that of Shenandoah Corp., namely, Harrison Williams, Clifford F. Stone, Waddill Catchings, Sidney J. Weinberg and John Foster Dules.

Acquisitions Through Exchange of Stock.—In addition to purchasing shares for cash, it will be the purpose of the company in connection with acquiring stocks of other corporations to exchange, from time to time, its own stock for the stock of corporations in the various fields of business activity in which the company regards it as advantageous to acquire and interest.

Concurrently with this offering, the company is receiving tenders of shares of the common stocks of the companies listed below at the prices indicated in exchange for shares of its stock valued at the public offering price, and accordingly it may issue additional shares of preference stock of this series and common stock.

Cash and Securities.—The company will commence business with at least \$127,500,000 of cash and (or) common stocks, valued at or below the Aug. 17, closing prices on the New York Stock Exchange on which all such stocks are listed. The proceeds from the sale of the 1,000,000 shares of preference stock and 7,250,000 shares of common stock will be net to the company, as all of the expenses in connection with its organization and the issue and distribution of these shares are to be borne by the bankers.

Contract with Shenandoah Corp.—The company has entered into a contract with Shenandoah Corp. which provides in substance that, so long as Shenandoah Corp. owns at least 6,250,000 shares of the common stock of the company, then, in case the company shall have issued during any year additional shares of its common stock, the company will issue to Shenandoah Corp. warrants, exercisable at any time thereafter, for the purchase of shares of common stock to the extent set forth below. The price per share at which such warrants will entitle holders to purchase shares of common stock shall be the net asset value per share of the outstanding common stock of the company at the close of such year, determined by valuing the company's assets at cost or market, whichever is higher, but the price shall not be less than \$20 per share, subject, in the case of both the warrant price per share and the minimum price per share at which warrants may be issued, to the adjustments mentioned below.

Except for this contract with Shenandoah Corp., there are no options on any unissued stock or management contracts calling for compensation other than that to be paid to officers and employees in the regular course of business.

The certificate of incorporation and (or) contract with Shenandoah Corp. provide in substance the following, among other things, certain terms being used as therein defined:

(1) Each share of preference stock of this series and of common stock shall have one vote.

(2) The consent of at least two-thirds of the total number of shares of the outstanding preference stock of this series shall be necessary for: (a) the sale or conveyance of all or substantially all of the property and business of the company or the merger or consolidation of the company; (b) any amendment to the certificate of incorporation adversely affecting the preferences or provisions of the outstanding preference stock of this series; (c) the offering, pro rata to common stockholders, of any class of stock participating with the common stock; and (d) certain re-classifications of the common stock.

(3) The consent of at least two-thirds of the total number of shares of the outstanding preference stock of this series and of any other series thereof having a right to vote thereon shall be necessary for: (a) the creation of any new class of stock preferred as to dividends or assets over the preference stock; (b) any distribution of cash or assets to common stockholders except out of earned surplus or net profits; or any such distribution or the purchase or other acquisition of common stock, unless thereafter net assets shall equal 150% of the par value of all outstanding preference stock and all other stock ranking equally therewith or prior thereto; (c) the issue of any preference stock, or of any other stock ranking equally therewith or prior thereto, or the issue of any funded debt, except for extension, renewal and refunding of funded debt, unless after such issue net assets, before deducting funded debt, shall equal 150% of the aggregate of the par value of the preference stock and such other stock and of the principal amount of the funded debt.

(4) No holder of preference stock or of common stock shall be entitled as such to subscribe for or purchase any new or additional issue of stock of any class.

(5) There shall be no adjustment of the conversion or dividend rates of the preference stock of this series on account of periodic common stock dividends on the common stock to the extent they do not exceed 2½% per quarter and do not exceed 5% at any one time.

(6) Other series of this preference stock may be issued with such variations as to the terms thereof as the board of directors may from time to time determine, to the extent permitted by the laws of Delaware, with certain limitations provided in the certificate of incorporation.

(7) The warrants to be issued by the company to Shenandoah Corp., as above mentioned, will be for a number of shares equal to the number of shares of common stock issued by the company during the year, other than the first 7,250,000 shares issued at any time after the incorporation of the company, any shares issued upon the exercise of the warrants, any shares issued on conversion of the first 1,000,000 shares of preference stock of this series converted at any time after the incorporation of the company, any shares issued as a result of stock dividends on, and the exercise of rights to subscribe on pro rata offerings to all common stockholders accruing



to, the foregoing shares, any shares issued as a result of stock dividends on the common stock to the extent that such dividends are not periodic stock dividends not in excess of 2 1/4% per quarter year and 5% at any one time and any shares issued as a result of split-ups of the common stock, and shares issued in certain other contingencies covered by the contract. The number of shares covered by the warrants, the warrant price per share and the minimum price per share at which warrants may be issued will be subject to adjustment in the event of split-ups, combinations, certain common stocks dividends, rights to subscribe, &c.

**Offer to Exchange Stock for Stock of Other Companies.**—Coincident with the public offering by Goldman, Sachs & Co. of conv. pref. and common stock of Blue Ridge Corp., the corporation offered to exchange shares of its convertible pref. and common stock for common stock of 21 of the leading industrial, railroad and public utility corporations listed on the New York Stock Exchange. It was announced Wednesday night by Clifford F. Stone that "the company had closed the list of tenders for the exchange of common stocks" for the stocks of the companies listed.

Pres. C. F. Stone, in a statement issued Aug. 22, stated that the report that the corporation has dropped its general plan of offering its stock in exchange for the stock of other corporations is wholly without foundation. Mr. Stone's statement continues:

"As a matter of fact, the company is continuing to exchange its stock in large amounts for the stock of those corporations in which it desires to make an investment. The announcement made yesterday that the offering of exchange made by public advertisement on Aug. 20 had been closed merely applied to that particular offer. As stated by me recently, the corporation will purchase stocks for cash and in addition to purchasing stocks for cash, it will be the purpose of the company in connection with acquiring stocks of other corporations to exchange, from time to time, its own stock for the stock of corporations in the various fields of business activity in which the company regards it as advantageous to acquire an interest."

The offer by Blue Ridge Corp., it was stated, was designed not to secure control of any corporation but to enable the company to build up substantial holdings in these corporations. This is made clear in the statement of Clifford F. Stone, President of Blue Ridge Corp., that the plan of exchange was arranged as a means of acquiring blocks of such stocks for the company's investment account.

"In addition to purchasing stocks for cash," Mr. Stone stated, "it will be the purpose of the company in connection with acquiring stocks of other corporations to exchange from time to time, its own stock for the stock of corporations in the various fields of business activity in which the company regards it as advantageous to acquire an interest."

The announcement by Blue Ridge Corp. stated that it was prepared to receive from financial institutions and security dealers, acting in their own behalf or for account of clients, tenders of blocks of common stocks in the following corporations on the exchange basis indicated:

Name of Company—	Price per Share for Exchange Purposes.	No. of Shs. of Pref. & Com. Stk. of Blue Ridge Corp. Exchangeable per Sh. of Stk. Tendered. (For Purposes of Exchange, Pref. Stk. is Priced at \$51.50 & Com. Stk. at \$20.)
Allied Chemical & Dye Corp.	\$324	4 and 380-715ths shs. of each class*
American Tel. & Tel. Co.	293	4 and 70-715ths shs. of each class*
Athelston, Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.	275	3 and 605-715ths shs. of each class*
Bethlehem Steel Corp.	125	1 and 535-715ths shs. of each class*
Consolidated Gas Co. of N. Y.	179	2 and 360-715ths shs. of each class*
Detroit Edison Co.	349	4 and 630-715ths shs. of each class*
Eastman Kodak Co. of N. J.	196	2 and 530-715ths shs. of each class*
General Electric Co.	395	5 and 375-715ths shs. of each class*
International Harvester Co.	118	1 and 465-715ths shs. of each class*
International Tel. & Tel. Corp.	119	1 and 475-715ths shs. of each class*
New York Central RR.	241	3 and 265-715ths shs. of each class*
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	76	1 and 45-715ths shs. of each class*
Pacific Lighting Corp.	122	1 and 505-715ths shs. of each class*
Pennsylvania RR.	96	1 and 245-715ths shs. of each class*
Southern California Edison Co.	75	1 and 35-715ths shs. of each class*
Standard Oil Co. (N. J.)	70	700-715ths shs. of each class*
Texas Corp.	65	650-715ths shs. of each class*
Union Carbide & Carbon Corp.	119	1 and 475-715ths shs. of each class*
Union Pacific RR.	288	4 and 20-715ths shs. of each class*
United States Steel Corp.	238	3 and 235-715ths shs. of each class*
Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co.	247	3 and 325-715ths shs. of each class*

\* Fractions will be adjusted in cash at the prices indicated.

Formation of Blue Ridge Corp. marks the third investment trust of general management type to be launched with assets of more than \$100,000,000 by Goldman, Sachs & Co. within the last 9 months. The Goldman Sachs Trading Corp., which was organized last Dec. as a \$100,000,000 project and subsequently acquired Financial & Industrial Corp., now has a market worth of more than \$500,000,000. The offering of the securities of Shenandoah Corp. last month was remarkably successful, the common now selling at approximately twice its original offering price.

The organization of Shenandoah Corp. brought about a new alignment between the financial and industrial interests of the Goldman Sachs firm and the public utility interests of Harrison Williams. The combined market value of the issued capital stock of The Goldman Sachs Trading Corp. and Central States Electric Corp., sponsors of Shenandoah and, through Shenandoah, of Blue Ridge Corp., is in excess of \$1,000,000,000.

**(Sidney) Blumenthal & Co., Inc.—To Pay Accruals.**

The directors have voted to clear up all arrears in pref. stock by the payment of a dividend of \$5.25 on Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 16. The board also voted to put the pref. stock back on a regular dividend basis by the declaration of a quarterly dividend of \$1.75 a share, also payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 16.—V. 129, p. 635.

**Booth Fisheries Co., Chicago.—Report.**

Years Ended—	Apr. 27 '29.	Apr. 28 '28.	Apr. 30 '27.	May 1 '26.
Operating income	\$1,129,957	\$919,460	\$1,222,426	\$1,243,919
Interest	603,253	613,828	638,553	621,698
Depreciation, &c.	181,999	176,355	178,804	177,591
Federal taxes	20,000	12,000	48,881	32,109
Balance, surplus	\$324,705	\$117,278	\$356,129	\$412,521
Earns. per sh. on 49,998 shs. pref. stk. par \$100	\$6.49	\$2.34	\$7.12	\$8.25

**Comparative Balance Sheet.**

	Apr. 27 '28.	Apr. 28 '28.		Apr. 27 '29.	Apr. 28 '28.
<b>Assets—</b>			<b>Liabilities—</b>		
Real estate, mach., &c.	\$14,492,431	\$14,948,065	Preferred stock	\$4,999,800	\$4,999,800
Pref. stk. disc't. & reorg. exp.	377,801	377,801	Common stock	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
Inv. in allied cos.	128,749	108,749	Funded debt	6,394,050	6,715,925
Long term note rec	10,000	10,000	Reserves	87,020	32,635
Sinking fund	100,141	7,577	Federal taxes	20,000	12,000
Cash	592,997	670,218	Accounts and notes payable	1,875,638	3,303,033
Accts. & notes rec., less reserves	765,508	750,184	Int., tax., ins., &c. accrued	136,533	137,534
Inventories	2,892,071	4,123,030	Due sinking fund trustee	100,075	7,500
Unexpired insur.	7,572	17,174	Surplus	1,528,835	1,630,983
Deferred charges	784,681	826,610			
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20,141,952</b>	<b>\$21,839,411</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20,141,952</b>	<b>\$21,839,411</b>

x Represented by 250,000 shares of no par value. y After deducting \$3,800,700 reserve for depreciation. z Preferred dividends unpaid since Oct. 1 1920.—V. 127, p. 1680.

**Borg-Warner Corp.—Listing.**

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of an additional 92,400 common shares (par \$10) on official notice of issuance, in connection with the acquisition of common stock of Norge Corp., and

exchange of stock with Warner Gear Co. as follows: To be exchanged for stock of Norge Corp., 82,500 shs. (being 55,000 shs. plus 50% account deal to be consummated after Aug. 1); to be exchanged for stock of Warner Gear Co., 9,900 shs.; (being 6,600 shares plus 50% account deal to be consummated after Aug. 1).

At a meeting held July 26 1929 the directors authorized the acquisition of all the common stock of Norge Corp. of Detroit, by paying therefor 52,500 shs. of Borg-Warner common stock. The total stock of that company outstanding is 9,403 shs. of common stock and 4,403 shares of preferred stock. The preferred stock is to be retired in full for cash. The board also authorized the exchange of 30,000 shs. of Borg-Warner common stock, for Norge Corp. common stock, the Norge Corp. to sell the 30,000 shares and the proceeds to be used to retire preferred stock and to provide additional working capital. A firm offer has been received for the 30,000 shares at \$66 2-3 per share.

At a meeting held Aug. 6 1929, the board of directors authorized the issuance of 6,600 shares of common stock to be exchanged for stock of Warner Gear Co. The Warner Gear Co. has agreed to sell the shares for not less than \$100 per share, the proceeds to be used for expansion of business.

**Pro Forma Combined Income Account Six Months Ended June 30 1927.**  
(Parent and subsidiary companies, including those acquired subsequent to Dec. 31 1928.)

Net operating profit after deduction of factory, administrative and selling expenses, but before deduction of deprec. charges	\$5,729,828
Interest, discounts and sundry receipts	365,487
<b>Total income</b>	<b>\$6,095,316</b>
Depreciation of plant and equipment	650,466
Interest and financing charges	74,497
Royalties on patents used, subsequently acquired	178,890
Federal income tax	637,035
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$4,554,427</b>

Morse Chain Co. and Rockford Drilling Machine Co. acquired during May, are included.

**Consolidated Balance Sheet.**

	Actual June 30 '29.	Pro Forma Dec. 31 '28.		Actual June 30 '29.	Pro Forma Dec. 31 '29.
<b>Assets—</b>			<b>Liabilities—</b>		
Cash in banks and on hand	\$2,684,287	\$3,021,868	Notes pay. & curr. bond maturities	161,545	109,500
Call loans and marketable securities	3,125,075	1,902,121	Accts. payable and accrued expenses	2,661,080	2,358,484
Customers' accts. rec., less reserves	4,517,799	3,352,234	Provision for Fed. tax	1,161,420	927,578
Other accts. rec. & Mat'l's, supplies, &c.	643,742	187,987	Bonds outstanding (const. cos.)	1,948,000	1,952,500
Insur. prems., &c. prepaid charges	263,439	160,197	7% pref. stock	3,500,000	3,500,000
Stocks, bonds and notes of other companies, &c.	2,035,081	1,326,782	Com. stk. outstdg.	7,442,570	7,323,860
Prop'y, plant & eq.	14,465,798	13,904,754	Minority interest	4,865	1,234
Good-will & pats.	472,441	458,310	Surplus	17,668,490	14,991,023
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$34,547,971</b>	<b>\$31,164,181</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$34,547,971</b>	<b>\$31,164,181</b>

[Based on (1) certified consolidated balance sheet of Borg-Warner Corp. and constituent companies as at Dec. 31 1928; (2) inclusion of subsidiaries acquired during 1929; (3) payment of 2% stock dividends on Jan. 1 and April 1.]

—V. 129, p. 964.

**Brillo Mfg. Co.—July Sales.**

1929—July—1928.	Increase.	1929—7 Mos.—1928.	Increase.
\$165,877	\$137,516	\$28,361	\$1,231,435
			\$1,079,470
			\$151,965

—V. 129, p. 965.

**British-American Tobacco Co., Ltd.—Interim Div.**

The directors on Aug. 20 decided to pay an interim dividend of 10d. per share free of British income tax on ordinary shares Sept. 30 1929. Coupon No. 131 must be used for dividend. All transfers received in London on or before Sept. 3 1929 will be in time for payment of dividend to transferees. A dividend of the same amount was declared at this time last year.—V. 128, p. 891.

**(The Brooklyn Daily Eagle.—Control Changes Hands.**

Control of the Brooklyn Daily Eagle, which is one of the older newspapers of the country, has been passed by Frank E. Gannett to the Gannett Co., Inc. formed as a holding company and managing the third largest newspaper chain in America. Mr. Gannett purchased the Eagle last January. Transfer of the property to the holding company, whose shares were recently listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is in keeping with policy announced several weeks ago by Mr. Gannett.

The transaction involved the purchase by Gannett Co., Inc. of 100% of the common stock of the B. D. E. Corp. The B. D. E. Corp. owns all of the capital stock of the Brooklyn Publishing Co., which in turn, owns 68.51% of the capital stock of the Brooklyn Daily "Eagle."

Other recent acquisitions by Gannett Co., Inc., from the personal holdings of Frank E. Gannett are: Albany "Evening News", "Knickerbocker Press", Ithaca "Journal-News", Malone "Telegraph" and Ogdensburg "Republican-Journal".—V. 128, p. 253.

**By-Products Coke Corp.—New Common Stock Placed on a \$1 Annual Dividend Basis.**

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 25c. per share on the new common stock, no par value, payable Sept. 25 to holders of record Sept. 10. This is equivalent to \$4 annually on the old capitalization outstanding prior to the payment of a 300% stock dividend on July 15. The old common stock paid \$2 annually with various extras.—V. 129, p. 479.

**Callahan Zinc-Lead Co.—Report.**

Period—	1929—3 Mos.—1928.	1929—6 Mos.—1928.
Total earnings	\$33,519	\$87,666
Cost and expenses	40,756	83,230
Deficit	\$7,237	sur. \$7,484
		\$32,809
		sur. \$9,475

—V. 128, p. 4009.

**Celotex Co.—Acquires Paper Mill.**

The company on Aug. 21 announced it had acquired a paper mill at New Iberia, La., formerly owned by the Boldt Paper Co. The mill manufactures paper from bagasse, sugar cane fiber, which the company said would become an important part of the Celotex program.—V. 129, p. 1127.

**Central Alloy Steel Corp.—Sales Increase.**

During the first seven months of 1929, the corporation sold more of its rust-resisting Toncan iron than in all of 1927 and came within 7% of equaling the total volume for 1928. Sales to date are 62% higher than for the same period last year. The expansion in sales of Toncan iron has resulted from widening use of the material on the part of large consumers, notable among which are the railroads, who have placed large tonnages for use in freight cars. Total shipments of all the company's finished products in the first half of 1929 were 520,946 tons against 476,946 tons in the first half of 1928.—V. 129, p. 965.

**Citizens Trusco Building, Inc.—Bonds Offered.**

Mohawk Valley Investing Corp., Utica, N. Y., recently offered \$550,000 1st mtge. 5 1/2% gold bonds at 100 and int.

Dated June 1 1929; due June 1 1969. Interest payable J. & D. at Citizens Trust Co., of Utica, N. Y. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500 c\*. Red. all or part at any time prior to June 1 1939 at par, with a premium of 1 1/4%; from June 1 1939 to June 1 1949 at a premium of 1%; from June 1 1949 to June 1 1959 at a premium of 1/2% of 1% and from June 1 1959 to June 1 1969 without premium. Interest payable without deduction for normal Federal income tax net to exceed 2%. Utica Trust & Deposit Co., Utica, N. Y., trustee.

Company is organized and wholly owned by Citizens Trust Co. of Utica, N. Y., to acquire title to its main banking house at the corner of Seneca and Columbia Sts. in the City of Utica, N. Y., and having a frontage of 80 ft. on Seneca St. and 139 ft. on Columbia St.

The banking building which will be owned by this corporation has been appraised by American Appraisal Co. at \$444,513, and the site by Earl O. Clark of Utica, N. Y., at \$302,000, making a total appraised value of \$746,513.

These bonds will be secured by a first (closed) mortgage on the fee on which the building is situated and on the building.

Citizens Trust Co. Building, Inc., has leased certain portions of the building to Citizens Safe Deposit Co. of Utica and Citizens Utica Corp., two subsidiaries of the Trust Co., and has leased all of the building, except that portion used by these subsidiaries to Citizens Trust Co. of Utica, N. Y., at an annual rental sufficient, with the rents received from the two subsidiaries, to pay all taxes, insurance, repairs, carrying charges and other operating expenses in connection with the building and also to pay the interest on the bonds and provide for the sinking fund of \$10,000 a year for the first 10 years and \$15,000 a year thereafter until the maturity of the bonds.

**Cleveland Tractor Co.—Closes Large Contract.**

Announcement has been made that the company has closed a contract for 708 tractors, parts and accessories, to the extent of \$2,000,000, with the Amtorg Trading Co. for the Soviet Government in Russia, complete delivery to be made during Sept. to Dec. inclusive this year. This is not the first contract of its kind, as the Cleveland Tractor Co. has handled considerable Russian business in the past few years.—V. 128, p. 4161.

**Commercial Investment Trust Corp.—To Split Shares 2½ for 1.—Will Also Pay Stock Dividends at Annual Rate of 6%.—Sale of 50,000 Common Shares to Banking Group Approved.**

The directors have voted to subdivide the common stock on a basis of 2½ shares for each share now outstanding, and to continue to pay quarterly dividends on the increased number of common shares beginning with the dividend payable Jan. 1 1930 in cash at the annual rate of \$1.60 per share, being the equivalent of the present cash rate of \$4 per annum, and to pay stock dividends at the annual rate of 6%, this being a 50% increase over the present rate of 4%.

The number of shares of common stock without par value is to be increased from 2,000,000 shares to 7,500,000 shares. This will provide sufficient shares for the proposed split-up and make available additional shares for the continuance of the new stock dividend policy. The increased shares will also provide for possible developments of the business over a period of years.

This split-up will make no change in the amount of capital represented by shares of common stock and the increase in number of outstanding shares will not be effective until after the record date for payment of the next dividend. The usual dividend of \$1 in cash and 1% in common stock has been declared payable on Oct. 1 1929 to holders of record Sept. 5. [Like amounts were paid in January, April and July last.]

The directors also approved an arrangement whereby 50,000 shares of the present common stock of the corporation will be sold for cash to a banking syndicate headed by Dillon, Read & Co., which adds more than \$9,000,000 to the capital funds of the company.

Capital and surplus of the Commercial corporation as of Dec. 31 1928 amounted to \$41,697,530, or about \$50.41 for each share of the common stock then outstanding. By Aug. 1 1929, after giving effect to the increases in outstanding stock during the first seven months of 1929 and including the 50,000 shares to be sold to the banking syndicate headed by Dillon, Read & Co., the capital and surplus had increased to \$62,667,362, which represents about \$67.65 for each share of common outstanding. This is equivalent to approximately \$27.06 book value for each share of common stock to be outstanding after the proposed 2½-for-1 split-up.

**In announcing the action of the directors, President Henry Ittleson said:**

"The corporation has just passed through the most satisfactory period of its existence, having greatly widened the diversification of its operations without sacrificing any of the sound conservatism which has always been the policy of the management. The volume of business purchased in the first half of 1929 showed an increase of more than 100% over the first half of 1928. The directors, as a result of the very satisfactory net earnings—an increase from \$2,249,590 for the first six months of 1928 to \$4,042,116 for the first six months of 1929—together with obvious opportunities for continued sound expansion, have voted to subdivide the common stock upon a basis of 2½ shares for each share outstanding. The board also has determined upon a policy (provided the earnings and financial condition of the corporation make it advisable) of paying quarterly dividends on the increased number of shares of common stock, beginning with the dividend payable Jan. 1 1930 in cash at the annual rate of \$1.60 per share, being the equivalent of the present cash rate of \$4 per annum, and also to pay dividends in common stock at the annual rate of 6%. This is an increase of 50% over the present stock dividend rate of 4% per annum. All of this is subject to the approval of the common stockholders at a meeting to be called shortly. This means that for each 100 shares of the present common stock outstanding upon which the stockholders receive \$4 per share per annum in cash and 4% in stock, under the new arrangement the stockholder will have 250 shares of stock, will receive \$1.60 cash dividend per share and stock dividend of 15 shares per annum.

"The split-up also affects holders of 5¼% convertible debentures who will be entitled to 2½ times the number of shares originally covered by the conversion privilege. A \$1,000 debenture will entitle the holder at present conversion rates to 12½ shares of common stock instead of five shares as originally specified. Stockholders will not be required to surrender present certificates but will be entitled to receive certificates for 1½ additional shares of common stock for each share registered in their respective names at the close of business as of the record date to be determined.

"The directors also approved a proposal whereby 50,000 shares of the present common stock of the corporation will be sold for cash to a banking syndicate headed by Dillon, Read & Co. Based upon present money rates, but after deduction for taxes, it is estimated that the sale of this 50,000 shares will immediately produce increased earnings by reason of reduced interest costs, at the annual rate of \$11 per share for the 50,000 shares."

**C. I. T. to Finance "Electrol" Oil Burners.**

The corporation, through its subsidiary, Commercial Investment Trust, Inc., has signed a contract with Electrocl, Inc., St. Louis, for financing the time sales of authorized dealers handling "Electrol" oil burners. Production figures for 1928 placed Electrocl, Inc., well up among the leaders in the industry, and since then their manufacturing facilities have been further expanded, it was announced. This contract follows closely on the recently announced signing of an exclusive contract with Petroleum Heat & Power Co., Stamford, Conn., whereby C. I. T. will finance the time sales of authorized dealers handling "Petro" oil burners.

This corporation through its subsidiary, the Commercial Investment Trust, Inc., has signed an exclusive contract with the Petroleum Heat & Power Co., Stamford, Conn., for financing the time sales of authorized dealers handling "Petro" oil burners throughout the country.

The Petroleum Heat & Power Co. is well known in the field not only as manufacturers of domestic and industrial oil burning equipment but also as distributors of fuel oil, doing a combined annual volume of business in 1928 amounting to \$6,857,891. In April of this year the Petroleum Heat & Power Co. absorbed the American-Nokol Corp. of Chicago, manufacturers of the nationally advertised "Nokol" oil burner, thus bringing under one management two important factors in the oil burner industry. As a result of this combination the company is planning an advertising campaign calling for an expenditure of approximately \$500,000.

Recently C. I. T. announced contracts with two other oil burner manufacturers, T. A. T. Detroit Co., Detroit, Mich. and with the Wayne Home Equipment Co., Fort Wayne, Ind., thus giving this finance company an important place in the oil burner industry.

C. C. Cornell, formerly vice-president of the foreign department of the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., has joined the Motor Dealers Credit Corp. as asst. vice-president. The latter company is the foreign operating subsidiary of Commercial Investment Trust Corp.—V. 129, p. 790, 480.

**Consolidated Instrument Co. of America, Inc.—Contract.**

The U. S. Government Army Air Service has awarded a contract for 564 Type B.6 aircraft compasses to the Aircraft Control Corp. of Philadelphia, a division of the above company, announced V. I. Zelov, President. This is the latest model of aircraft compass recently adopted as standard for U. S. Government Air Service planes.—V. 129, p. 966.

**Consolidated Automatic Merchandising Corp. (and Subsidiaries)—Earnings.—**

Consolidated Income Account Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.

Operating income	\$2,845,493
Cost of supplies sold & operating expenses	2,437,652
Net profit from operation	\$407,841
Other income	57,167
Gross income	\$465,008
Bond interest	264,698
Other interest	8,301
Discounts allowed	4,291
Provision for uncollectible accounts, less recoveries	27,574
Miscellaneous charges	10,203
Depreciation & amortization	546,809
Net loss	×\$396,871
Profit & loss surplus, Jan. 1 1928	289,807
Adjustments	77,710
Deficit	\$29,354
Adjustment of depreciation & amortization—prior period	15,303
Expenses, &c., applicable to prior periods	43,765
Provision for contingent losses	3,872
Write-down of book value of discontinued operating equip. to scrap or sale value	59,762
Reversing accrual for est. uncoll. inc. of Sanitary Postage Service Corp. at beginning of year prepar. to placing rev. of that co. on cash basis	41,829
Profit & loss deficit, Dec. 31 1928	\$193,886
Portion applic. to int. of min. stockholders in subs.	32,210
Profit & loss deficit, Dec. 31 1928, applicable to parent co.	\$161,676

× Applicable as follows: Parent company, \$317,805; minority stockholders in sub cos., \$79,066.

Notes.—In addition to the provision for depreciation of equipment and amortization of patents, development expenses and leasehold improvements, based on cost, as above, there was charged to surplus from revaluation \$117,191 for depreciation of equipment and \$296,054 for amortization of patents. No provision has been made for amortization of locations and contracts for locations and Wm. Wridley Jr. contract for patents, &c., valued on the books of operating subsidiaries at \$170,441; or for patents, &c., valued on the books of Automatic Merchandising Corp. of America (in development stage) at \$5,064,920.

The above statement includes operations of Consolidated Automatic Merchandising Corp. from commencement of business about Aug. 1 1928, and of the operating subsidiaries for the full year ended Dec. 31 1928. The Schermack Corp. of America and Remington Service Machines, Inc., which were acquired because of their relations with other subsidiaries, had practically no operations after date of acquisition and are not included above. The expenses of Automatic Merchandising Corp. of America, a subsidiary company, less sundry income, amounting to \$49,450 (net) for the year were capitalized as development expenses and included in deferred debit items.

In accordance with the practice of Sanitary Postage Service Corp. of allocating expenses to operations on the basis of an anticipated program of development, there was deferred as of Dec. 31 1928, for future amortization, expenses amounting to \$392,006, an increase of \$143,539 over the amount deferred at Dec. 31 1927.

It is the practice of the companies operating weighing machines to charge the cost of reconditioning machines against reserves for depreciation, such charges for the year amounting to approximately \$245,000. Of this amount approximately \$108,000 represents an arbitrary allocation by one of the subsidiaries of a portion of service labor, materials and expenses.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1928.

Assets	Liabilities
Property (less reserves) .....	Notes payable .....
Cash .....	Accounts payable .....
Secured call loans receivable .....	Accrued liabilities .....
Notes receivable .....	6% gold bonds of G. V. Corp. .....
Accounts receivable .....	Reserve for insurance .....
Accrued interest receivable .....	Deferred credit items .....
Inventories .....	Oblig. to bankers pay. in cap. stock .....
Intangible assets .....	Equity of min. in cap. stock & surplus of subs. ....
Deferred debit items .....	Preferred stock .....
	Common stock .....
	Surplus, parent co. ....
Total .....	Total .....

× Represented by 1,693,902 shares, no par value.—V. 129, p. 1129.

**Continental Motors Corp.—New Subsidiary Organized.**

President Ross W. Judson announces the organization of the Continental Aircraft Engine Co. as a subsidiary for the purpose of manufacturing and developing aircraft engines. The incorporation papers have been filed in Delaware. All of the issued stock of the new company (250,000 shares of no par common) is owned by the Continental Motors Corp.

This subsidiary will have a separate official staff, consisting of W. R. Angell, Vice-President of Continental Motors Corp., as President; Robert Lusley, who has been in charge of the development work, as Vice-President; R. M. Sloane, Treasurer of the Motors Corporation, as Treasurer of the new company and W. C. Keith, Assistant Secretary of Continental Motors, as Secretary. These officers, with W. A. Frederick, Vice-President in charge of engineering of the Motors Corporation, constitute the board of directors.

"This action by the company," said Mr. Judson, "is for the express purpose of concentrating managerial activities of the aeronautical division, and to better facilitate the handling of the work as a whole through greater concentration of effort."

The Continental Aircraft Engine Co. will continue to utilize the facilities of the parent company. The production will be carried on at the Detroit plant which is located near the Detroit City Airport, offering exceptional facilities for testing engines in flight.—V. 129, p. 967.

**Coty, Inc.—Stockholders Approve Acquisition of Foreign Companies.**

At the special meeting held on Aug. 16, at which approximately 75% of the stockholders were present or represented, the plan for the acquisition of the foreign Coty companies by Coty, Inc., was unanimously approved (see V. 129, p. 287).

The stockholders also approved the recommendation of the board of directors that additional shares of Coty, Inc., be offered to stockholders of record Aug. 22 on the basis of one share for each 13 shares held at \$45 per share, such subscription rights to expire Sept. 20 1929.—V. 129, p. 1129.

**Courts Building Corp. (Burnham Bldg.), Chicago.—Initial Preferred Dividend.**

An initial quarterly dividend of \$1.75 per share has been declared on the \$7 cum. no par value pref. stock, payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 15. See offering in V. 129, p. 802.

**Croft & Allen Corp., Bethlehem, Pa.—Possible Sale.**

See Sweets Co. of America, Inc.—V. 128, p. 2274.

**Crown Drug Stores, Inc.—Stocks Offered.**

Childs, Jeffries & Co., Inc., are offering in units of one share of each at \$72.50 per unit, 12,000 shares 7% cum. conv. pref. stock and 12,000 shares no par common stock. The common stock has been purchased from the stockholders. Preferred stock is preferred as to dividends, and as to assets up to \$55 per share. Cumulative dividends payable quarterly, beginning Nov. 1 1929. Cumulative semi-annual sinking fund commencing Aug. 1 1930, payable out of net earnings, after provision for dividends on the cum. conv. pref. stock, amounting annually to 2% of the greatest number of shares of 7% cum. conv. pref. stock ever outstanding. Red. as a whole or in part by lot, after Aug. 1 1932, on 30 days' notice, on any div. date at \$55



per share and divs. Divs. exempt from present normal Federal income tax. Transfer agent: Mississippi Valley Merchants State Trust Co., St. Louis. Registrar: St. Louis Union Trust Co., St. Louis.

**Conversion Privileges.**—Convertible into common stock at holder's option, at any time up to within 10 days of the date of redemption of such stock, during the period commencing with the date of issue, and ending Aug. 1 1932, both inclusive, at the rate of 1 1/2 shares of common stock for each share of 7% cum. conv. pref. stock; and after Aug. 1 1932, and up to and incl. April 1 1934, at the rate of 1 1/4 shares of common stock for each share of 7% cum. conv. pref. stock; and after Aug. 1 1934, and up to and incl. Aug. 1 1936, at the rate of one share of common stock for each share of 7% cum. conv. pref. stock.

**Capitalization.**—Authorized. Issued.  
 7% cum. conv. pref. stock (par \$50)-----x20,000 shs. 12,000 shs.  
 Common stock (no par value)-----x300,000 shs. 100,000 shs.  
 x Including this issue of 12,000 shares of 7% cum. conv. pref. stock, the provision of the remaining 8,000 shares of 7% cum. conv. pref. stock shall, if and when issued, be determined by the directors at the time of issue, but they shall not be more favorable than are the provisions of the 12,000 shares of 7% cum. conv. pref. stock now outstanding.

y 18,000 shares reserved to provide for conversion of this issue of 7% cum. conv. pref. stock; 22,000 shares under option to officers of the company to be exercised on or before Aug. 1 1932; 10,000 shares reserved for sale to employees; 25,000 shares under option to the bankers to be exercised by Aug. 1 1932.

**Data from Letter of John S. Watkins, President of the Company.**  
**History and Business.**—Company was incorp. under the laws of the State of Delaware. Is acquiring all the issued and outstanding stock of the Crown Drug Co., incorp. in Missouri. This business was established in 1923 and during its first year operated 6 stores, doing a total volume of business of \$200,000. The volume for the year, the company did a total volume of \$2,359,000. At the present time the company is operating 33 stores in Greater Kansas City and surrounding territory, and has under option 14 additional stores which will presently be added to the chain. The success of the company is attributed, in a large measure, to its up-to-date methods of merchandising, and to the unusual service which it gives its customers. The company's system of training its employees, which today number 400, is unique, and is responsible largely for the good will which has been built up.

**Sales and Earnings.**—The sales and earnings of the company for the 3 years ended Dec. 31 1928, and for the period from Jan. 1 1929, to, and incl. May 26 1929, after all charges and Federal taxes, and adjusted to the operations of the new company, are included in each year an amount equal to 5% interest on the proceeds which the company receives as a result of this financing, were as follows:

Year—	Stores End of Year	Sales	Earnings After Fed. Tax.	No. Times Earned.	Earnings Com. Stk.
1926-----	20	\$1,263,935	\$118,432	2.8	\$0.76
1927-----	24	1,625,639	127,852	3.0	0.86
1928-----	31	2,357,846	206,675	4.9	1.65
1929 (to May 26)-----	33	1,197,731	107,912	6.0	0.90

**Note.**—The company reports for first 6 months of 1929 an increase in sales of 46% over corresponding period of 1928, which would indicate a volume of not less than \$3,500,000 for entire year 1929, without taking into consideration the 14 new stores to be acquired. The officers of the company estimate the volume for the new stores for the first year at \$1,500,000. Based on earnings of \$0.90 for the period Jan. 1 1929 to May 26 1929, annual earnings would be at the rate of \$2.16 per share of com. stock.

**Balance Sheet.**—The balance sheet, as of May 26 1929, after giving effect to this financing, shows current assets of \$947,903 and current liabilities of \$191,274.

**Purpose.**—Entire proceeds derived from the sale of this 7% cum. conv. pref. stock will remain in the business to be used for expansion purposes. The common stock has been purchased from the stockholders.

**Dividends.**—It is the intention of the management to pay a dividend on the common stock in the near future.

**Listing.**—Company will make application to list these units on the St. Louis Stock Exchange.

**Crown Willamette Paper Co.—New Director.**—R. A. McDonald has been elected to the directorate of the company and will serve as Vice-President in charge of sales of Crown Willamette products.—V. 129, p. 133.

**Cuba Cane Sugar Corp.—Time Extended.**—The time limit for deposit of securities under the plan and agreement for reorganization has been extended to and including Aug. 30, it was announced Aug. 22 by the reorganization committee. The time within which holders of subscription warrants for stock in the new company may exercise such warrants has been extended to and including Sept. 6.

A majority of the convertible debentures and of the capital stock of the company has been deposited, but it was stated that the reorganization committee will require substantial additional deposits before declaring the plan operative.

**Interests Reported Buying Option Warrants at Prices up to \$2.**

Interests close to the management of the corporation are understood to be buying at prices up to \$2 each, on a "when issued" basis, the option warrants which will be received by stockholders who deposit their stock under the plan and agreement for reorganization. Each warrant represents the right to purchase one share of common stock of the new company at \$20 a share for 10 years. A prominent banking house identified with the company, it is stated, has standing orders to acquire considerable blocks of the options up to this price.—V. 129, p. 1129, 967.

**Cuban Dominican Sugar Corp.—Deposits Asked.**

Immediate deposit of the Cuban Dominican Sugar Co. first lien 20-year sinking fund 7 1/2% gold bonds, due Nov. 1 1944, in approval of the plan recently announced to provide \$4,000,000 in cash for current-year maturities of underlying obligations, interest payments on outstanding bonds and for other corporate purposes, is urged in a notice sent out by the bondholders committee, comprising the National City Co., Lee, Higginson & Co., Cassatt & Co., Potter & Co. and W. A. Harriman & Co., Inc. This action is recommended to avoid any postponement of the meeting of bondholders scheduled for Sept. 5 to act upon the plan. The City Bank Farmers Trust Co. is serving as depository under the plan, the certificates of deposit being listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Declaring that it is obviously to the advantage of all bondholders to deposit their bonds, the committee reports that the plan has already met with widespread approval of the bondholders, as evidenced by the volume of deposits to date. The plan and the \$4,000,000 underwriting, however, are absolutely conditioned upon prompt approval of the plan by more than 75% of the \$13,710,500 principal amount of bonds outstanding. The committee draws particular attention to the fact that the plan and deposit agreement involve no assessment, no obligations to purchase stock, and no expense of any kind whatsoever to any depositing bondholder.

"The raw sugar industry has experienced a long period of depression," the notice states. "Prices for some months have been below the cost of production. This condition and the present heavy sinking fund charges on the bonds have caused a serious drain in the cash resources of the company. The committee, however, believes that the future of the industry is sound and that the \$4,000,000 in cash to become immediately available to the company under the plan, will carry the company through the present depression and prevent the interests of the bondholders from being jeopardized."

"Under the plan, all bonds which have been deposited will be stamped with a legend waiving the present fixed sinking fund provisions; and a new and flexible sinking fund will be provided, based on prices received for raw sugar. This new sinking fund will be used solely for the purchase of stamped bonds, at not exceeding 110% of the principal thereof. Warrants will be attached to all stamped bonds entitling the holder, at his option, to purchase stock of the company at designated prices and at specified times within the next 25 years. In view of the great potential earning power of the properties with the return of more prosperous conditions in the sugar industry, the committee believes that these warrants will have a substantial value in excess of the option price."

Supplementing its notice to bondholders, the committee requests bankers and brokers to notify any of their customers owning these bonds as to the pendency of the plan and to recommend their deposit of such bonds under the deposit agreement. See plan in V. 129, p. 967.

**Curtiss-Wright Corp.—Listing, Etc.—**

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 1,092,538 shares of Class A stock and 7,783,868 shares of common stock. In connection with the listing, Richard F. Hoyt, Chairman of the board announced that deposits of stocks of the subsidiary companies were such that more than 80% of the listed A and common stocks of the corporation would be immediately issued, and that this amount would be increased when the tabulations of deposits of stocks of the subsidiary companies were completed. Temporary certificates for the stocks and warrants are now ready for issuance to holders of certificates of deposit.

Incorporation papers were filed Aug. 9 1929 in Delaware. Incorporators are Henry G. Hotchkiss, John J. Redfield, and John W. Ross, all of New York.

**Temporary Stock Certifs. Ready.—**

The committee in charge of the deposit agreement dated July 5 1929 announces that temporary stock certificates and option warrants are now available.

The depository is the Bankers Trust Co., 16 Wall St., N. Y. City. Sub-depositaries are: St. Louis Union Trust Co., St. Louis, Mo.; Girard Trust Co., Philadelphia, Pa.; Bank of Italy National Trust & Savings Association, Los Angeles, Calif.; Bank of Italy National Trust & Savings Association, San Francisco, Calif.; Louisville Trust Co., Louisville, Ky.; The Marine Trust Co., Buffalo, N. Y.; The Peoples Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, Ill.; The First National Bank, Boston, Mass.; Canal Bank & Trust Co., New Orleans, La.; Guardian Trust Co., Detroit, Mich.; Fourth National Bank, Wichita, Kan.—V. 129, p. 1129.

**Davenport Hosiery Mills, Inc.—Earnings.—**

Despite the fact that 1929 has been a highly competitive year in the hosiery trade, J. H. Davenport, Treasurer, states that he looks forward to excellent business, by reason of more economical and efficient operation. His statement is as follows:

"The company has gradually installed new machinery with the result that production of full-fashioned hosiery has been increased approximately 33 1-3% over production of the corresponding period of a year ago. This has resulted in an appreciable decrease in over-head cost and operating expenses. Practically all of our full-fashioned operators have completed an intensive course of training. As a result, all of our machines are being operated by experienced and skilled operators, thereby effecting a decrease in the amount of defective work produced and a corresponding saving of material."

"Our net earnings during the first 7 months of 1929 totaled \$223,324, compared with \$115,195 for the corresponding period of last year. After deducting preferred dividends, earnings applicable to the common stock for the seven months' period of 1929 amounted to \$2.44 per share, against \$1 per share in the corresponding period of last year. An analysis of our earnings for 1928 shows that during the last five months of that year we earned \$1.80 per share on the common stock, making a total of \$2.80 per share earned for the full year. On this basis, our earnings should be around \$5 per share on the common stock for the full year of 1929."

"Production of hosiery for the first seven months of 1929 amounted to 227,437 dozens, as against 163,583 dozens for the same period last year."—V. 129, p. 1130.

**Detroit Creamery Co.—Terms of Exchange.—**

See National Dairy Products Corp., below.—V. 129, p. 482.

**Domestic & Foreign Investors Corp.—Earnings.—**

Years Ended June 30—	1929.	1928.
From syndicate participations, underwritings, sale of securities, net interest and dividends-----	\$1,360,097	\$763,424
General and administrative expense, int. on debentures and provision for Federal income tax-----	358,796	316,480

Net income for year carried to surplus-----\$1,001,301 \$446,944  
 David Friday, President, in commenting on the year's results, made the following statement: "The corporation, on the basis of broad studies of foreign markets, has engaged in extensive operations in Europe and in view of results to date intends to continue and expand these activities." Associated with Dr. Friday on the directorate of the corporation are Robert C. Schaffner, Chairman of the board; David B. Stern, James H. Becker and Lester Roth, all of A. G. Becker & Co.

**Balance Sheet June 30.**

Assets—	1929.	1928.	Liabilities—	1929.	1928.
Cash-----	\$223,154	\$347,557	Accts. pay. & res. for Federal tax-----	\$174,908	\$125,978
Investments, syndicate participations, joint accounts, at lower of cost or market, less reserve-----	4,457,291	3,335,156	Div. pay. July 1 '29-----	7,500	30,000
			Accr. int. 5 1/4% debts-----	57,292	57,292
			20-yr. 5 1/4% g. debts 2,500,000-----	2,500,000	2,500,000
			\$6 pref. stk. (5,000 shares, no par)-----	25,000	25,000
			Com. stock (75,000 shs., no par)-----	75,000	75,000
			Gen. res. for red. of pref. stock-----	525,000	525,000
			Surplus-----	1,315,745	344,444
Total-----	\$4,680,445	\$3,682,713	Total-----	\$4,680,445	\$3,682,713

—V. 125, p. 525.

**Dominion Stores, Ltd.—Earnings.—**

6 Months Ended June 30—	1929.	1928.
Sales-----	\$12,145,142	\$11,616,038
Net profits-----	\$301,075	\$206,150
Shares capital stock outstanding (no par)-----	272,250	90,750
Earnings per share-----	\$1.10	\$2.27

—V. 128, p. 4163.

**Donner Steel Co.—Balance Sheet June 30 1929.—**

Assets—	Liabilities—		
Property-----	\$23,935,899	Funded debt-----	\$6,313,000
Investments-----	2,185,965	Current liabilities-----	1,896,905
Deferred charges-----	131,627	8% preferred stock-----	-----
Inventories-----	3,817,155	7% preferred stock-----	-----
Accounts & notes receivable-----	2,392,216	\$6 conv. preferred stock-----	2,643,300
Cash-----	748,291	Common stock-----	2,277,250
		Capital surplus-----	8,088,723
		Reserves-----	7,872,193
		Surplus-----	4,149,761
Total-----	\$33,211,133	Total-----	\$33,211,133

—V. 129, p. 482.

**(S. R.) Dresser Manufacturing Co.—Earnings.—**

Period—	6 Mos. End. June 30 '29.	Cal. Year 1928.
Net profit after all charges, including depreciation and Federal income taxes-----	\$411,788	\$631,493
Gross profit for the first six months of 1929 amounted to \$548,932.		
Current assets as of June 30 1929 amounted to \$2,349,472, as against current liabilities of \$331,351.—V. 129, p. 482.		

**Drug Incorporated.—Earnings.—**

Earnings for Six Months Ended June 30 1929.	
Gross profit-----	\$30,758,340
Merchandising and operating expenses-----	21,773,647
Operating profit-----	\$8,984,693
Other income-----	1,358,794
Total income-----	\$10,343,488
Depreciation-----	839,777
Interest-----	1,192,714
Federal tax reserve-----	877,120
Dividends on subsidiary stocks-----	3,741
Net income-----	\$7,430,135
Previous surplus-----	5,492,568
Total surplus-----	\$12,922,703
Dividends paid-----	4,774,522
Earned surplus June 30 1929-----	\$8,148,181
Earnings per share on 2,394,011 shares capital stock (no par)-----	\$3.10

—V. 129, p. 1130.

**Dubilier Condenser Corp.—Earnings.—**

(Formerly Dubilier Condenser & Radio Corp.)

Years End. June 30—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net sales	\$1,678,905	\$1,663,900	\$1,621,331	-----
Cost of sales	1,204,286	1,414,374	1,214,444	-----
Gross profit on sales	\$474,620	\$249,525	\$406,887	\$765,385
Oper. & admin. exp.	199,443	380,882	482,172	408,569
Net operating profit	\$275,176	loss\$131,356	loss\$75,284	\$356,816
Profit & loss adjustm'ts	-----	-----	47,696	318,582
Prov. for deprec. &c.	105,177	-----	-----	-----
Net profit	\$169,999	loss\$131,356	loss\$122,980	\$38,233

**Comparative Balance Sheet June 30.**

Assets—		Liabilities—		
1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.	
Land, blds., machinery & equip.	a338,168	\$328,770	-----	
Pats. & pat. rights	b1,203,034	1,201,921	-----	
Cash & call. loan	341,116	122,278	-----	
Accts. & notes rec.	d138,757	72,194	-----	
Mdse. inventories	e226,596	449,976	-----	
Develp. exp. def.	310,907	310,907	-----	
Deferred charges	8,114	8,873	-----	
Total	\$2,566,691	\$2,494,920	Total	\$2,566,691

a After deducting \$179,392 reserve for depreciation. b After deducting \$325,000 reserve for obsolescence. c Represented by 304,150 shares of no par value. d After deducting \$8,929 reserves. e After deducting \$156,402 reserves to adjust to lower of cost or market.—V. 129, p. 1130.

**Eastern Aircraft Corp.—Stock Offered.—Offering is being made of 70,000 shares (no par) common stock by Charles S. Rodd & Co. at \$12.50 per share.**

The company will introduce German aircraft into America for the first time through the manufacture of the all-metal Messerschmitt types of airplanes which are now manufactured in Europe by the Bavarian Aircraft Corp. (Bayerische Flugzeugwerke, A.G.) at Augsburg, Germany. Three models will be manufactured in this country—the all-metal 3-passenger and the all-metal 7-passenger cabin type of planes and a small training plane—and will be the first all-metal planes of corresponding sizes manufactured in U. S.

The company has an authorized capitalization of 300,000 shares of no par common stock of which 190,000 shares will presently be outstanding. The proceeds of this financing will be used to provide the corporation with additional facilities to meet the demand for planes of the all-metal type in the smaller sizes. It will also facilitate plans for the manufacture of other types of planes as the designs become available from the Bavarian Aircraft Corp.

The corporation announces that it will make early application for listing of the shares on the New York Curb Exchange.—V. 129, p. 1130.

**Economy Grocery Stores Corp.—Earnings.—**

Years End. June 30—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Sales	\$10,561,097	\$9,070,129	\$7,871,852	\$6,679,076
Less cost	8,283,997	7,215,675	6,201,355	5,203,150
Gross profit on sales	\$2,277,100	\$1,854,453	\$1,670,498	\$1,475,926
Other income, &c.	75,657	82,388	211,985	173,649
Gross income	\$2,352,758	\$1,936,842	\$1,882,483	\$1,649,575
Deduct oper. exps. (incl. Fed. taxes & deprec.)	2,081,207	1,791,792	1,736,253	1,496,949
Net income	\$271,551	\$145,049	\$146,230	\$152,626
Dividends paid	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Balance, surplus	\$171,551	\$45,049	\$46,230	\$52,626
Earns. per sh. on 100,000 shs. of no par cap. stk.	\$2.72	\$1.45	\$1.46	\$1.52

**Balance Sheet June 30.**

Assets—		Liabilities—		
1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.	
Fixed assets	\$584,025	\$445,880	Capital stock	\$750,000
Cash on hand and in banks	137,024	184,695	Trade creditors	600,996
Investments	4,884	4,088	Other accts pay	75,488
Inventories	1,122,523	834,523	Notes payable	120,000
Accts receivable	92,830	56,029	Reserve for Federal & State taxes	28,570
Organiza'n expens.	7,341	7,341	Res. for accr. exps.	2,506
Deferred charges to operation	13,443	11,083	Surplus	384,511
Total	\$1,962,071	\$1,543,639	Total	\$1,962,071

x After deducting depreciation. y Represented by 100,000 shares of no par value stock.—V. 128, p. 3000.

**Edison Electric Illuminating Co. of Boston.—**

The stockholders on Aug. 23 voted approval of the proposal to exchange four shares of \$25 par capital stock for each share of \$100 par stock now held. This is subject to the approval of the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities.—V. 129, p. 128.

**Electric Auto-Lite Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings.—**

Six Months Ended June 30—	1929.	1928.	1927.
Profit after depreciation	\$8,288,348	\$5,255,408	\$2,316,653
Expenses	2,000,066	1,546,103	457,303
Interest	87,519	15,720	39,445
Profit before Federal taxes	\$6,200,763	\$3,693,585	\$1,819,905
Other income	\$4,000,000	-----	-----
Total income before Federal taxes	\$10,200,763	\$3,693,585	\$1,819,905
x Amount received from sale of stock in Bendix deal.	-----	-----	-----

**Comparative Balance Sheet.**

Assets—		Liabilities—		
June 30 '29.	Dec. 31 '28.	June 30 '29.	Dec. 31 '28.	
Land, buildings, equipment, &c.	9,547,886	8,452,368	Preferred stock	4,157,428
Cash	688,830	701,914	Common stock	3,699,896
Marketable secur.	4,500,000	-----	Res. for stk. iss'ble	61,569
Call loans	3,000,000	-----	Surp. arising out of acq. of subs.	1,285,792
Inv. in & adv. to affiliated co's.	330,001	2,306,501	Accounts payable	2,607,548
Adv. to other co's.	44,132	46,240	Accrued liabilities	894,493
Notes & accts. rec.	5,175,622	4,324,505	Bank loans of subs	75,000
U. S. bonds	35,787	35,787	Notes pay. of subs.	-----
Inventories	3,912,585	4,297,823	Dividends pay. on stock issuable	30,585
Pats. & goodwill	-----	-----	Sundry reserves	71,564
Deferred charges	332,607	239,456	Federal tax reserve	1,294,862
Total	\$27,567,451	\$20,404,596	Surplus	14,674,506

—V. 129, p. 803.

**Electrical Products Corp., Seattle, Wash.—New Subs.**

The formation of the Electrical Products Corp. of Montana with offices and a manufacturing plant at Great Falls, Mont., as a licensee of the Electrical Products Corp. of Washington, one of the Claude Neon group, is announced from Seattle by George K. Constock, executive Vice-President of the Washington company, in a communication to the Los Angeles Investment Securities Corp.

According to the announcement the new company will have outstanding 1,500 shares of \$100 preferred stock and 7,500 shares of \$1 nominal par value common stock, of which 689 shares of preferred and 4,945 of common are issued to the Washington company in exchange for its unexpired contracts and license in the Montana territory. Of the balance 500 shares of preferred and 2,000 shares of common stock have been subscribed for cash, the remaining 311 shares of preferred and 1,244 shares of common stock being issued to an acquired sign company for its plant and business.

Of the total 9,000 shares issued of both classes, the Washington company has 4,945 shares which represents voting control inasmuch as both classes of stock have equal voting rights.

The Montana company will now have a virtual monopoly in the Montana territory and the Washington Company will receive a 5% royalty on gross business in addition to the profits accruing to its stock interest.—V. 129, p. 1130.

**Empire Bond & Mortgage Corp.—Rights, &c.—**

The directors have approved plans for the expansion of the corporation's business along general securities and investment trust lines, in addition to its present business of underwriting and marketing real estate first mortgage bonds. A special meeting of stockholders has been called, to be held on Aug. 28, to amend the certificate of incorporation to provide for changing the corporation's name to *Empire Bond & Financial Corp.* to increase the authorized common stock to 200,000 shares without par value; and to ratify the creation and sale of an issue of \$3,000,000 of 15-year 6% convertible debentures.

Holders of partic. pref. stock and common stock will have the privilege of subscribing at par to these debentures, in the ratio of one \$1,000 debenture for each 18 shares of stock held, and one \$500 debenture for each nine shares of stock held. This right will expire on Aug. 31 1929. It is contemplated that the debentures will be dated Sept. 1 1929, maturing Sept. 1 1944, and convertible into common stock at the rate of \$100 per share until Sept. 1 1944. Subscription rights have been mailed to stockholders of record Aug. 10.—V. 128, p. 3691.

**EmSCO Derrick & Equipment Co.—Earnings.—**

6 Mos. Ended June 30—	1929.	1928.
Net sales	\$5,030,458	\$2,873,908
Net earnings after all charges except Federal taxes	\$955,377	\$436,794

**Consolidated Balance Sheet.**

Assets—		Liabilities—		
June 30 '29.	Dec. 31 '28.	June 30 '29.	Dec. 31 '28.	
Land, buildings & equipment	\$2,244,193	\$2,140,187	Capital stock	\$5,000,000
Cash	339,597	1,103,018	Accounts payable	1,029,337
Notes receivable	108,094	184,903	Wages payable	56,147
Accts. receivable	733,842	1,124,081	Accrued accounts	39,396
Inventories	4,015,041	3,095,003	Deferred debt	-----
Investments	101,432	21,101	Res. for Fed. & State taxes	236,487
Good-will	200,000	200,000	Res. for conting.	196,931
Pats. & trademks.	765,734	765,113	Profit & loss surp.	1,976,217
Prepaid royalties, insur., taxes, & sundry items	26,632	22,945	Total	8,534,566
Total	\$8,534,566	\$8,654,351	Total	8,534,566

x 400,000 shs no par value.

—V. 128, p. 3691.

**Engels Copper Mining Co.—Earnings.—**

Six Months Ended June 30—	1929.	1928.	1927.
Gross value of production	\$1,113,955	\$873,383	\$862,546
Freight and smelting charges	320,522	279,543	300,267
Operating expense	417,353	402,203	492,498
Earnings, net of operations	\$376,080	\$191,638	\$69,782
Other income	13,441	11,198	9,500
Operating profit before depletion, development and depreciation	\$389,521	\$202,836	\$79,282
Devel. & special exploration	90,989	116,399	-----
Net operating profit	\$298,532	\$86,437	\$79,282
Surplus from oper. & depletion	-----	478,239	733,099
Non-operating income	1,712	46,093	5,270
Surp. from apprec. of mineral lands	1,500,827	261,798	425,139
Profit and loss, surplus	\$1,801,071	\$872,568	\$1,242,790

**Balance Sheet as of June 30 1929.**

Assets.		Liabilities.	
Cash on hand and in banks	\$539,077	Capital stock	\$2,886,813
Accounts receivable	66,583	Accounts payable	56,950
Inventories	145,790	Accrued wages	19,032
Mercantile department	40,000	Accrued interest on bonds	4,083
Investments	535,007	Unclaimed wages	2,694
Mineral lands	4,678,280	7% debenture bonds, due 1934	316,000
Ranches	30,550	Reserve for depletion	2,574,437
Tunnels, shafts and raises	647,009	Reserve for depreciation	1,006,439
Engineline townsite & cottages	96,319	Reserve for workmen's compensation liability	129,184
Plant and equipment	1,490,683	Surplus	1,801,071
Construction under way	23,393	Total	\$8,796,705
Pike experimental plant	22,281	Total	\$8,796,705
Deferred charges	481,641	Total	\$8,796,705

—V. 129, p. 639.

**Fageol Motors Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings.—**

Six Months Ended June 30—	1929.	1928.
Sales	\$2,285,887	\$1,816,280
Cost of sales	1,780,437	1,421,679
Plant overhead	220,699	188,942
Commercial overhead	132,172	98,502
Operating profit	\$152,579	\$107,156
Income credits	101,325	118,618
Total income	\$253,904	\$225,774
Income charges	71,326	76,337
Net income	\$182,578	\$149,437
Earnings per share on 200,000 shs. com. (par \$10)	\$0.77	\$0.60

**Consolidated Balance Sheet June 30 1928.**

Assets—		Liabilities—		
1929.	1929.	1929.	1928.	
Real estate	\$47,059	\$51,809	Common stock	\$2,000,000
Bldgs., struct., mach. and fixt.	380,488	294,637	Preferred stock	840,500
Cash	87,198	75,228	Notes and trade acceptances	501,883
Accts. receivable	636,948	454,479	Accounts payable	458,207
Notes and trade accounts	511,218	530,903	Depos. on contracts	7,000
Inventories	1,566,578	1,306,443	Other liabilities	-----
Patents	1	1	Deferred liabilities	37,359
Investments	-----	10,000	Reserves	47,669
Deferred assets	132,055	129,823	Bonded debt	525,000
Stock prem. & disc.	2,020,560	2,020,560	Surplus	964,486
Total	\$5,382,105	\$4,873,884	Total	\$5,382,105

—V. 128, p. 3692.

**Federated Capital Corp.—New Additions to Board.—**

E. E. Amick, Vice-President of the First National Bank of Kansas City, C. M. Bowman, Chairman of the board of the Mutual Life Assurance Co. of Canada and Gerald T. Moody, a director of Consolidated Trust, Ltd., have been appointed members of the advisory board.—V. 128, p. 4329.

**Federal Screw Works (& Subs.)—Earnings.—**

Combined Income Account 6 Months Ended June 30 1929.	
[Including Michigan Screw Co.]	
Net sales	\$2,921,372
Cost of sales	2,074,177
Selling expenses	33,151
General & administrative expenses	118,864
Operating profit	\$695,181
Other income	78
Total profit	\$695,259
Depreciation	80,744
Federal income tax paid or accrued	74,000
Net profit	\$540,515
Earns. per sh. on 143,500 shs. of no-par cap. stock outstanding	\$3.77



Consolidated Balance Sheet June 30 1929.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Land, bldgs., mach. equip., &c	\$1,149,686	Accounts payable	218,021
Cash on hand & on deposit	248,932	Accrued liabilities	9,587
Marketable securities (at cost)	19,837	Federal income tax	232,949
Acceptances receivable (customers)	840	Construction contr. payable	113,697
Accts. rec. (cust' accts.)	505,555	Land contract payable	25,757
Inventories	419,545	Reserve for est. Fed. tax, 1929	74,000
Other assets	50,056	Common stock & surplus	\$1,928,159
Unexpired insur. premiums	6,825		
Prepaid taxes	880		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,402,170</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,402,170</b>

x After deducting \$666,382 for depreciation. y Represented by 143,500 shares of no-par common stock. z Unpaid portion for 1928.—V. 128, p. 4329.

First National Stores, Inc.—Rights.—

The directors have authorized an additional issue of 39,030 shares of common stock, which will be offered at \$50 per share to stockholders on the basis of one share of new stock for each 20 shares of stock now held. Stockholders of record Sept. 16 will have the right to subscribe to the new stock on or before Oct. 7 1929. Warrants for the new stock will be issued shortly after Sept. 15. Application will be made to list the warrants on the New York and Boston Stock Exchanges.

Quarter Ended June 30—	1929.	1928.	1927.
Net profit before deprec. & Fed. taxes	\$1,491,257	\$671,967	\$553,097
Depreciation	139,743	106,425	81,393
Federal taxes	163,016	61,434	48,652
<b>Net profit after deprec. &amp; Fed. taxes</b>	<b>\$1,188,498</b>	<b>\$504,111</b>	<b>\$423,052</b>
Shs. com. stock outstanding (no par)	774,898	595,000	595,000
Earned per share	\$1.42	\$0.70	\$0.56

First Realty Corp., Seattle, Wash.—Pref. Stock Offered.—Marine National Co., Seattle, are offering 50,000 shares class A partic. preference stock (no par value). Price on application.

Entitled to preferential non-cumulative dividends from the earnings of the corporation, as may be declared in any calendar year by the board of directors, up to \$1 per share. Common stock shall then be entitled to 25c. per share; thereafter the remaining net earnings declared as dividends shall be divided in the ratio of 80% thereof to the class A stock and 20% to the common stock. Class A stock will be entitled, in the event of liquidation, up to \$25 per share. Common stock shall then be entitled to receive \$15 per share; thereafter the remaining assets shall be divided in the ratio of 80% thereof to the class A stock and 20% thereof to the common stock. Class A stock shall not be entitled to vote except in the event of the non-payment of dividends for any two-year period. First National Bank, Seattle, Transfer agent; Dexter Horton National Bank, Seattle, Registrar.

Capitalization—	Authorized.	Outstanding.
Class A stock	200,000 shs.	100,000 shs.
Common stock	40,000 shs.	20,000 shs.

Data from Letter of Henry Broderick, Chairman of the Board. Company.—Incorp. in 1925 in Washington, for the purpose of investing and re-investing its capital in real property, leaseholds and (or) personal property in the Pacific Northwest. The initial capitalization of the corporation amounted to \$50,000, which was subsequently increased at the end of the first 18 months of operation to \$120,000 and in Feb. 1929, to \$500,000. The capital and surplus of the corporation, as of Aug. 5 1929, is in excess of \$1,000,000.

Balance Sheet June 30 1929 (after financing.)

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Cash & call loans	\$686,375	Class A stock, (100,000 shares no par)	\$1,000,000
Notes & accts. receivable	42,686	Com. stk., (20,000 shs. no par)	15,900
Accrued interest	1,109	Lease deposits	1,468
Real estate & investments	286,174	Accounts payable	9,045
Deposit on leases	50,000	Mortgages payable	18,750
Prepaid expenses	7,490	Surplus	28,671
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,073,835</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,073,835</b>

The corporation has outstanding a contingent liability of \$80,000 5 1/2% first mortgage bonds, secured by real estate which has been sold to H. F. Osterman, Seattle, Wash., subject to the liability of said mortgage bonds. Listing.—Application will be made to list this stock on the Seattle Stock Exchange.—V. 128, p. 894.

(I.) Fischman & Sons.—To Build Large Plant.—

The largest plant in the world—a \$1,500,000 structure—devoted exclusively to the manufacture of soda fountains is now in process of construction in Philadelphia for the above company, largest manufacturer and distributors of soda fountains, according to an announcement by President Maurice Fischman. Work is being rushed to insure occupancy of the structure by December of this year.

Construction of this plant is one of many steps in the company's expansion program which has already included the acquisition of the Stanley H. Knight Co., soda fountain manufacturers of Chicago, Ill. "The unparalleled growth of the light lunch business in the drug, confectionery and department stores has resulted in a steadily increasing demand for approved types of soda fountains throughout the United States and abroad," says Mr. Fischman.

Consolidation of the three branch plants together with the main factory in Philadelphia will be effected upon completion of the new building, which is located on the south side of Erie Ave., extending from F to G Sts. along the Pennsylvania R.R. The plant, providing four times the floor space as the company's present quarters, will be two and three stories in height with basement and will be of fireproof construction with reinforced concrete, structural steel and brick interior and exterior walls.—V. 128, p. 4164.

Fould Milling Co.—Merger.—

See Grocery Store Products, Inc., below.

Fourth National Investors Corp.—New Financing.—

What is held to be the first public offering of the shares of a new investment trust ever to be made at a price below their cash liquidating value is scheduled next week when Fourth National Investors Corp. will be formally launched under the joint sponsorship of the Guardian Detroit Group, the National Shawmut Bank of Boston, Harbors Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago and the Marine Trust Co. of Buffalo. The public will be asked to pay \$26,000,000 for 500,000 shares of common stock with warrants attached, whereas the corporation will start business with net cash assets of approximately \$27,000,000. This will give the shares a liquidating value of more than \$53.50 a share compared with an offering price of \$52 a share.

The excess of each asset to over the amount derived from the public offering is explained by the fact that National Investors Corp., under whose management the new trust will operate, will pay into the treasury of Fourth National Investors \$3,000,000 for options to purchase 750,000 shares of common stock at \$60 a share, a price more than 15% higher than the price to the public. This is the same price at which the warrants accompanying the common stock are exercisable, each share carrying the right to purchase one-half share.

When and if all purchase warrants are exercised \$39,000,000 will have been contributed to the corporation by the investing public for 750,000 shares of common stock while National Investors Corp will have contributed \$48,000,000 against the issuance of an equal number of shares pursuant to the options purchased by it.

From the standpoint of initial capital funds, Fourth National Investors Corp. will be the largest trust in the National Investors group. Total funds of this group upon completion of the impending financing will be in excess of \$50,000,000 a sum which will be considerably increased as stock purchase warrants and options are exercised.

Fourth National Investors Corp. is believed to be the first trust to be institutionally sponsored by four banks of major rank in various sections of the country. National Investors Corp was originally launched about two years ago under the joint sponsorship of the Guardian Trust Co. and the National Shawmut Bank, the project being designed to make available to the public a sound investment security through the co-operation of a large group of banks throughout the country. Harbors Trust & Savings Bank later lent its support to the plan and with the organization of Fourth Na-

tional Investors Corp., the Marine Trust Co. of Buffalo joins the other sponsors. The principal stockholders of National Investors Corp. are banks, trust companies or their affiliated securities companies situated throughout the country.

From the market standpoint the recent record of National Investors securities has attracted wide attention. Stock of the parent company was originally offered in units at \$110 a unit. Recently these units sold in the market at \$550 a unit while the common stock of the corporation, introduced on the Curb Market about two months ago rose from \$11 a share to more than \$220. Stock of this corporation is held principally by banks distributed through the United States. Units of Second National Investors Corp., originally offered last November at \$100 are now quoted at \$145 while stock of Third National Investors, launched in April, has moved up from \$50 to around \$62.

Included among the directors of the new corporation are Henry E. Bodman, Chairman, Guardian Trust Co. of Detroit; Walter S. Bucklin and Paul C. Cabot, President and directors, respectively, of the National Shawmut Bank of Boston; S. Sloan Colt, Vice-President, the National City Bank of New York; Charles H. Diefendorf, Vice-President, of the Marine Trust Co. of Buffalo; John C. Grier Jr., President, Guardian Trust Co.; Robert O. Lord, President, Guardian Detroit Bank; M. Haddon MacLean, Vice-President, Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago; Walter S. McClucas, Chairman, Commerce Trust Co., Kansas City; George Murnane, Lee, Higginson & Co.; Warren M. Persons, economist, New York; Fred Y. Presley, President, National Investors Corp.; George F. Rand, President, the Marine Trust Co. of Buffalo, and Sidney W. Souers, Vice-President, Canal Bank & Trust Co., New Orleans.

(H. H.) Franklin Mfg. Co.—Shipments Set Record.—

The company reports for the 7 1/2 months ended Aug. 16 shipments of 10,951 cars, which exceeds shipments of any previous 12 months, establishing a new high record. The company's largest previous year showed shipments of 10,577 cars. Unfilled shipping orders for the first two weeks of August exceeded the first two weeks of July of this year by 65% and are 150% greater than in the first two weeks of August last year. Customers' orders show a substantial gain and are in line with retail deliveries.—V. 129, p. 970, 483.

Gannett Co., Inc.—Acquires Control of Brooklyn Paper.—

See the Brooklyn Daily "Eagle" above.—V. 129, p. 1131.

Garlock Packing Co.—Initial Common Dividend.—

The directors have declared a dividend of 30c. per share on the common stock, payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Aug. 31.—V. 129, p. 1131.

General American Tank Car Corp.—1% Stock Div.—

The directors have declared a 1% stock dividend in addition to the regular quarterly cash dividend of \$1 per share on the common stock, no par value, both payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 13. Like amounts were paid on this issue on April 1 and Oct. 1 last.—V. 129, p. 640.

General Cable Corp.—Sets Up Special Reserve.—

The corporation has set aside out of earnings for the first half of 1929 an extraordinary reserve of \$1,150,000 owing to the high price at which copper metal, of which the company is a large user, is carried in the inventory account. This is in addition to an inventory reserve of \$750,000 as of Dec. 31 1928. These two reserves will be available further to reduce inventories below market value, whichever is lower.

This reserve of \$1,150,000 was deducted from income for the first half of 1929 before arriving at a figure for gross profit. It is equivalent to \$2.40 a share on the common stock. In addition, the management set up a special obsolescence reserve of \$100,000. But for the segregation of these amounts in reserves, gross profit for the half year would have been \$7,323,593 instead of the \$6,073,593 actually reported.—V. 129, p. 640.

General Electric Co.—Group Life Insurance Plan.—

A revision in the group life insurance plan of this company, whereby the premiums paid by new employees will be in accordance with their age rather than an average rate common to all employees, and a modification of the plans for free insurance and additional pensions, also equalizing benefits according to age, were announced on Aug. 17 by President Gerard Swope. With benefits and premiums made proportional to age, under the new plans effective Sept. 1, no matter at what age an employee joins the plans, no injustice will be done to him or younger employees and, in addition, all employees will be better taken care of at time of retirement from active service, the company's statement pointed out.

Heretofore, under the free insurance plan, the company has furnished the same benefits to all employees, regardless of age. Under the revision the amount of free insurance given by the company to new employees will vary according to the age of the person at the time he enters the service. The regular pensions given by the company without cost to employees is not affected by the revision. These pensions are based on 1 1/2% of the employees' average earnings for the last 10 years of employment multiplied by the number of years of service.

Under the new additional pension plan, varying amounts will be set aside by new employees entering the company's service, dependent upon their age at that time.

This company, which has more than 80,000 employees at the present time, now has in force a group life insurance policy amounting to more than \$160,000,000. More than \$5,000,000 has been paid since 1920 through the group life insurance plans in the form of death benefits to more than 3,700 families of employees or in the form of disability payments to more than 250 employees.

Under the pension plan about \$2,500,000 has been paid to retired employees. There are now approximately 1,000 former employees receiving pensions or disability relief and the pension trust has been built up to almost \$9,000,000. Savings accumulated by employees under the additional pension plan amount to upward of \$500,000 per year.—V. 129, p. 971, 640.

General Foods Corp.—Subs. to Sell New Line.—

The Walter Baker & Co., Ltd., a subsidiary, announces a line of 5 and 10c. milk chocolate bars, marking the entrance of the company into the field dominated by the Hershey Chocolate Corp.—V. 129, p. 1132.

General Motors Acceptance Corp.—Bal. Sheet June 30.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Cash in banks & on hand	\$5,766,641	Capital stock	\$40,000,000
Notes & bills rec.	53,064,164	Accts. payable	10,667,172
U. S. & Can.	353,799,461	Serial gold notes	35,000,000
do foreign	60,863,013	6% gold deb.	47,000,000
Accts. receivable	1,508,245	Dealers' reposs.	
Furn. & equip't		loss reserves	7,764,340
less deprec.	1,393,788	G'd notes (U.S.)	222,760,500
Investments	5,228,705	Demand notes	
Deferred charges	4,656,392	(Can. & for'n)	41,710,488
		B'k's accept. dis.	19,713,375
		Bills of ex. dis.	4,915,317
		Accrued taxes	1,883,569
		Acct. int. pay.	1,758,333
		Reserves	7,055,335
		Unearned inc.	16,422,119
		Surplus	10,000,000
		Undivided prof.	16,565,695
<b>Total</b>	<b>483,216,245</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>483,216,245</b>

x Includes \$5,222,704 invested in General Exchange Insurance Corp.—V. 128, p. 1740.

(B. F.) Goodrich Co.—Proposed Consolidation.—

Announcement was made on Aug. 19 of the proposed consolidation of this company with the Hood Rubber Co., uniting two of the oldest and best known rubber companies in the United States.

The plan of consolidation provides that the Goodrich company shall acquire the assets and business of the Hood company through a subsidiary company which will assume the Hood company debts and that all Hood and Hood Products preferred and special stocks shall be paid off in cash at the earliest call date and at their respective redemption prices and Hood common stockholders shall receive one share of Goodrich common for each two shares of Hood common, requiring a total of 100,000 shares of Goodrich common stock.

The Hood business will be operated as a separate unit. In 1928 total sales of Goodrich amounted to \$148,000,000 and of Hood company to \$30,000,000.

The Hood company shareholders' meeting has been called for Aug. 30th to authorize the transaction which already has received the approval of both boards of directors.

**Reorganizes Entire Executive System.**

James D. Tew, President of the B. F. Goodrich Co., on Aug. 21 announced a reorganization of the executive system of the company. No changes are announced in the secretarial, treasury and controlling departments, according to the report, but T. G. Graham is named as General Manager in the tire division in charge of manufacturing and sales; J. H. Connors is named as General Manager of the mechanical division in charge of manufacturing and sales, and T. B. Farrington is named as head of the newly created factory service division. The General Manager of the footwear division will be named on Sept. 1, according to the report. J. W. Slade has been placed in charge of the research laboratory and will report directly to Mr. Tew. J. H. C. Miller is named as head of the original equipment department.

**Denies Reports of Sale of Mason Tire & Rubber Co. Plants.**

In denying reports that the company has sold certain Mason Tire & Rubber Co. plants, the company says: "The B. F. Goodrich Co. did not purchase any of the plants of the Mason Tire & Rubber Corp. from the receivers or from any one else and has not sold and is not operating any of these plants. We did purchase certain cotton mill machinery for installation in our Martha Mills at Thomaston, Ga., from this company.—V. 129, p. 973.

**General Vending Corp. (& Subs.).—Earnings.**

<i>Income Account Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.</i>	
Operating income.....	\$2,707,059
Cost of Supplies sold and operating expenses.....	2,330,723
Net profit from operations.....	376,336
Other income.....	18,116
Gross income.....	\$394,452
Bond interest.....	270,000
Other interest.....	8,491
Discount allowed.....	4,291
Provision for uncollectible accts.....	27,265
Miscellaneous charges.....	5,987
Depreciation of equipment and amortiz. of leasehold improvem'ts	404,583
Amortization of patents and development expenses.....	999
Amortization of organization expenses, &c.....	9,220
Amortization of bond discount and expense.....	59,351
Net loss.....	\$395,735
Previous surplus, Jan. 1 1928.....	294,711
Adjustments.....	Cr. 68,544
Deficit.....	32,481
Adjustment of depreciation and amortization, prior period.....	15,303
Expenses, &c., applicable to prior period.....	40,744
Provision for contingent losses.....	3,872
Write down of book value of discontinued operating equipment to scrap or estimated sale value.....	59,762
Profit and loss deficit, Dec. 31 1928.....	\$152,162

*Note.*—In addition to depreciation of equipment and amortization of leasehold improvements, patents and development expenses, based on cost, as shown above, there was charged to surplus from revaluation \$117,191 for depreciation of equipment and \$135,395 for amortization of patents. No provision has been made for amortization of locations and contracts for locations valued at \$1,959,821, Wm. Wrigley contract valued at \$505,760, or for certain patents, &c., valued at \$170,441.

It is the practice of the companies operating weighing machines to charge the cost of reconditioning machines against reserves for depreciation, such charges for the year amounting to approximately \$245,000. Of this amount approximately \$108,000 represents an arbitrary allocation by one of the subsidiaries of a portion of service labor, materials and expenses.

<i>Consolidated Balance Sheet, December 31 1928.</i>	
<b>Assets—</b>	<b>Liabilities—</b>
Property (less reserves).....	Preferred stock.....
Cash.....	Common stock.....
Notes receivable.....	Notes payable (trade).....
Accounts receivable.....	Accounts payable.....
Accrued int. receivable.....	Due to affil. cos.—accts. pay.....
Inventories.....	6% gold bonds.....
Due from affil. cos.—accts. rec.....	Suspense.....
Intangible assets.....	Reserve for insurance.....
Deferred debit items.....	Surplus.....
Total.....	Total.....

\* Less reserves for doubtful accounts. y At values as appraised by General Valuations Co., Inc., as of May 31 1927, less amortization. z Represented by 365,200 shares of no par value.—V. 127, p. 1955.

**Goldman Sachs Trading Corp.—Consolidation.**

The directors of the Pacific American Associates, Inc., announce its consolidation with the above corporation through an exchange by Pacific American Associates of their stock holdings for shares of stock in the Goldman Sachs corporation.

The Pacific American Associates, Inc., was organized in Delaware in January of this year to buy, sell, trade in or hold stocks and securities of any kind, to participate in syndicates and underwritings and to exercise such other of its charter powers as its board of directors may from time to time determine.

Since its organization Pacific American Associates, Inc., has acquired certain assets of Hunter, Dulin & Co. and Bond & Goodwin & Tucker, Inc., 98% of the capital stock of The American Company and stocks and securities of various Pacific Coast public utility, insurance, financial and industrial companies, increasing its capital and surplus to \$100,000,000. The American Company, directly or through subsidiaries, owns all of the capital stock of American Trust Co., American National Co., Inc., and C. F. Childs & Co., Inc.

The Pacific American Associates, Inc., through its affiliation with Goldman Sachs & Co., Hunter, Dulin & Co. and Bond & Goodwin & Tucker, Inc., will afford financial facilities for the extensive development of the resources and industries of the entire Pacific Coast.

Officers of the Pacific American Company are: Frank L. Taylor, President; Nion R. Tucker, Executive Vice-President; E. S. Dulin, Garretson Dulin, Thomas B. Eastland, Mark C. Elworthy, Bernard W. Ford, Carey S. Hill and Robert E. Hunter, Vice-Presidents; Alexander Macdonald, Secretary; G. Parker Toms, Vice-President and Treasurer.

The board of directors of the Pacific American Company are: Harry Bauer, Chairman; W. L. Honnold, Vice-Chairman; Frank J. Belcher, Jr., John G. Bullock, Waddill Catchings, E. B. Denning, Garretson Dulin, Thomas B. Eastland, Fred T. Elsey, Milton H. Esberg, Bernard W. Ford, Stuart S. Hawley, Robert B. Henderson, Carey S. Hill, Robert E. Hunter, Joseph R. Knowland, Alexander Macdonald, Athol McBean, Ben R. Meyer, C. O. G. Miller, Robert W. Miller, Stuart O'Melveny, Lee A. Phillips, O. Rey Rulo, Frank L. Taylor, G. Parker Toms, Nion R. Tucker and Sidney J. Weinberg.

The Goldman-Sachs Trading Corp. announces the election of Frank L. Taylor of San Francisco to its board of directors. Mr. Taylor is Treasurer of the Pacific American Associates, Inc.—V. 128, p. 4331.

**Grays Harbor Pulp & Paper Co.—Earnings.**

From the first nine months of operation of its pulp mill, the company realized net profits of \$277,772 after all charges including bond interest, depreciation and Federal taxes, according to a report being sent to stockholders by E. Mills, President. The pulp mill was placed in operation on Sept. 27 1928 and the reported earnings are the result of operations to June 30 1929.

The enterprise was started originally to manufacture pulp. Subsequently, the Hammerrill Paper Co., acquired an interest in the company and a paper mill was constructed on property adjacent to the pulp mill. Experimental operation of the paper mill was started on July 19, last, and regular production is expected to begin within a few weeks. Both mills are located on Tidewater at Poquiam, Wash.—V. 128, p. 1406.

**Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co.—New Building.**

Construction of a building in South Boston, opposite Boston Harbor, to serve the company as a terminal in connection with receiving, storing and shipping fresh vegetables, fruits and fish to more than 1,000 of its stores in New England territory, is being financed through the offering by

Robert Garrett & Sons and The Century Trust Co. of Baltimore, of a new issue of \$425,000 Massachusetts Chain Store Terminals, Inc., 1st mtge. leasehold 6% sinking fund gold bonds, due 1939. (See latter company below.)

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. has leased the entire property for an annual rental of \$61,000 for a period extending beyond the maturity of these bonds.—V. 129, p. 641.

**Great Britain & Canada Investment Corp.—Earnings.**

Results of the first four months of operations are reported as satisfactory. Commencing business about April 1 the company was in a position to take advantage of the low prices for securities prevailing at the time so that its holdings at current prices show a large increase in value over cost. For the four months period net revenue available for interest, taxes and dividends amounted to \$327,498 or over 3½ times interest requirements on the 4¼% debentures.

Securities held as of July 25 showed at the prices of that day an appreciation in market value of \$534,472 so that the total of realized and unrealized profits available for interest, dividends and taxes amounted to \$861,970 or 7.83% on the \$11,000,000 of assets with which the company began business. Since the period covered is only four months, earnings were at the rate of approximately 23.5% per annum on the capital employed.

Allowing for interest, preferred dividends and taxes, the total of realized and unrealized profits for the 4 months was equivalent to \$1.84 per share on the common stock or at the rate of \$5.52 per annum. As of July 25 1929 the company had over \$3,500,000 in cash or call loans.—V. 128, p. 1916.

**Grigsby-Grunow Co.—Listing.**

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 1,748,160 shares common stock (no par) on official notice of issuance as a split-up, four for one of present outstanding common stock.

**Comparative Statement of Earnings for Stated Periods.**

	Year End, May 31 '29	Year End, May 31 '28	8 Mos. End, May 31 '27
Sales.....	\$49,318,669	\$5,861,225	\$2,367,827
Less royalties.....	3,787,489	46,338	—
Cost of sales except depreciation.....	36,293,885	3,939,344	1,852,345
Depreciation.....	232,743	84,684	16,888
Gross profit on sales.....	\$9,004,551	\$1,790,858	\$498,594
Operating expenses.....	2,682,767	979,876	273,210
Net profit on sales.....	\$6,321,785	\$810,983	\$225,384
Other income.....	372,725	17,546	6,539
Total income.....	\$6,694,510	\$828,529	\$231,923
Interest paid.....	21,558	10,013	18,614
Sales discounts and other expenses.....	997,022	105,561	97,016
Net profit.....	\$5,675,930	\$712,955	\$116,293
Special credits.....	11,617	47,898	1,017
Total.....	\$5,687,547	\$760,853	\$117,310
Special charges.....	1,935	44,647	1,328
Reserve for income tax accrued.....	571,000	100,000	2,661
Net profit to surplus account.....	\$5,114,612	\$616,206	\$113,321
Balance beginning of period.....	430,500	def\$13,731	227,168
Total income.....	\$5,545,112	\$602,475	\$340,489
Management bonus.....	192,000	—	—
Cash dividends.....	925,980	—	a112,050
Stock dividends.....	—	171,975	242,170
Balance end of period.....	\$4,427,132	\$430,500	def\$13,731
Shares outstanding at end of period.....	437,040	69,000	27,585
Earnings per share.....	\$11.70	\$8.93	\$8.93

a Includes \$37,050 dividends on old preferred stock retired. Consolidated Balance Sheet as at May 31 1929 (Including Majestic Corp.). [After giving effect to the change in capitalization authorized at a stockholders' meeting held Aug. 14 1929.]

<b>Assets—</b>	<b>Liabilities &amp; Net Worth—</b>
Cash in banks and on hand.....	Accounts payable—trade.....
Call loans.....	Due dealers on disc. notes.....
Notes & accts. receivable.....	Accounts payable.....
Accrued interest receivable.....	Accruals.....
Inventories.....	Liability ins. and local taxes.....
Prepaid expenses.....	Federal income taxes.....
Inv. in stock of assoc. co.....	Common stock (no par).....
Fixed assets.....	Capital surplus.....
Deferred charges and other assets.....	Earned surplus.....
Total.....	Total.....

\* Represented by 1,748,160 no par shares.—V. 129, p. 1133.

**Grocery Stores Products, Inc.—New Food Combination Organized.—Four Prominent Companies to be Controlled.**

Formation of Grocery Stores Products, Inc., which will, it is stated, immediately acquire four operating food companies, and is contemplating acquisition of additional companies, has been announced. The new corporation, organized in Delaware will have an authorized funded debt of \$7,500,000 convertible 5% debentures, of which \$2,734,000 will be presently outstanding, and an authorized capital 1,000,000 shares of common stock, represented by voting trust certificates, of which approximately 319,730 shares will be issued immediately.

The four specialty food companies, practically all of the stock of which will be held by Grocery Stores Products, Inc., are the Toddy Corp., manufacturers of a chocolate flavored malt food drink, The Fould Milling Co., a leader in the production of quality macaroni products, Kitchen Boquet, Inc., manufacturers of liquid flavoring products, and Edward H. Jacob, a company which produces the major portion of the canned mushrooms produced in the United States.

The purpose of establishing a voting trust for the common stock, it was pointed out, is to assure the management of the company of control of its operations. This management has long been identified with the handling and distribution of food products.

Robert M. McMullen is Chairman of the Board of Directors. Among the other directors will be George K. Morrow, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Gold Dust Corp.; James M. Hills, President of The Foulds Co.; H. H. Mills, Vice-President of the Foulds Co.; Bernard M. Gordon, Vice-President of Toddy Corp.; and Roswell O. Fish, of Beals & Nicholson, Attorneys. Consolidation of these companies under one management is expected to bring about substantial reduction in operating expenses, especially in connection with distribution. The companies included in the combination, all have established trade marks. All of these companies have shown a steady growth of business during recent years and under Grocery Stores Products, Inc. management, further rapid development of sales is expected in the future.

The Chase National Bank has been appointed registrar for voting trust certificates representing 1,000,000 shares of the capital stock, no par value.—V. 128, p. 1564.

**Gude Winmill Trading Corp.—Depositary.**

The Chase National Bank has been appointed depositary and agent of the voting trustees for voting trust certificates for 100,000 shares of capital stock, without par value, issued under voting trust agreement dated Aug. 5 1929.—V. 129, p. 973.

**Holmes Mfg. Co., New Bedford, Mass.—Defers Div.**

The directors have voted to defer the quarterly dividend of 1¼% due Aug. 15 on the 6% cum. pref. stock. A quarterly distribution of 1¼% was made on this issue on May 15 last, the first since May 1927. A back dividend of 4½% was also declared 3 months ago.—V. 128, p. 3361.

**Hayes Body Corp.—Rights—Earnings.**

The stockholders of record Sept. 16 have been given the right to purchase on or before Oct. 7 one share of new stock at \$20 a share for each five shares held. The proceeds will be used to provide for plant additions and improvements, and the expansion of the stamping unit, the capacity of which will be doubled.

A special stockholders' meeting has been called for Sept. 4 to vote on the issuance of 52,020 additional shares.



*Income Account 3 Months Ended June 30 1929.*

Total operating revenue	\$10,447,889
Cost of sales	9,980,453
General and administrative expenses	94,215
Operating income	\$373,221
Other income	94,230
Total income	\$467,451
Depreciation	49,616
Interest	16,214
Other changes	1,222
Net income (before Federal income taxes)	\$400,398

**Hecla Mining Co.—Earnings.—**

Period End. June 30—	1929—3 Mos.—1928.	1929—6 Mos.—1928.
Tons mined	79,778 80,065	162,013 160,248
Pounds lead produced	15,828,667 15,148,145	30,897,320 31,275,328
Average lead price	\$6.94 \$6.21	\$7.05 \$6.18
Ounces silver produced	454,791 449,391	874,124 947,387
Average silver price	\$0.53 \$0.60	\$0.54 \$0.58
Gross income	\$1,016,652 \$886,497	\$1,997,958 \$1,805,748
Operating expenses	347,238 413,294	723,493 814,011
Taxes accrued	92,000 56,000	177,500 139,000
Depreciation	31,095 68,565	57,609 139,564
Net income	\$546,319 \$348,638	\$1,039,356 \$713,173
Earns. per sh. on 1,000,000 shs. of (par 25 cts.) capital stock	\$0.55 \$0.34	\$1.04 \$0.71

—V. 128, p. 3522.

**Hood Rubber Co.—Proposed Consolidation.—**  
See B. F. Goodrich Co. above.—V. 128, p. 1565.

**Houdaille-Hershey Corp.—To Increase Stock.—**  
The company has notified the New York Stock Exchange that it proposes to increase its authorized no par value class B stock from 1,000,000 to 2,000,000 shares.—V. 129, p. 974.

**Household Products, Inc.—Acquisition.—**  
The corporation has completed arrangements for the purchase from Scott & Turner, Ltd., Newcastle, England, of the entire capital stock of a subsidiary which has been manufacturing and selling "Andrew's Liver Salt" in Europe the past 30 years. This acquisition will involve the offering of rights to Household Products stockholders to purchase additional Household Products stock to provide the money for the new purchase. This is the first venture of the corporation in business in England, although Drug, Inc., which is a large holder of Household capital stock, through Sterling Products, Inc., does an international business.—V. 128, p. 3361.

**Hydraulic Brake Co.—Earnings.—**

Period Ended June 30 1929—	3 Months.	6 Months.
Gross income	\$183,517	\$372,947
Research and experimental expenses	12,639	26,707
Selling and service expenses	12,129	25,002
General	31,697	62,251
Depreciation and amortization	8,904	17,791
Accrued 1929 income taxes	14,181	28,947
Net profit	\$103,966	\$212,249
Earns. per sh. on 44,476 shs. com. stock (par \$25)	\$2.34	\$4.77

—V. 129, p. 974.

**Hudson Valley Coke & Products Corp.—Offer to Stockholders—Proposed Consolidation.—**

The stockholders will vote Sept. 10 on approving the sale of the assets of the corporation to the Niagara Hudson Power Corp.  
President Henry Oliver Aug. 13 says in part:

The corporation has been operating at a loss and the total deficit from the commencement of operations to June 30 1929 is \$599,651. Of this deficit, \$195,381 was incurred during the fiscal year ended June 30 1929. Some of the causes of this deficit are that the unfavorable pig iron market conditions resulted in heavy operating losses when the blast furnace was in operation prior to Oct. 1927, and the continued heavy capital charges thereafter. The investment of the corporation in the blast furnace plant is (before taking depreciation) \$2,597,988. As the furnace cannot be operated under existing conditions except at a loss, the investment therein has little realizable present value.

The corporation as of June 30 1929 has total current liabilities of \$1,375,498. Included in this sum are notes amounting to \$1,082,394, due to banks and others, which are payable on Sept. 21 1929. The cash position of the corporation prevents the payment of these notes when due and the lack of earnings record would make it extremely difficult to have the notes renewed. The corporation has also maturing on Jan. 1 1930 \$588,800 of 5-year 7% s. f. gold notes, the refunding of which would be difficult, and if accomplished would entail considerable expense.

In order to supply the rapidly increasing demand for gas as required by the gas contracts, additions to the gas manufacturing and pumping facilities are immediately required involving the expenditure of approximately \$200,000. It is necessary, therefore, if the corporation is to continue, that arrangements be made for obtaining this additional capital.

A majority of the board of arbitrators in the matter of the claim of E. Arthur Tutin, Inc., against the corporation has made an award against the corporation in the sum of \$312,713, of which about \$187,000 is now deposited in escrow. Application to the Supreme Court of the State of New York has been made by the corporation to vacate said award, but pending final decision the claim must be treated as a disputed liability and funds must be provided for such contingency, if the award is confirmed.

To sum up, the above mentioned financial requirements of this corporation between now and Jan. 1 1930 are approximately as follows:

6% notes payable Sept. 21 1929	\$1,082,394
7% 5-year s. f. gold notes due Jan. 1 1930	588,800
For additions to gas manufacturing and pumping facilities, about	200,000
Total	\$1,871,194

x Not including disputed liability in Tutin case, which exceeds the amount (\$187,000) deposited in escrow by \$125,713.18.

There appear to be but the alternatives of receivership, the sale of the assets, or a reorganization of the corporation.

The directors have received an offer from the Niagara Hudson Power Corp. for the purchase by it or a subsidiary of all of the assets of the corporation and the assumption of all of its liabilities. The offer will, of course, be submitted to the meeting of the stockholders in its entirety, but in substance it provides that the purchaser will assume all of the liabilities of your corporation and of its wholly owned subsidiary companies, the Hudson Valley Coke Sales Co., Inc., and the Hudson Valley Coke Sales Corp., as of the date of the transfer of the assets, and will pay such a sum as is equal to \$39 per share for each share of the preferred stock of your corporation outstanding and \$1 per share of the outstanding common stock. The total number of shares outstanding is 50,000 shares of preferred and 167,908 shares of common, so that the total amount to be paid, in addition to assuming the liabilities of the corporation, as of June 30 1929, is \$2,117,908, and in addition thereto the purchaser will assume any liabilities incurred in the ordinary course of business since June 30 1929. The purchase price will, to the extent that preferred stockholders exercise the option below referred to, be paid in common stock of Niagara Hudson Power Corp. at the rate of 1-3 shares for each \$39 of said purchase price.

Preferred stockholders of the corporation may take, if they wish, in lieu of the cash 1-3 shares of the full paid non-assessable common stock of the Niagara Hudson Power Corp. for each share of preferred stock of Hudson Valley Coke & Products Corp. No fractional shares will be issued and for any fractional shares to which a stockholder may be entitled who elects to accept stock, he will be paid in cash therefor on the basis of \$39 per share for a share of preferred stock of this corporation.

To entitle a preferred stockholder to receive common stock as aforesaid, he must notify the corporation on or before Sept. 7 1929.

Arrangement has also been made by which the preferred stockholders will be entitled to the benefits of the net amount saved, if the award obtained against the corporation in the above mentioned Tutin arbitration proceedings should be set aside.

In the judgment of the majority of the board of directors, if this or some other sale or reorganization is not arranged prior to Sept. 21 1929, it may be necessary to have a receivership. This would be expensive, would involve delay and would, in the judgment of the board of directors, result in the common stockholders receiving nothing for their stock, and the preferred stockholders receiving materially less than they will receive by accepting the offer of Niagara Hudson Power Corp.

It is hoped that the cash or stock for distribution to the stockholders will be available shortly after the consummation of the sale, about Oct. 1 1929.

*Consolidated Balance Sheet June 30 1929 (Incl. Wholly Owned Subsidiaries, the Hudson Valley Coke Sales Co., Inc., and the Hudson Valley Coke Sales Corporation).*

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Cash	\$92,977	Notes payable	\$1,082,395
Acc'ts & notes receiv., trade	303,941	Accounts payable, accrued interest, taxes, &c.	293,104
Due from officers & employ's.	1,118	Res. for relining blast furn., &c.	67,861
Inventories	618,972	First mtge. 7% bonds	2,004,500
Collections from customers, withheld by selling agents	188,912	5-year 7% gold notes	625,500
Cash in bond redemp. fund	32,465	Preferred stock	5,000,000
Plant and equipment	23,317	Common stock	238,620
Int. on cost of pipe line	x6,600,522	Profit and loss deficit	599,651
Gas contracts	150,000		
Prepaid taxes, rent, int., &c.	85,247		
Commissions & expenses on sale of preferred stock	332,549		
Disc't & exp. on 1st M. bds.			
& 5-yr. notes, net of amort.	237,417		
Total	\$8,705,328	Total	\$8,705,328

x After deducting \$1,062,810 for depreciation. y Represented by 165,408 shares of stock of no par value.

Note.—Cumulative unpaid dividends on preferred stock from Oct. 1 1925 to June 30 1929 were \$1,500,000.

**Contingent Liability.**—Award of a majority of the board of arbitration against this company in the matter of claim by E. Arthur Tutin, Inc. for termination of sales agency, together with one-half of expenses from which award an application to vacate has been filed with the Supreme Court, New York County, by this company, \$312,713.—V. 129, p. 974.

**Hydro-Electric Securities Corp.—Status.—**

Smith Brothers & Co., members of the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, in an analysis of the above corporation Aug. 3, said in part:

**Listing.**—Listed on Montreal Curb and London Stock Exchanges.  
**Corporation.**—Organized in Canada in 1926. Is of the general management type, specializing in public utility securities. 93% of its investments consist of large blocks of the common stocks of 10 of the leading public utility companies in the United States at prices substantially below the present market. Also has a small share investment in foreign public utility companies.

In March 1929 the corporation, jointly with Central States Electric Corp., formed the Electric Shareholdings Corp. The latter is now a \$70,000,000 corporation, having a substantial investment in public utility common stocks. The Hydro-Electric Securities Corp. and Central States Electric Corp. each acquired a 50% interest in Electric Shareholdings Corp. common stock as well as valuable options to purchase additional com. stock. Investments.—The market value of investments as of Dec. 31 1928 exceeded cost (\$40,493,693) by \$10,927,108, or more than 27%. The value of investments owned since the close of 1928 and as of Aug. 2 1929 shows an average gain of 84%, without including Electric Shareholdings Corp.

As noted above, the Hydro-Electric Securities Corp. acquired a 50% interest in Electric Shareholdings Corp. when about 625,000 shares of common stock were purchased at \$20 per share, or \$12,500,000, compared with the present selling price of about \$65 per share. In addition, the Hydro-Electric corporation holds options to purchase from March 1 1931 to March 1 1939 a total of 600,000 shares of Electric Shareholdings Corp. common stock at \$20 per share. In acquiring this interest certain domestic securities held by the corporation were sold to Electric Shareholdings Corp. at a substantial profit above the original cost.

**Present Value of Investments.**—The approximate market value of the investments held by the Hydro-Electric corporation, together with the net amount of its cash resources, amounted to about \$30,000,000 early in July 1929. Since, there has been a further appreciation of at least \$20,000,000. Deducting the par value of the pref. "B" stock outstanding and allowing for its participation from the total of \$100,000,000 would result in an indicated liquidating value for the outstanding common stock of about \$100 per share.

These figures do not take into consideration the value of the options to purchase 600,000 shares of Electric Shareholdings Corp. common stock at \$20 per share. Although these warrants are not exercisable until March 1 1931, they have a substantial value, as the stock is currently selling at about \$65 per share. The assumption that these options are worth at least \$45 each would add \$27,000,000 to the value of Hydro-Electric Securities Corp. investments.

On this basis the present market value of investments would amount to about \$127,000,000, which, after allowing for the pref. "B" stock, would be equivalent to about \$139 per share on the outstanding common stock. Assuming the exercise of warrants to purchase 735,775 shares of Hydro-Electric Securities Corp. common stock at \$25 per share (originally issued in connection with sale of pref. "B" stock), assets at market values would be increased to more than \$145,000,000.

**Earnings.**—The reported net income of the Hydro-Electric Securities Corp. for the year 1928 was \$1,159,134, plus \$635,568, the market value of dividends paid in stock, or a total of \$1,794,702. Owing to the substantial appreciation realized on certain investments, as well as stock dividends, rights, &c., results should reflect a very large increase in net income for 1929. The inauguration in August 1929 of dividends on Electric Shareholdings Corp. common stock at the annual rate of 8% in common stock and \$1 in cash will further add substantially to net income. In June 1929 an initial div. of 25c. per share was paid on Hydro-Electric corporation common stock.

**Management.**—The Hydro-Electric corporation is affiliated with J. Henry Schroder Banking Corp., International Holding & Investment Co., Ltd., and the Societe Generale de Belgique S. A. The latter company, established in 1822, is the oldest financial institution in Belgium and one of the largest with total assets of nearly \$700,000,000. It has a large share interest in various railway, engineering, mining, electric, textile and banking concerns and 16 affiliated institutions in Belgium, while numerous branches throughout the country are its agents. J. Henry Schroder Banking Corp. and the Royal Bank of Canada are the bankers for the co.

Capitalization (as of Dec. 31 1928)—	Authorized.	Outstanding.
Preferred stock A (par \$100)	\$30,000,000	None
Preferred stock B (par \$10)	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000
Common stock (no par)	2,000,000 shs.	740,158 shs.

There were outstanding as of Dec. 31 1928 options to subscribe to a total of 738,865 (to-day about 735,775) shares of common stock at \$25 per share, exercisable on or before Jan. 1 1931, originally attached to pref. "B" stock.—V. 128, p. 3825.

**Hygrade Food Products Corp.—Stock Increased.—**

The company has filed a certificate at Albany, N. Y. increasing its authorized capital stock from 200,000 shares to 500,000 shares, no par value.—V. 129, p. 974.

**Intercontinental Rubber Co. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—**

Six Mos. End. June 30—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
x Profit from operations	\$38,971	\$408,935	\$521,776	\$876,393
Int. earned & other sundry income	78,724	55,092	54,732	28,914
Total	\$117,695	\$464,027	\$576,507	\$905,307
Gen. sales exp. & miscell. taxes	103,415	77,587	85,983	121,563
Depreciation	72,000	69,999	65,500	773,000
Est. U. S. & foreign inc. taxes		38,000	58,970	92,901
Disc. & organiz. exp.				5,777
Net income	Def. \$57,720	\$278,439	\$366,054	\$612,067
Surplus Jan. 1	1,096,759	1,047,894	996,792	826,675
Total surplus	\$1,039,039	\$1,326,333	\$1,362,846	\$1,438,742
Less dividends paid	148,815	297,280	297,280	592,207
Surplus at June 30	\$1,039,039	\$1,177,518	\$1,065,566	\$846,536

x Includes estimated profit of Sumatra plantation for month of June only. y Includes amortization.

Consolidated Balance Sheet June 30.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Land, plantations, &c.	\$4,587,521	Capital stock	\$5,960,040
Pats., trade names	\$4,303,990	Drafts payable	43,256
Cash	128,703	Accounts payable	27,594
Call loans	143,426	U. S. & foreign tax (estimated)	61,631
Accts. & trade accept. receiv.	2,000,000	Def. credit to inc.	10,303
Inventories	57,899	Sundry reserves	82,156
Advances & claims—less reserve	201,565	Res. for prop. val.	9,000
Prep. & def. chgs.	304,126	Surplus	81,271
Treasury stock	557,754		84,458
	120,833		299,727
	151,038		1,039,039
	1,720		1,177,519
		Total (ea. side)	\$7,495,268
			\$7,714,952

x Represented by 596,004 shares, no par value. y After deducting \$808,296 reserve for deprec. and amortization.—V. 128, p. 2279.

International Cement Corp.—Contract for Subs.—

A contract for 11,000,000 bags of cement, has been awarded by the Louisiana State Highway Department to the Lone Star Cement Co. of Louisiana, a subsidiary.—V. 129, p. 1134.

International Cigar Machinery Co.—Earnings—

6 Months Ended June 30—		1929.	1928.	1927.
Royalties		\$1,159,549	\$931,815	\$769,673
Sales		476,567	141,263	366,911
Total income		\$1,636,116	\$1,073,078	\$1,136,584
Cost of sales and expense		587,337	378,636	604,515
Depreciation and amortization		104,912	98,322	146,328
Federal taxes		113,264	67,532	52,075
Net profit		\$830,602	\$528,587	\$333,666
Dividends paid		600,000	300,000	200,000
Balance, surplus		\$230,602	\$228,587	\$133,666
Previous surplus (adjust.)		853,764	775,088	685,201
Profit and loss, surplus		\$1,084,366	\$1,003,675	\$818,868
Earns. per sh. on 300,000 shs. of no par capital stk. outstanding		\$2.77	\$1.71	\$1.11

Balance Sheet June 30.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Fixed assets	\$423,274	Capital stock	\$10,000,000
Cash	130,124	Accts. payable	16,831
Call loans	400,000	Taxes pay. accr'd	233,215
Accts. receivable	492,430	Depos. on contract for machines	99,000
Notes & accept. rec.	20,176	Accounts payable (inter-co.)	60,970
Inventory	50,386	Res. for deprec.	281,321
Invest. in other cos	50,000	Surplus	1,084,367
Pats., licenses, &c.	10,208,348		1,084,367
Deferred charges	974		1,084,367
Total	\$11,775,704	Total	\$11,775,704

x After deducting \$2,642,504 reserves. y Represented by 300,000 shares of no par value.—V. 129, p. 137.

International Germanic Trust Co.—New Officer.—

John L. Lewis, formerly President of the Mutual Trust Co., has been elected a Vice-President.—V. 129, p. 292.

International Paper & Power Co. (& Subs).—Earnings.

Period—	Quarter Ended—		Total
	June 30 '29.	Mar 31 '29.	
Total revenue	\$9,267,342	\$4,627,211	\$13,894,554
Depreciation	2,405,129	1,818,028	4,223,157
Amortization	183,415	119,553	302,968
Interest	3,395,058	1,878,521	5,273,579
Res. income tax	391,368	35,000	426,368
Min. int. subs	310,915		310,915
Divs. subs	1,653,814	295,687	1,949,501
Net income	\$927,641	\$480,422	\$1,408,064
Preferred dividends	1,609,758	1,606,858	3,216,616
Class A divs	596,778	594,223	1,191,001
Deficit	\$1,278,895	\$1,720,659	\$2,999,553
* Surplus adjust.	1,643,985		1,643,985
Previous surplus	16,459,674	18,180,332	18,180,332
P. & L. surplus	\$16,824,764	\$16,459,673	\$16,824,764
Shs. of pref. stock outstand'g	905,640	904,002	905,640
Earns. per share	\$1.02	\$0.53	\$1.55

\* Represents undistributed earned surplus of New England Power Association applicable to shares held by International Paper & Power Co. and subsidiaries and arising since date of original acquisition of such shares and minor surplus adjustments. Archibald R. Graustein, Pres., says: "The earnings for the second quarter of 1929 show a very considerable increase over those for the first quarter and though seasonal conditions make any increase in the third quarter over the second quarter unlikely a large increase in earnings is expected for the fourth quarter."—V. 129, p. 806, 292.

International Securities Corp. of America.—Listing.—

There have been placed on the Boston Stock Exchange list 600,000 shs. (no par value) common stock class B. These certificates are in permanent form and as issued they are full-paid and non-assessable and no personal liability attaches to ownership. Holders of common shares classes A and B have exclusive voting powers except in event of default of dividends on preferred. Each class A com. share entitles its holder to one vote, and each class B com. share entitles its holder to one-third of one vote under present capitalization. When 400,000 class A shares will have been issued, each class A share will have 2-3 of one vote. When 600,000 class A shares will have been issued, each class B share will have one vote. Subject to prior claim of preferred shares in the event of liquidation, class A common shares will receive the entire amount paid-in on these shares; class B shares will then receive the total amount paid-in on them and thereafter the remaining assets will be shared equally. Whenever the surplus and reserves of the company reach \$25,000,000 and dividends at \$5 or more per annum have been paid on both class A and B shares for at least one year, class B shares may be exchanged for an equal number of class A shares as provided in the certificate of incorporation.

The company was incorp. June 1 1927 in Maryland to invest in domestic and foreign seasoned and marketable securities. Its assets now include over 500 different securities representing investments in 30 countries. Capitalization consists of cum. pref. stock (par \$100) of which 250,000 shares are authorized and 229,438 shares are issued; class A common (no par) 900,000 shares authorized, of which 343,859 shares are issued, and 600,000 shares class B common of which the entire issue is outstanding. Company has also outstanding \$31,000,000 debenture 5% bonds due 1947 and \$954,800 coll. 5% and 6% bonds, due 1933, and 1943 of the former company. Transfer agents: Harris, Forbes Trust Co., Boston, Mass., and Seaboard Bank of the City of New York. Registrars: The First National Bank, Boston, and Guaranty Trust Co., New York.—V. 128, p. 258.

International Shoe Co.—New Million-Dollar Plant Opened at Malvern, Ark.—Has Capacity of 7,000,000 Square Yards of Shoe Lining per Year.—

Frank C. Rand, President of the company, has announced the official opening of a huge million dollar textile mill by his company at Malvern, Ark. The main building of the mill, located 1 1/4 miles from Marver, Ark., on the State Highway, is 813 feet long and 110 feet wide. It is of the most modern steel and concrete construction. The sides of the building contain thousands of square feet of window glass making it a daylight plant, a fact which makes for greatly increased efficiency among the employees through the maintenance of healthful and comfortable working conditions.

At present about 150 persons are employed in the plant, which is operating only during the day. When the night work is started in the fall or winter, the personnel will be doubled, it is said, when over 250 men and women will be employed.

All equipment in the new mill is of the newest and most modern type and includes many machines used in the manufacture of drill cloth or lining, from the cotton bale, through the carding, spinning, spooling and warping machines and looms, to the presses in which the drill cloth is folded and baled for shipment. There are 63 carding machines which prepare the cotton lint for thread; 12,334 spindles for making thread; a bobbin re-winding machine with a capacity of 12,000 yards per minute; a spooler that handles the thread preparatory to weaving with a capacity of 500 yards per minute, the only machine of its kind West of the Mississippi River, and two "slashers", unique devices which starch the thread. One of the most remarkable machines in the plant is that which ties 250 knots per minute. The Malvern plant is the first textile mill manufacturing cotton drill for lining shoes exclusively.

Between 7,000 and 8,000 bales of cotton will be used at this factory each year and most of it will come from the state of Arkansas. Erection of the plant was begun in July 1928, and the first manufacturing was begun Feb. 1 1929, since which time several carloads of drill have been shipped to the company's factories.

At the formal opening of the Malvern plant, Governor Parnell of Arkansas, in his address of welcome to Frank C. Rand and other officials of the company, in the presence of some 150 agricultural, industrial and business leaders of Arkansas, said that as long as he is governor, International will have the fullest co-operation of state officials. "Arkansas is largely an agricultural state, and we are developing agriculture," said Governor Parnell, "but we realize the need for industrial development as well. We have many resources to offer industry. We have more miles of navigable streams than perhaps any other state; we have wonderful mineral deposits a rich farm lands, and within a few years we will have one of the greatest power systems of the nation."

Frank C. Rand of St. Louis, President of the International Shoe Co., in his response to the felicitations extended him and his organization, said he was certain that this investment of \$1,000,000 in Arkansas will prove beneficial to both the company and the state.

The International Shoe Co. is a holding company and its principal subsidiaries are the Roberts, Johnston and Rand Shoe Co., distributors of Star Brand shoes; Peters Shoe Co., distributors of Diamond Brand shoes; Friedman-Shelby Co., distributors of Red Goshoes; Morse and Rogers, distributors of Sun Dial shoes, and Hutchinson-Winch, distributors of Triangle Brand shoes.

It operates 43 shoe factories and 61 auxiliary plants, tanneries, cement mills, and other industries. The 43 International factories are producing 50,000,000 pairs of shoes annually, according to officials. The lining of these shoes alone requires approximately 7,000,000 square yards per year, the estimated capacity of the Malvern plant.

This new International project at Malvern, Arkansas, which is in line with the far-flung expansion program inaugurated by the company a year ago, and the announcement of the opening of the plant, further emphasize both the position of the company as the world's largest manufacturer of shoes, and its strategic position as a leading factor in the shoe industry.—V. 129, p. 292.

International Superpower Corp.—Earnings.—

Income Account Nov. 1 1928 to July 20 1929.	
Total realized and unrealized profits, after all expenses and reserves for taxes	\$3,316,287
Earnings per share on 243,000 shs. common stock outstanding	\$13.61
Assets on July 20 totaled \$15,189,390, of which \$4,500,000 was in cash and call loans.	

Interstate Department Stores, Inc.—Earnings.—

6 Mos. Ended June 30—		1929.	1928.
Net sales		\$11,489,277	\$8,821,187
Costs, expenses and depreciation		10,936,328	8,434,134
Operating profit		\$552,949	\$387,053
Other income		11,115	40,308
Total income		\$564,064	\$427,361
Federal tax		67,688	51,250
Net profit		\$496,376	\$376,111
Preferred dividends		96,950	113,750
Surplus		\$399,426	\$262,361
Shares common stock (no par) outstanding		233,252	204,388
Earned per share		\$1.71	\$1.28

In submitting the statement of earnings, Leo G. Federman, President, stated: "The percentage of earnings of the company is greater than that of any corresponding period in previous years. This has been accomplished principally through constructive changes in policy and by reduction in operating expenses, made possible by additional centralization of the executive and administrative end of the business. Sales of the stores which have been in operation in previous years show an increase of about 12% over the corresponding period of last year; and, including sales of new stores opened since last year, an increase of approximately 30% is reflected."

Mr. Federman announces that the corporation had recently purchased in the open market out of surplus earnings, \$500,000 par value of its preferred stock, now held in treasury for cancellation.—V. 129, p. 975.

Investment Co. of America.—Earnings.—

Income Account Jan. 1 1929 to June 30 1929.	
Interest earned on investments & profits realized from sales of securities—less reserve deducted from investments	\$1,163,555
Dividends from investments in preferred and common stocks	195,593
Total income	\$1,359,148
Interest on 5% debenture bonds	125,000
Operating expense	34,743
2% income tax on bond interest	1,079
Discount on 5% debenture bonds, proportion written off	17,500
Provision for Federal income tax	144,024
Net income for the period	\$1,036,802
Preferred share dividends paid & declared	210,000
Balance to surplus & reserves	\$826,802
Res. for cumulative preferred dividends	74,180
Res. for contingencies	85,000
Balance, surplus	\$667,622
Surplus, Dec. 31 1928	945,663
Profit & loss surplus	\$1,613,285
Earns. per sh. on 111,100 shs. of no par com. stk. outstd.	\$7.44

Balance Sheet June 30 1929.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Cash in banks & demand depts	\$81,865	Preferred stock—series A	\$5,000,000
Secured demand loans	1,000,000	Preferred stock—series B	1,000,000
Investment sales receivable	353,753	Common stock	2,385,533
Divs. & accrued interest rec.	92,541	Investm't purchase obligat's	421,631
Investments	14,356,733	Prof. div. pay'le July 1 1929	105,000
Deferred charges	288,750	Res. for Federal income tax	62,500
		Res. for Federal income tax	204,696
		Res. for cum. pref. divs.	1,748
		Res. for cum. pref. divs.	170,254
		Reserve for contingencies	200,000
		5% gold debent., series A	5,000,000
		Surplus	1,613,285
Total (each side)	\$16,173,647		

x Represented by 111,100 shares of no par common stock.—V. 128, p. 4014.

Jordan Motor Car Co.—Earnings.—

7 Months Ended July 31—		1929.	1928.
Net income after development expenses, &c.		\$165,168	loss \$510,723
Earns. per sh. on 450,000 shs. com. stock (no par)		\$0.28	Nil
Net income for July was \$14,029.—V. 129, p. 487.			



**Jewel Tea Co., Inc.—Earnings.—**

28 Weeks Ended—	July 13 '29.	July 14 '28.	July 16 '27.	July 17 '26.
Net sales	\$9,055,287	\$8,440,873	\$7,737,212	\$7,863,059
Cost of sales, exp., depreciation, &c.	8,315,830	7,763,406	7,159,202	7,321,614
Operating profit	\$739,457	\$677,467	\$578,010	\$541,445
Other income	171,255	118,420	79,179	125,501
Total income	\$910,712	\$795,886	\$657,189	\$666,947
Reserves for Fed. taxes	109,285	95,506	88,720	94,283
Net profit	\$801,427	\$700,380	\$568,468	\$572,664
Previous surplus	1,704,314	1,849,146	1,239,311	998,414
Total surplus	\$2,505,741	\$2,549,526	\$1,807,779	\$1,571,078
Preferred dividends	—	(5%)126,525	(17½%)525,000	(12)385,600
Common dividends	530,000	358,298	—	—
Stock dividend	x120,000	—	—	—
Divs. rec. on treas. stock	—	—	Cr.62,125	Cr.26,800
Prem. on preferred stock, purch., &c.	—	52,091	27,269	49,432
Recap. expenses, &c.	55,030	—	—	—
Res. for contingencies	—	—	—	173,000
Reduc. of good-will	—	119,999	—	—
Profit & loss surplus	\$1,800,710	\$1,892,614	\$1,317,634	\$989,846
x 75% of 160,000 shares outstanding at assigned value of \$1.	—	—	—	—

**Comparative Balance Sheet.**

Assets—	July 13 '29.	July 14 '28.	July 13 '29.	July 14 '28.
Capital assets	x\$699,880	\$439,828	Preferred stock	\$2,370,000
Good-will	1	1	Common stock	\$4,240,000
Inventories	1,755,125	2,336,381	Letters of credit & acceptances	246,300
Plant & gen. office building fund	1,250,058	—	Accts. pay. sundry accrued and unclaimed prof. div.	143,412
Accts. & notes rec.	z261,979	311,598	Federal taxes	200,356
Investments	1,337,913	1,262,859	Divs. pay. Oct.	161,001
Trust funds	72,894	62,211	Reserve for conting.	94,196
Cash	712,720	491,867	Sundry accruals	171,977
Com. stk. held for employees	145,777	96,509	Surety deposits	72,894
Deferred charges	783,499	751,594	Surplus	1,800,710
Total (ea. side)	\$7,019,846	\$5,752,849		1,892,614

x After depreciation of \$949,076. y Represented by 280,000 shares no par value. z After deducting \$92,848 reserve for doubtful accounts.  
 Note.—Contingent liabilities for letters of credit issued against coffee on contracts, not shipped at July 13 1929, \$80,700.—V. 129, p. 807.

**Kingsport Press, Inc.—Debentures Offered.—**Stein Bros. & Boyce and Townsend Scott & Son of Baltimore are offering at 100 and int. \$500,000 10-year 6½% convertible sinking fund gold debentures.

Dated Aug. 1 1929; due Aug. 1 1939. Interest payable F. & A. without deduction for any Federal income tax not in excess of 2%. Company agrees to refund to holders of these debentures, personal property tax not in excess of 5½ mills per annum (or its equivalent in state income tax) if application therefor is made within 6 months after such taxes are due and paid. Red. as an entirety at any time or in part on any int. date at 105 and int. upon 60 days' notice. Denom. \$1,000. Union Trust Co. of Md., trustee.

**Conversion Privilege.**—Each \$1,000 debenture is convertible, at the option of the holder, at any time prior to maturity, or if called, up to 5 days prior to redemption date, into 20 shares of common stock, with adjustment of interest and dividends, and in addition, the holder will receive from the company \$130 in cash. Provision for the maintenance of this conversion ratio is fully defined in the indenture.

**Capitalization—**

10-yr. 6½% conv. sinking fund gold debentures	Authorized	Outstanding
7% preferred stock (par \$100)	\$500,000	\$500,000
Common stock (no par)	1,250,000	1,250,000
	*35,000 shs.	20,000 shs.

\*Of which 10,000 shares are reserved for the conversion of these debentures and 5,000 are under option.

**Data from Letter of E. W. Palmer, President of the Company.**

**Company.**—Incorp. in Delaware. Has acquired, as of June 1 1929, the business and assets of J. J. Little & Co., Inc., established in 1922 and operating the largest complete book making plant in the country. Company's plant consists of a series of modern concrete and brick buildings with approximately 200,000 square feet of floor space, admirably lighted and laid out on the most modern and scientific plan for economic production. The equipment is new, electrically operated and designed for maximum production with extremely low labor costs. Company is situated in Kingsport, Tenn., centrally located as to book distribution, securing of raw materials and in an ideal labor section. Company serves over 175 of the leading publishing houses in the country.

Company since 1925 has reorganized its entire equipment and personnel to provide for a general line of edition book making and to care for an increased and diversified product requiring greater technical skill and offering a wider margin of profit. The plant to-day has a well balance capacity of 75,000 books per day, which capacity is not exceeded by any other book making plant in the country. Notwithstanding this tremendous capacity, equivalent to 20,000,000 full bound books annually, there is ample room for increasing production as this total capacity represents only about 8% of the total annual book production in the United States.

The product consists of school and college text books, fiction, Bibles, Testaments, subscription sets, reference volumes, encyclopedias and catalogues. Over 700 persons are employed, nearly all of whom were trained in this new plant.

**Sales and Earnings.**

	5 Mos. End.	Calendar Years
	May 31 '29.	1928. 1927.
Gross sales	\$834,965	\$1,916,044
Net before interest, deprec. and taxes	116,234	245,714
		61,465

Net earnings for 1928, before interest, depreciation and Federal taxes, were equal to approximately 7.5 times annual interest requirements on this issue. Such earnings for the five-months' period ended May 31 1929 were at the annual rate of approximately 8.5 times interest requirements on this issue.

**Assets.**—The balance sheet as of June 1 1929 shows net tangible assets of over \$3,800 for each \$1,000 debenture of this issue to be outstanding. Net current assets were equal to \$500,000, or 100% of the face amount of debentures. As long as any of these debentures are outstanding, no lien or encumbrance may be placed against the present assets of the company.

**Sinking Fund.**—Company agrees to pay to the trustee for sinking fund purposes, on the first day of November of each year these debentures are outstanding, 10% of the net income of the company, with a minimum sinking fund of \$18,000 per annum, which minimum amount is payable at the rate of \$1,500 monthly, beginning Sept. 1 1929.

**Listing.**—Company has agreed to make application to list these debentures and also its common stock on the Baltimore and Louisville stock exchanges.

**Kinmer Airplane & Motors Co.—New Director.**—Preston Lockwood has been elected a director.—V. 128, p. 2279.

**(I. B.) Kleinert Rubber Co.—Initial Dividend.**—The directors have declared a quarterly distribution of 62½ cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable Sept. 3 to holders of record Aug. 15 (see V. 128, p. 3523). This is the first dividend since 1924, it is stated.—V. 128, p. 3840.

**Knott Corp.—Earnings.—**

6 Mos. Ended June 30—	1929.	1928.
Gross income	\$3,343,525	\$2,710,909
Net profit after int., deprec. & Federal taxes	247,939	228,184
Earns. per sh. on 155,980 shs. com. stock (no par)	\$1.59	\$1.45

—V. 128, p. 4332.

**Knox Hat Co., Inc.—Initial Div. on Non-Voting Stock.**—The directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of \$1.50 a share on the non-voting common stock and the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.50 a share on the class A common, both payable Sept. 15 to holders of record Aug. 15.—V. 128, p. 4015

**Kraft-Phenix Cheese Corp.—Earnings.—**

6 Months Ended June 30—	1929.	1928.
Net sales, excl. inter-company transactions	\$34,805,429	\$32,995,349
Cost of sales	29,176,404	28,455,836
Selling, shipping & gen. adm. expense	3,862,937	3,257,413
Net operating profit	\$1,766,088	\$1,282,099
Miscellaneous income (net)	47,867	Dr.20,531
Net earnings	\$1,813,954	\$1,261,569
Interest	204,149	213,625
Divs. to outside stockholders of sub. pref. stock, excl. equity of Kraft-Phenix Cheese Corp.	6,000	12,561
Net income before Fed. income tax	\$1,603,805	\$1,035,384

Surplus Account June 30 1929.

**Balance Dec. 31 1928** \$1,270,970

Net income for 6 months ended June 30 1929 1,603,805

Surplus from sale of Kraft-Phenix Cheese Corp. com. stock 39,750

Surplus from purchase of Kraft-Phenix Cheese Corp. pref. stock 760

Adjust. of investment in subs. co. pref. stock converted to common stock 68,040

Total surplus 2,983,326

Dividends on preferred stock 194,996

Dividends on common stock 666,427

Value of capital assets written off on liquid. of subs. company 55,046

Financing expense written off 9,226

Miscellaneous adjustments 5,769

Balance, June 30 1929 \$2,051,163

**Comparative Balance Sheet.**

Assets—	June 30 '29.	Dec. 31 '28.	Liabilities—	June 30 '29.	Dec. 31 '28.
Cash	2,437,262	2,892,820	Notes pay—banks & brokers	5,538,300	3,617,000
Customers' notes & accts. rec.	5,341,770	4,282,143	Notes & trade acceptances	214,730	340,988
Accrued accounts not billed	27,778	—	Accounts payable, trade, incl. associated cos.	2,647,513	1,570,685
Raw mat'ls, goods in process, &c.	13,319,238	12,208,897	Sundry accts. pay.	187,987	—
Ins. prem., int., adv. & sundry	470,754	263,580	Mortgage payable	35,000	35,000
Officers & employ. notes & accts.	28,361	38,494	Accrued expenses	258,019	386,658
Notes rec. & trade accts. of associa. &c. cos.	1,373,334	896,633	Prov. for Fed. & foreign inc. taxes	289,119	494,938
Invest.-assoc. cos	7,513,534	7,448,092	Ser. gold notes 5%	3,000,000	4,000,000
Other investments	369,533	411,952	Kraft-Phenix Ch. Co. 4½% gold notes	1,000,000	900,000
Property, plant & equip.	7,280,555	7,090,256	Dividends payable	429,892	332,821
Leaseh'ds & licen.	803,222	805,239	Mtge. payable, due 1930	—	25,000
Pats., good-will, &c.	3,020,793	2,150,155	Equity of preferred stockholders of subs. of Kraft Cheese Co. incl. divs. accrued	156,000	188,796
Total (each side)	41,986,136	38,488,266	Scrip outstanding	45,180	45,194

a Represented by 904,733 no par shares. b Includes surplus. c After depreciation of \$2,495,837.

R. F. Reynolds, President of the Selected Industries, Inc., C. K. Reynolds, a director of the latter concern, and John Hanes, senior partner of C. D. Barney & Co., have been elected to the board of the Kraft-Phenix Cheese Corp. See also Selected Industries, Inc., below.—V. 128, p. 4332.

**Kreuger & Toll Co.—Kreuger & Toll and Svenska Handelsbanken to Control Wood and Pulp Concerns.—** Holding Company Formed.—

Formation of a holding company to take over majority control of 10 leading sawmill and pulp mill concerns in Northern Sweden by the Kreuger & Toll Co. and the Svenska Handelsbanken was announced Aug. 20. Assets involved in the deal aggregate \$75,000,000.

This new combination will represent the largest wood industry concern yet formed in Sweden and will control approximately 450,000 tons of Sweden's annual production of wood pulp and 140,000 standards of sawn wood with a combined export value of approximately \$30,000,000.

Companies included in the combination are all old established enterprises largely centered around Sundsvall, the chief timber district of Sweden. In this district also are located the waterfalls owned by the Hammarforsens Power Co. which is controlled by the Kreuger & Toll Co. and which will also enter the consolidation. The new pulp concern will own 4,000,000 acres of land in the best timber district of Sweden.

In announcing the formation of the holding company the Kreuger & Toll Co. made the following statement in a cable to Lee, Higginson & Co.: "The companies are at present producing income at a very satisfactory rate, but it is expected that the income can be greatly increased through the consolidation which has taken place. All of the shares in the new company will be taken over by Kreuger & Toll and the whole transaction may be considered as part of the policy of this company to make investments in large industrial enterprises of different nature in order to make the basis for its expansion as broad as possible."—V. 129, p. 1135.

**Lake Erie Bolt & Nut Co.—Proposed Merger.**—Announcement was made last week that the company will acquire all of the assets of the American Bolt Co. of Birmingham, Ala., the largest manufacturer of bolts and nuts in the South. This consolidation brings together two of the oldest bolt and nut companies in the country, the Lake Erie company having been established 75 years ago and the American Bolt Co. 82 years ago. The latter company has been wholly owned by Nathan L. Miller and F. H. Mohns, both of Birmingham. Mr. Miller, its President, now retires from the business and the Birmingham property will be operated through a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Lake Erie company. The name of the American Bolt Co. will be retained and no other change is contemplated in the present active management, headed by F. H. Mohns. It is understood that steps will be taken immediately to improve and modernize the facilities at the Birmingham plant.—V. 128, p. 4015.

**Lessing's Inc.—Earnings.—**

7 Months Ended July 31—	1929.	1928.
Net profit after charges & Federal taxes	\$52,474	\$21,139
Earns. per sh. on 33,434 shs. com. stk. (par \$5)	\$1.57	\$0.63

**Sales for Month and 7 Months Ended July 31.**

1929—Month—1928.	Increase.	1929—7 Mos.—1928.	Increase.
\$53,551	\$35,308	\$18,243	\$349,773
		\$259,312	\$90,461

V. 129, p. 808,644.

**Link Belt Co.—Earnings.—**

6 Months Ended June 30—	1929.	1928.
Net income after charges	\$1,385,932	\$1,305,305
Earns. per sh. on 709,177 shs. com. stk. (no par)	\$1.95	\$1.65

—V. 128, p. 4333.

**Lion Oil Refining Co.—Earnings.—**

7 Months Ended July 31—	1929.	1928.
Net profit after depr. & depl. but before Fed. taxes	\$712,750	\$63,779
July 1929 profit before Fed. taxes amounted to \$210,463.—		

V. 129, p. 487.

**Loft, Inc.—To Manage Drug Chain.**—President Alfred R. Miller on Aug. 20 stated that the taking over the management of the Allison chain of 15 drug stores in New York City is not an indication of the intent of the Loft corporation to enter the drug

business. "We could not overlook this opportunity to quickly expand our own business under exceptionally favorable circumstances," explained Mr. Miller.

Under the terms of the contract which has been arranged between Lft. Inc., and the Allison chain, the Loft management will supervise the operation of the drug stores for a period of 13 years, in return for a percentage of the gross receipts.—V. 129, p. 293.

**Ludlum Steel Co.—Earnings.—**

Period End, June 30—	1929—3 Mos.—1928.	1929—6 Mos.—1928.
Net profit after interest, deprec. & Fed. taxes—	x\$311,958	\$125,537
Shares common stock outstanding (no par)—	170,000	135,000
Earned per share—	\$1.40	\$0.93
x Including Atlas Steel Co.—	V. 129, p. 139.	

**McLellan Stores Co.—Listing.—**  
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 35,000 shares cum. conv. 6% pref. stock, series A (par \$100) and 557,330 shares of common stock (no par value) on official notice of issuance in exchange for present outstanding certificates for class A common stock and class B common stock, with authority to add to the list, 35,000 shares of common stock on official notice of issuance upon conversion of outstanding cum. conv. 6% preferred stock, series A.—V. 129, p. 976.

**(R. H.) Macy & Co., Inc.—Listing.—**  
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 146,385 additional shares of common stock (no par value) on official notice of issue and payment in full in connection with the acquisition of the total authorized and issued common stock of L. Bamberger & Co., making the total amount of common stock applied for 1,304,010 shares.

The purpose of the issue of 146,385 shares is to acquire the total authorized and issued common stock to wit, 500,000 shares of (no par) L. Bamberger & Co. Of the 146,385 shares, 69,210 shares are to be issued and delivered in part payment for the common stock of L. Bamberger & Co. The balance of the 146,385 shares, to wit, 77,175 shares, have been offered to stockholders for subscription and the proceeds from the sale or so much thereof as may be necessary, are to be used for the payment of the balance of the purchase price of the common stock of L. Bamberger & Co.

Respecting the 146,385 shares 77,175 shares will be capitalized at the subscription price received therefor; the remaining 69,210 shares will be capitalized at the book value of the assets of L. Bamberger & Co. in excess of the cash paid therefor. The company has agreed to pay the bankers a reasonable commission for the underwriting.—V. 129, p. 644.

**Manhattan Electrical Supply Co., Inc. (& Subs.).—**

6 Mos. End. June 30—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Sales (net)-----	\$4,813,560	\$3,994,229	\$3,740,278	\$3,621,019
Cost of sales-----	3,552,850	2,832,504	2,578,780	2,843,205
Gross profits-----	\$1,260,710	\$1,161,725	\$1,161,498	\$777,814
Miscellaneous profits---	157,052	156,988	142,636	1,012,306
Total income-----	\$1,417,762	\$1,318,713	\$1,304,134	\$1,790,121
Selling, adm. & gen. exp.	1,106,364	1,058,256	792,463	
Depreciation-----	129,877	115,129	80,576	933,886
Int. on bonds & amort. of bond & disc. & expense	92,592	73,430	53,535	
Idle plant upkeep-----	21,835			
Net profit-----	\$67,094	\$71,899	\$377,560	\$856,234

—V. 128, p. 2280.

**Marchant Calculating Machine Co.—Initial Dividend.**  
The directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share on the common stock, payable Jan. 15 1930 to holders of record Dec. 31 1929.—V. 129, p. 644.

**Marion Steam Shovel Co.—Earnings.—**

6 Months Ended June 30—	1929.	1928.
Gross profit from operations-----	\$962,544	\$1,067,828
Selling, general and administrative expenses-----	583,144	577,441
Net profit-----	\$379,400	\$490,387
Other income-----	77,830	142,610
Total income-----	\$457,230	\$632,998
Deductions from income-----	13,034	91,752
Interest on funded debt-----	102,495	105,720
Federal taxes (estimated)-----	40,914	56,508
Net profit for period-----	300,788	\$379,017
Dividends-----	108,500	153,500
Balance-----	\$192,288	\$195,517
Shares common stock outstanding (no par)-----	100,000	50,000
Earns per share-----	\$1.92	\$5.41

**Condensed Balance Sheet June 30.**

Assets—	1929.	1928.	Liabilities—	1929.	1928.
Ld., bldgs., mach., equip., &c.-----	5,245,751	5,714,819	Accts. payable-----	625,975	342,954
Investments-----	489,411	204,888	Notes payable-----	154,470	
Cash-----	287,218	541,714	Adv. pay rec.-----	24,186	97,846
Call loans, secured-----	250,000		Accr. int., payrolls, &c.-----	313,456	294,117
Marketable secur.-----	53,650		Federal, State & county taxes-----	151,659	182,665
Accts. & notes rec. less reserve-----	3,479,092	2,850,309	Divs. declared-----	54,250	91,750
Inventories-----	4,052,065	3,788,771	Notes & accts. payable affil. co.-----	66,687	
Deferred charges-----	424,289	292,138	1st mtg. 20-yr. bds-----	3,389,000	3,048,000
			Cum. pref. stock-----	3,100,000	3,100,000
			Common stock-----	2,500,000	2,500,000
			Surplus-----	3,598,144	4,038,953
Total-----	13,977,826	13,696,259	Total-----	13,977,826	13,696,259

x Represented by 100,000 shares of no par value. y Paid in and appropriated surplus \$2,239,308, earned surplus \$467,335, less dividends paid and declared, \$108,500, balance \$3,598,144. z After reserve for depreciation.—V. 128, p. 2475.

**Massachusetts Chain Store Terminals, Inc.—Bonds Offered.**—Robert Garrett & Sons and the Century Trust Co. of Baltimore, are offering at 100 and int. \$425,000 1st mtg. leasehold 6% sinking fund gold bonds (with non-detachable stock purchase warrants).

Dated Aug. 1 1929; due Aug. 1 1939. Principal and int. (F. & A.) payable at the Century Trust Co. of Baltimore, corporate trustee. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 c's. Red. all or part, on any int. date on 30 days' notice, at a premium of 1% of the principal amount for each year or fraction thereof between the redemption date and the maturity date, but in no event to exceed 102 and int. Interest payable without deduction of the normal Federal income tax not in excess of 2% per annum. Corporation agrees to refund to holders of these bonds, upon proper and timely application, all State, County and Municipal taxes up to 3% of 1% per annum, including the District of Columbia 5 mills tax and the Mass. income tax not exceeding 6% per annum on the interest, all as provided in the mortgage.

**Property.**—The terminal is being erected on land leased from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, located at Northern Ave. and B St. opposite the Boston Harbor in that part of Boston, Mass., known as South Boston. It is being constructed in accordance with plans and specifications of engineers of the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co., which company will occupy the building in connection with the receiving, storing and shipping of fresh vegetables, fruits and fish to over 1,000 of its stores in the New England territory. Company also intends to make shipments from this Terminal to stores in the Northern section of the Country and as far West as Chicago.

The building will be three stories, 364x100 ft., with a reinforced concrete loading platform approximately 364x40 ft. The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. plans to install, at its own cost, a refrigeration plant, insulated refrigerating rooms and other necessary equipment in order to afford complete facilities to assure the most economical, satisfactory and efficient

handling of the special commodities which will be distributed from this Terminal. It is estimated that the initial cost of these special improvements will be \$65,000.

The site, containing about 58,179 sq. ft., has been leased by the corporation for a period of 20 years (or approximately 10 years beyond the maturity of these bonds) from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at an annual rental of \$8,700, with a renewal privilege at a revaluation for an additional 20-year term. The original 20-year lease is in non-cancellable form. The operation of the sinking fund for this issue is at a rate which is calculated to retire all bonds in 17 years on the basis of the original 10-year lease of the building, or 3 years prior to the expiration of the first 20-year term of the lease of the ground.

The building, exclusive of the railroad loading platform, will have a floor area of 124,142 sq. ft. and a cubical content of 1,617,561 cubic ft. The equipment will include three Otis elevators, an oil-burning system and an adequate drainage system. The property has been planned so as to make it readily adaptable for many uses.

**Income.**—The income of the corporation is in the form of a fixed rental, payable monthly. The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co., the sole tenant, pays a gross rental of \$61,000 per annum under a lease which extends beyond the maturity of these bonds and which contains an option for two renewals of 5 years each at the same rental. The maximum annual interest charge on this issue of bonds is only \$25,500, which will be reduced annually through the amortization of the principal amount of the loan, and the annual ground rent to be paid to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is \$8,700. The tenant pays all light, heat, power, water and expenses, of up-keep, with the exception of outside repairs, insurance and taxes, which the lessor Corporation pays.

**Sinking Fund.**—Mortgage will provide for monthly payments to the trustee at the rate of \$51,199 per annum, for ground rent and interest of this loan, the balance to be applied as a sinking fund to begin Dec. 15 1929. The operation of this sinking fund, through the purchase of bonds in the open market or by redemption by lot, is calculated to retire a total of \$215,000 par value of bonds at or before maturity, thereby reducing the amount of the loan to but 32.3% of the present average appraised value of the property.

**Stock Purchase Warrants.**—Each \$1,000 and \$500 bond will carry a non-detachable stock purchase warrant entitling the holder to purchase at \$5 per share, 10 shares and 5 shares, respectively, of the class A stock of the corporation at any time prior to Aug. 1 1934, or prior to the date fixed for the redemption of any bond.

The capitalization of the corporation consists of 4,250 shares of class A stock and 23,750 shares of class B stock. The class A stock is entitled to participate equally, share for share, with the class B stock in the distribution of dividends, and in assets, in the event of liquidation, to the extent of \$15 per share; and is redeemable at \$15 per share.

**Mergenthaler Linotype Co.—Extra Div. of 50 Cents.**—The directors have declared an extra div. of 50c. per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.25 per share on the outstanding 256,000 shares of no par value capital stock, both payable Sept. 30 to holders of record Sept. 4. Like amounts were paid on March 30 and June 29 last, and on Dec. 31 1928. From June 30 1926 to Sept. 29 1928, incl., there was paid quarterly, in addition to the usual \$1.25 dividend, an extra dividend of 25 cents per share.—V. 128, p. 3525.

**Metropolitan Chain Stores, Inc.—Expands.**—The corporation has added another large unit to its system in Trenton, N. J., President E. W. Livingston announced. The company now has 120 units in its chain, 11 of which were opened since Jan. 1 1929 and, according to present plans, approximately 150 stores will be in operation by the close of the current year.

Based upon the showing for the first 7 months of 1929, total sales for the full year, Mr. Livingston estimates, should approximate the \$2,000,000, which total will represent a gain of 48% compared with the total of \$13,512,000 reported for 1928. Sales for the first 7 months of 1929 were 31.4% larger than the same period last year.—V. 129, p. 977, 294.

**Mexican Seaboard Oil Co. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—**

Period End. June 30—	1929—3 Mos.—1928.	1929—6 Mos.—1928.
Gross operating revenue-----	\$694,454	\$310,277
Operating expenses-----	348,213	379,795
Operating profit-----	\$346,241	def. \$69,518
Other income-----	9,286	229,086
Total income-----	\$355,527	\$159,568
Interest-----	99,377	94,739
Drill expend. res., &c.-----	267,606	164,952
Deficit, x-----	\$11,456	\$100,123
x Before providing for depletion reserve.		sur \$14,488

Cia Internacional de Petroleo Y Oleoductos, pipe line subsidiary Mexican Seaboard Oil Co., for the quarter ended June 30 1929 reports loss of \$1,694 after expenses and amortization, compared with a loss of \$22,756 in the second quarter of the previous year.—V. 129, p. 644.

**Michigan Steel Corp.—Earnings.—**

Period—	—3 Mos. Ended—	6 Mos. End.
Net profit after int., depr. & taxes—	June 30 '29.	Mar. 31 '29.
Earns. per sh. on 220,000 shs. cap. stk. (no par)-----	\$2.69	\$2.67
	\$52,667	\$587,333

—V. 128, p. 4333.

**Midland Steel Products Co.—Receives Large Order.**—The company has closed another large order for its four-wheel steel-draulic brakes for a producer of approximately 100,000 motor cars annually, President E. J. Kulas announced. This makes the third new brake order to be received recently by the company. In addition, contracts for all existing business have been renewed. Midland steel-draulic brakes, on the basis of present contracts, will be used by five motor car makers on eight models. These requirements represent an increase of practically 100% in Midland's brake business, for which manufacturing facilities are being expanded.—V. 129, p. 810.

**Miller Rubber Co.—Earnings.—**

Earnings 6 Months Ended June 30 1929.	
Operating profit-----	\$274,593
Depreciation and obsolescence-----	652,917
Interest, &c.-----	285,839
Net loss-----	\$664,163

**Comparative Balance Sheet.**

Assets—	June 30 '29.	Dec. 31 '28.	Liabilities—	June 30 '29.	Dec. 31 '28.
Land, bldgs., machinery & equip.-----	7,604,633	7,436,035	Preferred stock-----	11,277,300	11,277,300
Real est. not used-----	420,943	433,760	Common stock-----	3,501,100	5,201,100
Cash-----	1,356,914	1,401,933	Notes payable-----	4,269,000	2,650,000
Notes, accept. & acct. receiv.-----	4,421,731	3,450,178	Accts. payable-----	2,061,811	1,399,884
Inventories-----	6,274,523	5,453,425	Accrued taxes-----	151,258	147,587
Advances-----	80,000		Contingent reserve-----	300,000	300,000
Real estate, mtgs. & misc. assets-----	149,895	438,663	Minor int. in subs-----	21,700	
Patents-----	1	1	Deficit-----	2,855,866	2,092,330
Deferred charges-----	197,613	189,548			
Total-----	20,426,303	18,883,541	Total-----	20,426,303	18,883,541

x After depreciation. y Represented by 260,300 no-par shares.—V. 128, p. 1569.

**Monarch Fire Insurance Co.—Stock Offered.**—Otis & Co., Union Cleveland Corp., The Nine-Sixteen Co., the Guardian Securities Co., Central National Co. of Cleveland, and the Midland Corp., Cleveland, are offering at \$42 per share 100,000 shares capital stock (par \$10).

This stock is not required, under the present statutes of Ohio, to be listed for personal property taxes in Ohio, and dividends are exempt from the present normal Federal income taxes. Transfer agent: The Midland Bank, Cleveland. Registrar: The Central National Bank, Cleveland.





**Nevada Consolidated Copper Co.—Quarterly Report.**

The report covering the second quarter of 1929 shows: The net production of copper from all sources for the second quarter, compared to that for the preceding quarter, is shown in the following tabulation:

Table with 3 columns: Item, 2d. Quar., 1st Quar. Rows include Net pounds copper produced, Average monthly production, and Total quantity of company ores milled and smelted during the quarter.

The average recovery in the form of concentrates from all company material milled during the period was 84.79% of the total copper contained therein, corresponding to 21.35 pounds of copper per ton treated, as compared to a recovery of 84.84% and 23.11 pounds per ton for the previous quarter.

The net cost per pound of copper produced, after crediting revenue from gold and silver and other miscellaneous earnings and income from subsidiaries, was 8.96 cents as compared with 8.28 cents for the first quarter. These costs include all operating and general charges of every kind except depreciation and reserve for Federal taxes.

The financial results of the quarter's operations, as compared with those of the preceding quarter, are shown below:

Table with 3 columns: Item, 2d. Quar., 1st Quar. Rows include Operating profit from copper production, Value of precious metals, Miscell. revenues, Total operating income, and Net income.

A quarterly distribution to shareholders of 75 cents per share was made June 29.

**Financial Results for Period Ending June 30.**

Table with 4 columns: Item, 1929-3 Mos., 1928, 1929-6 Mos., 1928. Rows include Oper. profit from copper production, Value of precious metals, Misc. revs., Total oper. income, and Net income.

—V. 128, p. 3366.

**New Bradford Oil Co.—Seeks Control of Argo Oil Co.**

A special stockholders' meeting has been called for Sept. 30 for the purpose of approving the acquisition of approximately 532,000 shares of outstanding capital stock of the Argo Oil Co.

In a letter to the stockholders, James Owen, President of the New Bradford Oil Co., said in part: "The New Bradford Oil Co. has been offered approximately 80% of the outstanding capital stock of the Argo Oil Co., a Delaware corporation, at \$3 per share; the balance, approximately 387,000 shares, to be paid for in stock of the New Bradford Oil Co. at par of \$5. The Argo Oil Co., at present, has approximately \$900,000 in current assets, consisting of cash, bonds, oil in storage and accounts receivable. The Argo Oil Co. has approximately 1,300 bbls. net daily production. This production comes from five fields in Wyoming and one field in Oklahoma. The directors of the New Bradford Oil Co. feel that by purchasing the controlling interest in the Argo Oil Co., the New Bradford Oil Co. would be taking a proper step to get oil production and property outside of the Salt Creek field."

The New Bradford Oil Co.'s capital consists of an authorized issue of \$7,500,000 \$5 par common stock, of which \$5,323,663 is outstanding.

The Argo Oil Co.'s capital consists of an authorized issue of 2,000,000 shares of \$10 par common, of which 680,396 shares are issued. The company has approximately 20,000 acres proven and partly proven acreage in Salt Creek, Mule Creek, Hamilton Dome, Lance Creek, Flor Butte, Elk Basin, Grass Creek, Baxter Basin, Oregon Basin, and Big Sand Draw, Wyo.; Cat Creek, Kevin Sunburst and Soap Creek, Mont.; Fort Collins, Colo.; Gorham, Kan., and Deer Creek and Rogers County, Okla. It also has approximately 40,000 acres unproven acreage scattered in Colorado, Kansas, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, Texas and Wyoming.—V. 128, p. 2644.

**Newport Company (& Subs.).—Earnings.—**

Table with 5 columns: Item, 3 Months Ended, 6 Mos. End. Rows include Net sales, Cost of sales, Provision for depreciation, Net income from operation, Total income, and Bal. for com. stock divs and surplus.

Consolidated Balance Sheet June 30 1929.

Table with 3 columns: Assets, Liabilities, Total. Rows include Cash, Secured demand loans, Accounts receivable, Inventories, Land, bldgs., machinery, &c., Investments, Deferred charges.

x After depreciation of \$4,198,501.—V. 129, p. 979.

**Noblitt Sparks Industries, Inc.—Larger Dividend.**

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 75 cents per share on the capital stock, payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 20. Previously the company paid quarterly dividends of 50 cents per share.—V. 129, p. 490.

**New York Air Brake Co.—Earnings.—**

Table with 4 columns: Item, 6 Mos. End. June 30, 1929, 1928, 1927, 1926. Rows include Gross income, Taxes, Dividends net, Surplus, Com. stk. & surp. Jan. 1, Sundry charges (net).

Common stock and surplus June 30.—\$16,201,390 \$16,010,312 \$15,817,380 \$13,266,333

Shares of com. stock outstanding (no par) 300,000 300,000 300,000 200,000. Earnings per sh. on com. \$2.14 \$1.46 \$1.48 \$5.32. x After deducting cost of manufacture, labor and materials, including repairs, renewals and depreciation.

**Comparative Balance Sheet June 30.**

Table with 4 columns: Item, 1929, 1928, 1929, 1928. Rows include Assets (Land, bldgs., machinery, equip., Pats., tr. name, &c., Cash, Market securs., Accts. receivable, Inventories, Misc. accts. & inv'ts, Beebe's Isl. Water Power, &c., Prepaid exp., supplies, &c.) and Liabilities (Capital stock, Surplus, Acct's payable, royalties, &c., Accrued accounts, Dividends payable, Fed. & state taxes, accrued, 1927, Contingent res'vs).

Total (each side) 17,474,844 17,011,589. x After depreciation and special reserves. y Represented by 300,000 shares of no par value.—V. 128, p. 1746.

**North American Car Corp.—Stock Increased.—**

The stockholders on Aug. 22 approved an increase in the authorized common stock, no par value, from 125,000 shares to 500,000 shares. There will be no immediate public offering of any additional shares, according to President H. H. Brigham, who stated that the increase was to provide for possible future expansion, placing the company in a position to take advantage of opportunities to increase the scope of its activities which may be presented.

The capitalization now consists of 50,000 shares of \$6 cumulative no-par prefer redstock, of which 20,000 shares are outstanding, and 500,000 shares of no par common stock, of which 113,347 shares are outstanding.—V. 129, p. 979.

**Ontario Steel Products Co., Ltd.—Earnings.—**

Table with 5 columns: Item, 1929, 1928, 1927, 1926. Rows include Total profits, Depreciation, Profits after deprec., Bond interest, Sinking fund, Preferred dividend, Common dividend, Balance, surplus, Profit and loss surplus, Shs. com. stk. outstand. (no par), Earnings per share.

Total (each side) \$3,041,219 \$2,980,891. x Represented by 51,588 no par shares.—V. 127, p. 835.

**Owens-Illinois Glass Co. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—**

Earnings of the company and subsidiary companies for the first 6 months of 1929 were \$2,212,657, after a deduction of general overhead, depreciation and Federal income tax. The financial condition of the company is excellent. At the time the assets of the Illinois Glass Co. were acquired, it was necessary to make loans of considerable size in order to take care of the cash portion of the purchase price. Since July 1 these loans have all been repaid and at the present time the cash and Government securities on hand exceed \$4,000,000. Although the work of integrating the operations of The Owens Bottle Co. and Illinois Glass Co. has progressed with rapid strides, and the advantages of the consolidation have already begun to appear, there is still considerable to be done before the full effect of the undertaking can be determined. Officials point out that although the large expense incident to bringing the companies together has been charged against the first 6 months' earnings, practically none of the economies which are to follow from the consolidation are reflected in the current earnings statement, since the transfer of the Illinois properties was not made until May 15 and the consolidated operation began shortly after that time.

Future periods should reflect these economies as very considerable reductions are being made in expenses due to the consolidation of sales and administrative offices and elimination of activities which in the past have been duplicated by the two companies. Changes in manufacturing schedules, tending toward lower costs, have been made. Operations are being concentrated in the plants best suited for serving the trade and the less profitable sales volume continues very good and present indications are for a good year in the condiment bottle business, particularly in catsups where the company's volume is very heavy and where it is a most important factor. New lines are being developed and new sales territories are being opened up as the result of the combined operation, where formerly the business of the individual companies did not justify active penetration and solicitation.

Earnings for 6 Months Ended June 30 1929. Manufacturing profit and royalty 4,791,909. Miscellaneous and other income 313,602. Total income 5,105,511. General selling and miscellaneous expense 2,609,878. Estimated Federal income tax 282,975. Net profit 2,212,657. Earnings per share on 827,288 shares common (par \$25) 22.38. Note.—The name of The Owens Bottle Co. has been changed to Owens-Illinois Glass Co. at the time it acquired the assets of Illinois Glass Co. and Chicago Heights Bottle Co., and the entire capital stocks of Carlyle Paper Co., Tavern Rock Sand Co., and the Madison Warehouse Co. Although the actual transfer did not take place until May 15, the acquisition was made as of Jan. 1 1929 and therefore the earnings for the first 6 months of this year cover the combined properties of The Owens Bottle Co. and its former subsidiaries, American Bottle Co. and Graham Glass Co. as well as of Illinois Glass Co. and its subsidiaries, mentioned above.—V. 128, p. 3010.

**Packard Motor Car Co.—Listing.—**

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on or after Sept. 4 of 15,000,000 shares (no par) common stock in lieu of 3,000,000 shares of \$10 par stock now listed and outstanding in the ratio of 5 no par shares for each share of \$10 par value.

**Consolidated Balance Sheet (Incl. Subsidiary Companies).**

Table with 4 columns: Item, May 31 '29, Aug. 31 '28, May 31 '29, Aug. 31 '28. Rows include Assets (Property invest., Mtgs. & land contract receiv., Inventories, Accounts receiv., Def. install. notes & bills receiv., Municipal bonds, U. S. Govt. secur., Cash in banks & on hand, Prep'd ins., &c. exp.) and Liabilities (Capital stock (par \$10), Current accts. payable & payrolls, Miscellaneous liab. not due, Prov. for Federal income tax, Cash divs. declared, Earned surplus).

Total 79,812,653 75,177,325. —V. 129, p. 1138.

**Pacific American Associates, Inc.—Consolidation.—**

See Goldman Sachs Trading Corp. above.



**Pacific Finance Corp.—Splits Stock 2½-for-1—Rights.—**

The directors have voted to split the common stock 2½-to-1, to offer 10% additional common stock, at \$120 a share to holders of all classes of record Sept. 21, and declared a 1% stock dividend and the regular quarterly cash dividend of 75c. on the common stock, payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 20. The right to purchase the new stock will expire Oct. 15. A special stockholders' meeting has been called for Oct. 1 to vote on the split-up.

The company announces its intention to apply for listing of the common stock on the New York Stock Exchange.

The corporation reports for the 7 months ended July 31 net income of \$1,325,000 after expenses and Federal taxes, but exclusive of earnings of subsidiary companies in excess of amount paid to current corporation dividends, as compared with \$815,000 for the corresponding period of 1928.—V. 129, p. 646.

**Paramount Famous Lasky Corp.—Personnel of Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc. announced.—**

At a meeting of the stockholders of Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc., held on Aug. 21, the following were elected directors of the company: *Class A Directors*.—Ralph A. Kohn, Sidney R. Kent, Charles E. McCarthy, Eugene J. Zukor, Sam Katz. *Class B Directors*.—William S. Paley, Jacob Paley, Jerome H. Louchheim, Leon Levy, Isaac D. Levy. At a directors' meeting held immediately after the stockholders' meeting the following executive officers were elected: William S. Paley, President; Ralph A. Kohn, Treasurer; Leon Levy, Secretary.

The acquisition of a 50% interest in this System was announced a few weeks ago. See V. 129, p. 1129.

**Peerless Motor Car Corp. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—**

Period End. June 30— 1929—3 Mos.—1928. 1929—6 Mos.—1928.  
 Net loss after deprec. &c. \$184,949 \$403,904 \$597,528  
 The consolidated income account for the quarter ended June 30 1929 follows: Gross profit, \$538,873; selling, administrative and general expense, \$697,715; operating loss, \$158,842; other income (interest earned and profit on miscellaneous sales), \$32,634; other deductions, \$58,741; net loss, \$184,949.—V. 129, p. 812.

**Pennsylvania Dock & Warehouse Co.—Bonds Sold.**  
 The National City Co. and Cassatt & Co. have sold at 98 and int., to yield about 6.17%, \$5,750,000 leasehold mtge. 6% sinking fund gold bonds (with warrants).

Dated Aug. 1 1929; due Aug. 1 1949. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 c\*. Interest payable F. & A. without deduction for any normal Federal income tax not exceeding 2% per annum. Red. at the option of the company or through the operation of the sinking fund, as a whole at any time, or in part on any int. date, upon 30 days' prior notice, at 105 if red. on or prior to Aug. 1 1933; at 104 thereafter on or prior to Aug. 1 1937; at 103 thereafter on or prior to Aug. 1 1941; at 102 thereafter on or prior to Aug. 1 1945, and at 101 thereafter prior to maturity, in each case with accrued interest. Principal and interest payable in United States gold coin at the head office of City Bank Farmers' Trust Co., New York, or Pennsylvania Co. for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities, Philadelphia, Trustee.

**Warrants.**—Each bond will be accompanied by a non-detachable warrant entitling the holder to receive on Aug. 1 1931 or earlier at the option of the company, without further cost, common stock without par value of the company in the ratio of 1 share of such common stock to each \$100, principal amount, of bonds.

**Taxes.**—Company will agree to reimburse to owners resident in the respective States, upon application in the manner to be specified in the indenture, the following taxes paid with respect to these bonds or the interest thereon; any Penn. personal property tax not exceeding 4 mills on each dollar of assessed value; any Mass. income tax not exceeding in any year 6% of the interest on such bonds; any personal property or exemption tax in Conn. not exceeding 4-10% of the principal in any year; any securities tax in Maryland not exceeding in the aggregate 45c. on each \$100 of assessed value in any year.

**Data from Letter of W. J. MacMillan, President of the Company.**

**Company.**—Incorp. in New Jersey. Has been organized to operate warehouse primarily for the dry and cold storage of freight received from, or delivery to, the lines of the Pennsylvania RR. at its freight terminal for the Port of New York in Jersey City.

Company has buildings to construct, on land leased from the Pennsylvania RR. warehouse buildings, including manufacturing and office space, and a cold storage plant. The cold storage plant will have a total floor area of about 237,400 square feet and a cubic content of effective refrigerated space of about 2,800,000 cubic feet. The buildings devoted to dry storage will contain about 1,435,000 square feet, including manufacturing and office space. All buildings will be of steel and reinforced concrete construction with tile walls covered with brick veneer and will be fireproof throughout.

It is a fixed policy of the Pennsylvania RR. not to operate warehouses directly, but to encourage their construction at strategic points along its lines. It has approved the formation of Pennsylvania Dock & Warehouse Co., after a comprehensive study by its engineering and traffic departments of the plans and specifications for the proposed construction of the warehouse as a component part of the Railroad's freight terminal in Jersey City. In order to take full advantage of this development, the Pennsylvania RR. is constructing two piers and is making extensive rearrangements in its freight yard facilities. The Pennsylvania RR. has no stock interest in Pennsylvania Dock & Warehouse Co., but has agreed to purchase, for cash, at 100, \$1,500,000 bonds of the company, junior to this issue, and to guarantee to the trustee for the leasehold mortgage 6% sinking fund gold bonds the completion of the construction in accordance with the approved plans and specifications.

**Security.**—This issue will be secured in the opinion of counsel by a first lien on the interest of the company under the lease from the Pennsylvania RR., covering the land improvements to be erected thereon. The estimated cost of these improvements, including carrying charges during the period of construction, is \$8,030,000. The land is being leased to the company for a term of 21 years with right of renewal in the company for two further periods of 21 years each. The Pennsylvania RR. has reserved the right to terminate the lease under certain contingencies, as described in the aggregate to redeem these bonds. The leased property, together with property adjacent thereto, is held by the Pennsylvania RR. under long term leases from its subsidiaries and others, and is subject to certain large prior mortgages created by the Pennsylvania RR. and on one of its lessors, and to any mortgages which may hereafter be created thereon by the Pennsylvania RR., but the property covered by such leases and mortgages is essential to the operation of the Pennsylvania RR., which has covenanted that Pennsylvania Dock & Warehouse Co. will enjoy undisturbed possession under its lease.

**Earnings.**—It is expected that the warehouse and cold storage plant will be ready for operation on or about May 1 1930. Earnings available for interest after depreciation based on a 70% occupancy are estimated by Coverdale & Colpitts, Consulting Engineers, at \$545,000, or 1.58 times interest on this issue of Bonds based on an 80% occupancy such earnings are estimated \$724,000, or 2.10 times interest in this issue of bonds.

**Purpose.**—Proceeds of this financing, including the sale of \$3,000,000 of leasehold junior mortgage 6% bonds, are to be used to meet the cost of construction of the warehouse buildings and cold storage plant and for working capital.

**Capitalization.**  
 Leasehold mtge. 6% sinking fund gold bonds— \$5,750,000  
 Leasehold junior mortgage 6% bonds, due 1949. 3,000,000  
 7% cumulative preferred stock, par value \$100.— 15,000 shs. x3,000,000  
 Common stock, without par value.— 500,000 shs. y300,000 shs.  
 x \$1,500,000, principal amount, leasehold junior mortgage 6% bonds are to be purchased for cash at 100 by interests connected with the management and subordinated to the balance of \$1,500,000, principal amount, which is to be purchased for cash at 100 by the Pennsylvania RR.

including 57,500 shares of common stock deposited with the trustee to provide for the exercise of warrants. In connection with the financing the bankers are acquiring a portion of the company's common stock. The board of directors will authorize the officers of the company to issue and sell for cash at any time or times prior to Aug. 1 1931, 25,000 shares of common stock in addition to the 300,000 shares of common stock to be outstanding upon completion of the present financing.

**Sinking Fund.**—The indenture will provide for a cumulative semi-annual sinking fund, payable to the trustee in cash or in bonds, at their principal amount, first payment to be made June 1 1932. Cash in the sinking fund

will be applied to the purchase or redemption of bonds. This sinking fund will be sufficient in amount to retire over two-thirds of this issue by maturity.

**Perryman Electric Co., Inc.—Bookings.—**

The corporation last week booked orders for 493,000 radio tubes. Despite an increase in the number of the company's employees from 200 to 488 within the past two months and a 100% increase in capacity recently provided by its new plant at North Bergen, N. J., several departments are now working two shifts, it is announced.

The corporation is expanding in the manufacture of amplifying tubes for sound movie and auditorium uses and of tubes for "wired radio" purposes. Total daily production will shortly exceed 25,000 tubes of all types, it is added.—V. 128, p. 3011.

**Pet Milk Co.—Earnings.—**

Period End. June 30— 1929—3 Mos.—1928. 1929—6 Mos.—1928.  
 Net profit after all chges. and Federal taxes— \$166,153 \$192,123 \$280,943 \$209,704  
 Earnings per sh. on 450,000 common shs. (no par)— \$0.31 \$0.37 \$0.51 \$0.36

**Organizes Subsidiary.—**

The Pet Dairy Products Co. of Tennessee, a subsidiary, has been organized with headquarters at Johnson City, Tenn. The Pet Milk Co.'s plants, which will come under the control of the new company are Cox Dairy, at Johnson City, and its branch company at Elizabethton, Hamblen-Greene County creameries, embracing plants at Norrisville, Newport and Greenville and condensaries at Greenville, Tenn. and Abingdon, Va.—V. 129, p. 490.

**Philadelphia National Insurance Co.—25c. Dividend.**

An initial dividend of 25 cents per share has been declared on the \$10 par value capital stock, par \$10, payable Oct. 15 to holders of record Sept. 30.—V. 126, p. 1997.

**Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co.—Listing.—**

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$30,800,000 20-year convertible 6% debenture bonds.—V. 128, p. 3367.

**Phillips-Jones Corp. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—**

6 Mos. End. June 30— 1929. 1928. 1927. 1926.  
 Net profit after interest, Fed. taxes, &c.— \$234,018 \$249,206 \$309,595 \$359,816  
 The net profit of \$234,018 after Federal taxes, &c., is equivalent after dividend requirements on 7% pref. stock, to \$2.02 a share earned on \$5,000 shares of no-par common stock and compares with \$2.20 a share in the first 6 months of 1928.—V. 128, p. 3847.

**Phillips Petroleum Co.—Opens New Pool.—**

The company has apparently opened up another high gravity sweet oil pool on its 10,000-acre block in Schleicher County, Texas, when Number One Whitten, located in Center Northwest Quarter Section 35 Block LL, flowed over the Crown Block for 5 minutes. When casing was started in the hole pay sand was barely scratched at 4,925 feet. The company also owns a 10,000-acre block 5 miles south of the discovery well in addition to several well-located sections not part of the block. Oil in Whitten well is sweet and tests 36 gravity.—V. 129, p. 980, 812.

**Pinchin, Johnson & Co., Ltd.—Interim Dividend.—**

The company has declared a 10% interim dividend on the common stock, less tax, the same as was paid last year.—V. 128, p. 4017, 3699.

**Pittsburgh Screw & Bolt Corp.—Listing.—**

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 1,498,983 shares of capital stock, all of which have been issued, with authority to add 1,027 additional shares on official notice of issue in exchange for outstanding scrip or shares as making the total listing applied for 1,500,000 shares, out of a total authorized issue of 2,000,000 shares.

**Consolidated Income Account 6 Months Ended June 30 1929.**

Gross profit on sales	\$2,674,490
Administrative and selling expense	576,180
Operating profit	\$2,098,310
Other income	144,864
Total income	\$2,243,175
Other deductions	2,943
Depreciation	228,092
Interest	116,298
Federal income tax	227,365
Net profit	\$1,668,477

**Comparative Balance Sheet.**

	June 30 '29.	Dec. 31 '28.	June 30 '29.	Dec. 31 '28.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Assets—</b>			<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Cash in banks & on hand	3,637,058	1,246,207	Notes payable—	
Loans on call	921,864		to banks	670,000
Accts. & notes rec. less res. for bad debts	1,438,851	1,031,578	Accounts payable	643,618
Inv. in market sec	2,417,632	2,588,795	Accr. int. in bonds	21,542
Inventories	2,771,670	2,675,544	Divs. declared	524,991
Unpaid subs. to cap. stock	16,335		Res. for Fed. & general taxes	366,271
Fixed assets	9,061,370	9,257,084	Res. for losses in inv. & conting.	136,297
Patents, less amort	37,618	13,737	Funded debt	3,993,000
Deferred charges	115,172	78,592	Preferred stock	750,000
Total	19,495,706	17,813,403	Common stock	1,500,000
			Paid in surplus	9,817,891
			Capital surplus	299,965
			Profit & loss surpl.	2,492,095
				2,046,099
Total	19,495,706	17,813,403	Total	19,495,706

x Represented by 1,500,000 no par shares.—V. 129, p. 296.

**Pollak Mfg. Co., Inc.—Stock Increase, &c.—**

The stockholders on Aug. 1 increased the authorized common stock, no par value, from 100,000 shares (all outstanding) to 120,000 shares. See also V. 129, p. 980.

**Plaza Investing Corp.—Stock Offered.—**

The company with offices at Fifth Ave. and 52d St., New York is offering 10,000 shares class A stock, and 10,000 shares class B stock (v. t. c.) in units of one share of each at \$60 per unit.

Class A stock entitled to a dividend of \$3 per share per year before any dividend is paid on class B shares. After non-cumulative dividends of \$3 per share on class A and \$1.50 per share on the class B in any given year, any further dividends will be at the same rate per share on class A stock as on class B stock. In the event of liquidation class A stock is first entitled to receive \$65 per share, then the class B \$32.50 per share, and thereafter class A receives twice as much as class B.

**Capitalization.**  
 Class A stock (no par)----- 250,000 shs. 46,083 shs.  
 Class B stock v. t. c. (no par)----- 250,000 shs. 30,722 shs.

**Option.**—The management has an option good till March 1 1934, on 100,000 shares of class B voting trust certificates at \$10 per share, and on 50,000 class B voting trust certificates at \$15 per share.

**Purpose.**—Corporation is affiliated with the Plaza Trust Co. and was organized to buy, sell, underwrite and deal in securities. A majority of the directors must be chosen from the directorate of the Plaza Trust Co. In order to retain the affiliation with the Plaza Trust Co., the class B stock has been deposited under a voting trust agreement, with M. H. Cahill, President of the Plaza Trust Co., Frederick Brown, Real Estate, and Liston L. Lewis, of Lewis, Garvin & Kelsey, Counsel to the Trust company, as voting trustees, and voting trust certificates have been issued to subscribers.

**Building.**—The Plaza Investing Corp. owns a valuable 63-year lease of the Plaza Trust Building on Fifth Avenue at 52d Street. The building is already over 95% rented.

**Earnings.**—While the company has enjoyed the full use of its capital since only April 20, the net realized profits as of June 30 were \$88,623.35.

**Directors.**—Herbert L. Aldrich, Frederick Brown, M. H. Cahill, Liston L. Lewis, William H. Minton, Winston Paul, Edward Plaut, Herbert Turrell, Lazarus White, F. L. Wurzburg, Howard L. Wynegar.

**Statement of Condition as of June 30 1929.**

<b>Assets—</b>		<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Cash	\$616,748	Securities due	\$8,160
Investments	1,502,931	Accounts Payable	334
Accounts receivable	15,959	Deferred income	854
Investments in property and leasehold	299,739	Class A stock	2,019,735
Organization expense	59,696	Class B stock	74,805
Furniture and fixtures	1	Payments on account of uncompleted capital stk. subscriptions	148,883
Prepaid items	3,565	Surp. & undivided profits	245,868
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,498,639</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,498,639</b>

—V. 128, p. 416.

**Public Utilities Consolidated Corp.—Earnings.**

The company reports an increase in gross earnings for the 12 months ended May 31 1929, of \$174,139, or an increase of 7.13%, on a total gross of \$2,617,328. The net income available for interest, depreciation, amortization and dividends, reflects an increase of 10.02% over the twelve months ended May 31 1928, on a total net of \$1,129,627.

Gross earnings for the fiscal period Oct. 1 1928 to May 31 1929, increased 6.24% over the corresponding period last year, while net income available for interest, depreciation, amortization, and dividends increased 10% on a total net of \$702,054. Gross earnings for the month of May increased \$5,601, or 2.85% over the month of May 1928. Net income available for interest, depreciation, dividends and amortization increased 2.18% over May 1928, or an increase of \$1,707 on a total net of \$80,095. —V. 129, p. 129; V. 128, p. 1227.

**Real Silk Hosiery Mills, Inc.—Resumes Common Divs.**

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of \$1.25 per share on the common stock, payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 13. Quarterly dividends of \$1 per share were paid on this issue from Oct. 1 1925 to July 1 1927, inclusive.

**Earnings for the Six Months' Period Ended June 30 1929.**

Consolidated net income for 6-month period ended June 30 1929 (before providing for Federal income tax)	1,041,000
Jan. 1 1929—Balance: Paid in	1,217,558
Earned	2,444,944
<b>Total surplus</b>	<b>\$3,485,944</b>
Preferred stock dividends: Real Silk Hosiery Mills, Inc.	80,062
Noble Street Realty Co.	2,970
Preferred stock dividend amortized: Real Silk Hosiery Mills, Inc.	2,500
Noble Street Realty Co.	320
Adjustment of Federal income taxes for period end. Dec. 31 1928	541
<b>Balance, surplus</b>	<b>\$4,617,109</b>

**Comparative Balance Sheet June 30.**

1929.		1928.		1929.		1928.	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
<b>Assets—</b>				<b>Liabilities—</b>			
Plant, equip., &c.	3,735,980	3,993,403	Preferred stock	2,287,500	2,400,000		
Cash	1,132,866	617,318	Common stock	2,000,000	2,000,000		
Accts. & notes rec.	1,671,992	318,260	Noble St. real. pref	94,000	99,000		
Inventories	2,944,310	2,384,637	6% bonds	1,000,000	-----		
Investments	182,364	291,917	Mach. pur. cont.	77,176	268,893		
x Intangible assets	581,368	586,527	Res. for contng.	-----	74,234		
Customers' exp't & subs. stand.	-----	581,944	Silk accept. pay.	459,650	488,657		
Adv. to rep'tives	-----	93,337	Mach. accept.	291,890	-----		
Adv. to empl.	-----	4,137	Cust. &c. deposits	80,353	-----		
Other receiv.	133,961	133,057	Accounts payable	229,905	461,547		
Approp. of bonds for bldgs., &c.	1,000,000	-----	Dividends payable	41,516	43,545		
Life Insurance	30,974	-----	Accr. liabilities	408,849	453,335		
Prep. exp. & def. charges	84,136	-----	Surplus	4,617,109	2,715,327		
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,497,951</b>	<b>11,497,951</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>11,497,951</b>	<b>9,004,540</b>		

x Includes organization expenses and good-will and trade-marks.—V. 129, p. 981.

**Reliance Manufacturing Co., Chicago.—Large Plant Expansion.**

The company announced that it will proceed at once with the construction of a substantial addition to factory facilities in order to take care of increasing business in the lock-washer field, and to provide additional floor space for a new but closely allied line which will allow the company to enter new fields with almost unlimited possibilities. The company is now operating continuously at full capacity in its present lines of lock washers and lock washers wire.

The company's new line of products will be adaptable for practically all fabricated steel manufacturing processes. Earnings for 1929 are running at a record rate net after Federal taxes for the first 6 months, being \$4.48 per share of common stock outstanding. Net for July was more than 60c per share and estimates of net for the entire year run to \$8 or more per share. The figure of \$4.48 for the first 6 months of 1929 compares with \$3.10 for the first 6 months of 1928 on the same basis.—V. 129, p. 813.

**Reyburn Co., Inc.—Reports Increase in Assets.**

The Reyburn Co., Inc., an investment trust sponsored by Chas. D. Barney & Co. and associates, reports that during its first five months of operations to Aug. 10 1929, the market value of its assets applicable to the common shares increased from \$13,227,500, the initial capitalization, to \$23,936,458. This increase was equivalent to \$8.10 per share on the now outstanding 1,322,750 shares of common stock before reservation for taxes on untaken profits.

**Richfield Oil Co. of California.—Listing.**

The Los Angeles Stock Exchange has approved the listing of 250,005 additional shares of \$25 par common stock, effective immediately, bringing the company's total listing to 2,726,568 shares.—V. 129, p. 1139.

**(Hartley) Rogers Trading Corp.—Stock Offered.**—Hartley Rogers & Co., Los Angeles, are offering 22,000 units common stock, each unit consisting of one share of class A common stock and one share of class B common stock at \$31 per unit.

Class A common stock shall be entitled to dividends at the rate of 6% per annum, and in addition, to 70% of all remaining net earnings or surplus declared as dividends. Upon liquidation, the class A common stock shall receive \$25 per share and in addition thereto 70% of all remaining assets.

The class B common stock shall be entitled, after payment of 6% dividends upon the class A common stock, to 30% of assets remaining after declared, and in the event of liquidation, to 30% of assets remaining after payment of \$25 per share on class A common stock. These units are free from normal Federal income tax and from the California personal property tax. Transfer agent, Security-First National Bank of Los Angeles; registrar California Trust Company, Los Angeles.

<b>Capitalization—</b>	<b>Authorized.</b>	<b>Outstanding.</b>
Class A common stock, (par \$25)	40,000 shs.	40,000 shs.
Class B common stock, (no par value)	80,000 shs.	80,000 shs.

Upon completion of present financing, the company will have a total paid-in capital in excess of \$1,000,000, of which the management has paid in over \$500,000.

**Business.**—Corporation was organized in Delaware July 10 1929, and has broad powers to buy, sell, trade in or hold securities, as well as to participate in syndicates, underwritings and other transactions of this type. It is the object of the management to work very closely with the firm of Hartley Rogers & Co. and to use this Trading Corp. as a means of taking advantage, for themselves and their clients, of opportunities which they find attractive and which are available to them because of their position in the financial field.

**Assets.**—The assets of the corporation are invested in a group of diversified securities, which have been selected by the management, and from which the regular interest and dividend income is more than sufficient to provide for the payment of a 6% dividend on the class A common stock of

the company. Company has no debt and it is the intention of the management to incur no obligations except small loans of a temporary nature, where necessary from time to time, in the conduct of its business.

**Management Interest.**—The management, directors and officers have paid in over \$500,000, or approximately one-half of the total authorized capitalization of the company. In addition to this, the directors and officers are contributing their services in the supervision and management of the company's affairs without a management fee or any other remuneration except that which they may receive through the appreciation in value of their own holdings of the company's capital stock. Through this substantial investment in the stock of the corporation, an absolute unity of interest is assured between the management and the stockholders.

**Directors.**—Hartley Rogers, President (investment securities), Wallace Thayer, Vice-President (Attorney), J. H. Zucker, Vice-President & Treas. (Investment Counselor), Los Angeles.

**Sears, Roebuck & Co., Chicago.—Buys Interest in United Wall Paper Factories, Inc.—**

The company has acquired a substantial interest in the common stock of the United Wall Paper Factories, Inc., it was made known coincident with the announcement that the latter has signed a contract with Sears, Roebuck & Co. as the world's largest distributor of wall paper for the purchase of its requirements of the next 10 years from United, and that the wall paper manufacturing unit of Sears, Roebuck in Chicago has been purchased by United. The contract is on a cost-plus basis and is said to assure a substantial profit to the United company.

A five-year agreement has also been made by the United company with Montgomery Ward & Co., the second largest distributor of wall paper, covering a minimum of 75% of the latter's requirements. The purchase of wall paper by Montgomery Ward & Co. under this contract will exceed by 50% or more any previous year's business with United Wall Paper Factories, Inc., and its predecessors.

The Washington (D. C.) store under construction since last spring was opened on Aug. 21. It will be known as store No. 52 of the chain.

Three new retail stores in the heart of industrial Detroit will mark the next step in the company's expansion program in that city, said President R. E. Wood.—V. 129, p. 1140.

**Second Founders Share Corp.—Stock Increase, &c.—**

At a special stockholders meeting held this week, the stockholders voted to increase the authorized stock to 500,000 shares no par value class A, and 50,000 shares no par value, class B and to exchange the present issued preferred, class A and class B for 60,000 shares new class A at the rate of two new class A for each preferred and old class A outstanding and one new class A for each class B outstanding.

President J. M. Erickson, reported for the 3½ months ended Aug. 15, the net earnings after all charges amounted to \$245,658 or approximately \$4.09 per share for the period. In addition to the earnings, Mr. Erickson reported appreciation of the company's investments for the same period was in excess of \$40,000.

The board of directors met and sold all the class B stock and 50,000 shares of class A stock for the sum of \$1,725,000 and authorized the sale of an additional 150,000 shares class A stock to be sold at market.—V. 129, p. 1140.

**Second International Securities Corp.—Listing.**

There have been added to the Boston Stock Exchange list 600,000 shares (no par value) class B common stock.

The certificates are in permanent form and as issued they are full-paid and non-assessable and no personal liability attaches to ownership. Holders of both A and B common stock have exclusive voting rights except for certain contingent voting rights reserved to preferred stock. Each share of class A common stock has one vote. Each share of class B common stock has 1-3 of one vote until the outstanding amount of class A stock totals 400,000 shares. Thereafter each share of class B stock will have 2-3 of one vote until the outstanding amount of class A stock totals 600,000 shares, after which both class A and class B stocks have one vote per share each. Subject to the rights of the preferred stockholders, in the event of liquidation the remaining assets shall be distributed equally and pro rata among the holders of common stock of each class in such proportions as the entire amount paid in on the common stock of both classes.

The company was organized in Maryland Oct. 15 1926, to conduct business of an investment company of the general management type. Its present capitalization is as follows: 6% first pref. (\$50 par), authorized 600,000 shares, issued, 190,000 shares; 6% second pref. stock (\$50 par), 60,000 shares authorized and 20,000 shares outstanding; class A stock (No par), 800,000 shares authorized and 178,000 shares outstanding, and class B, common stock (no par), 600,000 shares authorized and outstanding. In addition the company has outstanding \$7,000,000 5% debentures 1948.

Transfer agents: Harris Forbes Trust Co., Boston, and Guaranty Trust Co., N. Y. Registrars: The First National Bank, Boston, and National City Bank, New York.—V. 128, p. 1070, 747.

**Segal Lock & Hardware Co.—To Re-Vamp Capital.**

A special meeting of the stockholders has been called for Aug. 27 1929 for the purposes of acting on a proposal to revamp the capital structure of the company.

The company's notice to the stockholders states that recapitalization has been made necessary by the fact that the company has purchased the control of the Norwalk Lock Co., established in 1856, the oldest manufacturing concern of standard hardware in the United States.

The primary purposes of the proposed increase in capitalization are: (a) To provide for the acquisition of the Norwalk Lock Co.; (b) to provide funds for the elimination of the preferred stock of the Segal company, and (c) to furnish additional working capital for the enlarged business.

It is proposed to increase the authorized common stock to 400,000 shares, of which only 300,000 shares will be outstanding. No public financing will be necessary and none is contemplated.

The Norwalk company's products include about 4,000 items in current demand by architects, builders and the general hardware trade. This comprehensive addition to the present patented list of manufactured articles will substantially round out and complete the Segal company line of hardware.

Among the buildings which have been equipped with Norwalk products are: Sherry Netherlands Hotel, New York Evening Post Building, Canadian Pacific Building, Lefcourt National Bldg., Hotel Mayflower, of Washington, D. C., Los Angeles-Biltmore Hotel of Los Angeles, the national chain of Allerton Hotels, &c.—V. 129, p. 1140.

**Seiberling Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio.—Soviet Contract.**

The Amtorg Trading Corp. on Aug. 15, announced the consummation of a contract between the Soviet Rubber Trust and the Seiberling Rubber Co. of Akron, O., in accordance with which the American firm will prepare the designs and all plans and specifications for the construction of a new tire factory in the Soviet Union. The tire factory, to be constructed probably at Yaroslavl, is to have an output of 3,100 automobile tires, 9,000 bicycle tires and 480 motorcycle tires per 7-hour shift. Several foremen and workers of the Soviet Rubber Trust will work for a time in the plants of the Seiberling company. Two Soviet engineers will participate in the designing of the tire factory.—V. 127, p. 3719.

**Selected Industries Inc.—Summary of Investments.**

President R. S. Reynolds, Aug. 19 says:

As of Aug. 17 1929, our investments at cost, including securities contracted for, were as follows:

Securities of companies presenting situations of special interest to our company	\$17,495,625
Stocks of railroad companies	14,763,426
Other securities and syndicate participations	6,893,300
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$39,152,351</b>

Call loans were \$11,100,000.

The market appreciation on our investments was approximately \$3,500,000. The net income to date has exceeded the dividend requirements of the prior stock and the convertible stock for the period.

Among the investments made in keeping with the special purposes of the company is a large interest recently acquired in the Kraft-Phenix Cheese Corp., the leading company in its field and the most important producer of trade-marked cheese.

The directors believe that we should add to our resources in order that we may be prepared to take advantage of situations as they arise; we are therefore calling upon subscribers for an additional payment, to be made on Oct. 1 1929, which should bring to the company approximately \$18,750,000.



**A letter to the holders of 50% paid allot. cfts. says:**

In accordance with the provisions of the allotment certificates, the directors have called upon the holders of 50% paid allotment certificates for the payment, on Oct. 1 1929, of an additional installment on the balance of the purchase price in the amount of \$25 for each unit covered by such allotment certificate.

This installment is to be paid in New York funds at Commercial National Bank & Trust Co., 56 Wall St., N. Y. City, or at the principal office of Stone & Webster, Inc., 49 Federal St., Boston, Mass. Allotment certificates must be presented at the time of payment for endorsement of such payment thereon.

Attention is called to the provision of the allotment certificates that failure to pay any installment on or before the date fixed for the payment thereof shall operate at the option of the company as a surrender of all rights under such allotment certificates.—V. 127, p. 3719.

**Separate Units, Inc.—Extra Dividend.**

An extra dividend of 25 cents per share, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of \$1 per share, has been declared, both payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 10. Like amounts were paid on Jan. 2, April 1 and July 1 last.—V. 128, p. 3531.

**Sharp & Dohme, Inc.—Common Listed on Curb.**

This corporation, the common stock of which was listed on the New York Curb on Aug. 21, has acquired the H. K. Mulford Co., another large manufacturer of chemicals and vaccines. By eliminating duplications, according to Chas. D. Barney & Co., members of the New York and Philadelphia Stock Exchanges, administrative and operating economies effected by the consolidation will amount to \$1,200,000 annually. The products of the two companies are distributed through branches to more than 67,000 druggists. The pref. stock, brought out by Drexel & Co., Brown Brothers & Co., Alexander Brown & Sons and Chas. D. Barney & Co., was recently listed on the New York Stock Exchange. See V. 129, p. 982.

**(Frank G.) Shattuck Co.—Listing.**

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 700,000 shares capital stock (no par value) on official notice of issuance as a stock dividend of 200%, making the total amount applied for 1,050,000 shares.

*Income Account 6 Mos. Ended June 30 1929.*

Stores' gross trading prof. on sales of lunch, candy, ice cream, &c.	\$3,589,014
Other income—rent, interest and discount	253,962
Total stores' gross trading profit	\$3,842,976
General and administrative expenses	535,516
Interest paid	23,059
Rent, taxes (other than Federal income), insurance, repairs, light and other overhead expenses	1,638,251
Deprec. & prorated improvements on leased property	271,471
Estimated Federal income taxes	162,393
Net income	\$1,212,286
Previous balance	4,654,443
Total surplus	\$5,866,729
Dividends	350,000
Net retrospective adjustments	854
Balance, surplus	\$5,515,875
Earnings per share	\$3.49

*Comparative Balance Sheet.*

Assets—		Liabilities—	
June 30 '29.	Dec. 31 '28.	June 30 '29.	Dec. 31 '28.
Cash on hand and in banks	1,270,006	3,824,223	340,645
Call and time coll.	1,800,000	1,500,068	175,000
Loans	1,500,068	600,000	262,844
U. S. cfts. of indub.	51,113	51,113	Provisions for Fed. taxes
Other securities	41,119	66,858	152,001
Accts. receivable	28,929	1,126	300,586
Interest rec. on inv.	480,904	516,737	Empl. savings and partic. fund.
Merchandise inven.	132,283	53,924	100,079
Prepaid expenses	687,190	437,190	Prov. for 1929 Fed. taxes
Inv. in sub. corp.	570,495	584,668	162,393
Leasehold rights	8,293,872	7,897,341	852,750
Capital assets			872,250
			19,393
			11,877
			Common stock issued (350,000 shs. no par)
			7,275,000
			7,275,000
			Surplus
			5,515,875
			4,654,443
Total	14,855,980	13,982,069	Total
			14,855,980
			13,982,069

—V. 129, p. 1140.

**Shell Union Oil Corp. (& Subs.).—Earnings.**

Period End.	June 30—1929—3 Mos.	—1928.	1929—6 Mos.	—1928.
Gross income	\$20,780,045	\$15,623,736	\$34,311,066	\$27,667,284
Depletion, deprec'n and drilling expenses, &c.	12,728,962	11,131,667	24,801,407	21,624,047
Net inc. bef. Fed. tax.	\$8,051,082	\$4,492,069	\$9,509,659	\$6,043,236
Common dividends	4,571,817	3,500,000	9,139,055	7,000,000
Surplus	\$3,479,265	\$992,069	\$370,604	def\$956,764
Previous surplus	33,914,716	28,679,525	37,023,377	30,628,357
Total surplus	\$37,393,981	\$29,671,594	\$37,393,981	\$29,671,593
shares, com. stock outstanding (no par)	13,000,000	10,000,000	13,000,000	10,000,000
Earnings per share	\$0.62	\$0.45	\$0.73	\$0.60
x Including a half interest in the income of Comar Oil Co.—V. 129, p. 140.				

**Shenandoah Corp.—750,000 Shares of Pref. Stock and 750,000 Shares Common Stock Sold to Provide Cash for Purchase of Blue Ridge Corp. Stock.**—See Blue Ridge Corp. stock above.—V. 129, p. 648.

**(G.) Siegle Corp. of America.—Proposed Merger.**

The stockholders of this corporation and of the Ansbacher Corp. will vote Sept. 16 on approving the merger of both companies into a new corporation to be known as the Ansbacher-Siegle Corp. The new concern will have two classes of voting stock, viz.: 15,000 shares of \$2.40 cum. conv. reference stock and 40,000 shares of common stock. The pref. stock will be convertible share for share into common stock.

Combined sales of the merging companies for the year 1928 were reported at \$1,713,669 and net profits \$109,924. For the 6 months ended June 30 last combined sales were 1,117,788 and net profits \$109,440. Total combined assets at June 30 1929 were \$2,313,479, with capital and surplus of \$1,687,063.—V. 107, p. 2103.

**Sikorsky Aviation Corp.—Stock Deposits.**

The majority of the stock of this corporation has been deposited under the terms offered by the United Aircraft & Transport Corp. for the acquisition of the former company. The terms were 5-13ths of a share of United common stock for one share of Sikorsky stock. The offer will close Sept. 1.—V. 129, p. 649.

**Sisto Financial Corp.—Incorporated.**

Incorporation papers were filed Aug. 12 1929 in Delaware. Incorporators are: Geo. S. Hills, Robert Wilson and Patrick J. Growney, all of 52 William St., N. Y. City. See also.—V. 129, p. 1140.

**Solvay American Investment Corp.—Preferred Stock Offered.**

Lee, Higginson & Co., Brown Brothers & Co., White Weld & Co. and The Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, are offering \$25,000,000 5½% cumulative preferred stock at par (\$100) and div. (with warrants).

Cumulative dividends Q-F. (first dividend payable Nov. 15 1929) callable on 30 days' notice, as a whole at any time or in part on any quarterly div. date at \$100 per share and div. on or prior to Sept. 1 1934 and \$110 per share and div. thereafter. Lee, Higginson & Co., transfer agent; City Bank Farmers Trust Co., Registrar.

**Warrants.**—The pref. stock will bear warrants for the purchase, at any time on or before Sept. 1 1934, at \$325 per share, of 1 share of common stock of Allied Chemical & Dye Corp. for every four shares of this preferred stock. Warrants will be non-detachable except when exercised or in event of redemption of the appurtenant shares, and will be void after Sept. 1 1934. Provision will be made for protection of the warrant privilege in event of a split-up or other reclassification of the shares of common stock of Allied Chemical & Dye Corp. or the issuance of additional shares thereof either as a stock dividend or for cash at a price less than \$325 per share.

**Capitalization (to be outstanding upon completion of present financing).**

15-year 5% secured gold notes, series A, due Mar. 1 1942	\$15,000,000
5½% cumulative preferred stock (par \$100)	25,000,000
Common stock (no par value)	300,000 shs.

**Data from Letter of Gordon Auchincloss, Vice-Pres. of the Company.**

**Company.**—Incorp. in Delaware in 1927. Was organized by Solvay & Co. of Belgium. Under its charter it may, among other things, acquire, hold and sell securities of any character, and may issue its own securities to acquire the same. Its entire common stock is owned by Solvay & Co.

**Assets.**—Upon application of proceeds of this issue, the corporation will own 466,488 shares of no par value common stock of Allied Chemical & Dye Corp. of which 62,500 shares will be deposited in escrow against exercise of warrants attached to this preferred stock. Assets also include the direct obligation of Solvay & Co. for \$8,424,661 bearing interest at the rate of 4½% per annum.

Total net assets, based on June 29 1929 balance sheet adjusted to include proceeds of this issue, after deducting all liabilities other than capital stock, amount to \$76,144,034 or \$304 per share of this preferred stock. Assets are conservatively carried, the corporation's holdings of allied Chemical & Dye Corp. common stock alone (including the additional shares now to be acquired) having a market value, at present quotations, of over \$140,000,000.

**Purpose.**—Proceeds of this issue will be applied toward payment for certain shares of the outstanding common stock of Allied Chemical & Dye Corp., to a total of 100,000 shares, which Solvay American Investment Corp. has recently contracted to purchase.

**Earnings.**—Net earnings of Solvay American Investment Corp., after interest charges and including \$600,000 representing annual dividends at present rate on the additional Allied Chemical & Dye Corp. common stock now to be acquired, for the 13 months ended Mar. 31 1928 were \$2,328,597; and for the fiscal year ended Mar. 31 1929 were \$2,804,350. The annual requirement for dividends on this preferred stock is \$1,375,000.

**Solvay & Co. of Belgium.** founded in 1863, with companies in which it has stock interests, is to-day the largest manufacturer of soda products in the world. Its products and their derivatives enter basically into almost every industry and in some form are used in practically every household. It owns and operates manufacturing plants in Belgium, France, Spain and Italy, and has important holdings in companies using the Solvay process in different parts of the world.

**Listing.**—Listed on the New York Stock Exchange.—V. 125, p. 662.

**Sonatron Tube Co.—Consolidation Plan Approved.**

The stockholders on Aug. 16 approved a proposal to transfer and convey substantially all of the business and assets of the corporation, subject to its liabilities, to a new corporation in exchange for common stock without par value of the new corporation on the basis of 9 new shares for every 11 Sonatron shares. The Televocal Corp., a New York corporation, with plant at West New York, N. J., and the Magnatron Corp., a New Jersey corporation, with plant at Hoboken, N. J., will be merged into the new corporation. These corporations are likewise engaged in the manufacture of radio tubes.

The new corporation will have an authorized capital of 1,000,000 shares of common stock without par value.

The Radio Corp. of America has agreed to grant to the new corporation a license at a standard rate of royalties for the manufacture of radio tubes, under patents owned and controlled by it.

The Radio Corp. of America has also agreed to loan to the new corporation for a period of 5 years the sum of \$2,000,000 and will be granted an option to purchase within said period 50,000 shares of the stock of the new corporation at \$40 per share (which may be applied against such loan) with provision against the dilution thereof.

Upon the conveyance of the business of the Sonatron company to the new corporation the former will receive approximately 235,000 shares of the common stock without par value of a total of approximately 325,000 shares thereof to be initially outstanding.

The Sonatron company will be dissolved and the 235,000 shares of stock of the new corporation will be distributed as a liquidating dividend among the stockholders. There was also available for distribution to the Sonatron stockholders an amount of cash equivalent to 23c. per share on the present stock, which was paid as a special dividend on Aug. 16 1929 to holders of record Aug. 1 1929.

The proposed reorganization was rendered possible by the efforts of Lehman Bros. who have negotiated and made the agreements with the several interests including the agreement under which the new corporation will receive the license and the loan above referred to. In connection with the acquisition by the new corporation of assets of the two corporations above referred to and those of the Sonatron company, that firm, or its assignee, will receive profits in the form of stock of the new corporation forming part of the 325,000 shares of stock to be issued.

At the time this company acquired its present business there was paid into the treasury of the company 6,000 shares of its stock (which by split-up became 24,000 shares of the present stock), which was reserved for issuance, one-half to the management and one-half to the employees when the company attained certain earnings. These earnings were attained before the end of the fiscal year on March 31 1929, but it was agreed by the directors that, because of the negotiations relating to this reorganization, said shares would not be issued at that time. The management deposited approximately 12,000 shares of their personal holdings for issuance on or before Nov. 1 1929, to employees, and waived their rights to receive at that time the 12,000 shares which had been earned by them, with the understanding, however, that they are to receive at a later date a limited number of shares of stock of the new corporation.

It is proposed that the new corporation shall acquire the business of North-east Manufacturing Co., a New Jersey corporation, with plant at Newark, N. J., but this acquisition is not expected to be completed until later in the year.—V. 129, p. 649.

**Soper-Mitchell Coal Co.—Sold.**

The bondholders' protective committee purchased the holdings of the company, operating mines in the Scotts Run District of West Virginia, for \$25,000 at a public auction held at Morgantown, W. Va., July 20.—V. 120, p. 839.

**Southern Sugar Co.—New Contract.**

The company on Aug. 16 announced the sale of 1,500,000 gallons of molasses from its Clewiston, Fla., plant. Delivery is to be made in November to the Dunbar Molasses Corp. of New York.—V. 129, p. 141.

**Specialized Shares Corp.—Larger Dividend.**

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 25c. per share on the common stock, no par value, payable Sept. 2 to holders of record Aug. 20. In the previous quarter a dividend of 12c. per sh. was paid.—V. 128, p. 126.

**Stahl-Meyer, Inc.—Net Sales.**

Period End.	July 27—1929—Month	—1928.	1929—7 Mos.	—1928.
Net sales	\$817,685	\$770,748	\$5,445,255	\$4,857,068

—V. 129, p. 983.

**Standard Investing Corp.—Stock Dividend No. 2.**

The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividend on the common stock of 1½% payable in stock on Oct. 10 1929, to holders of record Sept. 20 1929. An initial quarterly distribution of 1½% in stock was made on this issue on July 10 last.—V. 129, p. 814.

**Standard Oil Co. of Indiana.—Agent Appointed.**

The Guaranty Trust Co. of New York has been appointed by the above company as the agent to effect the exchange of Pan American Petroleum & Transport Co. common stock (generally known as class A and class B non-voting common stock) for Indiana Standard stock following approval of the exchange plan by stockholders at the meeting on Aug. 27 next.

The Guaranty Trust Co. of New York at the request of the Standard Oil Co. is also prepared to receive Pan American shares at any time prior to the stockholders' meeting and to effect the exchange subsequent to the approval of the plan on Aug. 27.

The basis of the proposed exchange is seven shares of the Standard Oil Co. for each six shares of class A or B stock of the Pan American company. Fractional certificates of the Standard Oil Co. will be issued in exchange for scrip and warrant certificates of the Pan American company on the basis indicated above. Fractional certificates will also be issued for reselling fractional shares. The Guaranty Trust Co. of New York is transfer agent for the stock of the Pan American company.—V. 129, p. 1140.

**(L. S.) Starrett Co.—Balance Sheet June 30 1929.—**

<b>Assets—</b>		<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Plant and equipment	\$1,317,738	Preferred stock	1,008,700
Cash	671,952	Common stock	1,485,100
Accts. rec., customers	445,639	Accts. pay. & accr. expenses	135,252
Inventory	1,641,418	Accrued taxes	22,350
Marketable securities	691,326	Res. for Fed. income taxes	104,505
Miscell. accounts receivable	26,690	Sinking fund reserve	376,500
Miscellaneous securities	248,650	Surplus	2,112,094
Sinking fund investment	376,500		
Cash for purch. of co. stock	7,480		
Prepaid expenses	17,108		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,244,502</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,244,502</b>

x After deducting \$312,109 for depreciation. y Less \$13,000 reserve for shrinkage in values. z Less \$63,550 shrinkage in value.  
 Note.—Accrued Massachusetts excise taxes, representing one-half of 1929 tax, and tax due and payable on sale of the company's assets, estimated to amount in all to \$26,000, are not included in the liabilities shown above.—V. 129, p. 815.

**Sterchi Bros Stores, Inc.—Sales Increase.—**

Sales for the last half of 1929 will show an increase of more than \$500,000 over those for the corresponding period of 1928, according to a statement by President J. G. Sterchi.  
 "The sales of our 55 retail furniture stores," said Mr. Sterchi, "have been most satisfactory so far during 1929 and if past experience may be taken as a guide the final six months will account for at least 60% of the annual sales volume."—V. 129, p. 1141.

**Studebaker Corp.—Listing.—**

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 1,586 additional shares of common stock (no par value), making the total amount applied for 2,031,617 shares on official notice of issuance as a stock dividend, as follows: On or after Sept. 1 1929, no exceeding 759 shares; on or after Dec. 1 1929, not exceeding 797 shares.—V. 129, p. 1141, 984, 815, 790.

**Sweets Co. of America, Inc.—May Acquire Control of Old Pennsylvania Concern.—**

Important developments in the affairs of the Croft & Allen Corp. established in 1860, and the second oldest candy manufacturing business in America, are forecast in the announcement, made this week that Henry A. Fehn, President of the Sweets company, has been elected President and General Manager of the former company to succeed Frank P. Snyder, resigned. Mr. Snyder will remain a director, and Mr. Fehn will continue as President also of the Sweets company. Lewis L. Clarke is Chairman of the Board of the Sweets company.  
 It is understood that negotiations are in progress looking to the acquisition of a controlling interest in the Croft & Allen Corp. by the Sweets company. The Croft & Allen Corp. has one of the most modern candy manufacturing plants in the country. It is located at Bethlehem, Pa., and has a productive capacity of 25 tons daily. Croft & Allen candy brands have been nationally known for generations and the business of the Sweets company is known principally by its "Tootsie Rolls" and kindred candy specialties which are widely distributed by a national sales force. The plant of the Sweets company is located in Manhattan.—V. 129, p. 494.

**Tennessee Copper & Chemical Corp.—Definitive Bonds.**

The Bank of America National Association as trustee, is prepared to deliver definitive series B 15-year 6% conv. debenture gold bonds in exchange for the outstanding temporary bonds. (For offering, see V. 128, p. 1751).—V. 129, p. 984.

**(John R.) Thompson Co.—Earnings.—**

Period End, June 30	1929—3 Mos.—1928.	1929—6 Mos.—1928.
Net profit after deprec., Fed. taxes & all other charges	\$342,942	\$325,671
Shs. com. stk. outstdg.	300,000	240,000
Earns. per share	\$1.14	\$1.35
	\$675,828	\$667,656
	300,000	240,000
	\$2.24	\$2.78

—V. 129, p. 1141.

**Tobacco Products Corp.—Offer Extended—Change in Control.—**

See United Stores Corp. below.—V. 129, p. 816.

**Toddy Corp.—Merger.—**

See Grocery Store Products, Inc., above.—V. 128, p. 2107.

**Transamerica Corp.—150% Stock Dividend—Rights.—**

The directors have declared a 150% stock dividend, payable to holders of record Sept. 10.  
 The company has formed a new non-controlled Intercoast Trading Co. with 1,800,000 shares of no par capital stock.  
 The stockholders of the Transamerica Corp. of record Aug. 23 have the right to subscribe for one share of Intercoast stock at \$17.50 per share for each nine shares of Transamerica stock held.—V. 129, p. 984.

**Tri-Continental Allied Co., Inc.—Stocks Sold.—J. & W. Seligman & Co., Aug. 19, announced the sale of 500,000 shares (par \$50) 6% cumulative preferred stock (with warrants to purchase at the rate of \$33 per share 1/2 share of common stock for each share of preferred stock) and 750,000 shares common stock (no par value). The shares were offered in the form of unit certificates at \$101.50 per unit (plus preferred dividend), each unit consisting of one share of preferred stock (with warrant) and 1 1/2 shares of common stock. Unit certificates will be exchangeable for stock certificates on March 15 1930, or earlier at the option of the company. In addition, the company is selling to Tri-Continental Corp., which will manage the new company, warrants to purchase 500,000 shares of common stock at \$33 per share and is also selling to Tri-Continental Corp. 150,000 of the common shares to be presently outstanding, while the banking firm and its associates will acquire 100,000 shares of common for cash.**

**Capitalization—**  
 6% cumulative pref. stock (par \$50)----- 500,000 shs.  
 Common stock (no par value)-----\*3,000,000 shs.  
 \* 250,000 shares of common stock will be reserved for issue against the exercise of the warrants attached to the preferred stock and 500,000 shares will be reserved for issue against the exercise of warrants to be held by Tri-Continental Corp. The remaining 1,250,000 shares of authorized and unissued common stock will be available for future corporate purposes. Stockholders will have no pre-emptive right to subscribe for additional stock or securities.

**Organization and Management.**—Company has been organized in Maryland with broad powers, including among others the power to buy, hold, sell and underwrite securities of any kind and to participate in underwritings and in syndicates generally. The company has entered into an arrangement with Tri-Continental Corp., an existing Maryland corporation engaged in the same business, under which Tri-Continental Corp. has agreed to provide from its executive officers, the management of the Allied company until Aug. 15 1939 without cost for such officers' salaries, and Tri-Continental Corp. is purchasing for \$3,750,000 in cash 150,000 shares of common stock and warrants to purchase 500,000 shares of common stock of the Allied company, as described below. The board of directors of the

Allied company may be identical with that of Tri-Continental Corp. and for the present will consist of not less than 15 members of whom at least six will be partners of the firm of J. & W. Seligman & Co. In addition to the stock included in this offering and the stock sold to Tri-Continental Corp. as stated above the Allied company is selling 100,000 shares of common stock to J. & W. Seligman & Co. and associates for \$2,500,000 in cash. The Allied company plans to do business with J. & W. Seligman & Co. and may do business with Tri-Continental Corp.

**Preferred Stock.**—The preferred stock will be entitled to cumulative preferred dividends at the rate of 6% per annum, accruing from Aug. 15 1929 payable Q.-F. and in the event of liquidation will be entitled to \$50 per share plus divs. before any payment is made upon the common stock, but no more. The Allied company may redeem the preferred stock in whole or in part at any time at \$55 per share and divs. on 30 days' prior notice. The preferred stock will be entitled to vote share for share with the common stock. The certificate of incorporation contains certain restrictions upon the creation and issue of preferred stock ranking prior to or on an equality with this preferred stock and upon the creation of funded debt.

**Proceeds of Financing.**—J. & W. Seligman & Co. will pay all expenses of organization and all expenses in connection with the issue and sale of the preferred and common stock of the Allied company presently to be issued. The Allied company will receive as the proceeds of the 500,000 shares of preferred stock with warrants, the 1,000,000 shares of common stock and the warrants for the purchase of 500,000 shares of common stock to be presently issued, \$50,000,000 in cash, being an amount equivalent to 200% of the par value of the preferred stock.

**Stock Purchase Warrants.**—The preferred stock will carry warrants, exercisable on or after Jan. 1 1931 (or earlier at the option of the Allied company) and not later than Aug. 15 1939, entitling holders to purchase 250,000 shares of common stock at the rate of one-half share of common stock for each share of preferred stock. These warrants will be non-detachable except when exercised or in the event of any redemption or retirement of the preferred stock to which they are attached. The warrants for the 500,000 shares of common stock to be purchased by Tri-Continental Corp. will be exercisable on or after Jan. 1 1932 and not later than Aug. 15 1939. All warrants will be exercisable at the rate of \$33 per share of common stock. Provision has been made in the certificate of incorporation for protection against dilution of stock purchase privilege.

**Unit Certificates.**—There will be deposited with Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co. 500,000 shares of the preferred stock with warrants and 750,000 shares of the common stock, against which unit certificates will be issued each unit certificate representing one share of preferred stock and 1 1/2 shares of common stock. The unit certificates will be fully transferable and will entitle the holder to receive from Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co. on or after March 15 1930 (or earlier at the option of the Allied company) the stock represented by the unit certificates. The transfer agents for the unit certificates will be Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co. and the Nations Shawmut Bank of Boston; registrars for the unit certificates will be The Chase National Bank of the City of New York and Old Colony Trust Co. Boston.

**Listed.**—Unit certificates of this issue have been listed on the Boston Stock Exchange and the New York Curb Exchange.—V. 129, p. 1141.

**Trico Products Corp.—Infringement Enjoined.—**

A final decree and injunction have just been issued by the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit against the Perfection Products Co., the receiver for Perfection Products Co., Frank Ritz and Frank R. Bauer from infringement of Trico Products Corp.'s patents. This follows affirmation by the Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit at Cincinnati of the decree of the District Court. The Court of Appeals refused to set aside an order granting to the Trico Products Corp., a preliminary injunction and that preliminary injunction stands. The receiver for Perfection Products Co. has made a settlement for past infringement in lieu of a formal accounting. Further infringing activities are enjoined.—V. 129, p. 1142.

**Union Carbide & Carbon Corp.—New Director.—**

Matthew J. Carney has been elected a director.—V. 129, p. 817.

**Union Investment Co.—Earnings.—**

The company reports for the 6 months ended June 30 net earnings of \$200,907 on the basis of discounts taken after taxes and non-recurring charges, equal to \$3.06 a share on 50,804 shares common stock outstanding. This compares with \$3.51 a share earned for full year of 1928.—V. 129, p. 4023.

**United Aircraft & Transport Corp.—Earnings.—**

Period—	3 Mos. Ended—	6 Mos. Ended—
Net profit after charges, Federal taxes & minority interests	June 30 '29. Mar. 31 '29.	June 30 '29.
Earns. per sh. on com. stk. outstdg.	\$2,606,034	\$1,804,012
	\$1.52	\$1.03

—V. 129, p. 1142.

**United Carbon Co. (& Subs.).—Balance Sheet.—**

<b>Assets—</b>		<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Land, pipe lines, buildings, &c.	10,531,791	7% preferred stock	5,363,100
Construct. in prog.	22,760	Common stock	6,566,950
Cash	1,373,660	Funded debt	709,000
Notes securities	605,429	Notes & accts. pay.	399,807
Govt. accts. rec.	1,696,824	Dividends payable	187,708
Inventories	634,692	Acct. taxes pay. &c.	120,510
Other assets	149,001	Fed. taxes pay.	72,577
Investment	996,099	Deferred income	468,447
Mtges. notes rec.	468,446	Fed. tax & cont.	162,500
Trkms., contr., &c.	1	Min. int. in subs.	33,000
Deferred charges	171,828	Surplus	2,011,565
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,095,162</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>16,095,162</b>

x After depreciation and depletion. y Represented by 237,661 no par shares.  
 Our usual comparative income account for the six months ended June 30 1929 was published in V. 129, p. 984.

**United-Carr Fastener Corp.—Securities Oversubscribed.**

The First National Corp. of Boston and the Central Illinois Co., Chicago announce that both the \$2,000,000 10-year 6% conv. debts. offered at 99 and int. to yield about 6.13%, and the 105,000 of no par common shares offered at \$21 per share has been over-subscribed. See V. 129, p. 1142.

**United Cigar Stores Co. of America.—Offer Extended—Change in Control.—**

See United Stores Corp. below.—V. 129, p. 984.

**United Founders Corp.—Listing.—**

There have been added to the Boston Stock Exchange list temporary certificates for 6,000,000 shares (no par value) Common stock.  
 As issued the shares are full-paid and non-assessable and no personal liability attaches to ownership. Their issue was authorized at meeting of the board of directors Feb. 5, March 3, June 10, July 2, and July 1929. Each holder of one share of common stock has one vote, and holders of the class A stock of the company shall at all times have a voting power equal to one-third of the votes appertaining to the outstanding stock of the corporation. Amounts to be dispersed as dividends on the class in common stocks shall be divided between the classes in the proportion theretofore contributed to the capital and (or) paid-in surplus of the corporation by the holders of each class respectively, without preference one class over the other, and such proportions shall be distributed in part among holders of each class. Assets upon dissolution shall be distributed in the same proportion.

The company was organized Feb. 2 1929, in Maryland to acquire securities for investment and to participate in underwritings.  
 Its present capitalization consists of 1,000,000 shares authorized class A stock (no par), all of which are outstanding and 15,000,000 shares (par) common stock authorized, of which 6,000,000 shares are outstanding.

The company has paid no dividends and has no bonded indebtedness. It has acquired more than one-third of the outstanding stock of American Founders Corp., and has certain minority interests in the junior securities of companies identified with the American Founders Group.

Transfer agents: Harris, Forbes Trust Co., Boston, and Seaboard Bank of the City of New York. Registrars: The First National Bank, Boston and Chemical Bank & Trust Co., New York.—V. 129, p. 1143.



United National Corp., Seattle, Wash.—Larger Div.—

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share on the participating preference stock, no par value, payable Aug. 31 to holders of record Aug. 12. Previously, quarterly dividends of 25 cents per share were paid on this issue.—V. 129, p. 1143.

United Piece Dye Works.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 75,000 shares of preferred stock (par \$100) and 900,000 shares of common stock (no par value).

Consolidated Income Account 6 Months Ended June 30 1929. Table with columns for Net sales, Cost of sales, Gross income, Other income, Total, Selling, advertising, general & administrative expenses, Depreciation, Federal income tax, Net profit available for preferred dividends, Preferred dividends, Common dividends, Balance deficit, Earnings per share of preferred stock, Earnings per share of 900,000 shares common stock.

Consolidated Balance Sheet. Table with columns for Assets (Cash in banks & on hand, Accounts receivable, Inventories, Land & buildings, Mach. & equipm't, Deferred charges, Good-will) and Liabilities (Accts. payable, Accrued payroll, Dividends payable, Res. for compens. to offic. & empl., Reserve for Fed. income taxes, Res. for claims allowances, Res. for pref. divs., Res. for deprec., 6 1/2% pref. stock, Common stock, Earned surplus, Capital surplus). Total (ea. side) 30,260,048 30,201,332.

a 450,000 shares, no par value. b 900,000 shares, no par value.—V. 128, p. 1417.

United States & British International Co., Ltd.—Listing.—

There have been added to the Boston Stock Exchange list 300,000 shs. (no par value) class B common stock.

Certificates are in permanent form, and as issued they are full-paid and non-assessable and no personal liability attaches to ownership. Their issue was authorized by the board of directors Jan. 17 1928. Class A stock is entitled to non-cumulative annual dividends up to \$2 per share before any dividends are declared on class B shares; thereafter per share, to one-half of any dividend paid per share on class B shares, until shares of each class have received \$4 per annum; additional dividends shall then be paid equally on both classes of common stock. Class A shares have one vote each and class B shares 1/2 of one vote each until there shall be 300,000 shares of class A stock outstanding; thereafter, common shares shall have one vote each irrespective of class. In liquidation class A shares shall receive the total amount paid in on them, then class B shares shall receive the total amount paid in on them, and the remaining assets shall be distributed equally to both classes. Whenever eight consecutive quarterly dividends of at least \$1 per share, shall have been paid on both classes of common stock, the preference and priorities of class A common stock shall cease.

The company was organized in Maryland, Jan. 16 1928, as an investment trust. Its present authorized capital consists of cum. pref. stock, 700,000 shares (no par), of which 140,000 shares as \$3 dividend series are outstanding; class A common stock (no par) 600,000 shares authorized, of which 175,000 shares are outstanding, and class B common stock (no par), of which 300,000 shares are authorized and outstanding. In addition, the company has outstanding \$6,000,000 face value, 5% bonds, due May 1 1948.

Transfer agents: The First National Bank, Boston, and New York Trust Co., New York, N. Y. Registrars: The National Shawmut Bank, Boston, and National Park Bank, New York.—V. 128, p. 1074.

United States Rubber Co.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 7,547 additional shares of common stock (no par value) on official notice of issuance and payment in full for 8,000 shares of second preferred stock and 38,000 shares of common stock of Dispersions Process, Inc., making the total amount applied for 1,545,959 shares.

Table with columns for Net outside sales, Net inc. before interest, Int. on funded debt, Depreciation (est.), Net profit aft. int. &c., chgs., incl. def. of plant, Div. on 1st. pref. stock, Div. on minority stock, Balance, surplus, Shs. com. out. (no par), Earnings per share on com. stock. Includes income from U. S. Rubber Plantations, Inc., amounting to \$1,000,000.

Consolidated Balance Sheet. Table with columns for Assets (Cash, Cash rec. from sale of stock, Accts. & notes, Accts. notes & notes receiv., Other (curr't), Inven. of finish'd goods, Inv. of materials & sup., Crude rubber in transit to N. Y., Plants, prop. & inv. less depr., Invest. in rubber plantations, Open acct. with U. S. Rubber Plant., Secur. of other corps. not incl. in U. S. Rub'r System, Notes rec. for employ value sharing stock, Prepaid & defer. assets, Intangible assets net) and Liabilities (Bank loans, Accts. pay., incl. accept. pay. for importation of crude rubber, Drafts & accept. for crude rub. in transit to N. Y., 1st & refg. mtg., 10-yr. 7 1/2% sec. gold notes, 6 1/2% serial gold notes, Can. Consol., Ltd. 6s., Res. for insur., General reserve, Prov. for prop. & equipm't, Pref. stock, Common stock, Minority Dom. Rubber Co., Ltd. stock, Minority, Beacon Falls Rubber Shoe Co., Surplus). Total 314,843,336 343,131,359.

Tire Activities to be Concentrated at Detroit.—

Concentration at Detroit of the tire activities of the company will be effected in the next few weeks, according to an announcement authorized by F. B. Davis, Jr., Chairman and President. This will involve the removal of all the executive, sales and office staffs of the tire department of the company to Detroit from the present general offices at 1790 Broadway N. Y. City. There will also be a greater centralization of the tire manufacturing in Detroit, including the transfer to that city of the manufacturing operations now being carried on at Hartford, Conn. The factory in the latter city will soon be closed until further notice.

At the present time only a part of the tire producing activities are located in Detroit, in the former Morgan & Wright factories on East Jefferson Ave. The factories there are strategically located on the Detroit River with adjoining railroad facilities—in the center of the motor car industry. The plant is being greatly improved in machinery and methods to make it one of the most efficient units in the tire manufacturing industry. Two floors of one of the largest buildings in the group are being fitted up as offices for the manufacturing, engineering and sales personnel.

It is expected that the change in headquarters will take place about Oct. 1.

This move is seen as a further step on the part of the company in the plan to simplify the huge operations which were announced shortly after the recent changes in management and executive personnel.

L. D. Tompkins, Vice-President and general manager of the tire department, said that the advantages that were expected to accrue from this greater centralization of the company's tire activities were economies in production, overhead cost and management; closer proximity for deliveries to the motor car and truck industry; more central location for general retail tire distribution and closer supervision and co-ordination of all tire building activities.

Among the important functions which will be carried on at the Detroit factory are the large experimental or development department, machine shop activities, field engineering work, and technical service department.—V. 129, p. 955, 984.

United States Gypsum Co. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—

Table with columns for 6 Mos. Ended June 30—1929, 1928, 1927. Total earnings, Federal taxes, Depletion & depreciation, Net profit, Shs. common outstanding (par \$20), Earnings per share.

United States Realty & Impt. Co.—Earnings.—

Table with columns for 3 Months Ended July 31—1929, 1928. Net income after int., deprec., Federal taxes, &c., Shares, common stock outstanding (no par), Earnings per share.

United Stores Corp.—Exchange Date Extended, &c.

The offer of this corporation to exchange its shares for those of the Tobacco Products Corp. and United Cigar Stores Co. has been extended to Sept. 15. The original limit was set for July 15.

Control of the latter two companies was transferred on Aug. 19 from George J. Whelan and associates to a syndicate headed by George K. Morrow. The new board of directors of both companies consists of George K. Morrow (Chairman of the Gold Dust Corp.), Frederick K. Morrow, R. W. Jameson, Eugene W. Stetson (Vice-Pres. of the Guaranty Trust Co. and a director of the Coca-Cola Co. and the Cuba Cane Sugar Corp.), Wilbur L. Cummings (of the law firm of Sullivan & Cromwell and a director of many sugar companies), Sir Herbert Holt, H. Hobart Porter (Pres. of the American Water Works & Electric Co.), John Foster Dulles (of Sullivan & Cromwell and a director of the American Bank Note Co. and the Gold Dust Corp.), W. A. Black, Thomas McInerney and George M. Moffett (Pres. of the Corn Products Refining Co. and a director of the Commercial Solvents Corp. and the Gold Dust Corp.).

C. A. Whelan and W. T. Posey will retain their places on the boards of both companies, but George K. Morrow was elected Chairman of both boards, in place of C. A. Whelan, former Chairman of United Cigar Stores Co. The Tobacco Products Corp. has hitherto been without a Chairman. Mr. Morrow was elected President of both companies, in place of C. A. Whelan as President of United Cigars and Mr. Posey as President of Tobacco Products. Mr. Jameson was elected Vice-President of both companies, replacing R. M. Ellis as Vice-President of Tobacco Products Corp. The United Cigar Stores Co. announced that A. C. Allen remained as Executive Vice-President of the company in charge of operations and as a member of the board of directors.

George K. Morrow, Frederick K. Morrow, R. W. Jameson, Eugene W. Stetson and Wilbur L. Cummings will act as executive committee of both boards.—V. 129, p. 651.

United Wall Paper Factories, Inc.—Interest in Corporation Acquired by Sears, Roebuck & Co.—Contracts.—

See Sears, Roebuck & Co. above.—V. 129, p. 495.

Universal Aviation Corp.—Exchange Offer Extended.—

Minority stockholders of this corporation who have not yet deposited their certificates for exchange for shares of The Aviation Corp. have until Sept. 14 to do so. The Commercial National Bank & Trust Co. of New York, 56 Wall St., N. Y. City, is the transfer agent.

To date, holders of approximately 95% of Universal stock have accepted The Aviation Corp.'s share-for-share exchange offer.—V. 128, p. 3534.

Utah Copper Co.—Quarterly Report.—

The report covering the second quarter of 1929 shows: The total net production of copper from all sources for the quarter is shown below, in comparison with the output for the first quarterly period of 1929:

Table with columns for Net Lbs. Copper Produced, Ater. Monthly Production. Second quarter, 1929, First quarter, 1929.

During the quarter the Arthur plant treated 2,424,500 dry tons of ore and the Magna plant 2,603,600 dry tons, a total for both plants of 5,028,100. The average grade of ore treated at the mills was 1% copper and the average mill recovery of copper in the form of concentrates was 84.04% of that contained in the ore, as compared with .997% copper and 79.76% recovery, respectively, for the previous quarter.

The average cost per lb. of net copper produced, including depreciation of plant and equipment and all fixed and general expenses and after crediting gold, silver and miscellaneous earnings, was 6.4 cents, as compared with 6.3 cents for the preceding quarter, computed on the same basis.

Table with columns for Period End. June 30—1929-3 Mos.—1928, 1929-6 Mos.—1928. Operating profit, Other income, Total income, Depreciation, Profit, Before depletion.

Vanadium Corp. of America, Inc. (& Subs.).—

Table with columns for 6 Mos. End. June 30—1929, 1928, 1927, 1926. Profit after expenses, Other income, Total income, Depr., deplet., taxes, &c., Net income, Dividends, Surplus, Profit and loss, Earnings per sh. on 376,637 shs. cap. stk. (no par).

Consolidated Balance Sheet June 30.

Table with columns for 1929 and 1928, split into Assets and Liabilities. Assets include Plant, property, patents, cash, call loans, etc. Liabilities include Capital stock, accounts payable, reserves, etc.

Vadco Sales Corp.—Earnings.—

Table showing earnings for Vadco Sales Corp. for six months ended June 30, 1929 and 1928. Includes profit after charges and federal tax reserve.

(The) Vortex Mfg. Co. (Del.)—Incorporated, &c.—

The company was incorporated Aug. 8 1929 in Delaware with an authorized capital of 500,000 no par shares.

Pro Forma Consolidated Balance Sheet (Co. & Sub. Co.)

Table showing pro forma consolidated balance sheet for Vortex Mfg. Co. and its subsidiaries as of June 30, 1929.

Waco Aircraft Co.—Earnings.—

Table showing earnings for Waco Aircraft Co. for six months ended June 30, 1929. Includes total sales and net profit after all charges.

Warchel Corp.—Rights.—

The common stockholders of record Sept. 16 will be given the right to subscribe to \$2.60 div. no par conv. preference stock at \$31 1/2 a share.

Warner Bros. Pictures, Inc.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 188,946 additional shares of common stock (no par value) as follows: 140,364 shares upon official notice of issue in exchange for all of the outstanding capital stock of Music Publishers' Holding Corp.

Warner Co.—Earnings.—

The company, which was organized last April as a consolidation of the Charles Warner Co. and the Van Sciver Corp., showed a net balance available for the common stock from the first quarter's operations of \$397,791, which is equivalent to \$1.96 per share on the 203,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

Warner-Quinlan Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings.—

Table showing earnings for Warner-Quinlan Co. for six months ended June 30, 1929 and 1928. Includes gross income, expenses, net earnings, and dividends.

Consolidated Balance Sheet as of June 30.

Table showing consolidated balance sheet for Warner-Quinlan Co. as of June 30, 1929 and 1928. Assets include prop. plant, cash, bills, etc. Liabilities include cap. stk., pur. money oblig's, etc.

Weber Showcase & Fixture Co., Inc.—Earnings.—

Table showing earnings for Weber Showcase & Fixture Co. for six months ended June 30, 1929 and 1928. Includes profits after charges and federal taxes.

West Boylston Mfg. Co.—Balance Sheet.—

Table showing balance sheet for West Boylston Mfg. Co. as of June 29, 1929 and June 30, 1928. Assets include real estate, machinery, merchandise, etc. Liabilities include preferred stock, common stock, etc.

Weston Electrical Instrument Corp.—Earnings.—

Table showing earnings for Weston Electrical Instrument Corp. for period ended June 30, 1929-3 Mos. and 1928-6 Mos. Includes earnings, other deduct., total income, federal taxes, surplus, etc.

Westark Radio Stores.—Earnings.—

The company reports for the seven months ended June 30 1929 net income after charges amounting to \$730,748 or \$2.75 per share on the 265,000 shares of capital stock outstanding.—V. 129, p. 1144.

Whitaker Battery Supply Co.—Initial Dividends.—

The directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of 50c. per share on the \$2 cumul. conv. no par value pref. stock payable Sept. 1 to holders of record Aug. 16. See offering in V. 129, p. 1144.

White Sewing Machine Corp.—Earnings.—

Table showing earnings for White Sewing Machine Corp. for period ended June 30, 1929-3 Mos. and 1928-6 Mos. Includes net income after int., deprec., federal taxes, etc.

(H. F.) Wilcox Oil & Gas Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings.—

Table showing consolidated comparative statement of income and expense for Wilcox Oil & Gas Co. for 1st, 2nd, and 6 months ended June 30, 1929 and 1928. Includes oil & gas revenue, gasoline sales, refining, etc.

Wilcox-Rich Corp.—Earnings.—

Table showing earnings for Wilcox-Rich Corp. for six months ended June 30, 1929 and 1928. Includes manufacturing profit after depreciation, costs and expenses, interest, etc.

Balance Sheet June 30.

Table showing balance sheet for Wilcox-Rich Corp. as of June 30, 1929 and 1928. Assets include land, bldgs., equip., good-will, etc. Liabilities include class A stock, reserves, etc.

Willys-Overland Co.—Production of New Model.—

It is announced that production of the Willys-Knight Great Six has now reached the stage of 2,500 units per month, a large volume for a car in its price class.—V. 129, p. 818, 652.

Wilson & Co. Inc.—1 3/4% Back Dividend.—

The directors have declared a dividend of 1 3/4% on the pref. stock, payable Oct. 1 1929 to holders of record Sept. 12 to apply to accumulated dividends. A like amount was paid on this issue on July 1.—V. 128, p. 3536.

Wilson-Jones Co.—Extra Dividend.—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 25c. a share and the regular quarterly dividend of 50c. a share on the capital stock, no par value, payable Sept. 1 to holders of record Aug. 26. Like amounts were paid on June 1 last.—V. 129, p. 299.

(Benjamin) Winter, Inc.—Earnings.—

The company reports net income of \$369,931 for the first six months of its second fiscal year, from Dec. 1 1928 to May 31 1929, after deducting interest, depreciation and Federal income tax.

Winters & Crampton Mfg. Co.—Earnings.—

Table showing earnings for Winters & Crampton Mfg. Co. for six months ended June 30, 1929. Includes total income, operating expenses, interest, net profit, and dividends.

Balance Sheet June 30 1929.

Table showing balance sheet for Winters & Crampton Mfg. Co. as of June 30, 1929. Assets include bldg., real est., plant eqpt., etc. Liabilities include capital stock, notes payable, etc.

(L. A.) Young Spring & Wire Corp.—Stock Placed on a \$3 Annual Dividend Basis.—

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 75c. per share on the increased capitalization payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 13. This places the issue on a \$3 regular annual basis as compared with an annual rate of \$2 regular and \$1 extra previously. The company paid a 25% stock dividend on Aug. 15.—V. 129, p. 1145.

Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co.—Stock Div. Ruling.—

The Committee on Securities of the New York Stock Exchange rules that the common stock shall not be quoted ex the 20% stock dividend until Sept. 10.—V. 129, p. 1145.



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### GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION

#### SUMMARY OF CONSOLIDATED INCOME FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30 1929 AND 1928.

	1929			1928		
	First Quarter.	Second Quarter	Six Months.	First Quarter.	Second Quarter.	Six Months.
<b>Sales of Cars and Trucks—Units:</b>						
Retail sales by dealers to users .....	448,176	632,878	1,081,054	423,013	639,720	1,062,733
General Motors sales to dealers .....	523,119	648,749	1,171,868	492,234	591,082	1,083,316
<b>Net Sales—Value</b> .....	<b>\$385,129,900</b>	<b>\$494,020,087</b>	<b>\$879,149,987</b>	<b>\$358,967,794</b>	<b>\$450,281,983</b>	<b>\$809,249,777</b>
<b>Profit from operations and income from investments, after all expenses incident thereto, but before providing for depreciation of real estate, plants, and equipment</b> .....	<b>\$83,502,269</b>	<b>\$117,425,380</b>	<b>\$200,927,649</b>	<b>\$94,036,916</b>	<b>\$115,422,874</b>	<b>\$209,459,790</b>
Provision for depreciation of real estate, plants and equipment .....	8,344,011	8,697,054	17,041,065	7,245,420	7,489,987	14,735,407
<b>Net Profit from operations and investments</b> .....	<b>\$75,158,258</b>	<b>\$108,728,326</b>	<b>\$183,886,584</b>	<b>\$86,791,496</b>	<b>\$107,932,887</b>	<b>\$194,724,383</b>
Non-operating profit (net) .....	1,617,064	1,596,683	3,213,747	-----	4,282,770	4,282,770
<b>Net Profit</b> .....	<b>\$76,775,322</b>	<b>\$110,325,009</b>	<b>\$187,100,331</b>	<b>\$86,791,496</b>	<b>\$112,215,657</b>	<b>\$199,007,153</b>
<b>Less Provision for:</b>						
<b>Employees bonus</b> .....	<b>\$2,603,000</b>	<b>\$4,118,000</b>	<b>\$6,721,000</b>	<b>\$3,128,500</b>	<b>\$4,356,500</b>	<b>\$7,485,000</b>
<b>Amount due Managers Securities Company</b> .....	<b>2,603,000</b>	<b>4,118,000</b>	<b>6,721,000</b>	<b>3,128,500</b>	<b>4,356,500</b>	<b>7,485,000</b>
<b>Employees savings and investment fund</b> .....	<b>3,309,808</b>	<b>3,422,470</b>	<b>6,732,278</b>	<b>2,579,417</b>	<b>2,610,155</b>	<b>5,189,572</b>
<b>Special payment to employees under stock subscription plan</b> .....	<b>72,000</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>72,120</b>	<b>58,930</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>58,976</b>
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$8,587,808</b>	<b>\$11,658,590</b>	<b>\$20,246,398</b>	<b>\$8,895,347</b>	<b>\$11,323,201</b>	<b>\$20,218,548</b>
<b>Net Income before Income Taxes</b> .....	<b>\$68,187,514</b>	<b>\$98,666,419</b>	<b>\$166,853,933</b>	<b>\$77,896,149</b>	<b>\$100,892,456</b>	<b>\$178,788,605</b>
Less provision for United States and foreign income taxes .....	7,870,000	11,465,000	19,335,000	10,329,000	10,280,000	20,609,000
<b>Net Income</b> .....	<b>\$60,317,514</b>	<b>\$87,201,419</b>	<b>\$147,518,933</b>	<b>\$67,567,149</b>	<b>\$90,612,456</b>	<b>\$158,179,605</b>
<b>General Motors Corporation's Proportion of Net Income</b> .....	<b>\$59,807,011</b>	<b>\$86,793,309</b>	<b>\$146,600,320</b>	<b>\$67,207,384</b>	<b>\$90,296,249</b>	<b>\$157,503,633</b>
<b>Dividends on preferred and debenture capital stocks:</b>						
Seven per cent preferred .....	\$2,296,209	\$2,298,286	\$4,594,495	\$2,290,254	\$2,291,384	\$4,581,638
Six per cent preferred .....	23,038	22,209	45,247	25,467	24,750	50,217
Six per cent debenture .....	32,523	31,571	64,094	35,198	34,947	70,145
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$2,351,770</b>	<b>\$2,352,066</b>	<b>\$4,703,836</b>	<b>\$2,350,919</b>	<b>\$2,351,081</b>	<b>\$4,702,000</b>
<b>Amount Earned on Common Capital Stock</b> .....	<b>*\$57,455,241</b>	<b>*\$84,441,243</b>	<b>*\$141,896,484</b>	<b>*\$64,856,465</b>	<b>*\$87,945,168</b>	<b>*\$152,801,633</b>

\*Note.—Including the General Motors Corporation's equity in the undivided profits of General Motors Acceptance Corporation (100%), Yellow Truck & Coach Manufacturing Company (50.002%), Ethyl Gasoline Corporation (50%), General Exchange Insurance Corporation (100%), Vauxhall Motors, Limited (100%), and Adam Opel, A. G. since April 1, 1929 (80%), the amount earned on the common capital stock is

\$59,559,217    \$87,597,257    \$147,156,474    \$67,117,657    \$89,448,317    \$156,565,974

#### SUMMARY OF CONSOLIDATED SURPLUS.

	1929			1928		
	First Quarter.	Second Quarter.	Six Months.	First Quarter.	Second Quarter.	Six Months.
<b>Surplus at beginning of period</b> .....	<b>\$285,458,595</b>	<b>\$310,288,832</b>	<b>\$285,458,595</b>	<b>\$187,819,083</b>	<b>\$230,925,548</b>	<b>\$187,819,083</b>
General Motors Corporation's proportion of Net Income, per summary of Consolidated Income .....	59,807,011	86,793,309	146,600,320	67,207,384	90,296,249	157,503,633
Capital surplus arising through the exchange of six per cent debenture and six per cent preferred capital stocks for seven per cent preferred capital stock .....	23,325	15,030	38,355	8,085	10,400	18,485
Amount transferred to reserve for sundry contingencies, by order of the Board of Directors .....	<b>23,325</b>	<b>15,030</b>	<b>38,355</b>	<b>8,085</b>	<b>10,400</b>	<b>18,485</b>
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$345,265,606</b>	<b>\$397,082,141</b>	<b>\$432,058,915</b>	<b>\$255,026,467</b>	<b>\$321,221,797</b>	<b>\$345,822,716</b>
<b>Less cash dividends paid or accrued:</b>						
Seven per cent preferred capital stock .....	\$2,296,209	\$2,298,286	\$4,594,495	\$2,290,254	\$2,291,384	\$4,581,638
Six per cent preferred capital stock .....	23,038	22,209	45,247	25,467	24,750	50,217
Six per cent debenture capital stock .....	32,523	31,571	64,094	35,198	34,947	70,145
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$2,351,770</b>	<b>\$2,352,066</b>	<b>\$4,703,836</b>	<b>\$2,350,919</b>	<b>\$2,351,081</b>	<b>\$4,702,000</b>
<b>Common capital stock:</b>						
March 12 (\$0.75 on 43,500,000 shares in 1929) .....	\$32,625,004	\$-----	\$32,625,004	\$21,750,000	\$-----	\$21,750,000
June 12 (\$0.75 on 43,500,000 shares in 1929) .....	-----	32,625,002	32,625,002	-----	21,750,000	21,750,000
(\$0.30 extra on 43,500,000 shares payable July 2 1929) .....	-----	13,050,000	13,050,000	-----	*34,800,000	*34,800,000
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$32,625,004</b>	<b>\$45,675,002</b>	<b>\$78,300,006</b>	<b>\$21,750,000</b>	<b>\$56,550,000</b>	<b>\$78,300,000</b>
<b>Total cash dividends paid or accrued</b> .....	<b>\$34,976,774</b>	<b>\$48,027,068</b>	<b>\$83,003,842</b>	<b>\$24,100,919</b>	<b>\$58,901,081</b>	<b>\$83,002,000</b>
<b>Surplus at end of period</b> .....	<b>\$310,288,832</b>	<b>\$349,055,073</b>	<b>\$349,055,073</b>	<b>\$230,925,548</b>	<b>\$262,320,716</b>	<b>\$262,320,716</b>

\*Note.—July 3 1928, there was paid \$2.00 extra per share on 17,400,000 shares.

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS OF JUNE 30 1929 AND DECEMBER 31 1928.

ASSETS.		June 30 1929.	Dec. 31 1928.
<i>Current Assets—</i>			
Cash		\$110,883,777	\$99,189,839
United States Government securities		45,642,749	112,351,174
Other marketable securities		497,965	4,364,217
Sight drafts with bills of lading attached, and C. O. D. items		24,235,945	9,273,824
Notes receivable		2,022,939	8,788,453
Accounts receivable and trade acceptances, less reserve for doubtful accounts (in 1929, \$1,483,466; in 1928, \$1,229,649)		53,625,615	34,565,680
Inventories		217,478,388	196,692,868
Prepaid expenses		2,639,145	3,583,232
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>\$457,026,523</b>	<b>\$468,809,287</b>
<i>Fixed Assets—</i>			
Investment in subsidiaries and affiliated and miscellaneous companies not consolidated		\$172,794,828	\$117,819,124
General Motors Corporation capital stocks held in treasury for corporate purposes (in 1929, 1,079,284 shares common; 17,082 shares 7% preferred)		39,777,446	50,053,193
Real estate, plants and equipment		577,491,669	542,987,155
Deferred expenses		18,023,364	19,552,635
Goodwill, patents, etc.		44,803,661	43,673,475
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>		<b>\$852,890,968</b>	<b>\$774,085,582</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>\$1,309,917,491</b>	<b>\$1,242,894,869</b>
<i>LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND CAPITAL.</i>			
<i>Current Liabilities—</i>			
Accounts payable		\$59,626,421	\$61,244,892
Taxes, payrolls and sundry accrued items		44,639,947	24,180,315
United States and foreign income taxes		35,170,906	33,225,609
Employees' savings funds, payable within one year		8,520,131	9,302,494
Accrued dividends on preferred and debenture capital stocks		1,568,099	1,567,673
Extra dividend on common capital stock, payable July 2, 1929 (for 1928, payable Jan. 4, 1929)		13,050,000	43,500,000
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>\$162,575,504</b>	<b>\$173,020,983</b>
<i>Reserves—</i>			
Depreciation of real estate, plants and equipment		\$177,859,100	\$162,680,113
Employees' investment fund		5,777,157	9,019,707
Employees' savings funds, payable after one year		29,033,313	23,100,639
Employees' bonus		6,856,118	14,078,560
Sundry contingencies		4,916,131	2,532,542
<b>Total Reserves</b>		<b>\$224,441,819</b>	<b>\$211,411,561</b>
<i>Capital Stock and Surplus—</i>			
Capital stock of General Motors Corporation:			
Seven per cent preferred* (authorized, \$500,000,000)		\$131,364,000	\$131,108,300
Six per cent preferred (authorized and outstanding)		1,464,000	1,579,500
Six per cent debenture (authorized and outstanding)		2,088,000	2,228,200
Common, \$10 par value (in 1929, authorized, 75,000,000 shares. Issued and outstanding, 43,500,000 shares)		435,000,000	435,000,000
<b>Total Capital Stock</b>		<b>\$569,916,000</b>	<b>\$569,916,000</b>
Interest of minority stockholders in subsidiary companies with respect to capital and surplus		3,929,095	3,087,730
Surplus		349,055,073	285,458,595
<b>Total Capital Stock and Surplus</b>		<b>\$922,900,168</b>	<b>\$858,462,325</b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Reserves and Capital</b>		<b>\$1,309,917,491</b>	<b>\$1,242,894,869</b>

\* The seven per cent preferred capital stock is preferred as to assets and dividends over all other capital stocks of the Corporation under charter amendments adopted June 16, 1924.

## CURRENT NOTICES.

—An interesting brochure which details the major activities of the organization responsible for the inception of the national labor turnover index, the Southern Sales Conference, a survey of industrial development, and other major projects has been published under the title, "Economic Services of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co." The service bureau of that organization, formed to aid holders of Metropolitan policies, has taken full advantage of its strategic position and through many of its activities has proven a definite aid to manufacturing, commerce and finance in the United States and to the public in general. This report contains many items of interest to business men in every classification. A copy of it may be obtained by writing to the policyholders' service bureau, Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., 1 Madison Ave., New York City.

—De Saint-Phalle & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, who last week opened on the Ile de France the first sea-going brokerage office ever established on ocean liners, will, on the White Star liner Majestic open their second branch office. This service on the White Star liner will be inaugurated on Saturday (Aug. 24) when the Exchange opens. Equipment on the Majestic will be identical with that on the Ile de France, with the office, in charge of George A. Truitt, on the mezzanine overlooking the dining saloon on C deck. The quotation board, capable of receiving continuous quotations on 100 stocks, has been installed.

—Peabody, Smith & Co. have opened a Chicago office at 112 West Adams St. Ross Davis, Vice-President, who will be in charge, was formerly Resident Manager of the Chicago office of J. G. White & Co., Inc. Associated with him will be Sidney H. Castle, G. Edward Hiscox, Edward A. Walter, Charles A. White and Walter H. Puscheck. Offices also will be opened in Minneapolis under the management of Guy A. Nelson. Other offices of the company are located in New York, Pittsburgh and Newark N. J.

—The firm of Edmund Seymour & Co., Inc., which has been conducting an investment banking business for forty years, announces that it will hereafter operate as a partnership under the name of Edmund Seymour & Co. The new firm now has a membership on the New York Stock Exchange and will conduct its business from its new quarters at 63 Wall St., New York.

—Oliver J. Anderson & Co., 718 Locust St., St. Louis, have prepared a chart analyzing 24 railroad common stocks that are actively traded in on the New York Stock Exchange. This analysis compares the various railroad companies under consideration from the standpoint of size, capital structure, volume of business, operating efficiency, traffic statistics, common stock position, &c., &c.

—Benjamin J. Kallen, member of the New York Curb Exchange, and Louis J. Treuhart announce the formation of a partnership under the firm name of Kallen & Co., members of the New York Curb Exchange, with offices at 100 Broadway, New York, for the transaction of a commission business in stocks and bonds.

—Zimmermann & Forshay have prepared an analysis of the past record, present earnings and future possibilities of National Family Stores, Inc.

—The Bridgeport, Conn., office of Hemphill, Noyes & Co., New York investment bankers, located in the City Bank & Trust Building, has recently added a board room with New York Stock Exchange and New York Curb tickers for the convenience of customers in that vicinity.

—Curtis & Sanger, members of the New York and Boston Stock Exchanges have opened a branch office in the Hospital Trust Building, Providence, for the transaction of investment business under the direction of John E. C. Hall.

—Filer & Co., members New York Stock Exchange, 39 Broadway, N. Y., have published a booklet, "Arbitrage in Equivalent Securities," in which they go very interestingly into the theory of arbitrage and its advantages.

—Boettcher-Newton & Co., members New York Stock Exchange, Denver, Colo., have moved to their new offices at 828 17th St., where they are occupying part of the second and third floors of the Boston Building.

—J. H. Holmes & Co., members New York Stock Exchange, announce the admission to their firm of George S. Braun as a general partner and J. Herbert Ware Jr. as a limited partner.

—Guttag Bros., 95 Broad St., New York, have published their "B.T.I. circular for August, showing the record of New York bank stocks based upon the reports of June 29.

—E. Naumburg & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, have prepared a booklet on the Public National Bank & Trust Co. of New York.

—A. L. Scheuer & Co. announce that Cornelius D. Hurley is now associated with them as manager of their uptown office, 336 Madison Ave.

—Potter & Co., members of New York Stock Exchange, 5 Nassau St., N. Y., have issued a special circular on the Curtiss-Wright Corp.

—Donald, Friedman & Co. dealers in bank stocks announce the removal of their offices to 37 Wall St., N. Y., telephone HANover 8400.

—Eastman, Dillon & Co., 120 Broadway, N. Y., have prepared an analysis of Campbell, Wyant and Cannon Co. capital stock.

—Hornblower & Weeks, 42 Broadway, New York, have issued a special analytical circular on the Westinghouse Air Brake Co.

—Leo Z. Hauser of Leo Z. Hauser & Co., Inc., has been elected a member of the New York Real Estate Securities Exchange, Inc.

—Newburger, Henderson & Loeb, 100 Broadway, New York, have prepared an analysis of General American Tank Car Co.

—The current market letter of Josephthal & Co., New York, contains an analysis of Continental Insurance.

—J. K. Rice, Jr., & Co., 120 Broadway, N. Y., have issued an analysis of bank and insurance stocks.

—Prince & Whitely, 25 Broad St., New York, are distributing an analysis of the Texas Corporation.

—E. A. Pierce & Co., New York, have prepared a circular on Follansbe Bros. Co.



# 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."

New York, Friday, August 23 1929.

COFFEE on the spot was quiet at 21 $\frac{3}{4}$  to 22 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. for Santos 4s, 15 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 15 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. for Rio 7s and 15c. for Victoria 7-8s. Spot prices were firmer on the 20th inst. with Rio and Victoria scarce and firmer; Santos 4s were 21 $\frac{5}{8}$  to 22 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Rio 7s 16 to 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; Victoria 7-8s, 15 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. Later mild coffee was active especially on Columbian at higher prices. Roasters bought more freely. Brazilian was unchanged. Fair to good Cucuta, 20 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 21c.; Colombian, Ocana, 19 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; Bucaramanga, natural, 20 to 21c.; washed, 22 to 23c.; Honda, Tolima and Giradot, 22 $\frac{3}{4}$  to 23c.; Medellin, 23 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 24c.; Manizales, 23 to 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; Mexican, washed, 24 to 24 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; Mandheling, 34 to 37c.; Genuine, Java, 31 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 33c.; Robusta, washed, 19 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; natural, 17 to 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; Mocha, 26 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; Harrar, 25 to 26c.; Abyssinian, 21 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 22c.; Guatemala, prime, 23 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 24c.; good, 22 $\frac{1}{4}$  to 22 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; Bourbon, 21 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 22c.

On the 19th inst. the supply of cost and freight offers from Brazil was small. Prices higher in some cases; unchanged in others. On the 22d inst. cost and freight offers from Brazil included prompt shipment Santos Bourbon 2-3s at 22 $\frac{3}{8}$ c., 3s at 22.30c., 3-4s at 20.80 to 21c.; 3-5s at 21 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 21.65c., 4-5s at 20 $\frac{1}{4}$  to 22c., 5s at 19.90 to 20.90c., 5-6s at 19 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 20.15c., 6s at 18.35c., 6-7s at 17.95c., 7-8s at 14 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 15.60c.; part Bourbon 3-4s at 18c., 4-5s at 20 $\frac{3}{8}$ c., 6s at 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. 7s and 8s at 15c.; Peaberry 3-4s at 21.65c., 4-5s at 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ c., 5s at 21 $\frac{1}{4}$ c., rain-damaged 6-7s at 16.95c., 7s at 16c., Rio 7s at 14.90 to 15.20c., 7-8s at 14.60 to 14.95c., Victoria 7s at 13.90c., 7-8s at 13.70c. Stocks of Brazilian coffee in the United States and afloat for this country on Aug. 17, according to the New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange, were 794,586 bags against 907,031 bags on the same date last year and 933,052 in 1927. Receipts at Rio and Santos July 1 to Aug. 19 were 1,348,000, against 1,518,000 in the same period last year and 1,878,000 in 1927. The Sao Paulo Coffee Institute reports stocks in interior warehouses and at railways on July 31 as 10,448,000 bags, against 8,785,000 bags on June 30. It estimates the world's visible supply on Aug. 1 as 5,448,403 bags, against 5,269,630 bags at that date last year.

To-day the supply of early cost and freight offers was small and unchanged to 10 points higher on Santos. The tenders included for prompt shipment, Bourbon 3-5s at 20 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 21c.; 4-5s at 20 $\frac{1}{4}$  to 20 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; 5s at 20 $\frac{1}{4}$  to 20 $\frac{3}{8}$ c.; 5-6s at 19 $\frac{1}{4}$  to 20c.; 6s at 18.45c.; 6-7s at 19 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; 7-8s at 14.60 to 17.55c.; part Bourbon 3-4s at 21.40c.; 4-5s at 20.40c.; 5s at 20.80c.; rain damaged 6-7s at 16.90c.; 7-8s at 15c.; Rio 7s were here at 14.90 to 15c.; 7-8s at 14.60c.; Victoria 7s at 13.90c. and 7-8s at 13.70c. Futures on the 19th inst. advanced 4 to 24 points on Rio with sales of 26,500 bags and 5 to 18 points on Santos with sales of 13,500 bags. General rains in Brazil caused fears of frost. Offerings were small. Brazil prices were firmer. Futures on the 20th inst. were quiet with liquidation mostly in near months. The closing was at a decline of 5 to 11 points on Rio with sales of 14,750 bags and of 1 to 9 points on Santos with sales of 13,250 bags. Foreign interests were understood to be buying. In Sao Paulo there were general rains. Futures on the 21st inst. declined 1 to 19 points on Santos with sales of 18,750 bags and were 15 to 24 off on Rio with sales of 26,750 bags. Brazilian and local interests sold. Rio terme prices moreover fell 350 to 600 reis. The technical position here was weaker.

On the 22nd inst. prices advanced 9 to 29 points on the two contracts with sales of 43,750 bags. Brazil bought. Shorts covered. There was nothing in the Brazilian cables to explain the rise here. It looked like a stronger technical position. Besides spot coffee was firmer. A private cable from Santos stated that the caixa registrado or margin, has been increased from the initial deposit of 10,000 milreis to 30,000 milreis, which, it was said, was forcing speculative traders to liquidate. Today Rio futures ended unchanged to 7 points lower with sales of 21,000 bags while Santos was 6 points lower to 8 points higher with sales of 15,000 bags. Final prices show an advance of 14 to 35 points on Santos for the week but are 10 points lower to 6 higher on Rio. Cocoa today ended 1 to 7 points lower with sales of 217 lots. Final prices for the week are 4 to 11 points lower. Sept., 10.74c.; Dec., 10.24c.; March, 10.29c.

Rio coffee prices closed as follows:

Spot (unofficial)	-----16	December	-----13.80	May	-----12.79
September	-----14.23	March	-----13.20	July	-----12.53

Santos coffee prices closed as follows:

Spot (unofficial)	-----	December	-----20.10	May	-----18.58@nom.
September	-----20.95@nom.	March	-----19.12	July	-----18.18@nom.

SUGAR.—Cuban raws were quiet early in the week at 2 1-32 to 2 1-16c. bid and asked. Refined was 5.50c. The demand for resale granulated was increasing. The withdrawals were on a good scale. Receipts at Cuban ports for the week were 57,755 tons, against 24,261 in the same week last year; exports 124,008, against 64,449 last year; stock (consumption deducted) 872,942 tons, against 897,898 last year. Of the exports 37,081 went to Atlantic ports, 26,066 to New Orleans, 9,919 to interior United States, 3,491 to Galveston, 7,443 to Savannah, 3,772 to Canada and 36,236 to Europe. Receipts at United States Atlantic ports for the week were 46,571 tons, against 73,552 in previous week and 62,764 same week last year; meltings 69,983 tons, against 72,529 in previous week and 63,000 last year; importers' stocks 407,754 tons, against 403,310 in previous week and 290,643 last year; refiners' stocks 211,848 tons, against 239,704 in previous week and 119,942 last year; total stocks 619,602, against 643,014 in previous week and 410,585 in same week last year.

The tariff schedule announced by the Senate Finance Committee is 2.75c. on full duty sugar and 2.20c. on Cuban. This is rather higher than expected but some think there is a strong possibility that a further reduction will be made in the Senate. It is expected, however, that some increase in the duty will be included in any Tariff Bill that is passed. There remains the uncertainty as to whether the Bill will be adopted in the special session or be thrown over into the regular session and not become a law until some time in the Spring. Of Philippines due next week there were sales of 5,500 tons at 3.77c. delivered, or 2c. c. & f. Cuba, for prompt shipment was offered or available at 2 1-32c. c. & f. It is estimated by some that not much more than 150,000 bags of Porto Ricos and Philippines remain unsold. A factor which may have influenced the refiners in their abstention from buying was a widely circulated report that the Joint Foreign Sales Syndicate has been dissolved and will turn over the unsold balance of the sugars committed to it to the original owners. It is estimated that there are about 280,000 tons of such sugars, most of which are understood to be hedged on the Exchange here.

Futures on the 19th inst. advanced 2 to 5 points net with sales of 31,200 tons. Shorts covered. The uncertainty as to the outcome of the tariff discussion kept trading down and fluctuations narrow. The weather in Cuba was reported better but the July rainfall was reported to be much below normal. The Havana Sugar Club stated that it averaged 4.42 inches against 5.74 inches in July last year. For 7 months ending July 31st the average was 22.15 inches, against 24.15 inches last year, while the normal for the period was 28.19 inches. A deficiency this year of 6 inches. Futures on the 20th inst. declined 2 to 4 points. No great attention was paid to the publication of the tariff schedules. They were about what had been expected. December was sold rather heavily by local interests. The sales were some 29,300 tons about 50% exchanges mostly of September and December for next crop months. Futures on the 21st inst. declined 2 to 3 points with sales of 50,600 tons nearly one-half exchanges. The technical position was weak and spot raws were lower; 42,000 bags of Cuba in addition to 5,500 tons of nearby Philippines sold at 2c. c.&f. Other sales were reported to have been made at the same price. According to private advices from Cuba, the unsold balance of the sugars committed to the Joint Foreign Sales Syndicate, amounting to some 280,000 tons has already been turned back to the owners. Havana reported that President Machado had signed an order authorizing the Cuban Export Corp. still in nominal existence to take over the affairs of the single selling agency until the members of that body have been appointed and the details of the organization completed. An announcement of the personnel of the selling agency will be made next Wednesday when its plan of action will be published.

On the 22d inst. 4,100 tons of Porto Rican for clearance the first week in September sold at 3.77c. delivered, or 2c. c.&f. Prompt was quoted not under 2 1-32c. Some calculate that stocks available for this country to the end of the year amount to 2,424,000 tons, against 2,195,000 tons last year and 2,091,000 in 1927. Although the carryover is estimated at around 700,000 tons, importers here this year have 455,000 tons, against 305,000 tons last year and 138,000 tons in 1927, and it is likely that very little of this stock may go into meltings, as happened in previous years, due to the long awaited change in the tariff. Futures on the 22d inst. advanced 2 to 4 points with sales of 57,100 tons, about 60% switches, mostly from September into later months. Contracts were less plentiful. September was plainly in demand. Prompt raws 2 1-32 to 2 1-16c. with trade slow; 4,150 tons of Porto Rico sold at 3.77c. delivered, or 2c. c.&f. Refined 5.50c. with new business and withdrawals unsatisfactory;

resale granulated 5.15 to 5.20c. generally; it seems easily obtainable at 5.15c. To-day prices ended unchanged to 3 points lower with sales of 41,150 tons. It was stated that in two days some 150,000 bags, possibly 200,000 bags of Cuban raws have sold here to refiners and operators at 2 1-32c. for second half of September shipment and 2 1-16c. for October shipment or arrival. One refiner took 50,000 bags or more. The larger total mentioned above is said to represent the remainder turned over to three producers by the Joint Foreign Sales Syndicate. Final prices here show little change for the week. They are unchanged to 1 point lower.

Prices were as follows:

Spot (unofficial).....	2 1-32	January.....	2.15@2.16	May.....	2.28@2.29
September.....	2.00@2.01	March.....	2.22@	July.....	2.36@
December.....	2.12@2.13				

**LARD.**—On the spot was firmer at 12.75 to 12.85c. for prime western; refined Continent, 13 1/4c.; South America, 13 5/8c.; Brazil, 14 5/8c. On the 19th inst. refined to Continent, 13 1/8c.; South America, 13 1/2c.; Brazil, 14 1/2c. Later prime Western on the spot was 12.60 to 12.70c.; Refined Continent firmer at 13 3/8c.; South America, 13 3/4c.; Brazil, 14 3/4c. Futures on the 17th inst. advanced 10 to 13 points with grain higher. Futures on the 19th inst. declined 8 to 10 points with grain and hogs lower. Also the demand for export was disappointing. The receipts of hogs at Chicago were 64,000. The total Western movement was 118,600 against 102,900 a week ago and 95,600 last year. Export clearances from here last week were 2,906,520 lbs., largely to the Continent against 9,177,000 lbs. in the previous week.

On the 20th inst. prices fell 7 to 10 points net with hogs weak, cash lard slow, and no special speculative demand. At one time prices were off about 20 points under liquidation. Later covering had some effect. On the 21st inst. futures ended unchanged to 5 points lower. Lower grain markets and easier cash prices were the depressing factors. Futures on the 22nd inst. advanced 5 to 7 points with corn higher and hogs firmer as receipts proved to be smaller than expected. Today there was active trading at an advance ending at a rise of 15 to 17 points. This was traceable to a better cash demand and a stronger market for hogs. Final prices show a rise in lard futures for the week of 10 to 13 points.

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO.**

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
September delivery.....	12.15	12.05	11.97	11.92	12.00	12.15
October delivery.....	12.25	12.17	12.07	12.02	12.10	12.25
December delivery.....	12.30	12.22	12.12	12.10	12.15	12.30

**PORK.**—Steady; mess, \$32; family, \$37; fat back, \$22.50 to \$29. Ribs, 13c. Beef steady; mess, \$25; packet, \$26 to \$27; family, \$26 to \$30; extra India mess, \$42 to \$45; No. 1 canned corned beef, \$3.10; No. 2, 6 pounds, South America, \$16.75; pickled tongues, \$75 to \$80 per barrel. Cut meats quiet; pickled hams, 10 to 20 lbs., 21 1/4 to 23 1/4c.; pickled bellies 6 to 12 lbs., 18 3/4 to 22c.; bellies, clear, dry salted, boxed, 18 to 20 lbs., 16 1/4; 14 to 16 lbs., 16 1/2c.; Butter, lower grades to high scoring 37 1/2 to 44c. Cheese, flats 23 to 29 1/2c.; daisies, 22 1/2 to 28c. Eggs medium to extras, 32 1/2 to 40c.; closely selected, 41 to 42c.

**OILS.**—Linseed was rather firmer early in the week, but a decline in the Argentine flax market caused a decline of 2c. here on the 22d inst. Crushers quoted carlots at 12.8c.; tank cars at 12c.; 5 barrels 13.2, and single barrels in warehouse, 13.6c. The demand was slow. Coconut, Manila, coast tanks, 6 1/2 to 6 5/8c.; spot, N. Y. tanks, 6 3/4 to 6 5/8c.; corn, crude, barrels, tanks, f.o.b. mills, 7 1/2 to 7 5/8c. Olive, Den., \$1.15 to \$1.30; China wood, Pacific Coast tanks, futures, 12 3/4c.; soya bean, tanks, coast, 9 1/2c.; edible olive, \$2.25 to \$2.40. Lard, prime, 15 1/4c.; extra strained, winter, N. Y., 12 3/4c. Cod, Newfoundland, 62c Turpentine, 52 1/2 to 58 1/2c. Rosin, \$8.70 to \$9.35. Cottonseed oil sales to-day, including switches, 12,800 barrels. Crude S.E., 7 1/2c. bid. Prices closed as follows:

Spot.....	9.30@	October.....	9.43@9.44	January.....	9.58@9.62
August.....	9.30@9.50	November.....	9.43@9.55	February.....	9.60@9.75
September.....	9.36@9.39	December.....	9.55@9.58	March.....	9.75@

**PETROLEUM.**—Gasoline was steady, but apparently buyers are looking for lower prices. They are content with buying only for immediate needs. Refiners on the other hand contend that a reduction in prices is not justified and are predicting firmer prices for some time to come. United States Motor was quoted at 9 to 9 1/2c. f. o. b. refinery. In Chicago jobbers were said to be good buyers of gasoline in the open market. Mid-Continent stocks of gasoline are being steadily reduced. Kerosene was steady, but buying was not on a large scale. The range for domestic delivery 41-43 water white was 7 3/4 to 8c. delivered to nearby trade in tank cars. Fuel oils of late were in better demand and the outlook is promising. Bunker oil was in fair demand at \$1.05 at refineries and \$1.10 f.a.s. New York harbor.

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.**—New York on the 19th inst. declined 30 to 50 points on liquidation with London off 3-16 to 1/4d. and Singapore down 5-16d., as stocks increased more than had been expected. They increased in London 2,129 tons and in Liverpool 1,512 tons. Small wonder that long liquidation and short selling followed. The total in London is now 33,573 tons and in Liverpool 5,993 tons. September here on the 19th inst. ended at 19.70 to 19.80c.; October, 19.90 to 20c.; December, 20.60c.; January, 20.80c.; March, 21.20c.; May,

21.50 to 21.60c. Outside prices: Ribbed smoked spot and August, 19 3/4 to 20c.; September, 20 to 20 1/4c.; Oct.-Dec., 20 1/4 to 20 3/8c.; Jan.-March, 21 to 21 3/8c. On the 20th inst. New York advanced 40 to 60 points on covering coincident with higher cables and an evidently better technical position here. The sales were 936 contracts on 2,340 tons. December at one time was up 70 points. Actual rubber was in fair demand. August ended here on the 20th inst. at 19.60c.; September, 20.10c.; October, 20.40 to 20.60c.; December, 21.10c.; March, 21.60 to 21.70c.; May, 22.10c. Outside prices: Ribbed smoked sheets spot and August, 20 1/4c.; September, 20 1/4 to 20 1/2c.; Oct.-Dec., 20 7/8 to 21 1/8c.; Jan.-March, 21 3/8 to 21 5/8c.; spot, first latex, 21 to 21 1/4c.; thin, pale latex, 21 1/4 to 21 1/2c.; clean, thin brown crepe, 17 to 17 1/4c.; specky crepe, 16 3/4 to 17 1/4c.; rolled brown crepe, 12 1/2 to 12 3/4c.; No. 2, amber, 17 1/4 to 17 1/2c.; No. 3, 17 to 17 1/4c.; No. 4, 16 3/4 to 17c. In London spot and August, 10 1/4d.; September, 10 5-16d.; in Singapore, September, 9 9-16d.; Oct.-Dec., 10 1/8d.

On the 21st inst. New York was irregular, but ended 10 to 20 points lower. The trade bought the distant months even at the big premiums current, i.e., 110 to 120 points on Jan. over Sept. The total trading was 900 contracts or 2,250 long tons. London advanced 1-16d. on some months, but closed weaker. Singapore advanced 5-16d. New York closed on the 21st inst. with Sept., 19.90c.; Oct., 20.20c.; Dec., 21c.; Jan., 21.10 to 21.90c.; March, 21.60c.; May, 21.80 to 21.90c. Outside prices: Ribbed smoked sheets, spot and Aug., 19 3/8 to 20 1/8c.; Sept., 20 to 20 1/4c.; Oct.-Dec., 21 to 21 1/4c.; Jan.-March, 21 5/8 to 21 7/8c. Spot first latex, 21 to 21 1/4c.; thin pale latex, 21 1/8 to 21 3/8c.; clean thin brown crepe, 16 5/8 to 16 7/8c.; specky crepe, 16 3/4c.; rolled brown crepe, 12 to 12 1/2c.; No. 2 amber 17 1/8 to 17 3/8c.; No. 3, 16 7/8 to 17 1/8c.; No. 4, 16 5/8 to 16 7/8c. London on the 21st inst. closed with spot and Aug., 10 5-16d.; Sept., 10 3/8d.; Oct.-Dec., 10 1/2d.; Jan.-March, 10 13-16d.; April-June, 11 1-16d. Singapore Aug. 21st, Sept., 9 7/8d.; Oct.-Dec., 10 7-16d.; Jan.-March, 10 3/4d. New York on the 22d inst. declined 10 to 40 points with the cables off and liquidation general; sales 832 tons. On that day Sept. ended here at 19.60c.; Oct. at 19.90 to 20c.; Dec. at 20.60c.; Jan. at 20.80 to 20.90c.; March, 21.30c. Outside prices: Spot and Aug. smoked, 19 7/8 to 20 1/8c.; first latex, 21 to 21 1/4c. London spot and Aug., 10 3-16d. Singapore, Sept., 9 3/4d. T-day prices ended 20 to 40 points higher with sales of 381 lots. Sept. ended at 19.80 to 19.90c.; Dec., 20.80c., and March, 21.50 to 21.60c. London closed with spot and Aug., 10 3-16 to 10 1/4d.; Sept., 10 1/4d.; Oct.-Dec., 10 1/2d.; Jan.-March, 10 3/4d.; April-June, 11d. Singapore ended with Sept., 9 5/8d.; Oct.-Dec., 10 1/4d.; Jan.-March, 10 1/2d.; No. 3, Ambers spot, 7 3/4d. London stocks are expected to increase about 700 tons. Shorts covered. There was a good deal of switching from Sept. to later months. Final prices here show a decline for the week of 10 to 40 points.

**HIDES.**—New York on the 19th inst. closed 5 points lower to 40 points higher with most months 10 to 20 points up. The sales were 160,000 lbs. Dec. ended on that day at 18.30c. after being 18.20 to 18.25c.; Sept., 16.65 to 16.95c.; Oct., 17c. Outside markets were quiet early in the week. In the South American trade prices were firm with a good business. The sales last week were 75,000 hides including natives at 18 1/2c., branded steers 17 1/2c., for butts, 17c. for Colorados, light Texas 16 1/2c., extreme light native steers 17 1/4c. and heavy Texas 17 1/2c. Sales in New York were 18,000 native steers at 17c. Later native steers were quoted at 19c.; butt brands 18c. On the 20th inst. prices at one time were 35 points higher but the closing was 10 points lower to 15 points higher after large liquidation the sales at the Exchange rising to 800,000 lbs. The closing on that day was at 16.80c. for Sept. 18.40 to 18.45c. for Dec. and 18.45 to 18.55c. for Jan. Advances of 3-16 to 1/2c. occurred at Chicago and Buenos Aires. At Chicago 30,000 hides of the July-Aug. takeoff sold at 16 1/2c. for branded cows 16 1/2c. for extreme light Texas steers, 17c. for light Texas steers 17c. for Colorado steers and 18c. for heavy Texas. The Argentine sales were 12,000 frigorifico steers at a price equivalent to 18 1/2c. to 18 3-16c. a pound. New York was quiet with frigorifico steers up to 18 1/2c. Common dry, Central America 19c.; Savanillas 18 1/2c.; Santa Marta 19c. New York City calfskins, 5-7s, 1.75 to 1.85; 7-9s, 2.30 to 2.35; 9-12s, 3.10 to 3.15.

On the 21st inst. New York prices closed 5 points lower to 40 higher; sales 800,000 lbs.; November ended at 18 to 18.40c.; December, 18.51 to 18.57c.; September quoted 16.75 to 17.25c. On the 22nd inst. prices advanced 10 to 50 points with sales of 1,080,000 lbs.; Sept. and Oct. closed on that day at 17.30c. In Chicago 20,000 light native cows of the July-August takeoff, sold at 17 1/2c., an advance of 1/2c.; also 4,000 heavy Texas steers, July-August takeoff, sold at 18 1/2c. and 2,000 July-August takeoff of heavy native cows at 18 1/2c. From Buenos Aires came a report of another advance on frigorifico steers, August which moved at \$39.50, Argentine gold, equivalent to 18 5-16c., up 1-16c. on sales of 4,000 hides.

**OCEAN FREIGHTS.**—Trading was light.

CHARTERS included: Coal, second half September, Hampton Roads to West Italy, \$2.50. Grain, 35,000 quarters, Gulf prompt to Montevideo, 152s. 6d.; Bahia Blanca to Antwerp, 18s., with options through September, but combined with Bahia Blanca, Jan. 15-Feb. 15, to same or Rotterdam at 20s.; Danube, Aug. 18-31, to Antwerp or Rotterdam, 17s. 6d., both 18s.; Antwerp-Hamburg range, 6d. more; barley, 3d. less. Time.—Trip across.



\$1.20 South Atlantic; United States to United Kingdom-Continent, \$1.30 delivery Hampton Roads, August; United States and West Indies, \$1.55 delivery New York, redelivery North Hatteras; 5 months' continuation, West Indies, \$1.55; two Baltic rounds, delivery east coast United Kingdom, 5s. 3d., August; one transatlantic round, delivery Rotterdam, 6s. (Tela), 5,100 tons deadweight prompt; one Gulf round delivery, Rotterdam redelivery, United Kingdom-Continent, 4s. 3d. (Polzella), 8,690 tons deadweight, prompt. Tankers.—Gulf, Dunkirk, 23s.; Gulf-Dunkirk and Rouen, 24s., clean, Aug. 17 to Sept. 15; Constanza-United Kingdom-Continent, 18s. 6d., clean, Aug. 10-Aug. 25; Black Sea-French Atlantic, 22s., lubricating and/or gas oil, Aug.-Sept.; Black Sea-south Spain, 12s., three trips, gas oil, August; 18 months' time charter, 8s. 3d., clean, Aug.-Sept.; Black Sea-Hamburg, 19s., clean, Aug.-Sept.; Constanza-French Mediterranean, 13s., clean, September; Constanza-Villequier and Rouen, 19s. 3d., clean, August; Gulf-Rotterdam and London, 24s. 9d., lubricating, September; Gulf, September, dirty, to north of Hatteras, 39c. Lumber, 700 standards, Campbelltown, August, to Cork-Limerick, 63s. 9d.; same, September, 750 standards, to Dublin or Belfast, 61s. 3d. Nitrate.—Part cargo, one-two ports to Barcelona or Naples, 28s. 6d., Sept. 10-20.

COAL has been in fair demand at tidewater markets. Wholesalers had a rather better trade than recently. Of course there was ample room for improvement. Trade even though better was not active. Larger sales were made of bituminous as well as steam size hard coal. Wholesale smokeless lump and egg have been reported scarce from Chicago where the August 1st circular of \$3 is now exceeded in a larger demand at \$3.25. The nut and slack smokeless New England prices were very firm with Hampton Roads f.o.b., \$3.85 to \$3.95.

TOBACCO has in general met with only a moderate demand, but there is a steady trade in Sumatra suitable for 5-cent cigars. At the close of the Sumatra sales in Amsterdam it appears that most of the Sumatra wrapper suitable for the nickel cigar had been sold here. It is stated that several thousand acres of tobacco were damaged by hail in the Southern district of Wisconsin and a considerable area in the Northern district recently. Connecticut shade grown has been firm; No. 1 second 1925 crop 75c.; seed filler 30c.; dark wrapper 1925 crop, 50c. Control of the Tobacco Products Corp. and the United Cigar Stores Co. of America shifted to a group associated in the management of the Gold Dust Corp. The transactions involving companies whose assets exceed \$200,000,000 takes in an enormous chain of cigar, drug, candy and novelty stores extending from coast to coast.

Hartford, Conn. to the U. S. Tobacco Journal: "There are 131 farmers in need of 'immediate assistance' according to replies to the questionnaire submitted to farmers to determine the losses suffered in the terrific hail storm of Aug. 1st. This number was drawn from 767 returns to the enumerators who made the survey in the nine towns where hail damaged the crop severely and completely ruined hundreds of acres." New tobacco is moving into Havana in gradually increasing quantities. Stocks of old crops are low it is said. Edgerton, Wisconsin, reports that topping of the 1929 crop of Wisconsin tobacco has started here although at this stage still confined to the early planted crops and those that are well advanced in growth. At Lumberton, N. C. sales increased recently at an average of 18 to 20c. which was satisfactory for the grades offered. Atlanta, Ga., reports that in 22 leaf markets in South Georgia sales of tobacco in the first two weeks of the season surpassed expectations. Sales are reported to be about \$12,000,000, a large increase over the same period last year. Prices ranged from 42c. at Baxley downward. The average at that market was 19 cents. The average at the various markets was 15 to 25 cents. The average daily sales were around \$1,000,000. In two weeks the markets will close. The Maryland leaf crop is said to be 5,000,000 lbs. smaller than in 1928, but more valuable. Prices average 6 cents per pound above 1928. The crop is curing well after rain in the Oxford section of North Carolina.

COPPER was still quiet. Prices were unchanged at 18 to 18.30c. the latter for export. Exports sales have been better than those for domestic account. On Tuesday they were 2,375 tons and on Wednesday morning 750 tons. Thus far this month foreign sales were nearly 40,000 tons. In London on the 21st inst. spot standard fell 5s. to £73, 15s; futures off 3s, 9d. to £74, 10s; sales 50 tons futures. Electrolytic £84 5s. for spot and £84, 15s. for futures. Futures on the local exchange closed 10 to 15 points higher on the 21st inst. August sold at 17.95c. Some 50,000 tons of August and 100,000 tons of Oct. sold. Copper production in July continued to decline. The world's output for July was less than for any of the previous 3 months. The daily average for the month was 5,631 short tons against 5,820 in June, 6,217 in May and 6,561 in April. The daily average for the full year 1928 was 5,236 tons and for the second half of last year it was 5,519 tons.

Later the tone was firm with no active trading for home account. On the 22nd inst. 750 tons sold for export. At the Exchange on that day sales were 150,000 lbs. closing with December 17.69 a rise of 9 points; August and September nominally 17.90c.; October, 17.80c. In London on the 22nd inst. standard rose 3s. 9d. to £73 18s. 9d. for spot and £74 3s. 9d. for futures; sales 50 tons spot and 100 futures. Electrolytic £84 5s. spot and £84 51s. futures. Standard fell in the second session 1s. 3d.; total sales 250 tons. To-day futures ended at 17.70c. for March, 17.84c., for September, and 17.75 to 17.80c. for December.

TIN was a little more active at one time. Sales of specific brands on the 21st inst. were 100 to 150 tons and of futures 60 tons. Straits tin declined 1/4c. while futures were 5 points lower to 5 higher. On the Exchange, Sept. ended at 46c.; Oct. at 46.15c.; Nov., 46.45 to 46.60c. and July, 48c. In London on the 21st inst. prices fell £1 10s.; standard spot, £208 7s. 6d.; futures, £212 5s.; sales 100 tons spot and

420 futures. Spot Straits ended at £212 2s. 6d.; Eastern c.i.f. London off £2 5s. to £216 5s. on sales of 200 tons. Standard tin at the second London session advanced 5s. on spot, and 7s. 6d. on futures with sales for the day of 620 tons. Later futures advanced on late trading, but with London up. Most of the demand for Straits was in the nearby positions and at 46 5/8c. per pound for prompt and 47 1/8c. for Nov.; later months each 1/2c. above this. New York on the 22d inst. closed with Oct., 46.30 to 46.60c.; Aug. and Sept., 46c.; Nov., 46.55 to 46.80c.; Dec., 46.75 to 47.10c. In London on the 22d inst. spot standard advanced £1 7s. 6d. to £209 15s.; futures up £1 5s. to £213 10s.; sales 100 tons spot, and 450 futures. Spot Straits up £1 7s. 6d. to £213 10s.; Eastern c.i.f. London £216 5s. on sales of 300 tons. At the second session spot standard was unchanged, futures rising 5s.; total sales 620 tons. To-day futures ended 15 to 20 points higher with sales of 25 tons. Sept. ended at 46.20c., Dec. at 46.80c. and Jan. at 47c.

LEAD was in better demand. Most of the buying was of late August and early Sept. shipment. Prices were 6.55c. East St. Louis and 6.75c. New York. Battery makers, corrodors in nearly all classes of consumers were buying. In London on the 21st inst. spot advanced 2s, 6d. to £23; futures up 1s, 3d. to £23, 5s; sales 450 tons spot and 100 futures. Later quite a good business was done at 6.55 to 6.75c. for East St. Louis and New York. Later Sept. shipment sold in the Central West on the 22nd inst. it is said at 6.57 1/2c. Consumers' stocks are believed to be depleted. Prompt shipments are in some cases urged on old contracts. In London on the 22nd inst. spot advanced 2s, 6d. to £23, 2s, 6d; futures £23, 5s; sales 200 tons spot and 950 futures.

ZINC was firm despite the prolonged dullness. East St. Louis was 6.80c. In London on the 21st inst. spot fell 2s. 6d. to £24 18s. 9d.; futures off 1s. 3d. to £25 3s. 9d.; sales 400 tons spot. Later trade was slow, though a little better than recently. In London on the 22d inst. spot £24 18s. 9d.; futures up 1s. 3d. to £25 5s.; sales 100 tons spot and 50 futures.

STEEL.—Production has decreased 2 to 4%. The U. S. Steel corporation is at 95 and others at 90. Even so the average for the country is 14% larger than a year ago. Independents are operating at 86 against 90% a week ago. The automobile concerns have reduced their purchases more than any other buyer, though it is accounted only temporary. Their specifications are smaller. And Pittsburgh admits that prices are lower in some cases. Galvanized sheets are generally \$3.50 there. Wire nails are \$2 under the recent high. Scrap melting steel sold at \$18.50 to \$19. Some ask \$19.25. Hot and cold strip steel was reported steadier; semi-finished steel in general was said to be steady. As a rule prices are not conspicuously strong. In routine business however they seem as a rule to be steady. Tin plate was reported firm at \$535 Pittsburgh. Manufacturers are said to be buying cold-finished steel at Pittsburgh rather freely. Wire products are declared to be the most conspicuous instance of weakness in the steel trade; nails 2.55 per keg; wire 2.40c. per pound.

PIG IRON was quiet as to new business here but shipments were described as active. Cleveland last week sold 20,000 tons against 25,000 in the preceding week. Very few requests are received for a suspension or postponement of shipments. That at least is encouraging. But Birmingham reports the demand for iron as disappointing and shipments though somewhat larger than recently are not by any means satisfactory; \$14 to \$14.50 was quoted, the lower price applying to competitive territory. Iron scrap there was dull. Steel was quoted at \$13.50 for the best. Youngstown was quiet but hoped for a good business in the fall. Prices there are said to be on the whole well sustained. Here later in the week there was rather more inquiry. It was however still quiet. Alabama iron was reported to be 50c. lower with sales for shipment to Chicago at \$12.50 or \$2 under the local Alabama price. That shows to what lengths competition is going. Southern iron sells more readily in the Central West than in the East where foundries are not so used to this iron. The West has used it often enough in the past to be willing to try it again. The tentative tariff of the Senate Finance Committee is \$1.50 per ton on pig iron as against \$1.12 1/2 now; under the 1922 Act it was 75c. President Coolidge raised the iron duty 50% by the power vested in him. No duty it is contended is really much if at all needed not but if Europe should become overstocked it would no doubt ship freely to the United States.

WOOL.—A Boston Government report said Aug. 19: "Top makers are an important factor in the current wool market. The large contracts for 64s tops made during recent weeks are offering a good outlet for the short and average combing staple 64s and finer wools in the original bags. The receipts of domestic wools at Boston for the week ended Aug. 17 amounted to 7,671,300 lbs., against 6,107,820 lbs. during the previous week." London cabled Aug. 19: "Rejecting the recommendation of leaders to accept a 7 1/4% reduction in wages, wool workers to-day authorized their leaders to meet employers to-day and, if necessary, to propose arbitration." Boston wired later that the market was fairly active and quite strong on New Mexican original bag wools. The better type, consisting of very good French combing and average strictly combing staple

of 64s and finer quality, are bringing 90c. scoured basis. The average and poorer type are selling down to 85c., scoured basis. The weavers are taking the better class of offerings, while the top makers are taking the less attractive wools.

Boston prices of late have been generally without much activity. Ohio & Pennsylvania fine delaine, 37½ to 38½c.; ½ blood 44 to 45c.; ⅓ blood 45c.; Territory, clean basis, fine staple, 90 to 95c.; fine medium, French combing, 85 to 90c.; fine medium, clothing, 83 to 85c.; ½ blood staple, 93 to 96c.; ⅓ blood staple, 88 to 92c.; Texas clean basis, fine 12 months, 90 to 94c.; fine 8 months, 82 to 85c. Pulled, scoured basis, A super, 90 to 95c.; B, 80 to 85c.; Domestic mohair original Texas, 57 to 58c. Australian clean basis, in bond, 64-70s, combing super, 74 to 75c.; New Zealand clean basis, in bond, 58-60s, 68 to 69c.

SILK to-day ended 15 points lower to 45 higher with September ending at 4.95 to 4.98.

COTTON

Friday Night, Aug. 23 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 108,086 bales, against 65,804 bales last week and 49,834 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since Aug. 1 1929 226,412 bales, against 111,327 bales for the same period of 1928, showing an increase since Aug. 1 1929 of 115,085 bales.

Table showing weekly receipts from Saturday to Total. Columns include date (Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.) and total receipts. Rows list various ports like Galveston, Texas City, Houston, etc.

The following table shows the week's total receipts, the total since Aug. 1 1929 and stocks to-night, compared with last year:

Table comparing receipts and stocks for 1929 and 1928. Columns include 'Receipts to Aug. 23', '1929' (This Week, Since Aug 1 1929), '1928' (This Week, Since Aug 1 1928), and 'Stock' (1929, 1928).

In order that comparison may be made with other years, we give below the totals at leading ports for six seasons:

Table showing totals at leading ports for six seasons (1924-1929). Columns include year and total receipts for each port and a grand total.

\*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 71,945 bales, of which 2,572 were to Great Britain, 5,253 to France, 16,878 to Germany, 10,056 to Italy, 27,324 to Russia, 3,334 to Japan and China and 6,528 to other destinations. In the corresponding week last year total exports were 52,524 bales. For the season to date aggregate exports have been 145,448 bales, against 190,265 bales in the same period of the previous season. Below are the exports for the week:

Table showing exports to various countries (Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Russia, Japan & China, Other) for the week ending Aug. 16 1929 and Total 1928/1927.

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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 July the exports to the Dominion the present season have been 12,295 bales. In the corresponding month of the preceding season the exports were 15,891 bales. For the twelve months ended July 31 1929 there were 270,724 bales exported, as against 235,798 bales for the corresponding twelve months of 1927-1928.

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:

Table showing cotton on shipboard not cleared for various ports (Galveston, New Orleans, Savannah, Charleston, Mobile, Norfolk, Other ports) for Aug. 23 at and leaving stock.

\* Estimated.

Speculation in cotton for future delivery advanced chiefly on prolonged drouth in Texas and fear that the next Government report on Sept. 9 will reduce the crop estimate. On the 17th inst. prices advanced 20 to 25 points, owing to persistent dry, hot weather in Texas—100 to 108 degrees in many places—and what looked like growing nervousness over such conditions among the trade in the United States, England and on the Continent. Also the market acted a little oversold. Liverpool was higher than due. The weather, it is true, was better in the Central and Eastern belt, there being less rain or none at all in those parts. Georgia did have as much as 1½ inches, but Texas and Oklahoma had practically none. Texas complained of blooming at the top, shedding and premature opening. Dry, hot weather was holding the weevil in check, but some reports put the condition in Texas at only 55%, against 64 the Government figure on August 1st as a 10-year average for that date. On August 25th last year it was 61. More over, the dreaded army worm has appeared in parts of Louisiana, Arkansas and Mississippi. As for the weevil, it seemed that the tendency was for it to spread unless checked by poisoning, and calcium arsenate was reported to be 1 to 2c. higher and none too plentiful. But some believed damage of any kind done was, as usual, exaggerated, and they looked for a crop of 16,000,000 bales. They think that should have been the Government estimate on August 8th.

On the 19th inst. prices advanced 40 to 45 points, largely because the Government showed a disposition to assist the farmer with liberal loans and to help him market his cotton in orderly and not wasteful and costly fashion. Washington wired: "The Federal Farm Board announced that it will lend the American Cotton Growers' Exchange between \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000. Cotton associations which will receive the loan are now able to obtain advances from Federal Intermediate Credit banks to the amount of 65% of value of cotton. The Farm Board proposes to lend an additional 25% on cotton on which a definite value has been fixed by hedging in the future market. The total value of advances of this sort to be made by Federal Farm Board will be limited only by actual requirements of the cotton co-operative associations. The effect of a secondary loan by the board will be to permit co-operative associations to make final settlement with member growers when the latter



desire to sell without forcing it on the market at a time when buyers may be already oversupplied. From Federal Intermediate Credit banks and Federal Farm Board cotton associations will receive advances equal to 90% of fixed value. To this amount cotton associations will add 10% from their own capital reserves, will pay the grower in full if he is in distress, and will at the same time be able to merchandise cotton in an orderly fashion as spinning mills of the world may require it." This made a powerful impression. It is a tribute, too, to the value of trading in cotton futures. Also Texas had temperature of 108 and Oklahoma 110 degrees. The technical position was strong. Southern Texas, according to some advices, will not make more than half of a crop; some said not more than one-third. The whole northern half of that State needs good soaking rains. Some say 75% of Texas does. Some private reports said that the condition in Texas had recently lost 12 points, making it 52, and Oklahoma 10 points, making it 62. There was talk to the effect that the Texas crop might not much exceed 4,500,000 bales against 5,106,000 last year, and the recent Government estimate of 4,798,000. Spot markets advanced 40 to 50 points on a better demand. There was also more demand for spot cotton in Liverpool. For August shipment in this country there was a larger demand both from home and foreign sources, especially for foreign. In Liverpool, the Continent and Bombay bought. On the other hand, goods were quiet if firm. The exports were small.

On the 20th inst. prices advanced 30 to 35 points on the Texas and Oklahoma drought and a continuation of bad crop reports from that section and from many other parts of the belt. There appeared to be a growing expectation that the Government will reduce its estimate of the crop on Sept. 8th. A Boston statistician stated that it made it necessary for him to reduce his estimate. It was 15,080,000 bales on the 7th inst. the day before the Government estimated the crop at 15,543,000 bales. Spot markets were higher. Latterly there has been a better demand for the actual staple. The sales have been larger than on the same day last year. That was something new. There was an expectation of a bullish weekly report on the 21st inst. Large operators were understood to be buying. Contracts were at times scarce. Manchester trade reports plainly showed a tendency to improve. In many parts of Texas and Oklahoma the temperatures were 100 to 106, with practically no rain and nothing more than showers predicted. What Texas needs is rains of at least 2 inches, and with that cooler weather.

On the 21st inst. prices fell 40 points on liquidation. The weekly report was not quite so bad as had been expected. The summary of the weekly report said: "On the whole, conditions were unfavorable for the crop, principally because of deficient moisture over a large part of the Western belt. In the most Southeastern portion wet weather was unfavorable for picking and ginning, and favored weevil activity. Elsewhere conditions were ideal for harvest where this work is in progress, and also favorable for holding weevil in check. In the Carolinas conditions continued generally favorable, and progress of cotton was mostly good to excellent, except for dryness in local areas. It was too wet in Southern Georgia, and too dry in Northern Georgia. In Alabama and Mississippi progress varied from deterioration in scattered sections to good in a few localities. In Tennessee growth was fair, but with considerable shedding. In Louisiana growth was slow, with deterioration reported from many localities. Plants are wilting and shedding in the North, and fruiting is much diminished. Unfavorable droughty conditions continued in Western Arkansas. But elsewhere in the State progress ranged from fair to excellent, with bolls forming rapidly. In Oklahoma, growth was generally rather poor, because of the need of rain. Plants are still fruiting, but there is considerable shedding and same premature opening. In Texas cotton mostly deteriorated, except in parts of the West and Northwest, where progress was good because of better moisture conditions. Heat and drought are causing premature opening in many sections, with complaints of shedding and many small imperfect bolls. The general Texas condition is spotted and averaged only fair."

On the 22nd inst. came an advance of some 15 to 23 points, owing mainly to the familiar factors of drought and high temperatures, not merely in Texas, but also in Oklahoma and Arkansas. Also there was the oft-repeated accounts of damage by weevil, shedding, premature opening and general decline in the condition of the crop over great tracts of the belt. The Texas State Commissioner of Agriculture estimated the crop there at 4,356,000 bales against 5,106,000 last year. This marked a decrease from the Government estimate on August 8th of some 440,000 bales, not to mention the decrease compared with the crop last year of 850,000 bales. The Commissioner added that unless the weather improves greatly before September 1st the Texas yield may fall below that of 1927, when it was, in round figures, 4,230,000 bales. This estimate had no particular effect. But it did attract a good deal of attention. From parts of

Texas came reports of rapid deterioration. Texas had practically no rain and much of the State had temperatures of 100 to 106. Oklahoma had no rain at all and at the same time had temperatures of 100 to 105. Arkansas, which needs rain, had little or none, and had to face some very hot weather. The forecast called for only showers in Texas and fair weather in Oklahoma and Arkansas. For the Eastern belt the prospects pointed to showers. The West Indian storm, it was thought, might possibly bring rains to Texas, but this was purely conjectural. No one was actually predicting rains there. Spot markets were higher and the total sales increased, in fact exceeding those on the same day last year. The basis was to all appearance tending higher. Exports from Corpus Christi were 24,200 bales. Liverpool was relatively firm, with the Continent buying on the Texas drought.

To-day there was light trading, with small fluctuations, ending practically unchanged as compared with Thursday's closing. That is to say, there was a net decline of some 1 to 3 points. The news was mostly bullish, but it had been to all appearance discounted. Texas and Oklahoma still had very high temperatures. The Texas rainfall was very scanty. Oklahoma had none at all, and Arkansas very little. But the forecast for Texas was for showers in both the Eastern and Western sections of that State. It is true that showers were indicated for the Eastern belt. Weevil reports were still unfavorable. They indicated that the pest was spreading and doing more damage than heretofore. Even in Texas the pest is injuring the crop. The Dallas "News" crop review was in the main unfavorable. It said that abandonment of scattered fields in the Northwest of Texas and also in the Southeastern areas of that State was due to the ravages of insects; also that the condition of the belt is below the 10-year average. The ginning report stated the total up to August 16th at 303,940 bales, against 886,970 up to August 1st, 279,568 up to August 16th last year, 455,388 for the same period in 1927, and curiously enough only 182,255 bales in a like period in the high record crop year—17,977,000 bales—of 1926. It had very little effect. If anything, it was regarded as slightly bullish in the light of the fact that there has been so much premature opening reported this season. There was a little hedge selling. The into sight figures showed a considerable gain over last week and last year. Spot cotton was generally unchanged, but 5 points lower at Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas. Final prices show a rise for the week in futures of 40 to 55 points. Spot cotton is 45 points higher than a week ago.

Staple Premiums  
60% of average of  
six markets quoting  
for deliveries on  
Aug. 29 1929.

15-16 inch.	1-inch & longer.
.31	.84
.31	.85
.30	.84
.30	.84
.30	.84
.28	.79
.25	.74
.24	.72
.24	.72
.23	.72
.22	.64
.22	.64
.22	.64
.22	.64
.22	.64
.21	.62
.21	.62

Differences between grades established  
for delivery on contract Aug. 29 1929.  
Figured from the Aug. 22 average quotations  
of the ten markets designated by  
the Secretary of Agriculture.

Middling Fair.....White.....	.79	Mid.
Strict Good Middling.....do.....	.61	do
Good Middling.....do.....	.46	do
Strict Middling.....do.....	.30	do
Middling.....do.....	Basis	
Strict Low Middling.....do.....	.75 off	Mid.
Low Middling.....do.....	1.60	do
*Strict Good Ordinary.....do.....	2.50	do
*Good Ordinary.....do.....	3.40	do
Good Middling.....Extra White.....	.46	do
Strict Middling.....do.....	.30	do
Middling.....do.....	Even	do
Strict Low Middling.....do.....	.75 off	do
Low Middling.....do.....	1.60	do
Good Middling.....Spotted.....	.28	do
Strict Middling.....do.....	.01	do
Middling.....do.....	.75 off	do
*Strict Low Middling.....do.....	1.60	do
*Low Middling.....do.....	2.40	do
Strict Good Middling.....Yellow Tinged.....	.04	do
Good Middling.....do.....	.45	do
Strict Middling.....do.....	.92	do
*Middling.....do.....	1.58	do
*Strict Low Middling.....do.....	2.21	do
*Low Middling.....do.....	3.01	do
Good Middling.....Light Yellow Stained.....	1.08 off	do
*Strict Middling.....do.....	1.63	do
*Middling.....do.....	2.29	do
Good Middling.....Yellow Stained.....	1.42 off	do
*Strict Middling.....do.....	2.14	do
*Middling.....do.....	2.79	do
Good Middling.....Gray.....	.69	do
Strict Middling.....do.....	1.08	do
*Middling.....do.....	1.45	do
*Good Middling.....Blue Stained.....	1.61 off	do
*Strict Middling.....do.....	2.25	do
*Middling.....do.....	2.99	do

\* Not deliverable on future contracts.

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been:

Aug. 17 to Aug 23.—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri
Middling upland.....	18.35	18.75	18.85	18.50	18.65	18.6

NEW YORK QUOTATIONS FOR 32 YEARS.

1929	18.65c.	1921	13.75c.	1913	12.30c.	1905	11.25c.
1928	19.00c.	1920	32.50c.	1912	11.80c.	1904	11.20c.
1927	21.40c.	1919	31.80c.	1911	12.70c.	1903	12.75c.
1926	19.00c.	1918	36.80c.	1910	16.55c.	1902	8.88c.
1925	23.65c.	1917	24.85c.	1909	12.75c.	1901	8.88c.
1924	27.60c.	1916	15.10c.	1908	10.00c.	1900	9.88c.
1923	25.25c.	1915	9.20c.	1907	13.35c.	1899	6.31c.
1922	22.90c.	1914	9.90c.	1906	9.90c.	1898	5.75c.

MARKET AND SALES AT NEW YORK.

The total sales of cotton on the spot each day during the week at New York are indicated in the following statement. For the convenience of the reader, we also add columns which show at a glance how the market for spot and futures closed on same days.





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:

Table with columns: Week Ended Aug. 23., Closing Quotations for Middling Cotton on— Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday.

NEW ORLEANS CONTRACT MARKET.—The closing quotations for leading contracts in the New Orleans cotton market for the past week have been as follows:

Table with columns: August, September, October, November, December, Jan. (1930), February, March, April, May, June, July, August, Tone, Spot, Options.

ACTIVITY IN THE COTTON SPINNING INDUSTRY FOR JULY.—Persons interested in this report will find it in our department headed "Indications of Business Activity", on earlier pages.

SOVIET UNION COTTON CROP.—The All-Russian Textile Syndicate made public on Aug. 21 the following information pertaining to the Soviet Union cotton crop:

According to cable reports just received by the All-Russian Textile Syndicate, the area sown to cotton in the Soviet Union this year, totaling 3,142,000 acres, shows an increase of 18.4% over the area sown last year and 82.3% over the 1913 area.

The five-year plan for the development of cotton cultivation in the Soviet Union has been recently revised, with a view of completing the program within four years.

Arthur P. Davis, former head of the United States Reclamation Service; Lyman E. Bishop, prominent Denver hydraulic engineer, and several other American engineers have been engaged by the Central Asiatic Irrigation Service to advise on a number of irrigation and reclamation projects under way in the cotton-growing regions of the Soviet Union.

COTTON GINNED FROM CROP OF 1929 PRIOR TO AUG. 16.—The Census report issued on Aug. 23, compiled from the individual returns of the ginners, shows 303,940 running bales of cotton (counting round as half bales and excluding linters) ginned from the crop of 1929 prior to Aug. 16, compared with 279,568 bales from the crop of 1928 and 455,388 bales from the crop of 1927.

NUMBER OF BALES OF COTTON GINNED FROM THE GROWTH OF 1929 PRIOR TO AUG. 16 1929 AND COMPARATIVE STATISTICS TO THE CORRESPONDING DATE IN 1928 AND 1927.

Table with columns: Running Bales (Counting Round as Half Bales and Excluding Linters.), State—, 1929, 1928, 1927.

\*Includes 86,970 bales of the crop of 1929 ginned prior to Aug. 1 which was counted in the supply for the season of 1928-29, compared with 88,761 and 162,283 bales of the crops of 1928 and 1927.

The statistics in this report include 4,072 round bales for 1929, 5,893 for 1928 and 10,940 for 1927.

The statistics for 1929 in this report are subject to correction when checked against the individual returns of the ginners being transmitted by mail.

CONSUMPTION, STOCKS, IMPORTS AND EXPORTS—U. S. Cotton consumed during the month of July 1929 amounted to 546,457 bales. Cotton on hand in consuming establishments on July 31 was 1,051,535 bales and in public storage and at compresses 986,439 bales.

WORLD STATISTICS. The estimated world's production of commercial cotton, exclusive of linters, grown in 1928, as compiled from various sources, is 25,751,000 bales, counting American in running bales and foreign in bales of 478 lbs. lint, while the consumption of cotton (exclusive of linters in the United States) for the year ending July 31 1928 was approximately 25,285,000 bales.

WEATHER REPORTS BY TELEGRAPH.—Reports to us by telegraph this evening denote that there has been little rainfall during the week in any part of the cotton

belt except in some of the more eastern sections. Rain is needed over a large part of the western belt. The weather in most sections has been ideal for picking and ginning.

Texas.—Cotton in this State is in need of moisture except in parts of the west and northwest. Heat and drouth are causing premature opening in many sections, with complaints of shedding and many small imperfect bolls.

Mobile, Ala.—It has been hot and dry during the week. The general condition is good. There has been slight damage by shedding and weevil. The weather has been fine for harvesting. Picking is well under way.

Memphis, Tenn.—It has been dry all week. There have been some complaints of rust and shedding, but the general condition of cotton continues good.

Table with columns: Rain, Rainfall, Thermometer, Galveston, Tex., Abilene, Tex., Brenham, Tex., Brownsville, Tex., Corpus Christi, Tex., Dallas, Tex., Henrietta, Tex., Kerrville, Tex., Lampasas, Tex., Longview, Tex., Luling, Tex., Nacogdoches, Tex., Palestine, Tex., Paris, Tex., San Antonio, Tex., Taylor, Tex., Weatherford, Tex., Ardmore, Okla., Altus, Okla., Muskogee, Okla., Oklahoma City, Okla., Brinkley, Ark., Eldorado, Ark., Little Rock, Ark., Pine Bluff, Ark., Alexandria, La., Amite, La., New Orleans, La., Shreveport, La., Columbus, Miss., Greenwood, Miss., Vicksburg, Miss., Mobile, Ala., Decatur, Ala., Montgomery, Ala., Selma, Ala., Gainesville, Fla., Madison, Fla., Savannah, Ga., Athens, Ga., Augusta, Ga., Columbus, Ga., Charleston, S. C., Greenwood, S. C., Columbia, S. C., Conway, S. C., Charlotte, N. C., Newbern, N. C., Weldon, N. C., Memphis, Tenn.

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:

Table with columns: Aug. 23 1929, Aug. 24 1928, New Orleans, Memphis, Nashville, Shreveport, Vicksburg.

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.

Table with columns: Week Ended, Receipts at Ports, Stocks at Interior Towns, Receipts from Plantations.

The above statement shows: (1) That the total receipts from the plantations since Aug. 1 1929 are 210,605 bales; in 1928 were 62,088 bales, and in 1927 were 332,439 bales. (2) That, although the receipts at the outports the past week were 108,086 bales, the actual movement from plantations was 107,643 bales, stocks at interior towns having decreased 443 bales during the week. Last year receipts from the plantations for the week were 50,719 bales and for 1927 they were 131,450 bales.

WORLD'S SUPPLY AND TAKINGS OF COTTON.—The following brief but comprehensive statement indicates at a glance the world's supply of cotton for the week and since Aug. 1 for the last two seasons from all sources from which statistics are obtainable; also the takings or amounts gone out of sight for the like period:

Cotton Takings, Week and Season. 1929. 1928. Visible supply Aug. 16. 3,524,927 3,715,771 4,175,480

\* Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c. a This total embraces since Aug. 1 the total estimated consumption by Southern mills, 404,000 bales in 1929 and 340,000 bales in 1928

INDIA COTTON MOVEMENT FROM ALL PORTS.

August 22. Receipts at— 1929. 1928. 1927. Bombay. 7,000 49,000 5,000 24,000 19,000 59,000

Exports from— For the Week. Since August 1. Great Britain. Cont- nent. Japan & China. Total. Great Britain. Cont- nent. Japan & China. Total.

According to the foregoing, Bombay appears to show an increase compared with last year in the week's receipts of 2,000 bales. Exports from all India ports record an increase of 13,000 bales during the week, and since Aug. 1 show an increase of 43,000 bales.

ALEXANDRIA RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

Alexandria, Egypt, Aug. 21. 1929. 1928. 1927. Receipts (cantars)— This week. Since Aug. 1. Export (bales)— This Week. Since Aug. 1. To Liverpool. To Manchester, &c. To Continent and India. To America.

Note.—A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weigh about 750 lbs. This statement shows that the receipts for the week ending Aug. 21 were 11 cantars and the foreign shipments 6,000 bales.

MANCHESTER MARKET.—Our report received by cable to-night from Manchester states that the market in both yarns and cloths is steady. Demand for both cloth and yard is improving. We give prices to-day below and leave those for previous weeks of this and last year for comparison:

1929. 1928. 32s Cop Twst. 8 1/4 Lbs. Shrt- ings, Common to Finest. Cotton Midd'l's Up'd's. 32s Cop Twst. 8 1/4 Lbs. Shrt- ings, Common to Finest. Cotton Midd'l's Up'd's.

SHIPPING NEWS.—As shown on a previous page, the exports of cotton from the United States the past week have reached 71,945 bales. The shipments in detail, as made up from mail and telegraphic reports, are as follows:

GALVESTON—To Havre—Aug. 14—Oakwood, 632. To Dunkirk—Aug. 14—Oakwood, 100. To Ghent—Aug. 14—Oakwood, 200. To Rotterdam—Aug. 14—Oakwood, 302. To Bremen—Aug. 14—Brush, 804. To Liverpool—Aug. 15—Dorelian, 177. To Manchester—Aug. 15—Dorelian, 260. To Barcelona—Aug. 15—Ogontz, 917. To Murmansk—Aug. 16—Brookwood, 3,123. SAVANNAH—To Bremen—Aug. 16—Liguria, 1,675. NORFOLK—To Bremen—Aug. 17—Ulm, 3,226.

NEW YORK—To Genoa—Aug. 14—Exermont, 647. To Liverpool—Aug. 15—Caledonia, 100. To Havre—Aug. 21—Pipestone County, 94. To Bremen—Aug. 20—George Washington, 800. CORPUS CHRISTI—To Bremen—Aug. 14—Cliffwood, 3,791. HOUSTON—To Bremen—Aug. 15—Brush, 2,440. MOBIL—To Bremen—Aug. 17—Federal, 1,375. LOS ANGELES—To Liverpool—Aug. 14—Lochner, 52. CHARLESTON—To Havre—Aug. 20—Paraguay, 115. Total 71,945

LIVERPOOL.—By cable from Liverpool we have the following statement of the week's sales, stocks, &c., at that port:

Sales of the week. Aug. 2. Aug. 9. Aug. 16. Aug. 23. Of which American. Sales for export. Forwarded. Total stocks. Total imports. Amount afloat.

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. Mid. Up'ds. Sales. Futures. Market, opened. Market, P. M.

Prices of futures at Liverpool for each day are given below:

Aug. 17 to Aug. 23. Sat. Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri. August. September. October. November. December. January (1930). February. March. April. May. June. July. August.

BREADSTUFFS

Friday Night, Aug. 23 1929.

Flour at one time was steady, with a fair demand, and a good trade at mill centers. Export trade, on the surface at least, was quiet, after good sales reported recently by the mills direct. On the 19th inst. prices declined 10 to 15c., with only a moderate business here. Sharp declines in prices did not stimulate export trade.

Wheat declined with better crop reports from Europe and an unfounded rumor at one time that the Canadian Pacific RR. Co. had estimated that the Canadian crop at 330,000,000 bushels. Also the export demand was slow. The technical position was weaker. On the 17th inst. prices advanced 1 1/2 to 2 1/2c. at Chicago, with Winnipeg up 3 1/2 to 4c. Dry weather in Canada explained the rise. The world's crop was believed to be much smaller than that of last year. A fair export demand prevailed. The speculation was active. The dominant factor was the bad Canadian outlook. On the 19th inst., after a small advance, with a decrease in the movement of Winter wheat, prices declined on realizing. Prices were 2 1/2 to 3 1/2c. net lower at Chicago and 3 to 3 1/2c. off at Winnipeg. Liverpool closed slightly lower. Buenos Aires was 2 1/4c. higher. The harvesting weather in the American Northwest and Canada was very favorable. An estimate credited to the Canadian Pacific



Railway put the crop in the three Northwest Provinces at 330,000,000 bushels as against 175,000,000 to 200,000,000 in some quarters a while back. The Canadian Pacific denied that it had made the estimate. The French crop this year, it is said, however, will be a high record, about 373,000,000 bushels, or some 100,000,000 bushels more than last year. Liverpool was to some extent affected by an estimate that the Argentine had an export surplus remaining of approximately 56,000,000 bushels, or about double the total on hand at this time last year. Most reports stated that the harvesting in Europe was favorable. The world's shipments for the week were 13,480,000 bushels, and since July 1st are 94,000,000 bushels against 99,000,000 bushels for the same time last year. Moreover, export business was quiet, the sales not being more than 500,000 bushels in all positions. Cash demand was slow; cash prices, too, were relatively easier at most points than futures. The United States visible supply last week increased 13,370,000 bushels against 9,739,000 in the same week last year; total 169,368,000 bushels against 72,055,000 last year.

On the 20th inst. prices declined early 4c. in Chicago and 3c. in Winnipeg, but rallied later, recovering at Chicago most of the loss and at Winnipeg about 3c. The ending on that day at Chicago was 1/2 to 1/2c. net lower, and at Winnipeg 2 1/4 to 2 1/2c. off. Liverpool dropped 3d. to 9d. Highly favorable harvesting weather was reported all over Europe. Danubian wheat was offered to the United Kingdom at prices under those for River Plate. Good crop prospects abroad and the high record crop in France seemed to point to a slow export business in the United States. Fine harvesting weather prevailed in the North American Spring wheat country. There was hedge selling again. The world's visible supply for the week increased 10,356,000 bushels, and the total in sight was 322,000,000 bushels against 185,000,000 at this time last year. The North American "visible" was stated at 254,000,000 bushels, an increase of 10,600,000 bushels for the week. The rally followed on a good class of buying and an official denial by the Canadian Pacific Railway that it had estimated the crop of Canada at 330,000,000 bushels. Also there was reports of large flour sales both in the Northwest and Southwest, and private crop estimates for the three Northwest Provinces of Canada placed the maximum yield at 250,000,000 bushels.

On the 21st inst. prices declined 5 1/2 to 6c. to about the low of the day. Winnipeg was off 5 1/2 to 6c. The outstanding factor in the decline was the report that Minneapolis and Duluth had declared an embargo against further shipments of oats, rye and barley to those points. This was taken to mean that elevator room has become scarce at a time when there should be plenty of room to take care of the Spring wheat movement, which is just starting. Export demand lagged. Foreign news was generally favorable, and the weather was good for harvesting. Estimates on the French crop greatly exceed the yield of last year. The Kansas State report, on the other hand, was unfavorable. It said that early rain was needed in order to put the ground in shape for plowing. Liverpool was 5/8 to 7/8d. higher. On the 22nd inst. prices declined 3/4 to 1c. net. They rallied 4c. from the earlier low and then reacted with little foreign demand and Liverpool 3 1/4 to 3 3/4d. lower. Congestion at the Northwest has caused Governors of States to appeal to farmers to hold back their grain for a time. At Chicago the cash demand was not brisk. Receipts were fairly large. Approach of September delivery periods, with the likelihood that large deliveries will be made despite the big carrying charges, caused considerable anxiety, and there was not a little switching of long September to later months. With the unusually large stocks of Winter wheat as well as Canadian it was urged that unless there is a very much broader consumptive demand either domestic or foreign that increased offerings would tell on the price. To-day prices ended 2 1/2 to 3 1/2c. higher at Chicago and 1/4 to 3/8c. up at Winnipeg. Better cables and a good export business told. Export sales were estimated at 1,000,000 bushels or more. Reports were still being received of decreasing yields in Canada. Advices from the American Northwest pointed to a rather larger crop than had been expected. But the Winter wheat movement is falling off. Cash wheat was rather heavy, although the pressure was not so great. Final prices show a decline for the week of 4 to 6c.

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK.**

No. 2 hard winter	Sat. 146 1/2	Mon. 143 1/2	Tues. 142 1/2	Wed. 137	Thurs. 136	Fri. 138 3/4
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**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO.**

September delivery	Sat. 141 1/2	Mon. 138 1/2	Tues. 137 1/2	Wed. 131 1/2	Thurs. 131 1/2	Fri. 133 3/4
December delivery	Sat. 150	Mon. 147	Tues. 146 1/2	Wed. 140 1/2	Thurs. 149 1/2	Fri. 143
March delivery	Sat. 155 1/2	Mon. 152 1/2	Tues. 151 1/2	Wed. 146 1/2	Thurs. 145 1/2	Fri. 148 3/4
May delivery	Sat. 159	Mon. 156 1/2	Tues. 155 1/2	Wed. 150 1/2	Thurs. 149 1/2	Fri. 153

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN WINNIPEG.**

October delivery	Sat. 167 1/2	Mon. 164 1/2	Tues. 161 1/2	Wed. 155 1/2	Thurs. 153 1/2	Fri. 156 3/4
December delivery	Sat. 164 1/2	Mon. 161 1/2	Tues. 158 1/2	Wed. 153 1/2	Thurs. 152 1/2	Fri. 155 3/4
May delivery	Sat. 169 1/2	Mon. 166 1/2	Tues. 163 1/2	Wed. 158 1/2	Thurs. 157 1/2	Fri. 161 3/4

Indian corn advanced on bad crop accounts. On the 17th inst. prices advanced 1 to 1 1/2c., partly owing to the rise in wheat, though the dry weather in the corn belt also aided the rise. Moreover, numerous reports claim that the crop

was backward. Some are fearful of damage to it unless there are rains very soon. If the crop continues to be late there is a possibility of its being caught by frost. That fact is not forgotten. On the 19th inst. prices, after a fractional advance on dry weather, reacted, dropping about 2c. from the earlier high. It ended on that day 1 to 1 1/2c. net lower. No severe damage, it was contended, had been done to the crop by dry weather. Offerings were rather large at something above the market. The country movement was small. Corn was pulled down by wheat quite as much as by anything else. The United States visible supply decreased last week 1,180,000 bushels against an increase of 165,000 last year; total now 7,105,000 bushels against 1,343,000 last year.

On the 20th inst. prices at one time were about 1c. higher, but declined later on reports of rains in the West. On the decline shorts covered freely. Cash corn was offered in larger quantities. The best buyers were the industries. It was largely a weather market. On the 21st inst. prices declined 1 1/2 to 1 3/4c. The weather was rather favorable for corn, and indications were for rains in important sections of the belt. The weekly report said that good rains fell in the Ohio Valley eastward, but that rain was urgently needed in other sections. On the other hand, the Kansas State report and private advices from Missouri and Indiana were unfavorable. The decline in corn was not so sharp as that in wheat, however, for selling pressure met with stubborn resistance. Some unfavorable crop accounts were received.

On the 22nd inst. prices closed 1/4 to 1 1/4c. higher, though wheat ended lower. But corn crop reports were so bad that they had an effect. Dry, hot weather was said to be causing much damage, especially in Nebraska and Kansas. The Kansas weekly report said that dry weather injured corn badly, that the crop generally is in poor to fair condition; that lower leaves have been badly fired in a great many localities, and tassels have been burnt and ears not forming properly. Private reports from Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri and Nebraska all state that rains were badly needed. To-day prices were irregular, closing 1/4c. higher. That meant a drop of 1/2c. to 1c. from the top of the day. The firmness of wheat helped corn. Moreover, there was some bad crop news, especially from Nebraska and Kansas. The belt needs more rain. Temperatures are too high and the fields too dry. But later on some reports of showers caused selling and a reaction. Final prices show a rise for the week of 1/2 to 5/8c. on December and March, but a drop of 2 1/2c. on September.

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK.**

No. 2 yellow	Sat. 122	Mon. 121	Tues. 121 1/2	Wed. 120 1/2	Thurs. 116	Fri. 116 1/2
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**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO.**

September delivery	Sat. 103 1/2	Mon. 102 1/2	Tues. 103 1/2	Wed. 102 1/2	Thurs. 101 1/2	Fri. 101 1/2
December delivery	Sat. 98	Mon. 96 1/2	Tues. 97 1/2	Wed. 96 1/2	Thurs. 97 1/2	Fri. 98 3/4
March delivery	Sat. 103	Mon. 101 1/2	Tues. 102 1/2	Wed. 100 1/2	Thurs. 101 1/2	Fri. 102 1/2
May delivery	Sat. 106 1/2	Mon. 104 1/2	Tues. 105 1/2	Wed. 104 1/2	Thurs. 105 1/2	Fri. 106 1/2

Oats declined slightly, but there was a steady cash demand. On the 17th inst. prices advanced 1/2 to 1c., closing 1/2 to 3/8c. higher on some months but without feature or special interest. On the 19th inst. prices fell 1/2 to 2 3/4c., the latter on September, on scattered liquidation. Yet offerings of new oats were small. Most of the receipts had already been sold. A good demand appeared from consumers. The United States visible supply increased last week 2,774,000 bushels against an increase in the same week last year of 1,123,000 bushels. The total is 13,049,000 bushels against 3,500,000 a year ago.

On the 20th inst. prices fell 1/2 to 1/2c., except for December, which ended unchanged. Oats were affected by the irregularity of wheat and corn. Some hedge sales also made an impression. Shipping demand fell off somewhat. Lack of elevator room caused large discounts on cash oats. On the 21st inst. prices declined 1/2 to 1 1/2c., with other grain lower and a slow cash demand. The country movement was small. On the 22nd inst. prices closed only 1/4 to 3/8c. lower. They were supported by the firmness of corn and at least a fair consumptive demand, even if it was less active than recently. The receipts were fairly large. The steadiness of the undertone was the salient feature. Open contracts, 43,265,000 bushels. To-day prices advanced 1/4 to 3/8c., but reacted to some extent later. There was a steady demand. The oats crop in Canada is believed to be short. Some look for an export business in North America this year more particularly in American oats. Final prices show a decline for the week of 1 to 2 1/4c.

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK.**

No. 2 white	Sat. 60 1/2	Mon. 59 3/4	Tues. 59 1/4	Wed. 58 3/4	Thurs. 58	Fri. 58
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**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO.**

September delivery	Sat. 49	Mon. 48 1/2	Tues. 47 1/2	Wed. 47 1/2	Thurs. 46 1/2	Fri. 47
December delivery	Sat. 52 1/2	Mon. 52 1/2	Tues. 52 1/2	Wed. 51 1/2	Thurs. 50 3/4	Fri. 51 3/4
March delivery	Sat. 55 1/2	Mon. 55 1/2	Tues. 55	Wed. 54	Thurs. 53 1/2	Fri. 54 3/4

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN WINNIPEG.**

October delivery	Sat. 71 1/2	Mon. 70 1/2	Tues. 69 1/2	Wed. 68 1/2	Thurs. 68 1/2	Fri. 70 3/4
December delivery	Sat. 69	Mon. 68 1/2	Tues. 68 1/2	Wed. 67 1/2	Thurs. 67 1/2	Fri. 70
May delivery	Sat. 71 1/2	Mon. 71 1/2	Tues. 71 1/2	Wed. 70 1/2	Thurs. 71	Fri. 72 3/4

Rye declined with wheat. On the 17th inst. prices advanced 1 to 1 1/2c., with wheat higher and some covering. On the 19th inst. prices declined 2 1/4 to 3 1/2c., with wheat

lower and no special demand for rye particularly for export. The visible supply in the United States increased last week 892,000 bushels to 6,962,000 bushels against 1,764,000 a year ago. On the 20th inst. prices ended 3/4c. lower, with hedging sales and cash business slow. An embargo, it is said, will be declared on all grain at Minneapolis and Duluth except wheat. On the 21st inst. prices ended 2 1/4 to 3 1/4c. lower. Rye felt the downward pull of other grain. On the 22nd inst. prices closed 5/8 to 1 3/8c. higher, though at one time a little lower. owing to the decline in wheat. But rye had an independent tone, although there was no export business, the cash trade was small, and the speculation was nothing great. To-day prices ended firm, but at something of a reaction from the early rise of 1 to 1 1/2c. Final prices show a decline for the week of 3 to 3 3/4c.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

Table with columns: Month, Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. Rows for September, December, and March delivery.

Closing quotations were as follows:

Table listing prices for Wheat, New York; Corn, New York; and Barley, New York in various grades.

GRAIN.

Table listing prices for Flour, Rye flour, patents, Semolina No. 2, Oats goods, Corn flour, and Barley goods.

All the statements below regarding the movement of grain—receipts, exports, visible supply, &c.—are prepared by us from figures collected by the New York Produce Exchange. First we give the receipts at Western Lake and river ports for the week ending last Saturday and since Aug. 1 for each of the last three years:

Large table showing Receipts at Flour, Wheat, Corn, Oats, Barley, and Rye for various locations (Chicago, Minneapolis, Duluth, etc.) from 1927 to 1929.

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for the week ending Saturday, Aug. 17, follow:

Table showing Receipts at Flour, Wheat, Corn, Oats, Barley, and Rye for New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, New Orleans, Galveston, and Boston.

\* 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, Aug. 17 1929, are shown in the annexed statement:

Table showing Exports from New York, Baltimore, Newport News, New Orleans, Galveston, Montreal, and Houston.

The destination of these exports for the week and since July 1 1929 is as below:

Table showing Exports for Week and Since July 1 to United Kingdom, Continent, So. & Cent. Amer., West Indies, and Other countries.

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports Saturday, Aug. 17, were as follows:

Table showing GRAIN STOCKS for United States, Canadian, and American, including sub-totals for various regions like Philadelphia, Duluth, and Buffalo.

The world's shipments of wheat and corn, as furnished by Broomhall to the New York Produce Exchange, for the week ending Friday, Aug. 16, and since July 1 1929 and 1928 are shown in the following:

Table showing Exports of Wheat and Corn for North America, Black Sea, Argentina, Australia, India, and Other countries, comparing 1929 and 1928.

WEATHER BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK ENDED AUG. 20.—The general summary of the weather bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture, indicating the influence of the weather for the week ended Aug. 20, as follows:

Early in the week a depression passed over the Lake region, and moved thence northeastward, with local showers in many places east of the Mississippi River; much cooler weather prevailed in the Northwest where pressure was high. This "high" moved slowly eastward, attended cooler weather, but in the meantime there was a reaction to higher temperatures in the Northwest, with local reports of maxima exceeding 100 deg on the 15th. It became warmer also in the East about the middle of the period, but a second extensive "high" again brought cooler weather over the northern half of the country toward the close. Except for a showery period in the East early in the week, and scattered rains in the Atlantic area near the close, precipitation was decidedly local in character, with fair weather prevailing in most sections. Chart I shows that the week was much cooler than normal from the Ohio and lower Mississippi Valleys northward where the temperature averaged mostly from 5 deg. to 7 deg. below normal. In the more easterly and in most Southern States seasonal warmth prevailed, but temperatures were high, as a rule, over the western half of the country, especially northern Rocky Mountain sections where the weekly means were 6 deg. to 9 deg. above normal. High maxima occurred just east of the Rocky Mountains, with the highest of the week 100 deg., or above, over a belt extending from Canada to the Rio Grande Valley. Chart II shows that heavy rains fell in a limited area of the Southeast and generous falls occurred in many coast sections from North Carolina to the mouth of the Mississippi River. Substantial amounts were received also in some sections of the middle and north Atlantic areas and parts of the upper Ohio Valley, as well as in some upper Lake districts. Elsewhere very light precipitation was the rule, with large areas reporting no measurable amount for the week. A few rather restricted areas had sufficient rain to materially modify droughty conditions, but little or no relief was reported over many extensive sections where drought prevails east of the Rocky Mountains. In the more eastern area very beneficial rains fell in about half of Pennsylvania and Maryland, in much of New Jersey, and in most of New York and New England. In other sections of these States the drought was intensified and rain is badly needed, especially in northern Virginia and southern Maryland. From central Virginia southward to South Carolina conditions continued favorable, with moisture sufficient for present needs in most sections and crops generally doing well, but it is still too dry in northern Georgia, the central Gulf area, and most of Tennessee. In the Ohio Valley temperatures were rather too low for growth warm-weather crops, and rain is needed in many places, though in some eastern valley sections, principally in Ohio, showers were ample for present needs. The southern Lake region is still suffering for moisture, though good rains were beneficial in much of the north. Over practically the entire area between the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains, more or less severe drought prevails, with the lack of moisture serious in many places. On the other hand, conditions are usually favorable, because of recent generous rainfall, over southern Rocky Mountain sections, comprising most of Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, and Arizona. In the interior of the Pacific Northwest, the warm weather favored irrigated crops, but unirrigated vegetation needs moisture. Over the principal agricultural sections of the country there is now



unusually widespread need of substantial rainfall, with late crops making mostly poor progress or deteriorating.

**SMALL GRAINS.**—There is still some scattered threshing in the Ohio Valley, but this work has been generally completed in the winter wheat area, except in the west, where it is well along; ideal weather prevailed with reports from Iowa indicating much less discoloration and shock damage than usual. Harvest and threshing were favored in the spring wheat districts and are nearing completion in the principal producing areas; there were many reports of light yields, although in parts of North Dakota they were somewhat better than expected. Excellent harvest weather prevailed in the Pacific Northwest and other western districts. Oats are also largely cut, and considerable flax has been harvested in South Dakota, but late flax is poor and much of it unfit to cut in North Dakota. Rice cutting was favored in the west Gulf area, but growth of grain sorghums was checked somewhat by dry weather in the lower Plains region and parts of the Southwest.

Considerable plowing has been done north to the Ohio Valley, Kansas, and Missouri, but in many sections the ground is too hard and dry to plow.

**CORN.**—Substantial showers benefited corn from Ohio eastward, but elsewhere in the principal producing sections the week was generally dry. In the Ohio Valley States temperatures were too low for best growth, and rain is needed in many central and western areas. In Iowa and Missouri droughty conditions were mitigated somewhat by the cool weather, but rain is generally needed; in Iowa some deterioration was reported in about twenty south-central and west-central counties, but in Missouri the bulk of the crop appears to be holding its own remarkably well, except on lighter soils. In the western belt, from Ohio to the Canadian boundary, there is a general need of rain, with severe suffering in some places, though in a few sections, such as northeastern Nebraska, progress continued very good, and in the principal producing section of South Dakota damage is as yet apparently light.

**COTTON.**—Except in the more eastern sections of the Cotton Belt, there was very little rainfall and in north-central districts it was cool. On the whole, conditions were unfavorable for the cotton crop, principally because of deficient moisture over a large part of the western belt. In the more southeastern portions wet weather was unfavorable for picking and ginning, and favored weevil activity, but elsewhere conditions were ideal for harvest where this work is in progress, and also favorable for holding weevil in check.

In Virginia and the Carolinas conditions continued generally favorable, and progress of cotton was mostly good to excellent, except for dryness in local areas. It was too wet in northern Florida and southern Georgia, and too dry in northern Georgia, while in Alabama and Mississippi progress varied from deterioration in scattered sections to good in a few localities. In Tennessee growth was fair, but with considerable complaints of shedding.

In Louisiana growth was slow, with deterioration reported from many localities; plants are wilting and shedding in the north, and fruiting is much diminished. Unfavorably droughty conditions continued in western Arkansas, but elsewhere in that State progress ranged from fair to excellent, with bolls forming rapidly. In Oklahoma growth was generally rather poor, because of the need of rain; plants are still fruiting, but there is considerable shedding of bolls and some premature opening. In Texas cotton mostly deteriorated, except in parts of the west and northwest where progress was good because of better moisture conditions; heat and drought are causing premature opening in many sections, with complaints of shedding and many small, imperfect bolls; the general condition is spotted and averages only fair.

The Weather Bureau furnishes the following resume of the conditions in the different States:

**Virginia.**—Richmond: Temperatures moderate; showers light to moderate and scattered. Crops continue fair to good in most localities of south and west; droughty conditions continue in north-central, where crops deteriorating. Corn mostly good. Cotton blooming and bolls freely. Curing tobacco continues. Pastures and growing crops need rain.

**North Carolina.**—Raleigh: Moderate and mostly dry, though some showers in central and east, which were mostly beneficial. Generally favorable for crop growth and farming operations, except corn needs rain in west, mainly in mountain region. Cotton continues to improve; progress mostly very good. Good progress in curing tobacco. Peanuts, sweet potatoes, soy beans, and minor crops doing well.

**South Carolina.**—Columbia: Sweet potatoes, young corn, and minor crops growing vigorously, except local drought in sections of Piedmont. Corn fodder pulling progressing and peanut harvest begun. Progress of cotton good to excellent generally, except in northwest where some shedding reported. Early matured with bolls to top of plants in many fields and picking advancing slowly; late excellent and setting blooms and bolls freely, but rains in central and south favorable for weevil.

**Georgia.**—Atlanta: Continued frequent rains causing considerable damage to cotton in south, with some rotting of staple and delay in picking, and also favoring greatly increased weevil activity; dryness in north intensified, with much shedding of small bolls; general condition as a whole declining; picking and ginning made fair progress. Corn needs rain in north.

**Florida.**—Jacksonville: Frequent rains in north delayed cotton picking and caused general deterioration. Showers and hot sun unfavorable for setting strawberries in central, but plants good, as a rule. Harvesting hay and corn delayed locally by rain. Cane, cowpeas, and sweet potatoes good. Much land prepared for truck in Everglades. Citrus sizing nicely and groves in good condition.

**Alabama.**—Montgomery: Temperatures normal; scattered showers. Vegetation needs rain in nearly all sections. Condition of corn, sweets, minor crops, truck, and pastures mostly fair to good, but pastures falling in many sections. Progress of cotton varied from deterioration in scattered places to good; condition varied from poor to very good, but mostly fair; shedding quite general, mostly on account of dry weather, and bad in many localities; dryness apparently checking weevil activity somewhat; picking progressing in south and ginning beginning.

**Mississippi.**—Vicksburg: Dry in extreme north; mostly light rains elsewhere; nights generally cool. Progress of cotton poor in extreme south and portions of central and rather poor elsewhere; considerable shedding; early opening in extreme north, with picking becoming general in south. Progress of corn poor to fair, with very good condition in many localities.

**Louisiana.**—New Orleans: General rains at opening of week, but practically dry thereafter. Favorable for cotton opening, picking, and ginning, but growth and pastures in north, with fruiting generally much diminished; cool spell favored weevil activity. Too dry for growing crops, but excellent for ripening and harvesting rice. Cane continues excellent progress. Preparations for fall planting under way.

**Texas.**—Houston: Warm days and cool nights, with scattered showers at one-third of reporting stations, which were mostly ineffective. Pastures, late corn, feed, and minor crops deteriorated, except in portions of extreme west and northwest; general condition poor to fair. Stock water scarce in portions of west. Condition of rice good and harvesting progressing favorably. Cotton mostly deteriorated, except in portions of northwest and extreme west, where good advance; warm, dry weather causing premature opening in many sections and complaints of shedding and of small and imperfect bolls; general condition spotted, averaging only fair; ideal for picking and ginning and this work nearly completed in extreme south.

**Oklahoma.**—Oklahoma City: Early part of week cool; latter part hot. No precipitation of consequence and drought severe over practically whole State; all crops suffered severely. Early corn matured fair crop; progress and condition of late-planted generally very poor and badly burned on uplands. Progress of cotton generally rather poor; too dry and crop needs rain in all sections; still fruiting, but considerable shedding of bolls and some premature opening; unfavorable for weevil activity; condition spotted, ranging from rather poor to very good. All minor crops badly damaged by drought; pastures short and dry.

**Arkansas.**—Little Rock: Cotton deteriorated in many western localities due to six weeks drought; fair to excellent elsewhere; weevil checked; bolls forming rapidly and little shedding. Picking progressing in south. Corn deteriorated in west and some central portions; fair to very good elsewhere.

**Tennessee.**—Nashville: Retarded growth account below normal temperatures and dryness counteracted by plenty of sunshine. Progress and condition of late corn excellent, but rain needed. Progress and condition of cotton fair, but considerable shedding, some root rot, and a little blight. Winter wheat and oats being threshed in a few sections, and a little blight.

**Kentucky.**—Louisville: Dry and cool very unfavorable, with serious drought in north-central and northeast; more favorable in southwest and extreme west, where more moisture. Progress and condition of corn very poor in north-central and northeast; very good in south and extreme west. Tobacco badly damaged in burley district and much premature cutting; fine and doing well in southwest and cutting begun.

## THE DRY GOODS TRADE

New York, Friday Night, Aug. 23 1929.

There has been no change in sentiment as regards the outlook for business in the textile markets. Buyers in general during the week have been more active in providing for their future requirements, and sales in a number of directions have been on a larger scale. Leaders in the woolen trade forecast good business for Spring, and base their opinions on the amount of pre-opening business done thus far. It is also claimed that the increasing prominence given the tweed and other wool fabrics in the Paris openings of late has been largely responsible for the popularity of the tweed and wool prints in this country. Silks are improving, and silk collections in the hands of the manufacturers, according to reports, are moving in good volume. The price situation, however, in regard to the latter, while satisfactory, allows for such a slight margin over operating cost as to be a restricting factor to some extent. Adverse weather conditions throughout many of the important sections of the cotton growing country, together with reports of increased boll weevil activity, served to remind many buyers of the manufactured products of the fact that the final yield of raw material might not be as large as earlier expected. Hence, they have displayed more interest about making provision for their requirements. As a result, sales have been larger, and there has been less disposition to balk at the prices asked by mills. August curtailment of production is said to be progressing in a satisfactory manner, and in view of the ability of manufacturers to hold prices despite the recently quiet conditions, an attitude of greater confidence is gradually developing.

**DOMESTIC COTTON GOODS.**—The upward tendency of prices for the staple during the past week as a result of less favorable reports regarding the growing crop, stimulated more activity in the markets for domestic cotton goods. Not only have inquiries been fairly numerous, but the volume of sales has been larger. The satisfactory business transacted in cotton warp crepes of artificial filling has been one of the reassuring features in the market, and a number of mills are sold ahead on these, and other newer dress goods lines. Buyers have also displayed increased friendliness towards the gray goods market, and to prevailing prices. In fact, the improvement in the market tone came in for more or less comment as buyers seemed to be ready to pay firm prices, while mills were inclined to hold for still better levels on goods for delivery later than September. A broader demand was noted for holiday shirts, quotations for which were held very steady on new offerings, and sales in a number of converting quarters were reported to be surprisingly good. The movement of sheetings and pillow cases has been encouraging, while towels have sold well, and there has been a better market for several classifications of blankets. In some lines, however, an irregular condition is said to prevail, with occasional pressure to sell, but the market in general appears to be developing a better tone. Fine goods mills generally are in a position to take business in many lines, although some cloths are well sold ahead. There has been a fair business reported in ducks, while bedspreads and similar specialties continue to attract attention through more careful styling and the opening of new lines. Thus, with mills continuing to curtail output in various directions, and stocks in a wholesome condition, the future is viewed encouragingly. Print cloths 28-inch 64x60's construction are quoted at 5½c., and 27-inch 64x60's at 5¼c. Gray goods 39-inch 68x72's construction are quoted at 8¾c., and 39-inch 80x80's at 10¼c.

**WOOLEN GOODS.**—Business in the markets for woolens and worsteds continues satisfactory, and the present demand for tweed dress goods is regarded in many quarters as a forerunner of a general demand for all classes of light-weight woolens and worsteds. The volume of business placed for tropicals for next season also continues to attract considerable attention, and additional lines are being continually opened for Spring. A moderate amount of filling-in business is being done on Fall coatings, but the overcoating duplicating has not as yet developed in an artice way. There is a growing demand for plaids in fancy worsteds and stripes, plaids and checks in fancy woolens. It is a known fact that many mills are spending more money on styling than ever before, and are increasing their lines to include more varieties, while at the same time, by process of elimination, are reducing them to include only patterns which will find a steady sale.

**FOREIGN DRY GOODS.**—There is no marked activity noticeable in linens. Purchases continue to be made mostly for the purpose of filling-in. Merchants, however, look for a better business to develop in the early Fall, when buyers will likely be inclined to give increased attention to their needs. Burlaps continue unsettled as a result of the labor situation in Calcutta, and demand consequently, at present, is at a standstill. Light weights are quoted at 7.20c., and heavies at 9.25c.



## State and City Department

## NEWS ITEMS

**Chilean Consolidated Municipal Loan.—\$15,000,000 Offering.**—A new issue of \$15,000,000 Chilean consolidated municipal loan 31-year 7% external sinking fund gold bonds, series "A" of 1929, was offered Aug. 21 at 94, to yield 7.50% to final maturity, by the Grace National Co., Inc., Brown Brothers & Co., E. H. Rollins & Sons and the Continental Illinois Co., Inc. The loan is dated Sept. 1 1929; due Sept. 1 1960.

Authorized and to be outstanding, \$15,000,000. Interest payable March 1 and Sept. 1. Coupon bonds in the denom. of \$1,000 and \$500 registerable as to principal. Principal and interest payable in New York City at the offices of Grace National Bank of New York, Brown Brothers & Co. or E. H. Rollins & Sons, financial agents for the loan, in United States gold coin without deduction for Chilean taxes except in the case of Chilean owners. Cumulative sinking fund of 1% per annum operating semi-annually by drawings, by lot, for redemption at 100 on each interest date. The municipalities reserve the right to effect extraordinary amortizations by surrendering bonds for cancellation. Not redeemable prior to Sept. 1 1934 except for sinking fund. Redeemable as a whole or in part on Sept. 1 1934 or on any interest date thereafter on 30 days' notice at 100.

Further information regarding this loan may be found in our department of "Current Events and Discussions" on another page.

**Cleveland, Ohio.—Voters Defeat Proposed Amendment to City Charter.**—At a special election held on Aug. 20 the voters defeated a proposed amendment to the city charter which would abolish the city manager form of government and substitute therefor the ward-Mayor-Council plan, by a substantial majority, according to an Associated Press dispatch to the New York "Times" of Aug. 21. It is stated that this is the third time in two years that the voters of the city have gone to the polls to pass upon a change in Government.

**Kentucky.—Petitions Filed to Revise Adverse Bond Ruling.**—Several petitions are said to have been filed recently in the Court of Appeals in Frankfort for a rehearing on the decision handed down by Judge Ben G. Williams of the Circuit Court in which he declared the sale of the \$10,767,000 bridge bonds on May 7, was illegal—V. 129, p. 314—and held that the contract for the bonds was void. The New York "Herald-Tribune" of Aug. 20 reported on the new developments as follows:

Although every effort is being made by the State Highway Commission of Kentucky for securing a bond set-up or a series of set-ups for disposition of \$10,676,000 in bridge bonds, progress in the matter has been very slow thus far. These bonds sold earlier in the year to a Western banking syndicate after a series of private conferences, but the Court of Appeals in Frankfort held the sale invalid. The Court ruled that private negotiations should not have been utilized by the Highway Commission in effecting the sale, and it was furthermore stated that the Commission was without authority to give the successful bidders an option to purchase possible future issues.

Anxious to secure funds for pushing the bridge construction and purchase program to completion, the Highway Commission began a series of conferences with a number of bond houses a month ago in an attempt to evolve a comprehensive set-up that would attract competitive bidding and make a legal sale possible. These discussions have been carried on intermittently, and there is no indication as yet of a satisfactory conclusion.

The matter now promises to become additionally complicated through the filing in the Court of Appeals in Frankfort of several petitions for a rehearing of the case. Charles J. Veiling, of Louisville, has filed a petition which seeks a modification of the Court's opinion setting aside the sale of the bonds to Stifel, Nicolaus & Co. and C. W. McNear & Co. The Veiling petition seeks to have the opinion modified in such fashion that the operation and maintenance costs of the 15 bridges to be constructed or purchased must be paid from the tolls collected and not from the road fund.

A petition for a rehearing of the case has also been filed with the Court of Appeals by attorneys for Stifel, Nicolaus & Co. of St. Louis, and C. W. McNear & Co. of Chicago. This petition contends that the Highway Commission did not enter into private negotiations with the two bond houses, but that the terms of the offer required explanations which were given at meetings after the bids were received. All bidders were placed on the same footing, the petition states. The request is made that the Court modify its previous opinion setting aside the contract.

In answer to the contentions advanced by attorneys for the bond houses, the Veiling petition asserts that "dickering" had been entered into contrary to law and that the final bid agreed upon was different from the sealed bid originally presented.

**Mississippi.—Impeached Official Resigns.**—An Associated Press Dispatch to the New York "Times" of Aug. 20 reports that Rush H. Knox, Attorney General for the State, recently impeached by the House of Representatives—V. 129, p. 1157—had tendered his resignation to Governor Bilbo on Aug. 19 with the understanding that the 11 remaining articles of impeachment, which had been pending, would be dropped and that article one, on which the vote was taken, would not be used to bring him to trial before the Senate. It is expected that the resignation will be effective as of Sept. 1.

**Missouri.—Supreme Court Upholds Validity of Road Bond Issue.**—In the friendly suit that was instituted by a group of attorneys for the State Highway Commission on June 5—V. 128, p. 4039—a decision was handed down on Aug. 19 by the State Supreme Court in banc, upholding the validity of the bonds, but ruling that the legislative provision for issuing the bonds does not become effective until Aug. 27. The St. Louis "Globe-Democrat" of Aug. 20 referred to the decision as follows:

A writ of mandamus asked for by the State Highway Commission to compel State Auditor L. D. Thompson to register an issue of \$7,500,000 of state road bonds under Proposition No. 3 adopted by the people in Nov., 1928, was denied to-day by a decision in the Supreme Court in banc, written by Judge W. T. Ragland and concurred in by all the judges except Walker and Frank, absent.

This was a friendly proceeding to test validity of the proposal to issue \$75,000,000 of state road bonds to complete the primary system of highways, relieve congestion of the metropolitan area around St. Louis and in the Kansas City district and build a "farm-to-market" system of roads supplementary to the state system.

Judge Ragland holds that the proposal No. 3 as adopted by the people in the November election, 1928, is entirely valid, at the same time holding that the legislative enactment providing machinery for issuance of the bonds does not come within the emergency provision of the statutes, but that it will go into effect Aug. 27, 90 days after adjournment of the 55th General Assembly.

## Emergency Clause.

The emergency clause on the legislative enactment is held void, but all provisions of the bond amendment are held to be valid.

In the friendly mandamus proceedings the State Board of Fund Commissioners prepared for issuance \$7,500,000 of the \$75,000,000 voted. This was in April, last, and under the act of the Legislature which bears an emergency clause. In consonance with the agreed plan the State Auditor refused to register the issue of \$7,500,000, and the mandamus was instituted.

The amendment of 1928 was challenged on the ground that it was contrary to the Constitution in that it contained more than one subject. Judge Ragland holds that the provisions of the amendment are all "properly connected" with the subject.

## Ground of Attack.

It was also attacked as to validity on the ground that it was legislative in character, but this is disposed of by the decision on the ground that the provisions complained of are in line with the policy of the State in that respect.

Judge Ragland holds the amendment does not contain more than one subject and matters properly connected therewith.

Further questions raised as to the validity of the amendment all related to its submission at the 1928 election. This, it is held, was properly done.

The final contention was that the act of the General Assembly, approved Feb. 15 1929 is not yet in force, and will not go into effect until Aug. 27 1929, or 90 days after date of the adjournment of the Assembly. This question involved whether the act of the Legislature is subject to the referendum and whether the emergency clause on the act is valid.

**New York City.—New Rent Law Upheld by Court in Test Case.**—In the first action for eviction brought by a landlord under the new municipal emergency rent laws that were recently enacted by the Municipal Assembly—V. 128, p. 4355, and V. 129, p. 998—Municipal Court Justice Joseph A. Fontanelli, in the Eighth District, on Aug. 20 rendered a decision in favor of the tenant, thus upholding the constitutionality of the new measure. The gist of the opinion written by Justice Fontanelli, as it appeared in the New York "Times" of Aug. 21, reads as follows:

It was conceded upon trial that the apartment is used for dwelling purposes; that the tenant paid less than \$15 a room per month, and that prior to June 1 1929, the tenant was in possession of the apartment as a statutory tenant by virtue of the emergency rent laws. On June 1 and after the lapse of the State laws the landlord, Ladi Gennis, served a 30-day notice requiring the tenant to vacate the premises occupied by him on July 1.

## Law Passed After Notice.

Subsequently to the giving of such notice, on June 26, the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York passed local law No. 9, which in effect, by Sections 8 and 9 thereof, prohibits the maintenance of an action or summary proceedings to recover the possession of premises in the City of New York on the grounds that the occupant was holding over and continues in possession of the premises after the expiration of his term without the permission of the landlord.

The only real issues involved in this proceeding are the issues of law: (1) The constitutionality of local law No. 9 passed by the Municipal Assembly; (2) whether the local law is not retroactive in its effect in view of the fact that notice to terminate the tenancy herein was given twenty-six days before the enactment thereof.

There may be many legal reasons advanced to uphold either side of the first issue.

Section 2 of the city home rule law, Chapter 363 of the laws of 1924, as amended gives to the city the power to adopt and amend local laws regulating the Government and regulation of the conduct of its inhabitants and the protection of their property, safety or health.

The Court believes that the elective legislative body of the city of New York, whose members are most intimately acquainted with the housing conditions of their local constituents, are in the best position to know whether emergency legislation is necessary.

## A Quasi-Public Utility.

The Court further is of the opinion that a landlord is the possessor of a quasi-public utility which affects the very life, safety and health of the tenants with whom he contracts. The extraordinary population of New York City, together with its intricate problems rising from high rentals demanded for housing in advantageous sections of the city, gives to the city legislature a problem alike to an emergency.

The present law does not deny the landlord his right to property, but merely indicates the provision for fair play and reasonable profit, and this only for a period until May 1930, a period in which a possible alleviation and readjustment may occur, making unnecessary further legislation for the same purpose.

The Court therefore holds that the Municipal Assembly was empowered to pass local law No. 9 and that the provisions therein are constitutional. As to issue No. 2 the Court finds that, the notice having fallen short four days of the required statutory 30-day notice, there was no compliance therewith, and consequently the present law did not retroact against the landlord's rights. Judgment is awarded to the tenant.

## BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS.

**ADAMS COUNTY (P. O. Decatur), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—The \$4,160 Daniel Reinhart 4½% road construction bonds offered on Aug. 21—V. 129, p. 1157—were awarded at par to the Bank of Berne of Berne. The bonds are dated Aug. 15 1929 and mature semi-annually in from 1 to 10 years. The County Treasurer reports that no bids were submitted for the other two issues of 4½% road bonds offered on the same date.

**AKRON, Summit County, Ohio.—FINANCIAL STATEMENT.**—The following statement has been prepared in connection with the offering of \$782,904.95, 5 and 5½% street improvement bonds by Halsey, Stuart & Co. and E. H. Rollins & Sons, both of New York.—V. 129, p. 1157.

Real valuation, estimated	\$500,000,000
Assessed valuation	401,539,460
Total bonded debt, including current bonds	46,590,170
Water debt	\$11,408,000
Sinking fund	390,346
Net debt	34,791,824
Population, 1920 census	208,435
Present population, estimated	250,000

The above statement does not include obligations of other municipal corporations having taxing power against property within the city.

**AKRON, Summit County, Ohio.—VOTERS TO PASS ON BOND ISSUES AGGREGATING \$5,600,000.**—The voters will be asked to pass on three bond proposals aggregating \$5,600,000 at an election to be held in November. Of the bonds to be voted on, \$3,000,000 are for the cost of constructing a municipal university; \$1,500,000 for the construction of sewer mains and extensions and \$1,100,000 for street paving and widening purposes.

**ALICE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Alice), Jim Wells County, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.**—The \$125,000 issue of 5½% school bonds scheduled to be offered on Aug. 5—V. 129, p. 834—was registered by the State Comptroller on Aug. 5. Due from 1930 to 1969.

**ANDERSON COUNTY (P. O. Anderson), S. C.—BONDS OFFERED.**—Sealed bids were received until noon on Aug. 23 by J. O. Pruitt, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, for the purchase of a \$400,000 issue of coupon highway bonds. Int. rate not to exceed 5½%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due on Feb. 1 as follows: \$20,000, 1930 to 1932; \$24,000, 1933 to 1935; \$28,000, 1936 to 1938; \$32,000, 1939 and 1940, and \$40,000, 1941 to 1943, all incl. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable in gold in New York. Reed, Hoyt & Washburn of New York will furnish the legal approval. (This report supplements that given in V. 129, p. 1157.)



ANDING CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Yazoo) Yazoo County, Miss.—BOND SALE.—The \$60,000 issue of 6% school bonds offered for sale on Aug. 5—V. 129, p. 522—was awarded to the Whitney-Central Trust & Savings Bank, of New Orleans. Due as follows: \$1,500, 1930 to 1934; \$2,500, 1935 to 1944; \$3,000, 1945 to 1953 and \$5,000 in 1954.

ANDOVER, Essex County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—A \$100,000 temporary loan was awarded on Aug. 16 to the Merchants National Bank, of Boston, on a discount basis of 5.44%. The loan is dated Aug. 16 1929 and is payable on Nov. 27 1929.

ANTWERP TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8 (P. O. Lawton), Van Buren County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The \$55,000 school bonds offered on Aug. 2—V. 129, p. 834—were awarded to L. A. Packer, a local investor, at a price of par. Rate of interest not given. The bonds mature annually on July 1, as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1934 incl.; \$2,500, 1935 to 1939 incl.; \$3,000, 1940 to 1944 incl., and \$3,500, 1945 to 1949 incl.

ARIZONA, State of (P. O. Phoenix).—NOTE SALE.—We are informed by our Western correspondent that a \$2,000,000 issue of 5% tax anticipation notes has recently been purchased at par by a syndicate composed of thirteen banks within the State. Dated Aug. 19 1929. Due on Jan. 5 1930. The banks in the syndicate are as follows: First National Bank, the Valley Bank, the Phoenix National Bank, the Commercial National Bank, Citizens State Bank, Buckeye Valley Bank and the Payson Commercial Trust Co., all of Phoenix, Miners & Merchants Bank of Bisbee, Bank of Arizona, of Prescott, Bank of Douglas, Arizona Central Bank of Flagstaff, Tempe National Bank of Tempe, and the Sonora Bank & Trust Co., of Nogales.

ASSUMPTION PARISH ROAD DISTRICT NO. 4 (P. O. Napoleonville), La.—BOND SALE.—The \$30,000 issue of coupon semi-annual road bonds offered for sale on Aug. 13—V. 129, p. 671—was jointly awarded to W. P. Hill & Co., and F. P. Clark & Co., both of Alexandria, as 6s, for a premium of \$25, equal to 100.083, a basis of about 5.99%. Dated July 1 1929. Due from July 1 1931 to 1959 incl.

ATHENS, Athens County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Griff H. Evans, City-Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. on Sept. 15, for the purchase of \$25,363.39 6% City's portion street improvement bonds. Dated Sept. 15 1929. Due as follows: \$2,463.39 on March 15 and \$2,800 on Sept. 15 1930; and \$1,400, March and Sept. 15, from 1931 to 1938 incl. Interest payable on the 15th day of March and Sept. A certified check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the order of the City Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

ATLANTIC CITY, Atlantic County, N. J.—BOND AND NOTE SALE.—The following issues of notes and bonds aggregating \$1,500,000 offered on Aug. 22—V. 129, p. 1158—were awarded as 6s, at par, to the Equitable Trust Co. of Atlantic City: \$825,000 tax anticipation notes. Due on March 31 1930. 500,000 tax revenue bonds. Due on Sept. 3, 1930. 175,000 tax revenue bonds. Due on Sept. 3, 1930. The three issues are dated Sept. 3 1929. Only one bid was received.

AVOCA SCHOOL DISTRICTS, Luzerne County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Thomas Lavelle, Secretary of the Board of Directors, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. on Sept. 9, for the purchase of \$22,000 5% coupon school bonds. Dated July 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$2,000 on July 1, from 1934 to 1944, incl. The bonds are stated to be free of State tax. A certified check for \$500, payable to the order of the District Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

BARRON COUNTY (P. O. Barron) Wis.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 5 p. m. on Sept. 6, by F. S. Woodward, County Clerk, for the purchase of an \$85,000 issue of 4 1/2% coupon highway bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated May 1 1929. Due on May 1 1934. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. A \$500 certified check must accompany the bid. (These bonds were unsuccessfully offered on June 29—V. 129, p. 1158.)

BAUDETTE, Lake of the Woods County, Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. on Aug. 31, by R. J. Flynn, Village Clerk, for the purchase of a \$25,000 issue of coupon refunding bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 6%. Denom. as desired. Due on Sept. 1, as follows: \$2,000, 1932 to 1942; and \$3,000 in 1943. Purchaser to furnish the printed bonds with coupons attached, the form to be approved by the Village Counsel. A \$500 certified check must accompany the bid.

BELDING SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9 (P. O. Belding) Ionia County Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Agnes F. Ballard, Secretary of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. on Oct. 1, for the purchase of \$125,000 5% coupon school bonds. Dated Oct. 15 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due as follows: \$1,000, April 15 1931 to 1935 incl.; \$5,000, April 15 1936 and 1937, and \$5,000, April and Oct. 15 1938 to 1948 incl. Principal and semi-annual interest (April and Oct. 15) payable in Belding. Purchaser to pay for printing and to furnish the bonds, also to pay attorney's fees. A certified check for \$1,000 is required. These bonds were originally scheduled to have been sold on Aug. 7—V. 129, p. 672.

BENSON, Swift County, Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. on Aug. 26 by S. A. Berg, City Clerk, for the purchase of a \$27,000 issue of semi-annual refunding bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 6%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Prin. and int. is payable at the First National Bank in St. Paul.

BENTON HARBOR, Berrien County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The following improvement bonds aggregating \$56,005 which were offered without success on Aug. 5—V. 129, p. 999—have since been sold locally, according to H. H. Crow, City Clerk: \$19,850 4 1/2% Fair Ave. paving bonds. Due \$1,985, Jan. 1 1930 to 1939 incl. 15,000 4 1/2% Ogden paving bonds. Due \$1,500, Jan. 1 1930 to 1939 incl. 13,000 4 1/2% Division St. paving bonds. Due \$1,300, Jan. 1 1930 to 1939 incl. 3,740 4 1/2% Superior St. paving bonds. Due Jan. 1, as follows: \$500, 1930 to 1936 incl.; and \$240, 1937. 1,925 4 1/2% Alley paving, Water and Park Sts. bonds. Due Jan. 1, as follows: \$200, 1930 to 1938 incl.; and \$125, 1939. 1,095 4 1/2% Cross St. sanitary sewer bonds. Due Jan. 1, as follows: \$100, 1930 to 1938 incl.; and \$195, 1939. 500 5% Fair Ave. sanitary sewer bonds. Due \$100, Jan. 1 1930 to 1934 incl. 495 5% Edgcombe Ave. sidewalk bonds. Due Jan. 1, as follows: \$100, 1930 to 1933 incl.; and \$95, 1934. 400 5% Division St. sanitary sewer bonds. Due \$100, Jan. 1 1930 to 1933 incl. All of the above bonds are issued as of Jan. 1 1929.

BERRIEN COUNTY (P. O. St. Joseph), Mich.—BOND SALE.—The \$109,010 issue of coupon special assessment road No. 105 bonds offered on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 1158—was awarded to Braun, Bosworth & Co. of Toledo as 5 3/4s for a premium of \$371, equal to 100.34, a basis of about 5.71%. Due serially in from 1 to 10 years. The only other bidder was the Detroit & Security Trust Co., offering a premium of \$216.

BLACKHAWK COUNTY (P. O. Waterloo), Iowa.—BOND SALE.—The \$220,000 issue of annual primary road bonds offered for sale on Aug. 17—V. 129, p. 835—was awarded to Geo. M. Bechtel & Co., of Davenport, as 5s, for a premium of \$261, equal to 101.18, a basis of about 4.80%. Due \$22,000 from 1935 to 1944, incl. Optional after 5 years. BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$15,000 issue of 4 3/4% semi-annual detention hospital bonds offered at the same time—V. 129, p. 835—was not sold. Dated July 1 1929. Due \$3,000 from July 1 1931 to 1935 incl.

BLISSFIELD, Lenawee County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The \$48,000 issue of 5 1/2% filtration plant bonds offered on Aug. 17—V. 129, p. 1158—were awarded to three local banks for a premium of \$562.00, equal to 101.47, a basis of about 5.31%. The bonds are dated Aug. 15 1929 and mature annually on Aug. 15 as follows: \$2,500, 1930 to 1934 incl.; \$3,000, 1935 to 1938 incl.; \$3,500, 1939 to 1941 incl.; \$4,000 in 1942, and \$4,500, 1943 and 1944.

The banks associated in the purchase of the bonds are the Jipson Carter State Bank, the Blissfield State Bank and the First National Bank.

BOISE, Ada County, Ida.—NOTE SALE.—An issue of \$120,000 6% tax anticipation notes has recently been purchased by the First National Bank of Idaho, of Boise. Due on Jan. 15 1930.

BOLTON WATER DISTRICT (P. O. Bolton), Warren County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Bert W. Lamb, Town Supervisor, until 2 p. m. (daylight saving time) on Aug. 27, for the purchase of \$90,000 coupon or registered water bonds. Rate of interest is to be named in bid, is not to exceed 6% and must be stated in a multiple of 1/4 or 1/8 of 1%. The bonds are dated Feb. 15 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$5,000 on Feb. 15, from 1932 to 1949 incl. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable at the National Park Bank, New York. A certified check for \$1,500, payable to the order of the above-mentioned official, must accompany each proposal. The approving opinion of Clay, Dillon & Vandewater, of New York, as to the legality of the bonds, will be furnished the successful bidder.

BOONVILLE, Oneida County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$12,500 fire truck bonds offered on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 999—were awarded as 5 3/4s to the National Exchange Bank, of Boonville. The bonds are dated Oct. 1 1929 and mature \$2,500, from 1930 to 1934 incl.

BOSTON, Suffolk County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—A \$1,000,000 temporary loan was awarded on Aug. 19 to the Shawmut Corporation, of Boston, the only bidder. The loan is to bear interest at the rate of 5.75%. Dated Aug. 20 1929 and payable on Oct. 8 1929.

BRADLEY COUNTY (P. O. Cleveland), Tenn.—MATURITY.—The \$15,000 issue of 5 1/2% refunding bonds that was purchased by Caldwell & Co., of Nashville, at a price of 100.26—V. 129, p. 1158—is due on Sept. 1 1944, giving a basis of about 5.47%.

BRANTLEY COUNTY (P. O. Nahunta), Ga.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. on Sept. 3, by Joseph B. Strickland, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues, for the purchase of a \$35,000 issue of 5% semi-annual court house bonds. Denom. \$1,750. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due \$1,750 from Aug. 1 1930 to 1949, incl. A \$1,000 certified check, payable to the Clerk, must accompany the bid. (These bonds were previously offered on Aug. 15—V. 129, p. 1158).

BRAZOS COUNTY (P. O. Bryan), Tex.—BOND ELECTION.—It is reported that a special election will probably be held on Sept. 28 for the purpose of passing upon a proposal to issue \$1,500,000 in bonds to be used for road purposes.

BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Belmont County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—W. K. Kirkpatrick, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. on Aug. 26, for the purchase of \$200,000 4 1/2% coupon school bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$5,000, March and Sept. 1, from 1930 to 1949 incl. Bids based upon bonds bearing an interest rate other than specified above will also be considered. A certified check for \$1,000, payable to the order of the Board of Education, must accompany each proposal.

BROCKTON, Plymouth County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—A \$300,000 temporary loan was awarded on Aug. 15 to Solomon Bros. & Hutzler, of Boston, at a 5.41% discount, plus a premium of \$3. The loan is payable in about five months. The following is a list of the other bids received:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder, Discount Basis. Brockton National Co. 5.51%, Home National Bank, Brockton 5.52%

BROWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Reedsville), Mifflin County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$14,000 5% school bonds offered on July 27—V. 129, p. 514—were awarded at par to the Reedsville National Bank, of Reedsville. The bonds are dated Aug. 1 1929 and mature on Aug. 1 1939; optional Aug. 1 1934.

BROWNFIELD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Brownfield), Terry County, Tex.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by J. F. Winston, Secretary of the Board of Education, until 10 a. m. on Aug. 27, for the purchase of a \$75,000 issue of 5% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due \$1,000 from 1930 to 1934 and \$2,000, 1935 to 1969, all incl. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable in New York City. A \$3,750 certified check must accompany the bid.

BROWNSVILLE, Haywood County, Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on Aug. 30, by R. Y. Moses, City Clerk, for the purchase of an \$11,500 issue of 5 1/2% coupon public school refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000, one for \$500. Due on Sept. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1934 to 1944 and \$500 in 1945. Prin. and int. (M. & S.) payable at the Equitable Trust Co. in New York City. A certified check for 1% must accompany the bid.

BUCHANAN COUNTY (P. O. Independence), Iowa.—BOND SALE.—We are now informed that the \$300,000 issue of annual primary road bonds offered without success on July 16—V. 129, p. 514—has since been purchased at par by the Carleton D. Beh Co. of Des Moines. Due from May 1 1935 to 1944 incl. Optional after May 1 1935.

BUCHANAN COUNTY (P. O. Independence), Iowa.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$125,000 issue of not to exceed 5% annual primary road bonds offered on Aug. 16—V. 129, p. 835—was not sold as no bids were received. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due from May 1 1935 to 1944, incl. Optional after May 1 1935.

BURKE COUNTY (P. O. Morganton), N. C.—BOND SALE.—The \$120,000 issue of funding bonds offered for sale on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 999—was awarded to the First St. Paul Co., of St. Paul, as 5 1/2s, for a premium of \$1,241, equal to 101.03, a basis of about 5.36%. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due on Aug. 1, as follows: \$8,000, 1932 to 1936 and \$10,000, 1937 to 1944, all incl.

BUTLER COUNTY (P. O. Allison), Iowa.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$70,000 issue of annual primary road bonds offered for sale on Aug. 15—V. 129, p. 835—was not sold, as the only bid received, an offer of 99.257 on 5s, tendered by the White-Phillips Co. of Davenport, was rejected. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due \$7,000 from May 1 1935 to 1944, incl. Optional after 5 years.

CALDWELL COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Lockhart), Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—The \$300,000 issue of 5% road bonds scheduled to be offered for sale on Aug. 14—V. 129, p. 835—was registered on Aug. 9 by the State Comptroller. Due from Aug. 1 1930 to 1959, incl.

CAMBRIDGE, Middlesex County, Mass.—BOND OFFERING.—Henry F. Lehan, City Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. on Aug. 30 for the purchase of the following issues of 4 1/2% coupon bonds aggregating \$609,000: \$350,000 street construction bonds. Due on Sept. 1 as follows: \$35,500, 1930, and \$35,000, 1931 to 1939 inclusive. 135,000 Main Street and Broadway widening bonds. Due on Sept. 1, as follows: \$14,000, 1930 to 1934 incl., and \$13,000, 1935 to 1939 incl. 90,000 sewer separate system bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due \$3,000, Sept. 1 1930 to 1959 inclusive. 33,500 street construction bonds. Due on Sept. 1, as follows: \$9,500, 1930, and \$6,000, 1931 to 1934 inclusive.

Only bids for the entire lot will be considered. The offering notice says: The above named bonds are exempt from all Federal income and Mass. State income taxes; are issued under the supervision of the National Shawmut Bank of Boston and their legality approved by Messrs. Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins, whose opinion will be furnished the purchaser. Financial Statement April 1 1929.

Table with 2 columns: Assessed valuation, Funded city debt, Sinking fund for funded city debt, Net funded city debt, Serial city debt, Net city debt, Funded water debt, Sinking fund for funded water debt, Net funded water debt, Serial water debt, Net water debt, Population, 1920 census, 1925 census.

**CARBON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 18 (P. O. Encampment) Wyo.**—*ADDITIONAL DETAILS*.—The \$25,000 issue of 5½% coupon school building bonds that was purchased by local investors—V. 129, p. 315—was awarded at par. Denom. \$1,000. Due from 1935 to 1954. Int. payable on Jan. and July 1.

**CARROLL COUNTY (P. O. Delphi), Ind.**—*BOND OFFERING*.—Irvin M. Flora, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. on Aug. 24, for the purchase of \$16,800 4½% highway improvement bonds. Dated Aug. 6 1929. Denom. \$840. Due \$840 May and Nov. 15 from 1930 to 1939, incl. Interest payable semi-annually on the 15th day of May and November.

*BOND OFFERING*.—Sealed bids will be received at the same time for the purchase of \$19,600 4½% Omar Billings et al., Monroe Township highway construction bonds. Dated Aug. 6 1929. Denom. \$980. Due \$980, July 15 1930; \$980, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1939 incl.; and \$980, Jan. 15 1940. Int. payable on the 15th day of Jan. and July.

**CENTER SCHOOL TOWNSHIP, Lake County, Ind.**—*BOND OFFERING*.—Charles J. Millies, Township Trustee, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. (daylight saving time) on Sept. 3, at his office, 107 North Main St., Crown Point, Ind., for the purchase of \$54,000 5% school bonds. Dated July 15 1929. Denom. \$900. Due \$1,800, July 15 1930; \$1,800, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1943, incl.; \$1,800, Jan. 15 and \$3,600, July 15 1944. Principal and semi-annual interest (Jan. and July 15) payable at the First National Bank, Crown Point. The proceedings incident to the issuance of the bonds have been approved by Matson, Carter, Ross & McCord of Indianapolis.

**CHAFFEE, Scott County, Mo.**—*BOND SALE*.—A \$30,000 issue of 5¼% water bonds has been recently purchased by a local investor. Due in 20 years.

**CHAGRIN FALLS, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.**—*BOND SALE*.—The following issues of 5¼% bonds aggregating \$41,288 offered on Aug. 5—V. 129, p. 514—were awarded at par and accrued interest to the Chagrin Falls Banking Company:

\$26,288 street improvement bonds, property owners' portion. Denom. \$1,000, one bond for \$1,288. Due on Oct. 1, as follows: \$2,288, 1930; \$3,000, 1931; \$2,000, 1932; \$3,000, 1933 and 1934; \$2,000, 1935; \$3,000, 1936 and 1937; 2,000, 1938; and \$3,000, 1939.

15,000 Sewage Disposal Works repair bonds. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Due as follows: \$1,500, Apr. 1 and \$2,000, Oct. 1 1930; \$1,500, Apr. 1 and \$2,000, Oct. 1 1931; and \$2,000, Apr. and Oct. 1 1932 and 1933.

Both issues are dated Jan. 15 1929.

**CHAGRIN FALLS, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.**—*BOND OFFERING*.—Gladys M. Foster, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. on Aug. 26, for the purchase of \$8,769 5½% street improvement bonds, property owners' portion. The bonds are dated Aug. 15 1929. Denom. \$500, except Bond No. 1 which is for \$769. The bonds mature on Oct. 1 as follows: \$769, 1931; \$1,000, 1932 to 1934, incl.; \$500, 1935; \$1,000, 1936 to 1938, incl.; \$500, 1939, and \$1,000, 1940. Principal and semi-annual interest (April and Oct. 1) payable at the Chagrin Falls Banking Co., Chagrin Falls. A certified check for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

Anyone desiring to do so, may present a bid or bids for the above bonds, based upon their bearing a different rate of interest than herein specified; provided, however, that where a fractional interest rate is bid, such fraction shall be one-quarter of 1% or multiples thereof.

**CHARLESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 (P. O. Charleston), S. C.**—*BOND OFFERING*.—Sealed bids will be received until noon on Aug. 23, by Charles J. Ravenel, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, for the purchase of a \$74,000 issue of coupon school bonds. Int. rate is to be named by the bidder, payable on Jan. and July 1. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1929. Due on July 1 as follows: \$4,000, 1933 to 1943, and \$5,000, 1944 to 1949, all incl.

**CHATTANOOGA, Hamilton County, Tenn.**—*BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT*.—The \$500,000 issue of 4¾% suburban improvement bonds that was awarded to the Hamilton National Bank, of Chattanooga and associates at 100.20, a basis of about 4.74%—V. 129, p. 999 and 1158—is now being offered for subscription by the purchasers priced at 100.80 and interest, to yield about 4.70%. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due on Aug. 1 1959.

**CHICAGO SOUTH PARK DISTRICT (P. O. Chicago), Cook County, Ill.**—*BOND SALE*.—The \$9,500,000 issue of 4% improvement bonds offered on Aug. 21—V. 129, p. 1158—was awarded at a price of 92.91, an interest cost, a basis of about 4.92%, to a syndicate composed of the Harris Trust & Savings Bank, the First Union Trust & Savings Bank, of the Continental Illinois Co., all of Chicago, the Guaranty Company of New York, N. Y., Ames, Emrich & Co., the William R. Compton Co., and the Northern Trust Co., all of Chicago, the Detroit Co., Inc., of New York, the Foreman Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, and the First National Company of Detroit, of Detroit. The bonds are dated Sept. 3 1929 and mature \$425,000 on Sept. 3, from 1930 to 1949, incl. The bonds are to be reoffered for public investment at prices to yield 5.50 to 4.65%, according to maturity. Only two bids were submitted for the bonds. The other tender, 90.596, was submitted by a syndicate headed by the National City Co., of New York.

Members of the syndicate headed by the National City Co. of New York, were as follows: Bankers Co. of New York, Halsey, Stuart & Co., Lehman Bros., American National Co., E. H. Rollins & Sons, A. B. Leach & Co., Kean, Taylor & Co., Guardian Detroit Co., Hannahs, Ballin & Lee, Arthur Sinclair, Wallace and Co., Emanuel & Co., Otis & Co., Graham, Parsons & Co., Stranahan, Harris & Otis, R. H. Moulton & Co., and Dewey, Bacon & Co.

**CIRCLEVILLE, Pickaway County, Ohio.**—*BOND SALE*.—The \$13,000 Fire Department coupon equipment bonds offered on Aug. 14—V. 129, p. 836—were awarded as 5½% to the Davies-Bertram Co. of Cincinnati, for a premium of \$52.00 equal to 100.40, a basis of about 5.40%. The bonds are dated June 1 1929 and mature on Oct. 1, as follows: \$1,500, 1930 to 1936 incl., and \$2,500, 1937. R. L. Durfee & Co. of Toledo, bid a premium of \$31.00 for 5¼% bonds.

**CLARENCE WATER DISTRICT (P. O. Clarence) Erie County, N. Y.**—*BOND SALE*.—The \$210,000 issue of coupon or registered water bonds offered on Aug. 15—V. 129, p. 1159—was awarded as 5½% to the Bank of Clarence, at a price of 100.939, a basis of about 5.39%. The bonds are dated Sept. 1 1929 and mature Sept. 1, as follows: \$13,000, 1934 to 1948 incl., and \$15,000, 1949.

**CLARION, Clarion County, Pa.**—*BOND OFFERING*.—Sealed bids will be received by J. E. Wolf, Borough Secretary, until 7:30 p. m. (Eastern Standard time) on Aug. 27, for the purchase of \$19,792.85 building bonds, to bear interest at the rate of 5%. The bonds are to be dated July 1 1929. A \$1,000 certified check, payable to the order of the Borough Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

**CLARKE COUNTY (P. O. Osceola), Iowa.**—*BOND SALE*.—The \$269,000 issue of annual primary road bonds offered without success on June 27—V. 129, p. 151—has since been sold to Jackley-Wiedman & Co. of Des Moines as 58 for a premium of \$275, equal to 100.10, a basis of about 4.98%. Due on May 1 as follows: \$25,000, 1935 to 1943, and \$44,000 in 1944. Optional after May 1 1935.

**CLAY COUNTY (P. O. Brazil), Ind.**—*BOND OFFERING*.—Cullen C. Cochran, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. on Sept. 2, for the purchase of \$8,800 4½% Pearl Wallace et al., Posey Township road construction bonds. Denom. \$440. Due \$440, July 15 1930; \$440, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1939, incl.; and \$440, Jan. 15 1940. Prin. and semi-annual int. (J. & J. 15), payable at the office of the County Treasurer. The bonds are dated Aug. 6 1929.

**COASTAL HIGHWAY COMMISSION (Comprising the Counties of Dillon, Florence, Williamsburg, Colleton, Beaufort and Jasper), (P. O. Columbia), S. C.**—*BOND OFFERING*.—Sealed bids will be received by Wade Stackhouse, Chairman of the Board of Highway Commissioners, until noon on Sept. 5 for the purchase of a \$300,000 issue of coupon highway bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 5%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due on Feb. 1 as follows: \$34,000, 1931 to 1938, and \$28,000 in 1939. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable in gold in New York. Principal only of bonds may be registered. Int. rate is to be stated in multiples of ¼ of 1% and must be the same for all of the bonds. Reed, Hoyt & Washburn of New York will furnish the legal approval. A certified check for 2% of the bid, payable to the above Board, is required.

**COMANCHE COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Coldwater), Kans.**—*BOND SALE*.—An \$80,000 issue of 4½% school bonds has recently been purchased by the Guarantee Title & Trust Co., of Wichita. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due serially in from 1 to 20 years.

**COOKEVILLE, Putnam County, Tenn.**—*BOND SALE*.—A \$50,000 issue of 5% hydro-electric plant bonds has recently been purchased by Caldwell & Co. of Nashville.

**COQUILLE, Coos County, Ore.**—*BOND OFFERING*.—Sealed bids will be received until Aug. 26, by F. G. Leslie, City Recorder, for the purchase of a \$40,000 issue of water bonds.

**COWPENS SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Cowpens) Spartanburg County, S. C.**—*BOND SALE*.—An \$8,000 issue of 6% school bonds was jointly purchased on Aug. 16, by J. H. Hillsman & Co., Inc., and the Citizens & Southern Co., both of Atlanta. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due on Aug. 1 1949. Prin. and int. (F. & A. 1.) payable in New York.

**CRAWFORD, Dawes County, Neb.**—*PRICE PAID*.—The \$10,000 issue of 5% semi-annual park bonds that was purchased by the Peters Trust Co. of Omaha—V. 129, p. 1159—was awarded at par. Due on July 1 1939.

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6, Genesee County, Mich.**—*BOND ELECTION*.—The voters will pass on a proposal to issue \$110,000 bonds for school building construction and equipment purposes at an election to be held on Sept. 3.

**DAWSON, Lac Qui Parle County, Minn.**—*CERTIFICATE SALE*.—The \$31,000 issue of semi-annual paving certificates offered for sale on Aug. 17—V. 129, p. 1159—was awarded to the Drake-Jones Co. of Minneapolis, as 68, for a premium of \$100, equal to 100.32.

**DELAWARE COUNTY (P. O. Muncie) Ind.**—*BOND SALE*.—The \$90,000 4½% bridge bonds offered on Aug. 16—V. 129, p. 838—were jointly awarded to the Fletchler Trust & Savings Bank, the Union Trust Co. and the Fletcher American Co. all of Indianapolis. The bonds are dated Aug. 15 1929. Due as follows: \$4,500, July 1 1930; \$4,500, Jan. and July 1 1931 to 1939 incl., and \$4,500, Jan. 1 1940.

**DELAWARE, State of (P. O. Dover).**—*BOND OFFERING*.—Howard M. Ward, State Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. (standard time) on Sept. 11, for the purchase of all or any part of a \$500,000 issue of 4% coupon highway bonds. The State reserves the right to purchase and take \$400,000 of the total issue for investment in its sinking fund at the same price per bond as is bid for the remaining \$100,000 bonds. Official advertisement of the scheduled sale of these bonds appears on the last page of this section.

**DENVER (City and County), Colo.**—*BOND SALE*.—We are now informed that the six issues of 5½% semi-annual special improvement bonds that were offered without success on July 29—V. 129, p. 836—have since been purchased at par by J. H. Goode & Co. of Denver.

**DODGE COUNTY (P. O. Juneau), Wis.**—*BONDS NOT SOLD*.—The \$172,000 issue of 4½% semi-annual highway series B bonds offered on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 836—was not sold as no bids were received. The bonds will be re-advertised in the near future. Dated May 1 1929. Due on May 1 1949. The bonds cannot be sold for less than par.

**DORCHESTER COUNTY (P. O. St. George), S. C.**—*BOND SALE*.—The \$90,000 issue of coupon highway bonds offered for sale on Aug. 16—V. 129, p. 836—was awarded to C. W. McNear & Co. of Chicago, as 5½%, for a premium of \$156, equal to 100.17, a basis of about 5.48%. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due \$9,000 from Feb. 1 1934 to 1943 incl.

**DOUGLAS COUNTY (P. O. Superior), Wis.**—*BOND OFFERING*.—Sealed bids will be received until noon (standard time) on Sept. 5 by A. R. Cole, County Clerk, for the purchase of an issue of \$125,000 5% sanatorium bonds. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Dated Oct. 1 1929. Due \$12,500 from Oct. 1 1930 to 1939 incl. Prin. and int. (A. & O.) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. A certified check for 1% of the bid, payable to the County Clerk, is required.

**DOVER, Tuscarawas County, Ohio.**—*BOND OFFERING*.—O. L. Youngen, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 M. on Sept. 11 for the purchase of \$21,000 5¼% water works improvement bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Denom. \$500. Due \$500 on April and Oct. 1 from 1931 to 1951, inclusive. Principal and semi-annual interest (April & Oct. 1) payable at the office of the City Treasurer.

Any one desiring to do so may present a bid or bids, for said bonds based on a different rate of interest than hereinbefore specified, provided however, that when a fractional rate of interest is bid, such fraction shall be one-quarter of one per cent, or multiples thereof, as provided in Section 2293-28 of the Uniform Bond Act.

A certified check for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the order of the City Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

**DOVER, Tuscarawas County, Ohio.**—*BOND SALE*.—The \$20,660 5¼% cemetery improvement bonds offered on Aug. 14—V. 129, p. 836—were awarded to the Davies-Bertram Co. of Cincinnati at par, plus a premium of \$16, equal to 100.07, a basis of about 5.24%. The bonds are dated Aug. 1 1929 and mature as follows: \$660, April 1 and \$500, Oct. 1 1930; \$500, April and Oct. 1, from 1931 to 1949 incl., and \$500, April 1 1950. O. L. Youngen, City Auditor, sends us the following list of other bidders:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Prem.
Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co., Cincinnati	5½%	\$10.33
Seasongood & Mayer, Cincinnati	5½%	233.00
Assel, Goetz & Moerlein, Cincinnati	5½%	145.00
W. L. Slayton & Co., Toledo	5½%	36.00
R. L. Durfee & Co., Toledo	5½%	56.00

**DOVER (P. O. Dover Plains) Dutchess County, N. Y.**—*BOND SALE*.—The \$40,000 issue of coupon or registered highway bonds offered on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1160—were awarded as 5.40s to Prudden & Co. of New York, at a price of 100.579, a basis of about 5.35%. The bonds are dated April 1 1929 and mature on April 1, as follows: \$1,000, 1935 to 1944 incl., and \$2,000, 1945 to 1959 incl.

**EAST AURORA, Erie County, N. Y.**—*BOND OFFERING*.—D. N. Rumsey, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. on Sept. 9, for the purchase of \$14,500 coupon or registered street improvement bonds. Rate of interest is to be named in bid and is not to exceed 6%. The bonds are dated June 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000, one bond for \$500. Due on June 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1930 to 1943, incl., and \$500, 1944. Bidders to state interest rate in a multiple of ¼ of 1%, single rate to apply to the entire offering. Principal and semi-annual interest (June and Dec. 1) payable in gold at the Bank of East Aurora. A certified check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. Legality is to be approved by Reed, Hoyt & Washburn, of New York.

**EAST GRAND FORKS, Polk County, Minn.**—*BOND OFFERING*.—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. on Sept. 3, by A. G. Rand, City



lerk, for the purchase of a \$19,000 issue of street improvement bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 6%. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due \$1,000 from Feb. 1 1931 to 1949, incl. Principal and semi-annual interest payable at bank or trust company designated by the purchaser. Junell, Oakley, Riccissol & Fletcher, of Minneapolis, will furnish the legal approval. A \$1,000 certified check, payable to the City Treasurer, must accompany the bid.

**EAST PATERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Bergen County, N. J.—BOND SALE.**—The \$112,000 issue of coupon or registered school bonds which was offered unsuccessfully on Aug. 8—V. 129, p. 1160—was sold privately on Aug. 14 to H. B. Hand & Co., of Newark, as 5 1/2%. The bonds are dated April 1 1929 and mature on April 1, as follows: \$3,000, 1930 to 1965, incl., and \$4,000, 1966.

**EDGEFIELD COUNTY (P. O. Edgefield), S. C.—BOND DESCRIPTION.**—The \$140,000 issue of highway bonds that was purchased by the South Carolina National Bank of Columbia as 5 1/2%, at a price of 100.01—V. 129, p. 1000—is more fully described as follows: Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due from Feb. 1 1931 to 1942 incl. Basis of about 5.49%. Prin. and int. (F. & A. 1) payable at the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co. in New York. Read, Hoyt & Washburn of New York City, have approved legality of the bonds.

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Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include actual values, assessed values, total bonded debt, and population statistics for 1920 and 1929.

**ELMORE, Ottawa County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—William C. Myers, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 M. on Sept. 10, for the purchase of the following issues of 5 1/2% bonds aggregating \$8,250: \$500 Clinton St. improvement bonds. Due as follows: \$450, from 1930 to 1933, incl. Denomination \$450. \$750 Ottawa St. improvement bonds. Denom. \$375. Due as follows: \$375 from 1930 to 1939, inclusive.

Both issues are dated Sept. 1 1929. Interest payable on the first day of March and September. Bids for each issue must be accompanied by a certified check for \$100, payable to the order of the Village Treasurer.

**ELSMERE FIRE DISTRICT (P. O. Elsmere), Albany County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—Peter N. Klein, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. (daylight saving time) on Aug. 27, for the purchase of \$30,000 coupon or registered bonds. Rate of interest is not to exceed 6% and is to be stated in a multiple of 1/4 or 10th of 1%. The bonds are dated Aug. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due Aug. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1931 to 1956 incl.; and \$2,000, 1957 and 1958, incl. and semi-annual int. payable in gold at the First Trust Co. Bank, Albany. A certified check for \$500, payable to the order of the District, must accompany each proposal. Legality is to be approved by Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York. These bonds were originally scheduled to have been sold on Aug. 9.—V. 129, p. 837.

**EVERETT, Middlesex County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—The \$100,000 temporary loan offered on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1160—was awarded the Second National Bank, of Boston, at a 5.20% discount. The loan is dated Aug. 22 1929. Due \$100,000 on Feb. 20, March 20 and April 24, maturities in 1930. The following bids were also received:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Discount Basis. Lists banks such as Bank of Commerce & Trust Co., Merchants' National Bank, etc., with their respective discount rates.

**FAIRPORT, Monroe County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—Roscoe E. Lynes, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 7.30 p. m. (eastern standard time) on Aug. 27, for the purchase of \$77,000 coupon or registered waste disposal plant bonds. Rate of interest is not to exceed 6% and is to be stated in a multiple of 1/10th or 1/4 of 1%, one rate to apply to the entire issue. The bonds are dated Sept. 1 1929, are in \$1,000 denominations, and mature Sept. 1, as follows: \$4,000, 1932 to 1940 incl.; \$5,000, 1941, and \$6,000, 1942 to 1947 incl. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable in gold at the First National Bank & Trust Co., Fairport. A certified check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the order of William B. Saleno, Village Assessor, must accompany each proposal. The approving opinion of Clay, Dillon & Vandewater, of New York as to the legality of the bonds, will be furnished the successful bidder.

**FAIRVIEW, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—W. Smith, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. (Eastern standard time) on Aug. 31, for the purchase of \$20,000 6% road improvement bonds. Dated July 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Oct. 1, 1931 to 1935 incl. Principal and semi-annual interest (April and Oct. 1) payable at the First National Bank, of Rocky River. A certified check for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

**FALL RIVER, Bristol County, Mass.—NO BIDS.**—There were no bids received on Aug. 19 for the \$300,000 temporary loan offered for sale.—V. 129, p. 1160. The loan is dated Aug. 20 1929 and is payable on Nov. 1 1929.

**FITCHBURG, Worcester County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—S. Moseley & Co. of Boston purchased a \$200,000 temporary loan at a 0% discount on Aug. 22. The loan is payable on Dec. 12 1929. The following bids were also received:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Discount. Lists Salomon Bros. & Hutzler with a 5.74% discount.

**FLATHEAD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 15 (P. O. Kalispell) Mont.—BOND SALE.**—The \$1,500 issue of school house addition bonds offered for sale on Aug. 11—V. 129, p. 515—was awarded to the State of Montana, as 6s, at par. Denom. \$1,500. Dated June 15 1929. Due in years and optional after 5 years. Int. payable on June and Nov. 1.

**FLINT TOWNSHIP FRACTIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 18, Ingham County, Mich.—MATURITY.**—The \$35,000 5 1/2% school bonds awarded on Aug. 7 to the Detroit & Security Trust Co. of Detroit, V. 129, p. 1160—mature on June 1, as follows: \$1,000, 1934, and \$2,000, 1935 to 1951 inclusive.

**FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Jacksonville), Fla.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until Oct. 15, by Charles F. Burgman, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, for the purchase of two issues of bonds aggregating \$1,000,000, as follows: \$750,000 all purchase and \$250,000 right of way purchase bonds. On Aug. 1 two issues of similar bonds were unsuccessfully offered.—V. 129, p. 1001.)

**FRANKLIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 53 (P. O. Pasco) Wash.—BOND SALE.**—The \$20,000 issue of coupon school bonds offered for sale on Aug. 10—V. 129, p. 1001—was awarded to the State of Washington, as 6s, at par. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due in from 2 to 20 years. No other bids were received.

**FRANKLIN, Warren County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—R. C. Myers, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. on Sept. 3, for the purchase of \$20,000 5% building reconstruction bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$2,000 on Feb. and Aug. 1 1931; and \$2,000 on Aug. 1, 1932 to 1939 incl. A certified check for 1% of the amount of bonds bid

for, payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, must accompany each proposal. Any bidder desiring to do so may present a bid or bids for such bonds based upon their bearing a different rate of interest than specified. Provided, however, that where a fractional interest rate is bid such fraction shall be 1/4 of 1%, or multiple thereof. The opinion of Peck, Shaffer and Williams, of Cincinnati, Ohio, as to the legality of said bonds will be furnished the successful bidder without expense to such bidder.

**FREDERICKTOWN, Madison County, Mo.—BOND SALE.**—The \$65,000 issue of 5 1/4% coupon sewer bonds offered for sale on Aug. 15—V. 129, p. 673—was awarded to Stix & Co. of St. Louis, at a price of 100.35, a basis of about 5.19%. Due in from 1 to 20 years. Optional after 5 years. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Int. payable on March & Sept. 1.

**FRIAR POINT, Coahoma County, Miss.—BOND SALE.**—A \$2,000 issue of city hall bonds has recently been purchased at par by the Commercial & Savings Bank of Friar Point.

**FULTON COUNTY (P. O. Wauseon) Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—O. L. Watkins, County Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. (Eastern Standard time) on Aug. 26, for the purchase of \$50,900 6% county road improvement bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000, except Bond No. 1 which is for \$900. Due annually on Sept. 1 as follows: \$5,900, 1930; \$5,000, 1931 to 1933 incl., and \$6,000, 1934 to 1938 incl. Principal and semi-annual interest (March and Sept. 1) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. A certified check for \$1,000 must accompany each proposal. Bids shall be conditioned on the approval of the transcript by Squire, Sanders & Dempsey, of Cleveland, whose opinion will be furnished at the expense of the purchaser. A complete certified transcript of all of the proceedings evidencing the regularity and validity of the issuance of said bonds will be furnished the successful bidder.

**GALLIPOLIS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Gallia County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—C. M. Yeager, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. on Aug. 30, for the purchase of \$4,000 6% school building construction bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Denom. \$500. Due \$1,000 on Sept. 1, from 1930 to 1933 incl. Int. payable semi-annually. Any one desiring to do so may present a bid or bids for said bonds based upon their bearing a different rate of interest than specified; provided, however, that where a fractional interest rate is bid such fraction shall be 1/4 of 1% or multiples thereof. A certified check for 10% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the order of the Board of Education, must accompany each proposal.

**GALVESTON COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7 (P. O. Galveston), Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.**—A \$6,000 issue of 5% serial school bonds was registered on Aug. 12 by the State Comptroller.

**GARDEN CITY, Wayne County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.**—Ralph A. MacMullen, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. (eastern standard time) on Aug. 29, for the purchase of \$274,176.65 general obligation water mains construction bonds. Rate of interest is to be named in bid and is not to exceed 6%. The bonds are to be dated Aug. 1 1929 and are to mature on Aug. 1, as follows: \$5,000, 1931 to 1940 incl.; \$10,000, 1941 to 1945 incl.; \$10,176.65, 1946; \$11,000, 1947 to 1950 incl.; and \$15,000, 1951 to 1958, incl. Interest is payable semi-annually. A certified check for \$1,000, payable to the order of the Village Clerk, must accompany each proposal. The assessed valuation of the Village for the year 1929 is \$4,203,155. No outstanding indebtedness. Population over 2,000. This issue of bonds was originally scheduled to have been sold on Aug. 7.—V. 129, p. 837.

**GARDNER, Worcester County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—A \$100,000 temporary loan has been purchased by Salomon Bros. & Hutzler of Boston, at a 5.53% discount, plus a premium of \$1.60.

**GASTONIA, Gaston County, N. C.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on Aug. 31, by W. L. Walters, City Clerk, for the purchase of a \$75,000 issue of coupon memorial auditorium bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 6%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due on Feb. 1, as follows: \$2,000, 1932 to 1943 and \$3,000 from 1944 to 1960, all incl. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable in gold in New York City. Principal only of bonds may be registered. Int. rate is to be stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. Masslich & Mitchell, of New York City, will furnish the legal approval. A certified check for \$1,500, payable to the City Treasurer, is required.

**GATES, Monroe County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—Mary R. Harrington, Town Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. (Eastern standard time) on Sept. 4 for the purchase of \$25,000 coupon or registered street improvement bonds. Rate of interest is to be named in bid, stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%, and is not to exceed 6%. The bonds are dated April 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due on April 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1941, inclusive, and \$1,000 in 1942. Prin. and semi-annual int. (April & Oct. 1) payable at the Union Trust Co. of Rochester. No bid for less than the par value of the bonds and accrued interest will be considered. A single interest rate is to apply to the entire offering. All proposals must be accompanied by a certified check for \$500, payable to the order of the town. The approving opinion of Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York will be furnished to the purchaser without charge.

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**GIBSON, Monroe County, Miss.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk, until Aug. 30, for the purchase of a \$10,000 issue of semi-annual municipal building and site bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 6%.

**GLOUCESTER, Essex County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—A \$150,000 temporary loan was awarded on Aug. 21 to the Gloucester Safe Deposit & Trust Co., at a 4.98% discount. The loan is dated Aug. 29 1929, and is payable on Feb. 28 1930. The following other bids were received:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Discount Basis. Lists Gloucester National Bank, Cape Ann National Bank, etc., with their respective discount rates.

**GRANT COUNTY (P. O. Silver City), N. Mex.—BOND SALE CANCELED.**—We are now informed that the sale of the \$200,000 issue of court house and jail bonds to the Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co. of Cincinnati, as 6s, at 100.17, a basis of about 5.96%—V. 129, p. 1161—has been set aside and the bonds will shortly be re-offered. Due \$25,000 from July 1 1932 to 1939, incl.

**GRANT COUNTY (P. O. Ulysses), Kan.—BOND SALE.**—An \$80,000 issue of 4 1/4% court house and jail bonds has recently been purchased by the Guarantee Title & Trust Co., of Wichita, Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due serially in from 1 to 20 years.

**GRANT COUNTY (P. O. Marion), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Claude Hamilton, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. on Aug. 28, for the purchase of the following issues of 4 1/4% coupon road construction bonds aggregating \$96,300:

\$65,200 Jefferson and Monroe Twps. bonds. Due \$3,260, July 15 1930; \$3,260, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1939, incl.; and \$3,260, Jan. 15 1940.  
 15,600 Center Township bonds. Due \$780, July 15 1930; \$780, Jan and July 15 1931 to 1939, incl.; and \$780, Jan. 15 1940.  
 15,500 Jefferson and Monroe Twps. bonds. Due \$775, July 15 1930; \$775, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1939, incl.; and \$775, Jan. 15 1940. The three issues are dated Aug. 15 1929.

**GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 106 (P. O. Montesano), Wash.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. on Aug. 24, by Mabel Taylor, County Treasurer, for the purchase of a \$6,000 issue of semi-annual school bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 6%. Dated Sept. 15 1929. A certified check for 5% must accompany the bid.

**GREENE COUNTY (P. O. Bloomfield), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids for the purchase of \$18,000 4 3/4% road bonds will be received until 2 p. m. on Aug. 25, by Henry Rollison, County Treasurer. The bonds are to be dated Aug. 15 1929 and are in denoms. of \$900 each. Due \$900 on May and Nov. 15 from 1930 to 1939, incl. Principal and semi-annual int. (May and Nov. 15) payable at the office of the County Treasurer.

**GREENWOOD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 18 (P. O. Greenwood), S. C.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received by W. E. Black, Secretary of the Board of Trustees, until 3 p. m. on Sept. 11, for the purchase of a \$95,000 issue of 4 1/4% and 5% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000, or optional. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due on Sept. 1, as follows: \$5,000, 1934 and \$6,000, 1935 to 1949, all incl. Prin. and int. (M. & S.) payable in New York. Reed, Hoyt & Washburn, of New York, will furnish the legal approval. A \$2,500 certified check, payable to the School District must accompany the bid.  
 (This report supplements that given in V. 129, p. 1001.)

**GRIFFIN, Spalding County, Ga.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received by E. P. Bridges, City Manager, until Sept. 10, for the purchase of an issue of \$100,000 5% semi-annual school bonds.

**GROSSE POINTE TOWNSHIP RURAL AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Grosse Pointe), Mich.—BIDS UNOPENED.**—Charles A. Parcels, Secretary of the Board of Education, reports that all of the bids received on Aug. 19 for the \$360,000 4 3/4% bonds offered for sale—V. 129, p. 1161—were returned unopened. The bonds mature in from 1 to 30 years.

**GUTHRIE COUNTY (P. O. Guthrie Center), Iowa.—BONDS NOT SOLD.**—The \$150,000 issue of not to exceed 5% annual primary road bonds offered on Aug. 20 (V. 129, p. 1161) was not sold as no bids were received. The County Treasurer informs us that the sale was held open until Aug. 24. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due \$15,000 from May 1 1935 to 1944, inclusive. Optional after May 1 1935.

**HAMILTON COUNTY (P. O. Webster City), Iowa.—BONDS NOT SOLD.**—The \$200,000 issue of not to exceed 5% annual primary road bonds offered for sale on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 1161—were not sold as no bids were received. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due \$20,000 from May 1 1935 to 1944, incl. Optional after 5 years.

**HAMILTON TOWNSHIP (P. O. May's Landing), Atlantic County, N. J.—INTEREST RATE.**—The \$55,000 general improvement bonds sold at par to the First National Bank, of May's Landing—V. 129, p. 1161—bear interest at the rate of 6%. The bonds mature annually on July 1, as follows: \$7,000, 1930 to 1936 incl., and \$6,000, 1937.

**HAMLIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Hamlin), Jones County, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.**—The \$125,000 issue of 5% school bonds that was unsuccessfully offered on June 27—V. 129, p. 1001—was registered on Aug. 16 by the State Comptroller.

**HARDIN COUNTY (P. O. Savannah), Tenn.—BOND SALE.**—The \$100,000 issue of 5% coupon highway bonds offered for sale on Aug. 10—V. 129, p. 674—was awarded at par to Caldwell & Co. of Nashville. Dated Jan. 1 1929. Due from July 1 1930 to 1959, incl. No other bids were received.

**HARRISBURG, Dauphin County, Pa.—BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT.**—The \$135,000 4 1/4% coupon city bonds awarded on Aug. 15 to E. H. Rollins & Sons, of Philadelphia, at 100.647, a basis of about 4.40%—V. 129, p. 1161—are now being offered by the successful bidders for public investment at prices to yield 4.25%.

Financial Statement.

Real valuation (est.)	\$180,000.000
Assessed valuation (1929)	88,125,560
Total net debt (incl. this issue)	\$5,024,414
Population (1920 Census), 75,917; present (est.), 90,000.	

**HARRISON SCHOOL TOWNSHIP, Howard County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received by the Township Advisory Board, until 10 a. m. on Sept. 11, for the purchase of \$6,000 5% semi-annual school-building bonds. Dated July 1 1929. Denom. \$500. Due \$1,000 on July 1, from 1930 to 1935 incl. A similar issue of bonds was sold at par on July 16 to the Howard National Bank, of Kokomo.—V. 129, p. 838.

**HARTSVILLE, Darlington County, S. C.—BONDS NOT SOLD.**—The \$125,000 issue of 5 1/4% funding bonds offered on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1161—was not sold. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due \$5,000 from Nov. 1 1934 to 1958, incl.

**HASTINGS, Adams County, Neb.—BOND SALE.**—Two issues of bonds, aggregating \$64,000, have been purchased by the United States Trust Co., of Omaha, at a price of 100.36. The issues are divided as follows: \$50,000 sewer and \$14,000 paving bonds.

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 14 (P. O. Woodmere), Nassau County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—The \$315,000 coupon or registered school bonds offered on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1001—were awarded as 5 1/4% to George B. Gibbons & Co. and Roosevelt & Son, both of New York, at a price of 100.84, a basis of about 5.16%. The bonds are dated July 1 1929 and mature \$10,500 on Jan. 1, from 1930 to 1959 incl. A detailed statement of the financial condition of the district appeared in V. 129, p. 1161.

**HENRY COUNTY (P. O. Paris), Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 1 p. m. on Sept. 2, by D. T. Spaulding, County Judge, for the purchase of a \$60,000 issue of 6% semi-annual highway bonds. Dated July 1 1929. Due on July 1 1949. (These bonds were previously offered for sale on Aug. 15.)

**HERINGTON, Dickinson County, Kan.—BOND SALE.**—The \$45,000 issue of 5% semi-annual flood relief prevention bonds offered for sale on Aug. 6—V. 129, p. 838—was awarded to the Fidelity National Co. of Kansas City, at a price of 104.89, a basis of about 4.40%. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due in from 1 to 20 years.

**HICKORY TOWNSHIP (P. O. Volant, R. F. D. No. 3), Lawrence County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.**—J. A. Stunkard, Secretary of the Board of Supervisors, will receive sealed bids until 9 a. m. (Eastern standard time) on Sept. 4, for the purchase of \$8,500 5% township bonds. Dated May 15 1929. Denom. \$500. Due June 15 as follows: \$1,000, 1930 to 1936 inclusive, and \$1,500, 1937. A certified check for \$200, payable to the order of the Township Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

**HIDALGO COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Edinburg), Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.**—An issue of \$100,000 5 1/2% road bonds was registered by the State Comptroller on Aug. 5. Due in 38 years.

**HILLSIDE TOWNSHIP (P. O. Hillside), Bergen County, N. J.—NO BIDS.**—An unofficial report says that no bids were received on Aug. 7 for the \$500,000 issue of coupon or registered temporary improvement bond offered for sale.—V. 129, p. 838. Rate of int. was to be named in bid. The bonds are dated Sept. 1 1929 and mature \$125,000 on Sept. 1, from 1931 to 1934 incl.

**HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Houston) Harris County, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.**—The \$931,000 issue of 4 3/4% school bonds that was sold on Aug. 1—V. 129, p. 1001—was registered on Aug. 6 by the State Comptroller. Due \$133,000 from 1952 to 1958 incl.

**HUNTINGTON COUNTY (P. O. Huntington), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Paul G. Weber, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. on Sept. 7, for the purchase of \$50,000 5% bonds of Huntington Township. The bonds are dated Aug. 15 1929. Denom. \$500. Due \$2,500, July 15 1930; \$2,500, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1939, inclusive; and \$2,500, Jan. 15 1940. Interest payable semi-annually on the 15th day of January and July.

**LIFF DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Sterling) Logan County, Colo.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p. m. on Sept. 7, by E. J. Wright, Secretary of the Board of Directors, for the purchase of a \$50,000 issue of drainage bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due in from 11 to 20 years.

**ILLINOIS, State of (P. O. Springfield)—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until Sept. 11, for the purchase of \$11,000,000 highway improvement bonds, according to the New York "Herald Tribune" of Aug. 23.

**IRVINGTON, Westchester County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—Thomas J. Gorey, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. (day light-saving time) on Sept. 5, for the purchase of \$48,000 coupon or registered paying bonds. Rate of interest is to be stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1% and is not to exceed 6%. The bonds are dated Aug. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$4,000 on Aug. 1 from 1930 to 1941, incl. Principal and semi-annual interest (Feb. and Aug. 1) payable in gold at the Irvington National Bank. A certified check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for payable to the order of the Village, must accompany each proposal. Legality is to be approved by Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow, of New York.

**JACKSBORO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Jacksboro) Jack County, Tex.—BOND SALE.**—A \$50,000 issue of school bonds has been purchased by the First National Bank of Jacksboro.

**JEFFERSON COUNTY (P. O. Beaumont), Tex.—BOND ELECTION.**—A special election will be held on Sept. 19 to pass upon the proposed issuance of \$4,070,000 in road and bridge bonds.  
 (On Aug. 10 the voters defeated a proposed road bond issue for \$4,026,000.—V. 129, p. 1161.)

**JEFFERSON, Greene County, Iowa.—BOND SALE.**—The \$12,000 issue of city hall bonds offered for sale on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1161—was awarded to the Iowa State Bank, of Jefferson, as 58, for a \$25 premium equal to 100.20, a basis of about 4.97%. Due \$1,000 from Nov. 1 1929 to 1940 incl.

**JOHNSON COUNTY (P. O. Franklin), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—The \$4,000 issue of 4 1/4% semi-annual White River Township road bonds offered for sale on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1161—was awarded to the Bargarville State Bank of Bargarville for a premium of \$11, equal to 100.275, a basis of about 4.43%. Due \$200 on May and Nov. 15 from 1930 to 1933 inclusive.

**JOHNSON CITY, Washington County, Tenn.—BONDS NOT SOLD.**—The four issues of not to exceed 5 1/4% bonds, aggregating \$415,000 offered for sale on Aug. 15—V. 129, p. 1002—were not sold as all the bids were rejected. The issues are described as follows: \$300,000 school; \$60,000 fire department; \$25,000 sewer and \$30,000 water works bonds.

**JOHNSTON TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Farmdale, R. F. D.), Trumbull County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received by E. R. Milliken, Clerk of the Board of Education, until 1 p. m. (central standard time) on Aug. 26, for the purchase of \$110,000 5% school bonds. Dated Mar. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$2,000, Apr. 1 and \$3,000, Oct. 1, from 1930 to 1951 incl. Bids for bonds to bear an interest rate other than the one specified may also be submitted provided that where a fractional rate is bid, such fraction shall be stated in multiples of 1/4 of 1%.

**JONES COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 10 (P. O. Anson), Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.**—Three issues of road bonds aggregating \$283,000 were registered on Aug. 12, by the State Comptroller. The issues are divided as follows: \$20,000 series A; \$175,000 series B; and \$88,000 series bonds.

**JONESBORO, Washington County, Tenn.—BONDS OFFERED.**—Sealed bids were received until 2 p. m. (Eastern standard time) on Aug. 2 by E. J. Baxter, Town Recorder, for the purchase of an issue of \$170,000 semi-annual water works bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due on Aug. 1 as follows: \$5,000, 1936 and 1938; \$10,000, 1942 and 1944; \$15,000, 1946 and 1948; \$20,000, 1952 and 1953; \$25,000, 1956 and 1958; and \$20,000 in 1959. Prin. and int. is payable in New York. Legality of the bonds will be approved by a recognized bond attorney.  
 (These bonds were voted on July 5—V. 129, p. 318).

**JUDITH BASIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22 (P. O. Windham), Mont.—BOND SALE.**—The \$30,000 issue of semi-annual school bonds offered for sale on Aug. 12—V. 129, p. 674—was awarded to the State Land Department, at par. Due in 20 years.

**KALAMAZOO SCHOOL DISTRICT, Kalamazoo County, Mich.—BOND SALE.**—The \$300,000 Woodward School Building and Proper bonds offered on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 838—were awarded to the Detroit Security Trust Co., of Detroit, and the Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, jointly, as 4 3/4%, paying a premium of \$4,611, equal to a price of 101.53, a basis of about 4.62%. The bonds are dated Aug. 1 1929 and mature on Aug. 1, as follows: \$5,000, 1937 to 1939 incl.; \$12,000, 1941 and \$18,000, 1941 to 1955 incl.

An official list of the other bids received follows:

Bidder	Amount.	Int. Rate.	Price
Detroit & Security Trust Co., Detroit; and Harris, Forbes & Co., Chicago	\$174,000	at 4 3/4%	\$121.
Bancdetroit Co., Detroit	300,000	at 4 3/4%	1,170.
Continental Illinois Co., Chicago	300,000	at 4 3/4%	3,000.
Continental Illinois Co., Chicago	180,000	at 4 1/2%	7.
H. M. Bylesby & Co. and Central Illinois Co., both of Chicago	216,000	at 4 3/4%	170.
C. W. McNear & Co., Chicago	34,000	at 5%	
Halsey, Stuart & Co., Chicago	300,000	at 4 3/4%	423.
First Union Trust Co., Chicago	300,000	at 4 3/4%	1,410.
Otis & Co., Cleveland; Watling, Lerchen & Hayes, Detroit	300,000	at 4 3/4%	3,025.
	198,000	at 4 3/4%	128.
	102,000	at 5%	
William R. Compton Co., Chicago	300,000	at 5%	1,777.

**KANSAS CITY, Jackson County, Mo.—BOND ELECTION.**—We informed that the voters will be called upon to ballot upon a proposed \$5,000,000 school bond issue at a special election to be held on Oct. 19.

**KERSHAW COUNTY (P. O. Columbia), S. C.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received by Laurens T. Mills, Clerk of the Court



Board of Directors, until noon on Sept. 10, for the purchase of a \$290,000 issue of 5 1/2% coupon highway bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due from Feb. 1 1930 to 1946 incl. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable in gold in New York. Teed, Hoyt & Washburn of New York, will furnish the legal approval. A certified check for 2% of the bonds bid for, payable to the County, is required.

KINDERHOOK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, Columbia County, N. Y.—OFFER \$100,000 5% SCHOOL BONDS.—An issue of \$100,000 5% coupon or registered school bonds is being offered for public investment, at par and accrued interest, by George B. Gibbons & Co., of New York. The bonds are dated July 1 1929, are in \$1,000 denoms., and mature on July 1, as follows: \$1,000, 1930 and 1931; \$2,000, 1932 to 1934, incl.; \$4,000, 1935 and 1936; \$3,000, 1938; \$1,000, 1939; \$4,000, 1940 to 1944 incl.; \$5,000, 1945 to 1949, incl.; and \$6,000, 1950 to 1955 incl. These bonds are part of the \$133,000 issue sold on June 11 at 100.11, a basis of about 4.99%—V. 128, p. 4044.

Financial Statement.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include: Valuation, as determined by State Tax Commission \$1,327,233; Assessed valuation, 1928 756,523; Total bonded debt, this issue 133,000; Population—1,000.

KING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Seattle), Wash.—BOND SALE.—The \$1,000,000 issue of semi-annual coupon school bonds offered for sale on Aug. 21—V. 129, p. 675—was awarded to the State of Washington, as 4 1/2%, at par. Dated Oct. 1 1929. Due in 2 to 25 years. Newspaper reports give the other bids as follows:

"A number of banking syndicates took part in the bidding, but all their bids were for the obligations as fs. A bid of 101.47 was submitted by a group composed of Halsey, Stuart & Co., the Northern Trust Co. and one of Webster and Blodgett, Inc. The second highest of the banking bids was 101.13 made by a syndicate comprising Eldredge & Co., the Bancamerica-Blair Corp., and Dean Witter & Co., while the next bid was 100.5799, submitted by a group composed of the National City Co., the American National Co., and the Pacific National Co."

KINGSFORD, Dickinson County, Mich.—BOND REDEMPTION.—The Village is to redeem \$12,000 6% Special Assessment District No. 2 sewer bonds on Sept. 15, according to an official notice signed by C. Walter Miller, Village Clerk. The bonds to be redeemed are numbered from 63 to 74, both inclusive, par value \$1,000 each, and are due on July 15 1930, and are sold on Aug. 3 1926 to Morris Mather & Co., of Chicago. All holders of these bonds are requested to present the same for payment at the Peoples State Bank, Detroit, on the date stated above.

KNOXVILLE, Knox County, Tenn.—FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—The following statement is furnished in connection with the offering scheduled for Aug. 27 of the \$235,000 issue of 4 1/4% coupon or registered improvement, series I bonds, reported in V. 129, p. 1002:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include: Assessed valuation for taxation, 1929 \$154,800,575.00; Estimated true value 123,530,030.00; Assessed valuation of real property 235,000,000.00; Total bonded & other debts, incl. special assessment debt & including bonds now offered 23,134,240.90; Water debt \$4,715,506.96; Working fund, except for water debt 815,360.60; Uncollected special assessments applicable to a portion of above debt 2,193,436.70; Total deductions \$7,724,304.26; Net debt, including this issue \$15,409,936.64; Population Federal census 1910, 36,346; Federal census 1920, 77,818; Federal estimate 1929, 105,400.

LAKEWOOD, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—FINANCIAL STATISTICS.—In connection with the scheduled sale on Aug. 31 of \$25,000 5% bonds, notice and description of which appeared in V. 129, p. 1162, the following statistics have been prepared:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include: Assessed valuation of the taxable property of the municipality as shown by the tax duplicate of 1928 \$148,513,170.00; Total of all bonds and notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued and outstanding, incl. the present issue 5,104,404.18; Tax rate for 1928, \$2.39 per \$100 valuation. Population 1910 census, 181; 1920, 41,732; now estimated, 70,000.

LAMAR, Prowers County, Colo.—BOND SALE.—The two issues of bids aggregating \$320,000, offered for sale on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 1002—were awarded to the Fidelity National Co., of Kansas City, as follows:

\$4,000 5% water extension bonds, at a price of 98.31, a basis of about 5.15%. Due in 1944 and optional after 1939. \$6,000 5 1/2% sanitary sewer district No. 2 bonds, at a price of 96.50. Due on or before Sept. 1 1951.

LAUDERDALE COUNTY (P. O. Ripley), Tenn.—ADDITIONAL FORMATION.—The \$250,000 issue of semi-annual road bonds that was chased by Caldwell & Co., of Nashville—V. 129, p. 1162—bears interest 5% and was awarded for a premium of \$3,260, equal to 101.30. Due at 100.00, 1930 to 1939; \$10,000, 1940 to 1950 and \$45,000 in 1951 and 1952, giving a basis of about 4.88%.

LAWRENCE COUNTY (P. O. Bedford), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$100,000 issue of 4 1/4% county road bonds offered for sale on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1162—was awarded to the Union Trust Co., of Greensburg for a premium of \$12.50, equal to 100.156, a basis of about 4.73%. Dated Sept. 15 1929. Due in 1940.

LAWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Opelousas), St. Landry Parish, La.—BOND SALE.—The \$70,000 issue of school bonds offered for sale on Aug. 15—V. 129, p. 318—was awarded to Chas. F. Rignol of Opelousas as 6s, for a premium of \$2,397.50, equal to 103.42, a basis of about 5.62%. Dated July 1 1929. Due from 1930 to 1949 incl.

LEOLA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Leola), McCreary County, S. Dak.—ADDITIONAL DETAILS.—The \$50,000 issue of coupon school bonds that was awarded to the Minnesota Co., of Minneapolis, as 5 1/4s—V. 129, p. 4193—was sold for a premium of \$562.00, equal to 101.12, a basis of about 5.12%. Due from June 1 1932 to 1949, incl.

LE SUEUR COUNTY (P. O. Le Sueur Center), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by C. L. Huebl, County Auditor until 2 p. m. on Aug. 30, for the purchase of a \$70,000 issue of 4 1/4% registered bonds. Denom. \$500. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Principal and interest (M. & S.) payable at the office of the County Treasurer.

LIBERTY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Fairfield), Solano County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—A \$15,000 issue of 5% school bonds has recently been purchased by the Bank of Rio Vista, of Rio Vista, for a \$10 premium, equal to 100.06.

LIBERTY UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Liberty), Livingston County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$150,000 semi-annual issue of bonds offered on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1162—were awarded as 5 1/4s to J. P. & Lockwood of New York, at 100.36, a basis of about 5.22%. The bonds are dated June 1 1929 and mature \$5,000 from June 1 1932 to 1961.

LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17 (P. O. Lebanon), Mo.—BONDS OFFERED.—Sealed bids were received until 7 p. m. on Aug. 22, by A. J. Wilson, District Clerk for the purchase of a \$2,900 issue of semi-annual school bonds. Denom. \$500, one for \$400. Due on Aug. 1, as follows: \$500, 1930 to 1934, and \$400 in 1935.

LISBON, Columbiana County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Lloyd C. Binsley, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. on Sept. 9, for the purchase of \$64,266.42 5 1/2% bonds, divided as follows:

\$51,218.42 special assessment street improvement bonds. Due as follows: \$5,718.42, 1930; \$5,500, 1931; \$6,000, 1932; \$5,500, 1933 and 1934; \$6,000, 1935; \$5,500, 1936 and 1937, and \$6,000, 1938.

13,048.00 village's portion street improvement bonds. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$1,548, 1930; \$1,500, 1931 and 1932; \$2,000, 1933; \$1,500, 1934 to 1936 incl., and \$2,000, 1937.

All of the above bonds are dated July 1 1929. Bids must be made for each issue individually. A certified check for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the order of the above-mentioned official, must accompany each proposal. Proposals for bonds to bear an interest rate other than herein stated will also be considered.

LIVE OAK COUNTY (P. O. George West), Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—The following eight issues of bonds were registered by the State Comptroller on Aug. 8:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Due serially. Rows include: \$6,000 5 1/2% road, series B bonds; 3,000 5 1/2% road, series C bonds; 35,000 5 1/2% road, series D bonds; 38,000 5 1/2% road, series E bonds; 19,000 5% road, series F bonds; 4,500 5 1/2% road, series G bonds; 15,500 5 1/2% road, series H bonds; 38,500 5% road, series I bonds.

LONDON, Madison County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The following issues of 5 1/2% bonds aggregating \$47,000 offered on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 839—were awarded to Otis & Co., of Cleveland, for a premium of \$254.00, equal to a price of 100.54, a basis of about 5.37%:

\$26,000 street improvement bonds, Village's portion. Due \$2,600, on April 1 from 1930 to 1939, incl. 21,000 street improvement bonds, Village's portion. Due \$2,100, April 1, from 1930 to 1939, incl.

Both issues are dated Aug. 1 1929. The following bids were also received:

Table with 3 columns: Bidder, Int. Rate, Premium. Rows include: First-Citizens Corp., Columbus 5 1/2% \$155.10; Well, Roth & Irving Co., Cincinnati 6% 673.00.

LONE GROVE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 32 (P. O. Ardmore), Carter County, Okla.—BONDS OFFERED.—Sealed bids were received by J. O. Woodley, School Director, until 2 p. m. on Aug. 23, for the purchase of a \$12,000 issue of school bonds. Dated Aug. 15 1929. Due \$1,000 from 1934 to 1945, inclusive.

LONG BEACH, Harrison County, Miss.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until Sept. 3, by H. A. Genung, Mayor, for the purchase of a \$14,000 issue of school bonds.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS (P. O. Los Angeles), Calif.—LIST OF BIDDERS.—The following is an official tabulation of the bidders for the four issues of bonds, aggregating \$260,000, awarded on Aug. 12—V. 129, p. 1162:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Amount. Rows include: Del Sur School District, \$15,000; Freeman, Smith & Camp, Par (award); Rowland Union School District, \$70,000; American National Co., Premium \$188 (award); R. H. Moulton & Co., Premium 76; Bank of Italy, Premium 113; San Marino City School District, \$75,000; American National Co., Premium \$188; Anglo-London-Paris Co., Premium 265; R. H. Moulton Co., et al., Premium 378; Bank of Italy, Premium 509; Dean, Witter & Co., Premium 629 (award); East Whittier School District, \$100,000; American National Co., Premium \$488; R. H. Moulton & Co., Premium 438; Bank of Italy, Premium 389; Dean, Witter & Co., Premium 649 (award).

MACOMB COUNTY (P. O. Mount Clemens), Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Bert Englebrecht, County Drain Commissioner, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. (Eastern standard time) on Aug. 24, for the purchase of the following issues of bonds aggregating \$37,000:

\$21,000 Ten Mile Road Drainage District bonds. Due on May 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1930 to 1932 incl.; \$2,000, 1933 to 1935 incl., and \$3,000, 1936 to 1939 incl. A certified check for \$1,000 is required. 16,000 McKinley Ave. Lateral Drainage District bonds. Due on May 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1931 to 1942 incl., and \$2,000, 1943 and 1944. A certified check for \$800 is required.

Both issues are dated Aug. 1 1929. Int. payable semi-annually on May and Nov. 1. Rate of interest is to be named in bid and is not to exceed 6%. The Drain Commissioner will furnish the bonds. Checks should be made payable to the order of the above-mentioned official.

MADISON COUNTY (P. O. Anderson), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Marcia H. Barton, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. on Sept. 15, for the purchase of \$15,000 4 1/4% Anderson Township highway improvement bonds. The bonds mature semi-annually from July 15 1931 to Jan. 15 1941. Int. payable on Jan. and July 15.

MADISON COUNTY (P. O. Anderson), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Marcia H. Barton, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. on Sept. 3, for the purchase of \$18,500 4 1/4% John Byus et al., Pipe Creek Township road improvement bonds. Due semi-annually on Jan. and July 15.

MAHASKA COUNTY (P. O. Oskaloosa), Iowa.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$200,000 issue of annual primary road bonds offered on Aug. 16—V. 129, p. 839—was not sold as no bids were received. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due \$20,000 from May 1 1935 to 1944, incl. Optional after May 1 1925. Int. rate was not to exceed 5%.

MAINE, State of (P. O. Augusta).—BOND OFFERING.—The State Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 9 a. m. on Aug. 29, for the purchase of \$9 0,000 4% highway and bridge bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1929 and due serially from 1935 to 1944, incl.

MANSFIELD, Richland County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$10,000 5 1/2% storm sewer bonds offered on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 1003—were awarded at par to the Sinking Fund. The bonds are dated Aug. 1 1929 and mature \$500 on April and Oct. 1, from 1930 to 1939, incl.

MANOR TOWNSHIP (P. O. Millersville) Lancaster County, Pa.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.—The principal and interest of the \$75,000 4 1/4% bonds awarded on Aug. 13 to E. H. Rollins & Sons, of Philadelphia, at 100.792, a basis of about 4.45%—V. 129, p. 1162—are payable at the Millersville National Bank, of Millersville. Interest payable semi-annually on Jan. and July 1.

MAPLE HEIGHTS, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—F. J. Vasek, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. on Sept. 11, for the purchase of \$10,800 5 1/2% property owners' portion storm water and sanitary sewer construction bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000, one bond for \$800. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$800, 1931; \$1,000, 1932 to 1939, incl., and \$2,000, 1940. The bonds are payable as to both principal and interest at the office of the Central National Bank, Cleveland. A certified check for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

Anyone desiring to do so, may present a bid or bids for the above bonds based upon their bearing a different rate of interest than herein specified, provided, however, that where a fractional interest rate is bid, such fraction shall be one-quarter of 1% or multiples thereof.

MARICOPA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 83 (P. O. Phoenix), Ariz.—BOND SALE.—We are now informed that the \$11,000 issue of

school building bonds that was previously awarded to Bosworth, Chanute, Loughridge & Co., of Denver—V. 128, p. 3387—the sale of which was later cancelled—V. 128, p. 3879—has now been purchased by the Valley Bank, of Phoenix, as 6s, for a premium of \$11, equal to 100.10, a basis of about 5.98%. Due from April 15 1936 to 1940.

MARION COUNTY (P. O. Knoxville) Iowa.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$200,000 issue of not to exceed 5% annual primary road bonds offered on Aug. 15—V. 129, p. 839—was not sold. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due \$20,000 from May 1 1935 to 1944 incl. Optional after May 1 1935.

MARTIN PARISH GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. St. Martinville), La.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until Aug. 31, by the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners, for the purchase of a \$75,000 issue of drainage bonds.

MAUD, Pottawattomie County, Okla.—BOND SALE.—Two of the three issues of bonds aggregating \$86,000, offered for sale on Aug. 7—V. 129, p. 1003—were awarded at par to the Tulsa Casualty Co. of Tulsa. The bonds purchased are as follows: \$66,000 water works extension and \$20,000 sewer extension bonds.

BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$9,000 issue of fire department equipment bonds offered at the same time—V. 129, p. 1003—was not sold as there were no bids.

MAYFIELD HEIGHTS, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Ina L. Granger, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 7 p. m. (eastern standard time) on Sept. 6, for the purchase of \$192,968.22 6% property owners' portion street improvement bonds. Dated Sept. 15 1929. The bonds mature annually on Sept. 1 from 1931 to 1940, incl. Principal and semi-annual interest (March and Sept. 15) payable at the office of the Guardian Trust Co., Cleveland. A certified check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

The favorable opinion of Squire, Sanders and Dempsey of Cleveland, Ohio, with a full transcript of the proceeding, will be furnished to the successful bidder, and a copy of their opinion to be purchased at the expense of the purchaser.

MEDINA COUNTY (P. O. Medina), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—The Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. (Eastern standard time) on Sept. 3 for the purchase of the following issues of 6% bonds, aggregating \$142,253.79:

- \$100,799.39 road bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$20,799.39, 1930, and \$20,000, 1931 to 1934, incl.
33,880.00 road bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$3,880, 1930; \$3,000, 1931 to 1936, incl., and \$4,000, 1937 to 1939, inclusive.
7,574.40 road bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due \$757.44 Oct. 1 1930 to 1939, inclusive.

Bids may be for all or none of the bonds and may be for an interest rate other than stated above, in multiples of 1/4 of 1%.

The county will bear the expense of the printing of the bonds. Said bonds will be sold to the bidder presenting a bid with the highest premium and the lowest rate of interest. Bids must be for all or none and must be wholly unconditional or conditioned on the approval of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey, Cleveland, Ohio, whose opinion will be furnished at the expense of the purchasers.

Bids shall be accompanied by a certified check in the amount of \$2,000 payable to the County Treasurer.

MENDON, Mercer County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Walter H. Dick, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. (Central Standard time) on Aug. 30, for the purchase of \$1,500 5% fire apparatus installation bonds. Dated April 1 1928. Denom. \$150. Due in from 6 months to 5 years from date of issue. A certified check for 10% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

MIDDLETOWN, Middlesex County, Conn.—NO BIDS.—There were no bids received on Aug. 14 for the \$274,000 4% coupon or registered refunding bonds offered for sale—V. 129, p. 1003. The bonds are dated July 1 1929 and mature on July 1 as follows: \$20,000, 1931 to 1943 incl., and \$14,000, 1944.

MIDLAND, Midland County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The \$46,745.64 bonds offered on Aug. 5—V. 129, p. 676—have been sold as 6s to two local banks. The bonds mature on March 1, as follows: \$16,745.64, 1930, and \$15,000, 1931 and 1932.

MILWAUKEE, Milwaukee County, Wis.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until Sept. 4, by Louis M. Kotecki, City Comptroller, for the purchase of 9 issues of bonds, aggregating \$8,381,000 as follows:

- \$2,090,000 4% sewer bonds. Dated July 1 1928. Due \$110,000 from July 1 1930 to 1948, incl.
950,000 4% school bonds. Dated July 1 1928. Due \$50,000 from July 1 1930 to 1948, incl.
665,000 4% park bonds. Dated July 1 1928. Due \$35,000 from July 1 1930 to 1948, incl.
456,000 4% street widening bonds. Dated July 1 1928. Due \$24,000 from July 1 1930 to 1948.
2,000,000 5% sewer bonds. Dated July 1 1929.
1,000,000 5% permanent harbor improvement bonds. Dated July 1 1929.
600,000 5% park bonds. Dated July 1 1929.
500,000 5% grade crossing abolition bonds. Dated July 1 1929.
120,000 5% electric light bonds. Dated July 1 1929.

MISSISSIPPI LEVEE DISTRICT (P. O. Greenville), Washington County, Miss.—CERTIFICATE SALE POSTPONED.—The sale of the \$200,000 issue of certificates of indebtedness previously scheduled for Aug. 13—V. 129, p. 518—has been postponed as some of the members of the Board of Levee Commissioners were unable to be present. Payable six months from date of issuance.

MOBILE COUNTY (P. O. Mobile), Ala.—BOND ELECTION.—On Sept. 17 a special election will be held for the purpose of passing judgment on a proposed bond issue of \$400,000 for road extension and bridge purposes.

MOBILE COUNTY (P. O. Mobile) Ala.—BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT.—The \$900,000 issue of road and bridge bonds that was awarded to a syndicate headed by the American Trust Co. of Mobile, as 4 3/4s, at a price of 95.07, a basis of about 5.22%—V. 129, p. 1162—is now being offered for public subscription by the successful bidders at the following prices: 1931 maturity to yield 5.50%; 1932 to 1934, to yield 5.25%, and 1935 to 1958, to yield 5.00%. The official offering notice gives the following:

Financial Statement table with columns for item, amount, and sub-total. Items include Estimated actual value taxable property, Assessed value taxable property, Total bonded debt, Sinking fund, Net debt, Population (1920 census), and Present estimate.

MONROE COUNTY (P. O. Monroe), Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—The Board of County Road Commissioners will receive sealed bids until 10:30 a. m. on Aug. 30 for the purchase of the following issues of bonds, aggregating \$246,000:

- \$127,300 Cousino Kelley Road District No. 59 bonds.
106,000 Lambertville Road District No. 58, bonds.
12,700 Rauch East Road District No. 66 bonds.

A certified check for \$2,000 covering each issue bid for must accompany each proposal. The successful bidder is to pay the cost of printing the bonds and securing legal opinion.

MONROE COUNTY (P. O. Woodfield), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—S. V. Steward, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. on Aug. 31, for the purchase of \$1,900 6% road improvement bonds. Dated July 1 1929. Denom. \$400, one bond for \$300. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$400, 1930 to 1933, incl., and \$300, 1934.

Interest payable semi-annually on April and Oct. 1. A certified check for \$200, payable to the order of the Board of County Commissioners, must accompany each proposal.

Anyone desiring to do so may present a bid or bids for said bonds based upon their bearing a different rate of interest than specified, provided however, that where a fractional interest rate is bid such fraction shall be one quarter of one per cent or multiples thereof.

BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received at the same time for the purchase of \$6,500 6% county road improvement bonds. Dated July 1 1929. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1931 to 1936 incl. and \$500, 1937 Int. is payable on the first day of April and October. Anyone desiring to do so may present a bid or bids for said bonds based upon their bearing a different rate of interest than specified, provided, however, that where a fractional interest rate is bid such fraction shall be 1/4 of 1% or multiple thereof.

A certified check for \$700, payable to the order of the Board of County Commissioners, must accompany each proposal.

MORTON TOWNSHIP (P. O. Buckingham), Kankakee County Ill.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$60,000 5 1/2% coupon gravel road bond was awarded at par on April 10 to the White-Phillips Co. of Davenport. The bonds are dated Aug. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$6,000 on Aug. 1 from 1930 to 1939, incl. Interest payable semi-annually. Denom. \$1,000.

MOUND, Hennepin County, Minn.—BOND SALE.—The \$8,000 issue of 5 1/2% semi-annual funding bonds offered for sale on Aug. 3—V. 129, p. 1004—was awarded to the State Bank of Mound, for a premium of \$200, equal to 102.50, a basis of about 5.03%. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due \$1,000 from Aug. 1 1932 to 1939, incl. The other bids were as follows: Bidder Price Bid David Kirk of St. Paul 100.65 Drake-Jones Co. of Minneapolis par

MOUNT PLEASANT UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. North Tarrytown) Westchester County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Frank L. Martin, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. (daylight saving time) on Sept. 10, for the purchase of \$35,000 coupon or registered school bonds. Rate of interest is not to exceed 5% and is to be stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. The bonds are dated Sept. 1 1929, are in \$1,000 denoms., and mature on Sept. 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1930 to 1932, incl., and \$4,000, 1935 to 1939, incl. Principal and semi-annual interest (March and Sept. 1) payable at the First National Bank of North Tarrytown. A certified check for 2% of the bonds bid for, payable to the order of the Board of Education, must accompany each proposal. Legality is to be approved by Reed, Hoyt & Washburn of N. Y.

MUNCIE, Delaware County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$25,000 4 1/2% coupon or registered refunding bonds offered on July 1—V. 12, p. 4361—were awarded to the Merchants' National Bank and the Delaware County National Bank, both of Delaware, at a price of par. The bonds are dated June 15 1929 and mature \$5,000 on July 1, from 1932 to 1936 incl.

NAMPA, Canyon County, Ida.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by F. M. Ruse, City Clerk, until 7:30 p. m. on Sept. 4 for the purchase of two issues of coupon bonds, aggregating \$50,000, as follows: \$30,500 airport and \$19,500 park bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 6% payable semi-annually. Due in 20 years on the amortization plan. (The bonds were previously offered on Aug. 5—V. 129, p. 518.)

NASHUA, Hillsborough County, N. H.—LOAN OFFERING.—Seal bids will be received until 10 a. m. on Aug. 27 for the purchase of a \$100,000 temporary loan, dated Aug. 28 1929 and payable on Feb. 21 1930.

NASSAU COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICTS (P. O. Fernandina), Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a. m. on Aug. 31, by O. T. Weaver, Superintendent of the Board of Public Instruction, for the purchase of two issues of 6% school bonds aggregating \$35,000 as follows: \$20,000 Special Tax School District No. 1 bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1929. Due \$1,000 from 1932 to 1951 incl. 15,000 Special Tax School District No. 3 bonds. Denom. \$500. Dated July 1 1929. Due \$500 from 1932 to 1953 and \$1,000, 1954 to 1957, all incl.

Dated July 1 1929. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable at the Guaranty Trust Co. in New York City. Thomson, Wood & Hoffman, of New York City, will furnish the legal approval. A certified check for 2% par of the bonds, payable to the above Board, must accompany the bid.

NEW MEXICO, State of (P. O. Santa Fe)—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$275,000 issue of not to exceed 6% semi-annual county highway bonds offered on Aug. 19—V. 127, p. 518—was not sold as there were no bids. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due from Sept. 1 1930 to 1934 incl.

NEWPORT, Campbell County, Ky.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until Sept. 17 by Henry Asplan, City Recorder, for the purchase of an issue of \$100,000 water revenue bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 6%. Dated July 1 1929. Due as follows: \$10,000 in 1934, 1935, 1944, 1949 and 1954; \$15,000 in 1959 and 1964, and \$20,000 in 1969. Legality of bonds approved by Chapman & Cutler of Chicago.

NEW PORT BEACH, Orange County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Alfred Smith, City Clerk, until 7:30 p. m. on Aug. 26, for the purchase of a \$36,000 issue of municipal improvement district No. 7 bonds. A certified check for 2% must accompany the bid.

NEWTON COUNTY (P. O. Kentland), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—The County Treasurer will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. on Sept. 16, for the purchase of the following issues of 6% bonds aggregating \$8,919: \$5,742 Hibler Ditch construction bonds. Denom. \$547.20. Due \$547.20 Dec. 1 from 1930 to 1939, incl. 3,177 Albert DeFries et al. drainage bonds. Denom. \$317.70. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due \$317.70, Dec. 1 from 1930 to 1939, incl.

Both issues are dated Sept. 2 1929. Interest is payable semi-annually on the 1st day of June and December.

NEWTON, Catawba County, N. C.—BOND SALE.—The two issues of coupon bonds aggregating \$99,000, offered for sale on Aug. 20—V. 1, p. 1004—were awarded to Ryan, Sutherland & Co., of Toledo as 5 1/2s. The issues are divided as follows:

- \$50,000 sewer bonds for a \$60 premium, equal to 100.12, a basis of about 5.75%. Due from May 1 1931 to 1970 incl.
49,000 funding bonds for a \$58 premium, equal to 100.118, a basis of about 5.74%. Due from May 1 1931 to 1960 incl.

Table listing other bidders and their bids with columns for Name of Bidder, Int. Rate, Funding, and Sewer. Bidders include Weil, Roth & Irving Co., C. W. McNear & Co., Walter, Woody & H., Prudden & Co., and Mangus & Co.

NEW YORK MILLS, Oneida County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—\$15,000 coupon, street improvement bonds offered on Aug. 19—V. 3, p. 1004—were awarded as 5.40s, at par, to the First National Bank, of Hartford. The bonds are dated Sept. 1 1929 and mature \$3,000 on Sept. 1 from 1930 to 1934 incl.

NISKAYUNA COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 (P. O. Schenectady) Schenectady County, N. Y.—OTHER BIDS.—The following of bids were received on Aug. 9 for the \$232,000 school bonds sold as 5.40s, 100.419, a basis of about 5.35%, to the Manufacturers & Traders-Trust Co., of Boston.—V. 129, p. 1163.

Table listing bidders for Niskayuna Common School District No. 5 with columns for Bidder, Int. Rate, and Premium. Bidders include Devoxy, Bacon & Co., George B. Gibbons & Co., Edmund Seymour & Co., Rapp & Lockwood, Schenectady Trust Co., and Prudden & Co.



**NORTH TROY, Orleans County, Vt.—BOND SALE.**—The \$60,000 issue of 5% coupon road bonds offered on Aug. 16—V. 129, p. 1163—were awarded to E. H. Rollins & Sons, of Boston, at a price of 100.025, a basis of about 4.99%. The bonds are dated May 1 1929 and mature on Nov. 1, as follows: \$3,000, 1930 to 1945 incl.; and \$4,000, 1946 to 1948 incl. The Rollins bid was the only one received.

**NOXUBEE COUNTY (P. O. Macon), Miss.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received, until Sept. 3, by J. R. Sparkman, President of the Board of Supervisors, for the purchase of a \$20,000 issue of road and bridge bonds.

**OAKLAND, Alameda County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a. m. on Aug. 29, by Frank C. Merritt, City Clerk, for the purchase of an issue of \$1,000,000 harbor improvement bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 5%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1926. Due on July 1 as follows: \$56,000, 1930; \$27,000, 1931 to 1938 and \$26,000 from 1939 to 1966 all incl. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable in gold coin at the office of the City Treasurer. The int. rate is to be stated in multiples of 1/4 of 1%. Bids may be made for the purchase of all or any part of said bonds. These bonds are a part of the authorized issue of \$9,960,000. Orrick, Palmer & Dahlquist, of San Francisco, will furnish the legal approval. A certified check for 1% of the bid, payable to the City Clerk, is required.

**OCONTO COUNTY (P. O. Oconto), Wis.—BONDS NOT SOLD.**—The \$102,000 issue of 4 1/2% semi-annual highway improvement, series A bonds offered on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 1004—was not sold, no bids being received for the bonds. Due on May 1 1935.

**OGDEN, Weber County, Utah.—BOND SALE.**—A \$75,000 issue of stadium bonds is reported to have recently been purchased by the L. W. Gibbs Co. of Salt Lake City, at a price of 98, as follows: \$37,500 as 5 1/2%, and \$37,500 as 5 3/4% bonds.

**OLIN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Olin), Jones County, Iowa.—BOND SALE.**—We are now informed that the \$10,000 issue of school bonds that was offered without success on March 30—V. 128, p. 2335—has since been purchased by Glaspell, Veith & Duncan of Davenport as 5s for a premium of \$500, equal to 100.45.

**ORANGE COUNTY (P. O. Paoli), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Jesse L. Wells, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. on Sept. 2, for the purchase of \$11,000 4 1/2% Mynart road construction bonds. Dated Sept. 2 1929. Denom. \$550. Due \$550, July 15 1930; \$550, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1939 incl.; and \$550, Jan. 15 1940.

**OTTAWA COUNTY (P. O. Grand Haven), Mich.—BOND SALE.**—The \$63,000 issue of assessment district bonds offered on Aug. 15—V. 129, p. 1163—awarded as 5 3/4s to the Grand Haven State Bank, of Grand Haven, for a premium of \$80, equal to 100.12, a basis of about 5.72%. The bonds mature \$7,000 annually on May 1, from 1931 to 1939, incl. Purchaser agreed to furnish printed bonds and legal opinion.

**OXFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT, Butler County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$120,000 5 1/2% school bonds offered on June 1—V. 128, p. 3722—are reported to have been sold to the First-Citizens Corp. of Columbus, at par, plus a premium of \$200.00, equal to 100.16, a basis of about 5.48%. The bonds are dated May 1 1929 and mature \$2,500, March and Sept. 1, from 1930 to 1953 inclusive.

**OYSTER BAY COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 23 (P. O. Massapequa) Nassau County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—Charles E. Krohn, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8:30 p. m. (Daylight Saving time) on Sept. 4, for the purchase of \$104,000 coupon or registered school bonds. Bidders are to name rate of interest, stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1% and is not to exceed 6%. The bonds are dated Sept. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due on Sept. 1, as follows: \$3,000, 1930 to 1937 incl. and \$4,000, 1938 to 1957 incl. Principal and semi-annual interest (March and Sept. 1) payable in gold at the City Bank Farmers Trust Co., New York. A certified check for \$2,000, payable to the order of the District, must accompany each proposal. Legal opinion of Clay, Dillon & Vandewater, of New York, will be furnished the purchaser.

**PARMA, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—John N. Thompson, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. on Sept. 2, for the purchase of \$188,000 6% street improvement bonds. Dated Sept. 15 1929. Due on Oct. 1, as follows: \$18,000, 1930 and 1931; and \$19,000, 1932 to 1939, incl. Interest payable in the first day of April and October. Bids on said bonds for other rates of interest than that specified will be received and considered but the award will be made to the highest and best bidder for not less than par and accrued interest. All bidders must state the number of bonds bid for and the gross amount of bid including premium and accrued interest to date of delivery. Bids conditioned upon the opinion of Squire, Sanders and Dempsey only, will be considered, otherwise all bids must be unconditional. Expense of the legal opinion must be borne by the purchaser. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check upon some solvent bank located in the State of Ohio, payable to the Treasurer of the Village of Parma in an amount equal to 2% of the bonds bid for.

**PEABODY, Essex County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—A \$100,000 temporary loan was awarded on Aug. 20 to Salomon Bros. & Hutzler, of Boston, at a 5.57% discount, plus a premium of \$3.00. The loan is dated Aug. 20 1929 and is payable on Dec. 27 1929. The Central National Bank, of Lynn, was the only other bidder, offering to discount the loan on a 5.575% basis.

**PERRY COUNTY (P. O. New Augusta), Miss.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until Sept. 2, by C. C. Dearman, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, for the purchase of a \$50,000 issue of bridge bonds.

**PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—BOND ELECTION.**—The voters will be asked to pass on two proposed bond issues, one for \$50,500,000 and one for \$4,500,000, at an election to be held on Sept. 17. The proceeds from the sale of the bonds, if authorized, are to be used for various improvement purposes, according to the legal notices of the forthcoming election published in the Aug. 23 number of the Philadelphia "Public Ledger."

**PLACERVILLE, Eldorado County, Calif.—BOND SALE.**—A \$17,000 issue of 5 1/2% improvement bonds has recently been purchased by the California National Bank of Sacramento, for a premium of \$450, equal to 102.64, a basis of about 5.12%. Due from July 1 1930 to 1946 incl.

**PLAINVIEW WATER DISTRICT (P. O. Oyster Bay), Nassau County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—The \$175,000 coupon or registered water district bonds offered on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1005—were awarded to Dewey, Bacon & Co., of New York, as 5s, at 100.33, a basis of about 4.96%. The bonds are dated Aug. 1 1929 and mature on Aug. 1, as follows: \$11,000, 1934 to 1948, incl.; and \$10,000, 1949. The 1934 to 1939 maturities are being reoffered for investment priced to yield 4.75%; the remaining bonds are priced to yield 4.65%.

The following is a list of the other bids submitted:

Bidder—	Int. Rate.	Prem.
Hannahs, Ballin & Lee	5%	\$386.75
George B. Gibbons & Co.	5 1/4%	2,764.48
Prudden & Co.	5 1/2%	192.50
Rapp & Lockwood	5 1/4%	295.75
A. C. Allyn & Co.	5 1/4%	1,877.75

**PONTIAC, Oakland County, Mich.—BOND SALE.**—The three issues of bonds aggregating \$435,000 offered on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1165—were awarded to Halsey, Stuart & Co., of Chicago, at 100.34, a basis of about 4.85%, as follows:

\$195,000 pavement bonds sold as 5s. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due \$13,000 from Aug. 1 1930 to 1944 incl.  
 120,000 grade separation bonds sold as 5s. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due \$8,000 from Aug. 1 1930 to 1944 incl.  
 120,000 city hall bonds sold as 4 3/4s. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due \$4,000, Sept. 1, from 1930 to 1959 incl.

The following is an official tabulation of the bidders and their bids:

Name of Bidder—	Bonds.	Rate of Int.	Premium.
Halsey, Stuart & Co., Chicago, Illinois*	\$120,000 city hall 120,000 grade separ. 195,000 pavement	4 3/4% 5% 5%	\$1,488.00
The National City Co., New York, N. Y.	120,000 city hall 120,000 grade separ. 195,000 pavement	5% 5% 5%	909.15
Detroit & Secur. Tr. Co., First National Co., Wm. R. Comp-ton Co., Detroit, Mich.	120,000 city hall 120,000 grade separ. 195,000 pavement	5% 5% 5%	741.00
Central Illinois Co., C. W. McNear & Co., Chicago, Ill.	120,000 city hall 120,000 grade separ. 195,000 pavement	5% 5% 5%	120.00 120.00 195.00
Braun, Bosworth & Co., Guardian Trust Co., Detroit, Mich.	120,000 city hall 120,000 grade separ. 195,000 pavement	5 1/4% 5% 5%	400.00

\* Successful bid.

**POPLAR BLUFF, Butler County, Mo.—BOND OFFERING.**—An issue of \$100,000 water works bonds will be offered for sale at public auction on Sept. 3, at 10 a. m. by C. M. Harwell, City Clerk. Int. rate is not to exceed 5 1/2%. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due on Aug. 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1931 and 1932; \$4,000, 1933 to 1936; \$5,000, 1937 to 1941; \$6,000, 1942 to 1945; \$7,000, 1946 to 1948 and \$8,000, 1949. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable at the Franklin-American Trust Co. in St. Louis. Sale will be made subject to the legal approval of Benjamin H. Charles, of St. Louis. A \$2,000 certified check must accompany the bid.

**PUNXSUTAWNEY, Jefferson County, Pa.—BOND SALE.**—The \$100,000 issue of 4 3/4% coupon improvement bonds offered on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 1164—was awarded to E. H. Rollins & Sons, of Philadelphia, for a premium of \$2,816, equal to 102.816, a basis of about 4.50%. The bonds are dated July 1 1929 and mature on July 1, as follows: \$9,000, 1933; \$7,000, 1935; \$7,000, 1937, 1939, 1941, 1943, 1945, 1947, 1949, 1951, 1953, 1955, 1957 and 1959. The purchasers are re-offering the bonds for public investment at prices to yield 4.35%. The following bids were also received:

Bidder—	Premium.
Prescott, Lyon & Co., Pittsburgh	\$1,677.00
M. M. Freeman & Co., Philadelphia	1,633.33
A. B. Leach & Co., Philadelphia	1,600.00

Financial Statement.

Assessed valuation (1929)	\$6,490,971
Real valuation (estimated)	10,000,000
Bonded debt (incl. this issue)	\$303,000
Sinking fund	33,118
Net debt	\$269,882
Population (1920 census)	10,500
Present population (estimated)	12,000

**PUTNAM COUNTY (P. O. Brewster), N. Y.—BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT.**—George B. Gibbons & Co., of New York, are offering an issue of \$340,000 4 3/4% highway bonds for public investment, at prices to yield from 5.50 to 4.50%, according to maturity. These bonds were sold on Aug. 15 at par and accrued interest.—V. 129, p. 1164.

Financial Statement.

Actual value, estimated	\$35,000,000
Assessed valuation, 1929	24,613,245
Total bonded debt, including this issue	1,286,000
Population, 1925 State Census	12,500.

**PUTNAM COUNTY (P. O. Greencastle) Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Alva E. Lisby, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. on Aug. 24, for the purchase of \$15,349 4 1/2% road construction bonds. Denom. \$766.45. The bonds are to mature semi-annually in from 1 to 10 years. A certified check for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Board of County Commissioners, must accompany each proposal.

**RICHLAND, Lexington and Saluda Counties (Joint Obligations), (P. O. Columbia), S. C.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until noon on Sept. 3, by B. W. Crouch, Chairman of the Board of Capital Highway Commissioners, for the purchase of a \$500,000 issue of coupon highway bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 5 1/4%. Denom. \$1,000. Rate of int. is to be stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1% and must be the same for all the bonds. Dated July 20 1929. Due on Jan. 20, as follows: \$5,000, 1931 to 1938; \$10,000, 1939; \$50,000, 1940 to 1943; \$100,000 in 1944; and \$150,000 in 1945. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable in gold in New York. Reed, Hoyt & Washburn, of New York City, will furnish the legal approval. A certified check for 2% of the bonds, payable to the above Commissioners, must accompany the bid.

**RIPLEY COUNTY (P. O. Versailles), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Willard N. Voss, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. on Sept. 2, for the purchase of \$22,000 4 1/2% John Selke et al., Adams Township highway improvement bonds. Dated Aug. 15, 1929. Denom. \$275. Due \$550, July 15 1930; \$550, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1949 incl.; and \$550, Jan. 15 1950. Int. payable on the 15th day of Jan. and July.

**ROCKFORD SANITARY DISTRICT (P. O. Rockford), Winnebago County, Ill.—BOND SALE.**—Halsey, Stuart & Co. and the National City Co., both of New York, were the successful bidders on Aug. 19 for the \$500,000 issue of 4 3/4% sewer bonds offered for sale—V. 129, p. 1164. The successful tender was 97.5833, a basis of about 4.81%. The bonds are dated Sept. 1 1929 and mature \$25,000 on Sept. 1, from 1930 to 1949 incl. The purchasers are reoffering the bonds for public investment at prices to yield 5.50 to 4.60%, according to maturity.

The following bids were also submitted:

Bidder—	Price Bid.
Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago	\$486,180
Continental Illinois Trust Co., Chicago	482,280
Ames, Emeric & Co., Chicago	480,645

**ROSEAU COUNTY (P. O. Roseau), Minn.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.**—The \$100,000 issue of drainage bonds that was purchased by C. W. McNear & Co., of Chicago—V. 129, p. 1164—was awarded at a price of par. The bonds bear interest at 6%. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable at the Continental Illinois Bank & Trust Co., in Chicago.

**ROSELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Roseland) Adams County, Neb.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. on Sept. 16, by the Secretary of the Board of Education, for the purchase of a \$15,000 issue of 5% coupon school bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and int. (M. & S.) payable at the office of the State Treasurer. A certified check for 5% must accompany the bid.

**ROSEVILLE, Macomb County, Mich.—BOND SALE.**—The \$450,000 general obligation water bonds offered on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 1005—are reported to have been sold as 5s to the Stevens State Bank. The bonds mature as follows: \$12,000, 1931 to 1935 incl.; \$13,000, 1936 to 1940 incl.; \$15,000, 1941 to 1950 incl.; \$20,000, 1951 to 1955 incl. and \$25,000, 1956 to 1958 incl.

**ROUSEVILLE, Venango County, Pa.—BOND SALE.**—The \$25,000 4 3/4% water bonds offered on July 1—V. 128, p. 4047—were awarded at par to the Oil City National Bank, of Oil City. The bonds mature on Dec. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1932; \$500, 1933; \$1,000, 1934 to 1939, incl.; \$1,500, 1940; \$1,000, 1941; \$1,500, 1942 and 1943; \$1,000, 1944; \$1,500, 1945; \$2,000, 1946; \$1,500, 1947 and 1948; \$2,000, 1949 and 1950, and \$500, 1951.

**ROWAN COUNTY (P. O. Salisbury), N. C.—NOTE SALE.**—The \$150,000 issue of 6% revenue anticipation notes offered for sale on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1164—was awarded at par to local banks. Dated Aug. 20 1929. Due on Feb. 16 1930.

**ST. ALBANS, Franklin County, Vt.—BOND OFFERING.**—B. M. Hopkins, City Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. (Eastern standard time) on Aug. 28, for the purchase of \$240,000 4% coupon school

bonds. Dated Aug. 15 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$12,000, on Aug. 15 from 1930 to 1949 incl. Prin. and semi-annual int. (F. & A. 15) payable at the First National Bank of Boston in Boston. The offering notice says: These bonds are engraved under the supervision of and certified as to genuineness by the First National Bank of Boston; their legality will be approved by Messrs. Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins, whose opinion will be furnished the purchaser. All legal papers incident to this issue will be filed with said bank where they may be inspected at any time.  
This is the issue sold on Aug. 15 at 92.525 to Brown Bros. & Co. of Boston. The sale was not consummated.—V. 129, p. 1164.

Financial Statement, Aug. 1 1929.

Total bonded debt	\$706,000.00
Less water bonds	180,000.00
Net debt	\$526,000.00
Total value of real and personal estates, 1929	\$4,951,484.00
Grand list last perfected	54,036.84
Population (1920), 7,588.	

The city owns its own water system, the value of which is conservatively estimated at \$1,000,000. The income from the Water Department is sufficient to retire the bonds issued for water supply.

**SAGINAW, Saginaw County, Mich.—BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT.**—The Harris Trust & Savings Bank, of Chicago, is offering \$350,000 4½ and 5% water and sewer bonds for public investment, at prices to yield from 5.00 to 4.60%, according to maturity. Report of the sale of these bonds appeared in—V. 129, p. 1164.

Financial Statement.  
(As reported by the City Controller.)

Assessed valuation for taxation, 1928	\$96,731,444
*Total debt (this issue included)	7,944,000
Less water debt	\$3,875,000
Less sinking fund	484,216
Net debt	3,584,784
Population, estimated, 76,000. Population, 1920 census, 61,903. Population, 1910 census, 50,510.	

\* The above statement does not include obligations of other municipal corporations which have taxing power against property within the City.

**SAGINAW COUNTY (P. O. Saginaw), Mich.—BOND SALE.**—The following coupon road bond issues aggregating \$89,000 offered on Aug. 13—V. 129, p. 1005—were awarded as follows to the Second National Bank, of Saginaw, for a premium of \$25.00, equal to a price of 100.02.  
\$65,000 Road District No. 132 bonds.  
24,000 Road District No. 131 bonds.

Both issues are dated Aug. 1 1929. Bids for 5¼% bonds were submitted by the Detroit & Security Trust Co. and Braun, Bosworth & Co., both of Toledo.

**ST. CLAIR, St. Clair County, Mich.—BOND SALE.**—The Commercial Savings Bank of St. Clair has purchased an issue of \$12,134.69 street improvement bonds. Price paid was par. The bonds are dated June 15 1929, bear interest at the rate of 5¼%, payable semi-annually on March and Sept. 15, and mature serially.

**ST. JOSEPH, Tensas Parish, La.—BOND SALE.**—The \$30,000 issue of 6% semi-annual coupon water works bonds offered for sale on Aug. 17—V. 129, p. 1164—was jointly awarded to F. P. Clark & Co. of Alexandria, and the National City Savings Bank of Vicksburg, for a premium of \$30, equal to 100.10.

**ST. JOSEPH COUNTY (P. O. South Bend), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—George A. Swintz, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. on Aug. 29, for the purchase of the following issues of 5% bonds, aggregating \$164,100:

- \$83,000 C. E. Houser et al. Liberty Highway construction bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Denom. \$830. Due \$8,300 May 15 from 1930 to 1939, incl.
- 57,300 Daniel Longfield et al. Beech road construction bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,146. Due \$5,730 on May 15 from 1930 to 1939, inclusive.
- 23,800 J. S. Stoeckinger et al. Fillmore road construction bonds. Denom. \$1,190. Bonds are dated July 1 1929 and mature \$2,380 on May 15 from 1930 to 1939, incl.

**ST. PETERSBURG, Pinellas County, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 4 p. m. on Sept. 2, by H. T. Davis, Director of Finance, for the purchase of a \$25,000 issue of 5½% municipal improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated April 1 1926. Due on April 1 1956. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable at the Seaboard National Bank in New York City. A certified check for 2% of the bid, payable to the Director of Finance, is required.

**SALINA, Saline County, Kan.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p. m. on Aug. 6 by A. L. Wilson, Clerk of the Board of Education, for the purchase of a \$200,000 issue of 4¼% school bonds. Dated July 1 1929. Due in from 1 to 20 years.

**SALLIS CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Kosciusko) Attala County, Miss.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received by G. J. Thornton, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, until Sept. 6, for the purchase of a \$10,000 issue of school bonds.

**SAN DIEGO, San Diego County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received by Allen H. Wright, City Clerk, until 11 a. m. on Sept. 3, for the purchase of two issues of coupon bonds aggregating \$2,350,000 as follows:

- \$2,100,000 pipe line and reservoir bonds. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Due \$52,500 from Sept. 1 1930 to 1969 incl.
  - 250,000 acquisition and investigation water bonds. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$250. Due \$6,250 from Sept. 1 1930 to 1969 incl.
- Int. rate is not to exceed 5%. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Prin. and int. (M. & S.) payable in lawful money at the East River National Bank in New York, any branch of the Bank of Italy in California, or at the City Treasurer's office. These bonds were voted on July 16—V. 128, p. 3734. Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York City, will furnish the legal approval. A certified check for 1% of the bid, payable to the City Treasurer, is required.

**SANGERFIELD AND MARSHALL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Waterville), Oneida County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—The \$225,000 coupon or registered school bonds offered on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1006—were awarded as follows, at 100.032, a basis of about 4.99%, to the Manufacturers & Traders-Peoples Trust Co., of Buffalo. The bonds are dated April 1 1929 and mature on Oct. 1, as follows: \$3,000, 1930 to 1935 incl.; \$4,000, 1936 to 1941 incl.; \$5,000, 1942 to 1945 incl.; \$6,000, 1946 to 1949 incl.; \$7,000, 1950 to 1952 incl.; \$8,000, 1953 to 1955 incl.; \$9,000, 1956 and 1957; \$10,000, 1958 to 1960 incl.; \$11,000, 1961 and 1962; and \$12,000, 1963 and 1964.

**SANISH, Mountrail County, N. Dak.—BOND SALE.**—The \$8,000 issue of 6% village bonds offered for sale on June 20—V. 128, p. 3881—was awarded to the Commercial State Bank of Sanish. Due on July 1 1949.

**SCHLESWIG, Crawford County, Iowa.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until Aug. 27, by Otto A. Hollander, Town Clerk, for the purchase of a \$3,800 issue of 5% semi-annual town hall-site purchase bonds.

**SENECA FALLS, Seneca County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—John C. Humphrey, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 7:30 p. m. (eastern standard time) on Sept. 3, for the purchase of \$435,000 coupon Water Plant bonds. Rate of interest is to be named in bid and is not to exceed 6%. The bonds are dated Oct. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due as follows: \$11,000, 1931 to 1963 incl.; and \$12,000, 1964 to 1959 incl. Prin.

and semi-annual interest payable in New York. A certified check for \$10,000, payable to the order of the Village must accompany each proposal. Legality is to be approved by Caldwell & Raymond, of New York.

**SHAKOPEE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Shakopee), Scott County, Minn.—ADDITIONAL DETAILS.**—The \$20,000 issue of high school bonds that was awarded at par by the State of Minnesota—V. 129, p. 1164—bears interest at 4¼%. Denom. \$2,000. Due serially from 1935 to 1944.

**SHEFFIELD LAKE, Ohio.—BONDS OFFERED.**—Frank F. Field, Village Clerk, received sealed bids until 12 m. on Aug. 23, for the purchase of \$23,500 6% Village's portion paving and drainage bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000, one bond for \$1,500. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1931 and 1932; \$3,000, 1933; \$2,000, 1934 and 1935; \$3,000, 1936; \$2,000, 1937 and 1938; \$3,000, 1939, and \$1,600, 1940. Interest payable semi-annually on April and Oct. 1. A certified check for 2% of the bonds bid for, payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

**SHELBY COUNTY (P. O. Shelbyville), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.** Henry Booher, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. on Aug. 26, for the purchase of \$4,960 4¼% highway improvement bonds. Dated Aug. 15 1929. Denom. \$248. Due \$248, July 1 1930; \$248, Jan. and July 1 1931 to 1939, inclusive, and \$248, Jan. 1 1940. Interest payable semi-annually on Jan. and July 1.

**SHERIDAN PAVING DISTRICT NO. 30 (P. O. Sheridan), Sheridan County, Wyo.—BONDS NOT SOLD.**—The \$65,000 issue of 6% paving bonds offered on Aug. 8—V. 129, p. 1006—was not sold as all the bids were rejected. Due on or before Oct. 1 1939.

**BONDS RE-OFFERED.**—Sealed bids will again be received by John A. Hoyt, District Clerk until 10 a. m. on Aug. 27, for the purchase of the above issue of bonds.

**SOUTH EUCLID, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—NO BIDS.**—Jessie M. Klumph, Village Clerk, reports that no bids were received on Aug. 19 for the \$242,300 6% road improvement bonds offered for sale—V. 129, p. 841. The bonds are dated April 1 1929 and mature on Oct. 1, as follows: \$24,300, 1930; \$24,000, 1931 to 1937 incl., and \$25,000, 1938 and 1939.

**SOUTH EUCLID, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—PRICE PAID.**—David Robison & Co., of Toledo, paid a premium of \$400 for the \$142,000 6% street improvement bonds sold on July 31—V. 129, p. 1164. Price paid per \$100 bond was 100.28, an interest cost basis of about 5.94%. The bonds are dated May 1 1929 and mature on Oct. 1 as follows: \$14,000, 1930 to 1937, inclusive, and \$15,000, 1938 and 1939. According to our records, this issue was previously offered and sold to the above-mentioned concern on June 17 for a premium of \$200, equal to 100.14, a basis of about 5.97%. Apparently the sale was not consummated.—V. 128, p. 4363.

**SOUTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT, Lehigh County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.**—Edwin H. Dorney, Secretary of the School District, will receive sealed bids until 6 p. m. (standard time) on Aug. 30, for the purchase of the following issues of 4¼% bonds aggregating \$95,000:

- \$50,000 series 1929 "AA" bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due on Sept. 1, as follows: \$4,000, 1934; \$6,000, 1939; \$7,000, 1944; \$9,000, 1949; \$10,000, 1954; \$14,000, 1959.
- 45,000 series 1929 "A" bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due on Sept. 1, as follows: \$4,000, 1934; \$5,000, 1939; \$6,000, 1944; \$8,000, 1949; \$10,000, 1954; \$12,000, 1959.

Both issues are dated Sept. 1 1929. Coupon bonds. Prin. and semi-annual interest (M. & S.) payable at a place to be decided on later. All proposals must be accompanied by a certified check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the order of the School District. These bonds are offered for sale subject to the approval of the Department of Internal Affairs.

**SPRINGFIELD, Hampden County, Mass.—BOND SALE.**—A syndicate composed of Stone & Webster and Blodgett, Inc., Curtis & Sanger, E. H. Rollins & Sons and F. S. Moseley & Co., all of Boston, submitted the accepted tender of 101.17 on Aug. 23, for the \$1,000,000 4¼% coupon or registered water bonds offered for sale. Interest cost basis about 4.155%. The bonds are dated Sept. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due on Sept. 1, as follows: \$17,000, 1930; \$18,000, 1931; \$19,000, 1932 and 1933; \$20,000, 1934; \$21,000, 1935; \$22,000, 1936; \$23,000, 1937; \$24,000, 1938; \$25,000, 1939; \$26,000, 1940; \$27,000, 1941; \$28,000, 1942; \$29,000, 1943; \$31,000, 1944; \$32,000, 1945; \$33,000, 1946; \$35,000, 1947; \$36,000, 1948; \$38,000, 1949; \$39,000, 1950; \$41,000, 1951; \$43,000, 1952; \$45,000, 1953; \$46,000, 1954; \$48,000, 1955; \$50,000, 1956; \$53,000, 1957; \$55,000, 1958 and \$57,000, 1959. Principal and semi-annual interest payable in gold at the First National Bank of Boston. Legality will be approved by Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge, of Boston.

**SPRINGFIELD, Robertson County, Tenn.—BOND SALE.**—The \$25,000 issue of 5½% coupon water bonds offered for sale on Aug. 15—V. 129, p. 841—was jointly awarded to J. C. Bradford & Co., of Nashville, and the First National Bank of Springfield, for a premium of \$430, equal to 101.72, a basis of about 5.40%. (Purchaser agreed to furnish printed bonds and legal opinion.) Dated July 1 1929. Due on July 1 1944.

**STAMFORD, Fairfield County, Conn.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—A \$100,000 temporary loan, dated Aug. 22 1929 and due on Oct. 4 1929, was awarded on Aug. 22 at a 6% discount to the Old Colony Corp. of Boston. The legality of the loan has been approved by Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston.

**STARKE COUNTY (P. O. Knox), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Orin S. Schuyler, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. on Aug. 24, for the purchase of the following issues of bonds aggregating \$19,393.30:

- \$6,600 5% Menis et al Center Twp. road improvement bonds. Dated Aug. 15 1929. Denom. \$330. Due \$330, July 15 1930; \$330, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1939 incl.; and \$330, Jan. 15 1940.
- 6,600 5% Holderman et al Oregon Twp. road improvement bonds. Dated July 15 1929. Denom. \$330. Due \$330, July 15 1930; \$330, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1939 incl.; and \$330, Jan. 15 1940.
- 4,500 5% Carl Trolke et al Center Jackson Twp. road improvement bonds. Dated July 15 1929. Denom. \$225. Due \$225, July 15 1930; \$225, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1939 incl.; and \$225, Jan. 15 1940.
- 1,693.30 6% Frank B. Kehoe et al Davis Twp. drain construction bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Denom. \$208.30. Due \$208.30 on Dec. 1 from 1930 to 193 9 incl.

**STEBEN COUNTY (P. O. Angola), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Ella Fischer, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. on Aug. 24, for the purchase of \$11,000 5% Salem Twp. road construction bonds. Dated Aug. 5 1929. Denom. \$550. Due \$550, July 15 1930; \$550, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1939 incl.; and \$550, Jan. 15 1940. Int. is payable semi-annually on the 15th day of January and July.

**STEVENS COUNTY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Colville), Wash.—BOND SALE.**—An \$8,000 issue of school bonds has recently been purchased by the State of Washington as 5½% at par. Due in 20 years.

**STORY COUNTY (P. O. Nevada), Iowa.—BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT.**—The \$550,000 issue of coupon primary road bonds awarded jointly to Wheelock & Co., and the Valley National Bank, both of Des Moines, as 5s, at par—V. 129, p. 1165—is now being offered for public subscription by the purchasers priced to yield 4.83% to optional date and 5% thereafter. Due from May 1 1935 to 1944 incl. Optional after May 1 1935. Prin. and int. (May 1) payable at the office of the County Treasurer.



Financial Statement.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Assessed valuation of taxable property, 1928; Moneys and credits; Total bonded debt (including this issue); Population, 30,000.

SUMMIT COUNTY (P. O. Akron), Ohio.—TENTATIVE TAX RATES FOR 1930.—The following appeared in the Aug. 22 issue of the Cleveland "Plain Dealer":

A list of tentative tax rates for more than 25 Summit County cities, villages and townships for 1930 was announced to-day by County Auditor Jacob Mong. The rate for Akron was put at 28.30 mills, an increase of 1.5 mills.

Heading the list is a rate of 28.40 for the village of Silver Lake, Akron suburb, while the lowest is 19.10 for Western Star. The minimum city rate is 21.50 mills, established for Barberton.

Next year's rates for villages and townships remain uniform for the most part, although some increases have occurred as a result of the need of more funds for school operations and debt obligations.

Rates are to be submitted to the County Budget Commission for approval, and this body, in turn, will submit them to City Councils, Township Trustees and Boards of Education. Governing bodies will have an opportunity to appeal rates not deemed satisfactory to the State Tax Commission. Other tentative rates include:

Table with 2 columns: Mills and Description. Lists rates for various townships and villages like Cuyahoga Falls, Bath Township, Boston Township, etc.

TENNESSEE, State of (P. O. Nashville).—NOTE SALE.—A \$2,000,000 issue of 5 3/4% highway notes has recently been purchased by a syndicate composed of the Bankers Co. of New York, the Bancamerica-Blair Corp., Old Colony Corp. and the Detroit Co., all of New York. Denoms. \$10,000, \$5,000 and \$1,000. Dated Sept. 10 1929. Due on June 1 1931. Payable at the Bankers Trust Co. in New York City. Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York will furnish the legal approval.

TERRY COUNTY (P. O. Brownfield), Tex.—BOND SALE.—The \$15,000 issue of 5% semi-annual road bonds offered for sale on Aug. 12—V. 129, p. 841—was awarded at par to the County School Sinking Fund. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due \$1,500 from April 10 1930 to 1939 inclusive.

TEXAS, State of (P. O. Austin).—BONDS REGISTERED.—The following small issues of bonds were registered by the State Comptroller during the week ending Aug. 17:

- List of bond issues including Donna Independent School District bonds, Lavaca County Road District No. 4 bonds, Seury and Rosser Kaufman Counties High School District bonds, etc.

The following is a list of the minor issues of bonds that were registered by the State Comptroller during the week ending Aug. 10:

- List of minor bond issues including Kaufman County Cons. Sch. Dist. No. 7 bonds, Brazos County Cons. Sch. Dist. No. 8 bonds, Upshur County Cons. Sch. Dist. No. 2 bonds, etc.

TIPPECANOE COUNTY (P. O. LaFayette), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$26,000 5% Francis M. Buskirk et al., Wabash Township road construction bonds offered on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 1006—were awarded to John Emsing, of LaFayette, for a premium of \$214, equal to a price of 100.823, a basis of about 4.88%. The bonds mature as follows: \$1,300, July 15 1930; \$1,300, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1939 incl.; and \$1,300, Jan 15 1940. An official list of the other bids received follows:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Premium. Lists bidders like Fletcher American Co., Thomas D. Sheerin & Co., Inland Investment Co., Campbell & Co.

TIPTON COUNTY (P. O. Tipton), Ind.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—C. L. Hobbs, County Treasurer, reports that the \$26,200 4 1/2% road bonds offered on Aug. 17—V. 129, p. 841—were not sold. The bonds are dated July 15 1929 and mature as follows: \$1,310, July 15 1930; \$1,310, Jan. and July 15, 1931 to 1939 incl.; and \$1,310, Jan. 15 1940.

TOLEDO, Lucas County, Ohio.—PROPOSED BOND SALE.—The following appeared in the Aug. 13 issue of the Toledo "News-Bee":

Bond issues totaling \$2,400,000 which were authorized by the City Council at its meeting Monday night will be sold by Finance Director Earle Peters as soon as the sale can be advertised properly.

- List of issues included in the group: \$2,050,000 for buildings, land and equipment for the University of Toledo; 200,000 for purchasing additional park lands; 80,000 for opening and widening streets; 35,000 for repairing public buildings; 15,000 for purchasing and installation of traffic lights; 20,000 for purchasing motor equipment.

TOLEDO, Lucas County, Ohio.—BOND ELECTION.—Two bond proposals aggregating \$1,000,000 will be voted on at the election to be held in November. The issues are as follows: \$500,000 for the purchase of park lands and \$500,000 for street improvement purposes. The Finance Committee of the City Council authorized the submission of the two issues for the approval of the electorate at a meeting held on Aug. 19.

TORONTO, Jefferson County, Ohio.—BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT.—The Title Guarantee & Trust Co., of Cincinnati, is offering an issue of \$43,061.89 5 1/2% street improvement bonds for public investment, at prices to yield 5.50 to 5.00%, according to maturity. These bonds were sold on Aug. 6 at 100.51, a basis of about 5.34%—V. 129, p. 1006.

Financial Statement.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Assessed valuation; Total bonded debt, incl. this issue; Less waterworks debt; Less sinking fund; Population, 1920—4,726; present estimate—7,000.

TRAVERSE CITY, Grand Traverse County, Mich.—BOND SALE.

The \$50,000 issue of 5% Boardman River bridge bonds offered on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 1165—was awarded to the Peoples Savings Bank of Traverse City, for a premium of \$260, equal to 100.52, a basis of about 4.94%. The bonds are dated Aug. 1 1929 and mature on Aug. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1942 incl., and \$3,000, 1943 to 1940 incl.

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Premium. Lists Bancedetroit Corp., Detroit; Detroit & Security Trust Co., Detroit.

TUSCARAWAS TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Stark County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.

The \$28,000 5% school building construction bonds offered on Aug. 16—V. 129, p. 1006—were awarded to Otis & Co., of Cleveland, for a premium of \$45, equal to a price of 100.16, a basis of about 4.98%. The bonds are dated Sept. 1 1929 and mature annually on Sept. 1, as follows: \$1,000, 1930 to 1934 incl.; \$2,000, 1935; \$1,000, 1936 to 1940 incl.; \$2,000, 1941; \$1,000, 1942 to 1946 incl.; \$2,000, 1947; \$1,000, 1948 to 1952 incl.; and \$2,000, 1953.

UNION COUNTY (P. O. Union), S. C.—BOND SALE.

The \$460,000 issue of 5 1/4% highway bonds offered for sale on Aug. 9—V. 129, p. 678—was awarded to C. W. McNear & Co. of Chicago, at a price of 100.12, a basis of about 5.48%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due on Feb. 1 as follows: \$10,000, 1932 to 1936 and \$82,000, 1937 to 1941, all incl. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable in gold in New York City. Legality approved by Reed, Hoyt & Washburn of New York.

UNIONTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT, Fayette County, Pa.—BOND SALE.

The \$135,000 4 1/4% school bonds offered on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1006—were awarded to E. H. Rollins & Sons of Philadelphia, at a price of 101.232, a basis of about 4.38%. The bonds are dated Aug. 1 1929 and mature annually on Aug. 1 from 1931 to 1957 incl.

Reoffering of the bonds is now being made at prices to yield 4.30%:

Financial Statement.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Real valuation (est.); Assessed valuation (1929); Total bonded debt (incl. this issue); Sinking fund.

Net debt: 1,123,190. Population (1920 Census), 15,692; present population, 21,000.

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Rate Bid. Lists National Bank of Fayette County, Uniontown; National City Bank, Pittsburgh; Mellon National Bank, Pittsburgh.

VAN BUREN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Howe), La Grange County, Ind.—BOND SALE.

The \$30,000 4 1/2% school bonds offered on Aug. 1—V. 129, p. 678—were awarded at par as follows: \$10,000 to the Middlebury State Bank, Middlebury; \$10,000 to the Farmers State Bank, Shipshewanna; and \$10,000 to the State Bank of Lima, of Howe. The bonds are dated Aug. 2 1929 and mature as follows: \$1,000, July 1 1930; \$1,000, Jan. and July 1 1931 to 1943 incl.; \$1,000, Jan. 1 and \$2,000, July 1 1944.

VERNON COUNTY (P. O. Viroqua), Wis.—BOND SALE.

The \$100,000 issue of 4 1/2% coupon state trunk highway system, series D bonds, offered without success on July 2—V. 129, p. 323—has since been purchased at par by local investors. Dated May 1 1929. Due on May 1 1933.

WALLA WALLA, Walla Walla County, Wash.—BOND OFFERING.

Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. on Sept. 11, by Ray Appling, City Clerk, for the purchase of a \$24,700 issue of sewage disposal bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 5%. Dated July 1 1929. Due in from 2 to 28 years. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable in gold at the office of the City Treasurer. A certified check for 5% of the bid is required.

WALLINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Bergen County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.

Arthur J. Prall, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. (daylight saving time) on Sept. 4, for the purchase of \$35,000 5% coupon or registered school bonds. Dated Aug. 15 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due on Aug. 15 as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1944, incl., and \$1,000, 1945 to 1949, incl. Principal and semi-annual interest (Feb. and Aug. 1) payable in gold at the Passaic National Bank & Trust Co., Passaic. No more bonds are to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000 over the amount stated above. A certified check for 2% of the bonds bid for, payable to the order of the Custodian of School Moneys, must accompany each proposal. Legality is to be approved by Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York.

WARWICK AND GOSHEN UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 15 (P. O. Florida) Orange County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.

R. Quackenbush, President of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. (daylight saving time) on Aug. 28, for the purchase of \$15,000 5% school bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due on June 1 as follows: \$7,000, 1969, and \$8,000, 1970. Principal and semi-annual interest payable at the Florida National Bank. A certified check for 2% of the bonds bid for must accompany each proposal.

WATERFORD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Pontiac), Oakland County, Mich.—BIDS.

The following bids were also submitted on Aug. 8, for the \$60,000 bonds awarded as 5 1/4%, at 100.26, a basis of about 5.22%, to the Detroit & Security Trust Co., of Detroit.—V. 129, p. 1165.

Table with 3 columns: Bidder, Int. Rate, and Prem. Lists Bumpus & Co.; Prudden & Co., and the Commercial Savings Bk., jointly; Stranahan, Harris & Oatis, Inc.

WAUWATOSA, Milwaukee County, Wis.—BOND SALE.

The two issues of 4 1/2% coupon bonds, aggregating \$400,000, that were unsuccessfully offered on July 2—V. 129, p. 842—have since been purchased at par by the First Wisconsin Co. of Milwaukee. The issues are divided as follows: \$300,000 school, 16th series bonds. Due \$15,000 from Mar. 15 1930 to 1949.

100,000 sewer, 20th series bonds. Due \$5,000 from March 15 1930 to 1949.

WAYNE COUNTY (P. O. Detroit), Mich.—BOND OFFERING.

Harry I. Dingeman, County Drain Commissioner, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. (Eastern standard time) on Sept. 3, for the purchase of \$216,000 tile drainage district bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due on May 1 as follows: \$10,000, 1931 to 1933 incl.; \$15,000, 1934 to 1940 incl.; \$20,000, 1941 to 1943 incl., and \$21,000, 1944. Prin. and int. payable at the office of the County Treasurer. The bonds may be registered at the office of the County Treasurer as for the principal only. A certified check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required.

WELLESLEY, Norfolk County, Mass.—BOND SALE.

The following issues of 4 1/2% coupon bonds aggregating \$156,000 offered on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1165—were awarded to Harris, Forbes & Co., of Boston, at a price of 100.92, a basis of about 4.32%:

- \$60,000 water extension bonds. Due on Sept. 1, as follows: \$5,000, 1930 to 1938, incl.; \$4,000, 1939 to 1941, incl.; and \$3,000, 1942.
- 20,000 Washington St. construction bonds. Due \$4,000, Sept. 1, from 1930 to 1934, incl.
- 40,000 sewer extension bonds. Due on Sept. 1, as follows: \$3,000, 1930 to 1939, incl.; and \$2,000, 1940 to 1944, incl.
- 19,000 street extension bonds. Due on Sept. 1, as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1938, incl.; and \$1,000, 1939.
- 17,000 Washington St. bridge bonds. Due on Sept. 1, as follows: \$2,000, 1930 and 1931, and \$1,000, 1932 to 1944, incl.

All of the above bonds are dated Sept. 1 1929. A list of the other bids received follows:

Bidder	Rate Bid.
W. O. Gay & Co.	100.9015
R. L. Day & Co.	100.89
Wellesley Trust Co.	100.836
Estabrook & Co.	100.61
E. H. Rollins & Sons	100.3609

**WEST GREENVILLE (P. O. Greenville) Greenville County, S. C.—***INT. RATE.*—The \$50,000 coupon water works bonds that were purchased by the South Carolina National Bank, of Greenville—V. 129, p. 1007—bear interest at 6%. Due from July 1 1932 to 1961.

**WEST SENECA (P. O. Ebenezer) Erie County, N. Y.—***BOND SALE.*—Peter Mildnerberger, Town Supervisor, states that after failing to receive a bid for the \$134,000 coupon or registered bonds advertised for sale on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 1007—the obligations were then sold as 5s to the Marine Trust Co. of Buffalo. The award consisted of: \$91,000 paving bonds. Due on Aug. 1 as follows: \$9,000, 1930 to 1938, incl., and \$10,000, 1939. 24,000 judgment bonds. Due \$2,000, Aug. 1 from 1934 to 1945, incl. 19,000 Sewer District No. 6 bonds. Due \$1,000, Aug. 1 from 1930 to 1948, incl. All of the above bonds are dated Aug. 1 1929.

**WEST VIEW (P. O. Pittsburgh), Allegheny County, Pa.—***BOND SALE.*—The two issues of 4½% coupon bonds, aggregating \$85,000 offered on Aug. 13—V. 129, p. 678—were awarded to Glover, MacGregor & Cunningham, of Pittsburgh, as follows: \$50,000 gold bonds sold for a premium of \$87.50, equal to a price of 100.17, a basis of about 4.49%. The bonds are dated June 1 1929 and mature \$10,000 on June 1 1937, 1945, 1951, 1956 and 1958. 35,000 borough bonds sold for a premium of \$51.50, equal to a price of 100.14, a basis of about 4.49%. These bonds are dated April 1 1929, and mature on April 1 as follows: \$15,000, 1939 and \$20,000, 1948.

**WHATCOMB COUNTY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 403 (P. O. Bellingham), Wash.—***BOND OFFERING.*—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. on Aug. 24 by Frank Wilson, County Treasurer, for the purchase of a \$60,000 issue of semi-annual school bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 6%. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Due in from 2 to 20 years. A certified check for 5% must accompany the bid.

**WHEATLAND COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 21 (P. O. Judith Gap), Mont.—***BOND OFFERING.*—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on Sept. 14 by Thomas G. Beers, District Clerk, for the purchase of a \$7,000 issue of school bonds. A \$700 certified check must accompany the bid.

**WHITLEY COUNTY (P. O. Columbia City), Ind.—***BOND OFFERING.*—Eugene E. Glassley, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. on Aug. 28, for the purchase of the following issues of 4½% bonds aggregating \$13,760: \$7,680 A. W. Hart et al, Smith Township road construction bonds. Denom. \$384. Due \$384, July 15 1930; \$384, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1939 incl.; and \$384, Jan. 15 1940. 6,080 Etna Township road construction bonds. Denom. \$304. Due \$304, July 15 1930; \$304, Jan. and July 15 1931 to 1939 incl.; and \$304, Jan. 15 1940. Both issues are dated Aug. 15 1929. Int. is payable semi-annually on the 15th day of January and July.

**WICHITA, Sedgwick County, Kan.—***BOND SALE.*—The \$45,904.85 issue of 4½% coupon airport bonds offered for sale on Aug. 12—V. 129, p. 1007—was awarded to the Prescott, Wright, Snider Co. of Kansas City at a price of 100.44, a basis of about 4.69%. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due in from 1 to 20 years. The bidders and their bids were as follows: Brown-Crummer, Wichita, Kan. Total premium of \$10.00 Prescott, Wright Snider Co., Kansas City, Mo. Premium of \$4.40 per M. Central Trust Co., Topeka, Kan. Premium of .20 per M. Guarantee Title & Trust Co., Wichita, Kan. Total premium of \$60.00 Branch-Middlekauff Inv. Co., Wichita, Kan. Premium of \$1.30 per M.

**WINCHESTER, Middlesex County, Mass.—***TEMPORARY LOAN.*—A \$100,000 temporary loan, due on Dec. 11 1929, was awarded on Aug. 22 to F. S. Moseley & Co. of Boston, at a 5.40% discount. The Winchester Trust Co. offered to discount the loan at 5.42% and Salomon Bros. & Hutzler of Boston, bid a 5.61% discount.

**WINDSOR SCHOOL DISTRICT, Windsor County, Vt.—***NOTE OFFERING.*—Sealed bids will be received by F. B. Tracy, District Treasurer, until 10 a. m. on Aug. 30, for the purchase of \$59,500 6% refunding notes. Dated Sept. 3 1929. Due on Sept. 1 as follows: \$6,000, 1930 to 1938 incl., and \$5,500, 1939. Int. is payable semi-annually.

**WOOD COUNTY (P. O. Bowling Green), Ohio.—***BOND OFFERING.*—C. O. Cummings, County Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. (Eastern standard time) on Sept. 3, for the purchase of \$18,000 5% Lake Twp. road improvement bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000, Mar. 1 and \$2,000, Sept. 1 1930 and 1931; and \$2,000, Sept. 1 1930 and 1931; and \$2,000, March and Sept. 1 from 1932 to 1934 incl. Prin. and smel-annual int. (M. & S. 1) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check for \$1,000. *BOND OFFERING.*—The above-mentioned official will receive sealed bids at the same time for the purchase of \$14,000 5% Portage Twp. road improvement bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due as follows: \$1,000, Mar. 1 and \$2,000, Sept. 1, from 1930 to 1933 incl., and \$1,000, Mar. and Sept. 1 1934. Prin. and semi-annual int. (M. & S. 1) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. A certified check for \$1,000 is required.

Conditional bids, other than fractional interest rate, provided under section 2293-28, will not be accepted. The successful bidder will be furnished a full and complete transcript, evidencing the legality of said bonds as full and direct obligations of Wood County, Ohio.

**WORCESTER, Worcester County, Mass.—***TEMPORARY LOAN.*—The two issues of revenue anticipation notes offered on Aug. 19—V. 129, p. 1166—were awarded to the First National Bank of Boston, as follows: The \$300,000 loan payable on Nov. 27 1929 was sold at a 5.43% discount; the \$300,000 loan due on Mar. 14 1930 was sold at a 5.215% discount. Both issues are dated Aug. 20 1929 and are payable at the Old Colony Trust Co., in Boston, or at the Bankers Trust Co., New York. The Shawmut Corp., Boston, offered to discount both loans on a 5.39% basis, plus a premium of \$8.00. The Worcester County National Bank offered to discount the first maturing loan at a 5.42% basis and the 1930 loan at a 5.27% basis. Salomon Bros. & Hutzler, of Boston, offered to take the loans at a 5.46% basis, plus a premium of \$7.00.

**YEADON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Delaware County, Pa.—***BOND SALE.*—The \$110,000 4½% coupon school bonds offered on Aug. 20—V. 129, p. 1007—were awarded to E. H. Rollins & Sons, of Philadelphia, at a price of 100.118, a basis of about 4.49%. The bonds are dated Aug. 1 1929 and mature on Aug. 1, as follows: \$25,000, 1934 and 1939; and \$15,000, 1944, 1949, 1954 and 1959. The Lansdowne Bank & Trust Co. bid par for the issue.

The bonds are being reoffered for public investment at prices to yield 4.35%:

	Financial Statement.	
Real valuation (est.)	-----	\$12,000,000
Assessed valuation (1929)	-----	5,791,000
Total bonded debt (incl. this issue)	-----	\$340,500
Sinking fund	-----	32,166
Net debt	-----	\$308,334
Present population (est.)	6,000.	

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**BRANDON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Man.—***REJECTED BIDS.*—The following is a list of the bids rejected for the \$125,000 5½% school debentures reported not sold in—V. 129, p. 1166.

Bidder	Rate Bid.	
E. G. Read & Co. (On option for one week)	-----	99.00
Dymont, Anderson & Co.	-----	98.571
Bell, Gouinlock & Co.	-----	98.20
Wood, Gundy & Co.	-----	98.15

**HAWKESBURY, Ont.—***BOND OFFERING.*—Eugene Paquette, Town Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. on Aug. 26, for the purchase of \$16,015.37 consolidation redemption bonds. The bonds are to bear interest at the rate of 5½% and are to mature in 20 years.

**LES ESCOUVAINS, Que.—***BOND SALE.*—The \$5,300 5½% bonds offered on Aug. 5—V. 129, p. 842—are reported to have been sold to J. E. Laflamme, Ltd., at a price of 96.25. The bonds are dated June 1 1929 and mature serially in 20 years.

**SASKATCHEWAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS, Sask.—***DEBENTURES SOLD AND AUTHORIZED.*—The following is a tabulation of the debentures reported sold and authorized during the week ending Aug. 3 by the Local Government Board, as it appeared in the Aug. 16 issue of the "Monetary Times" of Toronto:

*Debentures Sold.*—School Districts: Cleveland, \$500, 7% 10-years to Waterman-Waterbury Manufacturing Co.; Shamrock Village, \$7,500 7% 15-years to Waterman-Waterbury Manufacturing Co.; Sunny Glen, \$4,000 6¼% 15-years to Waterman-Waterbury Manufacturing Co.; Fir Mountain, \$4,500 7% 15-years to Waterman-Waterbury Manufacturing Co.; Decorah, \$3,000, 6% 10-years to Regina Public School District No. 4 Sinking Fund; Northern Light, \$1,100 6¼% 10-years to Regina Public School District No. 4 Sinking Fund; Tuberoso, \$1,500 6% 5-years, locally; Waterloo, \$4,000 5½% 15-years, locally; Gouverneur, \$4,400 6% 15-years to H. M. Turner & Co.; Fosterdale, \$5,000 6% 15-years to H. M. Turner & Co.; Glenrosa, \$4,000 7% 15-years to Waterman-Waterbury Manufacturing Co.; Tompkins, \$10,000 6% 15-years to Kern Agencies, Ltd.

Villages: Colonsay, \$1,350 6¼% 10-years to H. M. Turner & Co.; Tugaska, \$2,500 6% 15-years, locally.

Town of Wilkie, \$2,500 6% 20-years, locally. *Debentures Authorized.*—School Districts: Arland, \$2,000, not exceeding 7% 10-years; Crown, \$900, not exceeding 7% 10-years; Etanles, \$800, not exceeding 7% 8-years; Gaudet, \$3,500, not exceeding 7% 10-years; Gillies, \$3,800, not exceeding 7% 15-years; Jefferson, \$900, not exceeding 7% 10; instalments; Krydor, \$1,200, not exceeding 6½% 10-instalments; Luseland, \$3,000, not exceeding 7% 10-years; Osler, \$2,000, not exceeding 7% 10-years; Patriot, \$1,200, not exceeding 7% 15-years; Saskatchewan Forks, \$1,300, not exceeding 7% 10-years; Tugaska, \$3,000, not exceeding 6% 20-years; Twin Bay, \$3,500, not exceeding 7% 15-years; Sherlock Lake, \$750, not exceeding 7% 10-years; Tangleflags, \$1,600, not exceeding 7% 10-years; Varsity, \$2,200, not exceeding 7% 10-instalments; White Beech, \$2,000, not exceeding 7% 15-years. Rural Municipality of Wolsley, \$9,500, not exceeding 6% 5-instalments, Village of Eyebrow, \$600, not exceeding 6¼% 6-years. Town of Alsask, \$1,500, not exceeding 6¼% 10-years.

**THOROLD TOWNSHIP, Ont.—***BOND SALE.*—An issue of \$31,214 5% bonds is reported to have been sold during June to Dymont, Anderson & Co., of Toronto, at a price of 96.45, a cost basis of about 5.42%. The bonds mature in 20 instalments.

**TRAIL, B. C.—***CORRECTION.*—The unofficial report of the sale of \$12,500 5% fire truck bonds to a local investor—V. 129, p. 1166—is incorrect.

**WELLESLEY TOWNSHIP (P. O. St. Clements), Ont.—***BOND SALE.*—The \$7,520 improvement bonds offered on June 27—V. 128, p. 4198—are reported to have been sold to Harris, MacKee & Co., of Toronto, at a price of 96.25, a basis of about 5.82%. Coupon bonds, bearing interest at the rate of 5% and payable in 10 annual instalments in St. Clements.

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