

The Financial Situation

THE attention of the financial community has been largely centered during the past week upon the annual convention of the American Bankers Association in Washington, which began at the first of the week and continued until Thursday. Speakers at the meetings held during the first day or two were frequently critical of the policies of the Administration, some of the strictures being uttered with rather telling effect. As days passed, however, the tone of addresses was distinctly more conciliatory, a trend which came to a climax with the short speech of Mr. Jackson E. Reynolds, President of the First National Bank of New York, which was obviously intended to extend an olive branch to the President, who immediately followed with his tensely awaited address.

Mr. Reynolds's defense of the Administration, for whatever purpose it was undertaken, was certainly most remarkable, as we shall take occasion to indicate a little later. The response of the President apparently made widely varying impressions upon his hearers and upon those who later read his words in the daily press. Many, perhaps the majority, thought it "conciliatory in tone"—whatever that may mean—while a very substantial number interpreted it as a challenge to the bankers to accept the policies of the Administration, support the Treasury, and prime the pump of business with greater advances to industry and trade, or take the consequences.

Those who attended the session at which the President spoke describe it as highly dramatic. The New York "Times" reported the occasion under the heading: "Bankers Greet Roosevelt with Ovation as He Offers Co-operation for Recovery." The New York "Herald Tribune" informed its readers that "Roosevelt and Bankers Make Peace in Public to Speed Recovery."

No Budgetary Assurance

It seems to us that there is a tendency to attach an importance to what was said and done at this convention, and particularly to the words of the President, that the facts in no way warrant. Intelligent bankers journeyed to Washington more disturbed about the budget situation, perhaps, than about any other factor in current affairs. Not only bankers, but all thoughtful business men, have quite correctly made budgetary reform the *sine qua non* of recovery and sound money. What assurance has come from the President on this score? His words were: "While there lies before us still the necessity for large expenditures for the relief of unemployment, I think we should all proceed in the expectation that

the revival of business activity will steadily reduce this burden." Very little assurance is to be found in these words. None of the other public officials addressing the meeting had anything reassuring to say about the budget. Meanwhile, the deficit during the first 22 days of October of this year was \$352,000,000 compared with \$193,000,000 during the same period last year. Not only the business community, but, according to our information, the authorities in Washington, expect the deficit for the full current fiscal year to be substantially larger than previous huge estimates. As to a "revival of business activity" which the President expects to reduce the relief burden on the budget, that, in our opinion, is certain to await the time when the Government at Washington gives business a chance to proceed with more confidence on many questions than was provided by the President in his address to the bankers.

Time for Action

The Merchants' Association of New York City made public on Thursday the results of an inquiry it has been conducting among a large number of coded industries.

The results of this investigation show that a very substantial minority favor permitting the National Industrial Recovery Act to lapse next June, while a larger proportion of those questioned favored substantial modification of this law.

The time has come for business, now aroused to the shortcomings of the law, to reach sane and firm conclusions as to what it wants done when the Act expires next June, and to prepare to make its wishes known in no uncertain way in Washington. Failure to prepare to defend itself could hardly fail to leave it in an ineffective and unenviable position when the issue comes to the fore next winter.

Labor will not be caught napping. It will be fully prepared to present a united front for a continuation of the privileges it has enjoyed under the Act.

We think industry would be well advised to insist upon a prompt and complete liquidation of the whole experiment, whatever the policies of the Administration in the interim.

Any effort to obtain such action on the part of Congress must, in order to be successful, be strongly and consistently supported in industry and trade. It is none too early to be organizing for the purpose.

Pressure to Lend

Thoughtful bankers and others have long found in the President's insistence upon the "priming - the - pump" theory of business recovery, and the consequent pressure upon commercial bankers to expand the volume of their loans, not only a source of constant irritation but a cause of real uneasiness. More recently there has been considerable nervousness lest the Administration set up further institutions for the purpose of making "recovery loans" in competition with privately owned banks. The President on Wednesday evening made no outright threat of having the Government extend its bank-

ing operations in the event the bankers did not accept his suggestion that they relax their loan requirements. However, he made it clear enough that he not only desires bankers to proceed at once to expand their loans but that he demands it. "In March, 1933," he said, "I asked the people of this country to renew their confidence in banks. They took me at my word. To-night I ask the bankers of this country to renew their confidence in the people of this country. I hope you will take me at my word." What the President meant by these cryptic words was made amply clear as the address proceeded. "Just as it is to be expected," he said at one point, "that the banks will resume their responsibility and take up the burden that the Government has assumed through its credit agencies, so I assume and expect that private business generally will be financed by the great credit resources which the present liquidity of banks makes possible."

It is true that the President stated he would "be only too glad to curtail the activity of" the publicly-

owned lending agencies, "in proportion to the taking up of slack by privately-owned agencies." But of course official spokesmen have repeatedly declared that these agencies were emergency institutions, created merely because the usual lending institutions either could not or would not provide the credit needed or desired. What the President seems to have done now is merely to add that they will be dismantled if, when and as private organizations take over their functions, a statement rather strongly implied in the Administration's defense of their creation. But even this assurance is not what it appears to be at first glance. These publicly-owned lending agencies have very often made loans that private institutions would not feel warranted in making. It is certainly to be hoped that private capital will never feel disposed to make such loans. It appears to us that the allegedly reassuring words of the President on this score are weak, equivocal and unconvincing.

Mr. Jones on Banking

But of course the President was not the only public official who had something to say on this subject of the extension of credit. The Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, who is evidently considered to have been speaking for the Administration, devoted a large part of his address on Wednesday to this general subject. It is doubtful if any of the spokesmen for the New Deal have at any time gone to greater lengths in preaching the doctrine of hopelessly unsound banking. Those who are trying to convince themselves that there has been a change of heart in Washington concerning these matters would do well to ponder carefully some of the statements of this public official. "With a great abundance of credit," he said, for example, "and credit facilities available—banks chock full of money; the right to discount long-time paper with the Federal; to borrow from the Federal on all kinds of collateral; access to correspondents anxious to lend, and the RFC ready to lend on favorable terms, or to furnish capital stock at 3½% for five years and 4% thereafter until retired from profits—banks should make loans that they are willing to carry for several years." Or again: "You may think that you are doing this [that is, encouraging borrowing], but one thing that is retarding recovery is that people want to get out of debt, and until they can be made to feel comfortable about their debts, including what they owe the bank, they will be slow to undertake any new obligations, and your next crop of borrowers will be no better than the last." Thus is bad banking glorified, and some of the very worst of the New Deal policies held up as good reason for equally bad practices on the part of the banks. It is cause for thankfulness that the bankers of the country show no inclination to accept such inexcusable advice.

Government Is Dictator

A number of leading bankers have shown themselves of late increasingly disinclined to place their own judgments in cold storage, and look to Washington for their cues in respect of the management of their enterprises. Some of them, and for that matter a good many other groups in the business community, have on occasion sharply questioned Administration policies and demanded alterations in the course of affairs in Washington. There has been a great deal of well-warranted complaint about the tendency of

the Government to dictate to business generally. To all this the President replies: "The old fallacious notion of the bankers on the one side and the Government on the other as more or less equal and independent units has passed away. Government by the necessity of things must be the leader, must be the judge of the conflicting interest of all groups in the community, including bankers." Again the bankers are told that "the Government of the United States has daily and even hourly contact with sources of information which cover not only every State and section of our own country, but also every other portion of the habitable globe. This information is more complete, informative and accurate than that possessed by any private agency." It is difficult to find any significance in such a statement unless it is intended to convey the idea that policies about which complaint has from time to time been made are based upon more adequate information than that available to the bankers, and therefore are more to be trusted than those suggested by critics.

Address Unimportant

If the address of the President is throughout subject to such an analysis as this, the truth soon becomes evident that there is nothing in it to indicate any "turn to the right," nothing to suggest that the President is ready to make any appreciable concessions to his critics among the bankers. Indeed, the truth is soon seen to be that the actual content of his remarks is unimportant, apart from the fact that they fail to give assurances for which many had been hoping, whatever may have been the friendliness of the President's tone. It may be true, as sometimes asserted, that the President "went as far as he could without yielding any essential part of the New Deal." The fact is, however, that without basic alteration of New Deal policies neither the President nor any other public official can offer any very large amount of encouragement to business. It is obvious that concessions of this sort were not made by the President on Wednesday evening.

But in this it can hardly be said that the President did not follow the lead given him by Mr. Reynolds who preceded him. The heart of Mr. Reynolds's brief address is found in three questions he placed before the assembled bankers and in his closing appeal for support of the Administration.

The queries were in substance as follows: (1) Do not the needy have to be cared for? (2) May we not be in error in expecting a balanced budget at too early a date, for who can say at just what time a balanced budget is feasible in present circumstances? (3) Would it be wise, after all, to undertake at this time to fix the foreign value of the dollar for all time, and thus run the risk of "consolidating" the inflationary sentiment of this country?

We submit that these questions are not at the heart of the current situation. Everybody admits, of course, that those in need must be cared for, but who would challenge the wisdom of seeing waste, extravagance, and "graft" eliminated from current relief efforts? Who would deny the demand of business that it be given a reasonable opportunity to re-employ those out of work and thus eliminate the necessity for vast public relief activity? There is no question of guessing the exact day when the budget can be brought into balance. What the business community rightly demands is that a conscientious effort be begun at once to reduce the deficit to a minimum, and that a program be mapped out and

followed by which it can be reasonably hoped that a balanced budget may become a reality at the earliest feasible moment. No one supposes it wise to fix the present value of the dollar in the foreign exchange markets "for all time" under some arrangement like unto the laws of the Medes and Persians which altereth not. What is asked is a reasonable program looking toward a stabilized currency situation at the earliest possible date, and that this program be formulated wisely, adhered to and made generally known.

What Price Co-operation?

After paying high, and we think undeserved, homage to the President's policies in respect to the banks, Mr. Reynolds said in closing that "if we abandon our antagonisms for friendly, understanding, sympathetic co-operation, I believe we can make a great contribution toward the perpetuation of our cherished institutions, the encouragement of our fellow citizens, and the gradual and sound rebuilding of the shattered economic and financial structure of our country." It all depends, of course, upon what "co-operation" is demanded. There is nowhere a concise definition of this word, which has so often been used in Washington during the past week, but from what has already been said here it is clear that in Administration circles it includes support of the Treasury, much freer lending, and abstinence from frank criticism of unmistakably unsound policies pursued by the Washington Government. We feel sure that Mr. Reynolds did not mean that a policy of co-operation should cover such a multitude of sins as this that could not do other than plunge the business community deeper into grave difficulties.

Price Fixing and the Thirty-Hour Week

BUT neither the bankers nor other business men can base their appraisals of the attitude of the Administration entirely upon what was said at the bankers' meeting in Washington. Very significant trends have become discernible in other important phases of governmental policy. Much is still heard concerning the attitude of the Government toward production and price control, although concrete action indicating important change in these matters is still largely lacking. If it be true, as widely believed, that the Government will henceforth withdraw from the field of price- and production-control (outside of agriculture and possibly certain fields where the conservation of natural resources is an active issue) such a determination on the part of the officials is, in principle at least, to be set down on the credit side of the ledger. But the fact remains that there is not the slightest indication of any intention on the part of the authorities to permit any relaxation or rationalization of the labor provisions of the NRA codes. On the contrary, reports believed reliable come from Washington to the effect that the Administration is prepared to support legislation which will further substantially reduce the hours of work, while at the same time again increasing hourly wages. There can be little doubt that the 30-hour week will be a live issue when Congress convenes in January. While it is not clear that the President will support such legislation in just this form, it is apparently rather more than likely that working hours will be reduced and hourly wages increased in an effort to increase employment, and allegedly enlarge general purchasing power.

High Costs, Low Prices

It requires but little thought to show what the nature of the result would be if the already high labor costs of production are increased at the same time that price-cutting is encouraged—indeed, almost demanded by the authorities. Let there be no misunderstanding in this matter. We believe in full and free competition, but we also believe that competition should apply in labor relations as well. We can foresee a great deal of trouble in any policy by the Government that compels business enterprise to carry arbitrarily high labor burdens at the same time that general price reductions are insisted upon. The situation that is developing in this connection is an excellent illustration of a state of things that renders bankers cautious about making advances and careful business men loth to go into debt. The authorities in Washington seem utterly incapable of learning that what is needed to stimulate recovery is not forced borrowing and lending, but the creation of conditions calculated to encourage business improvement. At any rate, so long as 30-hour-week legislation or anything akin to it is in the offing, neither much business improvement nor great growth of confidence on the part of the bankers is likely to put in an appearance, however much the Government may demand it.

That facts such as these are now being considered and understood, more than for a long while past, by the bankers of the country is clearly seen in the resolutions adopted by the American Bankers Convention in its closing session on Thursday. That hard common sense prevailed is to us one of the most encouraging developments of recent months. "American business," resolved the bankers, "will again become a good customer of American banking when the prospects for business profits promise to justify the risks of borrowing. The initiative must be that of the business man. It cannot be that of the banker." Or again: "This is a time when good banking must be courageous banking, and likewise it is a time when courageous banking must be vigilantly resolute to be good banking."

The address of Mr. Roosevelt did not prevent the bankers from going on record as demanding a balanced budget in the following ringing sentences:

"The American Bankers Association believes that the establishment of a balanced national budget at the earliest possible date is essential to the national welfare and an important factor toward world recovery. . . .

"The re-establishment of a balanced national budget would eliminate the fear of currency inflation. It would insure the stability of our monetary system, which is fundamental to the general development of aggressive business plans as a major element in national recovery, re-employment and economic security.

"A balanced budget would of necessity curb tendencies to extravagant public expenditures, and would induce similar action by States and municipalities. Finally, it would be a decisive influence in keeping the burdens of taxation within the capacity of productive effort and enterprise."

Bingham on Stabilization

ANOTHER seemingly encouraging development of the week, but one somewhat difficult to interpret, is the address in Edinburgh, Scotland, of the United States Ambassador to Great Britain. Mr.

Bingham apparently presented a strong plea for stabilization of the dollar-pound rate, with the other leading countries included in such a stabilization agreement, if possible. The trouble lies in the fact that no one knows whether Mr. Bingham was speaking for the Administration at Washington, and, if so, the extent to which the President will stand by what was said. Certainly nothing that has been said recently in Washington seems to indicate any greater willingness to stabilize the dollar than was exhibited at the time of the London Conference last year. Yet one would suppose that Mr. Bingham would have consulted Washington before making so important a statement. Until this aspect of the matter is clarified it will be impossible to know what importance to attach to this rather remarkable utterance of our British Ambassador.

The Railroad Pension Act Void

THE action of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia in declaring the Railroad Retirement Act unconstitutional is another development of a heartening order. If the doctrines laid down in this decision are upheld in their full implications, much of the New Deal legislation would be rendered null and void forthwith. One of the grounds upon which the Act was declared unconstitutional was that its terms apply to workers engaged in intra-State activity as well as those devoting themselves to the inter-State business of the railroads. Of course, a very large part of the New Deal legislation applies to purely intra-State matters. But court rulings on such matters have been so conflicting and uncertain during the past year that prudent men will wait until the Supreme Court has stated its conclusions in unmistakable fashion.

The Federal Reserve Bank Statement

THE combined condition statement of the 12 Federal Reserve banks calls for little comment this week, as the trends of credit and currency reflected in the statistics show little deviation from previous figures. The most important change is a rather unusual recession of the amount of money in circulation. Although a seasonal expansion might be expected at this time of year, Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation fell off \$26,817,000 to \$3,155,512,000 on Oct. 24 as against \$3,182,329,000 on Oct. 17. There was a small further decline of the net circulation of Federal Reserve bank notes to \$29,123,000 from \$29,425,000. Deposits with the System increased nearly \$36,000,000 in the week to \$4,268,691,000. This was occasioned entirely by a sharp advance of Treasury deposits on general account, which moved up to \$118,002,000 on Oct. 24 from \$53,194,000 on Oct. 17, while member bank deposits on reserve account were falling to \$3,985,287,000 from \$3,996,276,000.

The gold policy of the Treasury reflects nothing new, as the Federal Reserve banks received \$1,758,000 in new gold certificates from the Treasury, while fresh acquisitions of the metal in Washington apparently were \$3,000,000, according to the usual credit summary. There was an increase of nearly \$12,000,000 in "other cash" of the System, with the result that total reserves increased to \$5,216,616,000 on Oct. 24 from \$5,203,164,000 on Oct. 17. The increase of reserves and decline of circulation made possible an advance of the ratio of reserves to deposit and Federal Reserve note lia-

bilities combined, even though deposit liabilities increased. The ratio now reported is 70.3% against 70.2% a week earlier. Borrowings of member banks from the System continued to decline, and reached a low record of \$10,864,000. Industrial advances climbed somewhat to \$4,999,000. Bankers' bills bought in the open market receded slightly to \$5,998,000, while holdings of United States Government securities reflected no change of any consequence, the total remaining at \$2,430,201,000.

Of some interest are several changes in the weekly condition statement of reporting member banks in New York City, intended to clarify the banking statistics and make the trends more readily apparent. These changes were first effected in the similar statement covering weekly reporting member banks in 91 leading cities, made available early in the week at Washington. In place of the former grouping of all loans made by the member institutions, the statement now discloses separately the loans on security collateral and amounts of various classes of trade loans. The New York City tabulation, which is available more quickly than the national statistics, reflects a modest increase of \$7,000,000 in the aggregate of loans on acceptances, commercial paper, real estate and other trade loans to a total of \$1,652,000,000 on Oct. 24 from \$1,645,000,000 on Oct. 17. Loans on security collateral made by the reporting banks in this city were \$1,435,000,000 against \$1,434,000,000 a week earlier. The investment activities of the reporting institutions likewise are revealed a little more fully, as the acquisitions of Treasury-guaranteed bonds of the Federal Farm Mortgage and Home Owners' Loan Corporations now are shown, whereas formerly these were lumped with "other securities." Such holdings of guaranteed bonds were \$235,000,000 on Oct. 24 against \$229,000,000 on Oct. 17. Because of small declines in various other activities, the total of loans and investments by the New York City banks fell to \$7,114,000,000 from \$7,118,000,000.

Foreign Trade in September

THE foreign trade statement of the United States for the month of September shows some improvement. Merchandise exports for that month were higher in value than for any preceding month this year, and while imports exceeded in value the total for July and August, they were below those of any other month since November last. The value of exports was \$191,690,000 and imports \$131,659,000, the export trade balance for the month just closed being \$60,031,000. Merchandise exports for August amounted to \$171,695,000 and imports to \$119,515,000, exports exceeding imports by \$52,450,000. For September of last year merchandise exports were \$160,119,000 and imports \$146,643,000, for which month the export trade balance was \$13,476,000. Exports in September this year show an increase over that month of 1933 of \$31,571,000, equal to 19.7%. Merchandise imports show a loss compared with a year ago for the third successive month this year, the decline being \$14,984,000, or 10.2% from September 1933.

For the nine months of this year to date the value of merchandise exports has been \$1,561,363,000 and imports \$1,241,733,000, exports exceeding imports by \$319,630,000. For the same period in 1933, exports amounted to \$1,105,030,000 and imports \$1,036,633,000, the excess of exports in that year

being \$68,397,000. For the nine months of the current year to date merchandise exports show an increase in value over those for the same time in 1933 of \$156,333,000, or 41.3%. The increase in the value of imports for the same period in the same two years was \$205,100,000, equal to 19.8%. As noted above, September exports were larger than a year ago by 19.7%, while imports for the month show a loss of 10.2%. Both exports and imports of merchandise in 1933 were lower in value than for a great many years, with the exception only of 1932, when the movement was slightly smaller. For a lower value in exports it is necessary to go back to 1905 and for imports to 1909.

Cotton exports in September were the lowest for that month in many years. Foreign shipments of that important commodity amounted to 499,401 bales. In September of last year cotton exports were 878,236 bales. Usually in September the heavy fall movement of the new cotton crop begins. The value of cotton exports in September shows even a wider range, between the two years, than appears in the report for bales. Cotton exports last month were valued at 32,184,000 against \$45,293,000 a year ago, a loss of \$13,109,000, or 29.0%. Exports other than cotton last month were valued at \$159,506,000 against \$114,826,000 in September 1933, the increase last month over a year ago being \$44,680,000, equal to 39.0%.

The foreign movement of the precious metals in September again showed further variation; in some respects shipments were reversed. Exports of gold were the largest for nearly a year, while imports were the smallest since January. The former amounted to \$22,255,000 for the month just closed, while gold imports declined sharply to \$3,585,000. For the nine months of this year the value of gold shipped abroad at the new high price was \$50,137,000 against \$318,834,000 last year for the same period at the lower ratio. Gold imports for the nine months this year have been \$960,213,000, also at the new price, compared with \$187,640,000 last year, at the former ratio. Silver imports last month were again very high, at \$20,831,000, while silver exports showed some decline, at \$1,424,000.

Corporate Dividend Declarations

FAVORABLE dividend actions by corporate entities were a feature of the present week. Sun Oil Co. declared an extra dividend of 9% in stock and the regular quarterly of 25c. per share on the common stock, both payable Dec. 15; a similar extra dividend was paid last December. Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Co. ordered an extra dividend of 25c. per share on the common, in addition to the regular quarterly of 12½c. per share, payable Dec. 1. Monsanto Chemical Co. announced an extra of 25c. per share as well as the regular quarterly dividend of 25c. a share on the common, both payable Dec. 15. Caterpillar Tractor Co. declared an extra of 50c. a share on the common, payable with the regular quarterly distribution of 25c. a share, Nov. 30. United States Playing Card Co. also declared an extra dividend of 50c. and regular quarterly dividend of 25c. per share on the capital stock, both payable Jan. 2. Midvale Co., a subsidiary of Baldwin Locomotive Works, declared a dividend of \$1 per share on the capital stock, payable Nov. 7; this is the first distribution on the issue since Jan. 1 1933, when 50c. per share was distributed. In addition, Owens-Illi-

nois Glass Co. declared a quarterly dividend of \$1 per share on its common stock, payable Nov. 15, as against 75c. per share previously.

The New York Stock Market

IRREGULAR movements of prices were the rule in the market for securities in New York this week, with some of the alterations fairly large. Transactions were on a small scale at most times, but they increased rather sharply after the District of Columbia Supreme Court held the Railroad Pension Law unconstitutional, while a further gain took place after the President and some leading bankers exchanged amenities at the American Bankers Association convention in Washington. Early in the week the trading barely exceeded 500,000 shares in full sessions, but the turnover Thursday exceeded 1,000,000 shares. Activity again dwindled yesterday. Price changes were not important Monday and Tuesday, the main trend in both those sessions being slightly downward. Metal, utility, railroad and motor stocks all receded a little in the early trading of the week. When the railroad pension law decision was announced, Wednesday, it caused some buying of rail shares, which moved up from 1 to 5 points, even though it was realized that the final test of the law would have to be made before the United States Supreme Court. Other equities were stimulated somewhat by this incident, and an expectation of favorable developments at the Washington convention. The agreement on co-operation reached by the President and the bankers late Wednesday did not, however, cause any rejoicing in the market on Thursday. The increase of trading apparently was occasioned by liquidation, as price averages disclosed material recessions in all groups of issues. The tendency yesterday was again downward, with steel stocks heavier than others owing to indications in a report of one of the leading steel companies that third quarter earnings in that industry were under expectations. Motor stocks suffered because of a similar incident, and other sections of the market also were soft.

In the listed bond market the general trend was favorable, partly because a speech in favor of joint currency stabilization by Great Britain and the United States, made by United States Ambassador Bingham in England, stimulated optimism on monetary matters. United States Treasury securities advanced smartly early in the week, and in this section of the market a favorable reception of a \$50,000,000 offering of Treasury-guaranteed Home Owners' Loan Corporation bonds was a factor. Prices for United States Government securities dragged in the latter half of the week, however. Railroad bonds were in favor at almost all times, owing to the pension law decision. Much attention was centered throughout the week on foreign exchange fluctuations, sterling moving widely but closing with little net change yesterday from the figure prevailing a week earlier. French francs were under pressure, and dropped nearly to a level that would stimulate gold shipments from Paris to New York. In the commodity markets quiet conditions prevailed, with the trend slightly adverse. The leading industrial indices in this country reflect continuance of activities at a very low rate, and an almost complete absence of seasonal improvement. Steel-making operations for the week beginning Oct. 22 were estimated by the American Iron and Steel Institute at

23.9% of capacity against 22.8% last week. Electric power output for the week to Oct. 20 was 1,667,505,000 kilowatt hours against 1,656,864,000 kilowatt hours in the preceding week, according to the Edison Electric Institute. The increase was due largely to the holiday period in the earlier week. Car loadings of revenue freight for the week to Oct. 20 were 640,280 cars, an increase of 4,641 cars over the preceding week, the American Railway Association reports.

As indicating the course of the commodity markets, the Demember option for wheat in Chicago closed yesterday at 96½c. as against 98⅞c. the close on Friday of last week. December corn at Chicago closed yesterday at 74¾c. as against 76⅞c. the close on Friday of last week. December oats at Chicago closed yesterday at 49¼c. as against 51⅜c. the close on Friday of last week. The spot price for cotton here in New York closed yesterday at 12.50c., the same as on Friday of last week. The spot price for rubber yesterday was 13.87c. as against 14.00c. the close on Friday of last week. Domestic copper closed yesterday at 9c., the same as on Friday of last week.

In London the price of bar silver yesterday was 23 13/16 pence per ounce as against 23 15/16 pence per ounce on Friday of last week, and spot silver in New York at 53⅞c. as against 53¼c. on Friday of last week. In the matter of the foreign exchanges, cable transfers on London closed yesterday at \$4.97¼ as against \$4.95¼ the close on Friday of last week, while cable transfers on Paris closed yesterday at 6.60⅞c. as against 6.63⅜c. on Friday of last week.

On the New York Stock Exchange 42 stocks reached new high levels for the year, while 37 stocks touched new low levels. On the New York Curb Exchange 13 stocks touched new high levels, while 32 stocks touched new low levels. Call loans on the New York Stock Exchange remained unchanged at 1%.

On the New York Stock Exchange the sales at the half-day session on Saturday last were 228,740 shares; on Monday they were 573,080 shares; on Tuesday, 542,680 shares; on Wednesday, 772,200 shares; on Thursday, 1,027,970 shares, and on Friday, 869,670 shares. On the New York Curb Exchange the sales last Saturday were 68,360 shares; on Monday, 93,415 shares; on Tuesday, 151,860 shares; on Wednesday, 116,770 shares; on Thursday, 165,666 shares, and on Friday, 145,340 shares.

The stock market for the week failed to show any improvement in trading over that of other weeks, and continued to perform in an aimless and irregular fashion. At the close on Friday prices reflected slight recessions as compared with a week ago. General Electric closed yesterday at 17⅞ against 18¼ on Friday of last week; Consolidated Gas of N. Y. at 26 against 26¾; Columbia Gas & Elec. at 8¼ against 8¾; Public Service of N. J. at 31½ against 31¼; J. I. Case Threshing Machine at 45¾ against 47¼; International Harvester at 33 against 34⅞; Sears, Roebuck & Co. at 39¾ against 41; Montgomery Ward & Co. at 27⅞ against 28⅞; Woolworth at 50 against 50½; American Tel. & Tel. at 110⅞ against 110¾, and American Can at 101 against 103.

Allied Chemical & Dye closed yesterday at 127¼ against 130⅞ on Friday of last week; E. I. du Pont de Nemours at 90½ against 93¼; National Cash Register A at 15¾ against 16⅞; International

Nickel at 23⅞ against 24¾; National Dairy Products at 16½ against 16¾; Texas Gulf Sulphur at 36½ against 37¾; National Biscuit at 26⅞ against 29⅞; Continental Can at 57½ ex 50% stock dividend against 87; Eastman Kodak at 103¾ against 104; Standard Brands at 19½ against 20⅞; Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg. at 30⅞ against 32½; Columbian Carbon at 67½ against 68⅞; Lorillard at 18¼ against 18¼; United States Industrial Alcohol at 36¾ against 38⅞; Canada Dry at 15 against 15⅞; Schenley Distillers at 23 against 24, and National Distillers at 21⅞ against 20½.

The steel stocks closed lower than a week ago. United States Steel closed yesterday at 32⅞ against 33¼ on Friday of last week; Bethlehem Steel at 24⅞ against 28⅞; Republic Steel at 12 against 12⅞, and Youngstown Sheet & Tube at 16⅞ against 16¾. In the motor group, Auburn Auto closed yesterday at 24 against 28 on Friday of last week; General Motors at 29 against 29⅞; Chrysler at 34¾ against 36⅞, and Hupp Motors at 2⅞ against 2⅞. In the rubber group, Goodyear Tire & Rubber closed yesterday at 20⅞ against 21½ on Friday of last week; B. F. Goodrich at 9¼ against 9½, and United States Rubber at 15¼ against 16.

The railroad shares against show recessions for the week. Pennsylvania RR. closed yesterday at 22⅞ against 23⅞ on Friday of last week; Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe at 51⅞ against 52¾; New York Central at 21 against 21⅞; Union Pacific at 100 against 102¼; Southern Pacific at 17⅞ against 18⅞; Southern Railway at 16⅞ against 16½, and Northern Pacific at 18⅞ against 20½. Among the oil stocks, Standard Oil of N. J. closed yesterday at 39⅞ against 40½ on Friday of last week; Shell Union Oil at 6⅞ against 6¼, and Atlantic Refining at 23⅞ against 22¾. In the copper group, Anaconda Copper closed yesterday at 10½ against 11 on Friday of last week; Kennecott Copper at 17 against 17⅞; American Smelting & Refining at 34⅞ against 36½, and Phelps Dodge at 13⅞ against 13⅞.

European Stock Markets

PRICE movements were irregular this week on stock exchanges in all the leading European financial centers, while trading remained on a very small scale. In the British markets investment activities were continued, with the result that British funds moved to new high records, but all other sections were uncertain. The Paris Bourse was unsettled early in the week by indications of internal political strife and prices declined rather sharply for a time. On the Berlin Boerse there was a tendency at times to liquidate because of the new taxes on speculative profits. In all European centers anxiety continued to prevail regarding the recent assassinations of King Alexander of Yugoslavia and Foreign Minister Barthou of France, as the belief would not down that this event may yet result in international complications. There was much concern also over the sharp swings in foreign exchange rates, and especially over the adverse movement of the French franc. Sterling exchange fluctuated widely and the London gold price moved in inverse ratio, causing some severe fluctuations in gold mining shares on the London market. Silver also was subjected to some rather large alterations, and the wide movements of both precious metals brought all the old currency questions to the fore again. Internal trade in the foremost industrial countries of Europe was

again maintained at good levels, but perturbation was occasioned by the adverse tendency of international trade. The League of Nations reports that world trade for July, the latest month for which figures are available, was only 31.6% of the 1929 monthly average, measured in gold.

The London Stock Exchange was dull in the opening session of the week and changes were small in all departments. British funds were higher at first but closed without appreciable change. Airplane stocks were in demand in the industrial group because of the interest aroused by the race to Australia, while other securities were very quiet and not materially changed. Gold mining stocks receded because of a similar movement of the gold price at London. International issues improved as a result of better week-end reports from New York. In Tuesday's dealings British funds were in sustained demand and higher levels were attained. Industrial stocks and African gold mining shares declined, but international issues remained firm. Some improvement in the volume of business was noted Wednesday. British funds resumed their upward movement and African gold mining issues likewise were in demand. In the industrial section most issues were easier, but the international group reflected support. The advance in British funds was continued Thursday, and in this session new records were established by some of these securities. Better inquiry appeared for some industrial issues, but others declined. The gold price was lowered but the African mining issues remained steady. International securities advanced on favorable overnight reports from New York. British funds again advanced yesterday, but industrial stocks were irregular, while international issues sagged.

The Paris Bourse was inactive Monday, with prices generally lower despite the successful conclusion of the gold bloc conference at Brussels last Saturday. Changes were small and in both directions, but a majority of issues lost ground. Rentes suffered with other issues, owing to fears of an internal political crisis. When it was learned on Tuesday that most members of the French Senate oppose Premier Doumergue's proposals for political reforms, prices again receded. Rentes dipped rather sharply, and French bank, utility and industrial stocks also declined. The international section showed better results than other departments. After a firm opening on Wednesday, prices on the Bourse again turned uncertain and closing figures were generally very close to previous levels. Rentes were slightly improved at the finish and many French equities also showed small gains. The tone improved on Thursday, with rentes reflecting a wider demand. The advance in equities was slow but sustained and closing prices were the best of the day, with international issues quite as much in favor as domestic stocks. After a weak opening yesterday, prices firmed on the Bourse and net losses were small.

On the Berlin Boerse quiet conditions prevailed Monday, with some heavy industrial and other shares in request, while bonds were mostly lower. Speculative favorites among the specialties advanced as much as 3 and 4 points, even though the demand was moderate. Public interest was at small and professional speculators took advantage of this situation. Movements on Tuesday were irregular, with activity again limited largely to professional operators. German industrial stocks were slightly

improved and most other equities also gained, but fixed-income issues were uncertain. The tone was soft on Wednesday, and only a few issues escaped the general trend because of special developments. Small losses were general both among equities and bonds. In a quiet market on Thursday advances occurred in a few speculative issues, but the major trend was again downward. Bonds reflected modest demand. Modest declines were the rule in quiet trading at Berlin yesterday.

Currency Problems

KEEN interest was taken throughout the world this week in the several references by officials of the United States Government to the need for stability of prices and values, and, especially, the desirability of a mutual stabilization plan affecting the United States dollar and the British pound sterling. The stabilization problem was discussed pointedly by United States Ambassador Robert W. Bingham, in an address at Edinburgh, Scotland, on Tuesday. Mr. Bingham urged speedy action to that end, in conjunction with other nations if possible, but he held that joint action by Britain and the United States should be taken in any event. If this were done, he suggested, other nations, whether on or off the gold standard, presently would find it to their best advantage to come into the stabilization agreement, which would be of benefit not only to Britain and the United States, but to the rest of the world as well. "With proper understanding and co-operation," said Mr. Bingham, "we may not only protect and further our own interests but may play a magnificent role in aiding a world ill nearly unto death." There is much in common, the Ambassador pointed out, in the recovery programs of the British and United States Governments. To these statements was added the significant comment on international relationships contained in the speech delivered before the American Bankers Association at Washington, Wednesday, by President Roosevelt. "I have been glad to note," Mr. Roosevelt remarked, "the growing appreciation in other nations of the desirability of arriving as quickly as possible at a point of steadiness of prices and values."

Taken together, these comments by President Roosevelt and Ambassador Bingham were accepted in many circles as little short of a direct invitation for joint stabilization by Britain and the United States. No official statement on Mr. Bingham's speech was obtainable in Washington, but in most quarters there it was maintained that references to matters of such great moment would hardly have been made without previous approval by the State Department. The speech at Edinburgh was looked upon as a trial balloon, and it is quite possible that Mr. Roosevelt's remarks constitute a broad hint that stabilization negotiations impend. But on the other hand it has long been understood that the United States Government is prepared to consider arrangements for the stabilization of sterling and the dollar at approximately their current levels in relation to each other. Whether this would accord with British views is another question and a serious one, since Britain generally is believed to favor a somewhat lower value of sterling in relation to the dollar. The British Chancellor of the Exchequer, Neville Chamberlain, has made it clear on numerous occasions that tariff and trade policies must be adjusted on some reasonable basis before stabilization of sterling

could be considered. He has also pointed out that the war debt problem should be settled as a preliminary to, or in conjunction with, stabilization of currencies, and on this point no progress seems to have been made in recent months.

Gold Bloc Conference

REPRESENTATIVES of all the seven European nations that are considered as constituting the gold bloc concluded at Brussels last Saturday a two-day conference in which they sought means for mutual protection of their currency systems through advantageous trade and other arrangements. The conference was regarded as an outstanding success, for it was marked by unexpectedly close co-operation on the part of France and it was attended by Poland, which had held aloof in the preliminary discussions. The seven nations that are described with varying degrees of accuracy as members of the gold bloc are France, Holland, Switzerland, Belgium, Italy, Poland and Luxemburg. These countries agreed formally to maintain existing gold parities of their several currencies and to examine carefully into the possibilities of stimulating trade between them. Subcommittees are to study various phases of trade and transportation problems with such aims in view. In general, the findings were obviously such as France would find acceptable and this is but natural, since France is the keystone of the gold arch. The gathering, however, was brought together chiefly at the instance of the Belgian Foreign Minister, Henri Jaspar. Although the seven countries pledged themselves, in effect, to maintain the gold standard, it would appear that the declarations were not taken too seriously by foreign exchange traders and others, for rumors of possible defections from the gold bloc have been unusually numerous in all markets this week.

An official report on the gold bloc conference, issued last Saturday by Foreign Minister Jaspar, indicates that the signatory Governments continue to hold to the declaration in favor of monetary stability which they signed at the London economic and financial conference in July, 1933. Such stability is one of the essential conditions for a return to normal world economics, they now state. They affirmed their determination to maintain the present gold parities of their respective currencies, and held that a common monetary policy ought to favor a development of international trade. It was agreed, accordingly, to constitute a general commission composed of delegates from all seven countries, which is to meet at Brussels within three months and take account of the status of the work and decide on continuation of the program without losing sight of the interests of third parties and the necessity for more extended collaboration on an international plane. The seven Governments agreed further to study the possibility of increasing trade between them, and they suggested as desirable an increase of 10% this year in the global trade over that effected in the period from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934. With the increase of trade in view, bilateral negotiations are to be started immediately, and in this connection an international convention relative to trade propaganda was foreshadowed. The group of nations agreed also to appoint two subcommittees which are charged with drawing up reports on the possibilities of developing "tourism and transportation" between the countries concerned. It was stated in Brussels

dispatches that "complete unanimity" prevailed at the sessions of the conference. The proposals adopted were those sponsored by Lucien Lamoureux, the French Minister of Commerce.

Naval Conversations

REPRESENTATIVES of the American, British and Japanese Governments began to discuss formally at London, this week, the prospects for naval armaments limitation and for the long projected naval conference of 1935. The discussions so far have been bilateral, British and Japanese delegates engaging in the first talks on Tuesday, while Japanese and American representatives met on Wednesday. A further Anglo-Japanese discussion took place yesterday. Although Great Britain is known to desire some alterations in existing treaties so that she can build more small cruisers, it was apparently decided at London to attempt some adjustment of the much larger Japanese demands before proceeding to a consideration of the Anglo-American positions. It appears that the Japanese exposition of views followed quite closely the aims expounded on many occasions by statesmen and militarists of that country. The Japanese informed the British in the initial session that they want to denounce the Washington naval treaty so as to get rid of the ratio principle and make possible the attainment of parity with the United States, London reports state. In their talks with the American delegates on Wednesday, much the same views were expressed by the Japanese. The Tokio Government is said to demand equality, based on an equal maximum limitation for all three fleets, each nation to retain the right to build the types of ships thought desirable. Japan also requires assurances that no additional fortifications will be constructed by the United States east of Hawaii. These demands caused much perturbation at Washington, according to a dispatch to the New York "Herald Tribune," and the unofficial comment was made that the preliminary conversations at London might as well be terminated, unless Japan modifies this stand.

French Reforms

REOPENING of the French Parliamentary session has been definitely fixed for Nov. 6, and already lines are forming for what promises to be a major political struggle in that country, centering around the reforms proposed by Premier Gaston Doumergue. The plans of the Premier would mean a vast strengthening of the Cabinet and a corresponding loss of authority by the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate, and it is evident that French parliamentarians will struggle bitterly against the changes. An overturn of the Doumergue Government is considered more than possible, and a national election campaign on the principles now announced by M. Doumergue might follow. These possibilities are causing some uncertainty both in and out of France, and recent pressure on the franc in foreign exchange markets is usually attributed to the new developments. M. Doumergue proposes to provide the Cabinet with a large measure of Constitutional authority, and grant it the power to dissolve the Chamber without regard to the Senate's desires. The Cabinet would have the sole right to propose expenditures, while changes in the status of civil servants also are recommended. Leon Blum, one of the most experienced of French parliamentarians, has indicated un-

relenting opposition to such proposals. They would, he states, constitute a drastic overturn. "Henceforth the Government would not be responsible to the Chamber; the Chamber would be responsible to the Government," he remarks. A majority group in the Senate considered the proposals this week and made known its opposition to the reforms, and it is now reported that M. Doumergue will place his case before the French people in a radio address on Nov. 3. If the Senate remains unyielding, dissolution of the Chamber and new elections may be requested, it is said.

In a Paris report to the New York "Times" it is pointed out that the Doumergue Government is making strenuous efforts to increase its prestige by concentrating attention on foreign affairs. New developments in Franco-Russian relations are likely soon, it is remarked, as Minister of Commerce Lucien Lamoureux is planning to visit Moscow, while a similar visit to the Russian capital by Foreign Minister Pierre Laval also is possible. "It is felt, now that the Eastern Locarno pact must be considered dead, that the new Franco-Russian friendship must be developed to the utmost, the first effort being made on the commercial side, so as to bring relief to French industries imprisoned within the golden wall," the dispatch adds. Active efforts also are being made to develop good relations with Italy, and it is also planned to seek accords with Germany on the Saar issue and German rearmament. In summing up, however, the interesting comment is made by the correspondent that in all questions, "from the rectification of the Tripolitan frontier to the price of beefsteak, the Government will be faced by both private and Parliamentary opposition."

Balkan Politics

ALTHOUGH leading statesmen in Europe are insisting that the assassination at Marseilles of the Yugoslavian King and the French Foreign Minister are not likely to have serious international repercussions, it is evident that a good deal of nervousness exists in all parts of the world regarding the incident and its implications. Sir John Simon, Foreign Secretary in the British National Cabinet, declared at a political gathering in England late last week that there is no parallel whatever between the assassination at Sarajevo in 1914 and the recent murders at Marseilles. There is now a notable absence of "armed hostile nations, straining at the leash, ready to jump at one another's throats," Sir John remarked. The internal affairs of Yugoslavia, which now are considered somewhat uncertain, apparently received scant mention in the address. Sir John merely remarked, according to available dispatches, that the various peoples of Yugoslavia show no wish for dissolution. In Paris there is also a feeling that untoward events now are unlikely in consequence of the untimely deaths of King Alexander and M. Barthou. Quite significant is a Rome report that conversations on a Franco-Italian rapprochement are to be resumed soon where they were dropped when M. Barthou died. The present French Foreign Minister, Pierre Laval, probably will visit Rome late next month to conduct the negotiations, it is stated.

Meetings of the Little Entente and the Balkan Entente again were held in Belgrade late last week, and identical statements on the assassinations were

issued by the two conferences. In these official documents the responsibility for the assassinations was attributed to the foreign policies of countries opposed to the "succession States" created by the Treaty of Versailles, and a demand was made for an end of terrorist activities in such opposing countries. The statements were couched in general terms but the intent was obvious. It is now established that the Croatian terrorists who killed King Alexander and M. Barthou lived in camps in Hungary and Italy with many associates, and the statements thus appear to be directed against these two countries. If measures to prevent similar incidents in the future are not taken, the statements said, "the gravest conflicts will result." Notwithstanding this declaration, it was reported Monday that the Italian Government would refuse to deport two Yugoslavians who are known to be associates of the terrorists and who were arrested on Italian soil. In Hungary there is much perturbation regarding the "press campaign" started in Belgrade. Within Yugoslavia, the Uzonovitch Cabinet resigned on Oct. 20, but it was reconstituted without important changes on Tuesday. The Cabinet remains entirely Serbian, and the Croats and Slovenes are not represented. Of some interest is a visit paid to Warsaw over the last week-end by Premier Julius Goemboes, of Hungary. No official information regarding these Polish-Hungarian conferences was made available.

The Open Door Policy

INTERNATIONAL complications resulting from the Japanese establishment of the puppet-State of Manchukuo in Manchuria again loom, owing to a Manchukuoan plan to make the oil business in that country a State monopoly. This involves the principle of the Open Door policy, as enunciated in the Nine-Power treaty, and representations by the American, British and Netherlands Governments against such violations of treaty rights have been made. In a copyrighted Tokio dispatch to the Associated Press, it is remarked that diplomatic discussions have been in progress regarding this matter for some months. Officials of the British and American Embassies in Tokio have been seeking information on the Manchukuoan project from the Japanese Foreign Office. "They are intimating in a friendly and informal manner the Anglo-American conviction that such a monopoly would undermine the whole principle of the Open Door," the dispatch adds. American and British oil companies, which now supply 80% of the refined oil used in Manchuria, would be forced to surrender a substantial share of their business to Japanese competitors under the proposed monopoly, it is said. In a London report to the Associated Press, it is noted that Great Britain protested not only at Tokio, but also through the British Consul at Hsinking, the capital of Manchukuo. Unless the representations are heeded a diplomatic incident may develop.

Foreign Money Rates

IN LONDON open market discounts for short bills on Friday were $\frac{5}{8}\%$, as against 11-16@ $\frac{3}{4}\%$ on Friday of last week, and $\frac{5}{8}$ @11-16% for three months' bills, as against $\frac{3}{4}$ @13-16% on Friday of last week. Money on call in London yesterday was $\frac{1}{2}\%$. At Paris the open market rate was reduced on Oct. 23 from $1\frac{3}{4}\%$ to $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ while in Switzerland the rate remains at $1\frac{1}{2}\%$.

Discount Rates of Foreign Central Banks

THERE have been no changes during the week in the discount rates of any of the foreign central banks. Present rates at the leading centers are shown in the table which follows:

DISCOUNT RATES OF FOREIGN CENTRAL BANKS

Country	Rate in Effect Oct. 26	Date Established	Pre-vious Rate	Country	Rate in Effect Oct. 26	Date Established	Pre-vious Rate
Austria	4½	June 27 1934	5	Hungary	4½	Oct. 17 1932	5
Belgium	2½	Aug. 28 1934	3	India	3½	Feb. 16 1934	4
Bulgaria	7	Jan. 3 1934	8	Ireland	3	June 30 1932	3½
Chile	4½	Aug. 23 1932	5½	Italy	3	Dec. 11 1933	3½
Colombia	4	July 18 1933	5	Japan	3.65	July 3 1933	4.38
Czechoslovakia	3½	Jan. 25 1933	4½	Java	4½	Aug. 16 1933	5
Danzig	4	Sept. 21 1934	3	Jugoslavia	6½	July 16 1934	7
Denmark	2½	Nov. 29 1933	3	Lithuania	6	Jan. 2 1934	7
England	2	June 30 1932	2½	Norway	3½	May 23 1933	4
Estonia	5	Sept. 25 1934	5½	Poland	5	Oct. 25 1933	6
Finland	4½	Dec. 20 1933	5	Portugal	5½	Dec. 8 1933	6
France	2½	May 31 1934	3	Rumania	6	Apr. 7 1933	6
Germany	4	Sept. 30 1932	5	South Africa	4	Feb. 21 1933	7
Greece	7	Oct. 13 1933	7½	Spain	6	Oct. 22 1932	5½
Holland	2½	Sept. 18 1933	3	Sweden	2½	Dec. 1 1933	3
				Switzerland	2	Jan. 22 1931	½

Bank of England Statement

THE statement of the Bank of England for the week ended Oct. 24 shows a gain of £73,924 in gold holdings which brings the total to another new high at £192,658,261; a year ago the Bank held £191,786,845. Circulation contracted £2,514,000 and this together with the gain in gold resulted in an increase of £2,588,000 in reserves. Public deposits rose £4,842,000 and other deposits decreased £3,590,990. The latter consists of bankers' accounts which fell off £3,748,203 and other accounts which increased £157,213. The proportion of reserve to liabilities is at 48.50%; a week ago it was 47.26 and a year ago it was 49.76%. Loans on Government securities did not change since a week ago while those on other securities decreased £1,311,187. Of the latter amount £1,222,125 is from discounts and advances and £89,062 from securities. No change was made in the discount rate which remains 2%. Below is a comparison of the different items:

BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	Oct. 24 1934	Oct. 25 1933	Oct. 26 1932	Oct. 28 1931	Oct. 29 1930
Circulation	374,703,000	369,258,310	358,430,512	356,031,240	355,628,061
Public deposits	22,358,000	15,905,007	25,426,187	17,253,665	20,970,446
Other deposits	138,343,527	149,920,989	110,923,817	116,122,274	90,605,771
Bankers' accounts	100,742,604	104,146,161	77,335,612	63,477,531	55,693,833
Other accounts	37,600,923	45,774,828	33,588,205	52,644,743	35,001,938
Govt. securities	81,279,164	77,985,905	66,998,094	50,535,966	37,666,247
Other securities	19,149,859	23,001,947	30,030,766	44,610,867	26,616,042
Disct. & advances	8,246,208	8,501,030	11,596,729	10,547,997	4,248,890
Securities	10,903,651	14,500,917	18,434,037	34,062,870	22,367,152
Reserve notes & coin	77,955,000	82,528,535	57,010,441	55,906,181	65,040,869
Coin and bullion	192,658,261	191,786,845	140,440,953	136,937,421	160,666,930
Proportion of reserve to liabilities	48.50%	49.76%	41.81%	41.91%	58.24%
Bank rate	2%	2%	2%	6%	3%

Bank of France Statement

THE weekly statement of the Bank of France, dated Oct. 19, reveals another gain in gold holdings, the increase this time being 76,507,995 francs. The total of gold is now 82,483,048,672 francs, in comparison with 81,786,072,050 francs last year and 82,676,746,776 francs the previous year. French commercial bills discounted and creditor current accounts record increases of 102,000,000 francs and 798,000,000 francs, while advances against securities show a loss of 8,000,000 francs. Notes in circulation reveal a decrease of 803,000,000 francs, bringing the total of notes outstanding down to 79,581,591,890 francs. Circulation a year ago aggregated 80,938,578,200 francs and the year before 80,548,581,015 francs. The proportion of gold on hand to sight liabilities stands now at 80.75% as against 79.68% a year ago and 77.32% two years ago. Below we furnish a comparison of the various items for three years:

BANK OF FRANCE'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	Changes for Week	Oct. 19 1934	Oct. 20 1934	Oct. 21 1933
Gold holdings	+76,507,995	82,483,048,672	81,786,072,050	82,676,746,776
Credit bals. abroad	No change	9,837,289	1,286,084,479	2,910,102,022
a French commercial bills discounted	+102,000,000	3,552,410,565	2,930,438,251	3,017,997,593
b Bills bought abr'd	No change	924,025,515	1,330,743,057	2,076,777,415
Adv. against secur.	-8,000,000	3,179,499,492	2,801,767,650	2,761,039,629
Note circulation	-803,000,000	79,581,591,890	80,938,578,200	80,548,581,015
Credit current acc'ts	+798,000,000	22,567,141,490	21,709,762,346	26,374,622,840
Proport'n of gold on hand to sight liab.	+0.08%	80.75%	79.68%	77.32%

a Includes bills purchased in France. b Includes bills discounted abroad.

Bank of Germany Statement

THE Bank of Germany in its statement for the third quarter of October shows a further increase in gold and bullion, the current advance being 1,746,000 marks. The Bank's gold now aggregates 81,584,000 marks, in comparison with 389,659,000 marks a year ago and 796,805,000 marks two years ago. Reserve in foreign currency, silver and other coin, notes on other German banks, investments and other daily maturing obligations record increases of 16,000 marks, 77,260,000 marks, 3,145,000 marks, 2,758,000 marks and 147,775,000 marks, respectively. The proportion of gold and foreign currency to note circulation is now 2.41% as compared with 12.4% last year and 27.4% the previous year. Notes in circulation show a loss of 163,239,000 marks, bringing the total of the item down to 3,534,238,000 marks. A year ago circulation stood at 3,413,977,000 marks. A decrease is shown in bills of exchange and checks of 54,155,000 marks, in advances of 5,717,000 marks, in other assets of 17,760,000 marks and in other liabilities of 7,213,000 marks. A comparison of the different items for three years appears below:

REICHSBANK'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	Changes for Week	Oct. 23 1934	Oct. 23 1933	Oct. 22 1932
Assets—	Reichsmarks	Reichsmarks	Reichsmarks	Reichsmarks
Gold and bullion	+1,746,000	81,584,000	389,659,000	796,805,000
Of which depos. abroad	No change	20,851,000	48,934,000	63,351,000
Reserve in foreign curr.	+16,000	3,915,000	23,282,000	137,227,000
Bills of exch. and checks	-54,155,000	3,444,796,000	2,973,375,000	2,639,679,000
Silver and other coin	+77,260,000	132,293,000	273,163,000	267,276,000
Notes on other Ger. bks	+3,145,000	15,323,000	14,519,000	12,209,000
Advances	-5,717,000	66,581,000	53,703,000	84,982,000
Investments	+2,758,000	759,608,000	319,499,000	362,242,000
Other assets	-17,760,000	649,859,000	550,613,000	807,857,000
Liabilities—				
Notes in circulation	-163,239,000	3,534,238,000	3,326,473,000	3,413,977,000
Other daily matur. oblig	+147,775,000	810,285,000	410,629,000	376,872,000
Other liabilities	-7,213,000	236,067,000	237,560,000	750,002,000
Propor. of gold & for'n curr. to note circula'n	+0.15%	2.41%	12.4%	27.4%

New York Money Market

ACTIVITIES in the New York money market were at a minimum this week, with rates showing the downward pressure exerted by the official easy money policy. All maturities of bankers' acceptances were reduced in yield Wednesday, up to 120 days. The downward alteration of 1/16% in yield rates was little more than routine, as it is understood that a number of private transactions previously had been effected at the lower figures. For bills due up to 90 days the new rates are 3/16% bid and 1/8% asked, while bills due from 91 to 120 days now are 5/16% bid and 1/4% asked. The rates on maturities from 121 to 180 days are unchanged at 1/2% bid and 3/8% asked. The Treasury sold on Monday a further issue of \$75,000,000 discount bills due in 182 days, and the average rate on awards was 0.2% on an annual basis. Call loans on the New York Stock Exchange were again 1% for all transactions, while in the unofficial street market rates of 3/4% were reported. Time loans held unchanged at 3/4@1% for all maturities. The brokers' loan total compilation, issued Thursday by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, was somewhat altered this week, and exact comparison with previous totals

no longer can be made. The report now discloses only the loans made by the New York City reporting member banks for their own account, whereas formerly the loans made for account of out-of-town banks and others also were included. The loans for own account on Wednesday night stood at \$636,000,000 against \$626,000,000 a week earlier. The aggregate of loans by such banks on security collateral was \$1,435,000,000 against \$1,434,000,000 last week.

New York Money Rates

DEALING in detail with call loan rates on the Stock Exchange from day to day, 1% remained the ruling quotation all through the week for both new loans and renewals. No transactions have been recorded in the time money section of the financial markets this week. Rates are nominal at 3/4@1% for two to five months and 1@1 1/4% for six months. The market for prime commercial paper has been very active during the greater part of the week. Paper has been coming out in good supply but has been disposed of at once. Rates are 3/4% for extra choice names running from four to six months and 1% for names less known.

Bankers' Acceptances

THE market for prime bankers' acceptances has shown some improvement this week but the market is under normal for this season of the year. Rates were reduced on Wednesday, (Oct. 24) 1-16 of 1%, in both the bid and asked columns, for 30, 60 and 90 day maturities and 1-16 of 1% in the bid column for 120 day maturities. Quotations of the American Acceptance Council for bills up to and including 90 days are 3-16% bid and 1/8% asked; for four months, 5-16% bid and 1/4% asked; for five and six months, 1/2% bid and 3/8% asked. The bill buying rate of the New York Reserve Bank is 1/2% for bills running from 1 to 90 days and proportionately higher for longer maturities. The Federal Reserve banks' holdings of acceptances decreased from \$6,177,000 to \$5,998,000. Their holdings of acceptances for foreign correspondents, also decreased from \$516,000 to \$494,000. Open market rates for acceptances are nominal in so far as the dealers are concerned, as they continue to fix their own rates. The nominal rates for open market acceptances are as follows:

SPOT DELIVERY						
	—180 Days—		—150 Days—		—120 Days—	
	Bid	Asked	Bid	Asked	Bid	Asked
Prime eligible bills.....	1/2	3/8	1/2	3/8	1/16	1/4
	—90 Days—		—60 Days—		—30 Days—	
	Bid	Asked	Bid	Asked	Bid	Asked
Prime eligible bills.....	1/16	1/8	1/16	1/8	1/16	1/8
FOR DELIVERY WITHIN THIRTY DAYS						
Eligible member banks.....						1/2% bid
Eligible non-member banks.....						1/2% bid

Discount Rates of the Federal Reserve Banks

THERE have been no changes this week in the rediscount rates 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

Federal Reserve Bank	Rate in Effect on Oct. 26	Date Established	Previous Rate
Boston.....	2	Feb. 8 1934	2 1/2
New York.....	1 1/2	Feb. 2 1934	2
Philadelphia.....	2 1/2	Nov. 16 1933	3
Cleveland.....	2	Feb. 3 1934	2 1/2
Richmond.....	3	Feb. 9 1934	3 1/2
Atlanta.....	3	Feb. 10 1934	3 1/2
Chicago.....	2 1/2	Oct. 21 1933	3
St. Louis.....	2 1/2	Feb. 8 1934	3
Minneapolis.....	3	Mar. 16 1934	3 1/2
Kansas City.....	3	Feb. 9 1934	3 1/2
Dallas.....	3	Feb. 8 1934	3 1/2
San Francisco.....	2	Feb. 16 1934	2 1/2

Course of Sterling Exchange

STERLING exchange, it was noted here last week, was firmer and more active than in several weeks. Since Saturday last the pound has been ruling still firmer, although the market has not been quite so active. Sterling is firmer in terms of French francs, and has averaged much higher in terms of dollars. The dollar in both London and on the Continent is valued at a fraction under 100% of parity. The range for sterling this week has been between \$4.94 7/8 and \$4.99 for bankers' sight bills, compared with a range of between \$4.90 3/8 and \$4.95 5/8 last week. The range for cable transfers has been between \$4.95 and \$4.99 1/4, compared with a range of between \$4.90 1/2 and \$4.95 3/4 a week earlier.

The following tables give the mean London check rate on Paris from day to day, the London open market gold price and the price paid for gold by the United States:

MEAN LONDON CHECK RATE ON PARIS

Saturday, Oct. 20.....	75.00	Wednesday, Oct. 24.....	75.39
Monday, Oct. 22.....	74.71	Thursday, Oct. 25.....	75.656
Tuesday, Oct. 23.....	75.25	Friday, Oct. 26.....	75.324

LONDON OPEN MARKET GOLD PRICE

Saturday, Oct. 20.....	141s. 2 1/2d.	Wednesday, Oct. 24.....	139s. 10d.
Monday, Oct. 22.....	141s. 6d.	Thursday, Oct. 25.....	139s. 6d.
Tuesday, Oct. 23.....	140s. 3d.	Friday, Oct. 26.....	140s. 3d.

PRICE PAID FOR GOLD BY THE UNITED STATES (FEDERAL RESERVE BANK)

Saturday, Oct. 20.....	35.00	Wednesday, Oct. 24.....	35.00
Monday, Oct. 22.....	35.00	Thursday, Oct. 25.....	35.00
Tuesday, Oct. 23.....	35.00	Friday, Oct. 26.....	35.00

There is nothing essentially new in the entire foreign exchange situation. Rates for all units are quite as demoralized as they have ever been in this long period of unstabilized currencies and bewildered political attitudes on monetary matters and international trade relationships. The volume of actual commercial business in the market is of course tremendously curtailed in comparison with the business done prior to the suspension of gold by Great Britain. The chief factors affecting the wide swings in rates are largely of a psychological nature, induced by fears aroused in one market or another as unfavorable or threatening political or economic events affect the movement of timid capital or as bear speculators fan these fears. For instance, on Monday sterling went off sharply despite its evidently firm trend of the past few weeks, due to a sudden selling of sterling abroad for no known reason. Extremely small transactions under these circumstances produce wide fluctuations.

London appears at a loss to explain the present firmness in the pound, as it is at least two months too soon for seasonal pressure against sterling to cease. Under normal foreign exchange conditions, such as existed prior to the World War and during one or two brief intervals since, the pressure against sterling and the European currencies in terms of dollars would continue until about mid-January. The most reasonable explanation of the current weakness of other currencies in terms of sterling and for their weakness also in terms of the dollar must be sought largely in the smouldering anxieties entertained as to both the actual and probable course of political events on the Continent. While the strength of sterling in terms of the dollar is largely based on European opinion that the dollar, if not due for further devaluation, is most certainly headed for a degree of inflation. The general opinion in European financial circles seems to be that American policies are no clearer now than they have been since the beginning of 1933.

With the advance in sterling in terms of French francs the price of gold in the open market declines in terms of shillings and pence. It still continues high, but as shown by the table above has receded considerably from the record high of 143s. 3d. per ounce reported on Thursday, Oct. 11. The price of gold in London continues to be based on the sterling-franc cross rate and embraces the premium which buyers are willing to pay above the actual London rate of exchange on Paris. This premium has decreased in the past few weeks from nearly a shilling to about 7d. an ounce. This indicates in some measure a diminution in the demand for hoarding, which was a marked feature of the market during the excitement following the assassinations at Marseilles on Oct. 9.

There can be no doubt that funds seek London as the safest place of deposit, and this circumstance alone would be sufficient to give firmness to sterling under the conditions now prevailing in monetary and political circles everywhere. The extreme weakness of French francs and most of the other Continental currencies in terms of dollars is largely due to these psychological factors favoring the flow of funds to London. When anxiety prevails as to internal or external policies of their countries, Europeans buy sterling. The weakness of these Continental currencies in terms of sterling is automatically reflected in the European-dollar cross rates, whether or not there is a demand for dollars abroad. The London market and the foreign exchange markets generally are looking anxiously for some positive declaration of American monetary policy. Money continues in great abundance in the London open market and bill rates are a shade easier. Call money against bills is available at $\frac{1}{2}\%$, two-months' bills at 11-16% to $\frac{3}{4}\%$, three-months' bills at $\frac{3}{4}\%$ to 13-16%, four-months' bills at 13-16% to $\frac{7}{8}\%$, and six-months' bills at $\frac{7}{8}\%$ to 15-16%. All the gold available in the London open market this week seems to have been taken for unknown destination, believed generally to be for account of European hoarders. Some of this gold doubtless reaches the European central banks, but most of it is left on deposit in the vaults of the great London banks. On Saturday last there was available and taken for unknown destination £170,000, on Monday £27,000, on Tuesday £330,000, on Wednesday £567,000, on Thursday £212,000, and on Friday £258,000.

The Bank of England statement for the week ended Oct. 24 shows an increase in gold holdings of £73,924, the total standing at £192,658,261, which compares with £191,786,845 a year ago, and with the minimum of £150,000,000 recommended by the Cunliffe Committee. At the Port of New York the gold movement for the week ended Oct. 24, as reported by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, consisted of imports of \$11,000 from Guatemala. The Reserve Bank reported an increase of \$11,000 in gold earmarked for foreign account. In tabular form the gold movement at the Port of New York for the week ended Oct. 24 was as follows:

GOLD MOVEMENT AT NEW YORK, OCT. 18-OCT. 24, INCLUSIVE	
<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>
\$11,000 from Guatemala	None
<i>Net Change in Gold Earmarked for Foreign Account</i>	
Increase: \$11,000	

The above figures are for the week ended Wednesday evening. On Thursday \$838,000 was received from Canada. There were no exports of the metal or change in gold held earmarked for foreign account.

On Friday there were no imports or exports of gold, or change in gold held earmarked for foreign account.

Canadian exchange continues firm in terms of the United States dollar. On Saturday last Montreal funds were at a premium of from 2% to 2 5-32%, on Monday at 2% to 2 1/8%, on Tuesday at 1 7/8% to 2 1/8%, on Wednesday at 1 7/8% to 2 7-32%, on Thursday at 1 7/8% to 2%, and on Friday at 1 7/8% to 2 1/8%.

The American exchange control granted permits on Monday for the purchase of Canadian dollars in connection with silver purchases in Canada on the new Canadian Commodities Exchange.

Referring to day-to-day rates, sterling exchange on Saturday last was firm. Bankers' sight was \$4.96 $\frac{3}{4}$ @ \$4.97 $\frac{3}{4}$; cable transfer, \$4.96 $\frac{7}{8}$ @ \$4.97 $\frac{7}{8}$. On Monday the pound was easier under pressure abroad. The range was \$4.94 $\frac{7}{8}$ @ \$4.95 $\frac{5}{8}$ for bankers' sight and \$4.95 @ \$4.95 $\frac{7}{8}$ for cable transfers. On Tuesday sterling was firmer and active. Bankers' sight was \$4.96 $\frac{3}{8}$ @ \$4.97 $\frac{5}{8}$; cable transfers, \$4.96 $\frac{1}{2}$ @ \$4.97 $\frac{7}{8}$. On Wednesday exchange on London displayed an upward trend. The range was \$4.97 $\frac{5}{8}$ @ \$4.99 for bankers' sight and \$4.97 $\frac{3}{4}$ @ \$4.99 $\frac{1}{4}$ for cable transfers. On Thursday sterling was less active and slightly easier. The range was \$4.96 $\frac{1}{2}$ @ \$4.98 $\frac{1}{2}$ for bankers' sight and \$4.96 $\frac{3}{4}$ @ \$4.98 $\frac{3}{4}$ for cable transfers. On Friday sterling was lower, the range was \$4.95 $\frac{3}{4}$ @ \$4.97 $\frac{1}{8}$ for bankers' sight and \$4.96 @ \$4.97 $\frac{3}{8}$ for cable transfers. Closing quotations on Friday were \$4.97 for demand and \$4.97 $\frac{1}{4}$ for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at \$4.97; 60-day bills at \$4.96 $\frac{1}{4}$; 90-day bills at \$4.95 $\frac{3}{4}$; documents for payment (60 days) at \$4.96 $\frac{1}{4}$ and 7-day grain bills at \$4.96 $\frac{5}{8}$. Cotton and grain for payment closed at \$4.97.

Continental and Other Foreign Exchange

EXCHANGE on the Continental countries presents no new features from the past few weeks. French francs continue to show great ease in terms of the dollar and on several occasions the rate went below dollar parity, but despite rumors to the contrary, it seems highly improbable that there is any immediate prospect of an outward flow of gold from Paris either to New York or to London. The weakness of the franc in terms of the dollar is very largely a reflection of the weakness of the French unit in terms of sterling. Foreign exchange traders reported that the American exchange control had been selling dollars on a small scale in Paris on Wednesday as a means of arresting a decline in francs and to prevent the possibility of gold imports from France to the United States. These market conjectures as to control operations are, however, not altogether reliable. It is understood that whenever francs have been strong the bankers working for the American fund have sold them at 6.68 and when francs are weak the banks buy at slightly better than 6.60. The weakness of the franc is believed to have resulted from the unfavorable political situation in France and from opinions entertained that the Doumergue Government may face obstacles in its constitutional reform program when Parliament meets on Nov. 6. It would seem that M. Doumergue is encountering opposition from French Senators in his program to amend the constitution. One of the proposals meeting with opposition would give the Government the right to dissolve the Chamber of Deputies with the sole assent of the President of the Republic, without the sanction of the Senate as is now necessary.

The Bank of France statement for the week ended Oct. 19 shows a further increase in gold holdings of 76,507,995 francs. This makes the 33rd weekly increase, bringing the total for the period to 8,554,849,226 francs. Total gold holdings now stand at 82,483,048,672 francs, which compares with 81,786,072,050 francs a year ago and with 28,935,000,000 francs when the unit was stabilized in June 1928. The Bank of France ratio is at the high figure of 80.75%, which compares with 79.68% a year ago and with legal requirement of 35%.

Considerable interest is felt in the resolutions drawn up by the gold bloc delegates who assembled in Brussels on Oct. 20. It suffices to point out here that the delegates representing France, Belgium, Italy, Holland, Switzerland, Luxembourg and Poland declared themselves firmly determined to maintain the gold standard of their respective countries on present parities.

There is nothing essentially new in the German mark situation. For all practical purposes there is no mark exchange and the high quotations for free marks given by the press from day to day represent merely a scarcity value for the limited amount of "free" marks which the Reichsbank makes available to the market. There is increasing nervousness both in Germany and abroad because of the continued slackness of German trade with countries with which clearing agreements exist. Trade with the gold bloc countries has shown a marked decline in recent weeks. Hence an early replenishment of Germany's reserves is hardly in prospect. Both Switzerland and Holland have issued warning against Germany's endeavors to increase exports and reduce imports. At times marks are almost unobtainable in Continental countries and sell temporarily at a premium. The artificial shortage of marks due to the prohibition against the export of German currency and the restriction on transfers was given as the reason that the Reichsbank in the second week of October received more than 1,000,000 marks in foreign gold. The German restrictions have the same effect on the international exchange market as would a sudden reduction of German imports in a period of unrestricted payment.

Italian lire have been relatively weak in terms of dollars for some time. The lira has been under pressure with the result that for the last few months the Bank of Italy's total reserves have been gradually decreasing, except for sporadic recoveries. The principal reason for the decline in reserves appears to be the excess of merchandise importation into Italy over exports. It is believed that recent measures limiting importations of certain classes of goods may improve this feature of the situation. Of course, the sharp decline in tourist traffic during the past few seasons has had an unfavorable influence on lire. The Bank of Italy's gold reserves now total 6,200,000,000 lire, against 7,050,000,000 lire a year ago. The Bank's foreign bills and balances abroad are only 27,000,000 lire, whereas a year ago they were 305,000,000 lire. Despite this heavy decrease, the ratio of reserves to note circulation continues well above the 40% required by law.

The following table shows the relation of the leading European currencies still on gold to the United States dollar:

	Old Dollar Parity	New Dollar Parity	Range This Week
France (franc)-----	3.92	6.63	6.59½ to 6.63½
Belgium (belga)-----	13.90	23.54	23.36 to 23.52
Italy (lira)-----	5.26	8.91	8.56½ to 8.62½
Switzerland (franc)-----	19.30	32.67	32.62½ to 32.83
Holland (guilder)-----	40.20	68.06	67.75 to 68.22

The London check rate on Paris closed on Friday at 75.29, against 74.60 on Friday of last week. In New York, sight bills on the French center finished on Friday at 6.60, against 6.63¼ on Friday of last week; cable transfers at 6.60⅛, against 6.63⅜ and commercial sight bills at 6.57⅛, against 6.61¾. Antwerp belgas closed at 23.37 for bankers' sight bills and at 23.38 for cable transfers, against 23.49 and 23.50. Final quotations for Berlin marks were 40.30 for bankers' sight bills and 40.31 for cable transfers, in comparison with 40.48 and 40.49. Italian lire closed at 8.56½ for bankers' sight bills and at 8.57 for cable transfers, against 8.61½ and 8.62½. Austrian schillings closed at 18.94, against 19.00; exchange on Czechoslovakia at 4.18¾, against 4.20⅝; on Bucharest at 1.01, against 1.01½; on Poland at 18.93, against 19.04 and on Finland at 2.20, against 2.19½. Greek exchange closed at 0.94¼ for bankers' sight bills and at 0.94½ for cable transfers, against 0.94¾ and 0.95.

EXCHANGE on the countries neutral during the war presents mixed trends. The Scandinavian units are firm owing to the firmness in sterling, as they are important members of the sterling bloc. Holland guilders and Swiss francs are easier in terms of dollars than at any time in the past few weeks, though still ruling on average above new dollar parity. These units are also firm in terms of French francs, so that small amounts of gold have been moving from Paris to Zurich and Amsterdam during the past month or more. Switzerland and Holland are of course outstanding members of the gold bloc and the important agreements reached this week by the recent gold bloc conference in Brussels, are of interest in connection with these currencies. The latest statement of the Bank of The Netherlands shows another increase of 4,000,000 guilders in gold reserves, the total now standing at 881,700,000 guilders. Gold cover is now 80.4%. Despite the resolutions of the delegates of the gold bloc countries drawn up at the Brussels conference, a strong body of opinion seems to have found voice in Amsterdam advocating the abandonment of Holland's gold standard policy. At a crowded meeting in Amsterdam on Saturday last, composed apparently of outstanding educators, legislators and leaders of industry, an organization was formed to be known as The Netherlands Society for Managed Currency. Speakers assailed the Government's gold standard policy, declaring it has proved disastrous to Holland's industries, her agriculture, horticulture and virtually all economic activities. They challenged the supporters of the Government's policy publicly to adduce reasons why the gold standard should be maintained.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam finished on Friday at 67.78, against 68.17 on Friday of last week; cable transfers at 67.79, against 68.18 and commercial sight bills at 67.76, against 68.15. Swiss francs closed at 32.65 for checks and at 32.65½ for cable transfers, against 32.80½ and 32.81½. Copenhagen checks finished at 22.21 and cable transfers at 22.22, against 22.11 and 22.12. Checks on Sweden closed at 25.64 and cable transfers at 25.65, against 25.53 and 25.54; while checks on Norway finished at 24.99 and cable transfers at 25.00, against 24.88 and 24.89. Spanish pesetas closed at 13.68 for bankers' sight bills and at 13.69 for cable transfers, against 13.74 and 13.75.

EXCHANGE on the South American countries continues to follow the trend which has been manifest in recent weeks. Rates are not noticeably

concluded that the attempt to limit supply, "as practised to a limited extent" under General Johnson, was "a mistake" which is "almost unanimously deprecated by Administration advisers." As such restriction appears in the industrial codes, it takes the form of limitation of the number of hours per week in which machinery may be operated, a restriction of the installation of new equipment, and a prohibition of sales below the cost of production. President Roosevelt was represented as "believing that price advances created by increased consumer demand would be of a more healthy nature than those brought into being by artificial restriction of supply." The need of a new policy at this point, accordingly, is said to be one of the first conclusions which the new NRA Board has reached after some weeks of consideration.

Commenting upon this conclusion, the "Times" correspondent noted that the new Board was believed to be "turning from emphasis upon overproduction, which was felt to have been much exaggerated," and to be "attacking matters along the line of attracting the consumer by low prices to buy goods." "Prices," it was said, "are to be lowered by permitting mass-production plants to operate at capacity, thus reducing unit costs. Increased demand will cause manufacturers to take on more laborers to produce goods. Increasing consumption will cause prices to stiffen at the same time as employment is increasing and new consumers are being brought into the market." The Board has been impressed by the contrast between the textile industry, "whose code contains restrictive provisions and whose nation-wide strike resulted in a decline in employment and a loss of earnings," and the automobile industry, which has no production limitations but was nevertheless "observed to have enjoyed a comparatively sustained demand for some time for its production."

It was further pointed out that the new policy would, it was hoped, "help to relieve unemployment in the heavy goods industries," and in general "create places for large numbers of foremen and higher-paid supervisory workmen." As this latter group "buys and builds homes, the Board believes that the building industry, worst hit of all the capital goods undertakings, would benefit." A change of policy appears to have been further dictated by the complaints of manufacturers that they are unable, under the codes, to take advantage of improved technological processes which would lower costs of production, without first obtaining the approval of code authorities largely composed of competitors, and of textile operators that they are prevented by the codes from speeding up production to the point where increased output would be reflected in lower costs. To these arguments has been added the fact that restriction of working hours has not increased employment, and that the increased purchasing power which was supposed to follow an employment spread has not been forthcoming.

It may seem ungracious, perhaps, to remark that the Board, if it has actually decided that a change is necessary, has done no more than recognize what it has all along been evident would have to be recognized before industrial and business recovery could be assured. Yet it has been perfectly obvious, throughout the more than fifteen months since the National Recovery Administration was set up, that a policy of restricting production would inevitably

bring about exactly such results as it is now seen to have brought. It has again and again been pointed out that a rise in prices, if it is not wholly artificial, can be brought about only through increased demand, and that there can be no effective and long-continued increase in demand unless the goods are available through which the demand can be satisfied. It has been pointed out equally often that increased wages do not of themselves increase purchasing power, since they not only do not increase production but they also add to unit costs. As the authors of "America's Capacity to Consume," published recently by the Brookings Institution at Washington, rightly say: "No matter how much we may increase wage rates with a view to expanding purchasing power, we will not find available in the market places the goods which minister to the satisfaction of human wants unless they are produced. Whether we live under a wage, price or profit system or under a completely communistic method of economic organization, it will always be true that the level of consumption or the standard of living can be raised only through the production of food, clothing, shelter, comforts and luxuries."

It is greatly to be hoped that the new policy which the National Industrial Recovery Board is believed to have agreed upon, and which it should shortly be able to formulate, will be adopted. It is in every way most fervently to be desired that the mistaken policy of putting the cart before the horse, and restricting production on the visionary theory that more goods at higher prices will thereby be bought by more consumers, may be abandoned and industry be left free to produce without let or hindrance. It is a mockery of common sense that factories should stand idle or operate on part time or at low rates of production because Executive usurpation at Washington forbids them to get busy and go out after the market which is at their doors. Yet the stimulus of the change will fall far short of what it should be if the abandonment is not thoroughgoing. It will not be enough merely to tell industry to go ahead and produce to whatever limit it may judge to represent effective demand. Industry must also be freed from the shackles of Government price fixing, and from labor union tyranny under the guise of Government-protected "collective bargaining." It must be freed from the menace of Government competition through Government-operated factories run ostensibly to give work to the unemployed, and from the greater menace of throttling taxation due to unrestrained Government spending. It must be assured that the currency will not be further tampered with and that the gold standard will, at the earliest practicable moment, be restored and maintained. It is from all these things that industry and trade now suffer, and there can be no complete return to normal until all these obstacles have been removed.

Moreover, if the policy of restricting production is to be abandoned for industry, there is no reason why it should not also be abandoned for agriculture. It is difficult to perceive any sound reason why Government restrictions should be lifted from the products of factories and kept on for wheat, corn, hogs, cotton or tobacco. The effect of restriction in agriculture has been in part concealed by processing taxes, huge Government bounties, prodigal and hectic Government purchases and Government guarantees of prices, but the actual effect is the same in the directions of restricted purchases and no relief

of unemployment. It is as important for the nation that it should have an abundant supply of food and other agricultural products at prices which it can afford to pay as that it shall be abundantly supplied, on equally favorable terms, with clothing, fuel, shelter and other necessities and reasonable comforts. The entire structure of enforced restriction should be swept away, and the whole of American industry, whatever its form, freed from bondage to fatuous Government theories which affect to see in artificial scarcity a stimulus to recovery, and in Government fiat something better and safer than individual liberty.

Unfortunately, one cannot be very hopeful as yet that anything so wise and beneficent will be done. The Government restrictions on the cotton crop, it was announced on Oct. 20, are to be continued for 1935. The prosecution by the Government of Fred C. Perkins, a small manufacturer of storage batteries near York, Pa., who is unable, because of the smallness of his business, to pay the minimum wages stipulated in the code for the industry, is typical of the threat which hangs over many small manufacturers who find themselves enmeshed in the code requirements. The demand of the American Federation of Labor for a 30-hour week was to be placed before the Labor Advisory Board on Thursday, and there is reason to expect that the demand will be strongly pressed upon the Administration and, if need be, upon Congress. On Wednesday a new outbreak of strikes in the textile industry, directed against employers who are alleged to have discriminated against union workers in re-employment since the recent strike, was predicted by Francis J. Gorman, the director of the strike in September. There is no evidence that organized labor, whether it stands by the 30-hour week or not, is willing to accept any extension of labor hours, or will cease to press for higher wages unless, as has been suggested, a way can be found to guarantee continuous employment for relatively long periods.

Beyond these incidents, all of them straws which show how the air currents are moving, is the attitude of Mr. Roosevelt himself. If he approves the change of policy which the Industrial Recovery Board is believed to favor, it will be adopted; if he withholds his assent, the change will remain in suspense or be quietly dropped by the wayside. There should be no mistaking the importance of the problem which apparently is to be presented to him, for the restriction policy has been one of the fundamental dogmas of his recovery faith, and it will be no easy matter for him to turn away from it now. There have been some slight indications of late, however, that he has begun to realize the strength of the opposition which has been rising in industrial and business circles, and that he may be prepared to make good his early assurance that features of the recovery program that were found to work badly would be abandoned. If he is, there will be ground for hoping that the industrial freedom which has long been exiled may be brought back, and production again be allowed to develop on natural lines.

Foreign Trade Zones

The board recently established by President Roosevelt to provide for the establishment, operation, and maintenance of foreign trade zones in ports of entry of the United States, to expedite and encourage foreign commerce, and for other purposes, has just

issued a bulletin in the nature of preliminary advice to prospective applicants for foreign-trade zone charters.

A foreign-trade zone is described as an isolated, enclosed and policed area, under the supervision of a designated board of Federal officials, operated as a public utility by a corporation, in or adjacent to a port of entry, without resident population, furnished with the necessary facilities for lading and unloading, for storing goods, and for re-shipping them by land and water; an area into which goods may be brought, stored, and subjected to certain specified manipulation operations.

Goods are not permitted to be manufactured or exhibited in such an area, which is subject equally with adjacent regions to all the laws relating to public health, vessel inspection, postal service, immigration, and to the supervision of Federal agencies having jurisdiction in ports of entry, including customs, to a limited extent.

The establishment of foreign-trade zones in the United States has been urged periodically for several years, but not until the last session of Congress were the advocates successful in obtaining the necessary legislation. The policy of the Government has been favorable, however, for a number of years, to the kind of commerce which the foreign-trade zone is designated to promote. This has been expressed in the bonded warehouse, the bonded manufacturing warehouse, and the drawback system, which were instituted to relieve re-export trade from the restrictions incident to the administration of the tariff and custom laws.

Free-trade ports were first established in Europe as early as the fifteenth century. However, those which were in operation between the fifteenth and nineteenth centuries were later abandoned or modified in order to make them consistent with modern requirements. So to-day no free-trade ports or wholly free ports of the type common to the period prior to the nineteenth century remain in continental Europe. Genoa and Leghorn, established in 1876 and 1883, respectively, were the first free ports as they are known to-day. Shortly thereafter, zones were established at Trieste, Hamburg, Bremen, Stettin, Copenhagen, and Danzig, and at Stockholm, Cadiz, and Barcelona, during the first 2½ decades of the twentieth century. These constitute some of the most widely known free ports, Hamburg, being considered the most important, although there are more than 40 free ports in various parts of the world.

Explanation of the Act

The Act, approved June 18 1934, which provides for the establishment, operation, and maintenance of foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to ports of entry of the United States, is only enabling legislation permitting public and private corporations to establish such zones. The initiative is left to the locality, and upon the corporation, public or private, receiving the grant are imposed all risks and costs of operation, including customs-service costs resulting from the assignment to the zone of necessary customs officers and guards required under the Act.

A board, consisting of the Secretary of Commerce, who shall be Chairman and Executive Officer, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Secretary of War, will carry out the provisions of the Act.

Both public and private corporations may be organized for the purpose of establishing, operating,

and maintaining a foreign-trade zone. However, in making grants the board is directed to give preference to a public corporation, by which is meant a State, political subdivision thereof, or municipality, or a corporate municipal instrumentality of one or more States. Where a State owns or controls harbor facilities in a port of entry and in which State other harbor facilities are owned and controlled by a municipality, the board is not to grant the application of any public corporation for the establishment of a zone in the State unless the application has been authorized by an Act of the State Legislature, enacted after the date of the passing of this Act. By a private corporation is meant any corporation (other than a public corporation) which is chartered for this specific purpose by the State or States in which the zone is to be established after the date of enactment of this law.

The board is authorized, subject to the conditions and restrictions of the Act, and the rules and regulations made thereunder, upon application to grant to corporations the privilege of establishing, operating, and maintaining foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to ports of entry under the jurisdiction of the United States.

Each port of entry shall be entitled to at least one zone, but when a port of entry is located within the confines of more than one State such port of entry shall be entitled to a zone in each State, and when two cities, separated by water, are embraced in one port of entry, a zone may be authorized in each city or in territory adjacent thereto. If the board finds that zones which may hereafter exist or be authorized are not adequate to serve the convenience of commerce, it may authorize additional zones.

Foreign and domestic merchandise of every description (except merchandise prohibited by law) may, without being subject to customs laws of the United States, be brought into such zones and may be stored, broken up, re-packed, assembled, distributed, sorted, graded, cleaned, mixed with foreign or domestic merchandise, or otherwise manipulated, but not manufactured or exhibited, and be exported. Foreign merchandise may be sent into customs territory of the United States from a zone, in the original package, or otherwise, but when foreign merchandise is so sent from a zone into customs territory, such merchandise shall be subject to the laws and regulations of the United States affecting imported merchandise.

If the privilege is requested, however, merchandise may be unladen under customs supervision, appraised, and the duties liquidated thereon. Such merchandise may then be stored or manipulated under appropriate regulations, and within two years after such unloading, whether mixed with domestic merchandise or not, be sent into customs territory. Such merchandise must be disposed of within the two-year period and out of the proceeds the duties be paid and the remainder, if any, delivered to the owners of the property.

Domestic merchandise may be taken into a zone from customs territory of the United States and brought back thereto free of duty, whether or not it has been combined with or made part of other articles, while in such zone, provided proper identification of the merchandise has been maintained. If the identity has not been properly maintained, such merchandise shall be treated when it re-enters cus-

toms territory, as foreign merchandise under provisions of the tariff laws in force at that time.

Vessels entering and leaving a zone shall be subject to the operation of the laws of the United States, and vessels leaving a zone and entering customs territory shall be subject to appropriate regulations to protect the revenue. Vessels under foreign flags are not permitted to carry merchandise shipped from one foreign-trade zone to another zone or port in the protected coastwise trade of the United States.

Regulations are now being prepared prescribing, among other provisions, the form of application for the privilege of establishing, operating, and maintaining a foreign-trade zone. Pending the promulgation of these regulations, those having the establishment of a zone under consideration are advised to proceed with the investigations necessary to determine whether establishment is justified to expedite and encourage foreign commerce.

Seeking World Markets

According to a statement recently made by Claudius T. Murchison, Director of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, the internal economy not only of the United States but of every Western nation is adjusted to the demands not of the local market but of the world market. Defeat of the international trade program, he declared, would automatically defeat the major objectives of the past and with them all the equipment, training and territorial distribution which those objectives induced.

His advocacy of a broadened foreign trade program included a denunciation of "the fallacious theory that foreign trade is really unimportant," a brief resume of trade statistics and their background to support his contention, and an explanatory description of the proposed reciprocal trade agreements, whereby it is hoped to revivify and stimulate foreign trade in general.

Civilization itself, Dr. Murchison reminded, had its beginnings at the crossroads of trade where caravans met. He pointed out that the history of economic power and social progress may be traced along the routes of trade and commerce, but even history, he added, fails to supply complete evidence of the dependence of national greatness upon world trade and the fact that the economic structure of a modern country requires the continuance of such trade.

Pointing out that American export trade shrank from over \$5,000,000,000 in 1929 to less than \$2,000,000,000 in 1933, Dr. Murchison called attention to the fact that during the first eight months of this year American exports increased approximately 45% over the exports in the corresponding period of 1933. Some of this encouraging increase may be attributed, he said, to the reciprocal trade agreements and the anticipation thereof. Quickened momentum in trade with Cuba immediately following the consummation of the trade agreement with that country was cited as a specific example. Just a few days after the agreement was in force a steamer cleared from New York with the largest cargo of American goods for Cuba since 1920. One million pounds of lard, automobiles and other goods cleared for Cuba concurrently with the publication of the agreement provisions. In view of the Cuban example, the United States seems justified in antici-

pating an increased demand for many of its diversified products with the consummation of similar agreements with Haiti, Brazil and other countries.

The decline in international trade, one of the aftermaths of the depression and its accompanying trade barriers, such as tariffs, have resulted, Dr. Murchison said, in a miasma of nationalism with certain pessimists formulating theories of self-sufficiency.

Such theories, he declared, have no basis in history or in the fundamental demands of current economic life, and therefore are no more enduring than the circumstances which have brought them about. Nevertheless, the maintenance of international trade and the largest part of our business activity which is dependent upon it can be accomplished only by demolition of these barriers which at the moment are so effective.

To this purpose our Government in its present policy has firmly set itself.

We have inaugurated a program of reciprocal trade agreements, each agreement being reached by way of bargaining. From the other country we seek concessions which will favor the sale of our commodities, and in return we grant similar concessions for those commodities which we need. Such concessions usually take the form of preferential tariff schedules; but many also involve adjustments regarding the taxation of foreign products and more liberal quota allowances, more lenient exchange control or less rigid administrative restrictions in imports.

Underlying all this bargaining is a tacit and intelligent assumption that the maintenance of exports is conditioned upon the acceptance of imports.

The making of such compacts is a highly scientific procedure. It requires a complete fund of information as to the market possibilities abroad for every commodity which we export, and an equally careful study of all commodities whose import we are prepared to encourage. Every precaution is taken to lower the tariff duties only on those commodities whose entrance offers no threat to the welfare of American industry. Moreover, no concessions are granted to any foreign country which in our opinion are not balanced by equally favorable concessions to American commodities.

The importance of international trade, the Commerce Department official continued, is shown by the fact that it is necessary to export from 50% to 60% of our cotton if we are to obviate the serious economic impairment of 20,000,000 of our people. In the case of tobacco, automobiles, machine tools, chemicals, and many other commodities, the export volume is sufficiently high to make it of major importance to the well-being of the industries involved. Under these circumstances, it is self-evident that a national policy directed toward the maintenance of these exports should encourage equally the return flow of goods which makes the exports possible.

Thus, he concluded, the treaties will not only open up channels for international transactions, but will assure in addition the keeping open of these channels in order that long-range planning in international trade will once more become possible. It is only one—but a very important one—of the essentials of national recovery. Without its consummation the economic power which makes for national greatness, as we have come to view it through the centuries, is impossible.

BOOK REVIEW

CONTEMPORARY LEGISLATIVE AND BANKING PROBLEMS—A Non-Technical Treatment of the Laws, Services and Regulations Resulting from the Economic Crisis, and a Discussion of the Banking Problems Arising Therefrom. American Institute of Banking, 22 East 40th Street, New York. 324 pages, \$1.50.

The purpose of this text is to aid the banker in understanding what situations the different acts have been intended to correct, just how they have gone about it, and what the results have been to date. The problems which these acts have created for the banker—for example, the influence of the RFC and the Banking Act of 1933 on banking institutions—are discussed, and a survey is made of the changes wrought in the structure of the Federal Reserve System. The operations of the Federal Home Loan Bank System and the competitive importance of this organization in the field of savings banking are also studied. In other words, critical consideration is given to action taken under the New Deal legislation in the fields of money, banking, and price control.

Included in the subject matter is a discussion of the following: the banking holiday and the Emergency Banking Act of 1933 that grew out of it, various problems having to do with gold and money, agricultural problems, the Securities Act of 1933, and the various regulatory measures having to do with stock exchanges. Of especial interest is the discussion of the Banking Act of 1933, which includes an explanation of the rules and regulations that have been issued concerning various portions of the act.

The following is a list of the chapter headings, which will give some indication of the scope of the subject matter treated in this text:

- The Reconstruction Finance Corporation.
- Other Hoover Measures and Their Later Amendment.
- The Bank Holiday and the Emergency Banking Act of 1933.
- The Gold Problem.
- The Problem of Financing the Home Owner.
- The Control of the Exchange of Securities.
- The Problem of Bank Regulation.
- National Recovery and the Banks.
- The Problem of Financing the Farmer.

The Course of the Bond Market

A decline in bond prices on Friday brought them down from new highs for the September-October advance, reached earlier in the week. On Wednesday the average yield for Aaa bonds reattained the year's low of 3.86%, first recorded on July 20. United States Government issues, at an average of 104.99 for eight long-term bonds, made a new high for the movement, but have recovered only about half of the loss from July to September.

The impetus to lower grade bonds was given on Wednesday by a court decision declaring that the Railroad Pension Act was unconstitutional. The resultant rise in all railroad issues brought the average for Baa rails up to new high levels for this upturn. Baa utilities advanced also and were not far from their July highs. A reaction of considerable proportions on Friday erased the greater part of the advance since Monday.

High-grade railroad bonds continued their advance through Thursday, and moderate gains were witnessed for the week, despite Friday's decline. Atchison gen. 4s, 1995, closed at 103½ compared with 102⅞ last week; Union Pacific 1st 4s, 1947, at 107¼ were up ½ point. Higher prices were general throughout the medium-grade rail market. Illinois Central ref. 4s, 1955, advanced 1½ points to 82; Southern Railway 5s, 1994, closed at 98⅞, up 2½ since a week ago. Lower-grade railroad bonds were generally lower than a week ago. Baltimore & Ohio conv. 4½s, 1960, closed at 55⅞ compared with 56 last week; Erie ref. 5s, 1975, declined 1¼ to 66¼; Louisiana & Arkansas 1st 5s, 1969, gained 1 point to close at 60⅞; Missouri Pacific conv. 5½s, 1949, closed the week at 7½ compared with 7¾ last Friday.

Utility bonds moved upward slowly but steadily, with high grades reaching the top levels obtained earlier in the year. Such issues as Buffalo General Electric 4½s, 1981, and Boston Consolidated Gas 5s, 1947, went into new high ground. Lower grades also made progress. Portland Gas & Coke 5s, 1940, advanced ¼ to 79¼ for the week; Florida Power Corp. 5½s, 1979, gained ¾ point to close at 71¼; National Power & Light 6s, 2026, at 72½ were up 2⅞; Texas Power & Light 6s, 2022, made a gain of 2 points, closing at 82. Outstanding strength, however, was evident in the bonds of California utilities, such issues as Southern Counties Gas 4½s, 1968; Los Angeles Gas & Electric 5s, 1961, and Pacific Gas & Electric 4½s, 1960, gaining two and three

points. Reports of growing opposition to the Democratic gubernatorial nominee in California have brought about considerable recovery in the prices of California utility bonds in the past few weeks.

Net changes in prices of industrial issues on the whole were small. Steels moved in a narrow range, and tire and rubber issues were quiet. Oils were steadier and firmer in some cases where declines occurred the preceding week, such as Skelly Oil 5 1/2s, 1939, which advanced 1/2 point to 92 3/4. In the motion picture group, while Loew's 6s, 1941, advanced fractionally to a new high at 103 3/4, Warner Bros. Pictures 6s, 1939, dropped 2 points to 58, and the several Paramount issues lost about the same amount. The feature of the week was Baldwin Locomotive 6s, 1938. The bonds ex-warrants broke 23 1/4 points, and those with warrants 29 3/4

points, on Thursday, with little change on Friday, when they closed at 70 1/4 and 80, respectively, compared to 93 1/2 ex-warrants and 111 1/2 with warrants, last Friday. The Baldwin Locomotive 1st 5s, 1940, dropped only 1 1/2 on Thursday, but lost 6 1/4 points on Friday, closing the week at 100 1/4, down 7 1/2 for the week. The company announced it would not pay interest Nov. 1 on the 5s, 1940, held in the sinking fund.

Prices of foreign bonds reacted fractionally. Chilean, Argentine and Colombian issues in the South American group and Germans in the European group were among the weakest. Austrian bonds were up. Scandinavians were steady, as were Finnish bonds, while Italians were irregular.

Moody's computed bond prices and bond yield averages are given in the following tables:

MOODY'S BOND PRICES † (Based on Average Yields)

Table with columns: 1934 Daily Averages, U.S. Govt Bonds, 120 Domestic Corp., 120 Domestic Corporate by Ratings (Aaa, Aa, A, Baa), and 120 Domestic Corporate by Groups (RR., P. U., Indus.). Rows include dates from Oct 26 to Oct 26 '32.

MOODY'S BOND YIELD AVERAGES † (Based on Individual Closing Prices)

Table with columns: 1934 Daily Averages, All 120 Domestic, 120 Domestic Corporate by Ratings (Aaa, Aa, A, Baa), and 120 Domestic Corporate by Groups (RR., P. U., Indus.). Rows include dates from Oct 26 to Oct 26 '32.

* These prices are computed from average yields on the basis of one "ideal" bond (4 1/2% coupon, maturing in 31 years) and do not purport to show either the average level or the average movement of actual price quotations. They merely serve to illustrate in a more comprehensive way the relative levels and the relative movement of yield averages, the latter being the truer picture of the bond market. For Moody's index of bond prices by months back to 1925, see the issue of Feb. 6 1932, page 907. ** Actual average price of 8 long-term Treasury issues. † The latest complete list of bonds used in computing these indexes was published in the issue of Oct. 13 1934, page 2264. †† Average of 30 foreign bonds but adjusted to a comparable basis with previous averages of 40 foreign bonds.

Indications of Business Activity

THE STATE OF TRADE—COMMERCIAL EPITOME

Friday Night, Oct. 26 1934.

There is cumulative and increasing evidence of a better business in nearly all parts of the country. The Central Bank project has been abandoned, and there is evidently now some pressure to increase private bank loans. Retail and wholesale business continued to expand, and industrial activity made a fairly good exhibit. Electric output rose 0.7% for the week, and shows a rise of 3.0% over the same week last year. Steel operations increased to 23.9% of capacity, the highest level reached since the end of September. Bituminous coal production showed little change from the previous week, but it was nearly 5% above the 1933

total. The crude oil flow showed a further reduction, but continued above the Federal allowable. There was a slight increase in production and orders of lumber, but orders and shipments were below the output. The demand at retail has broadened to such an extent that proposed special sales in many instances have been abandoned. The recent mild weather has hurt the sales of women's coats, men's clothing, and various lines of winter merchandise. In the wholesale line new business and re-orders were larger. Sales of groceries, housewares, furniture, office appliances and equipment, and Christmas merchandise continued to increase. Wholesale food prices were weaker. Retail failures were fewer. Cotton was less active, and prices showed a

sagging tendency during the week. The spot situation at the South continued deadlocked, with farmers holding for higher prices or putting their cotton into the Government 12c. loan. Grain markets were also rather quiet, with the trend downward, owing to general liquidation prompted at times by weaker foreign markets. Corn showed some resistance at times, but finally yielded with wheat. Sugar declined under selling recently induced by the announcement that the Cuban Institute had withdrawn their offer to sell the balance of their quota to American refiners, amounting to approximately 360,000 tons. Coffee futures were fairly active, but somewhat lower, owing to liquidation by commission houses. Spot coffee was in small demand. Hides were only moderately active, but weaker. Sentiment in copper was better, owing to reports of curtailment of production and a better foreign situation. Lead was in good demand and steady, but zinc was quiet. Rubber was dull and lower. A tornado in Missouri on the 23rd inst. killed two war veterans at a Civilian Conservation Corps camp and razed many buildings.

A gale registering 83 miles an hour swept from the Gulf of Alaska toward the Pacific Northwest, causing many deaths and undetermined property damage. The Puget Sound country had winds of hurricane proportions which killed seven persons and did considerable damage to shipping. Rains were general in Iowa late last week, and were the first of generous proportions during the month. Good soaking rains also fell in Nebraska on the 19th inst. which greatly benefited winter wheat and rye pastures. On the 24th inst. one of the highest tides struck the Jersey coast since 1917 and flooded streets and private estates and hampered traffic. The weather here has been generally fair, with moderate temperatures. To-day it was raining and cold here, with temperatures ranging from 46 to 56 degrees. The forecast was for fair to-night and Saturday; cooler to-night. Overnight at Boston it was 46 to 56 degrees; Baltimore, 56 to 64; Pittsburgh, 46 to 74; Portland, Me., 40 to 56; Chicago, 44 to 64; Cincinnati, 44 to 64; Cleveland, 46 to 68; Detroit, 40 to 62; Charleston, 60 to 74; Milwaukee, 44 to 62; Dallas, 58 to 84; Savannah, 58 to 80; Kansas City, Mo., 54 to 70; Springfield, Mo., 52 to 66; St. Louis, 50 to 66; Oklahoma City, 56 to 80; Denver, 46 to 74; Salt Lake City, 44 to 70; Los Angeles, 64 to 92; San Francisco, 62 to 76; Seattle, 46 to 52; Montreal, 46 to 62, and Winnipeg, 30 to 46.

Moody's Daily Index of Staple Commodity Prices in Moderate Decline

Basic commodity markets have been ruled largely by sentiment in the security markets this week, so that the active ones were mostly lower. Moody's Daily Index of Staple Commodity Prices declined 1.6 points to 143.4, the lowest point, by a very narrow margin, since July 31.

Ten of the fifteen staples comprising the Index registered losses during the week, two advanced, and three—hides, copper and cotton—were unchanged. The most important decline was in hogs, which are now in their heaviest marketing period. This decline was responsible for more than half of the net decline in the Index number. Wheat was next, while coffee, sugar, rubber, corn, lead, silver, silk and cocoa all registered fractional losses. Steel scrap and wool tops advanced slightly.

The movement of the Index number during the week, with comparisons, follows:

Fri., Oct. 19	145.0	2 Weeks Ago,	Oct. 12	Holiday
Sat., Oct. 20	144.5	Month Ago,	Sept. 26	149.7
Mon., Oct. 22	144.5	Year Ago,	Oct. 26	124.8
Tues., Oct. 23	144.5	1933 High,	July 18	148.9
Wed., Oct. 24	145.0	Low	Feb. 4	78.7
Thurs., Oct. 25	143.9	1934 High	Aug. 29	156.2
Fri., Oct. 26	143.4	Low	Jan. 2	126.0

Revenue Freight Car Loadings for Latest Week Again Higher Than Preceding Week but Continue Below Week of 1933

Loadings of revenue freight for the week ended Oct. 20 1934 totaled 640,280 cars. This is an increase of 4,641 cars or 0.7% over the preceding week but a loss of 16,725 cars or 2.5% from the total for the like week of 1933. The comparison with the corresponding week of 1932 was likewise unfavorable the present weeks total loadings being 1,705 cars or 0.3% lower. For the week ended Oct. 13 loadings were 5.2% lower than the corresponding week of 1933 and 2.2% smaller than the like week of 1932. Loadings

for the week ended Oct. 6 showed a loss of 4.7% when compared with 1933 but a gain of 1.0% when the comparison is with the same week of 1932.

The first 16 major railroads to report for the week ended Oct. 20 1934 loaded a total of 272,032 cars of revenue freight on their own lines, compared with 273,290 cars in the preceding week and 281,493 cars in the seven days ended Oct. 21 1933. A comparative table follows:

REVENUE FREIGHT LOADED AND RECEIVED FROM CONNECTIONS (Number of Cars)

	Loaded on Own Lines Weeks Ended			Rec'd from Connections Weeks Ended		
	Oct. 1934	Oct. 13 1934	Oct. 21 1933	Oct. 1934	Oct. 13 1934	Oct. 21 1933
	Atchafalaya Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.	21,206	21,692	23,196	5,790	5,698
Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.	21,723	21,674	22,592	8,087	8,629	8,637
Chicago Burlington & Quincy RR	18,685	18,832	18,899	7,649	8,102	7,991
Chic. Milw. St. Paul & Pac. Ry.	19,121	19,220	18,129	7,023	7,323	6,425
Chicago & North Western Ry.	16,112	16,861	15,046	6,659	9,663	8,764
Gulf Coast Lines	1,893	1,976	1,996	1,607	1,777	1,251
Internat. Great Northern RR.	2,996	3,445	2,262	1,857	2,305	1,836
Missouri-Kansas Texas RR.	4,578	4,841	5,375	2,795	2,834	2,887
Missouri Pacific RR.	15,020	15,577	15,673	7,980	7,975	7,030
New York Central Lines	39,537	38,278	43,597	53,291	52,601	55,600
N. Y. Chicago & St. Louis Ry.	4,413	4,732	4,260	7,447	7,436	7,632
Norfolk & Western Ry.	17,796	18,464	19,236	3,555	3,785	3,696
Pennsylvania RR.	54,935	52,658	57,559	33,426	32,627	33,986
Pere Marquette Ry.	4,655	4,526	4,331	4,300	3,892	4,062
Southern Pacific Lines	24,193	25,248	24,031	x	x	x
Wabash Ry.	5,169	5,266	5,311	6,584	6,853	6,522
Total	272,032	273,290	281,493	160,950	161,500	161,514

x Not reported. y Excluding ore.

TOTAL LOADINGS AND RECEIPTS FROM CONNECTIONS

(Number of Cars)

	Weeks Ended		
	Oct. 20 1934	Oct. 13 1934	Oct. 21 1933
Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Ry.	22,446	22,966	21,472
Illinois Central System	29,110	28,670	27,681
St. Louis-San Francisco Ry.	13,087	13,962	14,920
Total	64,643	65,598	64,073

The Association of American Railroads in reviewing the week ended Oct. 13 reported as follows:

Loading of revenue freight for the week ended Oct. 13 totaled 635,639 cars, an increase of 4,321 cars above the preceding week, but reductions of 35,041 cars below the corresponding week in 1933, and 14,051 cars below the corresponding week in 1932.

Miscellaneous freight loading for the week ended Oct. 13 totaled 247,497 cars, an increase of 7,571 cars above the preceding week, but 840 cars below the corresponding week in 1933. It was, however, an increase of 8,314 cars above the corresponding week in 1932.

Loading of merchandise less than carload lot freight totaled 161,451 cars, a decrease of 3,539 cars below the preceding week this year, 10,629 cars below the corresponding week in 1933, and 15,507 cars below the same week in 1932.

Grain and grain products loading totaled 30,601 cars, a decrease of 1,133 cars below the preceding week, but 1,772 cars above the corresponding week in 1933. It was, however, a decrease of 2,475 cars below the same week in 1932. In the Western districts alone, grain and grain products loading for the week ended Oct. 13 totaled 20,211 cars, an increase of 991 cars above the same week in 1933.

Forest products loading totaled 21,855 cars, a decrease of 481 cars below the preceding week, and 3,232 cars below the same week in 1933, but an increase of 2,303 cars above the same week in 1932.

Ore loading amounted to 17,934 cars, a decrease of 1,332 cars below the preceding week, and 15,865 cars below the corresponding week in 1933, but an increase of 10,805 cars above the corresponding week in 1932.

Coal loading amounted to 119,399 cars, an increase of 1,942 cars above the preceding week, but reductions of 11,557 cars below the corresponding week in 1933, and 24,313 cars below the same week in 1932.

Coke loading amounted to 5,469 cars, a decrease of 405 cars below the preceding week, and 1,568 cars below the same week in 1933, but an increase of 278 cars above the same week in 1932.

Live stock amounted to 31,433 cars, an increase of 1,698 cars above the preceding week, 6,878 cars above the same week in 1933, and 6,544 cars above the same week in 1932. In the Western districts alone, loading of live stock for the week ended Oct. 13 totaled 26,076 cars, an increase of 5,758 cars above the same week in 1933.

All districts, except the southwestern, reported reductions for the week ended Oct. 13, compared with the corresponding week in 1933. All districts except the Northwestern reported reductions compared with the corresponding week in 1932.

Loading of revenue freight in 1934 compared with the two previous years follows.

	1934	1933	1932
Four weeks in January	2,177,562	1,924,208	2,266,771
Four weeks in February	2,304,869	1,970,566	2,243,221
Five weeks in March	3,059,217	2,354,521	2,825,798
Four weeks in April	2,334,831	2,025,564	2,229,173
Four weeks in May	2,441,653	2,143,194	2,088,088
Five weeks in June	3,078,199	2,926,247	2,454,769
Four weeks in July	2,346,297	2,498,390	1,932,704
Four weeks in August	2,419,908	2,531,141	2,064,798
Five weeks in September	3,142,263	3,240,849	2,867,370
Week ended Oct. 6	631,318	662,373	625,089
Week ended Oct. 13	635,639	670,680	649,690
Total	24,575,756	22,947,783	22,247,471

In the following table we undertake to show also the loadings for the separate roads and systems for the week ended Oct. 13 1934. During this period a total of 56 roads showed increases when compared with the corresponding week last year. The most important of these roads which showed increases were the Southern Pacific Co. (Pacific Lines), the Chicago Milwaukee St. Paul & Pacific Ry. and the Chicago & North Western RR.:

Weekly Electric Production Higher Than in Preceding Week—3.0% Above Like Week of 1933

According to the Edison Electric Institute, the production of electricity by the electric light and power industry of the United States for the week ended Oct. 20 was 1,667,505,000 kwh., a gain of 3.0% over the same week in 1933, when output totaled 1,618,795,000 kwh. Production for the seven days ended Oct. 13 1934 amounted to 1,656,864,000 kwh., as compared with 1,618,948,000 kwh. for the week ended Oct. 14 1933, a gain of 2.3%. The Institute's statement follows:

PER CENT INCREASES (1934 OVER 1933)

Major Geographic Divisions	Week Ended Oct. 20 1934	Week Ended Oct. 13 1934	Week Ended Oct. 6 1934	Week Ended Sept. 29 1934
New England	x4.4	x3.3	x4.6	x5.9
Middle Atlantic	3.0	2.8	2.0	2.7
Central Industrial	1.3	x0.8	x0.9	x1.9
West Central	5.6	6.5	6.4	2.3
Southern States	9.2	5.2	x0.6	x2.4
Rocky Mountain	7.3	3.6	1.4	x7.4
Pacific Coast	4.6	9.2	7.0	7.8
Total United States	3.0	2.3	0.8	x0.2

x Decrease from 1933.

Arranged in tabular form the output in kilowatt-hours of the light and power companies of recent weeks and by months since and including January 1931, is as follows:

ELECTRIC PRODUCTION FOR RECENT WEEKS (In Kilowatt-hours—000 Omitted)

1934	1933	1932	1931	% Inc. Over 1933
Week of—	Week of—	Week of—	Week of—	
May 5 1,632,766	May 6 1,435,707	May 7 1,429,032	May 9 1,637,296	+13.7
May 12 1,643,433	May 13 1,468,035	May 14 1,456,928	May 16 1,664,303	+11.9
May 19 1,649,770	May 20 1,483,000	May 21 1,435,731	May 23 1,664,783	+11.2
May 26 1,654,903	May 27 1,493,923	May 28 1,425,151	May 30 1,601,833	+10.8
June 2 1,575,828	June 3 1,461,488	June 4 1,381,452	June 6 1,593,662	+7.8
June 9 1,654,916	June 10 1,641,713	June 11 1,435,471	June 13 1,621,451	+7.3
June 16 1,665,358	June 17 1,578,101	June 18 1,441,532	June 20 1,609,931	+5.5
June 23 1,674,566	June 24 1,698,136	June 25 1,440,541	June 27 1,634,935	+4.8
June 30 1,688,211	July 1 1,655,843	July 2 1,456,961	July 4 1,607,238	+2.0
July 7 1,555,844	July 8 1,538,500	July 9 1,341,730	July 11 1,603,713	+1.1
July 14 1,647,680	July 15 1,648,339	July 16 1,415,704	July 18 1,644,638	-0.0
July 21 1,663,771	July 22 1,654,424	July 23 1,433,993	July 25 1,650,545	+0.6
July 28 1,683,542	July 29 1,661,504	July 30 1,440,386	Aug. 1 1,644,089	+1.3
Aug. 4 1,657,638	Aug. 5 1,650,019	Aug. 6 1,426,986	Aug. 8 1,642,858	+0.5
Aug. 11 1,659,043	Aug. 12 1,627,839	Aug. 13 1,415,122	Aug. 15 1,629,011	+1.5
Aug. 18 1,674,345	Aug. 19 1,650,205	Aug. 20 1,431,910	Aug. 22 1,643,229	+1.5
Aug. 25 1,645,107	Aug. 26 1,630,394	Aug. 27 1,436,440	Aug. 29 1,637,533	+1.1
Sept. 1 1,626,881	Sept. 2 1,637,317	Sept. 3 1,464,700	Sept. 5 1,635,623	-0.6
Sept. 8 1,564,807	Sept. 9 1,682,742	Sept. 10 1,423,977	Sept. 12 1,582,267	-1.1
Sept. 15 1,633,683	Sept. 16 1,663,212	Sept. 17 1,476,442	Sept. 19 1,662,660	-1.8
Sept. 22 1,630,947	Sept. 23 1,638,757	Sept. 24 1,490,862	Sept. 26 1,660,204	-0.5
Sept. 29 1,648,976	Sept. 30 1,652,811	Oct. 1 1,499,459	Oct. 3 1,645,587	-0.2
Oct. 6 1,659,192	Oct. 7 1,646,136	Oct. 8 1,506,219	Oct. 10 1,663,369	+0.8
Oct. 13 1,656,884	Oct. 14 1,618,948	Oct. 15 1,507,503	Oct. 17 1,656,051	+2.3
Oct. 20 1,667,505	Oct. 21 1,618,795	Oct. 22 1,528,145	Oct. 24 1,646,531	+3.0
Oct. 27	Oct. 28 1,621,702	Oct. 29 1,533,028	Oct. 31 1,651,792	---
Nov. 3	Nov. 4 1,583,412	Nov. 5 1,525,410	Nov. 7 1,628,147	---

DATA FOR RECENT MONTHS

Month of—	1934	1933	1932	1931	1934 Over 1933
January	7,131,158,000	6,480,897,000	7,011,736,000	7,435,782,000	10.0%
February	6,608,456,000	6,835,263,000	6,494,091,000	6,675,915,000	13.2%
March	7,198,232,000	6,182,281,000	6,771,684,000	7,370,687,000	16.4%
April	6,978,419,000	6,024,855,000	6,294,302,000	7,184,514,000	15.8%
May	7,249,732,000	6,532,686,000	6,219,554,000	7,180,210,000	11.0%
June	7,056,116,000	6,809,440,000	6,130,077,000	7,070,729,000	3.6%
July	7,116,261,000	7,058,600,000	6,112,175,000	7,286,576,000	0.8%
August	7,309,575,000	7,218,678,000	6,310,667,000	7,166,086,000	1.3%
September	---	6,931,652,000	6,317,733,000	7,099,421,000	---
October	---	7,094,412,000	6,633,865,000	7,331,380,000	---
November	---	6,831,573,000	6,507,804,000	6,971,644,000	---
December	---	7,009,164,000	6,638,424,000	7,288,025,000	---
Total	---	80,009,501,000	77,442,112,000	86,063,969,000	---

Note—The monthly figures shown above are based on reports covering approximately 92% of the electric light and power industry and the weekly figures are based on about 70%.

September Chain Store Sales Rise Sharply

Chain store trade in September enjoyed further vigorous expansion, according to the current review by "Chain Store Age." Although grocery sales increased less than seasonal proportions, the showing made by other divisions resulted in the most extensive gain for business as a whole since the Spring of 1933.

"Conspicuous in this latter group," the review continues, "were the 5-and-10 department chains, apparel and shoe store chains which, under the strong influence of either cool weather or special sales efforts, experienced very substantial increases in dollar volume. Drug store sales also recorded heavy gains.

"In reflection of these results, the state of trade in the chain store field, as measured by the 'Chain Store Age' index, rose to within hailing distance of the average for the period 1929-1931. The index, which is based on sales of 18 leading chain organizations, advanced in September to 97.2 of the above base period taken as 100. This is the highest point touched by the index and compares with a revised figure of 93.0 in August, and 89.2 in September 1933.

"Total average daily sales of the 18 chains reviewed amounted to \$5,273,200 in September, or a gain of approximately 9% over September 1933. This compares with an increase of 6% in the August sales of \$4,763,000 over August 1933.

"The index of sales of six 5-and-10 department chains for September advanced to 102.8 from 98.0 in August. A year ago the index advanced from 92.4 in August to 93.4 in September.

"The index of sales of two shoe chains rose to 107.7 from a level of 89.8 in August. The apparel group index advanced to 99.3 from 97.2 in August. The drug index covering two chains advanced to 106.2 in September from 102.0 in August.

"Grocery chains failed to follow the usual seasonal rise with the result that the index of sales of five leading systems dropped to 86.2 in September from a revised level of 87.2 in August."

Summary of Business Conditions in United States According to Federal Reserve Board—Usual Seasonal Increase in Industrial Production During September Lacking

In its monthly summary of general business and financial conditions in the United States, based upon statistics for September and the first three weeks of October, the Federal Reserve Board states that the volume of industrial production remained unchanged in September when there is usually a seasonal increase and factory employment and payrolls declined. An important factor in the decrease was the strike in the textile industry, the Board said. Retail trade in rural districts showed a large increase, and sales at department stores in cities also increased, though somewhat less than seasonally. Deposits at banks and commercial loans continued to increase, the Board stated. The following was issued by the Board:

Production and Employment

Volume of industrial production, as measured by the Board's seasonally adjusted index, declined from 73% of the 1923-1925 average in August to 71% in September. There were substantial declines in activity at cotton and woolen mills, reflecting the influence of the textile strike, and in the output of shoes, automobiles, and lumber. After the termination of the strike textile production increased. Steel mill operations, which had declined sharply during the summer, have been at a higher level in recent weeks than in the early part of September. Production of beef and lamb increased further in September, reflecting in part the disposal of animals bought in the drought areas by the Federal Government. Wheat flour production and sugar meltings also were larger in September. Output of anthracite and bituminous coal showed a larger than seasonal increase.

Factory employment and payrolls declined considerably in September, largely as a result of the textile strike. The number of workers employed was substantially reduced in the automobile, iron and steel, and shoe industries, as well as in the basic textile industries. There was a larger than seasonal increase in employment in clothing industries, while in the non-ferrous metals, building materials, food products, and paper and printing industries employment was sustained. Among non-manufacturing lines, employment increased seasonally from August to September at coal mines and in retail trade. There was also a substantial increase in number of persons provided with work by the Emergency Work Program of the Federal Relief Administration, while employment on public works decreased somewhat.

The value of construction contracts awarded, as reported by the F. W. Dodge Corp., continued in about the same volume during September as in other recent months.

Department of Agriculture crop reports for Oct. 1 indicated a cotton crop of 9,443,000 bales as compared with a yield of 13,047,000 bales last year. The corn crop, which averaged 2,516,000,000 bushels from 1927 to 1931, is estimated at 1,417,000,000 bushels this year. Hay and pasture conditions improved in September and weather in the first half of October was generally favorable for forage crops. The yield of white potatoes is estimated at 362,000,000 bushels, about equal to the average for 1927-1931.

Distribution

Daily average railroad freight-car loadings increased from August to September by about the usual seasonal amount, but declined slightly in the first half of October. Sales at department stores increased from August to September by somewhat less than the estimated seasonal amount, while retail sales of general merchandise in rural districts, as shown by reports of mail order houses and chain stores to the Department of Commerce, increased considerably.

Commodity Prices

Wholesale prices of farm products and foods, which had advanced sharply in August and the first week of September, subsequently declined somewhat. The weekly index of wholesale prices of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, which had advanced from 74% of the 1926 average at the beginning of June to 78% early in September, stood at 76% in the second week of October. Recent declines occurred principally in those products which had increased most rapidly in preceding weeks, such as wheat, cotton, livestock, and meats. Prices of commodities other than farm products and foods have in general shown little change since last January, but within recent weeks prices of textile products and scrap steel declined slightly and gasoline prices showed a considerable decrease. The open-market price of silver advanced sharply in the first half of October.

Bank Credit

Excess reserves of member banks have shown no material change during the past month and on Oct. 17 amounted to about \$1,750,000,000. A reduction in Treasury cash and deposits with the Federal Reserve banks somewhat more than offset a seasonal growth of \$57,000,000 in the volume of money in circulation and a continued growth in required reserves arising from a growth in deposits. Volume of reserve bank credit outstanding showed little change.

At reporting member banks in leading cities there was a further growth in deposits and in loans and investments. Between Sept. 19 and Oct. 17 total deposits of the banks increased by about \$500,000,000. Commercial loans to customers and member banks' holdings of United States Government securities increased further, while security loans declined.

Short-term money rates continued at low levels during September and the first three weeks of October. Yields on Government securities declined in October, following an increase in August and September.

Increase of 5% Reported by New York Federal Reserve Bank in Wholesale Trade During September as Compared with September 1933.

"September sales of the reporting wholesale firms in the Second (New York) District averaged 5% higher than a year ago, a slightly smaller increase than in the previous month," states the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in its "Monthly Review" of Nov. 1. The Bank adds:

	Sept. 30 1934	June 30 1934
Great Britain and Ireland.....	604,296	587,142
United States.....	22,225	27,581
Other countries.....	684,866	601,617
World total.....	1,311,387	1,216,340

It is shown by the returns, that of all the merchant ships of 100 gross tons and upwards now being built in all countries, 966,690 gross tons are being constructed under the supervision of Lloyd's Register and are intended for classification with that Society. This total includes 566,547 tons under way in Great Britain and Ireland, and 400,143 tons in other countries. About 94% of all the construction in Great Britain and Ireland, therefore, is being supervised by Lloyd's, and nearly 74% of the entire world's ship production.

For the world, as a whole, tonnage launched during the quarter ended Sept. 30 was 44,000 gross tons in excess of replacements through new work begun in the quarter. Production in Great Britain and Ireland accounted for this showing, launchings there being 107,000 tons more than the volume of new work. For the other shipbuilding countries, taken as a group, however, new orders represented about 63,000 tons more than the aggregate of vessels launched. In the quarter ended June 30 last, new orders were almost double the tonnage of the launchings.

How the new work begun and the shipping launched have compared during the past two quarters is shown by Lloyd's Register in the following tonnage table.

	Sept. 30 1934	June 30 1934
New Work—		
Great Britain and Ireland.....	76,011	146,653
Other countries.....	179,935	121,150
World total.....	255,946	267,803
Launchings—		
Great Britain and Ireland.....	183,077	35,828
Other countries.....	117,511	109,319
World total.....	300,588	145,147

Another increase in the construction of steam and motor tankers of 1,000 gross tons each and upwards, is shown by Lloyd's returns. Of these, there are now building nearly 50,000 gross tons more than at the end of the quarter ending June 30 last. No advance is shown in the volume of tanker tonnage under way in Great Britain and Ireland, and a small decrease is reported for the United States; but gains ranging from 10,000 to 18,000 tons are shown for Denmark, Holland, Germany and Sweden. Comparative figures for the last two quarters are given in the following tonnage table.

	Sept. 30 1934	June 30 1934
Great Britain and Ireland.....	101,500	101,500
Denmark.....	44,100	34,950
Sweden.....	43,200	24,700
Holland.....	40,270	26,770
Germany.....	38,150	24,900
United States.....	19,842	23,400
Other countries.....	37,650	41,624
World total.....	324,712	277,844

Of the total of 324,712 gross tons of tankers now being built, 285,112 tons are motor vessels.

Motor ship construction generally showed a continued gain during the quarter just ended, Lloyd's reports, the only decreases shown being for Italy and the United States. The increases ranged from 3,600 gross tons to 15,800 tons for Germany. The motor tonnage being produced during the last two quarters is shown in the following table.

	Sept. 30 1934	June 30 1934
Great Britain and Ireland.....	291,517	279,632
Japan.....	120,350	116,680
Denmark.....	72,588	57,450
Sweden.....	64,425	49,025
Holland.....	64,100	51,330
Germany.....	59,401	43,600
Italy.....	37,000	46,700
United States.....	2,625	6,319

Motor vessels represent 58.3% of all the merchant shipbuilding now under way throughout the world, Lloyd's returns show. This is a slight gain over the previous quarter. At present, 218,000 tons more of motor ships are being constructed than of all other types of vessels combined. At this time last year, motor vessels led by only 71,000 tons. The comparison in types of vessels building throughout the world during the last two quarters is shown in the following table of tonnage:

	Sept. 30 1934	June 30 1934
Motor vessels.....	764,909	692,535
Other types.....	546,478	523,805
Total.....	1,311,387	1,216,340

The trend towards motorized tonnage continues in Great Britain and Ireland. A year ago only about 28% of the ship construction of these countries was represented by motor vessels, whereas the proportion has now risen to more than 48%. At this time last year other types of ships led in construction by nearly 130,000 gross tons. Their lead now is only 21,000 tons. Returns for all other countries, taken as a group, show that 67% of their construction is being motorized, a reduction from the 72% of a year ago; but a slight gain over the 65.6% shown at the end of last June.

Lloyd's Register shows the tonnage of various types building in these groups of countries at present in the following table.

	Great Britain and Ireland	Other Countries
Motor vessels.....	291,517	473,392
Other types.....	312,779	233,699
Total.....	604,296	707,091

A decrease in the total horse-power of oil-engines being built or installed throughout the world is shown by Lloyd's returns. For the quarter just ended the total was 729,469, for all countries, as against 817,499 I. H. P. in the previous quarter. For Great Britain and Ireland, the decrease was from 276,311 I. H. P. to 249,940; for Japan, from 125,080 to 112,335, and for Germany, from 79,031 to 51,120. Sweden's total advanced from 74,642 to 82,732; but Holland showed a decline, from 69,700 to 61,537, and Italy, from 57,500 to 53,500. Denmark's figure advanced from 48,580 to 50,100; but for the United States, there was a drop from 11,165 to 9,005.

A gain was shown during the past quarter for steam turbines. The aggregate shaft horse-power of these under way in all countries is 616,389, as against 595,407 in the quarter ended June 30 last. For Great Britain and Ireland the total advanced from 308,380 S. H. P. to 314,880. France's total remained stationary at 224,300; while Germany showed a decline, from 50,727 to 48,759.

In steam reciprocating engines, a decrease was shown in the quarter ending Sept. 30, the total for all countries dropping from 138,018 I. H. P. to 122,698. For Great Britain and Ireland, the decline was from 94,528 to 87,673.

No change whatever was shown during the past quarter in the relative production ranking of the various shipbuilding countries. Great Britain and Ireland lead their nearest competitor, Japan, by a slightly greater margin than the 450,000 tons of the previous quarter. France, with a gain of

about 16,000 tons, is still third, but holds a very slight lead over Germany, whose production increased nearly 30,000 tons over that of the quarter ended June 30. Denmark, Holland and Sweden made gains of from 8,000 to 16,000 gross tons during the past quarter; but Italy showed a decrease of about 10,000 tons, and the United States one of about 5,000 tons.

The ranking and production of the various countries in the last two quarters is shown by Lloyd's Register in the following table of gross tonnage:

	Sept. 30 1934	June 30 1934
Great Britain and Ireland.....	604,296	587,142
Japan.....	149,750	137,280
France.....	120,868	104,500
Germany.....	120,816	91,145
Denmark.....	74,938	66,650
Holland.....	70,735	54,765
Sweden.....	64,565	49,025
Italy.....	37,970	47,670
United States.....	22,225	27,581

As in the previous quarter, six large vessels, of 20,000 gross tons or more, are under construction, five in Great Britain and Ireland, and one in France.

Canadian Business Conditions at Outset of Last Quarter Distinctly Better than Previous Two Years According to Bank of Montreal

With its volume of business well maintained, Canada has entered upon the last quarter of the year with conditions in production, distribution and consumption distinctly better than during the previous two years, according to the monthly business summary of the Bank of Montreal, issued on Oct. 23. The summary states in part:

While crops the country over are again below average, they are somewhat larger than last year and selling at higher prices, so that the buying power of the farm population should be increased during succeeding months to the advantage of trade generally.

Expansion of output has occurred in such major industries as lumber, newsprint, motor vehicles, rubber goods, minerals, artificial silk, textiles and coal, while car loadings, bank clearings and bank debits make favorable comparison with those of last year. The building trade, after a long period of illness, has shown signs of revival, aided to this end by the construction of public works by the Dominion Government.

In the gradual enlargement of international trade Canada has in full degree participated. In the elapsed nine months of the current year foreign commerce has risen to \$836,416,000 from \$640,984,000 in the corresponding period last year, a gain of 29% to which imports contributed 34.2% and exports 27.6%.

Commodity prices fluctuate within narrow limits. During the year the most striking increases have occurred in raw rubber and silver, while a higher level of prices of farm products has reduced the spread between farm and other commodities, which has been inordinately wide in recent years.

United States Department of Labor Reports Third Consecutive Decline in Wholesale Commodity Prices During Week of Oct. 13

Wholesale commodity prices recorded in the third consecutive weekly decline during the week ending Oct. 13, Commissioner Lubin of the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor announced Oct. 18. The Bureau's index decreased two-tenths of a point to 76.4% of the 1926 average. "The average level is to-day 20.8% below the 1929 high and 28.2% above the low point of 1933 (Mar. 4)," Mr. Lubin said, adding:

Of the 10 major groups of items covered by the Bureau, hides and leather products alone showed an increase. Two groups, farm products and house-furnishing goods remained unchanged while seven, food, textile products, fuel and lighting materials, metals and metal products, building materials, chemicals and drugs, and miscellaneous commodities, registered slight decreases from the previous week.

When compared with a month ago, present prices show a decrease of 1.4%. As compared with the corresponding week of a year ago, when the index was 71.7, the index is up by 7 1/2%. It is 18 1/2% above two years ago, when the index was 64.4. As compared with the high point of 1929 (July), present prices are lower by 21%.

All of the 10 major groups included in the index show decreases since July 1929. Farm products have registered the greatest drop, with a decrease of 34%; foods are next with a drop of 27%; hides and leather products, 22 1/2%; textile products, 22%; chemicals and drugs, 17%; miscellaneous commodities, 16%, and metals and metal products, 15%.

Prices of fuel and lighting materials have shown the smallest decrease of any of the groups. They are 9 1/2% lower than in July 1929. The group of "All commodities other than farm products and foods" has decreased 15% from the July 1929 level. The following table shows the index numbers and percent of change between current prices and those for the low point of 1933. Comparisons with July 1929, the month in which wholesale prices started receding, are also shown.

Commodity Groups	Oct. 13 1934	Mar. 4 1933	P. C. of Increase	July 1929	P. C. of Decrease
All commodities.....	76.4	59.6	28.2	96.5	20.8
Farm products.....	71.0	40.6	74.9	107.6	34.0
Food.....	74.8	53.4	40.1	102.9	27.3
Hides and leather products.....	84.4	67.6	24.9	109.1	22.6
Textile products.....	70.1	50.6	38.5	89.6	21.8
Fuel and lighting materials.....	75.4	64.4	17.1	83.3	9.5
Metals and metal products.....	85.6	77.4	10.6	101.0	15.2
Building materials.....	85.2	70.1	21.5	95.1	10.4
Chemicals and drugs.....	77.1	71.3	8.1	93.3	17.4
Housefurnishing goods.....	82.8	72.7	13.9	94.3	12.2
Miscellaneous.....	69.7	59.6	16.9	82.8	15.8
All commodities other than farm products and foods.....	78.1	66.2	18.0	91.7	14.8

In an announcement issued by the Department of Labor with regard to the index it was stated:

Average prices of farm products showed no change during the week. Declines of 1% in grains and 2% in livestock and poultry were offset by an increase of 1-3% in other farm products. Important items in this group showing price increases were barley, oats, rye, light hogs, lambs, live poultry, eggs, lemons, oranges, tobacco and sweet potatoes. Corn,

wheat, cattle and cotton, on the other hand, declined from the level of the previous week.

The drop of nearly 2½% in prices of meats was largely responsible for the ½ of 1% decrease in the wholesale food index. Other food items which registered price declines were flour, cocoa beans, coffee, glucose and raw sugar. Foods which showed price increases were canned pears, fresh apples at Chicago, lard, oleomargarine, pepper and cottonseed oil. The current index, 74.8, is 15½% higher than a year ago, when the index was 64.8, and 23% above two years ago, when the index was 60.7.

A rise of 1% for leather resulted in the group of hides and leather products showing an increase of 0.1 of 1%. Shoes were at the low for the year and hides and skins declined ½ of 1%.

Textile products reached a new low for the year, due mainly to slight decreases in prices of cotton goods and woolen and worsted goods. The subgroups of silk and rayon and other textile products registered increases, while clothing and knit goods showed no change. The current index for this group, 70.1, is the lowest point reached since the week ending July 29 1933, when the index was 68.4.

Both fuel and lighting materials and metals and metal products registered decreases of 0.1 of 1%. Texas and Oklahoma gasolines were responsible for the decrease in fuels. Prices of anthracite coal and electricity were slightly higher, while bituminous coal and gas were unchanged.

Certain iron and steel items and plumbing and heating fixtures caused the drop in metals and metal products. Agricultural implements, motor vehicles, and non-ferrous metals showed little or no variation in prices.

Declining prices of brick, yellow pine timbers, shellac, gravel and sand forced the index of building materials down to 85.2, the lowest level reached this year. The subgroup of paint and paint materials showed a slight increase, while cement and structural steel were unchanged.

Chemicals and drugs, with an index of 77.1, recorded a 0.3 of 1% decrease because of declining prices for menthol and fertilizer materials. Prices of housefurnishing goods were stationary. The miscellaneous commodities group showed the greatest decline of any of the 10 major groups, due to decreases in prices of crude rubber, linseed meal and cigars. The index for the group, 69.7, shows a drop of 0.6 of 1%.

The general level for the group of "All commodities other than farm products and foods" showed a drop of 0.1 of 1% during the week. The index, 78.1, compares with 77.0 for a year ago and 70.2 for two years ago.

The index of the Bureau of Labor Statistics is composed of 784 price series, weighted according to their relative importance in the country's markets and based on average prices of the year 1926 as 100.0. The accompanying table shows the index numbers of the main groups of commodities for the past five weeks and for the weeks of Oct. 14 1933 and Oct. 15 1932.

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES FOR WEEKS OF OCT. 13, OCT. 6, SEPT. 29, SEPT. 22 AND SEPT. 15 1934, AND OCT. 14 1933 AND OCT. 15 1932. (1926=100)

Commodity Groups	Oct. 13 1934	Oct. 6 1934	Sept. 29 1934	Sept. 22 1934	Sept. 15 1934	Oct. 14 1933	Oct. 15 1932
All commodities.....	76.4	76.6	77.2	77.5	77.5	71.1	64.4
Farm products.....	71.0	71.0	72.8	73.6	73.7	56.7	47.4
Foods.....	74.8	75.2	76.0	76.7	76.2	64.8	60.7
Hides & leather products.....	84.4	84.3	84.9	84.9	84.8	88.8	72.5
Textile products.....	70.1	70.2	70.7	70.8	70.6	76.2	54.9
Fuel & lighting materials.....	75.4	75.5	75.5	75.5	75.5	73.8	71.3
Metals & metal products.....	85.6	85.7	85.7	85.7	85.9	82.3	80.1
Building materials.....	85.2	85.4	85.3	85.4	85.9	83.9	70.5
Chemicals and drugs.....	77.1	77.3	77.0	76.8	76.5	72.7	72.7
Housefurnishing goods.....	82.8	82.8	83.1	83.1	83.0	81.2	72.5
Miscellaneous.....	69.7	70.1	70.3	70.4	70.7	65.0	63.9
All commodities other than farm products and foods.....	78.1	78.2	78.4	78.4	78.5	77.0	70.2

Fourth Consecutive Drop Noted in Ohio Employment During September—3.3% Above Year Ago, According to Ohio State University

"Although employment in Ohio in September registered its fourth consecutive monthly decline, it remained 3.3% over September a year ago, which marked the peak of employment in 1933," states the Bureau of Business Research of the Ohio State University. The Bureau said that "since the August and September levels of employment are usually about the same, the 2.0% decline this September must be regarded as a decline of greater-than-seasonal proportions." Under date of Oct. 8 the Bureau further reported:

The uptum of 2.7% in employment in non-manufacturing industries partially offset the decline of 2.7% and 2.2% in the manufacturing and construction industries, respectively. The decline in manufacturing employment was not general throughout all groups of manufacturing, since five of the 11 major groups of industries had more employees in September than in August. Chemicals, food products, paper and printing, stone, clay and glass, and textiles showed increases ranging from 1.0% for paper and printing to 8.7% in the food products group. Lumber, machinery, metal products, rubber products, vehicles and miscellaneous manufacturing were the groups in which the declines not only offset increases in the other groups, but carried September manufacturing employment 2.7% under August.

Four of the eight principal cities of the State showed increases in employment in September over August. Cincinnati and Toledo reversed August downward trends and showed increases, while Cleveland and Youngstown each increased for the second consecutive month. Employment in Columbus, which usually increases in September, declined. Akron employment declined seasonally and Dayton and Canton reported declines materially greater than seasonal.

Conference of Statisticians in Industry Report Further Decline in Business Activity During September

"Business activity declined measurably in September," stated the monthly report of the Conference of Statisticians in Industry of the National Industrial Conference Board, adding that "the succession of downward movement in recent months wiped out advances made since last November and brought the general level of production to where it was in the second quarter of 1933. Production in major industries," the report said, "declined more than seasonally in September. General distribution and retail trade ad-

vanced in September over August by amounts less than seasonally usual. The cost of living continued to advance." The report, issued on Oct. 20, continued:

Automobile production was sharply curtailed in September, the decline being greater than seasonal under August. Steel and iron output was similarly contracted. Building and engineering construction awards, as a whole, fell off more than usual for the month, although publicly-financed awards showed a slight advance over the August total. Electric power production declined by a more-than-seasonal amount. Bituminous coal output advanced slightly in September, but less than expected for this time of the year.

The textile industries in September sank to a new low for the downward movement, and after seasonal adjustment, pierced the depression low. The strike was the important factor. Improvement has been observed in October to date, and indications are that the gain will be slightly more than seasonal. The shutdown was welcomed to some extent, inasmuch as stocks were accumulating in the hands of producers, while distributors operated on a hand-to-mouth basis. Retailers generally have been selling more merchandise to the consumer in recent weeks than they have been replacing at wholesale. As a result, inventories were reduced drastically. Steady replacement now seems assured and should stimulate activity for the next few months.

General distribution and trade advanced in September as compared with August by an amount less than usually seasonal. Primary shipments of raw materials and processed commodities and retail trade were both stepped up, but not to the extent observed in September in pre-depression years.

Business Conditions in Minneapolis Federal Reserve District—September Volume of Business at Same Level as August but Above September 1933

Business in the Ninth (Minneapolis) Federal Reserve District during September held the gains in August, according to the seasonally adjusted indexes computed by the Minneapolis Federal Reserve Bank. In a preliminary summary of agricultural and business conditions the bank states that "the September business volume was considerably larger than the volume in September last year." The bank, under date of Oct. 17, continued:

Retail trade during September continued to be in larger volume than in the same month last year. The percentage of increase in September over last year's volume was larger than the increase in August, chiefly due to the fact that retail buying spurted strongly in August last year and subsided again in September. City department stores reported an increase of 12% in sales for September over the corresponding month's sales last year. Three hundred and thirteen country stores reported a September increase of 27% over last year's volume. Every subsection of the district reported an increase in sales over the volume last year, but the greatest increases, ranging from 34% to 39%, occurred in southwestern Minnesota, the Red River Valley, eastern South Dakota, and the plains section of Montana.

Farm income in this district from seven important items is estimated at \$35,745,000 in September, which was only 2% below the income from these items in September last year. This was a smaller decrease than had occurred for a number of preceding months. The larger part of this improvement in the comparative record of farm income was due to dairy products, where a small increase in butter production, together with an increase of almost one-third in the price paid in September for August production, caused an increase of 34% in the dairy product income to the district during September, as compared with the same month last year. The income from hogs and durum wheat was also larger in September than a year ago, but the income from bread wheat, rye, flax and potatoes was smaller than last year's September income. Prices of every important northwestern farm product, except lambs, ewes and potatoes were higher in September than a year ago.

Business Conditions in Dallas Federal Reserve District—Increase in Demand for Merchandise and Ending of Drought Outstanding Factors

"The breaking of the long and severe drought over the major portion of the Eleventh (Dallas) District and the expansion in the demand for merchandise in both wholesale and retail channels of distribution were the outstanding developments in this district during the past month," states the Oct. 1 "Monthly Business Review" (compiled Sept. 15) of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. The review adds:

Sales of department stores in larger cities reflected an expansion of 21% over the previous month and were 4% in excess of those in August 1933. The small gain over last year is largely accounted for by the unusually large gain in sales between July and August a year ago.

Distribution in most lines of wholesale trade showed substantial gains over both the previous month and the same month last year. While merchants are still adhering to a cautious policy in making commitments, larger purchases are being made to supply the expanding consumer demand and to furnish a better assortment of merchandise.

While the moderate to heavy rains which fell over the greater portion of the district during the past 30 days came too late to change materially the prospective production of major crops, as reported by the Department of Agriculture for Sept. 1, the outlook for the agricultural and livestock industries is much improved. In many sections, water supplies have been replenished, moisture is sufficient for the planting of fall gardens and feed crops and the seeding of small grains, and ranges are greening. It must be borne in mind, however, that some areas have had only scanty rainfall, if any, and are still suffering from the effects of the drought. Additional moisture would be beneficial over practically the whole of the district to overcome the accumulated deficiency and to maintain the improvement that has occurred.

Further Slight Decline in Lumber Movement

New business, shipments and production at the lumber mills during the week ended Oct. 20 1934, were all below similar items reported for any week since July and for the first time in the last four weeks, orders fell below those of corresponding week of 1933, according to telegraphic reports to the National Lumber Manufacturers Association from regional associations covering the operations of leading

NUMBER OF VEHICLES

Year and Month	United States				Canada		
	Total	Passenger Cars	Trucks	Taxicabs a	Total	Passenger Cars	Trucks
1934—							
January.....	156,907	113,331	43,255	321	6,904	4,946	1,958
February.....	231,707	187,639	44,041	27	8,571	7,101	1,470
March.....	331,263	274,722	55,525	16	14,130	12,273	1,908
April.....	354,745	289,030	65,714	1	18,363	15,451	2,912
May.....	331,652	273,765	57,887	---	20,161	16,504	3,657
June.....	308,065	261,852	46,213	---	13,905	10,810	3,095
July.....	266,576	223,868	42,708	---	11,114	8,407	2,707
August.....	234,809	183,500	51,309	---	9,904	7,325	2,579
September.....	168,872	123,909	44,963	---	5,579	4,211	1,368
Tot. (9 mos.)	2,384,596	1,931,616	452,615	365	108,681	87,027	21,654
1933—							
January.....	128,825	109,828	18,992	5	3,358	2,921	437
February.....	105,447	89,976	15,319	152	3,298	3,025	273
March.....	115,272	96,809	17,803	600	6,632	5,927	705
April.....	176,432	149,344	26,877	411	8,255	6,957	1,298
May.....	214,411	180,597	33,766	54	9,396	8,024	1,372
June.....	249,727	207,562	42,130	35	7,323	6,005	1,318
July.....	229,357	191,261	38,092	4	6,540	5,322	1,218
August.....	232,855	191,346	41,441	68	6,079	4,919	1,160
September.....	191,800	157,367	34,424	9	5,808	4,358	1,450
Tot. (9 mos.)	1,644,126	1,374,090	268,638	1,398	56,689	47,458	9,231
October.....	134,683	104,807	29,813	63	3,682	2,723	959
November.....	60,683	40,754	18,318	1,611	2,291	1,503	788
December.....	80,565	49,490	29,776	1,299	3,262	2,171	1,091
Total (year)	1,920,057	1,569,141	346,545	4,371	65,924	53,855	12,069
1932—							
January.....	119,344	98,706	20,541	97	3,731	3,112	619
February.....	117,418	94,085	23,308	25	5,477	4,494	983
March.....	118,959	99,325	19,560	74	8,318	6,604	1,714
April.....	148,326	120,966	27,389	31	6,810	5,666	1,150
May.....	184,295	157,683	26,539	73	8,221	7,269	952
June.....	183,106	160,103	22,768	235	7,112	6,308	804
July.....	109,143	94,678	14,438	27	7,472	6,773	699
August.....	90,325	75,898	14,418	9	4,067	3,166	901
September.....	84,150	64,735	19,402	13	2,342	1,741	601
Tot. (9 mos.)	1,155,066	966,119	188,363	584	53,550	45,127	8,423
October.....	48,702	35,102	13,595	5	2,923	2,361	562
November.....	59,557	47,293	12,025	239	2,204	1,669	535
December.....	107,353	85,858	21,204	291	2,139	1,561	578
Total (year)	1,370,678	1,134,372	235,187	1,119	60,816	50,718	10,098

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

Exports of Agricultural Products by United States During Year Ended June 30 1934 Valued at \$787,000,000 as Compared with \$590,000,000 in 1932-33

Reflecting the gradual rise in commodity prices United States exports of agricultural products, exclusive of forest products, were valued at \$787,000,000 during the year ended June 30 1934, compared with \$590,000,000 in 1932-33, according to the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, United States Department of Agriculture. These exports represented 39% of our total exports in 1933-34 as compared with 42% in 1932-33, indicating that the revival in value of exports of non-agricultural products was more pronounced than in that of exports of agricultural products, says the Bureau. The value of all exports, agricultural and non-agricultural in 1933-34 totaled \$2,009,000,000 compared with \$1,413,000,000 the preceding year. The Bureau, under date of Oct. 19, also announced:

On a quantitative basis, our agricultural exports were actually less than in 1932-33 although some important products showed substantial increases. The volume index of exports of 44 leading farm products in 1933-34 stands at 83, using 1909-10 to 1913-14 as the base average, compared with 85 in 1932-33. The index of the volume of agricultural exports in 1933-34 was the lowest since 1909-10.

One of the main reasons for the low volume index of agricultural exports in 1933-34 was the reduced purchases of cotton. Foreign countries took only 8,366,000 bales in 1933-34 compared with 8,647,000 bales the year before. Aided by better prices, however, the value of our 1933-34 cotton exports was \$438,000,000, compared with \$322,000,000 in 1932-33. Thus, while the volume of the cotton exports declined 4% the value increased 36%.

Exports of fresh apples in 1933-34 approximated 4,086,000 barrels compared with 4,585,000 barrels in 1932-33. Fresh pear exports also declined. Exports of oranges and grapefruit showed a slight increase. Exports of dried fruit were also slightly higher, totaling 205,000 short tons compared with 199,000 tons the year before. A heavy decrease in exports of raisins was more than offset by increase exports of prunes.

Exports of wheat, including flour, continued to decline in 1933-34, and aggregated 37,000,000 bushels—the smallest export movement since the late 1860's. Exports of rye, barley, corn, oats, oatmeal and rice, including rice meal and flour, also continued to decline.

There was also a continuation in the downtrend in exports of lard, oilseeds and oilseed products. Cottonseed oil is the most important item in the latter group. The 1933-34 exports of cottonseed oil totaled 23,000,000 pounds compared with 44,000,000 pounds the year before. Exports of lard in 1933-34 were 547,000,000 pounds compared with 560,000,000 pounds the year before.

Although the volume of exports of many farm products continued to decline, exports of several other products of which the United States also regularly produces an exportable surplus, increased. This was particularly true of tobacco, pork products exclusive of lard, dried prunes, and canned fruits.

Exports of unmanufactured tobacco amounted to 473,000,000 pounds, valued at approximately \$100,000,000 compared with 400,000,000 pounds valued at \$63,000,000 the year before, an advance of 18% in volume and 59% in value. Nearly three-fourths of the tobacco exports were of bright flue-cured. Exports of pork products exclusive of lard, amounted to 155,000,000 pounds as against 121,000,000 pounds in 1932-33. The increase was mainly in fresh pork, canned pork, and bacon. Although exports of pickled pork, bacon and cured hams and shoulders showed an increase over those for 1932-33, shipments were far below the pre-war average.

Loans from Production Credit Associations Being Repaid by Farmers Before Maturity

Repayments of loans from farmers' production credit associations, especially in the early crop-marketing sections of the South and Southwest, were reported at Washington, D. C., on Oct. 20 by W. I. Myers, Governor of the Farm Credit Administration. In the country as a whole over 22% of the money loaned this year by the associations was repaid by farmers up to Oct. 1, and in some of the tobacco and cotton producing areas of the South collections totaled over 50% on that date, Governor Myers said, further reporting:

While maturities on crop production loans fall primarily in October and November, repayments up to Oct. 1 amounted to \$13,600,000 out of a total of \$62,500,000 loaned by the associations to that date. The amount repaid in September was \$7,150,000 compared to \$6,500,000 in August.

Repayments of loans from production credit associations in cash crop sections of the South were heaviest. Over \$3,100,000, or 37% of the loans made this year in the Columbia, S. C., district was repaid up to Oct. 1; over \$2,180,000, or 36% in the New Orleans district; and over \$2,370,000 or 32% in the Berkeley, California, district.

Financial Condition of Farmers in Rural South Improving, Governor Myers of FCA Reports

"The rural South began to work out of its financial troubles last year and this year it is in a still better position." This is the conclusion drawn by W. I. Myers, Governor of the Farm Credit Administration, upon his return to Washington, D. C., from a trip which took him through much of Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and the Carolinas. Mr. Myers stated:

Merchants repeatedly told me that farmers were paying their back debts and have again become purchasers of a volume of goods. The statements by merchants are in line with the experience of the Federal Land banks of New Orleans, Columbia, and St. Louis which lend in the territory which I visited. The officials of these banks told me that collections were very much better than they have been for a number of years and that it is obvious that farmers have had more cash available in this territory than for some time past.

Governor Myers also stated that he noted a marked improvement in the farm real estate market in the territory visited, said an announcement issued Oct. 18 by the FCA. He said that if the Federal Land Bank of New Orleans continued to sell farms at the present rate, the bank will dispose of about \$3,000,000 worth of property this year. This increase in the sales is not due to high pressure salesmanship, but to an increase in the legitimate demand for farms which in turn reflects an increased purchasing power of the products produced from the farm. Farmers are making larger initial payments, he said, adding that much of the improved financial condition in the South is due to the large increase in returns for cotton and tobacco.

Prices on Spring Lines of Men's Suitings Reduced by American Woolen Co.

Revised prices on its spring lines of men's suitings were announced on Oct. 18 by the American Woolen Co., at which time the lines for spring were re-opened in department one and two showing reductions ranging from 2½ to 12½ cents a yard, bringing quotations approximately 20% under opening prices of last spring. In its issue of Oct. 19 the New York "Times" also stated:

Wholesale lines of men's worsted and serge clothing for next spring, to be opened by manufacturers in November are expected to show reductions of between 5 and 10%, compared with those of a year ago, as the result of the downward revision just announced by cloth producers, it was reported yesterday. Retail prices, it was said, will be only slightly affected.

The change in price by the American Woolen Co., it was reported, follows reductions made previously by Samuel Hird & Son, which company re-priced several of its key ranges.

Petroleum and Its Products—Crude Oil Prices Cut in Texas, Mid-Continent by Independents—Major Units With-hold Cuts Pending Federal Action—Government Drive Against Code Violators in Full Swing—Administrator Ickes Creates Federal Tender Board—Texas Officials Threaten to Close State's Fields—November Allowable Lifted—Crude Oil Production Dips

Crude oil price cuts by four independent companies, affecting the East Texas and Mid-Continent fields, centered attention of the trade upon the current Federal Oil Administration drive to curb "hot oil" production and other code violations, planned to either avert or minimize a general reduction in the crude oil price structure.

The cuts, although they did not spread, were the first in more than 14 months and present a potent threat to the general stability of crude oil prices in the nation's fields. Atlas Pipe Line Tuesday cut East Texas crude 40 cents to 60 cents a barrel, against \$1 prevailing since September a year ago.

These cuts, posted Tuesday, were followed Thursday by reductions in the Mid-Continent crude oil prices to 62 cents for top-grades established by the Globe Refining Co. and the Kanotex Refining Co. The Ouachita Refining Co. immediately posted a similar scale for East Texas and Louisiana crude.

An interesting angle on the Atlas cut developed when officials of the company charged that the Planning and Co-ordination Committee had asked such a cut. This was quickly denied by A. L. Beaty, chairman, who said that a request made by J. R. Shatford, committee member and independent Arkansas refiner, to the Atlas asking the cut was not on behalf of the Planning and Co-ordination Committee, which placed itself on record as opposed to the cut.

Failure of the major companies to meet the reductions was attributed to the reported "gentlemen's agreement" between them and Administrator Ickes by which they agree not to make any reductions in crude oil prices until the current Federal drive against code violators has had a trial.

Strong support is afforded the Government's efforts by the Federal Tender Board, named over last week-end by Administrator Ickes, which will license all inter-State shipments of crude or refined products from the East Texas area. Shipments not licensed will not be allowed to move in inter-State commerce. The board is currently hearing applications for tenders at Kilgore, Tex.

A small army of Federal oil agents is reported in the East Texas field, headed by L. R. Martineau, special assistant to Attorney-General Cummings, who also was reported in the field during the latter part of the week. Mr. Martineau's assignment, as announced by Administrator Ickes, was to co-ordinate Federal activities and cut the red tape which, it is contended by oil men, has been hampering efficient prosecution of code violators in that area.

A statement issued by Attorney-General Cummings in Washington Friday disclosed that early court proceedings against "hot oil" producers in East Texas are in prospect. "The form the legal action will take depends upon the situation in Texas," he pointed out.

Word received by oil administration officials from Tyler, Texas, indicated that only one tender for movement of processed oil had been issued by the Federal Tender Board, although approvals for about fifty shipments of crude had been issued.

"The significance," officials pointed out, "is that hot oil producers operate through profits from moving refined products and no crude. Therefore the board is moving very deliberately before clearing any oil products."

The Texas Railroad Commission moved to support the Federal drive against hot oil shipments, issuing an order Friday requiring all shipments moving by truck to be licensed. This order was aimed at preventing the dumping of huge stocks of illegal crude and refined which refineries will find more difficult to move because of the Federal drive on inter-state shipments of "hot oil."

East Texas refiners have joined 100% in a new gasoline purchasing plan, according to the Independent Refiners Assn. of East Texas. The new purchasing plan provides for the purchase of distress gasoline by major units if the refiners sign agreements that they will not handle oil produced in excess of either State or Federal regulations.

Last minute shipments of crude and refined products immediately before the Federal Tender group became effective totalled nearly 2,000 cars, a survey completed Friday disclosed. Shipments dropped to practically a standstill when regulations of the Tender board became effective.

Commenting in Detroit upon the price cuts, Mr. Ickes said that the only thing the Government can do is to continue seeking injunctions against "hot oil" producers and shippers and also bring criminal action against such factors. Disclosing that the Government's plans for starting legal action are now ready, Mr. Ickes said, "If we could get a few of the 'hot oil' producers in jail we could stop them, but it is difficult when the courts refuse to back up the Government."

News of a tentative order drafted by the Texas Railroad Commission which would close all fields in the State, to become effective in the event of a general price cut, was not received with much attention. Texas oil men claimed that such action would probably precipitate court action and contended that the Commission has not sufficient legal

authority to make its order stand up under court attack.

Former Governor James A. Ferguson, spokesman for Governor Miriam A. Ferguson, has informed the Commission that the Governor is ready to take any action requested to prevent a general cut in crude oil prices, dispatches from Austin disclose. Should the Commission desire special legislation enlarging its authority to cope with the threatened emergency, the Administration would submit the subject to the current session of the Legislature, he said.

President Roosevelt, at Wednesday's press conference in the White House, called the reports of the crude oil price cuts "disturbing" but pointed out that Federal agents were in the field. The President voiced the belief that enforcement of the code would be strengthened by recent Government moves.

A telephone appeal had been made to the President the day before by E. W. Marland, Democratic candidate for Governor of Oklahoma, who asked him to utilize his power over oil pipe lines to stop shipments of "hot oil" from East Texas. Mr. Marland blamed the East Texas situation for the easing off in Oklahoma crude oil prices.

No decision has been reached as yet whether or not the Federal authorities will appeal the adverse decision returned against them by Federal Judge Vaught holding the development clause of the petroleum code unconstitutional. The ruling was made in the Eason Oil Co. case, involving the question of methods of developing the Crescent pool in Logan County, Okla.

November allowable daily average crude oil production was lifted to 2,340,300 barrels from 2,325,800 barrels in September, orders released by the Oil Administration last week-end disclosed. The increase was attributed to the necessity of allowing for a small increase in gasoline production authorized for the month.

At the same time it was disclosed that the Planning and Co-ordination Committee had advised Administrator Ickes that it did not believe there was any necessity for an investigation of pipe line rates and practices at the present time in view of the proceedings pending before the Inter-State Commerce Commission. The Committee pledged its co-operation to the ICC.

The appointment of a committee to study the possibilities in dealing in crude oil and gasoline futures on the Commodity Exchange, Inc., New York, was disclosed on Monday by Exchange officials. Such a market might aid in stabilizing the general crude petroleum market, it was contended.

Despite a drop of 42,000 barrels in daily average crude oil production in the week ended Oct. 20, the 2,379,650-barrel total was far in excess of the Federal allowable of 2,325,800 barrels, the American Petroleum Institute reported. Production in the like week last year was 2,434,500 barrels.

Oklahoma production was cut 32,800 barrels during the week to 480,400, which compared with an allowable of 457,400 barrels. California output dipped 11,200 barrels to 472,500 barrels daily, against an allowable of 452,800 barrels. Texas production of 946,300 barrels, although 4,750 barrels above the previous week was under the Federal allowable of 956,100. Texas held below its allowable for the second successive week, the first time this year. The A. P. I. report does not include "hot oil."

A slight gain in Rumanian refined oil products quotas was granted by the French Government following strong pressure exerted by the Government of the former nation, the Petroleum Press Bureau of The Hague reported. Present quota shipments total around 600,000 tons annually and the new level will show an increase of from 6,000 to 7,000 tons yearly.

Shell, Phillips, Magnolia and Carter oil companies have announced that they would comply with the retroactive pay check disbursements ordered by Administrator Ickes earlier this year but as yet no announcement has been made by the Indian Territory Illuminating Oil Co., the largest employer in the Oklahoma oil field. A hearing on the clause in the oil code defining the term "employee" to clarify the meaning will be held by the Petroleum Labor Board on Nov. 7 in Washington.

The Independent Petroleum Association of America Monday voted for the creation of a Federal agency to handle the petroleum industry and approved inter-State compacts for furthering the work.

Stocks of domestic and foreign crude petroleum totalled 331,981,000 barrels on Oct. 20, a decrease of 837,000 from

stocks on hand at the end of the preceding week, the Oil Administration reported Friday.

The decrease followed a decline of 693,000 barrels during the previous week. It comprised a decline of 942,000 barrels in domestic crude and a gain of 105,000 barrels in foreign stocks. Price changes follow:

Oct. 23—The Atlas Pipe Line Co. cut East Texas crude oil prices 40 cents a barrel to 60 cents flat.

Oct. 25—The Globe Refining Co. and the Kanotex Refining Co. cut mid-continent crude oil prices to 54 cents from \$1, allowing a 2-cent differential for each degree in gravity with a top of 62 cents. The Ouachita Valley Refining Co. posted a similar sale for East Texas and Louisiana crude.

Prices of Typical Crudes per Barrel at Wells

(All gravities where A. P. I. degrees are now shown)	
Bradford, Pa.-----	\$2.55
Corning, Pa.-----	1.32
Illinois-----	1.13
Western Kentucky-----	1.08
Mid-Cont., Okla., 40 and above-----	.62-1.08
Hutchinson, Tex., 40 and over-----	.81
Spindletop, Tex., 40 and over-----	1.03
Winkler, Tex.-----	.75
Smackover, Ark., 24 and over-----	.70
Eldorado, Ark., 40-----	\$0.62-1.00
Rusk, ex., 40 and over-----	.62-1.00
Darst Creek-----	.87
Midland District, Mich-----	1.02
Sunburst, Mont-----	1.35
Santa Fe Springs, Calif., 40 and over-----	1.34
Huntington, Calif., 26-----	1.01
Petrolia, Canada-----	2.10

REFINED PRODUCTS—GASOLINE PRICE WARS CONTINUE—FUEL OIL PRICES CUT IN PHILADELPHIA—GASOLINE STOCKS DIP—EAST TEXAS IN NEW GASOLINE DISTRICT

Answering pleas of independents, who contended that they are being forced out of business, Administrator Iekes dispatched John W. Frey of the National Petroleum Administration to Trenton to survey the market situation in New Jersey and seek to end the price war which continued during the past week.

Retail gasoline reductions have spread out of the original "war" areas of New Jersey and Chicago, the latter showing a slight reduction in prices during the entire week. Philadelphia, adversely affected by the 8-cent a gallon level prevailing for gasoline in Camden, original "sore spot," saw prices break to 11 cents a gallon, against 16½ cents before the war.

Newark prices broke quite badly during the week, almost daily successive reductions by independents and majors, bringing the price scale for the former down to 8.9 cents a gallon, taxes included, with the majors 1 cent a gallon higher. Whether the 1-cent differential means the permanent establishment of such a margin has not been determined. Standard of New Jersey officials deny any change in their plan calling for ½-cent a gallon differential. A similar differential was maintained by S. O. of N. J. southern subsidiaries.

Fuel oil prices in Philadelphia suffered quite a sharp slash, several independents cutting No. 2 to 5½ cents, cff 1½ cents and No. 1 by 1¼ to 6½ cents. Pittsburgh gasoline prices continued to move downward, with the fifth reduction in the past 10 days posted Wednesday. Price weakness spread during the week, affecting Washington, Baltimore and Tennessee.

Standard Oil of New York cut retail gasoline prices 1-2 cent a gallon in Brooklyn and Queens, effective October 27. The cut also includes the town of Greenport, L. I. Earlier in the week the company posted a reduction of 1 cent a gallon in service-station prices in the eastern section of the Bronx to 16 cents to meet cut price competition. Albany gasoline was cut 1½ cents a gallon. Other up-State cities also reported cuts. Olean prices dropping 5 cents a gallon.

Other refined products were temporarily in the back ground due to the bitter gasoline price wars but fuel oils were reported moving along nicely, aided by colder weather. Cold weather motor lubricants enjoyed a gain in demand. Kerosene prices strengthened somewhat.

Total stocks of motor fuel held in the United States dipped 156,000 barrels last week, according to the American Petroleum Institute which placed the total at 42,953,000 barrels. Reporting refineries showed a sharp gain in operations which rose to 68.9% of capacity, up 1.7%. Daily average runs of crude oils to stills mounted 58,000 barrels to 2,325,000 barrels.

The Oil Administration Wednesday announced a redefinition of Texas as a gasoline refining district so as to set up the East Texas areas as a sub-section of the district. The step was recommended by the Planning and Co-ordination Committee and the Petroleum Administrative Board.

The generally lower trend in gasoline and fuel oil prices, reflecting the bitter gasoline wars sweeping all markets east of the Rocky Mountain area, are reflected in the following price changes posted in the major distributing areas during the past week: Price changes follow:

Oct. 20—Gasoline service stations were cut 1 cent a gallon in Utica, N. Y. A similar cut was posted at Manchester, Vt.

Oct. 20—Standard Oil of Indiana reduced service-station prices of gasoline 0.3 cents a gallon throughout its entire marketing area.

Oct. 20—Standard Oil of Louisiana reduced service-station prices of gasoline 2½ cents a gallon at Nashville to 16 cents a gallon, including 8 cents taxes.

Oct. 20—All major distributors cut service-station prices of gasoline 1½ cents a gallon in the Pittsburgh area to 14 cents a gallon, taxes included.

Oct. 20—Sinclair Refining cut Philadelphia service-station prices of gasoline 1 cent a gallon to 13 cents with other majors posting at 13½ to 14½ cents. Independents are posting from 13 to 14 cents a gallon, meeting the majors' cuts.

Oct. 20—Independent marketers cut service-station prices of gasoline in northern New Jersey 1 cent a gallon to 9.9 cents, including taxes.

Oct. 20—Standard Oil of New Jersey cut service-station prices of gasoline ½ cent a gallon in Washington, D. C., to 13 cents a gallon, taxes included.

Oct. 22—The Atlantic Refining Co. cut Philadelphia service-station prices of gasoline 1 cent a gallon to 13½ cents, taxes included, meeting price cuts posted by other distributors Saturday.

Oct. 22—Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey reduced service-station prices of gasoline ½ cent a gallon in northern New Jersey to 10.4 cents a gallon, taxes included.

Oct. 22—Standard Oil of Louisiana cut service-station prices of gasoline in Memphis and Knoxville, Tenn., 2.7 and 1 cent a gallon, respectively.

Oct. 23—Atlantic Refining cut service-station prices of gasoline ½ cent a gallon throughout Delaware and Pennsylvania, with the exception of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, to 15 cents, taxes included. Dealers' margins were cut ¼ cent to 3¼ cents for company dealers and 3¼ cents for "split" dealers.

Oct. 23—Independent distributors cut northern New Jersey service-station prices of gasoline ½ cent a gallon to 8.9 cents, taxes included.

Oct. 23—Standard Oil of New Jersey cut northern New Jersey service-station prices ½ cent a gallon to 9.9 cents, taxes included.

Oct. 23—Atlantic City service-station prices of gasoline were cut ½ cent a gallon by Standard of New Jersey to 12 cents, taxes included. A similar reduction was posted in Washington and Baltimore to 12½ and 12 cents a gallon, respectively, including taxes.

Oct. 23—Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., Sun Oil Co. and the Standard Oil Co. of Pennsylvania cut service-station prices of gasoline ½ cent a gallon in Philadelphia to 13 cents, taxes included.

Oct. 23—All distributors cut service-station gasoline prices in the Atlanta, Ga., area to 16 cents a gallon, independents cutting to 15½ cents.

Oct. 23—The United Petroleum Corp. cut Philadelphia service-station prices to 12 cents a gallon, taxes included. Other independents met the cut.

Oct. 23—Socony-Vacuum advanced its dealer margins ¼ cent gallon to 3 cents for company dealers and 2½ cents for "split" dealers, the same as paid by other majors in Philadelphia.

Oct. 23—Philadelphia fuel oil prices were cut 1½ cents a gallon on No. 2 to 5½ cents and 1½ cents on No. 1 to 6½ cents.

Oct. 23—The Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. cut service-station prices of gasoline 1 cent a gallon in the Bronx, New York City, to 16 cents, taxes included.

Oct. 24—All major companies cut service-station prices of gasoline 2 cents a gallon throughout Kentucky.

Oct. 24—All major companies cut service-station prices of gasoline 1½ cents a gallon in the Pittsburgh area to 12½ cents, taxes included, the fifth cut in the past 10 days.

Oct. 24—Service-station prices of gasoline were cut 1½ cents a gallon in Albany with other cities in up-State New York also reporting cuts. Schenectady quotations were lowered 1 to 2 cents.

Oct. 24—Standard Oil of New Jersey cut Norfolk, Va., service-station price of gasoline ½ cent a gallon to 9.8 cents, excluding taxes.

Oct. 24—All major companies cut Philadelphia service-station prices ½ cent a gallon to 12½ cents, taxes included, ½ cent above the independents' level.

Oct. 25—Independents reduced Camden service-station prices of gasoline ½ cent a gallon to 7 cents, taxes included, against 8 cents posted by Standard Oil of New Jersey.

Oct. 25—Standard Oil of Kentucky reduced service-station prices of gasoline throughout Kentucky, with the exception of the northern part of the State, 2 cents a gallon. A similar cut was posted yesterday.

Oct. 25—The Atlantic Refining Co. reduced gasoline prices 1 cent a gallon in Pittsburgh and Allegheny County to 12 cents, taxes included. Gulf Refining posted a similar cut which brings both units into line with the general market.

Oct. 26—Standard Oil of New York posted a reduction of ½ cent a gallon in retail gasoline prices in Brooklyn and Queens, N. Y. C., effective Oct. 27. The cut also included the town of Freeport, L. I.

Oct. 26—All major distributors cut retail gasoline prices in Houston, Texas, 1 cent a gallon on regular and premium grades and from 1 to 5 cents on third-grade. Magnolia cut third-grade 5 cents to 9 cents, other companies holding at 14 cents.

Oct. 26—Standard Oil of New Jersey cut service station prices of gasoline 1 cent a gallon in Bristol, Va., to 15.4 cents a gallon, taxes included.

Oct. 26—The Sun Oil Co. posted a reduction of ½ cent to 12 cents, taxes included, in Philadelphia service station prices, Independents are posting 11 to 12 cents.

Oct. 26—Retail gasoline prices were slashed 5 cents a gallon in Olean, N. Y., to 12½ cents a gallon, taxes included. Rochester prices were cut 1 cent by majors to 16½ with independents cutting to 14 cents.

Oct. 26—The Sinclair Refining Co. cut Philadelphia service station prices 1 cent a gallon to 11 cents a gallon, taxes included. The company reduced dealer margins to 3 cents for company dealers and 2½ cents for "split" dealers, the same as posted by other major units in Philadelphia.

Gasoline, Service Station, Tax Included		
New York...\$1.65-.175	Cleveland.....\$1.75	New Orleans.....\$1.25
Nashville......16	Denver......21	Philadelphia......11
Boston......125	Detroit......17	Pittsburgh......12
Buffalo......165	Jacksonville......20	San Francisco......185
Chicago......128	Los Angeles......18	St. Louis......158
Cincinnati......175	Minneapolis......149	

Kerosene, 41-43 Water White, Tank Car, F.O.B. Refinery		
New York:	North Texas...\$0.03-.03¼	New Orleans...\$0.04½-.04¾
(Bayonne).....\$0.05-.05¼	Los Angeles...-.04¼-.05¼	Tulsa......03½-.03¾

Fuel Oil, F.O.B. Refinery or Terminal		
N. Y. (Bayonne):	California 27 plus D	Gulf Coast C.....\$1.00
Bunker C.....\$1.15	" \$1.05-1.20	Phila., bunker C..... 1.15
Diesel 28-30 D..... 1.89	New Orleans C..-.95-1.10	

Gas Oil, F.O.B. Refinery or Terminal		
N. Y. (Bayonne):	Chicago:	Tulsa.....\$0.02-.02¼
27 plus.....\$0.04½-.05	32-36 GO....\$0.02-.02¼	

U. S. Gasoline, Motor (Above 65 Octane), Tank Car Lots, F.O.B. Refinery		
Standard Oil N. J.:	New York:	N. Y. (Bayonne):
Motor, U. S.....\$0.06¼	Colonial-Beacon...\$0.06¼	Shell East'n Pet...\$0.06¼
62-63 octane......05¼	z Texas......06¼	Chicago......04-.04¼
z Stand. Oil N. Y......06	y Gulf......06¼	New Orleans......04¼
* Tide Water Oil Co......06¼	Republic Oil......06¼	Los Angeles, ex.04¼-.04¾
x Richfield Oil (Cal.)......07	Sinclair Refining...\$0.06¼	Gulf ports......05¼-.05¾
Warner-Quinlan Co......07		Tulsa......04¼
x Richfield "Golden," z "Fire C" ; \$0.07. * Tydol, \$0.07. y "Good Gulf," \$0.07¼. z "Mobilgas."		

World's Zinc Production Smaller During September

According to figures released by the American Bureau of Metal Statistics the world production of zinc during the month of September totaled 103,772 short tons. This compares with 104,095 tons produced the preceding month and 100,148 tons produced during September 1933.

Total world output for the nine months ended Sept. 30 1934 amounted to 933,363 short tons as against 787,054 tons produced in the corresponding period of 1933. United States production in September was 26,592 tons against 26,269 tons in August and 33,319 tons in September 1933.

Stocks of zinc in the hands of producers rose from 223,068 tons on Aug. 31 to 231,485 tons on hand Sept. 30 1934. Stocks on hand Sept. 30 1933 amounted to 240,483 short tons.

The following table gives in short tons world production of zinc, according to primary metallurgical works unallocated as to origin of ore:

	Month of—			9 Mos. End. Sept. 30 1934
	July	August	September	
United States	24,843	26,269	26,592	261,248
Mexico	2,336	3,462	3,338	28,222
Canada	10,814	12,151	12,590	97,255
Belgium x	16,214	16,337	16,249	141,576
France	4,399	4,613	3,605	43,753
Germany	6,457	6,430	6,415	53,439
Italy	2,145	2,274	2,314	19,886
Netherlands	1,866	1,835	1,705	16,660
Poland x	8,699	8,971	8,314	77,126
Rhodesia	1,893	1,880	1,848	16,636
Spain	767	771	723	6,813
Anglo-Australian	9,365	9,202	10,079	83,649
Elsewhere y	9,900	9,900	10,000	87,700
World's total	99,698	104,095	103,772	933,363
United States	24,843	26,269	26,592	261,248
Elsewhere	74,755	77,826	77,180	672,115
Stock at End—				
United States	97,582	102,192	106,794	-----
Cartel report	117,195	120,876	124,691	-----

x Includes salable zinc dust. y Partly estimated; includes Norway, Jugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Russia, Indo-China and Japan.

Fair Business in Non-Ferrous Metals—Lead and Zinc Advance—Copper Steady

"Metal and Mineral Markets" in its issue of Oct. 25 stated that with major non-ferrous metals moving into consumption at a moderately higher rate, contrasted with last month, the general tone of the market is gradually improving. During the last week higher prices were named for lead and zinc. Domestic copper was held to be steady, and producers as well as custom smelters see nothing in the immediate situation to upset the market. The rise in the foreign price of copper attracted wide interest. Tin was inactive, but somewhat higher on the movement in sterling exchange. The operating rate of steel companies for the week was placed at 23.9% of capacity, against 22.8% a week ago and 24.2% a month ago. "Metal and Mineral Markets" continued:

Copper Higher Abroad

The feature in the market for copper from a price standpoint was the rise in prices abroad. The average price obtained on copper sold yesterday (Oct. 24) that was reported to "Metal and Mineral Markets" was 6.850c., c.i.f. European ports, against 6.425c. a week ago. Demand for copper abroad was fairly active. A number of factors contributed toward the rise. It is now well known that a number of foreign producers have actually started preliminary work in connection with a proposed program for regulating production. Consumers, on the other hand, decided that any action producers might take could easily change the trend of the market, especially in view of the very low prices that have been prevailing. The buying that developed, in turn, halted the pressure on London. Quite a number of hedges in standard copper in London were lifted during the last week. Foreign consumers also were impressed by the prompt action taken by United States producers in their attempt to balance production and consumption. In addition to the European demand, Japan has been a steady buyer, more than 8,000 tons having been purchased for shipment to the Far East in the last 10 days.

Domestic producers met during the week to consider further action on the temporary suspension of sales quotas. It is understood that primary producers stand ready, if necessary, to step aside for another month to give priority to custom smelters. Sales of domestic copper for the last week totaled 3,600 tons, against 3,300 tons in the week previous. So far this month domestic sales have totaled 10,185 tons, a figure within a few thousand tons of clearing the book of custom smelter copper plus the deficit incurred in September.

The domestic copper statistics for September showed "apparent consumption" of 22,600 tons, with "metal invoiced" at 33,600 tons. World production of refined was around 101,500 tons, instead of 118,150 tons reported last week.

The electrolytic copper refinery at Pyshminsk, near Sverdlovsk, Russia, has been put into operation, according to the "Economic Review" of the U. S. S. R. Initial capacity will be 25,000 tons of copper a year, with ultimate capacity estimated at 100,000 tons. The plant yielded its first copper on Aug. 2 of the current year, output amounting to 70 tons. Production of copper ore in Russia during the first half of 1934 totaled 996,000 tons, against 595,000 tons in the same period last year, according to the same source. The grade of the ore is not given.

Good Call for Lead

A fair lead business was booked last week, particularly on Thursday and Friday. The weekly total volume of sales, however, was only a little better than half that for the preceding seven-day period. The bulk of the tonnage sold changed hands at 3.70c., New York, the contract settling basis of the American Smelting & Refining Co., which became effective Oct. 18, and 3.55c., St. Louis. A relative small volume, not sufficient to affect quotations was sold by the St. Joseph Lead Co. and the basis of 3.75c., New York, and 3.60c., St. Louis. Since last Friday (Oct. 19) trading activity in lead has declined steadily. Moderate interest in the metal prevailed on Monday and Tuesday, but yesterday (Oct. 24) the market was relatively quiet. As shown in the statistics below, stocks of refined lead in the United

States decreased 4,093 tons last month. Although production increased, shipments more than offset the gain in that direction. A favorable interpretation was placed on the statistics throughout the trade.

A summary of the refined lead statistics for August and September, in short tons, follows:

	August	September
Stock at beginning	240,595	234,312
Production:		
Domestic ore	22,999	27,070
Secondary and foreign	4,329	4,869
Totals	27,328	31,939
Domestic shipments	33,606	36,018
Stock at end	234,312	230,219

Zinc Sales at 3.85c.

The market for Prime Western zinc scored a net gain for the week of five points. Inquiry for zinc seemed to improve in the last few days, and some fairly large lots changed hands, including early 1935 delivery metal, at the higher figure. One lot sold on Oct. 24 at 3.825c., but the quantity was too small to influence the average for the day. News from Joplin was a little more encouraging, in that producers of concentrate plan to regulate output over the remainder of the year.

Rumors that the Foreign Cartel is to disband at the end of the year were not taken seriously here.

Tin Inactive

Domestic demand for tin was of small proportions last week, total daily bookings ranging from about 25 to 75 tons for consumer accounts. Prices fluctuated through a relatively narrow range in sympathy with similar movements in sterling exchange. A report emanating on Oct. 22 from a Brussels news agency to the effect that the International Tin Committee had decided to increase production quotas from 40 to 62½% was said by the New York representative of the committee to be unfounded. Tin-plate operations continue at about 40% of rated capacity.

Chinese tin, 99% was quoted nominally as follows: Oct. 18th, 50.100c. 19th, 50.250c.; 20th, 50.600c.; 22nd, 50.250c.; 23rd, 50.450c.; 24th, 50.550c.

Upturn in Steel Production Accompanied By Scrap Rise

Trends in iron and steel demand are still mixed, but bookings in the aggregate have shown a slight gain, pushing steel production up one point to 24½% of capacity the "Iron Age" of Oct. 25 states. At the same time, scrap, as measured by the "Iron Age" composite for heavy melting steel, has advanced for the first time since March, rising from \$9.50 to \$9.58 a ton. The "Age" further added:

The entire market has a steadier tone, thanks to recent reassuring pronouncements of the Administration, but buying remains extraordinarily cautious, with increases attributable mainly to spot purchases to balance stocks. Even such orders are avoided in some cases by cutting material to the needed sizes.

With consumers buying only when it is imperative to do so and then only in small amounts, mill schedules have been erratic with the result that costs have mounted. In an effort to overcome this difficulty certain steel companies are now stocking larger quantities of standard products. Some stocking of material has also been done in anticipation of heavier orders from the automobile industry.

While the gloom that has been hanging over the motor trade has lifted somewhat, the outlook for new model production remains uncertain. Automotive foundries are beginning to turn out castings for the new cars, but steel releases are not likely to reach the mills in impressive volume until early in November, with December delivery specified on most orders. The slowness with which the industry is getting started on its new model program will probably result in a smaller output of cars in November than in October. Indications are that assemblies next month will fall considerably short of 100,000 units.

Pending the appearance of substantial automotive buying, which is believed to be the spark needed to start a broad buying movement, the iron and steel trade remains in the grip of a procrastinator's market. Part of the conservatism of buyers is attributable to the approach of year-end inventory taking.

Tin plate production, although still holding at 40% is gradually giving way to seasonal influences. Additional contracts for the processing and canning of 421,000 heads of cattle and 210,000 calves from the drought area will mean the utilization of 10,000 tons of tin plate, part of which, however, may be supplied from canners' stocks.

Public works continue to account for most of the current demand for constructional steel and will not be a larger factor in the market until and if the present housing plans of the Administration fully mature.

Structural lettings of 22,100 tons are the largest since the last week of August and compare with 8,580 tons a week ago. New projects total 14,500 tons as against 14,302 tons last week. The award last week of general contracts for a section of the Colorado River viaduct will result in the purchase of 46,000 tons of steel within the next 60 or 90 days.

In the railroad field, buying policy is being increasingly influenced by the growing interest in high-speed trains. The Milwaukee Road has bought two streamlined steam locomotives and the Santa Fe is in the market for a large Diesel electric engine. Improvement of roadbeds for these trains is also commanding attention and a number of Western roads are contemplating buying rails required for this purpose. So far as can be learned only one or two lines are likely to place large orders. While the Administration is apparently willing to finance another rail-buying program, many carriers have not yet laid the last rails they purchased. Rails in storage on only three large lines are known to total more than 150,000 tons.

Steel ingot output has risen two points to 18% in Pittsburgh, four points to 28% at Chicago, one point to 23% in the Philadelphia district, four points to 30% in the Cleveland-Lorain area and five points to 28% in the Wheeling district. In the South, operations have dropped from 25% to 8% of capacity; in the Valleys they have receded from 28 to 24%. Elsewhere production is substantially unchanged with Detroit still leading, with a 76% rate.

The "Iron Age" composites for finished steel and pig iron are unchanged at 2.124c. a lb. and \$17.90 a ton.

THE "IRON AGE" COMPOSITE PRICES

Finished Steel		Based on steel bars, beams, tank plates, wire, rails, black pipe, sheets and hot-rolled strips. These products make 85% of the United States output.
Oct. 23 1934, 2.124c. a lb.		
One week ago	2.124c.	
One month ago	2.124c.	
One year ago	2.015c.	

Current Events and Discussions

The Week with the Federal Reserve Banks

The daily average volume of Federal Reserve Bank credit outstanding during the week ended Oct. 24, as reported by the Federal Reserve banks, was \$2,460,000,000, an increase of \$3,000,000 compared with the preceding week and a decrease of \$58,000,000 compared with the corresponding week in 1933. After noting these facts, the Federal Reserve Board proceeds as follows:

On Oct. 24 total Reserve Bank credit amounted to \$2,452,000,000, a decrease of \$5,000,000 for the week. This decrease corresponds with decreases of \$33,000,000 in money in circulation, \$11,000,000 in member bank reserve balances and \$18,000,000 in non-member deposits and other Federal Reserve accounts and increases of \$3,000,000 in monetary gold stock and \$19,000,000 in Treasury and National Bank currency, offset in part by an increase of \$81,000,000 in Treasury cash and deposits with Federal Reserve banks.

There were practically no changes in the System's holdings of bills discounted, bills bought in open market and of United States Government securities.

The statement in full for the week ended Oct. 24 in comparison with the preceding week and with the corresponding date of last year will be found on pages 2635 and 2636.

Changes in the amount of Reserve Bank credit outstanding and in related items during the week and the year ended Oct. 24 1934, were as follows:

	Increase (+) or Decrease (-) Since		
	Oct. 24 1934	Oct. 17 1934	Oct. 25 1933
Bills discounted	\$ 11,000,000	\$ -1,000,000	\$ -104,000,000
Bills bought	6,000,000		-1,000,000
U. S. Government securities	2,430,000,000		+30,000,000
Other Reserve bank credit	5,000,000	-4,000,000	
TOTAL RESERVE BANK CREDIT	2,452,000,000	-5,000,000	-74,000,000
Monetary gold stock	7,993,000,000	+3,000,000	+3,957,000,000
Treasury and National Bank currency	2,429,000,000	+19,000,000	+152,000,000
Money in circulation	5,436,000,000	-33,000,000	+115,000,000
Member bank reserves balances	3,985,000,000	-11,000,000	+1,292,000,000
Treasury cash and deposits with Federal Reserve banks	3,049,000,000	+81,000,000	+2,747,000,000
Non-member deposits and other Federal Reserve accounts	404,000,000	-18,000,000	-120,000,000

Returns of Member Banks in New York City and Chicago—Brokers' Loans

Below is the statement of the Federal Reserve Board for the New York City member banks and that for the Chicago member banks for the current week, issued in advance of the full statement of the member banks, which latter will not be available until the coming Monday. The New York City statement formerly included the brokers' loans of reporting member banks and showed not only the total of these loans but also classified them so as to show the amount loaned for "their own account" and the amount loaned for "account of out-of-town banks" as well as the amount loaned "for the account of others." Beginning with the report for October 24 1934, the statement was revised to show separately loans to brokers and dealers in New York and outside New York, loans on securities to others, acceptances and commercial paper, loans on real estate, and obligations fully guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States Government. The new form of statement, however, now only shows the loans to brokers and dealers for their own account in New York and outside of New York, it no longer being possible to get the amount loaned to brokers and dealers "for account of out-of-town banks" or "for the account of others," these last two items now being included in the loans on securities to others. The total of these brokers' loans made by the reporting member banks in New York City "for own account," including the amount loaned outside of New York City, stood at \$636,000,000 on Oct. 24 1934, an increase of \$10,000,000 over the previous week.

CONDITION OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN CENTRAL RESERVE CITIES

	New York		
	Oct. 24 1934	Oct. 17 1934	Oct. 25 1933
Loans and investments—total	\$ 7,114,000,000	\$ 7,118,000,000	\$ 6,670,000,000
Loans on securities—total	1,435,000,000	1,434,000,000	1,636,000,000
To brokers and dealers:			
In New York	587,000,000	576,000,000	574,000,000
Outside New York	49,000,000	50,000,000	46,000,000
To others	799,000,000	808,000,000	1,016,000,000
Acceptances and commercial paper	242,000,000	243,000,000	
Loans on real estate	134,000,000	134,000,000	1,741,000,000
Other loans	1,276,000,000	1,268,000,000	
U. S. Government direct obligations	2,798,000,000	2,800,000,000	2,194,000,000
Obligations fully guar. by U. S. Govt.	235,000,000	229,000,000	1,099,000,000
Other securities	994,000,000	1,010,000,000	
Reserve with Federal Reserve banks	1,388,000,000	1,381,000,000	919,000,000
Cash in vault	40,000,000	38,000,000	37,000,000

	Oct. 24 1934	Oct. 17 1934	Oct. 25 1933
	\$	\$	\$
Net demand deposits	6,421,000,000	6,384,000,000	5,311,000,000
Time deposits	653,000,000	653,000,000	757,000,000
Government deposits	473,000,000	516,000,000	326,000,000
Due from banks	62,000,000	64,000,000	81,000,000
Due to banks	1,632,000,000	1,651,000,000	1,191,000,000
Borrowings from Federal Reserve banks			
	Chicago		
Loans and investments—total	1,543,000,000	1,537,000,000	1,181,000,000
Loans on securities—total	235,000,000	233,000,000	342,000,000
To brokers and dealers:			
In New York	24,000,000	24,000,000	16,000,000
Outside New York	24,000,000	22,000,000	50,000,000
To others	187,000,000	187,000,000	276,000,000
Acceptances and commercial paper	52,000,000	52,000,000	
Loans on real estate	21,000,000	21,000,000	347,000,000
Other loans	244,000,000	249,000,000	
U. S. Government direct obligations	698,000,000	689,000,000	283,000,000
Obligations fully guar. by U. S. Govt.	77,000,000	78,000,000	209,000,000
Other securities	216,000,000	215,000,000	
Reserves with Federal Reserve banks	472,000,000	458,000,000	412,000,000
Cash in vault	36,000,000	35,000,000	36,000,000
Net demand deposits	1,484,000,000	1,485,000,000	1,051,000,000
Time deposits	378,000,000	360,000,000	345,000,000
Government deposits	30,000,000	31,000,000	50,000,000
Due from banks	157,000,000	164,000,000	183,000,000
Due to banks	435,000,000	434,000,000	264,000,000
Borrowings from Federal Reserve banks			

Complete Returns of the Member Banks of the Federal Reserve System for the Preceding Week

As explained above, the statements of the New York and Chicago member banks are now given out on Thursday, 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 91 cities cannot be got ready.

In the following will be found the comments of the Federal Reserve Board respecting the returns of the entire body of reporting member banks of the Federal Reserve System for the week ended with the close of business Oct. 17:

The Federal Reserve Board's condition statement of weekly reporting member banks in 91 leading cities on Oct. 17 shows increases for the week of \$30,000,000 in total loans and investments and \$161,000,000 in net demand deposits and a decrease of \$162,000,000 in Government deposits.

The statement has been revised to show separately, and by Federal Reserve districts, loans to brokers and dealers in New York and outside New York, loans on securities to others, acceptances and commercial paper, loans on real estate, and obligations fully guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States Government. In view of the new classification of loans the memorandum items heretofore appearing at the bottom of the statement of condition of reporting member banks in New York City, relating to loans on securities to brokers and dealers, has been eliminated from that statement. The statement published last Thursday, which is re-issued herewith in revised form, showed the total amount of brokers' loans made by New York City banks for their own account as \$626,000,000, of which (as shown in the revised statement) \$576,000,000 represented loans to brokers and dealers in New York City and \$50,000,000 to brokers and dealers outside of New York City. Of the \$132,000,000 loans to brokers and dealers made by weekly reporting member banks in New York City for the account of out-of-town banks (as shown in the statement issued last Thursday,) \$130,000,000 was made for the account of weekly reporting member banks outside New York City. The figures as published in this statement do not include loans to brokers and dealers by New York banks for account of non-reporting banks and for account of others. Figures for such loans, which at the present time amount to about \$3,000,000, will be published monthly in the "Federal Reserve Bulletin."

A summary of the principal assets and liabilities of the reporting member banks, in 91 leading cities, that are now included in the statement, together with changes for the week and the year ended Oct. 17 1934, follows.

	Increase (+) or Decrease (-) Since		
	Oct. 17 1934	Oct. 10 1934	Oct. 18 1933
	\$	\$	\$
Loans and investments—total	17,854,000,000	+30,000,000	+1,262,000,000
Loans on securities—total	3,083,000,000	+28,000,000	-590,000,000
To brokers and dealers:			
In New York	706,000,000	+34,000,000	-20,000,000
Outside New York	149,000,000	-2,000,000	-18,000,000
To others	2,228,000,000	-4,000,000	-552,000,000
Acceptances and commercial paper	465,000,000		+1,000,000
Loans on real estate	984,000,000		-1,000,000
Other loans	3,315,000,000		+5,000,000

	Increase (+) or Decrease (-)		
	Oct. 17 1934	Oct. 10 1934	Oct. 18 1933
U. S. Government obligations.....	6,650,000,000	—8,000,000	+1,663,000,000
Obligations fully guaranteed by United States Government.....	446,000,000	+13,000,000	+395,000,000
Other securities.....	2,911,000,000	—8,000,000	
Reserve with F. R. banks.....	2,976,000,000	—1,000,000	+1,021,000,000
Cash in vault.....	261,000,000	—12,000,000	+53,000,000
Net demand deposits.....	13,365,000,000	+161,000,000	+2,665,000,000
Time deposits.....	4,463,000,000	—5,000,000	—13,000,000
Government deposits.....	933,000,000	—162,000,000	+153,000,000
Due from banks.....	1,586,000,000	+45,000,000	+347,000,000
Due to banks.....	3,957,000,000	+93,000,000	+1,217,000,000
Borrowings from F. R. banks.....	2,000,000	+2,000,000	—18,000,000

J. G. Parker, President of Actuarial Society of America Describes Canadian Banking System—Outlines Duties and Purposes of New Central Bank

Proposed changes in the Canadian banking system, and the objectives in mind in creating a Central Bank, were described in detail in the presidential address given before the Actuarial Society of America at Washington on Oct. 18. After tracing the past history of Canadian banking, and pointing out that the banking structure in Canada has been so strong that there have been few failures over a long period of years, John G. Parker, President of the Society noted that in July of this year the Canadian Parliament passed legislation to incorporate the Bank of Canada, a Central Bank with many of the powers and duties of the Central banks of the world. In the preamble of the Act the reasons for the creation of the Central Bank were listed as follows:

1. To regulate credit and currency in the best interests of the economic life of the Nation.
2. To control and protect the external value of the National monetary unit.
3. To mitigate fluctuations in the general level of production, trade, prices and employment.
4. To promote the economic and financial welfare of the Dominion.

Mr. Parker added that there was a fifth reason for creating a Central Bank, and he said that while this is not specifically mentioned in the preamble to the Act, it is nevertheless vital to the Governments of Canada and the Provinces. He continued, in part:

The fifth reason for the creation of the Central Bank, while not set forth in the preamble to the Act, is a vital one for the Governments of Canada and the Provinces. It is expected that the Bank of Canada will be increasingly a source of skilled financial advice for the Dominion and the Provincial Governments in relation to such matters as the creation or restriction of credit and especially the flotation of new issues of bonds or the refunding of old indebtedness. The knowledge that such advice is definitely being made use of by the Governments of Canada should create a most favorable reception for all governmental financing both in the Dominion and in foreign markets.

Highest Allotment of Bank of Canada Stock to Be 15 Shares—Central Institution Unlikely to Operate Before 1935

E. N. Rhodes, Canadian Minister of Finance, on Oct. 10 announced that no more than 15 shares in the Bank of Canada stock will be allotted to any one applicant. Canadian Press advices from Ottawa, Oct. 16, stated that the new Central Bank will not be in operation until January or early February. They added:

Handling of the recent \$250,000,000 Dominion refunding loan delayed work on the Bank, but it is said an announcement of the allocation of shares and publication of an official notice.

Since those voting for directors must have been shareholders for at least three months, it will not be possible to have the directorate in office until late in January, immediately after publication of the formal incorporation the provisional directors will call a general meeting of shareholders for the election of directors. Graham Towers, Governor of the Bank, will return next month from Europe, where he is studying the operations of Central banks.

Interest on Savings Deposits to Be Lowered by Canadian Banks—2% Rate to Be Put Into Effect Nov. 1 by Chartered Institutions—Interest Charge on Business Loans also to Be Reduced

That a reduction in interest rates to 2% will be put into effect on Nov. 1 by Canadian banks was announced at Ottawa on Oct. 11 by E. N. Rhodes, Canadian Minister of Finance. The lower rate will be made effective on Nov. 1 by the Dominion Government Post Office savings bank, the Ontario Government Savings Office and by all the chartered banks in Canada. A similar reduction will be made effective by all other Canadian banks on Dec. 1, it was stated in Canadian Press advices from Ottawa, Oct. 11, which said that Finance Minister Rhodes intimated that a number of the important loan and trust companies in Ontario will reduce by ½ of 1% the rate of interest which they at present pay on savings deposits, such reductions to be effective from Jan. 2.

It was noted that on May 1 1933, the savings deposit interest rate was reduced from 3% to 2½% by the chartered

banks and similar institutions. In making known on Oct. 11 the latest reduction Mr. Rhodes, according to the Canadian Press advices, said in part:

During the last two or three years the Government has sponsored the movement for reduction in interest rates by normal economic processes. It will be recalled that the Dominion Government joined in a resolution passed by the Ottawa Conference in the summer of 1932 which recommended the creation and maintenance, within the limits of sound finance, of such conditions as will assist in the revival of enterprise and trade, and stated that among these conditions are low rates of interest and abundance of short-term money.

A special copyright dispatch from Ottawa to the New York "Sun" of Oct. 19 said:

In line with reduction in the interest rate on savings deposits from 2½ to 2% effective Nov. 1, the Canadian chartered banks are also cutting the interest charge on good business loans.

At present rates range from 6 to 7%, the higher charge being for long-term loans, which, a reliable banker admitted, the banks are anxious to see liquidated. The new range will be from 5 to 7%. Long-term liabilities will not benefit so much as short-term loans, considered more attractive to a bank.

Where high class collateral is put up, such as Dominion of Canada bonds, the interest will be as low as 5%. This action will not be generally uniform, each of the banks having its own policy, but rates and conditions will be closely similar.

Premier Taschereau of Quebec Threatens to Ask the Dominion Government to Control Newsprint Exports from Canada Unless American Publishers Agree to Higher Prices—Statement Issued in Reply to Warning by A. N. P. A.

The Government of Quebec will request the Dominion authorities to control newsprint exports from Canada unless United States publishers will concede that the newsprint situation in the Province necessitates a moderate price increase, Premier Taschereau said at Montreal on Oct. 23 when he was asked to comment on a statement issued the preceding day by the American Newspaper Publishers Association, in which its members were advised "to turn their attention immediately to other available and potential sources of supply" of newsprint if restrictions were imposed upon the St. Lawrence Mills Paper Co. for carrying out 1935 contracts with American consumers. Premier Taschereau said that the newsprint price must be raised if the industry is to progress. He added that there is no intention of intervening in existing contracts with Quebec companies and that those already made will be recognized.

The New York "Herald Tribune" of Oct. 23 described the statement by the Newspaper Publishers Association which elicited this comment from the Quebec Premier as follows:

The Association's bulletin was issued following a joint meeting of its newsprint committee and directors. The bulletin did not indicate the "other available and potential sources of supply." Finland and other Scandinavian countries are important producers of newsprint, while the Province of Ontario has large stumpage supplies.

The open threat of interference by Premier Taschereau of Quebec with the further business activities of the St. Lawrence Mills Paper Co., Inc., if the latter persists in carrying on contracts duly entered into with certain American newspaper publishers, gives rise to the grave question as to the validity and dependability of contracts made with Quebec companies, not only by publishers but all companies.

Should Premier Taschereau and certain Canadian banks, by unusual restrictions imposed upon the St. Lawrence Mills Paper Co., succeed in establishing a precedent whereby contracts between Quebec mills and United States publishers may be arbitrarily violated, the directors and the newsprint committee of the American Newspaper Publishers Association will be compelled to advise its members to turn their attention immediately to other available and potential sources of supply.

Recently Premier Taschereau took the St. Lawrence Mills Paper Co., Inc., to task because it "has fixed a price for newsprint with one of its customers for all of 1935 at the existing ruinous level." The American Newspaper Publishers Association in a recent bulletin asserted that Canadian newsprint manufacturers are offering newsprint to British consumers, on their 1933 contracts, at prices which are below present market prices and are not above 1934 contract prices in that country.

It was also asserted that at the same time Canadian producers were seeking to increase 1935 contract prices to American consumers above the \$41 a ton price at which two important domestic consumers had signed contracts for their 1935 needs.

Premier Taschereau's statement of Oct. 23 follows:

We cannot expect the United States publishers, members of the American Newspaper Publishers Association, to receive with any marked enthusiasm the move of this Government to see to it that there is a moderate increase in the price of newsprint as warranted by the duty of the Province of Quebec to protect that industry and by increasing costs and the increasing needs of our workmen.

But the American publishers are business men and surely they will realize that for the Province of Quebec the newsprint industry is a business and must be run along business lines.

At the present price for newsprint there is no profit for our Canadian mills. Canadian and American money has been invested in this all-important industry and at present newsprint prices there is no return for such investments. Dividends are not being paid. This is not just.

During the great war newsprint sold at a price as high as \$140 a ton, and the newspapers survived regardless of that price. Now the price of newsprint has dropped to as low as \$40 a ton.

It is the duty of the Government to try and take measures to see to it that the mills survive and carry on. They are fed by natural resources of this province and we are not going to allow our forests to be bared without profit to those exploiting them.

It is to be hoped that producers and publishers will understand this and will come to an agreement to the benefit of both parties.

It is no question of intervening in existing contracts made with Quebec companies. We will recognize those already made, but I repeat: We do not want to see our natural resources sacrificed.

It is most surprising, incidentally, to see raised in the United States opposition to the Quebec Government's move in regard to newsprint prices when, as a matter of fact, all industry and commerce in the United States has been subjected to governmental control through NRA codes.

It will be wiser for the publishers to understand the position of Quebec's newsprint industry than to force Quebec to ask the Federal Government to control exports of newsprint. It will be remembered that during the last session of the Federal Parliament a law was adopted by which the Federal authorities can prohibit export of certain produce unless it is sold at a certain price.

I hope that such action will only be necessary as a last and drastic resort.

In a Montreal dispatch Oct. 23 to the New York "Times" it is stated:

September newsprint export figures, just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, reflect the unsatisfactory price trend of the past year. While tonnage exported was up at 190,764 from 177,806 in the like month of last year, the value of the newsprint was down at \$6,569,041, as against \$6,612,258. As compared with August, newsprint exports showed an increase in value as well as in tonnage.

The bulk of exports in September (\$5,151,000) went to the United States, the next best customers being Australia at \$632,000, Japan, \$261,000, the United Kingdom, \$161,000 and Argentina, \$130,000.

The price situation is also reflected in figures for the 12 months ended Sept. 30. These show an increase of 28% in tonnage over the preceding 12 months, but a gain in value of only 11%.

Soviet Russia Accepts Manchukuoan Offer of 170,000,000 Yen for Chinese Eastern Ry.—Negotiations Concluded by Japanese Foreign Office—Details of Payment Remain to Be Fixed

Soviet Russia has agreed to accept an offer from Manchukuo of 170,000,000 yen for the Chinese Eastern Ry., it was revealed in newspaper advices from Tokyo on Oct. 5. The offer was originally announced by the Japanese Foreign Office on Sept. 24, after it had been made through Foreign Minister Koki Hirota of Japan to Ambassador Constantin Yureneff. The Tokyo newspaper "Nichi Nichi" stated that Russia demands that cash payment be made in terms of the gold yen, in three annual instalments with interest on those of the second and third years. Part of the payment will be made in commodities, and Russia was said to wish this in two annual instalments, although Japan desires to divide it into four instalments.

A Tokyo dispatch of Sept. 23 to the New York "Herald Tribune" commented on the negotiations for the sale of the railroad as follows:

Diplomatic recognition of Manchukuo by the Soviet Government will follow conclusion of the railroad deal, it is believed here. As yet no countries save Japan and El Salvador have recognized the Manchukuo regime, set up under Japanese auspices after the overthrow of the Chinese Government in Manchuria by the Japanese Army three years ago.

The Chinese Eastern, a 1,000-mile line built by Czarist Russia at the turn of the century to link Vladivostok with the Trans-Siberian Railway, possessed great strategic value before the occupation of all Manchuria by Japanese troops. Negotiations for its purchase by Manchukuo have been carried on here for many months between Soviet representatives and Japanese officials.

Last month, when the negotiations were broken off in an apparent deadlock, a difference of only 40,000,000 yen (\$11,936,000) separated the parties, and since then several intimations that an agreement might be expected have come from the Japanese side.

A United Press dispatch from Tokyo on Sept. 26 gave further details of plans for the sale of the railroad as follows:

The Manchukuo Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, Chuichi Ohashi, a Japanese, said Manchukuo was ready to sign an agreement to pay 170,000,000 yen (\$50,000,000) for the railroad. Under an old agreement, the C. E. R., although owned outright by Russia, was jointly operated by Russia and Manchukuo.

The details of the deal remained a mystery, but it was understood the compromise provides for a one-third cash payment, distributed over three years. The balance will be paid in goods, including ships, engineering products, food and railroad equipment.

A bond issue of 50,000,000 yen may be floated to finance the initial payment. Japanese financial interests were reported ready to absorb this issue readily.

Advices from Paris on Oct. 3 said that the Japanese Government has refused to acknowledge any liability toward French investors in the Chinese Eastern Ry., contending that any claims must be dealt with by Russia, since the money was originally lent to the Czarist Empire and thus constituted one of the repudiated pre-Soviet loans.

Canadian Commodity Exchange, Inc., Inaugurates Trading in Silver Futures—Activity Heavy at Opening Session—Regulations Governing Trading

Trading in silver futures on the Canadian Commodity Exchange, Inc., in Montreal began on Oct. 22, with a heavy turnover and steady prices. A total of 126 contracts was traded in during the opening session. Inauguration of the silver futures market resulted in some transfer of funds from New York to Montreal. The American Exchange Control granted permits for the purchase of Canadian dollars incident to silver purchases in Montreal, and no applications for such permits were denied. All trades on the new market will be cleared through the Canadian Commodity Clearing Associated, Inc. In Associated Press advices from Mont-

real, Oct. 22, it was stated that formal opening of the Exchange was made in a special ceremony by Athanase David, Secretary of the Province of Quebec, who represented Premier L. A. Taschereau. These advices added:

While members of the new Exchange from New York, Toronto and other centers applauded, D. C. McMaster, President and Chairman of the new Exchange, spoke of the aims of the market. Jerome Lewine, President of the Commodity Exchange, Inc., New York, extended hearty greetings and best wishes on behalf of "Your Sister Exchange."

According to Montreal advices Oct. 22 to the New York "Journal of Commerce" two New York silver traders put through the first deal in silver futures at the opening that day of the Canadian Commodity Exchange; it was further stated in the dispatch:

Irving J. Louis of E. J. Schwabach & Co. and Francis P. Keelon of Gilson, Keelon & Andrews. The deal involved a contract of 10,000 ounces in the December position which was bought and sold at 53c. per ounce, which happens to coincide with the spot price as determined upon by Handy & Harman at New York early yesterday afternoon.

Subsequent sales for December were made at 52.97c., 53.09c., 53.10c., 53.12c., 53.13c. and 53.18c. Other sales at the opening call involved four March contracts at 54.05c., two at 53.05c. One May sold at 54.70c. and another at 54.75c. Total trading for the day consisted of 126 contracts or 1,260,000 ounces.

The Associated Press reports that there are 225 members in the Exchange, resident in Canada, United States, France, Mexico, and China, so that the opening session had an international air.

An announcement of the inauguration of silver futures trading, published Oct. 22, gave the following regulations regarding the method of trading:

Trading hours, 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Saturdays, 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon.

Trading Unit—10,000 ounces.

Price Changes—Registered in multiples of one-hundredth of a cent (1-100) per ounce. Fluctuations of a point, one one-hundredth of a cent, is equivalent to \$1 per contract; a fluctuation of a cent is equivalent to \$100 on a contract.

Price Limits—The limit of fluctuation in any one session shall be three cents per ounce, above or below the previous closing price.

Months Traded—December 1934 will be the first delivery month traded in and contracts for delivery in the nine succeeding calendar months will also be traded in. On and after Nov. 1 trading will be in the 10 succeeding months; on and after Dec. 1, 11 succeeding months.

Deliveries—Deliveries may be made at any time during the delivery month from a licensed vault or warehouse in the City of Montreal, Canada.

Tenderable Silver—999 fine silver in bars of usual commercial sizes, bearing one of the brands or markings on the official list approved by the Exchange. Weight tolerance 3% over or under 10,000 ounces.

Commission Rates—The lowest rate of commission which may be charged for the purchase or sale of a contract in silver shall be \$9 when the price of silver does not exceed 40 cents per ounce, and when the price exceeds 40 cents per ounce an additional \$1 for each 10 cents or portion thereof.

An item regarding the Exchange appeared in our issue of Oct. 20, page 2434.

Rumors Regarding Liberation of Exchange by Brazil Unfounded According to National Coffee Department

Brazil's National Coffee Department in a press statement received by cable by the New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange, states that all rumors regarding the liberation of exchange are unfounded as the country's interests including the coffee trade, depends on the maintenance of a currency defense which is impossible unless certain percentages of coffee export bills are sold at the official rate. The percentage, the cable says, will remain at 155 francs per bag or its equivalent in other currencies, and exporters, for calculation purposes, can count on the maintenance of the present official exchange quota to the end of the year. In an announcement issued Oct. 19 by the New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange it was also said:

It was further stated that coffee market conditions are at their best with an equilibrium between offers and demand and world's consumption maintained; that transitory depressions are the result of speculative manoeuvres, and that the Federal Government's reasons for defending coffee to-day are the same as they have been in the past as Brazil depends on its coffee values for its economic well being.

Review of Cuban Sugar Situation According to Figures of Cuban Export Corp.—Exports from Jan. 1 to Oct. 15 Totaled 1,743,602 Tons—Stocks on Oct. 15 Below Previous Two Years

Official figures of the Cuban Export Corp. received Oct. 24 by the New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange disclose much interesting data on the Cuban sugar situation. The Exchange finds that:

Stock on the entire island of Cuba as of Oct. 15 were 1,570,407 long Spanish tons, compared with 1,641,508 in 1933 and 1,938,000 tons in 1932.

Exports from Cuba to the world from Jan. 1 to Oct. 15 totaled 1,743,602 tons, an amount equivalent to 76.6% of this year's production which will closely approximate 2,277,000 tons. 990,701 tons are destined for the United States, 56.8% of the total exports.

Exports to the United States so far, are equivalent to 58.3% of the 1,901,752 (short tons raw value) quota assigned Cuba under the Costigan-Jones Act. However, trade estimates indicate that nearer 70% of the quota has been filled when the stocks of Cuban sugars, raw and refined, that were on hand here at the beginning of the year, are taken into account.

Of interest in connection with the stories of heavy exports of refined sugar to Europe by United States refiners in competition with European

refined, are figures showing that to Oct. 15, the Cuban Export Corp. has shipped 50,388 tons of sugar to United States refiners for this purpose. 10,761 tons were shipped prior to Aug. 15 this year, while since then, 39,627 tons were shipped, 20,535 tons during the first half of October. This sugar was sold at a slight premium over the world price (which was in the neighborhood of 1c. per lb.) enabling refiners to compete successfully in European markets. These sugars were from stocks segregated under the Chadbourne plan, only 17,000 of which are left for shipment this year.

Sale of 2,000 Tons of Philippine Raw Sugar at 2.55 Cents a Pound to American Sugar Refining Co. Reported Lowest Duty Paid Price in History of Commodity

The reported sale to American Sugar Refining Co. of 2,000 tons of Philippine raw sugar, due to arrive in the middle of November at 2.55c. per pound, is the lowest duty paid price in the history of sugar, it was pointed out on Oct. 24 by the New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange. The Exchange continued:

This sugar, however, is in a special category as it cannot be delivered to consumption before Jan. 1 next year at the earliest because the Philippines have filled their quota for 1934. The lowest previous price was made on May 31 1932, when duty free sugars sold at 2.57c., but at that time the duty on Cuban sugars was 2.00c., which made the cost and freight Cuban price 0.57c., while to-day with Cuba's duty 0.90c. per pound, the parity price for Cuban sugars would be 1.65c. when based on the reported sale.

Minimum Price for Sugar Sales in United States Set by Cuba—No Offerings to be Made in American Market Below 2.185 Cents a Pound During Remainder of Year

Announcement was made on Oct. 25 by Carlos G. Garcia, President of the Cuban Chamber of Commerce in the United States, that Cuban raw sugar would not be offered in the American market at less than 2.185 cents a pound during the remainder of this year. His statement was based it was said, on the recent action of the Cuban Sugar Institute of Havana in withdrawing its offer to sell Cuban raw sugar at a price concession. According to the New York "Times" of Oct. 26 Mr. Garcia said that the Cuban plans were:

1. To permit the shipment of the balance of the 1934 quota for storage in the United States, to be held until Dec. 31, duty paid.

2. Until Jan. 1, 1935, these sugars will not be sold except to refiners for melting purposes only and at a price not lower than the minimum price fixed by the Cuban Licensing Committee.

Mr. Garcia further said:

Having tried to induce refiners to purchase the entire balance of the 1934 Cuban quota at a price under 2.185 cents a pound and not having received a favorable response, the action of the institute in withdrawing its offer to sell and re-establishing the price of 2.185 cents a pound has prevented the complete collapse of the sugar market at this time would endanger the continuance of the Jones-Costigan Act and destroy the tariff benefits to Cuban sugar in the new reciprocity treaty.

Refiners will have to come to Cuba, regardless of price, for the balance of their 1934 requirements, which will be 100,000 to 150,000 tons. Under this policy Cuba will sell as much sugar at 2.185 cents a pound as she would have sold at lower prices.

Cuba's orderly marketing, when she alone has sugar to sell in the American market, should bring confidence to her competitors in the Philippines and Puerto Rico and lead these producing areas to follow her example in refusing to dump their products in the United States.

25% of Coupons Due April 1 1934 of 4% Consolidation Loan of 1922 Bonds of Rumania Being Paid by Irving Trust Co.

The Irving Trust Co., New York City, as agent for the British Overseas Bank, Ltd., announced on Oct. 25 that it is paying at 25% of their nominal value coupons due April 1 1934, from 4% Consolidation Loan of 1922 bonds of the Kingdom of Rumania, in accordance with arrangements concluded in Paris July 24 1934.

Representatives of American Holders of Colombian Bonds Testify at Hearing on Proposed Trade Pact—Urge United States Government to Induce Colombia to Resume Interest Payments

Representatives of bondholders' committees for the Republic of Colombia appeared on Oct. 16 before the Committee for Reciprocity Information in Washington to demand that, as a condition to the conclusion of a reciprocal trade agreement with Colombia, that country be persuaded to resume payments upon defaulted bonds held by American investors. Fred Lavis, appearing for the Bondholders' Committee for Republic of Colombia, said that he believed Colombia would attempt a settlement if "encouragement" were lent by this Government, but he also said that no step should be taken by the United States which would force Colombian officials to make a hurried decision in the matter. J. H. Hays of the Colombian Independent Bondholders' Committee, offered similar testimony.

An announcement on Oct. 22 by the Bondholders' Committee for Republic of Colombia said in part:

It is unthinkable, of course, that the Government of the United States should act directly as a debt-collecting agency for these private debts, or that any international trade agreement should contain direct provision for payments on the bonds. The Committee, therefore, wisely chose the

constructive course, and, far from trying to block the trade agreement in any way, concentrated on a petition that when the trade agreement is negotiated cognizance be taken of the situation created by the defaulted bonds, and provision be made, either in the agreement or separately, for proper negotiations between the duly constituted representatives of the bondholders and the Colombian Government, looking toward resumption of payments. It is believed that this petition will receive favorable consideration.

Rumania to Pay 50% of Aug. 1 Coupons on 7% Bonds of Monopolies Institute Stabilization and Development Loan of 1929

The Rumanian Legation in Washington issued a notice on Oct. 22 to the holders of the Kingdom of Rumania Monopolies Institute Stabilization and Development Loan of 1929 7% bonds that payment of the Aug. 1 1934 coupons of such bonds will be made at the rate of 50% of the face value thereof in dollars against the unconditional surrender for cancellation of such coupons at the office of City Bank Farmers Trust Co., special agent, 22 William St., New York City, or at the offices of the associate special agents in Europe at the rate of 50% of the face value of said coupons, in the currencies and at the fixed rates of exchange specified in said bonds. The Legation announced:

The Paris agreement provides among other things for the payment of coupons over a three year period of 50% the first year, 53% the second year and 55% the third year.

With respect to the unpaid balance on the Feb. 1 1934 coupons, it is proposed that the Kingdom of Rumania Monopolies Institute issue funding bonds in payment thereof, the terms of which will be announced at a later date.

New York Stock Exchange Rulings on Bonds of Kingdom of Rumania Monopolies Institute

The following rulings, affecting bonds of the Kingdom of Rumania Monopolies Institute, were issued on Oct. 22 by Ashbel Green, Secretary of the New York Stock Exchange:

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE Committee on Securities

Oct. 22 1934.

The Committee on Securities rules that beginning Oct. 23 1934, transactions in Kingdom of Rumania Monopolies Institute 7% Guaranteed External Sinking Fund gold bonds, Stabilization and Development Loan of 1929, due 1959, may be made as follows.

(a) "with Feb. 1 1934 (50% paid) and subsequent coupons attached";

(b) "with Feb. 1 1934 (50% paid) (ex Aug. 1 1934), Feb. 1 1935, and subsequent coupons attached";

That bids and offers shall be considered as being for bonds under option (a) above, unless otherwise specified at the time of transaction; and

That the bonds shall continue to be dealt in "flat."

ASHBEL GREEN, Secretary.

Rulings on External 8% 30-Year Sinking Fund Gold Bonds, Due 1954, of Carlsbad (Czechoslovakia) by New York Stock Exchange

Ashbel Green, Secretary of the New York Stock Exchange, issued the following announcement on Oct. 24:

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE Committee on Securities

Oct. 24 1934.

Notice having been received that payment of \$26 per \$1,000 bond is being made on presentation for stamping of coupons due July 1 1934, from City of Carlsbad external 8% 30-year sinking fund gold bonds, due 1954:

The Committee on Securities rules that the bonds be quoted ex-interest \$26 per \$1,000 bond on Oct. 25 1934;

That the bonds shall continue to be dealt in "flat" and to be a delivery in settlement of transactions made beginning Oct. 25 1934, must carry the July 1 1934, coupon stamped to indicate payment of \$26 per \$1,000 bond, and subsequent coupons. Such coupons must be securely attached and bear the same serial number as the bond.

ASHBEL GREEN, Secretary.

J. S. Lawrence New Member of Staff of Publicity Committee of New York Stock Exchange

Joseph Stagg Lawrence has become a member of the staff of the Publicity Committee of the New York Stock Exchange, the Exchange announced on Oct. 20.

Advisory Group Assigned by New York Stock Exchange to Various Committees—All 10 "Outsiders" to Serve on Conference Committee—Half on Law Body

At a meeting of the Governing Committee of the New York Stock Exchange held on Oct. 24 members of the new advisory group were invited to attend meetings of standing and special committees of the Exchange. The group, consisting of 10 men, non-members of the Exchange, was appointed in late September to attend meetings of the Governing Committee and to also serve in an advisory capacity on such other committees as the Exchange may designate. Five of the group, the appointment of which was referred to in our issue of Sept. 29, page 1967, are partners of member firms of the Stock Exchange.

Half of the advisory body were invited on Oct. 24 to attend meetings of the Law Committee, known, it was stated, as the "unofficial cabinet" of the President of the

Exchange. All of the members were asked to serve on the Conference Committee. The personnel of the group and the committees to which they have been invited follow:

Adolf A. Berle, Jr.—Conference; Quotations and Commissions; Stock List.
Gayer G. Dominick—Conference; Publicity; Quotations and Commissions.
Donald G. Geddes—Centralization of Securities; Conference; Law.
John M. Hancock—Business Conduct; Conference; Stock List.
George H. Houston—Conference; Law.
Fred I. Kent—Conference; Law; Publicity.
Robert A. Lovett—Conference; Publicity; Stock List.
Joseph R. Swan—Bonds; Centralization of Securities; Conference.
Roy B. White—Conference; Law; Quotations and Commissions.
Frederick E. Williamson—Conference; Law.

Redmond & Co., New York, to Acquire Business of Theodore Prince & Co. on Nov. 1—Both Firms Members of New York Stock Exchange.

Henry Mason Day, senior partner of the New York Stock Exchange firm of Redmond & Co., announced on Oct. 25 the consummation of an arrangement whereby his firm will acquire the long established business of Theodore Prince & Co., also of New York. The arrangement will bring under Redmond management the business of two of the oldest firms having membership in the New York Stock Exchange an announcement issued in the matter said, stating that the Redmond firm was originally established in 1891, while the Prince firm was organized in 1902.

The acquisition of this business does not make any change in the present partnership of Redmond & Co., it was stated, whose members are:

Henry Mason Day, Edward V. Jaeger, Arthur J. Goldsmith, James D. Tallor, Daniel T. Pierce, Jr., and E. B. Schryver, general partners; and Franklin Q. Brown, Lee Warren James, Alan Ryder Breed, and George H. Pendleton, special partners.

The announcement further said:

Although for many years a prominent factor in both the investment and stock branches of the securities business, the acquisition of the Prince firm's business marks one of several steps taken recently in expansion of the Redmond firm's facilities in both divisions of the securities business.

Theodore Prince, who for many years has been recognized as one of the leading bond authorities throughout the financial world, will have the direction of the bond unit of Redmond & Co. There will be no change or minimizing of the outstanding service which has been rendered banks and members for the past 20 years. Redmond & Co. will do only the commission form of bond business.

In addition to the New York Stock Exchange, the Redmond firm holds membership in the New York Curb, New York Cotton Exchange, Commodity Exchange, Inc. and the Chicago Board of Trade.

Regulations by Federal Reserve Board Governing Margin Requirements Under Securities Exchange Act of 1934—Corrections by New York Federal Reserve Bank

Several corrections of the text of the regulations issued by the Federal Reserve Board governing margin requirements under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as contained in prints issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, were announced on Oct. 20 by the Bank. The New York Federal Reserve Bank said on Oct. 20 that the copies of the rules which it issued "were printed by this Bank before copies of the official print of the regulation were available, . . ." The regulations were published in our issue of Sept. 29, pages 1923 to 1926. The corrections were announced by the Bank as follows:

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK
[Circular No. 1462, Oct. 20 1934]

Regulation T, Series of 1934

To Members of National Securities Exchanges,
Brokers and Dealers in Securities, and Banking Institutions,
in the Second Federal Reserve District:

With my Circular No. 1424 dated Sept. 28 1934, I transmitted copies of Federal Reserve Board Regulation T, Series of 1934, entitled "Extension and Maintenance of Credit by Brokers, Dealers, and Members of National Securities Exchanges." The copies so transmitted were printed by this Bank before copies of the official print of the regulation were available, and a subsequent comparison with the official print has indicated certain changes which should be made in the copies printed by this Bank. These changes are listed below and to avoid possible misunderstandings you are requested to make such changes in the copy of that print which you received with my Circular No. 1424 dated Sept. 28 1934, and in all other copies in your possession:

In the 14th line of Section 3(b) on page 4, insert the word "own" before the word "account" at the beginning of the line.

Insert a comma after the word "exchange" in the 3rd line of paragraph 4 in Section 3(f) on page 5. In the next line of the same paragraph the word "endorsement" should be changed to "indorsement".

Change the numbers (1) and (2) to (a) and (b) in paragraph 8 of Section 3(f) near the end of page 5.

Insert a comma after the word "indirectly" in the 5th line of Section 4(a) on page 7.

Insert the word "section" instead of the word "subsection" at the beginning of the 5th line in Section 4(c) on page 7.

Eliminate the comma after the word "Sundays" in the 7th line of Section 4(e) on page 8, and eliminate the comma after the word "account" in the 19th line of Section 4(e).

Eliminate the word "and" after the word "involved" in the 5th line of the third paragraph of Section 6 on page 10.

Insert the word "shall" instead of the word "should" in the last line of Section 7(a) on page 11.

Insert the word "old" instead of the word "such" at the end of the 5th line in section 7(c) on page 11.

Eliminate the article "a" after the word "only" in the 3rd line of Section 8(f) on page 13.

Insert a colon instead of the period at the end of the 1st paragraph in the Appendix on page 17.

Eliminate the second paragraph reading as follows:

"Sec. 3(a) When used in this title, unless the context otherwise requires —" in the Appendix on page 17 and insert instead the following:

Sec. 3.(a) * * *
Eliminate all other asterisks between paragraphs as they appear on pages 17, 18, 20, 21 and 22.

J. H. CASE, *Federal Reserve Agent*

The foregoing serves to effect the following changes in the regulations as published in our issue of Sept. 29:

On page 1924 in the 12th line of Section 3(B) the word "own" should be inserted before the word "account" to make the line read: "purpose of purchasing or carrying securities for his own account or for the";

On page 1924 in the 3rd line of paragraph (4) of Section 3(F) the word "endorsement" should be changed to "indorsement" to make the line read: "exchange, and (or) in connection with the creditor's indorsement or guarantee";

On page 1924 in the 2nd and 5th lines of paragraph (8) of Section 3(F) the numbers (1) and (2) should be changed to (a) and (b), respectively;

On page 1924 in the 4th line of Section 4(A) insert a comma after the word "indirectly";

On page 1925 in the 5th line of Section 7(C) insert the word "old" instead of the word "such" to make the line read: "Provided, that all old accounts shall be consolidated, liquidated or";

On page 1925 in the 2nd line of Section 8(F) eliminate the article "a" after the word "only" to make the line read: "a fraction of a day (this is, for only part of the time between the beginning".)

Additional Rulings on Regulations T by Federal Reserve Board—Manner of Keeping Special Cash Accounts Explained—Other Interpretations

The Federal Reserve Board issued this week several further interpretations of various sections of Regulation T. The regulation was published in full in our issue of Sept. 29, page 1923; latest previous interpretations thereon appeared in our issue of Oct. 20, page 2442. The Board's interpretations of this week were announced as follows:

Sales and Repurchases of Securities in Old Accounts

Ruling No. 28 interpreting Regulation T—The Federal Reserve Board has been asked whether a creditor, as defined in Section 2(b) of Regulation T, may permit a customer to sell a registered security from a designated old account and on the same day to purchase in its place in the old account an unregistered, non-exempted security, if the adjusted debit balance of the old account is not increased. In reply the Board called attention to the prohibition contained in Section 7(c) (2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 on the extension of credit on unregistered, non-exempted securities for the purpose of purchasing or carrying securities, and to the fact that the provisions of Section 4 of Regulation T are made applicable to old accounts by the first proviso of Section 7(a) of the Regulation. Accordingly, the Board advised that in the circumstances indicated, the extension of credit for the purchase of the unregistered, non-exempted security is not permitted unless at the time of such purchase the maximum loan value of the securities in the account exceeds the adjusted debit balance of the account by an amount equal to or greater than the purchase price of the unregistered, non-exempted security.

Manner of Keeping Special Cash Accounts

Ruling No. 29 interpreting Regulation T—In reply to an inquiry the Federal Reserve Board has advised that under Section 6 of Regulation T a special cash account may be kept separately for each customer, and that the regulation does not require a single separate account covering all cash transactions for all customers.

Dividends or Interest on Securities Carried in Restricted New Accounts

Ruling No. 30 interpreting Regulation T—The Federal Reserve Board has been asked whether under Regulation T, a broker may permit a customer to withdraw cash dividends or interest received by the broker on securities carried for the customer in a restricted new account. In reply the Board advises that for the purposes of Regulation T such withdrawal of interest or dividends is to be considered as not different from any other withdrawal of cash and therefore may not be permitted in such account except in compliance with the provisions of Section 4(d) of the Regulation.

SEC Representatives Surveying Activities of Specialists on New York Stock Exchange—Confer with Floor Traders Who Would Be Affected.

Representatives of the Securities and Exchange Commission, who have recently been conducting a "fact-finding" survey of the activities of specialists on the New York Stock Exchange, on Oct. 24 received the opinions of members who, although not themselves specialists, would be affected by any regulations which the SEC might issue. The survey is in charge of David Saperstein, Director of the Trading and Exchange Division of the SEC; Leon Cohen, Assistant Director, and James A. Fayne, Special Adviser. It was reported that the SEC is concentrating at this time on the functions of specialists. The New York "Herald Tribune" of Oct. 25 described this investigation as follows:

The position of the commission firms in regulation of the specialists was given by members of the advisory committee of the Association of Stock Exchange Firms, who held an hour conference with Mr. Cohen and Mr. Fayne at 40 Wall Street. A previous meeting was held on Tuesday. The association committee, it was said strongly advocated that the specialist be allowed to continue to deal, on the basis that their customers thus received better prices.

Among the members of the association group who conferred with the SEC representatives, were Frank R. Hope, president of the association; Herman B. Baruch, Alpheus C. Beane, John W. Hanes, Charles Hayden, Grayson M.-P. Murphy, E. A. Pierce, Colonel John W. Prentiss and Colonel Henry Rogers Winthrop.

The idea of the SEC using a questionnaire, to be answered by specialists on the basis of daily operation, in order to learn exactly what the specialist does, is receiving increased support from both specialists and partners in commission firms. There has been some question as to the amount of work the study would involve, but leading specialists yesterday favored the idea. The SEC has proposed the system with a view to replacing "arguments with facts."

Federal Reserve Board Discusses New Margin Requirements Under Securities Exchange Act

In its October "Bulletin," issued Oct. 22, the Federal Reserve Board discusses the new margin requirements prescribed by it for stock exchange transactions, as embodied in Regulation T, published in our issue of Sept. 29, page 1923. The Board states that "the standard of margin requirements started in the law, and now prescribed by the Federal Reserve Board, is designed to exert a restraining influence on speculative trading." The Board also says:

Probable Effect of New Requirements

In view of the fact that the prescribed margin requirements are not based upon a fixed percentage of margin for all securities but call for margins varying from a minimum of 25% to a maximum of 45% on different securities, depending on whether they have had a rapid rise in price or not, other data were needed to indicate the probable effect of the new requirements upon existing accounts. Accordingly, members of the three exchanges mentioned above were requested to report the amount of each individual security held in customers' accounts with debit balances and in partners' and firms' accounts. The reports covered some 20,000 different issues with total market value estimated at about \$2,600,000,000. Detailed analysis was made of the holdings by members of the New York Stock Exchange of 1,233 issues of stocks and bonds listed on that exchange and on the New York Curb Exchange, including all holdings of common stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange. These holdings had a market value of about \$2,100,000,000, or about four-fifths of the total estimated value of all securities held. The analysis is shown in the following table:

MAXIMUM LOAN VALUE OF SELECTED SECURITIES * HELD BY BROKERS AS OF JULY 31 1934
(New York Stock Exchange Members)

	Number of Issues	Market Value	Maximum Loan Value	
				P. C. of Market Value
Securities with a maximum loan value of:				
75% of market.....	733	\$1,445,000,000	\$1,084,000,000	75.0
100% of recent low.....	343	508,000,000	343,000,000	67.6
55% of market.....	152	147,000,000	\$1,000,000	55.0
Total.....	1,233	\$2,100,000,000	\$1,508,000,000	71.8

* Includes only securities listed on New York Stock Exchange and New York Curb Exchange; 993 issues of stocks with market value of \$1,997,000,000 and 240 issues of bonds with market value of \$103,000,000.

From these figures it would appear that in terms of market values over two-thirds of the securities held by brokers for their customers on July 31 could be carried with a maximum loan of 75% of market value, about one-fourth permitted loans of percentages varying from 55% to 75% and averaging 67.6% of market value, and the remainder had a maximum loan value of 55% of market value. The average maximum loan value on all these securities was slightly under 72%. This compares with a maximum percentage permitted by the New York Stock Exchange of about 77% for large accounts and 66 2/3% for small accounts, averaging about 75% for all accounts.

Reports

The regulation issued by the Board provides that brokers and dealers and other persons making loans subject to the provisions of the Act shall make such reports to the Board as it may require. These reports will be used by the Board for the purpose of keeping currently informed concerning the use of credit in the securities market.

Further comments by the Board, as contained in the "Bulletin," follow:

Margin Requirements

In prescribing margin requirements the Board has adopted the basis stated in the Securities Exchange Act and has ruled that, with certain exceptions, a member of a national securities exchange or a broker or a dealer subject to the regulation shall not make any initial extension of credit to any customer on any registered security (other than an exempted security) for the purpose of purchasing or carrying any security, in an amount which causes the total credit extended on such registered security to exceed whichever is the higher of:

- (1) 55% of the current market value of the security; or
- (2) 100% of the lowest market value of the security computed at the lowest market price thereof during the period of 36 calendar months immediately prior to the first day of the current month, but not more than 75% of the current market value: *Provided*, That until July 1 1936 for the purpose of this regulation the lowest price at which a security has sold on or after July 1 1933, but prior to the first day of the current month, shall be considered as the lowest market price of such security during the preceding 36 calendar months.

The regulation fixes a maximum loan value of 80% of current market value on a loan or extension of credit made on securities to any other member, broker, or dealer subject to the regulation, if the loan or extension of credit is for the purpose of enabling the borrower to carry accounts for his customers. Loans to dealers and syndicates for the purpose of distributing security issues may be made under the 80% rule. Loans to brokers and dealers to finance partners' and firm accounts are subject to the same margin requirements as are extensions of credit to customers. If exempted securities are mingled in the same account with other securities, the exempted securities may be counted as collateral up to their full market value.

Under the Securities Exchange Act credit may not be extended by brokers and dealers against securities that are not registered (except exempted securities), if the credit is for the purpose of purchasing or carrying securities, but Regulation T permits brokers to retain such securities or to take them as additional collateral against credits previously extended.

Exempted Securities

The Securities Exchange Act specifically exempts from its provisions all obligations of the United States Government, of any State or municipal or other political subdivision, and of agencies or instrumentalities of a State or local government. Obligations guaranteed as to principal or interest by the Federal or local governments are also exempted. In addition, the Securities and Exchange Commission has authority to exempt other securities either unconditionally or upon specified conditions, and the Secretary of the Treasury to exempt such securities issued or guaranteed by corporations in which the United States has a direct or indirect interest as may be necessary or appropriate in the public interest. Under this authority the Secretary of the Treasury has designated as exempted securities farm loan bonds issued by the Federal Land banks and debentures issued by the Federal Intermediate Credit banks under the authority of the Federal Farm Loan Act. Obligations

of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation and of the Home Owners' Loan Corporation, being guaranteed by the United States Government, are exempt by the terms of the Act.

Nature of Prescribed Standard

Although the basis for establishing margin requirements is stated in the law, the Board is given authority to prescribe such lower or higher requirements as prevailing conditions may indicate. The general principle laid down in this connection in the law is that the Board shall prescribe rules and regulations with respect to margin requirements "for the purpose of preventing the excessive use of credit for the purchase or carrying of securities." In the light of existing circumstances the Board decided to adopt for the present the standard of margin requirements prescribed in the Act.

This standard permits the extension of credit of as much as 75% of market value on securities that have had little or no advance from their recent lows and of 55% of market value on securities that have advanced most rapidly; permissible loans for other securities, being limited in each case to 100% of the lowest price of the security since July 1 1933, fall within the range between 55% and 75% of current market value. At the present level of security prices, credit may be extended on most securities up to 75% of their market value. If a substantial increase in security prices should occur, however, the average margin requirement would automatically increase, since the loan value of an increasing proportion of outstanding securities would be less than 75% of market value.

The standard of margin requirements stated in the law and now prescribed by the Federal Reserve Board is designed to exert a restraining influence on speculative trading. By imposing higher margin requirements on securities that have had a rapid rise than on more stable securities, the prescribed requirements make credit less freely available for trading in speculative stocks. It also limits the extent to which speculative profits on securities can be used as margins for further speculation, a practice that is known as pyramiding.

Rules Governing Extension of Credit

In order to ascertain the amount of credit that may be extended by a broker, the regulation prescribes a method to be used by the broker in calculating from his records an "adjusted debit balance," which makes allowance for margins held against short sales, future commitments, and other transactions made for a customer. In an account that is adequately margined the adjusted debit balance does not exceed the maximum loan value of the securities in the account. An account in which this condition exists is called an "unrestricted account," and a broker may permit any transaction to be made by or for a customer in such an account, unless the transaction would cause the margin in the account to fall below the standard prescribed, thereby making the account a "restricted account."

The regulation provides methods of ascertaining current market prices that must be used in determining market values and maximum loan values. In general, securities in an account at the beginning of any given day are valued at closing prices of the preceding day, while securities purchased or sold during the day are valued at the prices at which they are purchased or sold. For the determination of the lowest value of a security since July 1933 rules are prescribed that make these figures, which enter into the calculation of maximum loan value of a security, change not more frequently than once a month, and they need not be changed until after the seventh day of each month.

Whenever additional margin is needed to comply with the regulation, a broker is allowed three business days from the date of the transaction giving rise to the need in which to obtain such margin; and, if he makes a demand for it, he is permitted to credit the amount required and demanded to the customer's account in calculating the adjusted debit balance of the account. An account which is unrestricted at the beginning of the day, i. e., has an adjusted debit balance no greater than the maximum loan value of the securities in the account, remains unrestricted throughout the day, and regardless of transactions made during the day may continue unrestricted if any additional margin required is demanded by the broker. The margin thus demanded must be obtained within three days, unless the account is otherwise brought into conformity with the regulation.

Maintenance of Credit

Regulation T does not prescribe a specific margin that must be maintained after a loan has been granted, but imposes restrictions on the operations which the customer may carry on in his account if his margin falls below the standard prescribed for initial extension of credit. In such a case the account is called a "restricted account." The amount of credit maintained in an account, whether restricted or unrestricted, is not required by the regulation to be reduced as a consequence of a decline in the market value of the securities held, but, in order to prevent circumvention of the initial credit rules, the broker is not allowed to permit in an unrestricted account any transaction which would cause the account to become a restricted account. If an account is a restricted account or becomes so by reason of a decline in the market, the broker may permit only such transactions in that account as will not result either in a net withdrawal of cash or securities or in an increase in the amount by which the margin held is below that required. This rule governs purchases, sales, withdrawals of money and securities, substitutions, short sales, and other transactions. In effect, it permits a new extension of credit in a restricted account if sufficient additional margin is supplied for the new extension in itself, but prohibits withdrawals except under specified conditions, unless additional margin is supplied in an amount sufficient to make the whole account unrestricted.

These rules of maintenance would not exert pressure for the liquidation of securities consequent upon a decline in market prices, but trading by customers with accounts which do not conform to the margin rules for initial extension will be subject to restrictions. Nothing in the Act or in the regulations prevents any exchange or any creditor from making stricter rules regarding margins to be held or transactions that may be permitted.

Accounts in existence on Oct. 1 1934 may be recorded separately by the creditor at any time prior to Nov. 15 1934, and thereafter may be maintained until liquidated or until July 1 1937, without requiring the margins prescribed by Regulation T. In order to prevent circumvention of the margin rules, however, no new transactions which would result in an increase in the adjusted debit balance or in the amount by which the account is undermargined may be made in these accounts. Excess margin may be withdrawn from these old accounts and customers may open other accounts for trading purposes with the same broker.

Other Rules

In addition to the rules governing initial extension and maintenance of credit on registered securities, the Securities Exchange Act authorizes the Federal Reserve Board to prescribe rules permitting brokers and dealers subject to the Act to make loans or extend credit of other kinds. The regulation permits loans by brokers and dealers in securities for bona fide commercial, industrial, or other purposes, except the purchase or carrying of securities, provided the creditor obtains a written declaration from the borrower stating the purpose of the loan, and has no reason to believe that the declaration is false.

Under Section 8 of the Securities Exchange Act brokers and dealers subject to the Act may not borrow on registered securities (other than exempted securities) from others than member banks except under certain conditions to be prescribed by the Board. Regulation T prescribes an agreement which non-member banks must sign before brokers and dealers will be permitted to borrow from them. Members of registered securities exchanges and other brokers and dealers subject to the Act are also permitted to borrow from each other under specified conditions.

Rules are also included regarding the borrowing and lending of securities, the debiting of interest, commissions, &c., the handling of guaranteed accounts, the transfer of accounts, temporary credit for clearance of securities, adjustments for innocent mistakes, and transactions outside the United States.

Present Status of Margin Accounts

In preparation for the adoption of margin requirements the Board made a survey of the prevailing conditions in regard to outstanding securities and accounts with brokers. At the request of the Board the New York, Chicago and San Francisco Stock Exchanges obtained reports from their members as of July 31 1934 to determine the relation between the value of the collateral and the amount of loans in customers' margin accounts. The reports did not cover short sales and excluded accounts with commodity commitments. Accounts containing over two-thirds of all customers' borrowings were reported.

These returns, which are summarized in the following table, show that a large number of accounts were substantially over-margined at that time. The value of the securities held in all the accounts was nearly twice as large as the amount borrowed on the securities, that is to say, borrowings were equal to about one-half of the value of the securities carried:

STATUS OF CUSTOMERS' MARGIN ACCOUNTS WITH BROKERS AS OF JULY 31 1934

(New York, Chicago, and San Francisco Stock Exchanges)

	No. of Accounts Reported	Debt Balances	Market Value of Securities
Accounts with debit balances of more than \$5,000, having a ratio of debit balance to value of securities of:			
Less than 50%-----	\$7,507	\$152,676,000	\$499,292,000
50 to 66 2-3 %-----	10,302	227,210,000	382,875,000
66 2-3 to 75 %-----	6,711	188,506,000	264,829,000
More than 75 %-----	4,876	144,059,000	158,187,000
Total large accounts-----	29,396	\$712,451,000	\$1,305,183,000
Accounts with debit balances of \$5,000 or less, having a ratio of debit balance to value of securities of:			
Less than 50%-----	109,097	\$77,224,000	\$310,395,000
50 to 66 2-3 %-----	55,083	72,199,000	124,068,000
66 2-3 to 75 %-----	11,659	18,479,000	26,457,000
More than 75 %-----	7,754	10,970,000	11,645,000
Total small accounts-----	183,593	\$178,872,000	\$472,565,000
Total all accounts-----	212,989	\$891,273,000	\$1,777,748,000

Securities Exchange Commission Begins Inquiry Into Transactions in Stock of Teck-Hughes Gold Mines, Inc.—New York Curb Exchange Also Undertakes Investigation—Result of Inquiry in Canada

The Securities and Exchange Commission at Washington reported on Oct. 23 it had opened an investigation into transactions in the stock of Teck-Hughes Gold Mines, Ltd. In Associated Press accounts from Washington that day it was indicated that officials declined to say what had caused them to start an investigation, but it was indicated that the inquiry in Toronto might have had some part in the move.

Under date of Oct. 23 Canadian Press advices from Toronto stated:

A three-day inquiry by John M. Godfrey, Ontario Securities Commissioner, into the collapse of the price of the stock of Teck-Hughes Gold Mines, Ltd., was held here last week and the Commissioner's findings were announced yesterday.

The Commissioner censured two directors, W. W. Reilley and Conrad E. Wettlaufer of Buffalo, N. Y., for selling 20,000 shares on Sept. 12 and 14 and criticized Dr. L. H. Forbes, President of the company, for failing to disclose information about the mine to shareholders. He found that the directors' sales, made in advance of an announcement of a cut in the company's dividend rate, were the chief reasons for the selling wave that started on Sept. 12. However, he found no evidence of fraud nor any offense under the Securities Act.

The opening of the investigation in Toronto was noted in our issue of Oct. 20, page 2434-35.

It was made known on Oct. 23 that the New York Curb Exchange mailed to members on that day a letter requesting records of all dealings in stock of Teck-Hughes Gold Mines, Ltd., between Aug. 15 and Sept. 29, last, and specifically inquiring whether the trades were for long or short account. Answers must be filed with the Exchange by Oct. 29, said the New York "Times", which also stated:

The issue, traded in Toronto and on the Curb Exchange here, has had a price range this year of 8 1/4 to 3 1/4 and is selling now near the latter level.

The transactions in Teck-Hughes investigated by the (Toronto) Commissioner were said to have been made within approximately the same dates mentioned in the Curb Exchange's questionnaire. Officials of the Curb, however, stated that their investigation was being undertaken on their own initiative.

Emphasis placed in the Curb questionnaire upon the reporting of deals for long or short account was taken in brokerage houses as an indication that there may have been a considerable amount of short selling in Teck-Hughes shares on the local Exchange between Aug. 15 and Sept. 29.

Reports to be Filed by Issuers of Securities Listed by SEC—Must Include Data Given Security Holders, Securities Exchanges and Newspapers

The Securities and Exchange Commission made public on Oct. 23 an excerpt from a letter recently sent in response to an inquiry as to what "reports and financial statements"

are included within the meaning of that term, as used in Rule KC1, governing the filing of information with the Commission by issuers whose securities have been granted temporary registration pursuant to Rule JE1. The relevant portion of the letter is as follows:

The reports and financial statements thus to be mailed to the Commission shall include (1) any notice, report, letter or other information of a formal nature distributed or made available by the issuer to any class of its security holders or to any trustee for or other representative of any such class; (2) any notice or report (including any report of corporate action) of a formal nature sent by the issuer to any securities exchange or exchanges on which any security of the issuer is listed or admitted to unlisted trading privileges; and (3) any information or data of a formal nature relating to material aspects of the financial structure, physical or financial condition, operation or earnings of the issuer or any subsidiary thereof, which is made available by the issuer through a newspaper of general circulation; except that they need not include (a) any report made by the issuer to a governmental agency, statistical service or financial manual, or (b) any information furnished by the issuer in response to a specific request or inquiry.

Exemption of Federal Land Banks Bonds and Intermediate Credit Bank Debentures Under Securities Exchange Act of 1934—Statement by SEC

The Securities and Exchange Commission announced Oct. 24 that the individual and consolidated farm loan bonds issued by the Federal Land Banks and the debentures issued by the Federal Intermediate Credit banks had been designated exempt securities under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 by the Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to Section 3 (a) (12) of that Act. The Commission said that it has made the announcement because of numerous inquiries it has received despite a similar announcement by the Farm Credit Administration on Oct. 5 1934. The announcement of the latter body appeared in our issue of Oct. 13, page 2282.

Charles H. Meyer Interprets Federal Reserve Margin Regulations Before New York Curb Exchange Group—Attorney Says Present Rules Reflect Liberal Attitude

A detailed discussion of the margin rules promulgated by the Federal Reserve Board was given in an address before the Cashiers Section of the New York Curb Exchange Partners Association on Oct. 19 by Charles H. Meyer of the New York Bar. Mr. Meyer, in describing the various regulations, divided his address into four parts. He first discussed the mechanics prescribed for determining whether or not a customer's account is adequately margined. Second, he enumerated the transactions that a customer may make if his account is adequately margined, as well as those permitted if his account is undermargined. He then discussed six types of special accounts for which special provision is made. Finally, he considered a number of miscellaneous rules which cannot be classed in either of the three preceding groups. After concluding his formal address, Mr. Meyer answered a number of questions from the floor, emphasizing that in many cases he was only giving his personal opinion in interpreting the regulations.

Mr. Meyer later stressed the "interesting new problems" raised by seven of these questions. The questions mentioned, and his answers, are given below:

Q. Referring to the interpretation issued by the Federal Reserve Board in Circular C-5468 of the New York Stock Exchange with respect to transactions in unregistered non-exempted securities between brokers or for another broker or dealer, or between a broker and private customer, shall it be regarded as a violation if a customer pays for these so-called unregistered non-exempted securities on the day that the broker is scheduled to pay for same, thereby avoiding the relationship of creditor and debtor in this given transaction?

A. It would not be a violation if the customer paid for the unregistered non-exempted securities before the broker paid for them. It might be a violation if the customer paid for them on the same day as they were paid for by the broker but later in the day, as in that case there would be a temporary extension of credit, even though it would be only for a fraction of a day.

Q. If a broker sells an unregistered stock for a customer, may he pay the customer for the stock when the customer delivers it even though payment has not yet been made by the buyer?

A. If the broker is acting in the capacity of broker and not in the capacity of dealer this would involve an extension of credit to his customer for the period intervening between the time when he paid the customer and the time when he received reimbursement from the purchaser. Such an extension of credit, being on an unregistered security, would, in my judgment, be a violation of the Act.

Q. What is the basis of saying that payment to a customer before receiving payment from the buyer in the case of unregistered securities is an extension of credit? Is it the law of agency?

A. Yes. The broker is the agent of his customer, and in that respect differs from a dealer, who acts as principal for his own account. A broker who sells a security for a customer is not personally responsible for the payment of the price. He is obligated merely to exercise his best skill and judgment to procure a proper purchaser and see that payment is made. If, notwithstanding the exercise of skill and care, the buyer defaults in payment the broker does not have to make good to the customer. Since the broker is not personally liable for the price, the payment by him of the price to the customer on delivery of the stock would be an extension of

credit. This, of course, as well as the answer to the previous question, is merely my personal opinion, and is not an official ruling.

Q. In an old-established account, which becomes unrestricted due to a rise in the market after Nov. 15, may the excess equity be withdrawn?

A. It may not be withdrawn in cash, as that would involve an increase in the debit balance. Whether or not it may be withdrawn in securities is a question on which a considerable difference of opinion exists. An interpretation on this point may perhaps be expected from the Federal Reserve Board. In the absence of such an interpretation it would be unwise to permit the withdrawal.

Q. If an out-of-town bank orders you to purchase unlisted securities with the instructions to deliver same to a New York bank, can you accept the order?

A. No; unless payment is made by or for the account of the out-of-town bank before you make payment. Otherwise there would be an extension of credit on unregistered securities.

Q. Does a dealer in unregistered securities extend credit to his customer in a cash transaction by making a book entry which indicates that the securities have been sold to the customer?

A. Although there has been no official interpretation on this point, the Federal Reserve Board has ruled that there is no extension of credit by a dealer in a cash transaction unless title to the securities passes to the customer. In my opinion, under general principles of law, transfer of title in a cash transaction is not effected by a mere book entry. However, if you carry on margin stock which you have sold to a customer in the capacity of dealer, the appropriation of the stock to the customer's account would, in my opinion, constitute a passing of title to the customer, even though there is no delivery of the stock to him.

Incident to the following two questions, and the answers given thereto, Mr. Meyer pointed out that the Federal Reserve Board has just made similar interpretations in its rulings Nos. 30 and 31 (Regulation T):

Q. If on Oct. 1 I have two accounts in my office, (1) a trading account of A, and (2) a joint account of A and B, can I designate the joint account as an old account and allow the A trading account to continue as a new account?

A. In my opinion you may. A and B acting jointly would be regarded as a separate entity from A acting alone.

Q. May the amount of a dividend credited in an old account be drawn out four days later?

A. The question of whether a dividend may be withdrawn at all from an old account or from a new restricted account is an interesting one. Up to date the Federal Reserve Board has made no ruling on the subject. It seems to me that inasmuch as a dividend is part of the broker's security, it may not be withdrawn from a restricted account, whether old or new, or from an unrestricted old account after Nov. 15 1934, as a cash withdrawal would result. However, this is merely my own opinion.

The Federal Reserve Board, in promulgating the present margin requirements, has adopted a liberal attitude, Mr. Meyer said, and in so doing has succeeded in carrying out the intention of Congress as expressed in the Securities Exchange Act. He added, in part:

The purpose of margin regulation is not to make accounts secure for brokers, or even to protect investors and traders from spreading themselves too thinly, but to prevent the excessive diversion of the nation's credit resources into security markets. At the present time our security markets are using so little credit that regulation to prevent excessive credit appears wholly unnecessary. It seems reasonable to assume that the liberal policy of the Federal Reserve Board will be continued unless a change of conditions should seem to require greater restraint. In that case, and particularly if we should be confronted with inflationary tendencies assuming proportions in any way comparable to those which prevailed in 1928 and 1929, it seems likely that margin trading may be more drastically restricted. However, although this may have the effect of cutting down the abnormal profits earned by financial houses in an inflationary era, it will also minimize the stagnation of the lean years which inevitably follow.

Offering of \$50,000,000 of HOLC 3% Bonds by Private Banking Syndicate—Wide Distribution of Bonds Sought by Secretary Morgenthau Who States That New York and Chicago Banks Were Not Asked to Participate—Chairman Fahey Urges Purchase of Bonds by Public—Books Closed Following Reported Over Subscription

Public offering of \$50,000,000 of Home Owners' Loan Corporation 3% bonds, due 1952, was made on Oct. 22 by a nation-wide banking group headed by Field, Gloré & Co. The syndicate also includes Brown Harriman & Co., Inc. the First Boston Corp., Edward B. Smith & Co., Kidder, Peabody & Co., Lehman Brothers, J. & W. Seligman & Co., Lee Higginson Corp., Bancamerica-Blair Corp., Hayden, Stone & Co., Blyth & Co., Inc., Stone & Webster and Blodgett, Inc., Goldman, Sachs & Co., White, Weld & Co., F. S. Moseley & Co., G. M.-P. Murphy & Co., and Alex. Brown & Sons. That an offering of the bonds would be made this week by the banking group was noted in our issue of Oct. 20, page 2445.

Field, Gloré & Co., announced on Oct. 25 the closing of the books to further sales. Orders substantially in excess of \$50,000,000 had been confirmed by the close of business Oct. 24, it was stated. The following statement was issued by the bankers:

This is the first time that investment bankers have had the opportunity to use their widespread facilities to distribute this type of security. More than 1,000 dealers and 10,000 salesmen have been doing an educational work. Many hundreds of small investors, pension funds, trust funds and small institutions have for the first time placed a portion of their funds in government guaranteed bonds. The operation has been far more successful than even the most optimistic expected and will undoubtedly aid the entire government bond market.

At a press conference on Oct. 25, Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury, characterized the offering as a complete success, it was stated in Associated Press advices from Washington, Oct. 25, which added:

Approximately \$53,000,000 of the securities was sold, instead of the \$50,000,000 originally announced. The obligations are guaranteed by the government both as to principal and to interest. Mr. Morgenthau said the results of the operation would be analyzed carefully to ascertain how many of the securities were going to individual investors and others inclined to hold them permanently, as compared with the distribution under the former method, by which H. O. L. C. bonds were offered to the highest bidder.

The bonds to be sold, at prices not less than 97, are going thus far, Secretary Morgenthau was quoted as saying on Oct. 22, to "new groups" and "not a single bond is going to New York and Chicago banking houses." In a Washington dispatch on Oct. 22 to the New York "Herald Tribune" it was also stated:

"The price to-day," Secretary Morgenthau added, "is 98 and the syndicate is merely acting as a selling agency for the HOLC. We are doing this to advertise the bonds as an investment for the public."

From the Washington account of the "Wall Street Journal" of Oct. 23, we take the following:

"Some people think the banks have too many government's," the Secretary said. Later, he pointed out that by marketing the HOLC bonds with the general investing public, the large financial institutions are left free to devote a greater portion of their resources to regular treasury offerings. "The purpose of the present type of distribution," the Treasury head added, "is to get a growing investing public, and to get the bonds off the speculative market."

The syndicate handling the distribution, headed by Field, Gloré & Co., has been advised that their success would be judged by the extent of individual distribution of the obligations.

It was explained that the work performed for the Treasury by the private syndicate is not "a speculative underwriting" but a straight out "selling job." The bankers will receive a commission of $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1%.

Minimum Price 97

At the same time, it was stipulated that the selling price should be the current market quotation on any one day, but that the minimum should be 97. The HOLC it was said, could control the operations at all times.

"We are selling the bonds in the manner that we are," Secretary Morgenthau said, "to get better distribution and advertise to individual investors. After all, \$200,000,000 a month of these obligations are coming out. The bonds are something new. In this way we get thousands of salesmen. It is an economic way to accomplish distribution to individual investors."

Mr. Morgenthau explained that Field Gloré syndicate had been selected as agents because last fall arrangements had been made with the same group to market an issue of old HOLC 4s, guaranteed only as to interest. Before the bonds could be floated, however, it was announced that a new type would be issued, fully backed as to both principal and interest by the Treasury.

"In fairness to the syndicate," Mr. Morgenthau said, "it was brought in at this time."

Discussing future plans for marketing obligations through private channels, the Treasury head observed that other groups of houses might well handle other issues in addition to, or apart from, the Field Gloré syndicate.

The bonds, which are designated Series A, will be dated May 1 1934 and will become due May 1 1952. The bonds are redeemable at the option of the Corporation on any interest payment date on and after May 1 1944, at par and accrued interest, interest is payable May. 1 and Nov. 1. The descriptive circular also notes that the bonds are fully and unconditionally guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States of America, evidenced by the endorsement of the Secretary of the Treasury on each bond.

The issue will be exempt both as to principal and interest, from all Federal, State and local taxation (except surtaxes, estate, inheritance and gift taxes) now or hereafter imposed, the bonds will be acceptable at face value in payment of indebtedness due the HOLC. The bonds, in bearer form with interest coupons attached, will be issued in denominations of \$25, \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000 and \$5,000, bonds registered as to principal and interest will be issued in denominations of \$1,000 and \$5,000. Provision will be made for the interchange of bonds of different denominations and of coupon and registered bonds and for the transfer of registered bonds, without charge by the Corporation, under rules and regulations prescribed by the Corporation.

The issue has been listed on the New York Stock Exchange for several months. Incident to the offering John H. Fahey, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the HOLC, issued a statement on Oct. 22 in which he said:

More than \$1,700,000,000 in bonds of the HOLC are now outstanding in the hands of the public. The larger part of this amount is represented by the 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ % and 3% issues of the Corporation, which are guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the Federal Government.

New bonds are being given in exchange for mortgages at the rate of about \$200,000,000 a month. Many of these bonds, by the very nature of this mortgage relief operation go to closed financial institutions and other holders which must liquidate the bonds in settlement of their obligations, regardless of their investment value as guaranteed obligations of the Government. The remainder go to relatively strong hands and are held for more or less permanent investment.

It is desirable that steps be taken to develop a progressively broader and better informed demand for the bonds among private and institutional investors. The fully guaranteed bonds of the corporation are now selling at distinctly attractive levels, compared with other bonds of similar merit. The interest return of more than 3% makes them a desirable investment for people of small or moderate means as well as for substantial individual and corporate investors.

Our investigation shows that relatively few investors are even aware that payment of principal and interest on the 2½ and 3% bonds of the Corporation is fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the United States Government. The bonds are exempt, both principal and interest, from Federal, State, municipal and local taxes, except surtaxes, estate, gift and inheritance taxes, now or hereafter imposed. The bonds are available in convenient amounts, ranging upward from \$25 to \$100,000 denominations.

The issues have an active market. The 3% bonds have been listed for several months on the New York Stock Exchange. Moreover, a unique source of demand for the bonds exists whenever they are selling below par, because the Corporation must accept bonds at their par value in payment of instalments on loans made by the Corporation to home owners. It is naturally to the advantage of such borrowers to buy the bonds whenever they are available at a discount, and use them to discharge their own obligations at par.

In seeking to establish a broad and stable market for its issues, the Corporation is now offering \$50,000,000 in new 3% bonds rather than in bonds previously distributed, since it is recognized that if the Corporation or the bankers were to bid for outstanding bonds in the open market, in order to effect delivery of bonds sold by the banking group, the result would be a temporary and artificial advance in the market price.

Comptroller of Currency Issues Condition Call for National Banks as of Oct. 17

The Comptroller of the Currency yesterday (Oct. 26) issued a call for the statement of condition of all national banks as of the close of business Oct. 17. The last previous call was on June 30, when 5,422 national banks reported, compared with 5,293 on March 5 and 5,057 on Oct. 25 of last year. Deposits of reporting banks in June were \$19,932,660,000, against \$18,790,487,000 in March and \$17,055,208,000 last October. The Comptroller has issued national bank condition calls in the autumn of every year except 1918 and 1926.

Average Yield on New York City Bank Stocks Reported Over 6%

The average yield on New York City bank stocks is shown to be over 6% by Ira Haupt & Co., members New York Stock Exchange, in their third quarter issue of the "Bank and Insurance Stock Guide" issued this week, in which they also estimate full year earnings for 1934, as based on their nine-month statements, of the leading city banks. The table of earnings as published in the guide follows:

	9 Months 1934	Excess Estimated Earnings Over Divs.		9 Months 1934	Excess Estimated Earnings Over Divs.
	\$	%		\$	%
Bankers Trust...	5,718,100	1.7	Guaranty Trust...	12,681,800	-6.1
Bk. of Manhattan	3,000,000	---	Irving Trust...	3,955,300	5.0
Bank of New York	1,080,200	71.5	Manufacturers...	1,235,100	---
Brooklyn Trust...	257,000	4.5	National City...	10,110,400	117.0
Central Hanover...	4,769,900	---	New York Trust...	2,542,000	35.6
Chase...	12,343,500	58.5	Public National...	767,300	106.5
Commercial...	566,500	34.9	U. S. Trust...	1,594,700	51.9
Corn Exchange...	1,882,300	11.3			

New York Savings Banks Cut Interest from 3% to 2½%

The Savings Banks Association of the State of New York, in a statement issued yesterday (Oct. 26) announced that the mutual savings institutions in New York City had decided that they will declare dividends for the final quarter of 1934 at the rate of 2½%. Previously the rate of interest has been 3%, although some banks have been paying 3% on small balances and only 2½% on large ones. Yesterday's announcement added:

This action was taken after long deliberation in view of the fact that the banks felt it prudent to devote a portion of their earnings to further building up of surplus for the protection of depositors.

\$205,632,000 Received to Offering of \$75,000,000 or Thereabouts of 182-Day Treasury Bills Dated Oct. 24 1934—Tenders of \$75,102,000 Accepted—Average Rate 0.21%

Of tenders totaling \$205,632,000 received to the offering of \$75,000,000 or thereabouts of 182-day Treasury bills dated Oct. 24 1934, Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury, announced on Oct. 22 that \$75,102,000 had been accepted. Tenders to the offering were received at the Federal Reserve banks and the branches thereof up to 2 p. m., Eastern standard time, Oct. 22. The offering of bills, which mature on April 24 1935, was announced on Oct. 18 by Secretary Morgenthau; reference to the same was made in our issue of Oct. 20, page 2447.

In the announcement of Oct. 22 it was stated: The accepted bids ranged in price from 99.910, equivalent to a rate of about 0.18% per annum, to 99.894, equivalent to a rate of about 0.21% per annum, on a bank discount basis. Only part of the amount bid for at the latter price was accepted. The average price of Treasury bills to be issued is 99.900 and the average rate is about 0.20% per annum on a bank discount basis.

The average rate of 0.20% compares with recent previous rates of 0.21% (bills dated Oct. 17), 0.24% (bills dated Oct. 20), 0.28% (bills dated Oct. 3), and 0.29% (bills dated Sept. 26).

Transfer of Silver to United States under Nationalization Order—Receipts During Week of Oct. 19 Totalled 1,044,127 Fine Ounces

Silver in amount of 1,044,127 fine ounces was transferred to the United States during the week of Oct. 19 under the Executive Order of Aug. 9 nationalizing the metal. Receipts since the Order was issued and up to Oct. 19 total 97,322,468 fine ounces, it was noted in a statement issued by the Treasury Department on Oct. 22. The Order of Aug. 9 was given in our issue of Aug. 11, page 858. In the statement of the Treasury of Oct. 22 it was shown that the silver was received at the various mints and assay offices during the week of Oct. 19 as follows:

	Fine Ounces		Fine Ounces
Philadelphia.....	4,397	New Orleans.....	666
New York.....	941,152	Seattle.....	234
San Francisco.....	81,275		
Denver.....	16,403	Total for week ended Oct. 19.....	1,044,127

Following are the weekly receipts since the Order of Aug. 9 was issued:

Week Ended—	Fine Ounces	Week Ended—	Fine Ounces
Aug. 17 1934.....	33,465,091	Sept. 28 1934.....	2,550,303
Aug. 24 1934.....	26,088,019	Oct. 5 1934.....	2,474,809
Aug. 31 1934.....	12,301,731	Oct. 12 1934.....	2,833,948
Sept. 7 1934.....	4,144,157	Oct. 19 1934.....	1,044,127
Sept. 14 1934.....	3,984,363		
Sept. 21 1934.....	8,435,920	Total.....	97,322,468

Monthly Report Issued by Treasury Department Showing Financial Position as of Aug. 31 1934 of Government Agencies Financed Wholly or in Part by Government Funds

Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr., made public on Oct. 24 a combined statement of assets and liabilities of Governmental corporations and credit agencies of the United States as of Aug. 31 1934. The Treasury has issued previously similar reports June 30 1934 and July 31 1934; the latter was referred to in our issues of Sept. 29, page 1974 and Oct. 13, page 2287.

The report issued Oct. 24, Secretary Morgenthau announced, shows in the case of agencies financed wholly from Government funds a proprietary interest of the United States as of Aug. 31 1934, of \$3,134,841,290, which is an increase of \$1,727,863 over the proprietary interest shown as of July 31 1934. In the case of these wholly-owned Government agencies the proprietary interest represents the excess of assets over liabilities. The announcement continued:

The Government's proprietary interest in agencies financed partly from Government funds and partly from private funds as of Aug. 31 1934, was \$1,003,218,910, an increase of \$35,017,023 over the Government's interest as of July 31 1934. In the case of these partly-owned Government agencies the Government's proprietary interest is the excess of assets over liabilities, less the privately owned interest in the assets.

It consists of the Government's share of the capital stock and surplus of these agencies.

An accompanying table lists assets and liabilities of Government agencies as of Aug. 31 1934, classified as to agencies and as to the character of the obligations.

The following tabulation issued by Secretary Morgenthau, shows a comparison of proprietary interest as between Aug. 31 1934 and July 31 1934:

GOVERNMENTAL CORPORATIONS AND CREDIT AGENCIES OF THE UNITED STATES

	Proprietary Interests Owned by the United States		Inc. (+) or Dec. (-)
	Aug. 31 1934	July 31 1934	
I. Financed Wholly from Govt. Funds:			
Reconstruction Finance Corporation.....	\$2,346,000,000	\$2,328,000,000	+18
Commodity Credit Corporation.....	114,000,000	163,000,000	-49
Export-Import banks.....	14,000,000	14,000,000	---
Public Works Administration.....	181,000,000	155,000,000	+26
Regional Agricultural Credit Corp.....	53,000,000	52,000,000	+1
Production Credit Corporations.....	110,000,000	110,000,000	---
Other (including crop loans).....	317,000,000	311,000,000	+6
Total Group I.....	\$3,135,000,000	\$3,133,000,000	+2
II. Financed Partly from Govt. Funds and Partly from Private Funds:			
Federal Land banks.....	\$166,000,000	\$162,000,000	+4
Federal Intermediate Credit banks.....	101,000,000	100,000,000	+1
Federal Farm Mortgage Corp.....	196,000,000	196,000,000	---
Banks for Co-operatives.....	112,000,000	112,000,000	---
Home Loan banks.....	82,000,000	82,000,000	---
Home Owners' Loan Corp. a.....	93,000,000	164,000,000	-71
Federal Savings & Loan Insurance Corp.....	100,000,000	---	+100
Federal Savings & Loan associations.....	3,000,000	2,000,000	+1
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.....	150,000,000	150,000,000	---
Total, Group II.....	\$1,003,000,000	\$968,000,000	+ 35
Grand total.....	\$4,138,000,000	\$4,101,000,000	+37

a In accordance with the provisions of Sec. 402-B of the Federal Housing Act, approved June 27 1934, the Home Owners' Loan Corporation subscribed to the capital stock of the Federal Savings & Loan Insurance Corporation in the sum of \$100,000,000.

The detailed statement of assets and liabilities of Governmental corporations and credit agencies of the United States, as of Aug. 31 1934, was issued as follows by Secretary Morgenthau on Oct. 24:

COMBINED STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF GOVERNMENTAL CORPORATIONS AND CREDIT AGENCIES OF THE UNITED STATES, AS OF AUGUST 31 1934, COMPILED FROM REPORTS RECEIVED FROM ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED

(In Millions of Dollars, Last Six Figures Omitted) SUMMARY I. Financed Wholly from Government Funds

Table I: Financed Wholly from Government Funds. Columns include Assets (Loans, Cash, Investments), Liabilities and Reserve (Guaranteed, Not Guaranteed), Proprietary Interests (Privately Owned, Owned by U.S.), and Distribution of U.S. Interest (Capital Stock, Surplus, Inter-Agency Interests). Rows list various entities like Reconstruction Finance Corp., Commodity Credit Corp., etc.

II. Financed Partly from Government Funds and Partly from Private Funds

Table II: Financed Partly from Government Funds and Partly from Private Funds. Similar structure to Table I, including columns for Assets, Liabilities and Reserve, Proprietary Interests, and Distribution of U.S. Interest. Rows list entities like Federal Land banks, Federal Intermediate Credit banks, etc.

DETAILS

Table III: DETAILS. A large multi-column table showing the breakdown of assets and liabilities. It is organized into two main sections: 'Financed Wholly from Government Funds' and 'Financed Partly from Government Funds and Partly from Private Funds'. Sub-sections include Reconstruct-Commodity, Export-Import, Public Works, etc. Assets include Loans, Cash, Investments. Liabilities include Bonds, Notes, Debentures, etc.

a Exclusive of inter-agency assets and liabilities (except bond investments). b Includes \$768,885,325 preferred stock of banks and insurance companies. c Non-stock. d Exclusive of \$165,330 accrued interest guaranteed by United States for which an equal amount of cash has been deposited with Treasury to cover payment. e Includes \$631,197,875, 4% bonds, which are exchangeable until Oct. 27 1934 for 3% bonds guaranteed by United States. f Includes \$20,059 proportionate share of earned surplus. g Includes \$676,977 proportionate share of earned surplus. h Represents 4% bonds which are exchangeable until Oct. 27 1934 for 3% bonds guaranteed by United States. * Less than \$1,000,000. (Amounts shown in boldface represent deductions.)

New Offering of 182-Day Treasury Bills in Amount of \$75,000,000 or Thereabouts—To Be Dated Oct. 31 1934

Tenders, to be received at the Federal Reserve banks, or the branches thereof, up to 2 p. m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday, Oct. 29, were invited to a new offering of \$75,000,000 or thereabouts of 182-day Treasury bills, on Oct. 25 by Henry Morgenthau Jr., Secretary of the Treasury. It was stated that tenders will not be received at the Treasury Department, Washington. The Treasury bills will be dated Oct. 31 1934, and will mature on May 1 1935, and on the maturity date the face amount will be payable without interest. They will be sold on a discount basis to the highest bidders, Secretary Morgenthau said. An issue of \$50,037,000 of similar securities will mature on Oct. 31 and the accepted bids to the new offering will be used in part to retire the same. Secretary Morgenthau's announcement of Oct. 25 said:

They (the bills) will be issued in bearer form only, and in amounts or denominations of \$1,000, \$10,000, \$100,000, \$500,000, and \$1,000,000 (maturity value).

No tender for an amount less than \$1,000 will be considered. Each tender must be in multiples of \$1,000. The price offered must be expressed on the basis of 100, with not more than three decimal places, e.g., 99.125. Fractions must not be used.

Tenders will be accepted without cash deposit from incorporated banks and trust companies and from responsible and recognized dealers in investment securities. Tenders from others must be accompanied by a deposit of 10% of the face amount of Treasury bills applied for, unless the tenders are accompanied by an express guaranty of payment by an incorporated bank or trust company.

Immediately after the closing hour for receipt of tenders on Oct. 29 1934, all tenders received at the Federal Reserve banks or branches thereof up to the closing hour will be opened and public announcement of the acceptable prices will follow as soon as possible thereafter, probably on the following morning. The Secretary of the Treasury expressly reserves the right to reject any or all tenders or parts of tenders, and to allot less than the amount applied for, and his action in any such respect shall be final. Those submitting tenders will be advised of the acceptance or rejection thereof. Payment at the price offered for Treasury bills allotted must be made at the Federal Reserve banks in cash or other immediately available funds on Oct. 31 1934.

The Treasury bills will be exempt, as to principal and interest, and any gain from the sale or other disposition thereof will also be exempt, from all taxation, except estate and inheritance taxes. No loss from the sale or other disposition of the Treasury bills shall be allowed as a deduction, or otherwise recognized, for the purposes of any tax now or hereafter imposed by the United States or any of its possessions.

Silver Purchased by Treasury in Amount of 712,205.62 Fine Ounces During Week of Oct. 19

During the week of Oct. 19, it is indicated in a statement issued by the Treasury Department on Oct. 22, silver amounting to 712,205.62 fine ounces was received by the various United States mints from purchases made by the Treasury in accordance with the President's proclamation of Dec. 21 1933. The proclamation, which was referred to in our issue of Dec. 23, page 4440, authorized the Department to buy at least 24,000,000 ounces of silver annually. During the week of Oct. 12 the purchases amounted to 609,475.44 fine ounces. Of the amount purchased during the latest week, 705,425.62 fine ounces were received at the San Francisco Mint and 6,780 fine ounces at the mint at Denver. The total weekly receipts since the issuance of the proclamation are as follows:

Week Ended—	Ounces	Week Ended—	Ounces
Jan. 5.....	1,157	June 1.....	295,511
Jan. 12.....	547	June 8.....	200,397
Jan. 19.....	477	June 15.....	206,790
Jan. 26.....	94,921	June 22.....	380,532
Feb. 2.....	117,554	June 29.....	64,047
Feb. 9.....	375,995	July 6.....	*1,218,247
Feb. 16.....	232,630	July 13.....	230,491
Feb. 23.....	322,627	July 20.....	115,217
Mar. 2.....	271,900	July 27.....	292,719
Mar. 9.....	126,604	Aug. 3.....	118,307
Mar. 16.....	832,808	Aug. 10.....	254,458
Mar. 23.....	369,844	Aug. 17.....	649,757
Mar. 30.....	354,711	Aug. 24.....	378,504
Apr. 6.....	569,274	Aug. 31.....	11,574
Apr. 13.....	10,032	Sept. 7.....	264,307
Apr. 20.....	753,938	Sept. 14.....	353,004
Apr. 27.....	436,043	Sept. 21.....	103,041
May 4.....	647,224	Sept. 28.....	1,054,287
May 11.....	600,631	Oct. 5.....	620,638
May 18.....	503,309	Oct. 12.....	609,475
May 25.....	885,056	Oct. 19.....	712,206

* Corrected figure.

The Treasury's statement of Oct. 22 contained a figure of total receipts since the issuance of the Dec. 21 proclamation and up to Oct. 19 of 15,544,000 fine ounces.

\$752,010 of Hoarded Gold Received During Week of Oct. 17—\$39,480 Coin and \$712,530 Certificates

The Federal Reserve banks and the Treasurer's office received \$752,009.79 of gold coin and certificates during the week of Oct. 17, as is shown in figures issued by the Treasury Department on Oct. 22. Total receipts since Dec. 28 1933, the date of the issuance of the order requiring all gold to be returned to the Treasury, and up to Oct. 17 amount to \$104,890,019.59. Of the amount received during the week of Oct. 17, the figures show \$39,479.79

was gold coin and \$712,530 gold certificates. The total receipts are shown as follows:

	Gold Coin.	Gold Certificates
Received by Federal Reserve Banks:		
Week ended Oct. 17.....	\$39,479.79	\$703,930.00
Received previously.....	29,186,247.80	72,920,660.00
Total to Oct. 17 1934.....	\$29,225,727.59	\$73,624,590.00
Received by Treasurer's Office:		
Week ended Oct. 17.....	\$8,600.00
Received previously.....	\$252,802.00	1,778,300.00
Total to Oct. 17 1934.....	\$252,802.00	\$1,786,900.00

Note—Gold bars deposited with the New York Assay Office to the amount of \$200,572.69 previously reported.

President Roosevelt to Leave Washington Nov. 15 for Southern Trip—Will Spend Thanksgiving at Warm Springs, Ga.

President Roosevelt is tentatively planning to leave Washington for an inspection of the Tennessee Valley on Nov. 15, and on Nov. 16 will dedicate a memorial to Daniel Boone and other Kentucky pioneers at Harrodsburg, Ky., it was reported from Washington Oct. 23. After leaving Harrodsburg he will proceed to Nashville, Tenn., and later will visit the Muscle Shoals site on the Tennessee River. It is expected that the President will spend Thanksgiving as usual at his home at Warm Springs, Ga.

President Roosevelt Appeals for Continuance of Private Relief "at Least at Current Levels"—Opens 1934 Mobilization for Human Needs in Urging Individual Giving to Supplement Aid of Government Agencies

Private charity should, "as a matter of good citizenship, be maintained at least at current levels," President Roosevelt said on Oct. 22 in a nation-wide radio address in which he opened the 1934 Mobilization for Human Needs. The President was introduced by Newton D. Baker, who is heading this year's campaign for private contributions to supplement the relief activities of governmental agencies. It is contrary to sound public policy, Mr. Roosevelt said, to transfer more burdens to Government if it can possibly be avoided. He added that "none of us wants to eliminate the personal factor in taking care of human needs," and that the care of relief should not be centralized, either in the hands of cities, States or the Federal Government. "The decentralization of relief," he said, "the keeping of it in the hands of private organizations as much as we possibly can, means that personal relationships, personal contacts, personal obligations and personal opportunities to do good will be preserved." The President's address is given below:

For the second successive year I am making a direct and frank appeal to the country to give support to worthy local charities of all kinds.

You will recognize the necessity of the general rule which prevents the President of the United States from asking for assistance or contributions on behalf of any specific or individual good cause. If I were to begin doing that I would be on the air at least two or three times every evening.

In this case, however, there is in existence a central organization called the "1934 Mobilization for Human Needs." The object of this mobilization is to encourage and tie in together the many private organizations which are seeking funds to carry on their very essential and necessary work for the coming year.

In some communities these organizations seek contributions from the public, by the means of "community chests"; in other communities they are asking for help separately, but simultaneously.

May I very simply explain to you the facts which all of us should bear in mind?

The first is that the Federal Government, the State governments and local governments are all of them bearing an unusually heavy load of expenditures for relief and employment purposes—a load so heavy that every good citizen should seek to lighten it in every way possible.

This effort on the part of governments of all kinds to bear their share of the emergency needs proceeds very clearly on the assumption that the total amount of relief of human needs, heretofore borne by private contributions to private organizations, will continue in the future at least at the same pace and in the same amount as in the past.

I hope that you will well realize that it is contrary to a sound public policy to transfer more burdens to the shoulders of Government if it can possibly be avoided and, therefore, that private charity should, as a matter of good citizenship, be maintained at least at current levels.

The other point I would make is that none of us wants to eliminate the personal factor in taking care of human needs. Surely none of you want to centralize the care of relief either in Washington or in your State Capitol or in your City Hall. The decentralization of relief—the keeping of it in the hands of private organizations as much as we possibly can—means that personal relationships, personal contacts, personal obligations and personal opportunities to do good will be preserved.

It is, therefore, without hesitation and with very deep feeling that I ask you to support your local charitable and welfare organizations in this 1934 Mobilization for Human Needs.

President Roosevelt Accepts Resignation of Lloyd K. Garrison as Head of NLRB—Praises Work of Chairman, Who Leaves to Resume Duties at Wisconsin University

President Roosevelt on Oct. 22 accepted the resignation of Lloyd K. Garrison as Chairman of the National Labor Relations Board, to take effect upon the appointment of a suc-

cessor. Mr. Garrison informed the President that he was leaving Washington for Wisconsin, but would be glad to return for a short time if it proved necessary. In his reply, the President praised the work of Mr. Garrison and his colleagues on the NLRB as having done more than anything to maintain industrial peace. No successor has as yet been announced for the post. Mr. Garrison, in his letter of resignation, said:

I submit herewith my resignation as Chairman of the National Labor Relations Board, to take effect at your pleasure. I am leaving this afternoon for Wisconsin, but if there should be any need of my returning for a short period to help out the new Chairman, when appointed, or for any other reason, I am sure that I can make the necessary arrangements.

In his letter of reply the President wrote:

I need hardly repeat how much I regret the necessity that makes you leave Washington, for I have already expressed to you, to the Secretary of Labor, and to others, how anxious I have been and still am to retain your vigorous and effective leadership of the NLRB. But I cannot help adding at this time a special word of appreciation for the distinguished character of your service in the last three months.

The fair and practical solutions that you and your colleagues have found for threatened and actual controversies have done more than maintain industrial peace. They have developed a technique of administration and a pattern of law which rank as significant contributions in our governmental and industrial life.

I hope that, though you may find it necessary to return to your duties in Wisconsin, the Board and I may from time to time call upon you for counsel and aid in the formulation of both general policy and specific programs, so that the country as a whole may continue to benefit from your experience and wisdom.

President Roosevelt Denies That Voters on Relief Rolls Who Are Willing to Work Can Be Classified as Paupers

President Roosevelt stated at his press conference, on Oct. 17, that no interpretation of the law could possibly be made which would regard a man out of work and willing to work, as a pauper, and hence unable to vote. His remarks were made after he had been advised that action had been taken in 12 States to deny a vote to persons on relief regarded as paupers. The President said that in his opinion no court would classify a person willing to work as a pauper, and added that anyone who suggested such a course would be acting in an un-American manner.

President Roosevelt Names Secretary of Agriculture Wallace to Sign Inter-American Treaty on Roerich Pact for United States—Is Designed to Preserve Monuments in Time of War

President Roosevelt on Oct. 20 appointed Secretary of Agriculture Wallace as a plenipotentiary to sign the Inter-American treaty on the Roerich pact on behalf of the United States. This pact was the direct result of 30 years of work by Nicholas Roerich, archaeologist, and was designed to protect and preserve artistic, scientific, historical and cultural monuments and museums in time of war. The Inter-American treaty was prepared by the Pan-American Union in accordance with a resolution adopted at the Seventh Pan-American Conference, held in Montevideo. Associated Press advices from Washington, Oct. 20, added the following comment by Mr. Wallace:

Following the announcement by the President, Secretary Wallace compared the pact to the Red Cross, and added, "at no time has such an ideal been more needed."

"While the individual nations are working out their separate economic and national problems," he said, "it is also necessary that they recognize their responsibility as part of the community of nations."

The present age, he said, "owes a great deal to Nicholas Roerich in the creation of this ideal—for such ideals alone afford reality to our efforts for creating material wealth and working out improved social machinery for its distribution."

President Roosevelt Declines to Discuss Reports of Establishment of Central Bank—Administration Reputedly Opposes Such Proposal

President Roosevelt at his press conference on Oct. 24 refused to discuss in any detail proposals that have been made for the establishment of a central bank. When the subject was mentioned, the President was said to have asked the reporters who had raised that ghost. It was nevertheless reported from Washington this week that the Administration is prepared to oppose any efforts that may be made in the next Congress to establish a central bank or a central monetary authority. Treasury officials were said to have investigated the suggestion and to have concluded that more beneficial results could be obtained by some remodeling of the Federal Reserve System.

Federal Reserve Bank Governors G. L. Harrison and Eugene R. Black Confer With President Roosevelt on Banking

Comments on the administration program, voiced on Oct. 22 at the convention of the American Bankers Association, brought no reaction at the White House, although President

Roosevelt conferred with two governors of Federal Reserve Banks said a Washington dispatch on that date to the New York "Times" which went on to say:

The President talked first with George L. Harrison, Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and then with Eugene R. Black, Governor of the Atlanta bank.

Mr. Black said that he had reported to President Roosevelt his observations on another trip into the Middle West, made in his capacity as unofficial liaison officer between the President and bankers generally. On this trip he visited St. Louis and Cleveland.

Bank Service Charge Fails of Approval by National Industrial Recovery Board—Way Left Open for New Code Proposal

Indicating that a proposed amendment to the Bankers' Code which would have made mandatory the imposition of some service charges to patrons of banks on their accounts failed of approval by the National Industrial Recovery Board when, on Oct. 19, it declined to consider further this proposal, pending since August. A dispatch from Washington Oct. 19 to the New York "Times" further reported:

The Board took no affirmative action, but merely suggested to the Bankers' Code committee which sponsored the amendment that it would take no action on the draft as submitted.

The board's attitude was viewed by some observers as an indication of an anti-price-fixing move. This interpretation was discounted somewhat, however, when the Board indicated that it was willing to receive for consideration further suggestions from the bankers relating to service charges.

Under the code as it stands rules governing service charges are "subject to the approval of the administrator," which at present is the Industrial Recovery Board. So far no list of service charges rules has been approved.

"In any local area," the rejected amendment read in part, "as approved from time to time by the Banking Code Committee in which 75% of the banks, measured numerically and by resources, agree to abide by any local fair trade practices in addition to Section I of this article (and by this is meant any schedule of uniform minimum service charges as well as any other fair trade practice) proposed by them, for that locality, and by the Banking Code Committee and which, after ten days' notice of said proposal to the administrator, has not been disapproved by the administrator (after such notice of hearing as he may deem necessary), it shall therefore be a violation of this code for any bank in such local area to fail to comply with such approved fair trade practices."

"Any person may file a complaint with the BCC and/or the administrator as to the reasonableness of any such service charges after their adoption and either the BCC or the administrator may disapprove or amend such charges."

President Roosevelt Urges More Liberal Thinking in United States—Receives Honorary Degree at William and Mary College—Dr. Bryan Inducted as Head of Institution

The necessities of to-day demand that "men avoid being set in grooves, that they avoid the occupational predestination of the older world, and that in the face of the change and development in America they must have a sufficiently broad and comprehensive conception of the world in which they live to meet its changing problems with resourcefulness and practical vision," President Roosevelt asserted on Oct. 20, in a speech at Williamsburg, Va., in which he acknowledged the receipt of the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from William and Mary College. There is a definite place in American life, he said, for broad, liberal and non-specialized education. After stating that every form of co-operative human endeavor "cries out for men and women who in their thinking processes will know something of the broader aspects of any given problem," the President said that Government is greatly using men and women of this type.

The President's speech was made on the occasion of the 110th anniversary of the visit of Lafayette to Williamsburg. The Duke of Gloucester Street in the town had been restored to its form of Colonial days, and the President formally reopened this street. At the same time he witnessed the inauguration of Dr. John Stewart Bryan as the nineteenth President of William and Mary College. Most of President Roosevelt's address was devoted to the history of the college, whose graduates included Thomas Jefferson, Patrick Henry, John Marshall, James Monroe and John Tyler.

Dr. Bryan, in his inaugural address, paid tribute to the President, when he said he had shown "how revivifying the spirit can be when informed imagination grapples courageously with the problems of life, whether these problems be despotism in 1776 or depression in 1933." President Roosevelt's address follows:

I value far beyond the sentiment conveyed by my mere acknowledgment in words the honor that you, in behalf of this historic institution, have conferred upon me to-day.

I well know the great tradition that the College of William and Mary has carried through the centuries.

You have taught, you have inspired, and you have honored the great and devoted men who were responsible in such large part for the shaping of the cause of American liberty.

Dr. Bryan, on this occasion of your inauguration as President of this institution, I congratulate you on the opportunity of service that lies before you.

The first time I visited Williamsburg was more than 20 years ago. I arrived at Jamestown by boat and started to walk to Williamsburg. I was picked up by an old Negro in a horse and buggy and driven over what was

then a nearly impassable road from Jamestown to Williamsburg. Then there was no capitol building, there was no palace of the royal Governors, there was no Raleigh Tavern.

Modern buildings had crept into this historic place, almost to the extent of crowding out the fine old Colonial structures which were still standing.

What a thrill it has been to me to return to-day and to have the honor of formally opening the reconstructed Duke of Gloucester Street, which rightly can be called the most historic avenue in America; what a joy to come back and see the transformation which has taken place, to see the capitol, the Governor's palace, the Raleigh Tavern, born again, to see 61 Colonial buildings restored, 94 Colonial buildings rebuilt, the magnificent gardens of Colonial days reconstructed—in short, to see how, through the renaissance of these physical landmarks, the atmosphere of a whole glorious chapter in our history has been recaptured.

Government Preserving Historic Shrines

Something of this spiritual relationship between the past, the present and the future was expressed by Sir Walter Raleigh:

"It is not the least debt that we owe unto history that it hath made us acquainted with our dead ancestors; and out of the depth and darkness of the earth delivered us their memory and fame."

I am happy to say that the Federal Government, inspired by the fine vision and example of Mr. Rockefeller in recreating Williamsburg, has effectively taken up the preservation of other historic shrines nearby. Six miles to the west of us we have acquired Jamestown Island, and we are now carrying on the necessary archaeological and research work to determine what should be done in the preservation of that hallowed spot. Fourteen miles to the east of us, at Yorktown, the National Park Service has acquired many thousand acres of land and is actively carrying out the restoration of the symbol of the final victory of the war for American independence.

When the work at Jamestown, at Williamsburg and at Yorktown is completed we shall have saved for future generations three historic places—the nation's birthplace at Jamestown, the cradle of liberty at Williamsburg, and the sealing of our independence at Yorktown.

It was to William and Mary College that Thomas Jefferson came in 1760. Here he studied for two years, remaining five years longer in Williamsburg to pursue the study of law. It was here in Williamsburg that he was admitted to the bar. It was to Williamsburg that he returned, first as a member of the House of Burgesses, then as Governor of Virginia, following Patrick Henry. He lived in the Governor's palace during his term, and later served on the Board of Visitors of William and Mary.

It was largely as a result of his recommendations that the curriculum of the college was broadened to provide education in law, medicine, modern languages, mathematics and philosophy. No doubt inspired by his reflections on government, human liberty and the necessity of education, Jefferson throughout his life was interested in designing a system of education for his State and for the nation. I like to think of him, not only as a statesman, but as the enlightened father of American education.

It is entirely fitting that a statesman should have been also an educator. As education grows, it becomes the partner of government.

When Jefferson wrote his "notes on Virginia," he discussed the education then prevailing at William and Mary, pointing out the essentially liberal education that this college was giving to its students. He observed that in order to provide a more advanced type of education, the subject of the six professorships and been changed after the revolution.

Law Alone "Not Enough"

It is a matter of very great importance to all of us that one of the six was the professorship of law and of what is now called political science.

The teaching of law and of the science of government, thus establishing as an academic discipline in this institution, was made significant by the intellectual leadership of George Wythe, who was appraised by Jefferson as "one of the greatest men of his age."

The study of this subject, because essentially it touches every human problem, becomes one of the greatest means for the broad education of men who enter every walk of life. It can become the touchstone of universal culture.

Law in itself is not enough. Man must build himself more broadly. The purpose of education, shown by these various subjects of instruction indicated by the builders of William and Mary, was not to train specialists but to educate men broadly. They were attempting to train not merely doctors, lawyers and business men, but broad-gauged men of the world. They were, in short, training men for citizenship in a great Republic.

This was in the spirit of the old America, and it is, I believe, in the spirit of the America of to-day. The necessities of our time demand that men avoid being set in grooves, that they avoid the occupational predestination of the older world, and that in the face of the change and development in America they must have a sufficiently broad and comprehensive conception of the world in which they live to meet its changing problems with resourcefulness and practical vision.

There is in the spirit of a liberal education something of the self-confidence and the adaptability that is characteristic of our country. The pioneer does not call his life a failure if he comes to the end of one path. He knows that there are others, and with a sense of direction and a will to persevere, his life can go on with confidence into the uncertainties of the future.

All of us must honor and encourage those young men and young women whose ambitions lead them to seek specialization in science and in scholarship. Our great universities are properly providing adequate facilities for the development of specialists in science and in scholarship. The nation is using their services in every form of human activity. Private business employs them, and so does every type of government. Private enterprise and government enterprise will continue to do so.

Place for Broad Education

But, at the same time, there is a definite place in American life—an important place—for broad, liberal and non-specialized education. Every form of co-operative human endeavor cries out for men and women who, in their thinking processes, will know something of the broader aspects of any given problem. Government is greatly using men and women of this type—people who have the non-specialized point of view and who at the same time have a general and extraordinarily comprehensive knowledge not of the details but of the progress and the purposes which underlie the work of the specialists themselves.

The noble list of those who have gone out into life from the halls of William and Mary is in greater part distinguished because these graduates came to know and to understand the needs of their nation as a whole. They thought and acted not in terms of specialization, not in terms of a locality, but rather in the broad sense of national needs.

In the olden days those needs were confined to a narrow seaboard strip. Later the needs gradually extended to the Blue Ridge and across through the mountains to the fair lands of Tennessee and Kentucky. Later still they

spread throughout the great Middle West and across the Plains and the Rockies to the Pacific Ocean.

It is in the realization of these needs in their national scope of to-day that the present and future generations of William and Mary can best carry forward the fine traditions of their centuries.

So I would extend my heartiest good wishes to the College of William and Mary, built early in the morning of American life, dedicated to the education of the makers of a great Republic, seeking to enrich and broaden the meaning of education, and seeking, above all things, to recognize that republican institutions are, in the last analysis, the application to human affairs of those broad humane ideals that a liberal education preserves, enriches and expands in our beloved land.

President Roosevelt returned to Washington on Oct. 21, after spending a day and a half aboard the yacht Sequoia cruising up the Potomac. He boarded the Sequoia at Yorktown, Va., on the afternoon of Oct. 20.

We quote, in part, from a Williamsburg dispatch of Oct. 20 to the New York "Times" describing the ceremonies incident to the presentation of the honorary degree to the President:

President Roosevelt was visibly moved as he examined the restoration of Williamsburg, frequently referred to as the "cradle of American liberty," which is being returned to its Colonial condition, including the already completed Capitol and Governor's Palace, through the efforts of John D. Rockefeller Jr. Mr. Rockefeller was not present to-day. The President came here by special train from Roanoke, where he dedicated a veterans' hospital yesterday.

The town itself was not a new sight to the President, as he has visited here frequently before, but he found much of it changed even in the two years since his last visit.

The President's day reached its high point when he stood on the portico of the oldest college building in America, known as Christopher Wren Hall, and received the college's tribute. The Wren building, with its graceful cupola, is the only structure in America designed by the famous architect, Sir Christopher Wren.

Impressed with the honor bestowed upon him and the setting of its delivery, Mr. Roosevelt remarked:

"I feel very happy in being a living President, who, during his life and during his Presidency, received this distinction."

He interpolated a sentence in his prepared speech, following the presentation of his degree, to say that: "In my official capacity I can bring to you the greetings of the nation, and I think I can take it upon myself as a son of Harvard to extend her greetings to the oldest of a long line of distinguished sisters."

A dispatch from Williamsburg to the New York "Herald Tribune" on Oct. 20 quoted, in part, from Dr. Bryan's speech as follows:

John Stewart Bryan, President and publisher of "The News-Leader" of Richmond, in his inaugural address to-day as nineteenth President of the College of William and Mary, said that America was now in the throes of its "third revolution" and must deal with problems that are as menacing economically as slavery was to our grandfathers. These considerations, which make the future of the world dark, he said, were the complex forces of narrow nationalism, crushing debt, vast unemployment, and, above all, the universal uncertainty that flows from the submergence of old landmarks.

Mr. Bryan paid tribute to President Roosevelt, comparing his Administration with that of another Democrat, President Cleveland, during whose time were felt "the first angry gusts of the whirlwind of economic change which broke in its fury on President Roosevelt in 1933." President Roosevelt, he continued, had summoned to his aid faith, courage, purpose and imagination, the same spiritual forces used by President Cleveland in fighting the social enemies of doubt, despair, fear and blindness.

In opening his address Mr. Bryan pointed out the significance of the numerals 93 in connection with the college, including the fact that it was founded in 1693, and then discussed 1893, during which year President Cleveland was in office, to introduce the political phase of his speech.

Links Cleveland and Roosevelt

"Coming to matters within our own memory," he said, "let us look back four decades to 1893. Then, as now, a Democrat and a great leader was in the White House. Then, as now, there was unemployment, hunger, misery, the threat of revolution, and the frequency of riots, men's hearts failing them because of fear. At that time President Cleveland felt the first angry gusts of the whirlwind of economic change which broke in its fury on President Roosevelt in 1933.

"Then, as now, this nation was fortunate in having a Democratic leader who knew that we are not mere helpless pebbles, tossed hither and thither at random by the purposeless waves of a sea without beginning, without meaning and without end. Both Presidents knew that we can control those destinies that are alone of supreme significance—the destinies of faith, of courage, of purpose, of imagination, precisely those spiritual forces that President Roosevelt has summoned to his aid in dealing with the social enemies of doubt, despair, fear and blindness that marked our economic tragedy. The President himself has shown how revivifying the spirit can be when informed imagination grapples courageously with the problems of life, whether those problems be despotism in 1776 or depression in 1933."

President Roosevelt Pays Tribute to Col. Harrison H. Dodge—Letter Read at Dinner Celebrating Fiftieth Year as Custodian of Mount Vernon—Representative Beck Urges Greater Loyalty to Past

Warm praise for Colonel Harrison H. Dodge, who for 50 years has been custodian at Mount Vernon, the home of George Washington, was contained in a letter from President Roosevelt read at a testimonial dinner to Colonel Dodge in Washington on Oct. 20. The President expressed his regret that his temporary absence from Washington prevented his attendance at the dinner, and told Colonel Dodge of his "warm appreciation of your service in the preservation of the home and tomb of the great American whose name is an inspiration to all our citizens."

Representative James M. Beck, who was the principal speaker at the dinner, declared that to-day "there is too little of consciousness of a loyalty to the past." He said that one

result of mechanical civilization is that "men live in the day, forgetful of yesterday and indifferent of the morrow." The following is President Roosevelt's letter:

The White House, Washington, Oct. 15 1934.

My dear Colonel Dodge: Upon the occasion of the tender of a testimonial dinner to you as superintendent of Mount Vernon after nearly 50 years in the performance of your duties, I wish to express my warm appreciation of your service in the preservation of the home and tomb of the great American whose name is an inspiration to all of our citizens. Faithful to the high principle of keeping definitely before his countrymen a symbol of the life of him who so largely aided in the establishment of the Republic and whose wisdom of administration maintained it in the early days, you have made a fine contribution to the understanding and appreciation of George Washington by two generations of Americans. Such a service richly merits recognition as your fiftieth anniversary approaches.

It is my hope that you will remain for many years more to see the tide of visitors to the Mount Vernon shrine increase in numbers and in reverent recognition not only of Washington but of the patriotism of the association of which for half a century you have been the representative and steward. Yours has been a task of difficulty requiring unflinching industry and steady fidelity to the ideals upon which the guardianship of Mount Vernon is based and you have performed it in a most notable manner and always with pride in the opportunity afforded you to promote the cause of American citizenship.

I want to add my personal regret that because of my absence at Williamsburg I cannot come to the dinner. All our lives Mrs. Roosevelt and I will cherish the close friendship we have had with you these many years. You have been, indeed, a good friend to us and to our children, and we look forward to many more visits to you at the home of Washington.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

TVA Official Proposes Federal Broadcasting System—President Roosevelt to Visit Tennessee Valley in November—David Lillenthal Declares TVA Cannot Submit to Jurisdiction of State Commission

The Tennessee Valley Authority on Oct. 19 recommended to the Federal Communications Commission the creation of a Federal radio broadcasting system. This proposal was made by Dr. Floyd W. Reeves, Director of Personnel for TVA, at a hearing before the Commission which is investigating proposals for special facilities for educational purposes.

President Roosevelt is expected to visit the Tennessee Valley in November in order to study the progress of dam construction and other work by the TVA. Associated Press advices from Washington, Oct. 16, said that the Administration contemplates a wide expansion of the plan applied in the Tennessee Valley, and will embody its plans in a program to be submitted to the next Congress. The dispatch mentioned gave the principal features of the proposal as follows:

The National Resources Board is writing its report on the use of land and water resources for delivery to the President on or before Dec. 1.

An informed source said to-day that the Board would recommend:

1. A series of commissions similar to the TVA to plan and supervise the development of various watersheds.
2. One central authority in Washington to co-ordinate and direct the work of the various groups.
3. An annual appropriation for an undetermined number of years to enable a steady, planned development. It has been estimated semi-officially that about \$400,000,000 to \$500,000,000 yearly would be needed.
4. The scrapping of the ancient pork-barrel system of rivers and harbors projects.

We also quote from an Associated Press Washington dispatch of Oct. 20 regarding the proposals by Dr. Reeves before the FCC:

Dr. Reeves proposed that:

1. The United States should own and operate a national system of radio stations.
2. Frequencies should be allocated to this system so as to disturb existing broadcast facilities as little as possible.
3. The mechanics of operation should be financed by the United States.
4. A committee of non-partisan cultural and educational associations should be designated by the President to have absolute authority over programs placed on this system.
5. That the facilities of the system be available to non-profit educational and cultural groups, including Government departments.

David E. Lillenthal, Director of the TVA, testified before the Tennessee Public Utilities Commission, on Oct. 10, that in his opinion the Federal Constitution would prevent the TVA from submitting to the jurisdiction of the State Commission if it acquired power properties in Tennessee. He added that although the TVA would co-operate with all State agencies, it is hindered by the fact that it is not a private corporation but a body created by the Federal Government and subject to its jurisdiction. We quote, in part, from this testimony, as given in a dispatch from Nashville to the United Press, Oct. 10:

Mr. Lillenthal appeared at a hearing in which Tennessee Public Service Co. seeks approval of the State Commission of the sale of Tennessee Public Service properties in the Knoxville area to TVA.

Asked by Attorney-General Beeler as to the Authority's policy on taxation, Mr. Lillenthal replied that in his opinion it was the policy of the TVA that it could not be compelled to pay taxes by any State, but that it also was the Authority's policy to pay the equivalent of taxes paid by private utilities by different arrangements.

Mr. Lillenthal said that it would be necessary for Congress to pass special legislation in order to transfer the questioned TVA property to the City of Knoxville to be operated as a municipally-owned distributing plant for power purchased from TVA.

"We can lease the property to Knoxville for 99 years, but the present statute regulating TVA does not grant it the right of transferring real estate," added the Director. "The Authority has entered already into a

mutual agreement with Knoxville concerning the terms of this transfer within the next 18 months."

Mr. Johnston inquired regarding possible reclamation of questioned properties at Knoxville, if revenues of the system failed to make the projects self-liquidating.

"The Federal Government will be a creditor, a prudent creditor, and hold liens on either property or revenue, or possibly both," Mr. Lillenthal said. "The contingency of there not being a surplus for amortization is so remote that we have not considered means of recapture."

"In some cases the Authority might decide to advance working capital to municipal units for extensions or other services."

FERA Plans Construction of 12 Rural-Industrial Communities, Each Housing from 150 to 700 Families—H. L. Hopkins Says Total of 50 Such Projects Has Been Contemplated

Harry L. Hopkins, Federal Relief Administrator, announced on Oct. 19 that he is completing plans for the construction of 12 rural-industrial communities, each housing from 150 to 700 families. These will be financed with Federal relief funds. Mr. Hopkins also revealed that plans for about 50 such projects have been formulated, but that money to build all of them is not yet available. He added that there is no intention to revive the Civil Works Administration, but said that the FERA is now caring for more than 1,500,000 persons on work relief, although much of this is regarded by the Administration as inadequate. Every one of the 12 communities which the FERA will construct will be self-liquidating, Mr. Hopkins said. Associated Press advices from Washington, Oct. 19, further indicated, as follows, Mr. Hopkins's plans:

He asserted it had not yet been decided whether the relief-built homes would be sold to the occupants or leased to them, but in any event the cost of occupying the houses, he remarked, would be "very, very cheap."

Displaying pictures of one of the 150 small houses now under construction at the rural-industrial community of Red House, W. Va., he said that the house and the 10-acre tract on which it stood cost only \$1,600. Two hundred more homes were planned at Red House.

Pointing to another project in progress in Arkansas, he said that 200 houses already had been erected there at a cost of between \$650 and \$900 each. This project is to include 700 homes ultimately, scattered over 28,000 or 29,000 acres. The amount "actually being laid out" for each unit, including farming tracts of 20 to 30 acres, was between \$1,200 and \$1,300.

All of the rural projects built with relief labor and relief funds are to be occupied by families taken from relief rolls.

Mr. Hopkins said that five or six industries, two or three of them nationally known, were trying to go into the Red House community. He said some of them would be permitted to establish plants there, but relief officials in charge of the project would make no effort to regulate the industries established.

"Some day we've got to have housing in America where people can pay 25% of their income for a decent place to live," Mr. Hopkins declared.

Address of President Roosevelt at Annual Convention of American Bankers Association—Declares Time Is Ripe for Alliance of All Forces Intent on Recovery—Jackson E. Reynolds of First National Bank of New York Urges Co-operation on Part of Bankers

Marked by an address by Jackson E. Reynolds, President of the First National Bank of New York, in which he expressed it as his "regret to confess" that there exists "evidence of misunderstanding between many of our country's bankers and those whose duty it is to administer the affairs of the country," the annual convention of the American Bankers Association at Washington this week was also featured by an address by President Roosevelt. Both the President and Mr. Reynolds spoke at a special evening session of the general convention, held at Constitution Hall, Oct. 24. Mr. Reynolds' remarks preceded those of President Roosevelt, and in urging that "an attitude of antagonism" be abandoned for one of co-operation, Mr. Reynolds said:

If the Government and the banks continue in the role of antagonists, it will involve the gravest consequences to our country, perhaps even the destruction of many institutions and principles we have long held dear.

Declaring that "the time is ripe for an alliance of all forces intent upon the business of recovery" President Roosevelt went on to say:

In such an alliance will be found business and banking, agriculture and industry, and labor and capital. What an all-American team that is! The possibilities of such a team kindle the imagination—they encourage our determination—they make easier the tasks of those in your government who are leading it.

The nation does not merely trust or hope that we will do our duty—the nation is justified in expecting that we will do our duty

Indicating that the President made four points which were received with much satisfaction by the bankers, a dispatch from Washington, Oct. 24 to the New York "Times" enumerated these as follows:

1 That the activities of Government emergency agencies now in the banking field should be curtailed in proportion to the taking up of the slack by privately owned agencies.

2 That while necessity for large expenditures for relief of unemployment still lies before the Government, all should proceed in the expectation that the revival of business activity will steadily reduce that burden.

3 That he had been glad to note growing appreciation by other nations of arriving as quickly as possible at a point of steadiness of prices and

values, and that the objective of greater steadiness had been constantly adhered to as our National policy.

4 That a profit system, based on the theory that wealth should come as the reward of hard labor of mind and hand, was the spirit of American institutions, its real fulfillment coming in the general recognition of each factor of the community.

From the same account we quote in part as follows:

Phrase Excites Interest

Considerable interest was attached to the fact that the President, at the point where he mentioned the profit system made the only marked change in the address as it was prepared. He altered a sentence, "That is what we call a profit system," to say "That is what we call and accept as a profit system," and in doing so emphasized strongly the words "accept as." . . .

After his speech the President received a tremendous ovation from the crowd that jammed Constitution Hall. It lasted several minutes, until he had left the stage. During the speech he was interrupted on five separate occasions by applause.

If President Roosevelt harbored any resentment because of attacks made upon him at Divisional meetings of the Bankers Association held on Monday (Oct. 22), he put it completely out of the picture, except to state that he had found a "striking lack of unanimity of opinion among bankers that characterizes many other groups in the country."

By constant consultations, he added, it had been his purpose to seek out the underlying agreement in the opinions that bankers have expressed.

The old fallacious notion of the banker on the one side and the Government on the other as more or less equal and independent units had passed away, Mr. Roosevelt said, and was replaced by recognition of the fact that the Government was the outward expression of the common life of all citizens.

Government's Three Purposes

The purpose of the Government in its relations with the bankers, the President contended, was threefold. To promote the confidence of the people in the banks; to make this confidence a living thing by aiding banks to render themselves useful, and to assert its leadership in the accomplishment of these objectives.

In March 1933, the President remarked, he asked the people to show their confidence in the banks and they took him at his word.

"To-night I ask the bankers of this country to renew their confidence in the people of this country," he added. "I hope you will take me at my word."

Central Bank Issue

The President made no direct reference to the administration's attitude in regard to the establishment of a central bank of issue, a question that has been foremost in the minds of numerous bankers, but the nature of his message went far to dispel any remaining thought that such a proposal was under consideration.

"Just as it is to be expected that the banks will resume their responsibility and take up the burden that the Government has assumed through its credit agencies," he said at one point, "so I assume and expect private business generally will be financed by the great credit resources which the present liquidity of the banks makes possible.

"Our traditional system has been built upon this principle, and the recovery of our economic life should be accomplished through the assumption of this responsibility."

To Speed Private Investment

The President expressed an opinion that the present "steady and unmistakable" revival of public demand for goods and services should provide the necessary assurance to the financing of industrial life, and in this connection stated that the Treasury, the Federal Reserve System, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Housing Administration were bending every effort to facilitate and encourage the revival of private investment.

The SEC administers the Securities Act of 1933 as well as exercising control over Stock Exchange activities and recently began an overhauling of the Securities Act to modify features of registration procedure which issuers have contended were tying up the capital market.

The President asked the delegates to note that the agencies he mentioned were seeking consultation and co-operation with the bankers and particularly commended to them the objectives of the Housing Administration.

The President's statement that all should proceed in the expectation that the revival of business activity would steadily reduce the burden of emergency expenses was accepted by the bankers as recognition by the Administration of the desirability of balancing the budget.

Hall Crowded, 2,500 Barred

Long before the President entered Constitution Hall it was filled to its capacity of 3,800 persons, and many others were standing about the entrances. About 2,500 who could not get into the hall were listening to the President's address in an adjoining building with the aid of amplifiers.

The President came to the stage on the arm of his son, Elliott. He was preceded by Francis Marion Law, retiring President of the Association. Secretaries Morgenthau and Roper, Attorney-General Cummings and Postmaster-General Farley sat on the President's right. On his left and behind him on the stage sat the officers and past Presidents of the American Bankers Association. As the President entered, the Marine Band played "Hall to the Chief."

Mr. Reynolds was introduced to the audience by Mr. Law and immediately launched into his prefatory speech.

In a reference to the balancing of the budget Mr. Reynolds had the following to say:

May we not be in error in expecting too early a date at which, even with the strictest economy and integrity of administration, the budget may be balanced; and can any one of us fix a precise date when such balance can be attained without fear that our prophecy will be made ridiculous by subsequent events?

In the course of his speech in urging co-operation by the bankers Mr. Reynolds stated:

By this I do not mean to suggest any surrender respecting what we believe to be principles of sound finance or any abatement in our insistence upon the utmost economy and integrity in Administration. But I do submit in all earnestness the query whether it is not better for the country and for us to modify the manner of the presentation of our views.

President Roosevelt's address follows in full:

I am glad to be here to-night at your invitation to speak to you informally about some of our common problems.

As many of you know by personal experience it is not a new thing for me to talk with bankers. I have been seeing many of your number almost daily during the past year and a half, and let me make it quite clear that in these meetings I have not done all the talking.

I have been a good listener and I have asked many questions. I have found there is the striking lack of unanimity of opinion among bankers that characterizes many other groups in the country. It has been my purpose to seek out underlying agreement in the opinions that bankers have expressed.

A true function of the head of the Government of the United States is to find among many discordant elements that unity of purpose that is best for the nation as a whole. This is necessary because government is not merely one of many co-ordinate groups in the community or the nation, but Government is essentially the outward expression of the unity and the leadership of all groups.

Consequently, the old fallacious notion of the bankers on the one side and the Government on the other as more or less equal and independent units has passed away. Government by the necessity of things must be the leader, must be the judge of the conflicting interests of all groups in the community, including bankers. The Government is the outward expression of the common life of all citizens.

What is a bank and what are its relations with the people? Why do the people through their Government supervise banks? The people put their money into banks. They do this in order to protect it and in some cases to have it earn a small income.

It costs money to provide this service and, therefore, the banks are permitted to invest these deposits in order to pay their expenses and to provide a reasonable profit to their stockholders.

The public has no means of knowing whether the bank is making safe investments, so it turns to its Government to supervise the bank. Government has accepted this responsibility.

Government's Relations With Bankers

In its relation with bankers, the purpose of Government should be threefold. First, to promote the confidence of the people in banks and banking in view of the important service that banks and banking may perform for the people as a whole. Second, to make this confidence a real and living thing by assisting banks to render themselves useful and worthy of this confidence through wise supervision.

A third purpose now offers itself, and I wish with all earnestness to press this point to-night. Government should assert its leadership in encouraging not only the confidence of the people in banks, but the concern of the banks in the people.

In March 1933, I asked the people of this country to renew their confidence in banks. They took me at my word. To-night I ask the bankers of this country to renew their confidence in the people of this country. I hope you will take me at my word.

I need not recount the situation of the banks in the spring of 1933. I found that the restoration of banking activity itself was my first responsibility on assuming office.

It was necessary that the Government throw itself squarely into the task of bringing back to the banks the deposits of the citizens of the country. As a result of my appeal the people responded by restoring their confidence in the banks of the United States.

Building Up of Banking Structure

The primary purpose accomplished, it became necessary that the Congress and the Administration enact measures to build up the banking structure so that it could once more provide support for the economic life of the country.

Moreover, it had to be built and we built it strong enough so that it could resist future stresses and strains. The Government found it necessary to create and get under way new emergency credit agencies and to use to the fullest extent the already existing RFC.

These credit agencies moved with heroic energy, and it was a source of the utmost satisfaction to find that when the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation went into operation the banking structure had regained a very considerable amount of its strength and its vitality.

I think it is only fair to say that never since the formation of our Government has such a task been achieved in so short a time. Happily the present security of our banks bears witness to the wise course that we pursued.

I find almost general agreement among bankers that these agencies must continue until such time as the banks and other private credit agencies are themselves able and ready to take over these lending functions; and when that time comes I shall be only too glad to curtail the activity of these public agencies in proportion to the taking up of slack by privately owned agencies.

I venture to suggest to you that when the history of these years comes to be written, while the closing and the reopening of the banks will occupy a prominent place, even greater interest will be centered in the fact that within a few months not only was the banking structure strengthened but the great governmental lending agencies went into action and also saved from disastrous deflation, liquidation and loss a vast portion of the farms, homes, railroads and corporations of the nation.

This definitely rescued the security and happiness of all of us.

Financing of Private Business by Banks

Just as it is to be expected that the banks will resume their responsibility and take up the burden that the Government has assumed through its credit agencies, so I assume and expect that private business generally will be financed by the great credit resources which the present liquidity of banks makes possible.

Our traditional system has been built upon this principle and the recovery of our economic life should be accomplished through the assumption of this responsibility. The present steady and unmistakable revival of public demand for goods and services should provide the assurance necessary to the financing of industrial life.

The Government is bending every effort through the Treasury, the Federal Reserve System, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Federal Housing Administration to facilitate and encourage the revival of private investment.

I commend the objectives of the Housing Administration to your immediate consideration, but at the same time I ask you to note that all of these new agencies are seeking consultation and co-operation with you bankers.

While there lies before us still the necessity for large expenditures for the relief of unemployment, I think we should all proceed in the expectation that the revival of business activity will steadily reduce this burden.

I am gratified to know of the expressions of belief, public and private, of your members that the speed that we shall make toward this objective is something that no one has the wisdom or the hardihood to estimate. This recognition reflects a growing appreciation of the problems resting upon a responsible Chief Executive.

International Relations

With respect to international relationships, I have been glad to note the growing appreciation in other nations of the desirability of arriving, as quickly as possible, at a point of steadiness of prices and values.

This objective of a greater steadiness we have constantly kept before us as our national policy.

The fact that American business men and bankers are devoting more and more individual study and attention to the wider problems of our nation and of international affairs is manifesting itself in many ways. It seems to me that this is a very important development.

Let me make it clear to you that the Government of the United States has daily and even hourly contact with sources of information which cover not only every State and section of our own country, but also every other portion of the habitable globe. This information is more complete, informative and accurate than that possessed by any private agency.

"True Wealth Not a Static Thing"

I need not tell you that true wealth is not a static thing. It is a living thing made out of the disposition of men to create and to distribute the good things of life with rising standards of living. Wealth grows when men co-operate, but it stagnates in an atmosphere of misunderstanding and misrepresentation.

Here, in America, the material means are at hand for the growth of true wealth. It is in the spirit of American institutions that wealth should come as the reward of hard labor of mind and hand.

That is what we call and accept as a profit system. Its real fulfillment comes in the general recognition of the rights of each factor of the community. It is not in the spirit of partisans, but partners, that America has progressed.

The time is ripe for an alliance of all forces intent upon the business of recovery.

In such an alliance will be found business and banking, agriculture and industry, and labor and capital. What an all-American team that is! The possibilities of such a team kindle the imagination—they encourage our determination—they make easier the tasks of those in your Government who are leading it.

The nation does not merely trust or hope that we will do our duty—the nation is justified in expecting that we will do our duty.

We also give herewith Mr. Reynolds' speech which preceded that of the President:

Mr. President, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen:

My remarks will be brief, simple and earnest.

Because of events with which we are all familiar, there exists to-day, I regret to confess, evidence of misunderstanding between many of our country's bankers and those whose duty and responsibility it is to administer the affairs of the country.

I am profoundly convinced that this contributes to the ills from which we are suffering, and I believe its removal will greatly promote the welfare of our country. I should like to address a few brief observations to the bankers to-night in the form of questions to which I ask no vocal response, but only that you shall answer them in your own secret selves.

The answer to the first will be unanimous, but the answers to the second and third will be various. The first question is: Is it avoidable that either through private philanthropy or the appropriation of public funds the destitute, unfortunate and unemployed must be cared for?

Second [And I put this question, I know, to men who, from high motives and deep conviction, believe as I do, that the solvency of this nation and the prosperity of its people rest on a balanced budget.] May we not be in error in expecting too early a date at which, even with the strictest economy and integrity of administration, the budget may be balanced; and can any one of us fix a precise date when such balance can be attained without fear that our prophecy will be made ridiculous by subsequent events?

Third: [And I put this question, I know, to men who passionately believe, as I do, that without monetary stability we face chaos.] If any one of us had the grave responsibilities and duties of the President of the United States, and were facing, as he is, international monetary instability abroad and diverse demands for inflation at home, would we at one stroke both tie our hands vis-a-vis the currencies of Europe and the Orient and risk consolidating into one irresistible program the inflationary demands here by making a statement to-day that the very definite stabilization of the dollar effected last January, and since maintained, should stand for all time and under all circumstances?

Urges Co-operation

I pose these three questions only, but there are many more that all of us can envisage. In this highly perplexing state of affairs, are we not justified in expecting wiser decisions, more likely to be productive of good for our country, if we abandon an attitude of antagonism for one of co-operation? By this, I do not mean to suggest any surrender respecting what we believe to be principles of sound finance or any abatement in our insistence upon the utmost economy and integrity in administration.

But I do submit in all earnestness the query whether it is not better for the country and for us to modify the manner of the presentation of our views.

And with the foregoing in mind, Mr. President, I feel that the banking fraternity in the last two years has endured enough mass punishment so that it is now in such a chastened and understanding mood that you can accept with hospitality any overture of co-operation on the part of the leaders of that fraternity.

As I conclude, I wish to make two statements which I sincerely believe to be true. The first is: In the last 27 days of March 1933, President Roosevelt contributed more to rescue and rehabilitate our shattered banking structure than any of us did individually or collectively.

For that service to us, and through us to our country, he deserves our sympathetic and helpful response, and in addition, he deserves, and I am sure he will invite, earnest reasoned criticisms of any proposed governmental policies respecting the banks.

My second statement is: If the Government and the banks continue in the role of antagonists, it will involve the gravest consequences to our country, perhaps even the destruction of many institutions and principles we have long held dear.

The poor, whom we have always with us, will not be much worse off. The rich will survive in comfort at least, as they always have, but the great stratum of our people between these two groups will be irretrievably ruined. If, on the other hand, we abandon our antagonisms for friendly, understanding, sympathetic co-operation. I believe we can make a great contribution toward the perpetuation of our cherished institutions, the encouragement of our fellow-citizens, and the gradual and sound rebuilding of the shattered economic and financial structure of our country.

Anent Mr. Reynolds' speech the correspondent of the New York "Herald Tribune" writing from Washington Oct. 25 stated that not until Mr. Reynolds stepped up to the forepart of the stage to give his address did the great majority of bankers know that he had been chosen to extend the symbolic olive branch to the President—or even that an olive branch was to figure in the occasion. In part the same account said:

Spoke for Association

Yet it was asserted on unqualified authority to-day that Mr. Reynolds most emphatically did speak for the Association and that what he had to say was indorsed beforehand by certain officials. He had been chosen "about a week ago" to appear first on the program.

It seemed more likely that the President himself might have indicated that he would prefer to have Mr. Reynolds, his former law teacher, participate in the program with him. Never before had Mr. Reynolds, once a brilliant lawyer, before George F. Baker made a banker of him, appeared as a public speaker. He insisted, indeed, that the fact be made clear that he was making his first speech, thinking, perhaps, that this fact might explain his nervousness.

Other references to the annual convention of the American Bankers Association will be found elsewhere in these columns to-day.

William A. Law, President of American Bankers' Association States That Addresses of President Roosevelt and Mr. Reynolds Point Way for Further Understanding and Co-operative Effort

In a press interview in Washington on Oct. 25 Francis Marion Law, President of the American Bankers Association, issued a statement bearing on the address at the Associations annual convention of President Roosevelt and the remarks of Jackson E. Reynolds in which he noted that "the addresses point the way for further understanding and co-operative effort." Mr. Law's statement follows:

The Bankers Association was not only honored by the President's presence at the evening session but was keenly interested in the tenor of his remarks. Mr. Reynolds in his remarks had stated for the banking fraternity in no uncertain terms their desire to allay any misunderstanding between the Administration and the banks, and to have full co-operation for recovery.

We desire to assure the President that the banks have full confidence in the people. The bankers liked the clear statement of the President that labor of mind and hand were entitled to fair profits for this labor.

We have felt that emergency credit would be succeeded by private credit when the emergency was passed, and we welcomed the President's frank avowal that this was true and that traditional private credit would again resume its full function in fostering American progress.

The banks have always been in alliance with industry, labor, business and agriculture, and the President's call for a closer alliance will meet our full response.

The address of Mr. Reynolds and the message of the President were complementary. Mr. Reynolds gave assurance of the bankers' desire to co-operate fully with the Government in every sound recovery effort. The President, in accepting this assurance, pointed out the directions in which such co-operation may be extended. The addresses point the way for further understanding and co-operative effort. They promise the clearing up of misunderstanding and the creation of an atmosphere of mutual respect and confidence. In such an atmosphere the banks can and will do their full duty.

Views of Bankers on ABA Convention Toward President Roosevelt's Address—Eugene R. Black, Governor of Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta Believes It Will Stimulate Movement of Credit

Praise and general commendation of President Roosevelt's address before the American Bankers' Association was voiced by bankers in Washington on Oct. 24 in "unofficial" comment of the plea for banking confidence in the people of the nation. This was noted in a Washington account Oct. 24 to the New York "Journal of Commerce" which referred in part to these comments as follows:

"The address was fine," declared Eugene R. Black, former Governor of the Federal Reserve Board and now Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank at Atlanta, Ga. "It should have a good effect and stimulate the movement of credit."

Hanes Lauds Talk

Robert N. Hanes, President of the Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., Winston-Salem, N. C., who assailed the President's "fireside" talk as "unfair and unneeded," admitted that the speech was "a splendid and helpful address."

The few dissenting voices refused flatly to be officially quoted. Their theme, however, seemed to be "we don't know any more than we did before."

Generally speaking, however, the bankers seem to realize and appreciate that the President, through his address, has sought a better mutual understanding between himself and the nation's banking interests.

Seven Members of "Gold Bloc" Agree to Maintain Stable Currencies at Current Gold Parities—Meeting of Group in Brussels Results in Adoption of Plan Designed to Aid Mutual Trade.

A conference of seven "gold bloc" countries in Brussels was concluded on Oct. 20 when representatives of Belgium, France, Luxemburg, Italy, Holland, Switzerland and Poland signed a protocol pledging their Nations to maintain stable currencies at existing gold parities. The conference, begun on Oct. 19, was held in an effort to promote better trade relations among the seven countries. The delegates also agreed upon definite proposals to expand trade within the group. Adoption of the proclamation of fidelity to the gold standard was interpreted in some quarters as a warning to the Anglo-Saxon countries that the gold bloc will not alter its course, regardless of the action of the dollar and of sterling. A dispatch of Oct. 20 from Brussels to the New York "Herald Tribune" summarized the agreement as follows:

The protocol was signed by the Foreign Minister of Belgium, the Ministers of Commerce of Holland and France, and Luxemburg's Prime Minister, as well as officials of the Italian, Swiss and Polish governments. It is regarded

by diplomats here as a preliminary memorandum which may become the basis for a final pact.

"These undersigned governments," reads the protocol, "have the conviction affirmed in London on July 3 1933, that monetary stability is one of the essential conditions to a return to a normal economic situation. They believe that, by assuring the stability of their currencies, they contribute to the restoration of the world economy."

Parley Results Enumerated

"They reiterate their intention to maintain the present gold parity of their respective currencies and recognize that their common monetary policy means the advancement of international trade. This advancement will be favored by the similarity of monetary conditions existing in their respective countries."

As to the practical results of the gold bloc conference, the protocol enumerates the following:

First, a general committee of gold bloc delegates will be organized.

Second, with regard to reciprocal trade relations, it has been decided to investigate in what way it may be possible to increase trade among the member countries. An increase of 10% over the total volume of trade from July 1 1933 to June 30 1934, is deemed desirable. Bilateral negotiations to this effect will start immediately and must be concluded within the year 1934. A sub-committee will draft the text of an international convention on commercial publicity.

Third, two sub-committees will study all present and future proposals concerning touring and transportation and will report to the general committee.

Another Conference Planned

Fourth, another conference will be held in Brussels within three months. It will pass on the work done in the mean time by the sub-committees and will lay down a further program of work.

Speakers before a meeting of the Netherlands Society for Managed Currency on Oct. 20 at Amsterdam urged Holland to abandon the gold standard policy, which they charged was disastrous for Holland's industry, agriculture and other branches of economic life.

Federal Government Seeks Speedy Test of Act Suspending Gold Payments—Asks Supreme Court to Review Suit Against St. Louis Iron Mountain & Southern Ry.

The Federal Government on Oct. 17 sought to bring before the Supreme Court a case now pending in the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals without waiting for that Court to pass upon it. This action was taken in order that the Supreme Court might consider this case simultaneously with the suit against the Baltimore & Ohio RR., wherein the holder of a \$1,000 bond demanded that the coupons be paid in gold and not in currency. The case which the Government this week moved to bring before the Supreme Court arose out of the gold clause in bonds issued by the St. Louis Iron Mountain & Southern Ry., which is now in the hands of receivers. Some of the bondholders of this road have also demanded payment in gold or its equivalent in currency. The Government pointed out that billions of dollars and "perhaps even the financial stability of the National Government" are involved in the question of the Act suspending gold payments.

Associated Press Washington advices of Oct. 17 outlined further Government contentions as follows:

The Government emphasized that the matter was a serious one, since, should the gold clause be sustained, debtors would have to pay \$1.69 in present lawful money for each \$1 borrowed. This would arise from the fact that every dollar at present is backed by only 59.06% as much gold as before the devaluation.

Of added significance in the present case is the fact that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation advanced \$23,134,800 to the railroad, taking as security gold mortgage bonds whose holders are demanding payment in gold.

Should gold payment be required, the Government is apprehensive the RFC's chances of recovering its loan would be materially decreased, as would its own chances in getting from the railroad \$5,000,000 claimed for unpaid taxes.

The Federal District Court at St. Louis sustained the Act.

Suit in Federal Court at Chicago Attacks Constitutionality of Law Authorizing Reduction in Dollar's Gold Content

A suit attacking the constitutionality of the law authorizing a reduction in the gold content of the dollar was filed in the Federal District Court at Chicago on Oct. 18 by Edward H. S. Martin, an attorney, acting in behalf of Mrs. Mary Scanlan, a retired school teacher. Mrs. Scanlan, who owns six Liberty Loan gold bonds, sought to redeem them on Oct. 15 at the Federal Reserve Bank in Chicago. The suit said that the bank:

"Offered to pay only in legal tender of the money of present standard value and not in gold coin of the standard existing in 1918, or in the equivalent in legal tender of the money of the present standard of value."

Federal Court in San Francisco Upholds Government's Gold Policy—Dismisses Suit for Injunction to Prevent Prosecution for Hoarding

Federal Judge A. F. St. Sure of San Francisco on Oct. 23 issued an order which, according to attorneys, was tantamount to an approval of the gold policy of the Federal Government. The Court dismissed without comment a suit brought by the Argonaut Mining Co. of California to enjoin Federal authorities from prosecuting it for alleged violation

of the Gold Hoarding Act and the gold seizure order of President Roosevelt. Associated Press advices from San Francisco, Oct. 23, described the case as follows:

"As a result of the Court's decision," said the Federal District Attorney, H. H. McPike, "we will proceed not only with criminal prosecution of the company under the Gold Hoarding Act, but we will file a libel action against the gold involved."

The gold, 7,171 ounces, was mined during May, June and July 1933, but was not offered to the mint here until after Aug. 1 1933, when the price was fixed at \$34.05 an ounce. The mint refused to pay more than \$20.67 an ounce, the price prevailing at the time the gold was mined.

The company then refused to surrender possession.

Minting of First Silver Dollars Since 1928

Nationalized silver is being used for the minting of the first dollars to be made since 1928, said Associated Press advices Oct. 20 from Washington from which we also quote:

The Treasury reported to-day that about 53,000 of the new dollar pieces had been minted at Philadelphia.

The design is the same as the "peace" dollar, which was placed in circulation in 1921.

The coin bears on one side a female head emblematic of liberty, wearing a tiara of light rays, above which is the word "Liberty." On the other side is an eagle perched on a mountain top, holding in his talons an olive branch, witnessing the dawn of a new day. Below is the word "Peace."

It also carries the inscriptions required by law, "In God We Trust" and "E Pluribus Unum."

Chinese Tax on Exportation of Silver Announced by Department of Commerce—Equalization Fee Also Imposed

An announcement regarding the action on Oct. 15 of the Ministry of Finance in China putting into effect on Oct. 15 an export duty on all silver shipped from the country was made on Oct. 18 by the Department of Commerce at Washington. Reference to the imposition of this duty was made in our issue of Oct. 20, page 2436. The Department of Commerce announcement was based on a radiogram from Trade Commissioner A. Viola Smith, the Acting Commercial Attache at Shanghai. The Department's statement said:

The export duty is 10% ad valorem for silver dollars, sycee, and bars, unless a minting charge of 2½% has been paid to the Central Government Mint in Shanghai, in which case the duty, reduced by that amount, is 7½ ad valorem.

In addition to the export duty, an equalization charge will be imposed on exports of silver, equal to the deficiency, if any, existing between the theoretical parity of silver at London and a rate of exchange officially fixed by the Central Bank of China after an allowance has been made for the export duty. The Central Bank will notify the Chinese customs at 11:30 a. m. of every business day beginning October 15 of the official rate for determining the deficiency.

One of the principal causes for the imposition of this export duty is said to be a recent outflow of silver from China.

Ambassador Bingham Suggests Joint Action to Stabilize Dollar and Sterling—Believes It Would Promote World Recovery—Official Circles in Washington View Speech as Mere Expression of Personal Opinion

Joint stabilization of sterling and dollar exchange was urged on Oct. 23 by Robert W. Bingham, United States Ambassador to Great Britain, in an inaugural address at the Edinburgh Philosophical Institution, Edinburgh, Scotland. Declaring that it would be desirable if other nations were included in a stabilization agreement, Mr. Bingham added that even if that is impracticable, the United States and Great Britain should still endeavor to effect pound-dollar stabilization. Although it was said in Washington that his remarks had no official sanction and that he was probably merely expressing his personal opinions, it was believed in some quarters that the Ambassador's speech marked the first open move by this country toward a linking of the pound and the dollar.

We quote in part from a dispatch from Edinburgh Oct. 23 to the New York "Times" regarding the stabilization proposal in Mr. Bingham's speech:

"If it were done, I think in time other nations, whether on or off the gold standard, would find it to their best interest to come into the stabilization agreement, which would be of benefit not only to our own countries but to the rest of the world."

Mr. Bingham remarked that the welfare and interests of Great Britain and the United States were ultimately associated and in large measure interdependent.

"You may be able to conquer your difficulties alone, and so may we," he said, "but I do not doubt that with proper understanding and co-operation we may not only protect and further our own interests, but may play a magnificent role in aiding a world ill nearly unto death."

The stable common sense of the peoples of both countries, he declared, guards both against dangerous extremes.

Associated Press Edinburgh advices of Oct. 23 to the New York "Times" described other portions of the Ambassador's address as follows:

"No step in the recovery program of the United States," he said, "has been quite such a reversal as Great Britain's abandonment in 1931 of her age-long practice of free trade." Tracing the similarity of the programs, Ambassador Bingham mentioned Britain's abandonment of the gold standard in 1931, followed by establishment of an exchange stabilization fund, with the United States following both examples some two years later.

Discussing the British dole system, the Ambassador found it "in the end altogether probable that, confronted like yourselves with a chronic condition of unemployment for at least a number of our population, our Government will take measures to cope with it along lines adopted here a quarter century ago."

The fact that the powers granted to the President are all limited in duration, and can be withdrawn when the representatives of the people see fit, makes "baseless and absurd", he said, "the statement made by some citizens in the United States and believed by some British that some sort of dictatorship has been established in the United States."

Costigan-Jones Sugar Act Upheld by District of Columbia Supreme Court—Refuses Petition of Thirty-seven Hawaiian Planters for Injunction Against Secretary Wallace—Emergency Justified Enaction of Quota Law

Associate Justice Jennings Bailey of the District of Columbia Supreme Court on Oct. 22 upheld the constitutionality of the Costigan-Jones Sugar Act when, after a trial which began on Oct. 2, he refused to grant an injunction restraining Secretary of Agriculture Wallace from enforcing the law in Hawaii. The court said that existence of an emergency warranted the establishment of a sugar quota plan, such as that provided by the law, which was enacted on May 9, 1934. The injunction had been sought by 37 Hawaiian sugar planters. Justice Bailey said that the Act, as well as being constitutional, had accomplished some of the benefits sought by the Administration when the legislation was introduced in Congress at President Roosevelt's request last February.

United Press Washington advices of Oct. 22 quoted from the court's ruling as follows:

"If the existence of an emergency be necessary to call forth the exercise of these powers of Congress, I think there is no doubt that an emergency did exist, not only in the sugar trade of the United States, but also in trade and commerce in sugar with foreign countries and in commodities in general," Justice Bailey said in his opinion.

Legality of Congressional delegation of powers, such as those conferred upon Wallace in connection with establishment of a system of sugar quotas, was also sustained by the court.

Witnesses for Hawaiians estimated that their potential yearly losses, due to the quota restrictions, amounted to at least \$9,000,000, while Department of Agriculture experts declared that the sugar act stabilized the industry and prevented the price from collapsing to nearly zero.

Federal Judge Declares Kansas Moratorium Law is Unconstitutional

Associated Press advices from Kansas City, Kansas, report that the Kansas moratorium law was declared unconstitutional on Oct. 25 by Judge John C. Pollock of the Kansas Federal District Court in an opinion in a foreclosure case against the famous Dewey Ranch in Western Kansas. The advices added:

He held that the Legislature went beyond its power and invaded the domain of the courts with legislation that "would destroy the rights and obligations of the parties" in the mortgage foreclosure proceeding.

Dr. Church of Carnegie Institute Urges That Congress Restore Old Value of Gold and Eliminate Inflation

In an address at Pittsburgh, Oct. 18, at the annual celebration of Founders' Day, Dr. Samuel Harden Church, President of the Carnegie Institute, advocated that three measures be taken by the Government to effect a return to prosperity, viz, a return to the gold standard at its former level, a return of the relief problem to private agencies and churches, and abandonment of the New Deal laws designed to aid agriculture. According to the Pittsburgh "Post Gazette" Dr. Church opposed the tendency to redistribute the country's wealth by "taxing it out of the hands of its owners and squandering it in wasteful expenditures." A better system of redistribution, he said, would be found in part ownership of industry by labor and the use of profits that formerly went to pay business executives bonuses for keeping up employment in lean years.

In advocating the return to the gold standard and the elimination of inflation, Dr. Church was quoted as follows in a Pittsburgh dispatch, Oct. 18, to the New York "Times":

Any comment on our difficulties should be made only with a sense of sympathy and a desire to help; and if criticism is proper it should be constructive criticism intended to aid and not to harass the earnest and devoted leadership of President Roosevelt. In such a study we must remember that some of the policies embraced in what we call the New Deal really have their roots in Republican legislation and that therefore our discussion should not reflect unduly on either party.

Immediately on the foundation of the Government, gold was established as the rock basis of our currency, and its value was fixed at about \$20.67 an ounce, and that figure in general represents its value through all the vicissitudes of our national career, from Alexander Hamilton to Andrew Mellon.

But on March 9 1933, under the authority of an Act of Congress, the price of this precious metal was increased to \$35 an ounce, thereby cheapening the American dollar by 40%. That was pure inflation, and under the inescapable law of inflation it was followed, as every housewife knows, by a rise of prices which has affected all of the daily necessities of life.

Wages cannot go up while business is idle, and this measure thus becomes a hardship to every family in the land. It would be the first step in a return of confidence if Congress will restore the price of gold to its age-long standard of \$20.67 an ounce.

The newspapers tell us that 33,000,000 of our people are receiving Government aid in money at a cost of \$3,000,000,000 a year. This policy is rapidly pauperizing the American people, besides threatening to bankrupt our Treasury. Organized society must in the end pay these prodigal bills, and it should assume its responsibility for its own protection now instead of later.

When prosperity returns, thrift and saving and steady employment will take the place of further socialistic scheming. But big business must go beyond the relinquishment of a partnership portion of its capital stock. And here is where we need a new conscience in business. When profits begin to come back and high wages once again reflect a comfortable standard of living, the bonuses which have in past times been paid to the executives should be put into a reservoir to preserve working capital and fixed employment in the lean years.

New Jersey Court Rules Gifts Made Before Death as Substitution for Disposition of Estate Are Taxable—New Interpretation of "Contemplation of Death" Provision in Transfer Inheritance Tax Act

Gifts made during a person's lifetime "in contemplation of death" are taxable regardless of the period intervening between the presentation of the gifts and the time of death, according to a ruling handed down Oct. 19 by Vice-Chancellor Malcolm G. Buchanan in the Prerogative Court of Trenton, N. J. This decision, it is stated, confirmed an assessment of \$155,148 against the estate of Charles Schweinler of West Orange, N. J., President of the Schweinler Press, a New York corporation. The ruling was issued under the New Jersey Transfer Inheritance Tax of 1909 and subsequent amendments. More than a year before his death in November 1927 Mr. Schweinler made a gift of property valued at more than \$3,000,000. His heirs contended that this property was not taxable under the "contemplation of death" provision of the law. From a Trenton dispatch to the Newark "News" of Oct. 19 we quote the following regarding the ruling:

The decision is far-reaching and if sustained may augment future revenues of the State by millions. The opinion holds that the meaning of the phrase "in contemplation of death" is not limited to an apprehension of death as likely in the near future.

Rather the test is whether a donor makes the choice of giving during his lifetime instead of bequeathing when he dies. If so such gifts are held taxable, even though a long period may elapse between the making of the gift and the death of the donor.

"The taxability of such a gift is not defeated," says the opinion, "by the fact that the donor's contemplation of death is that of death in the wholly indefinite though certain future."

Added Motives Irrelevant

"The fact that the donor has other motives or purposes also leading toward the making of the gift does not prevent the gift from being taxable. It is not necessary that contemplation of death shall have been the sole cause of the gift."

"In order that the gift may be taxable it is necessary only that the making of the gift shall have been caused by that contemplation of death of the kind aforesaid, that the gift would not have been made in the absence of such contemplation of death."

"The test of taxability is whether or not the donor makes a choice with regard to the thing given, between a testamentary disposition or intestate succession and a gift between living persons in favor of the latter."

"By the statute the Legislature intended to, and did, make subject to tax, in addition to transfers taking place at death, every transfer with and as the result of the intent and purpose that it be in the place and stead of a testamentary disposition, or an intestate succession to, the thing given."

"The only fact essential to taxability is the fact that the gift was the result of that contemplation of death aforesaid. Other facts and attendant circumstances are material only as they may tend to establish or to disprove the one essential fact, and that essential fact is not necessary disproved by the facts that the donor was in early life, in perfect health and believed he had many years to live."

Estate Insolvent

Mr. Schweinler was President of Charles Schweinler Press, a New York corporation, and was the owner of 2,498 shares of stock in the company. He gave all but one share of this stock to his wife and four children the year before he died, but continued to draw a salary of \$30,000 a year. His estate at the time of his death was insolvent.

Two main questions considered by Vice-Chancellor Buchanan in an exhaustive opinion covering 44 pages were whether the State Comptroller erred in finding the gifts were made in contemplation of death or in finding they were made to take effect in possession or enjoyment after Schweinler's death. Unless both questions should be resolved in favor of the estate, the Court held the tax must be affirmed. The burden of proof was held to rest upon the appellants.

Distinguishing between a number of definitions assigned to gifts made in contemplation of death, the Court concluded that the intention of the Legislature in this State was to include all transfers intended to take the place of transfers at death.

Scant credit would be reflected, the Court said, on the logic or intelligence of either the judicial or law-making body if the Court should say:

Backes Concur

"Yes, we know that the Legislature wished to include all transfers intended as substitutes for testamentary dispositions, and we admit that the general phrases used by the Legislature is perfectly susceptible of the meaning which will accomplish that desire and purpose, but it is also susceptible of another meaning which will accomplish only a portion of that desire and purpose, and, therefore, we believe and will rule that it is in the latter sense that it was used by the Legislature."

Merritt Lane, counsel for the estate, argued that the views given expression by Vice-Chancellor Buchanan were at variance with the principles established by the Sacks case decided by Vice-Chancellor Backes. Before filing his conclusions Mr. Buchanan submitted them to Mr. Backes, who authorized the statement that he concurred in the views expressed in the Buchanan opinion.

William H. Kelly, head of the Inheritance Tax Division of the State Tax Commissioner's office, expressed the view that to-day's decision would

be of great value in helping the Department to sustain its position in future litigations as to what constitute gifts in contemplation of death.

Corporations Having Accumulated Surplus May Be Subject to Sizable Tax Whether Specifically Formed for Purpose of Preventing Surtax on Shareholders, It Is Pointed Out by Harriman & Co.

Any corporation with accumulated surplus may be subject to sizable tax, in accordance with Treasury decision, it is specified by Harriman & Co., members of N. Y. Stock Exchange, whether or not they are companies specifically formed or availed of for the purpose of preventing surtax on shareholders, or are personal holding companies. Under the law, as quoted and cited by J. L. Amberg, their economist, it is now held that "hereafter it is prima facie evidence that the holding of unreasonable gains or profits undistributed is for the purpose of enabling stockholders to escape surtax." Harriman & Co. further state:

However, if surpluses are invested as increased inventories or additions to plants reasonably needed for the business, they may be allowed, but the nature of said gains or profits is immaterial if they are not, in fact, needed for the business.

Under this interpretation, many large companies with surpluses possibly could decide to distribute gains, profits, or accumulations, by means of a larger or extra dividend, if it is true that they may otherwise be subject to surtax beginning at 25% of net adjusted income up to \$100,000 and 35% of the amount in excess thereof.

Harriman & Co. are publishing a list of 39 corporations, with and without bonded indebtedness, where large surpluses are shown. They also calculate the surplus per common share, as well as cash and marketable securities therefor.

Governor Lehman of New York Criticizes State Milk Control Board—Would End Fixing of Minimum Retail Prices—Offers 9-Point Program to Aid Dairy Farmers and Consumers

The policies of the New York State Milk Control Board were criticized on Oct. 22 by Governor Lehman who, in a speech at Utica, N. Y., urged the restoration of competition in the retail milk business and the abolition of fixing minimum prices for consumers. Governor Lehman proposed a 9-point program which he said would improve the milk situation for both the farmer and the consumer. The net result of State control has been good, he said, but it has fallen short of expectations in a number of respects. Among the weaknesses which the Governor found in the law was the laxity of its enforcement and the complexity of the regulations which had been issued by the Control Board. With regard to his proposed substitute program he said:

I much prefer to see the dairy farmers of this State through their own co-operative efforts enabled to deal with this problem of fair price.

I favor the abandonment of price-fixing by the State whenever the farmers themselves can secure a fair share of the consumers' milk dollar. Since it is generally agreed that the producers cannot do this now, I favor a continuance of State control of the prices which dealers are required to pay to farmers.

I oppose any schedule of prices which gives our farmers less than a fair price when large distributors are making satisfactory and even handsome profits.

I see no need of continuing the present complicated schedule of prices from dealer to dealer and from dealer to consumer. By abolishing minimum prices to consumers, the wholesale effect of free competition under fair rules would bring about many improvements and reforms in the distribution business.

I favor a much simpler classification for milk for the purpose of fixing prices to farmers.

I favor a change in the present system under which dealers now pay farmers so much as forty-five days after receipt of the milk. Under this practice, farmers are in effect financing the milk dealers. This can be changed under existing laws. Dealers should be required to make prompt payments.

I believe in the necessity of interstate control of the interstate aspects of this problem. This can be accomplished either by the participation of the Federal Department of Agriculture or through interstate compacts or an interstate authority.

I oppose the extension of New York milk shed beyond the present limits. These are already more than adequate to supply all of the people with pure and wholesome milk at fair prices to producer and consumer. If any municipality seeks to violate this principle, I shall urge legislation which will recapture for the State full authority to limit the milk shed.

I favor the continuation of our efforts to increase milk consumption until every citizen gets the amount of milk needed for normal growth and nutrition. If this is accomplished, there will be no surplus.

Courts in Iowa and Oklahoma Issue Rulings Curbing Power of AAA in Milk License Regulations—One Decision Holds AAA Cannot Interfere in Intra-State Business—Other Contends Milk License Law Is Unconstitutional

The Agricultural Adjustment Administration has no authority to regulate milk sales conducted entirely within a State, according to a ruling handed down Oct. 19 by Judge Charles A. Dewey in the Federal Court at Des Moines, Iowa. A similar decision was made on the preceding day (Oct. 18) by Federal Judge Edgar S. Vaught of Oklahoma City, Okla., who issued an injunction against Secretary of Agriculture Wallace and Federal attorneys and officials, and

against four large distributing companies, to restrain distributors from refusing to handle milk from the two milk producers who brought the suit. These two decisions followed closely rulings regarding milk control laws which had been handed down in other courts, as noted in our issue of Oct. 20, pages 2450-51.

In the Iowa decision Judge Dewey denied the Government's petition for an injunction to restrain the Hillcrest Dairy of Des Moines from doing business, pointing out that the company was operating entirely within the State of Iowa and hence was not subject to control by the AAA. A. H. Lauterbach, Chief of the Dairy Section of the AAA, said on Oct. 19 that this decision will not affect the milk license as it pertains to other distributors in the Des Moines milk marketing area. A dispatch from Des Moines Oct. 19 to the New York "Times" summarized the decision as follows:

Government lawyers had contended that the sale of milk in the Des Moines area affected and was affected by interstate commerce, and thus came under Federal regulation. The AAA had accused the Hillcrest Co. of violating provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act and the milk license promulgated for the Des Moines area under the statute.

Judge Dewey agreed that Congress had power under the Constitution to control that "which directly and substantially affects interstate commerce," but denied that its authority extended "where such effect is secondary, accidental or remote."

"In the last analysis," said Judge Dewey, "perhaps all dealings in basic commodities and industries affect or may affect interstate commerce. To extend the authority of Congress to include a regulation of all business engaged in any commercial transactions would so enlarge the commerce clause of the Constitution as to emasculate the intent of the Tenth Amendment to retain in and for the States all powers not delegated to the national government."

Judge Vaught, in the case decided in Oklahoma City, held that the Federal milk license law as applied to the Oklahoma City district by agents of the AAA is unconstitutional. We quote regarding this ruling from an Oklahoma City dispatch of Oct. 18 to the "Wall Street Journal":

Judge Vaught criticized the Government assumption of authority under the New Deal on its theory practically all commerce common to all States is interstate commerce and declared he has reached the conclusion production and sale of milk in the Oklahoma City area consists wholly of intrastate commerce which does not interfere nor burden interstate commerce. His ruling held the license provisions void and an attempted interference with police powers of the State.

Government attorneys contended in their arguments during hearing of the case the licensing was all that prevented a price war, but independent producers see no reason why the decision should change the situation. Judge Vaught previously had ruled invalid the attempt of Secretary of the Interior Ickes to curtail production of crude oil by a pool development plan under the petroleum code, and has pending for decision a case involving validity of the retail automobile code.

Rail Pension Act Held Unconstitutional by District of Columbia Supreme Court

A permanent injunction against enforcement of the rail employees Pension Retirement Act, which was enacted by the last Congress, was granted Oct. 24 by Chief Justice Alfred A. Wheat of the District of Columbia Supreme Court. Justice Wheat's decision is based on two main points: First, that the law constituted an improper exercise of Congressional power to regulate inter-State commerce, and, second, that it was confiscatory. Justice Wheat cites a statement made by President Roosevelt when he signed the bill, to the effect that the retirement plan as approved by Congress was not entirely satisfactory and would require some revision.

This decision was brought about by a joint suit filed by 134 railroads, including the Long Island RR., which, although not an inter-State carrier, would have been included in the compulsory retirement plan.

Attorney-General Cummings has indicated that the Department of Justice will appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States.

The Retirement Act set up a Railroad Retirement Board as a public agency to handle a retirement fund for railroad employees. This fund was to be raised through assessment of the railroads and their employees, the latter contributing 2% of their salaries and the railroads paying twice that amount into the fund. The first of the quarterly payments under this plan were to have been made on Nov. 1, with the retirement and pension fund becoming operative on next Feb. 1. At that time railroad employees of 65 years or older would have been forced to retire on an income graduated according to their length of service, except that extensions of service might be made for one-year periods up to the age of 70.

The text of Chief Justice Wheat's decision holding the Railroad Retirement Act unconstitutional follows:

In the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, holding an Equity Court. The Alton RR. Co. and Others, Plaintiffs, v. Equity No. 57557. Railroad Retirement Board and Murray W. Latimer, John T. Williamson and Lee M. Eddy, Individually and as Members of the Railroad Retirement Board.

MEMORANDUM

This action is brought by 134 Class I railroad carriers or their receivers or trustees in bankruptcy, the Pullman Co., the Railway Express Agency, Inc., and the South Eastern Express Co., to test the constitutionality of the Railroad Retirement Act (Public No. 485, Seventy-third Congress).

The Act provides for the appointment of a Railroad Retirement Board, charged with administering and enforcing the Act, to be composed of three members appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. This Board and its individual members are the defendants in the case.

The Act is entitled "An Act to Provide a Retirement System for Railroad Employees, to Provide Unemployment Relief, and for Other Purposes." It is set forth in full as an appendix to the bill. The relief asked is an injunction against its enforcement.

Treated As a Final Hearing

The defendants have answered the bill, but no serious issue of fact is raised by the answer. The case came on to be heard in the form of a motion for a temporary injunction, but by agreement of the parties it has been treated as a final hearing upon the merits, both sides submitting evidence in the form of affidavits.

Briefly, the Act sets up a retirement and pension system for all employees of carriers subject to the Inter-State Commerce Act. Retirement is made compulsory at the age of 65, but may be extended by agreement between carrier and employee for successive periods of one year until the age of 70.

Every person who has been in carrier employ since within one year prior to the passage of the Act is entitled to receive the annuity upon attaining the age of 65, calculated by the application of graduated percentages of his average monthly compensation to the number of years of his service not exceeding 30. Employees completing 30 years of service may retire before the age of 65, but annuities payable prior to the age of 65 are reduced by one-fifteenth thereof for each year that the employee is below the age of 65, except where the retirement is due to physical or mental disability to continue in the service.

Contribution Plan Cited

To provide funds for the payment of the annuities which are to continue during the lifetime of the annuitants, and the administration expenses of the Act, carriers and their employees are required to contribute to the retirement fund, the employees contributing at the present time 2% of their compensation and the carriers twice the amount of the employees' contributions. The Retirement Board is given authority, if, as and when necessary to increase the percentage fixed in the Act, without, however, altering the ratio between employee and carrier contributions.

The carriers are required to deduct the contributions of their employees from their compensation and to pay the sums so deducted, together with their own contributions, quarterly into the United States Treasury, the first contributions being payable Nov. 1 1934, and the first annuities under the Act being payable after Feb. 1 1935. Official representatives of employee organizations who are former carrier employees are given the option of becoming beneficiaries under the Act by contributing to the retirement fund both the employee and the carrier contributions.

Both sides seem to agree that the only source of power in Congress to pass such an Act is the inter-State commerce clause of the Constitution. The plaintiffs claim in a broad way that the Act is not a regulation of inter-State commerce, and in addition point out certain provisions of the Act which they claim invalidates it because they are not regulative of inter-State commerce or are arbitrary, unreasonable, capricious and confiscatory, and amount to a taking of their property without due process of law.

Immediate Decisions Stressed

In this memorandum I have merely outlined my conclusions without taking the time which would be necessary for an elaborate discussion, for I realize the importance to all of an immediate decision.

I am not prepared to say that the enactment of a statute providing for the compulsory retirement at a certain age of employees of railroads engaged in inter-State commerce, together with provisions for the pensioning of employees so retired, is beyond the power of Congress under the inter-State commerce clause of the Constitution.

Congress has power to regulate the relation of master and servant between inter-State carriers and such of their employees as are actually engaged in inter-State commerce. The fact that so many of the plaintiff carriers have for many years maintained voluntary retirement and pension systems furnishes persuasive evidence of their belief that such systems tend to promote the efficiency of their personnel by stimulating loyalty, encouraging continuity of employment with resulting security for old age, and thus increasing the morale of those in the organization.

It is argued, however, that the features of the voluntary pension systems which tend to promote these desirable ends not only are absent from the Retirement Act, but that it contains other provisions wholly subversive of those ends.

Problem of Employee Morale

It is said that the Act, being mandatory upon the carrier, relieves the employee of any feeling of gratitude or loyalty which naturally is felt toward a benefactor; that it does not promote continuity of service because the benefits of the Act do not depend upon any length of service in any particular employment or by any particular employer; so that there is no incentive for an employee to remain continuously in the service of any particular carrier; that the right to receive the annuity in no way depends upon efficient and faithful performance of duty, and that the benefits of the Act are shared equally by all employees, even those discharged for cause.

These matters, however, seem to me to involve questions of wisdom and propriety rather than of power, and to be for the consideration of the Congress rather than the courts. When the Act is examined in detail, however, I find it contains provisions which, in my opinion, were beyond the power of Congress, and which render it unconstitutional.

In the first place, the Act is unconstitutional because it extends its provisions to persons not engaged in inter-State commerce.

The Retirement Act confers its benefits upon all employees of any company to which it relates, without regard to distinction between inter-State commerce, intra-State commerce, or activities which do not constitute commerce at all.

It was held in the Employers' Liability cases, 207 U. S. 463, that one who engages in inter-State commerce does not submit all his business concerns to the regulating power of Congress, and that an attempt on the part of Congress to extend its regulatory powers to all employees of an inter-State carrier, regardless of their duties and the work performed by them, made the Act invalid.

All-Inclusiveness Criticized

The present Act applies to all employees of the plaintiffs. Indeed, there is no claim that it does not. It appears from the record in this case that some 200,000, approximately one-fifth of all the employees of the plaintiffs,

do not work in inter-State commerce or in work so closely connected therewith as to be a part thereof.

Among these men may be mentioned mechanical employees; executive and general officers and their staffs, not including the operating Vice-Presidents and their staffs; those engaged in accounting not having a direct relationship to inter-State transportation; those engaged in the construction of buildings or the construction of new equipment; those who devote themselves to finances, custody and administration of funds or corporate proceedings and records; those engaged exclusively in work relating to real estate taxes and titles, in the management, operation, care and protection of buildings or lands not devoted to, or used in connection with, transportation, and men employed in coal mines. As to some of these men there may be room for differences of opinion as to their proper classification, but it is plain that there are many who are not in any real sense engaged in inter-State commerce.

The proof shows that the Long Island R.R. Co., whose lines are wholly within the State of New York; the Illinois Central R.R. and the New York Central R.R. have a large number of employees engaged solely in intra-State service. It appears that the New York New Haven & Hartford R.R. has physical property of the value of more than \$7,000,000 which the Inter-State Commerce Commission has classified as non-carrier.

The New York Central has property in excess of \$43,000,000 so classified. The Pennsylvania R.R. Co. has \$17,000,000, and the Union Pacific, \$19,000,000. The employees engaged in work in connection with this property are included as beneficiaries of the Act.

Congress's Scope Questioned

It seems to me that Congress exceeded its power to regulate inter-State commerce when it attempted to make all employees of the plaintiffs beneficiaries under this Act, making no distinction between those engaged in inter-State commerce and those not so engaged.

Section 1 of the Act includes as employees entitled to its benefits every one who has been in such service within one year before the enactment thereof. The evidence discloses that about 143,000 men left the service of the railroads during that year and were not in such service on the date of enactment, and that of this number approximately 80,000 probably will not return to railroad service. Some of these men were dismissed for the good of the service.

I can see no reasonable relation between giving these men the benefits of the Act and the regulation of inter-State commerce.

Furthermore, the Act provides annuities for all persons who, at the time of its enactment, were, or within the period of one year before its enactment, had been in carrier service and who had attained, or thereafter should attain, the age of 65 years, or had completed, or thereafter should complete, 30 years of such service. The right to the annuities is not dependent upon the rendition of service subsequent to enactment and the computation of the annuities is not confined to service rendered subsequent, but includes service rendered prior thereto.

The defendant Latimer, in his affidavit, shows that upon the assumption of the retirement at 65 of such of the present employees of the carriers as, on an expectancy basis, survive to that age, the gross annuities required by the statute to be paid to the men for services rendered prior to enactment of the law will amount in the aggregate to over \$4,000,000,000.

The statute provides that upon the re-employment hereafter by any carrier of any man previously in railroad service all of his prior service is to be counted as part of the service entitling him to the annuity. The evidence tended to show that there are to-day over 1,000,000 persons with that possibility.

To require the plaintiffs to contribute huge sums of money to be devoted to the payment of pensions or annuities based upon services long since completed and fully paid for seems to me to take their property without due process of law.

Finding Is Held "Tempered"

I am constrained, therefore, to hold that the Act is unconstitutional. The natural reluctance which a judge feels when compelled to hold an Act of Congress unconstitutional is in this case somewhat tempered by the fact that the Act seems not to be satisfactory even to some who favor it in principle and purpose. When the President gave his approval, he made a statement explaining his action, in which he said, among other things:

"Decision on this bill has been difficult."

He gave as among the "principal arguments against the measure":

(a) The Federal Co-ordinator of Transportation, at much public expense, is now engaged in a thorough survey of the whole subject of employment security on railroads. He requested many months ago that legislation be deferred until the completion of these studies and the filing of his report.

(b) The bill, although much improved in its final form, is still crudely drawn and will require many changes and amendments at the next session of Congress.

A decree will be made in favor of the plaintiffs, granting the relief prayed for in the bill.

ALFRED A. WHEAT, *Chief Justice.*

Oct. 24 1934.

Two Oklahoma Oil Refineries Fined for Violating Orders of State Railroad Commission

The Keystone Refining Co. of Gladewater, Okla., and the Roco Refining Co. of Longview, Okla., on Oct. 12 were found guilty of violating proration orders of the State Railroad Commission. The former company was fined \$6,500. The latter company was found guilty of failing to make proper reports for 72 days and was fined \$50 for each day's violation and \$150 a day for allegedly receiving untendered oil for 20 days.

Pooling of Box Cars Urged by Co-ordinator Eastman—He Proposes Holding Corporation Under Association of American Railroads—Saving of \$100,000,000 a Year Predicted

Pooling of all ordinary box cars owned by the railroads under the direction of a corporation to be formed by the Association of American Railroads was recommended by regional co-ordinating committees Oct. 24 by Joseph B. Eastman, Federal Co-ordinator of Transportation. The primary purpose would be to avoid huge mileage hauls of empty equipment, at an estimated saving of about \$75,000,000 annually, but the aims would eventually be extended to include stand-

ardization of all rolling stock. Another \$25,000,000 a year in capital carrying charges would be saved, the recommendations declared, through co-ordination of operation and purchases.

Mr. Eastman said that the proposed car pool plan had been prepared by O. C. Castle and N. D. Ballantine of the section of car pooling, and he told the regional co-ordinators that "both of these young men, as you know, have had wide practical experience in the supply and distribution of freight cars."

Privately owned cars, refrigerators and special automobile box cars, would be excluded from the proposed pool, but provisions were made to take over eventually distribution of this class of equipment.

Under the plan, if such a corporation were created by the Association of American Railroads, directors of the Association would be ex-officio directors. Five districts would be created, centering at Boston, Cleveland, Atlanta, Chicago and St. Louis; each would have two representatives on the board of control. Mr. Eastman would select the other members. The pool would be directed by a general manager.

Short-line railroads now operating under the per diem rule agreement would be assigned to a specific trunk line for the purpose of pooling equipment.

All taxes, insurance and repair obligations would be charged to the corporation, and periodical statements would be rendered showing costs and per diem charges accrued to each railroad's equipment.

Synopsis of Report

Facts

1 In the through or "interline" movement of freight by rail, cars of necessity pass beyond the rails of their owners and are freely interchanged between railroads.

2 Regulations which govern the interchange of freight cars are the development of more than 70 years. Throughout this period the basic principle of the regulations has been the right of the car owner to the control of his individual car. These rules are commonly known as "ownership rules."

3 The rules relating to the settlement between railroads for the use and maintenance of cars, although imperfect and inequitable, are definite and enforceable; those relating to the use and return of cars are indefinite and without adequate means for their enforcement.

4 So-called "originating" railroads, although required to maintain a car ownership sufficient to meet their obligation to the public, have no control over their equipment when moved beyond their rails.

In periods of heavy demand, railroads so situated are frequently denied the use of their cars, with consequent loss of revenue for which the car rental is inadequate compensation.

5 So-called "terminating" railroads, which in times of shortage freely use the cars of other railroads in disregard of the principles of the regulations, can avoid burdensome car hire charges when cars are plentiful only by returning "foreign" cars empty and using their own cars for loading to points beyond their rails. The effect is a crosshaul movement of empty cars of the same class and condition.

6 The volume of empty-car mileage has increased annually, and analyses of car movements demonstrate that in the case of railroad-owned cars the increase is in a large degree caused by the efforts of individual railroads to shift the per diem burden.

7 The operation of privately-owned freight cars presents problems which have disturbed the railroads and engaged the attention of regulatory bodies over a long period.

In recent years practices have been developed in the operation of these cars, particularly privately-owned refrigerator cars, which adversely affect railroad revenues, not only by the creation of excessive empty-car mileage and the displacement of railroad-owned cars by cars owned or leased by shippers, but through money payments and other concessions which are in effect rebates to shipper-owners.

8 The annual "excess" empty-car mileage now exceeds 2,000,000,000 miles. A conservative estimate of the operating savings possible by the prevention of this unnecessary movement is \$75,000,000 per year.

9 The lack of co-ordination in car interchange has the further effect of increasing the number of cars necessary to carry the traffic of the country. Car purchases controlled by individual needs ignoring general conditions, create instability in the volume of car construction with consequently higher unit prices.

10 The estimated saving in capital carrying charges possible through the co-ordination of operation and purchases is \$25,000,000 per year.

11 The situation demands serious consideration of constructive suggestions for changes in methods whereby uneconomical practices may be corrected and substantial savings effected.

12 Experimentation with numerous per diem and penalty rules, and with variations of the so-called "ownership" rules, has failed to correct the defects in the regulatory methods, which defects have been demonstrated to be fundamental.

13 A recent study of the conditions outlined herein by authoritative railroad organizations, covering a period of several months, has resulted in no practicable suggestions by railroad organizations for fundamental changes in methods.

Recommendations

1 All freight cars suitable for interchange service owned by steam railroads and private car lines operating in the United States should be assigned to a general pool operated by a central agency under the control of participating railroads for the joint and proportionate benefit of car owners and users.

In the initial operation of the pool, ordinary box cars only should be included, other classes and types of railroad-owned and private line cars to be added as experience in the operation of the pool may warrant its expansion.

2 The ultimate objective of the pool is to acquire ownership of cars assigned to the pool, together with necessary facilities for repairing cars, and to assume full responsibility for providing and maintaining a car supply adequate for the needs of shippers on all participating railroads.

The immediate objective is the acquisition by lease or contract of all cars of the type designed for pool operation and the formation of an organization for the operation of cars in a nation-wide pool. No change in ownership is at present involved, and car initials will remain unchanged except for the addition of a pool designation.

3 The pool organization should be controlled by the Association of American Railroads.

4 The pool will compensate car owners for the ownership costs of cars used in pool service, based upon the appraised value of equipment; will maintain cars in suitable condition to meet transportation requirements; will make equitable distribution of cars as between railroads, on the basis of proportionate unit contribution to the pool, and will co-ordinate the retirement and replacement of freight cars equipment in such manner as

to insure an adequate supply and an orderly and stabilized program of car construction.

5 The pool will collect from car users a daily rental sufficient to meet the fixed cost of ownership and will prorate the cost of repairs and the operating expense of the pool among participating railroads upon the basis of car mileage.

6 The pool will operate through a central and district offices in charge of a general manager and district managers. District managers will regulate interchange and distribution in the most economical manner as between railroads in their respective districts. The central office will regulate distribution as between districts. Distribution between divisions of participating railroads and to shippers will be handled as at present by the individual railroad organizations.

Liquidating Distribution of 1% to Be Made by Railroad Credit Corp. Oct. 31—Eleventh Repayment to Total \$723,781

The Railroad Credit Corp. has been authorized by the board of directors to make another liquidating distribution of 1% to participating carriers as of Oct. 31 next, according to an announcement made Oct. 22 by the corporation. This distribution will amount to \$723,780.97, of which \$337,310.59 will be in cash and \$386,470.38 will be in credits. This is the eleventh distribution that has been made by the Railroad Credit Corp. The announcement of Oct. 22 continued:

With the liquidating distribution announced to-day, the corporation has authorized distributions amounting to \$18,419,797, or 25% of the pooled emergency freight charges since it began liquidating on June 1 1933. Of this amount \$8,034,733 is cash and \$10,385,064 credits.

Bank of America Announces Changes in Personnel of Advertising & Publicity Department

Appointment of Donaldson B. Thorburn, Assistant Vice-President, as head of the Advertising and Publicity Department of the Bank of America National Trust & Savings Association (head office San Francisco, Calif.) and of L. E. Townsend as Advertising Manager, was announced this week by L. M. Giannini, Senior Vice-President of the Institution. The announcement followed the resignation of Peter Michelson, Manager of Advertising and Publicity since 1929, who has left the bank to handle a national advertising account.

Mr. Thorburn joined the Bank of America organization in April, 1933. His first connection with the advertising business was in 1924. From 1927 to 1933 he was a San Francisco newspaper man, first as a member of the staff of the San Francisco "Call" and for five years as City Editor of the Pacific Coast Edition of the "Wall Street Journal."

Mr. Townsend has been in the banking business in San Francisco for the past 27 years. He joined the Bank of America organization in 1923 and was an Assistant Vice-President at the Market-New Montgomery Branch until 1931 when he was transferred to the Head Office. He has been active in Pacific Coast and National Advertising for many years, being one of the organizers of the Financial Advertisers Association of America.

For many years Mr. Townsend was Treasurer of the San Francisco Advertising Club and District Vice-President of the Pacific Coast Advertising Association. He is a former Governor and Treasurer of the San Francisco Group, California Bankers Association.

Rudolf S. Hecht Elected President of American Bankers Association—R. V. Fleming and T. K. Smith, Vice-Presidents—Officers of Various Divisions

Rudolf S. Hecht, Chairman, Hibernia National Bank New Orleans, La., was elected President of the American Bankers Association at the annual convention in Washington, D. C. on Oct. 24 by unanimous vote. Mr. Hecht served the Association during the past 12 months as 1st Vice-President. As President he succeeds Francis Marion Law, President of the First National Bank, Houston, Tex., and he was installed in office at the close of the general session Oct. 25.

The Association also unanimously elected Robert V. Fleming, President of the Riggs National Bank, Washington, D. C., as its new 1st Vice-President. Mr. Fleming had been 2d Vice-President of the Association and Chairman of its Committee on Federal Legislation. The new 2d Vice-President, also unanimously elected, is Tom K. Smith, President of the Boatmen's National Bank, St. Louis, Mo.

The following were elected officers in the various divisions of the Association:

National Bank Division: C. J. Lord, Vice-President of the National Bank of Commerce of Seattle, Olympia, Wash., President; Carl W. Alldorfer, Vice-President of the First National Bank, Kansas City, Mo., Vice-President.

State Bank Division: James C. Bolton, Vice-President of the Rapides Bank & Trust Co., Alexandria, La., President; Fred B. Brady, Vice-President of the Commerce Trust Co., Kansas City, Mo., Vice-President.

Savings Bank Division: T. J. Caldwell, Vice-President of the Union National Bank, Houston, Tex., President; Philip A. Benson, President of the Dime Savings Bank of Brooklyn, Brooklyn, N. Y., Vice-President.

Trust Division: Leon M. Little, President of the New England Trust Co., Boston, Mass., President; Merrel P. Callaway, Vice-President of the Guaranty Trust Co., New York City, Vice-President.
 State Secretaries Section: George Arthur Starring, Executive Manager of the South Dakota Bankers Association, Huron, S. Dak., President.

Henry R. Kinsey Re-elected President of Savings Banks Association of New York State for Fourth Consecutive Term—Association at Annual Convention Affirms Belief in Necessity of Maintaining Sound Financial System

Henry R. Kinsey, President of the Williamsburgh Savings Bank, Brooklyn, was elected President of the Savings Banks Association of the State of New York for the fourth consecutive year, on Oct. 19, at the close of the Association's 41st annual convention, held in New York City. No other man has held the office more than two terms, the Association stated. The following were elected Vice-Presidents of the Association.

George S. Downing, President, Jamaica Savings Bank; Charles M. Dutcher, President, Greenwich Savings Bank, New York City; Addison P. Jones, Vice-President, Catskill Savings Bank; Ray C. Shepherd, Asst. Secretary, Dime Savings Bank of Brooklyn, and Myron S. Short, Secretary, Buffalo Savings Bank. As Vice-Presidents they will serve as Chairmen of the group subdivisions of the Association in their respective localities.

William M. Campbell, President of the American Savings Bank, New York, was re-elected Treasurer, Paul W. Albright was re-appointed General Secretary and Miss Margaret Doerschuk was appointed Assistant Secretary.

In a resolution offered as the meeting closed, the Association affirmed its belief in the "necessity of maintaining at all times a sound financial system with currency issued against adequate reserves."

R. K. Straus in New NRA Post

Robert K. Straus, son of Ambassador Straus and formerly Special Assistant to General Johnson as Administrator of the National Recovery Administration, was on Oct. 19 appointed a Deputy Administrator and assigned to Division VI, in charge of the restaurant, ice and refrigerated warehouse codes.

Philadelphia "Inquirer" Sold to Raymond Patenotre—Newspaper Returns to Elverson Family Which Formerly Owned It

John C. Martin, President and publisher of the Philadelphia "Evening Public Ledger," announced on Oct. 16 that Public Ledger, Inc., had sold the Philadelphia "Inquirer" to the Elverson Corporation, which formerly owned that newspaper. The announcement stated that the Elverson Corporation is controlled by Raymond Patenotre of Paris, France, the grandson of the late James Elverson, Sr., who for many years owned the "Inquirer." The newspaper was sold in March 1930 to Curtis-Martin Newspapers, Inc., of which Cyrus H. K. Curtis was the head, and after Mr. Curtis's death the corporate name was changed to Public Ledger, Inc. An announcement appearing in the "Inquirer" on Oct. 17 read as follows:

The control of The Philadelphia Inquirer is now vested in The Elverson Corporation.

The news, editorial, political and managerial policies remain unchanged and will continue along the same lines which have made The Inquirer Philadelphia's and Pennsylvania's greatest newspaper.

No changes in personnel are contemplated.

The Philadelphia Inquirer Company
 Charles A. Tyler, President.

Death of George J. Brennan, Associated With Philadelphia "Inquirer" for 50 Years

George J. Brennan, political editor of the Philadelphia "Inquirer," died on Oct. 23 at his home in Overbrook, Pa. He was 71 years old. Mr. Brennan had been associated with the "Inquirer" for 50 years. He had attended every National convention of both major parties from 1888 to 1932, with the exception of 1896.

Percy H. Johnston Elected President of Bankers' Club of America

Percy H. Johnston, President of the Chemical Bank & Trust Co. was elected President of the Bankers' Club of America, Oct. 22. Mr. Johnston has been a Governor of the Club since 1919, and in October of last year was elected Treasurer. The Bankers' Club of America, organized in 1915, is one of the outstanding clubs in the country, and has a membership of about 2,400.

Death of Prince Gelasio Caetani—Ex-Ambassador from Italy to Washington Was 57

Prince Gelasio Caetani, Italian Ambassador to the United States from 1922 to 1925, died at Rome on Oct. 23 at the age of 57. He had been noted not only as a diplomat and

Senator but also because of his career in the World War and his artistic pursuits. A dispatch from Rome Oct. 23 to the New York "Times," summarizing his life, said in part:

In the World War his name was associated with the famous exploit of exploding a mine of the Col di Lana, where, making use of his skill as a mining engineer, acquired in the United States, he directed the operations which resulted in blowing off the whole top of the mountain, together with the destruction of a large part of the Austrian forces entrenched there, thus opening the way for the advance of the Italian infantry.

In peace he was one of those who had shown the way to the Fascist Government in reclaiming the Pontine marshes, large tracts of which belonged to him.

In recent years he had dedicated his activities almost entirely to literary and historical studies. He had undertaken publication of a work of several volumes entitled "Domus Caletana," a history of his family from its origin to the present day. He leaves this work unfinished, as thus far only the volumes taking the history down to the sixteenth century have appeared.

International Economic Planning Advocated by Rexford G. Tugwell—American Under-Secretary of Agriculture Attacks Old System as "Entrenched in Privilege"—Other Delegates to International Institute Meeting in Rome Divided on Proposals

Two hundred delegates from 73 nations, meeting at the twelfth general assembly of the International Institute of Agriculture in Rome on Oct. 24, heard Rexford G. Tugwell, American Under-Secretary of Agriculture, deliver an address in which he urged a world planned economy in agriculture and assailed the former system of "unco-ordinated enterprise" which he said has been "deeply entrenched in privilege." Mr. Tugwell, in advocating long-term planning, said that the world has not yet recovered from the errors of the past and will not do so until it has learned to reform. His proposals were indorsed by Deputy Giuseppe Tassinari of Italy, who said that the Italian delegation completely agreed with Mr. Tugwell's principal recommendations. Delegates from Norway and Australia, on the other hand, criticized Mr. Tugwell's suggestions that economic nationalism be permitted to continue while nations formulate an international program.

The conference was opened on Oct. 22 by Prince Ludovico Spada Potenziani, who said that no nation can proceed far on the road to recovery without providing relief for the farmer. He added that farm difficulties in recent years were largely responsible for present economic problems.

United Press advices from Rome Oct. 24 quoted from the speeches on that date as follows:

"My country has not found solutions which are regarded as final," Tugwell said. "We think that a good beginning has been made, however. The enemy we face is not yet demoralized, but it is in retreat."

He defended President Roosevelt's experiments in political economy, remarking "there has to be a period of experiment" in the battle to recapture prosperity. Referring to unco-ordinated enterprise, he added significantly.

"It began as individualism and rapidly became a series of ambitious embryonic monopolies extending throughout the fields of commerce, finance and industry. It resented and evaded control; it sometimes corrupted public institutions. It came close to committing suicide in 1929 and involving all our citizens in the debacle.

"Somewhere between the international anarchy which we have called free trade, but which never really was free trade, somewhere between this and the protectionist nationalism we shall find a way to build a more substantial structure of equal exchange.

He admitted no country permanently can maintain a volume of imports which exceeds exports, or vice versa, and saw nations working out by long experimentation machinery for control adequate to their purpose.

"And they will not be frightened by talk of 'loss of liberty,' and threats of 'regimentation' and 'control by bureaucrats,'" Tugwell said.

Mr. Tugwell, discussing the problems facing the institute, pointed out it might help in answering the question, "what do we want of our neighbor," in negotiating trade agreements. He was accompanied to the platform by United States Ambassador Breckenridge Long. He spoke for 45 minutes.

Deputy Tassinari, who followed, remarked, "Dr. Tugwell is aware of the gravity of the problems facing us. We are grateful to him for having presented it in a form which takes into account international economic co-operation and the requirements of individual countries.

"The Italian delegation is happy to associate itself with the principles of reorganization of international trade based on trade balances more generally equal, so clearly put forward by Dr. Tugwell."

Incident to the opening on Oct. 22 of the 12th biennial general meeting of the International Institute of Agriculture a Rome message Oct. 21 to the New York "Times" commented as follows:

The return to active co-operation after an absence of six years of the United States with a strong delegation headed by Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Rexford G. Tugwell is attracting much attention. It is looked upon as a significant and hopeful symptom of the willingness of the United States to co-operate in international efforts toward economic recovery.

The program is extensive and includes the following items, included at the request of the United States Government.

First—Trade barriers, commercial treaties and planned world economy in agriculture.

Second—Effects of world trade barriers on the international situation and methods of alleviation.

Third—International agreements with respect to international trade in agricultural products.

Fourth—World planning for agriculture.

One of the main interests will be centred around the report presented by Dr. Henry C. Taylor, a United States delegate on behalf of the permanent committee of the institute on an extension of the work of that body so as to provide more efficient aids to governments in planning production and trade

to meet present day needs. This discussion will be followed by international agricultural circles.

Complementary to this proposal is another submitted for the permanent committee by the Australian delegate for harmonising with present world conditions the institute's services to agriculture in the field of applied science. The fate of these proposals is being awaited with interest because on the outcome depends largely the future usefulness of the institute. The readjustments suggested would permit it to utilize to still better advantage its crop reporting and other agricultural and economic information.

Quoting Dr. Taylor as stating that farmers of the world are no longer free to plan their farming, but are being controlled and advised by their governments for the good of world economy. United Press advices from Rome Oct. 25 as given in the New York "Journal of Commerce" further reported him as saying:

Dr. Taylor, a member of the permanent committee of the institute, recalled how 30 years ago when the institute was organized, commerce was relatively free, and farmers acted in accordance with their own free will in deciding what to produce and when and where to sell their products.

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"To-day, we are living in a different world," the professor said. "Instead of leaving the farmers free to plan their farming, many governments are undertaking to tell farmers what and how to produce. National agricultural planning in these countries is taking the place of free individual planning." He said that planned production was being undertaken on a world basis, as illustrated by numerous trade treaties recently negotiated. The institute must take the new situation into consideration, Dr. Taylor added, and redirect "its energies in such a manner as to meet the great needs of the new times in which we live." He added that "it might be considered desirable to finance an undertaking to provide at Rome a clearing house of all kinds of information relating to agriculture throughout the world."

Eastman Visions Regulation of Trucks—Says Commission Should Control All Transport Agencies—Curbing of Irresponsible Services to Avoid Chiseling also Held Necessary

Regulation by the Inter-State Commerce Commission of trucks, water and air carriers as well as railroads was expressed as a possibility, Oct. 22, by Joseph B. Eastman, Federal Co-ordinator of Transportation, in an address made before the American Trucking Association at Chicago. Mr. Eastman in his address said, in part:

To-day the motor truck is an essential and very important part of the national transportation system, and it will so continue.

As Federal Co-ordinator of Transportation I have two duties. One is to look for opportunities of eliminating waste and unnecessary expense in the operation of the railroads. The other is to consider means of improving transportation conditions throughout the country, including the ability of the carriers to improve their properties and furnish service and charge rates which will promote the commerce and industry of the country, and to recommend to the President and Congress legislation which will further these ends. That latter duty is not confined to the railroads, but in the words of the Act it covers "transportation in all its forms," and that, of course, includes the motor trucks. My remarks here this morning have their origin in that duty, which I am endeavoring to perform to the best of my ability and without prejudice against or preference for any form of transportation.

I shall undertake to tell you briefly and frankly just what is in my mind so far as it affects motor trucks.

The following declaration of principle was stated by a Joint Committee of Railroads and Highway Users in January 1933:

"The public is entitled to the benefit of the most economical and efficient means of transportation by any instrumentalities of transportation which may be suited to such purpose, and no legislation should be enacted which has for its purpose the stifling of any legitimate form of transportation. The supreme test must always be the interest of the public. The public's right to the selection of the agency of transportation which it wants and which it finds most useful must be respected.

Of course, that declaration is absolutely sound. No reasonable man can question it. For my own part, I have, through my staff, endeavored to find out about motor truck transportation, not only in this country, but all over the world. We have tried to find out how much there is, what service is furnished, why shippers use that service, what it costs, what efforts have been made to regulate it, and how successful those efforts have been. We have accumulated a great deal of information. As a result, I am certain that the motor truck has improved the art of transportation in very important respects, that it furnishes a service which the country wants, that this service ought not to be stifled, and that, as a matter of fact, it is impossible to stifle it. On the contrary, it will continue to grow.

Furthermore, while this new means of transportation has taken traffic from older means, it has also created new traffic on its own account. That is an important point. What the country sorely needs is improvements in the art and conduct of transportation which will bring down actual costs, make service better, and increase the volume of movement, to the advantage of investors, shippers, and labor alike. That very extensive improvements of this kind are possible—by the railroads, by the trucks, and by every form of transportation—I thoroughly believe, particularly if they will seize upon the opportunities which exist for the right sort of co-operation with each other. In some States the railroads have urged, and in a few instances they have secured, legislation directed against highway vehicles which is opposed to their own best interests, having in mind what they will be able to do with these vehicles in their own operations. The other side has been equally guilty in some of its opposition to legislation. The existence in every State capitol and in Washington of armed camps, on the one hand of the railroads and their allies, and on the other hand of the truck manufacturers and operators and their allies, both sides resorting to all the modern and old-time methods of propaganda and influence, is worse than a waste of brains and funds, will do neither of them any good, will harm them both, and is in the teeth of the best interests of the country.

There are certain fundamental principles which I believe no one will dispute. Common transportation for hire has from time immemorial been regarded as a public business all over the world. It is too vital to the well-being of the people to be regarded in any other light, and it has always been recognized that it is a proper subject of public regulation. The essentials, from the public standpoint, are safe, reliable, and convenient service at known, dependable and reasonable rates, free from unjust discrimination,

by responsible operators able to operate with economy and efficiency and with sufficient financial strength to expand as need develops and take advantage of all improvements in the art of transportation.

It has also been found, not from theory but from actual, practical experience, that public regulation is necessary to produce these results. If the door is opened wide to permit all comers to engage in the business regardless of the public need or their own qualifications and to charge at will for their services, the result is cut-throat, chiseling competition which leads to all manner of rank discriminations, usually in favor of the big fellows who have the most business, and to unreasonable rates where opportunity offers, and winds up in a financial demoralization which imperils safety and good service, undermines labor, destroys the stability which good business conditions demand, and eventually stops the investment of funds necessary to development. Whatever advantages shippers may at first seem to gain in such a free-for-all fight are wholly temporary. They do not last, and in the end the whole country is thrown back for a loss.

There may be those who dispute these propositions, but if such there be, they have not read their history well. They will not be disputed by experienced and responsible operators of the railroads, and I do not believe that they will be disputed by experienced and responsible operators of the trucks. They may be disputed by some of the truck manufacturers, second-hand dealers, and brokers; but they have special axes to grind and are not the men who bear the heat and burden of the day in truck transportation. Certainly there is no dispute from the American Trucking Associations, if I understand the situation correctly. The question which this organization raises is only with respect to the extent to which public regulation should go and the form which it should take.

So far as the trucks are concerned, the National Recovery Administration code is not a reluctant confession, but, instead, a direct assertion of the need for regulation within your own ranks. It was upon your insistence, as I understand it, that price-fixing provisions were made a part of the code, although you were not wholly satisfied with the substance of those provisions. The code is called self-regulation, but it is dependent upon a statute of Congress and ultimate authority and responsibility rest with public officers. Theoretically, at least, it is a form of public regulation. So far as the railroads are concerned, motor truck operators have direct proof of the need for their regulation, judging by the frequency with which they appeal to the Inter-State Commerce Commission for protection against what they believe to be unfair and unreasonable railroad rate reductions. Unless the present situation is changed, the demand for such protection will greatly increase, for I venture to guess that the railroads have only made a feeble start on what they may deem it necessary to do in the way of competitive rate-cutting.

Let us get to the meat of the matter, then, and consider what form public regulation should take and how far it should go. So-called self-regulation by code is the answer that many of you may give. If that is a good thing for the trucks, why not for the railroads? Let us be fair about it, have self-regulation all along the line, abandon the Inter-State Commerce Commission, and leave each form of transportation to its own devices with a little seasoning of minor Government oversight. I do not believe that the country wants that or, upon consideration, that you will want it.

Let there be misunderstanding, let me say that I have no complaint to make of the code. It has accomplished some good results. It is much better than no regulation, and I certainly hope that you will keep on with it until something else takes its place. I also heartily approve the idea of a strong central organization for the trucking industry, just as I approve such an organization in the railroad industry. It is the only way to deal effectively with the matters which are of common concern to you all. But I do not believe that either the code or a central organization, or both, will fill the bill. No business which is so affected with the public interest as transportation clearly is can regulate itself to the satisfaction of the country, even with Government help. There are too many people outside the industry who have a direct and vital interest in what it does and who have a right to be heard. It is a public and not a private business, and must be dealt with accordingly.

I vote, therefore, for commission regulation. But if there is to be such regulation, shall there be a separate commission for each form of transportation or one for all? To my way of thinking, there is only one answer to this question. I see no way of getting consistent, impartial and co-ordinated regulation directed to a common end unless a single Federal agency has responsibility for the entire transportation situation. The proposition is almost self-evident. Separate commissions are bound to work at cross purposes. Each will become the partisan of its own form of transportation; each will see one corner of transportation and not the whole picture; their policies will pull in many different directions; the transportation muddle will still be with us.

Now I come to the question which seems to be worrying you most of all. The single agency would naturally be the Inter-State Commerce Commission, and you fear that the trucks would not get a square deal at the hands of that body, not because its members are not honorable men, but because you believe that they have been so busy with regulating the railroads for many years that they will see your problems with railroad spectacles and will not be able to understand or appreciate the very different conditions and many special circumstances which surround truck transportation. You say that they are "railroad-minded."

It may be that one reason why you think it is "railroad-minded" is because it has not given you the protection to which you believe that you are entitled against unfair railroad rate-cutting. But let me suggest, what I think must be obvious, that a commission which has no control over truck rate-cutting is likely to be somewhat lenient with railroad retaliation.

However, it is perfectly true, as you say, that truck transportation is a far different thing from rail transportation; that the many special conditions which surround it must be given the most thorough consideration, and that its regulation cannot with any propriety be forced, regardless of these conditions, into the railroad mold. It is also true that many of the experts of the commission have naturally been recruited from railroad sources. That condition would certainly be changed if the commission is given jurisdiction over motor and water carriers, because it would at once feel the need of experts with other training. Moreover, I think it quite possible to meet your desires for specialization in highway vehicle regulation and at the same time maintain consistency and co-ordination in regulation and make it easier for the commission to handle its enlarged duties effectively and well. At present I am not prepared to state the exact form of this plan, for it needs to be worked out with the greatest care, but I am confident that one can be devised which will go very far to meet the objections to a "railroad-minded" Inter-State Commerce Commission which apparently weigh so heavily with you.

To illustrate, one way of doing this would be to enlarge the commission somewhat, appointing certain new members; have a special division to specialize on each important form of transportation; have a chairman for the entire commission, and let him and the chairmen of the special divisions act as a control board to govern matters of general policy. This is only

a suggestion, but it indicates the possibility, which I am sure can be worked out in practical form.

There is another fear which seems to weigh heavily with you, and that is that in the regulation of motor transport rates they will be related to existing railroad charges instead of being based on the cost of motor transport itself. It may be convenient in many instances to state motor transport rates in terms of railroad rates, and the truck operators have often done that of their own volition. But when any fundamental question arises as to the bottom level of the rates, there can be no escape from the conclusion that the fair cost of motor transportation is of paramount importance. Indeed, as I have pointed out on other occasions, any other course will most certainly defeat itself, owing to the opportunity which many shippers have to operate their own private trucks and of which they cannot be deprived. If you want the cost principle recognized in the law, it may be that it can be done, provided the language is sufficiently broad. I know from experience, and I believe you do, too, the difficulty and danger and endless labor in attempting to base rates precisely on a cost formula. It simply will not work. There are many circumstances which have to be taken into consideration in fixing rates, and which you would wish to have considered.

You may urge, in reply to what I have said, that in the regulation of motor transport rates by State commissions you have seen these rates fixed on the railroad model. My information is that in many such instances this has been done to meet the wishes of the truck operators themselves. In other cases it is not unlikely that the State agencies have fallen into error. But let me suggest that one result of Federal regulation of the motor transport industry will be to provide leadership in regulation by the central government. This is no reflection on the States. They have been pioneers in the regulation of every form of transportation and public utilities, but there is often need for some uniformity of policy, and the Federal Government can be of great help in bringing that about.

It may well be that the same leadership should in time be exercised by the Federal Government in the matter of the size and weight of the motor vehicles which may be permitted to use the public highways. As yet I have gone no further than to provide in the proposed legislation that the Inter-State Commerce Commission, in co-operation with other Federal authorities, shall thoroughly investigate this subject and report to Congress. But, plainly, the reasonable use of the public highways in inter-State commerce, and particularly of those which have been built with Federal aid, is a matter which cannot ultimately be left to the decision of the States, if any insist upon the prescription of unwise and unreasonable regulations which tend to obstruct the free flow of inter-State commerce.

Sound and well co-ordinated public regulation of transportation will not stifle the railroads or the trucks or the water lines or the air carriers. In your field it will make it less easy for any Tom, Dick or Harry to begin commercial operations with a truck on which he has paid down a few dollars and which is likely to be taken away from him and turned over to another victim at the time of the next instalment. It will, I hope, curb the activities of certain types of brokers. It will prevent the driving of rates down to a level for which there is no economic justification. It will tend to cause both the railroads and the trucks to abandon operations where the other agency has so great an advantage that they cannot hope to reap a profit. It will, I very much hope, encourage and stimulate co-operation between the two agencies.

If I am not very much mistaken, there are great opportunities for the utilization of trucks in the railroad business to supplement or substitute for present rail service. Already these opportunities are beginning to be perceived, but we are only on the verge of what is possible. I expect to see a large use of trucks in terminal service and for short-distance movements and a very close co-operation with the trucks on the longer hauls through such devices as demountable truck bodies or the transportation of semi-trailers. Nor is there any reason why these developments should shut out the independent truck operator. There is good evidence that the railroads see the advantage of employing the men who are experts in this business, instead of trying to carry it on themselves. Nor is there anything in the bill which I have proposed which gives a railroad any advantage whatever over the independent operator in securing certificates or permits. In fact, it will make it more difficult for the railroads to establish fighting lines for the purpose of beating down their independent competitors.

There is much more which I might say in regard to this subject of public regulation, but time does not permit, and all that I am concerned with for the moment is the underlying general principles. What the country wants and needs, and what I am sure that you want, is a national transportation system which will give proper scope to every form of transportation but keep all within reasonable bounds and prevent the economic waste which always results from unlicensed competition. Motor trucks operating over the public highways have proved their worth and their rightful claim to a place in the sun. No sane man wants to deprive them of that. All that we are after is real Government leadership in transportation and the promotion of order and stability and sound conditions and the avoidance of demoralization and chaos.

James P. Warburg Warns New Deal Leads Either to National Bankruptcy or Dictatorship—Vice-Chairman of Bank of the Manhattan Company Says Recovery Can Only Be Achieved by Work, Common Sense and Experience

Policies followed by the Roosevelt Administration threaten to lead the United States either into National bankruptcy or into a dictatorship, James P. Warburg, Vice-Chairman of the Bank of the Manhattan Co., declared on Oct. 24 in a speech before the Combined Service Clubs at Philadelphia. A third course, recovery, can only be achieved through work, the application of common sense, and reliance on the lessons taught by experience, he said. Comparing the various forces operating on business from Washington to a horse race, Mr. Warburg said that "if the natural forces of recovery are strong enough to win, the joy will be taken out of life for the inflationists and the economic planners, for there will then be no discontented masses to cajole with their nostrums." If reckless expenditure and monetary experimentation are triumphant, we shall have National bankruptcy, he added, while if Government control and economic planning are carried to their logical conclusions we shall abandon democracy.

Mr. Warburg continued:

As I see it, the New Deal consists in reality of one part inflation, one part planned economy, one part reform, two parts ballyhoo, some cracked ice and an expert at shaking them up.

But the New Dealers repudiate with horror the suggestion that they are either inflationists or advocates of planned economy. Nor is this so much due to a shameless insincerity as to an astounding lack of clear thinking and understanding. In this very room I have heard Senator Thomas angrily deny that he was an inflationist. And when testifying before a Senate Committee, Rex Tugwell stoutly maintained that he was not an advocate of planned economy.

Most of the inflationists honestly believe, I think, that all they want is a little inflation. They honestly believe that when they ask us deliberately to jump out of the fifteenth story window, we shall be able to stop in mid-air and climb in again at the seventh floor. The fact that this would be quite a feat to accomplish does not trouble them at all.

In the same way the advocates of crop control and industrial regimentation do not want to destroy individual freedom and initiative; they merely want to have them controlled by Government initiative. They do not want to interfere with the rights of free citizens under the Constitution—except to the extent that may be necessary in an emergency or to correct existing inequities. They are quite sure that they can judge what these inequities are, and that they know how to cure them.

They would probably not hesitate to knock a hole in a dyke in order to let through "just a little water"—so as to irrigate a dry field.

Most of the New Dealers do not recognize the simple laws of nature.

The New Deal, Mr. Warburg charged, has sought to "guarantee happiness," thus seeking to change one of the fundamental conceptions of the American order. No Government could guarantee happiness, he added, without first making itself omnipotent, and this would of necessity mean the destruction of liberty.

Mr. Warburg denied that the only choice is between the current program of the New Deal and "going back to what we had before." As to this he said:

The choice is between abandoning our whole political, social and economic order in favor of some form of state capitalism which we shall do if we follow the present tendencies to their logical conclusion—and, on the other hand, improving and building upon our past experience without changing our fundamental order.

The second thing that will help the average citizen to be less puzzled is: To realize that most of the New Dealers either will not or do not recognize the full significance nor the cost of what they are doing. That, I believe, is really the crux of the whole matter.

What this means is that the New Deal is in fact a misnomer. Presumably it was intended to mean a re-shuffling and re-dealing of the cards so that everyone should start with a new hand. That in itself would have been a fairly ambitious aim. As it now turns out, however, the objective is a very much wider one. It is to re-shuffle the cards and deal them out again, but not under the same rules at all.

It is to be a new game as well as a New Deal.

Even that would find sympathy with many of us if the new rules were clearly defined and if we liked them better than the old ones. But they are not defined.

The nearest thing to a definition would be that we are playing a sort of dealer's choice, with the deal, the naming of the rules and the fixing of the stakes, permanently in the hands of Washington. And Washington, while indignantly denying that it has changed the nature of the game, keeps on calling changes every day without disclosing its ultimate objective.

Methods in Attaining Goal of Upton Sinclair Termed by Roger W. Babson as "Foolish, Impractical and Destructive"—Regards Federal Emergency Expenditures as Undermining Confidence of Business Leaders

Describing the doctrine "which Upton Sinclair and others are preaching is like turning a box of sharp tools over to a lady because she cries for it," Roger W. Babson, in an address over Station WBSO at Babson Park, Mass., on Sunday, Oct. 21, made the following further comments:

Their goals may be right, but their methods of attaining these goals are foolish, impractical and destructive. In a study of these various Californian sun-kissed doctrines, the following three facts should be remembered:

1. Redistribution, inflation, or any other Deal, Old or New, accomplishes something worth while only as people themselves develop more self-control, integrity and industry. For instance, figures on waste show conclusively that one-half of our total National income to-day is being wasted on harmful and useless expenditures. Among these I, of course, am not including education, the arts, music or legitimate pleasures. I simply mean such wastes as come about through fire, crime, insanity, adulteration, fraud, and so forth. Any time the people of California are ready to use some self-control in their actions and purchases, they could have double in legitimate food, clothing and shelter that they have to-day. They, however, are not willing to use this self-control. How can they expect to run industry or accomplish far greater things by some quick, short-cut method?

2. Justice cannot be built on theft, burglary and murder. I am not in a position to discuss communism. I am willing to admit that some day it may supplant capitalism, but this is one hundred or perhaps one thousand years in the distance. It can supplant capitalism only when the unselfish spirit supplants the acquisitive spirit in the hearts of us all. It is absolutely foolish to use Russia as a demonstration of what communism is doing. Communism started out by stealing all that a simple capitalism had been building and accumulating for one hundred years. Let the Russians go to Siberia and start at scratch and show what communism can do. I have no brief for the Mormons, but it must be admitted that they went to the wilds of Utah and started at scratch. Let the Communists do the same before they hold up their playing with the property of others as a demonstration of what communism can do.

3. There can be more to divide only as there is more produced. The masses get better off only as we all work harder and save more. Spending and borrowing never brought back prosperity and never will. Votes may be secured by protecting the inefficient, but the standard of living will never be raised by any such method. Even labor is no better off through increased wages unless accompanied by increased inventions and scientific discoveries. If socialism ever becomes universal it will be brought about by scientists in laboratories and not by politicians in Congress. I am surprised that as a part of the New Deal program our friends at Washington

have not attempted to regulate the playing of baseball by putting a ball and chain on the swiftest runners and by tying the arms of the best batters. Both business and baseball to succeed and be respected must be operated on the same rules. The best players and the best runners must be cheered. Attempts to monkey with the game or select players by popular vote would ruin the great American institution of baseball.

Mr. Babson took occasion to state that "the industrialists and business leaders of this Nation believe in more equal opportunities," and added:

They have not their heads completely in the sand. Furthermore, if it would truly make for a better world, I believe they would even favor a redistribution of wealth. All conservatives want is security and freedom. This is the only use that money and power give them. Assure them security and freedom and I am sure they would go along with the most radical economic theories.

Economic history and statistics, however, clearly teach that the redistribution of wealth without accompanying conversion results only in waste, destruction and disorder.

On the same date Mr. Babson alluded to the Federal emergency expenditures for relief purposes of \$4,338,000,000 in the last 12 months, and in stating that the Government is going "into the red" at the rate of about \$2,000,000,000 annually solely because of the relief program, he forecast a unification of the Nation's two major political parties in a coalition Government as a means to "clean up the mess." He is further quoted as follows:

This huge expenditure for relief purposes is undermining the confidence of business leaders and industry and is the chief cause of all our troubles.

What has frightened bankers, manufacturers and investors the past month is the collapse of the Republican Party. For the sake of getting votes many Republican candidates for office have lost their heads and are promising anything to get re-elected.

Candidates of both political parties are selling themselves and their leaders for a mere mess of pottage. Statesmanship has to-day collapsed as did the banking system two years ago. The same throat-cutting methods are to-day being used by politicians as were used by employers before the NRA was organized.

How can it be stopped? There are several ways by which it can be stopped; but I will risk my reputation by forecasting how it will be stopped. It will be stopped by a coalition Government.

Government Withdrawal from Field of Private Business Urged by C. L. Bardo—Head of National Manufacturers Association Calls for Return to "Fundamental Doctrines"—Criticizes Unnecessary Federal Spending and Taxation

Before the United States can return to prosperity, Government must "put its house in order," and the country's citizens must "hark back to fundamental doctrines and require their Government to conform to them," C. L. Bardo, President of the National Association of Manufacturers, told the annual convention of the American Hardware Manufacturers Association at Atlantic City, N. J., on Oct. 23. Mr. Bardo criticized excessive Government spending and taxation, the increasing activities of Government agencies in competition with private business, and multiple experiments which are a barrier to recovery "because business and industry are moving amongst a maze of interrogation points."

Declaring that business recovery depends upon confidence in the unimpaired integrity of constitutional foundations, Mr. Bardo said:

Confidence in the continuance of a sound and stable monetary system and its credit foundation. Confidence in the elimination of waste in Government spending and the return to a balanced budget, before we are overwhelmed by an unendurable taxation. Confidence that our Government will not enter upon competition with its own citizens and make the very burden of their enterprise a fatal handicap. Confidence that the administrative control of production, distribution, communication and service shall not mean the substitution of the judgment of political administrators for that of the responsible management of enterprise. Confidence that employer and employee may freely establish the relationships that are reciprocally satisfactory, without coercion from any source and free from tolerated coercion and violence."

Mr. Bardo criticized proposals that many changes in our social and political system made in the guise of temporary expedients should be made permanent. Suggestions for the Government to control hours and working conditions, supervise collective bargaining and establish a universal system of social insurance, he said, are "in deadly conflict with those clear and fundamental conceptions of our rights as free men." Industry, he declared, believes that the true function of Government is to protect and promote the economic activities of its citizens and not to supplant them.

With reference to the mounting volume of relief expenditures, Mr. Bardo said, in part:

America must also choose between the steady, rapid increase of Government spending, borrowing and taxation or vigorous Government retrenchment until our national finances are once more secure. Industry believes that subject to the reasonable requirements of a non-political and locally administered relief, the Government should reduce its expenses since excessive national debt means either currency inflation or debt repudiation. Each of these brings misery upon the wage earner, the security holder, the life insurance policy holder, the savings bank depositor and all religious, educational and welfare institutions with invested funds. An important step we believe can be made by withdrawing Federal aid from any State which does not forthwith reduce all expenditures (other than for relief and for interest and amortization of already outstanding bonds) to

a total sum no greater than its combined expenditures for these purposes in 1926. In general Federal taxes should be used only to support the constitutional functions of the national Government. They should not be employed for local purposes, to subsidize or control local government, to redistribute wealth or to regulate those matters which the Constitution places within the domain of the States.

Mr. Bardo stressed the importance of the profit-motive in industry, and said that the "very essence" of private business is the expectation of profits based on efficient and economical management. It is vital to permanent recovery, he added, that the Government recognize the real significance of the profit incentive.

Discussing plans for social legislation, Mr. Bardo said:

So-called compulsory unemployment insurance, benefits or reserves, with the chief cost imposed upon employers, can do little toward solving the unemployment problem, since it can provide only very temporary relief to the individual in his distress. One claim made for compulsory insurance paid for by the industrialists, is that it penalizes management if it fails to regularize employment. But industry is not responsible for unemployment and it cannot fairly be expected to bear the cost. Furthermore the consensus among actuaries is that no actuarial system for general compulsory unemployment insurance can be worked out. If the total cost of such insurance is loaded on industry it will become a political football, with politicians bidding for votes by promising increased benefits and making them easier to obtain.

H. I. Harriman Regards Business Men "More Hopeful" of Administration Policies—Head of U. S. Chamber of Commerce Weighs Favorable and Unfavorable Factors

Business men are to-day finding "hopeful signs" in the attitude of the Administration toward industry, Henry I. Harriman, President of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, said on Oct. 23 in a speech before the National Association of Commercial Organization Secretaries at Cincinnati. After citing a number of recent Administration policies which he regarded as favorable, Mr. Harriman said that there are nevertheless still several major unfavorable factors affecting the business outlook. Among these he mentioned strikes, the unbalanced budget, the relief problem, and demands for a 30-hour week. He added that he favored a gradual shortening of the work week, but that a 30-hour week would have disastrous results. United Press advices from Cincinnati Oct. 23 reported other portions of his address as follows:

Among the hopeful signs Mr. Harriman listed:

The Securities Commission's "fair and reasonable" methods in administering Federal regulations.

The much more deliberate course chartered by the new National Recovery Administration Board.

The truce agreement with Cuba.

President Roosevelt's fireside talk of Sept. 30.

Referring to the President's address, Mr. Harriman said, "The President did indicate clearly his intention to continue with his policies of reform, but he also gave assurance of his adherence to the Constitution and showed that he has no intention of abandoning the political and economic system under which American life has developed. This life has been built on the foundation of hard work, individual initiative, fair pay for work done and a fair return on invested capital."

Alexander D. Noyes, in Address at Toronto, Discusses "Drift of Events in United States"—Year of Experiment with Codes Finds Them Unworkable—Policy of Money Standard Opposed by Economists and Financiers—Scarcity of Gold Not Proved

Alexander Dana Noyes, financial editor of the New York "Times," spoke on Monday, Oct. 22, to the Canadian Club at Toronto on "The Drift of Events in the United States." He pointed out, first, the fact that both the panic of 1929 and the depression which followed were inevitable results of the most destructive war in history. After referring to the conditions under which the new Administration and the new Congress came into power in 1933, and describing the agitation in Congress for every wild monetary experiment, he continued:

I hold no brief for President Roosevelt and I hold no brief against him. I consider it not only fair play but proper historical perspective to make full allowance for the influence of unusual surroundings.

When, therefore, through an amendment to another and altogether different measure, Congress authorized the President in his own discretion to reduce the dollar's gold content 50%, to accept silver bullion in settlement of intergovernmental debts and coin it into dollars, or to issue fiat paper money in payment for maturing United States Government obligations, up to \$3,000,000,000, it is only just to remember what the recourse may have averted. The President, it is true, might use all of his newly-acquired and very dangerous authority, but then he might use none of it. Furthermore, once these questions were thus disposed of, so far as concerned the calendar of Congress, the possibly imminent hazard that panic-stricken legislators might be stampeded into enactment of monetary measures of this kind or worse was removed from the situation.

That the policy pursued regarding the money standard has been opposed and disapproved by the great body of trained economists and financiers, there is no doubt whatever. Scarcity of gold, as applied to the world at large, has not been proved at all; even the assertion of it is nowadays pretty much abandoned, except for insistence on inequality of distribution between the nations. But unequal distribution inevitably followed the violent change in external trade of the commercial States, which was a heritage of the war, and the even more violent changes of international indebtedness. France and England were driven off the gold standard by long-continued stress of

adverse circumstances—another inheritance of war. The United States was not.

Suspension of gold payments in America, during the immediate banking crisis of March 1933, was probably unavoidable—not because of demands from foreign markets which we could not meet, but because of the domestic gold-hoarding mania whose proportions and consequences nobody could measure. But in the space of a few weeks the banking crisis had been surmounted; the hoarding craze had been controlled; the dollar's foreign value had recovered; even the foreign requisitions sank to moderate proportions. Had gold payments then been officially resumed, as home and foreign markets unanimously expected, the financial situation would have returned to equilibrium.

A year of experiment with the Recovery Administration has resulted in discovery that the "codes" are in many respects detrimental and unworkable. The Administration is itself now at work revising the whole undertaking. In the matter of regulating agricultural production, the Government's original purposes were well-considered—to induce wheat and cotton farmers to restrict their acreage, with a view to avoiding the lately recurrent and unwieldy unsold surplus which was forcing down grain and cotton prices on the market. But to a very large part of our people the program of paying last year's cotton-growers for ploughing up an already planted area, of distributing cash to this year's wheat-producers on condition that they would cut their acreage drastically and uniformly, was going a long step too far. (It was not only quite unheard-of use of public money, paid out to turn plenty into scarcity.)

It is early to make prediction of an overstrain on public credit. The interest-bearing public debt has, it is true, risen \$10,800,000,000 since debt-reduction ceased after September 1930; it is now about \$250,000,000 in excess of the high point reached during 1919. But, on the other hand, the period's large reduction of the interest rate, especially through the refunding of 1933 and 1934, will presently have brought the annual interest charge to a figure nearly \$400,000,000 below that of the fiscal year 1920, and only \$40,000,000 above the charge when principal of the debt reached the lowest point in our post-war history. United States Government bonds have very lately sold at the highest in their history. It is true that, even so, there must be some limit to a progressive heaping up of Government obligations; the present lavish program of extraordinary expenditure cannot go on forever.

What is to be the course of American recovery? Into that question, considerations very different from Government experiment intrude. Not many months ago the President of the General Motors, after warning his shareholders that the pace of recovery might be retarded by abnormal influences, assured them that "the general trend will not be affected, for the reason that an industrial depression is in the practical sense of the word an irresistible force." Mr. Sloan was referring to what is commonly known as "the turn in the economic cycle," and to the fact that, by general agreement, the upturn from the low point of depression began in the summer of 1932.

We are told that the economic world is still confronted with an obscure and doubtful future. I know of no similar past episode of preliminary recovery in which at the corresponding juncture the same obscurity did not exist. We are told that this is a new world, economically and politically; that the world which we knew before the war has passed away. But I have not heard of any aftermath to a great war, or to a great financial panic with its economic sequel, when the world which emerged from those experiences was the world with which a preceding generation had been familiar.

There has been no past occasion of the kind in which novel experiments were not tried—wise or unwise, permanent or temporary, well-considered or fruit of restless imagination, a help or a hindrance to economic recovery. Government and people always had to learn, sometimes by highly uncomfortable experience, which of the innovations must be quickly discarded and which had come to stay. But history also tells us of no such episode in which the longer outcome was not a better world.

Jesse H. Jones of RFC at Annual Convention of American Bankers Association Declares Fewer Examinations of Banks and Strict Enforcement of Bank Laws Desirable—Believes Further Decentralization of Credit Control Worthy of Consideration—Declares Banks Must Lend to Help Recovery Program

The assertion that "credit simply must flow if our relief rolls are to decrease" was made by Jesse H. Jones, Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation at the annual convention of the American Bankers Association at Washington on Oct. 24. "It is far better to make some slow loans," said Mr. Jones, "than to continue liquidation and increase unemployment." Stating that "we are all too prone to liquidity," which he said "in large measure is a myth," Mr. Jones further said:

Banks must lend upon the security of the things that their customers have to offer, if in fact they have sound value. In other words, banks should not feel that they are buying the collateral that they are lending upon but must have some faith in the owner working out his problems and paying his debts.

"A continuation of forced liquidation," Mr. Jones told the bankers, "will put the Government further into the lending business." Mr. Jones described the dollar "as the best money any patriotic American can have. To be afraid of your dollar," he went on to say, "is to be afraid of your country, and, while those in that category are in the minute minority, their whisperings are easily heard."

Mr. Jones, who was a speaker likewise at the convention of the American Bankers Association a year ago, alluded to his remarks of a year ago in addressing the convention this year, stating that "I shall try to be less blunt than I appeared to be in Chicago." "At that time," he added, "I suggested that we go partners with the President in his recovery program—and without stint. That I repeat—with emphasis. It is as necessary to-day as it was then." Making the statement at this week's convention that

"there is no longer danger of bank withdrawals, or of anything else befalling banks that will prevent them from taking the lead in rebuilding the business of the country and the general morale of their debtors," Mr. Jones said that as "a prerequisite to such a course by the bankers, it is necessary that we reorganize or reform bank examination and bank supervision. One examination a year," he continued, "should be enough for a well-managed bank with ample capital to protect its deposits. Fewer examinations of all banks, and strict enforcement of bank laws, is desirable and would serve the purpose." Mr. Jones expressed himself as "inclined to the opinion that a further decentralization of credit control is worthy of consideration," and indicated that he would also "like to see our banking laws amended, limiting the amount of deposits that any bank might accept to a fixed proportion of its sound capital." "A ratio of 8 to 1 should, in my opinion," he said, "be the limit." Mr. Jones, who spoke at the general convention of the Association on Oct. 24, presented figures of authorizations and disbursements of the RFC. His address is given in full herewith:

Mr. President, and Gentlemen of the American Bankers Association:

September a year ago, I spoke to you in Chicago, and am glad to play a return engagement. We are better acquainted now and I hope have a somewhat better understanding.

I talked then principally about preferred stock, and lending. I talked especially about co-operating with the President in his efforts to lift us out of the despair in which he found us.

After the lapse of these 13 months, and my appraisal of the situation affecting all of us, I have a few further suggestions, some of which I hope can be put into effect.

I shall try to be less blunt than I appeared to be in Chicago. Perhaps it is just as well that I spoke frankly, inasmuch as we had a big job to do, and that many of us were unwilling to admit the facts.

At that time I suggested that we go partners with the President in his recovery program—and without stint—That I repeat—with emphasis. It is as necessary to-day as it was then—I hope that is apparent.

Another statement which has oft been repeated is still appropriate, to wit: That there can be no sustained prosperity, and no return to normal conditions, without actual bank lending for all legitimate purposes—even stimulated lending.

There is nothing new in this statement, but it cannot be repeated too often, even at the risk of irritation. Credit simply must flow if our relief rolls are to decrease. It is far better to make some slow loans than to continue liquidation and increase unemployment.

We sometimes hear bankers say that they do not want to lend because they do not know with what kind of money they will be paid. I wonder if they expect the dollar in the vault to be any better than the dollar at interest. That argument falls about the flattest of any we hear.

I have said on more than one occasion—and I am glad here to repeat, that the dollar is the best money any patriotic American can have. To be afraid of your dollar is to be afraid of your country, and while those in that category are in the minute minority, their whisperings are easily heard.

I appreciate, however, that most bankers want to lend, but I wonder if that fact is really well known to your customers and prospective borrowers. They may read in the paper that banks want to lend, but does the actual attitude of the banker confirm this as it applies to the average person? The feeling generally is that you are willing to make loans, but only on collateral that few possess.

It has been definitely demonstrated that there is not really a great deal of readily marketable collateral. The minute you undertake to market a large amount of any securities, even Government bonds, the market goes off. And so the properties and investments of the average person can and should be regarded with favor, on some fair basis.

Banks must lend upon the security of the things that their customers have to offer, if in fact they have sound value. In other words, banks should not feel that they are buying the collateral that they are lending upon but must have some faith in the owner working out his problems and paying his debts.

We are all too prone to liquidity, which in large measure is a myth. We kid ourselves when we think we could pay our depositors on short notice—that is, any considerable number at any one time. We tried that involuntarily two years ago and wound up with a nationwide bank holiday, with all banks—big, little, liquid and frozen—equally frightened and crying for protection, though I dare say some will challenge this statement, now that the danger is past.

Why not be frank and admit that in the very nature of things there can be only a relatively small percentage of actual liquidity if everybody runs at the same time. A few could be smart and run out if they were willing selfishly to disregard the general welfare.

Counteracting in large measure any willingness to make new loans is the fact that most banks are still trying to collect the slow loans with which they were caught at the beginning of the depression, even though, in many instances, interest is being currently paid, and periodical reductions made.

From the banker's point of view this is a natural course, but it discourages new borrowers, and makes it impossible for the old ones to help in the recovery program. A continuation of forced liquidation will put the Government further into the lending business.

You cannot sacrifice people's savings, or their investments of whatever nature, by forced sale, or continually harass them about their debts, without creating a bad state of mind, and causing ultimate repudiation.

All banks are not forcing liquidation, but a great many are, and we at the RFC hear it very, very often.

We have already had too many statutory moratoriums, and the way to avoid more of them is for bankers and other lenders to continue to show leniency and display an attitude of friendliness toward deserving and honest debtors until conditions improve.

You may think that you are doing this, but one thing that is retarding recovery is that people want to get out of debt, and until they can be made to feel comfortable about their debts, including what they owe the bank, they will be slow to undertake any new obligations.

One way to help in creating employment is to encourage borrowing by people who have demonstrated their ability to use borrowed money profitably, under normal conditions.

ship, may be safely reorganized, both in the interest of the bondholders and the equity owners, and without loss to the new money. Certain types of new building projects may be financed on a sound basis.

There are several important buildings in this city, now in receivership, whose bonds have sold at a fraction of their real value, because there was no fair market for them, and no money available to reorganize the properties, and take them out of receivership.

This is true of the principal cities of the country, and as a rule investors in these mortgage bonds, or mortgage certificates, are people who can ill afford to lose their savings.

New York City alone had approximately \$2,000,000,000 invested in guaranteed mortgages and mortgage certificates, in the hands of the public, when the depression hit. We do not want a repetition of the mortgage bond tragedy, any more than we want a repetition of mistakes in other fields of financing, but first mortgages on real estate have long been a favorite form of investment and should be again.

Billions and billions of mortgages had been made, sold, and repaid prior to the depression, and institutions of substantial capital and with capable management should be established to again render this service. There should always be mortgage money available for needed new construction and for extensions and renewals, and sound mortgages for investment.

We have found in many closed banks, perfectly good mortgages, current as to taxes and interest, that have matured or are maturing, which could be safely extended or taken over by a going concern. There are also many frozen mortgage loans in closed banks and otherwise, that could be revamped and made current on some basis.

By the organization or expansion of financial institutions lending upon mortgages, much can be done in the cause of recovery by assistance to both creditor and debtor.

These mortgage trust companies or mortgage loan companies should be privately owned and privately managed. The Government does not want to participate beyond assisting through the purchase of preferred stock and capital notes, and by lending on the mortgages.

It is not my thought that we can make liquid all of the mortgages in the country, but we can do a great deal in breaking the jam and permit mortgages to again take their proper place as a medium of investment.

I asked your co-operation at Chicago in recapitalizing the banks. You responded and that job is practically finished. I now ask you to co-operate and assist in correcting the mortgage situation by taking the lead in organizing these companies, and in seeing that they are officered by men experienced in mortgage lending.

I appreciate that as commercial bankers, it is not your particular responsibility to create trust companies or mortgage loan companies, but the banker must take an interest in the general welfare beyond his own institution.

The bank is the natural place for people to go for advice and counsel about matters of finance. The widow with insurance money to invest, must go to the banker. The business man should be able to get advice from his banker, and of a constructive nature.

The storm is over, and while many banks still have their problems, there is no longer danger, and the banker must do more than his full share toward national recovery.

Our plan to assist the mortgage situation was announced on Sept. 27 with the hearty endorsement of President Roosevelt. The news release, which he approved, stated that our nation's greatest single asset is real estate, and that because a few big centers were overbuilt, and many of the buildings improvidently financed, was no reason why real estate or real estate securities should be forever condemned.

Real estate, in some form, constitutes the savings and investments of a very large percentage of our citizenship, and these investments should be preserved as far as it is possible to preserve them, without loss to the Government.

The release also stated that the purposes desired are:

First, to provide mortgage money for new construction with a view to increasing employment and stimulating structural material markets.

Second, to enable distressed owners of mortgages, whether whole mortgages, split mortgages, or mortgage certificates, to borrow reasonably upon these mortgages at fair interest rates, and not be forced to sell at sacrifice prices.

Third, to enable borrowers to refinance mortgages where the value, and/or income of the mortgaged property, and the ability of the borrower to meet interest and principal payments, will support the mortgage.

Fourth, to assist in the preservation and reorganization of distressed properties, for the protection of mortgage bonds or certificates, including second mortgages and equities, where the holder has a real chance of saving his property. The primary purpose being to re-establish by private capital and private initiative, a sound mortgage market throughout the country, with the assistance and co-operation of the RFC.

This movement supplements the Federal Housing Administration, whose activities should have the hearty support of every bank in the United States. It also supplements the work of the Home Owners' Loan Corporation and Farm Credit Administration. It is intended to establish sound, properly managed mortgage banks to complement these, as well as life insurance companies, building and loan associations, savings banks and others doing a mortgage business, with a view to making available mortgage money at fair rates and on a sound basis for all legitimate purposes.

It is a big task finding work for the unemployed, and the banker can help more than any other class. It is the responsibility of the banks, business and industry, to mold and distribute the products of agriculture and labor for the use of all, and in a way that everyone may have a share.

It will be through co-operation, and without too much pride of authorship or ideas, all pulling in the same direction under the leadership of Franklin Roosevelt, and that we will solve our problems.

In closing I would remind you—lest we forget—that the entire banking situation was saved by the constructive policies of the Roosevelt Administration. If it had not been for those policies, made effective largely through the RFC, many banks that are now strong and sound, would have been in the discard, and the others would have had a hard time maintaining their existence.

RFC Announces Plans for Refinancing Distressed Real Estate—Will Sponsor Formation of Trust Companies to Make Mortgage Loans

The Reconstruction Finance Corp. on Oct. 25 announced plans for the reorganization and refinancing of distressed real estate mortgages on business properties, in an effort to make money available for refinancing hotels, office buildings, and industrial plants now in receivership. A Washington dispatch of Oct. 25 to the New York "Journal of Commerce" gave further details of this announcement as follows:

Expressing hope of filling in the gap in real estate credit, brought about through the failure of Congress to legislate for the relief of holders of large mortgages, Chairman Jones said the RFC is ready to lend aid in the formation of any trust company organized for this purpose.

To Complement Other Agencies

The program is designed to complement efforts of the Farm Credit Administration, Home Owners Loan Corp. and Federal Housing Administration in making funds available for refinancing existing mortgages on farms, urban and city real estate by aiding in the refinancing of large mortgages which cannot be handled under the law by these institutions.

"Numerous cases have appeared where mortgage loans which are in default, and mortgage loans that are about to mature, may be refinanced now, in whole or in part, on a sound basis, greatly to the benefit of both the mortgage note holders and the debtors." Chairman Jones said in regulations concerning the establishment of the trust companies issued to-day.

"Certain new building projects may be financed on a sound basis; and many buildings such as apartments, hotels, warehouses, business and office buildings, etc., covered by mortgage bonds, and now in receivership may be safely reorganized in the interest of both the bondholders and equity owners, without loss of the new money invested."

Resolutions Adopted by American Bankers Association—In Urging Return to Balanced Budget by Administration at Washington Declares Such Action Would Insure Stability of Monetary System and Tend Toward Expansion of Trade and Industry—Visit to White House of W. W. Aldrich of Chase National Bank of New York

The belief that "the establishment of a balanced budget at the earliest possible date is essential to the national welfare and an important factor toward world recovery" is expressed in the report of the Resolutions Committee of the American Bankers Association adopted at the concluding session of the Association's Annual Convention at Washington on Oct. 25. With respect to the resolutions the Washington correspondent of the New York "Times" made the following comments in part:

The pact of peace between the bankers and the Administration, joined last night when Jackson E. Reynolds, in behalf of the bankers, offered and President Roosevelt accepted a pledge of co-operation, was strengthened to-day by the enactment of a resolution declaring the readiness of the American Bankers Association to join with the Government in fostering the normal expansion of business enterprise.

The Association's retiring president, Francis Marion Law, and his newly elected successor, Rudolf S. Hecht, responded to the President's call for banking confidence in the people and their leaders by affirmative pledges. Winthrop W. Aldrich, Chairman of the Board of the Chase National Bank, called at the White House to-day and afterward said:

"I expressed my congratulations to the President for his splendid address. The fine spirit of co-operation evidenced by the speeches of the President and of Mr. Reynolds was most inspiring to all of those who, either as members of the Government or as bankers, are earnestly working together for the general welfare."

That many of the 4 000 bankers gathered here for the convention found bitterness in the injunction laid upon them by their leaders to lay aside the hostility of the last eighteen months and submit to the President's leadership was made evident in conversations in the lobbies and meeting rooms to-day.

There are many, particularly among the country bankers, who felt that Mr. Reynolds had gone further in his public confession of the bankers' failings than the occasion called for, and that the President had not advanced nearly so far as had the bankers' spokesmen in the ceremony of exchanging olive branches.

It was remarked by those bankers who had been the moving spirits in bringing about the reconciliation that, if the President had seemed a trifle reserved in accepting the offer of loyalty from the bankers, he had also been very gracious in overlooking the attacks that had been made upon him by speakers at convention meetings on Monday.

Nevertheless the resolution offered by the convention's Resolutions Committee and adopted this morning took cognizance of the bankers' varying degree of enthusiasm for the reconciliation arranged by their leaders. It did this by ignoring the existence of friction in the past and pledging co-operation with the Administration in the form of a renewal of the past, rather than a departure from it.

For Early Action on Budget

It also maintained the outward semblance of an unchanged banking attitude toward the budget by calling upon the members to attest the necessity of ultimately balancing income and expenditures. But in doing this it carefully avoided the mention of any specific time other than the "earliest possible date", for the achievement of such a balance; it recognized the paramount character of relief expenditures and it phrased its demand for a balanced budget in the form of an endorsement of the President's own past utterances.

Asserting that the American Bankers Association had lent its assistance "in manifold ways to the government in formulating sound measures and has constantly fostered among its members the spirit of co-operation and service in behalf of recovery," the resolution declared:

"We pledge ourselves to a continuation of such co-operation."

As if in answer to the President's call upon the bankers, in his speech, to finance private business, the resolution asserted that the banks were strong and eager to co-operate in the normal expansion of business enterprise.

As though in answer to the President's demand for faith by the bankers, the resolution said:

"We have faith in the present banking structure, composed of the Federal Reserve System, with its adequate credit and currency functions, the mutual savings banks, with eleven billions of deposits, and the State and National banks, with thirty-six billions of deposits."

In this passage observers read a covert plea for suspension of any of the rumored plans for a government-owned central bank, or for other basic changes in the banking structure.

Trend to More Borrowing Seen

In a paragraph neatly combining an assertion of willingness by bankers to lend, with a suggestion that reluctance of business to borrow had been the stumbling block heretofore, the resolution reported "encouraging signs that business is now beginning to seek a greater volume of bank credit, which has been and is available for its use."

The Report of the Resolutions Committee as adopted Oct. 25 follows in full:

Condition of Banking and Credit

Many constructive changes have taken place in the nation's banking structure during the past year. Throughout this period the American

Bankers Association has lent its assistance in manifold ways to the Government in formulating sound measures and has constantly fostered among its members the spirit of co-operation and service in behalf of recovery. We pledge ourselves to a continuation of such co-operation.

Banks today are in a strong position and eager to co-operate in the normal expansion of business enterprise. We have faith in the present banking structure, composed of the Federal Reserve System with its adequate credit and currency functions, the mutual savings banks with eleven billions of deposits, and the state and national banks with thirty-six billions of deposits. These institutions are capable and anxious to meet every legitimate credit need of industry, commerce, and agriculture.

Reports indicate encouraging signs that business is now beginning to seek a greater volume of bank credit, which has been and is available for its use. It is to be hoped that to a steadily increasing degree industry and trade will avail themselves of the comprehensive banking facilities which both government authorities and bankers are recommending that they utilize.

The National Budget

The American Bankers Association believes that the establishment of a balanced national budget at the earliest possible date is essential to the national welfare and an important factor toward world recovery.

While thus declaring our conviction that a balanced budget is the cornerstone of sound financial policy, whether public or private, we nevertheless recognize that emergency expenditures are at times called for in the interests of human welfare. Understanding statesmen meet such emergencies as they arise, but at the same time make it clear that expenses cannot be allowed to exceed income indefinitely.

This sound principle was recognized by the President of the United States in the comprehensive message which he sent to Congress on the fourth of last January outlining the future financial policy of the Administration and setting a time-schedule for expenditures to be made in the interest of relief and recovery.

While the outlays called for were greater than those included in any other peace-time budget in our history, the President wisely took occasion to call attention to the fact that these expenditures should not be continued as a matter of permanent policy.

We earnestly urge our members to support this sound policy that we should return to a definitely balanced budget. We believe that both government and business should and can collaborate to hasten the time of such return. Assurance that the budget is to be balanced will give rise to an expansion of industry and trade.

The re-establishment of a balanced national budget would eliminate the fear of currency inflation. It would insure the stability of our monetary system, which is fundamental to the general development of aggressive business plans as a major element in national recovery, re-employment and economic security.

A balanced budget would of necessity curb tendencies to extravagant public expenditures, and would induce similar action by states and municipalities. Finally, it would be a decisive influence in keeping the burdens of taxation within the capacity of productive effort and enterprise.

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President Law of American Bankers Association Declares that no Group More Earnestly Desires Recovery than Bankers—Banks Eager to Make Good Loans—Contents that it Remains for Business Men to Shake Off Timidity and Uncertainty

"No group of men in all the country more earnestly desires recovery than the bankers and, as a group, we assert unshakable faith that the natural forces of the country, in themselves, will in due time bring about a full and complete measure of business recovery," said Francis Marion Law, in addressing as President the Annual Convention of the American Bankers Association at Washington on Oct. 23. "That does not mean," Mr. Law went on to say, "that a do-nothing program would be warranted. The country has been in no mood to tolerate such. Throughout the world, notably in England and the United States, earnest efforts have been and are being made in an endeavor to restore employment and to promote national well-being, and this is as it should be." In part Mr. Law also said:

There is a feeling among bankers and business men everywhere that a recognition of the vital need of individual initiative and of fair profit is a *sine qua non* to recovery.

The banks have been criticized for their failure to function, meaning that they have not been lending freely. There is hardly a sane banker in the country who is not only willing, but eager to make good loans. Superabundant bank credit is available but the demand for credit is distressingly low. Many lines of credit put at the disposal of business men by banks are lying unused. It remains for business men to shake off their timidity and uncertainty and to indicate ability and willingness to borrow. Mr. Lyman Wakefield, President of the Association of Reserve City Bankers, said in Chicago a few days ago:

"We are hoping some of our business men will discover the world is not coming to an end and will do some business. The banks cannot force people to use money, but I think if we can rid our minds of some of our unreasonable fears we can go forward."

Governor Eugene Black speaks in the same vein:

There is a money and business hesitancy that must be overcome and it is up to the business men of the country to create their own certainty.

The oft repeated statement that business in America is better today than business sentiment is probably true. The record proves that the business men of this country have never been defeatists and it may be assumed that as employment increases and improvement is noted in the volume of business and in the expansion of credit, business men will increasingly regain confidence and nightmares will more and more become a thing of the past.

At this point I would emphasize the major importance of recapturing our foreign trade.

America has always produced large surpluses, particularly of farm products, which have no logical outlet other than through export. Whatever things are found standing in the way of regaining our foreign trade must be removed. Hasten the day when we shall be able to work out with other important nations international agreements both as to trade and stabilization of currencies. It would seem to be folly for this country, or any other to attempt to lift itself out of the depression by its own boot straps. Restoration of America's world trade and the return of private initiative into active operation will spell the end of unemployment and the doom of the depression. It is most encouraging to note in this connection that the Government has been very active in the past month in its efforts to promote trade agreements. These first efforts appear to have been quite successful and already foreign trade has shown some improvement.

In an earlier part of his address Mr. Law observed that "the world-wide depression is not over, although great progress toward recovery is being made." He further observed:

As thoughtful men, aware of the exigencies of the case, we may approve during the period of emergency measures and expenditures which otherwise we might not countenance. Approval of these is warranted on the basis that many of them are temporary in nature, and temporary only. In other words, many of these measures and expenditures will and should be eliminated when the emergency passes.

Leo T. Crowley of FDIC at Convention of American Bankers Association Advocates Limiting to \$5,000 the Amount of Insurance for Each Depositor—Also Recommends That Adequate Capital Structure Be a Condition of Admission to Fund

Speaking before the general session on Oct. 23 of the American Bankers Association in annual Convention at Washington, Leo T. Crowley, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation indicated it as his belief that "the present limit of insurance of \$5,000 for each depositor is a wise one, and should be definitely fixed in the permanent statute as the maximum." Commenting on this a dispatch from Washington Oct. 23 to the New York "Times" said:

Whether so intended or not, Mr. Crowley's speech was accepted as having Administration sanction, and he was heartily cheered. The Bankers association has fought against extending the insurance benefits above \$5,000, and has been particularly opposed to the unlimited assessments which will become effective on July 1 unless Congress amends the law in the meantime.

Failure by Mr. Crowley to state his point of view in regard to the part of the law which, after July 1, 1936, will make it necessary for State charter banks to become members of the Federal Reserve System if they are to retain the benefits of deposit insurance proved a keen disappointment to representatives of some State banks, who are opposed to the trend toward a uniform banking system which this condition promotes.

Other important recommendations by Mr. Crowley were that an adequate capital structure be a condition of admission to the insurance fund, in addition to solvency; that the FDIC be permitted to buy assets from banks in difficulty to facilitate mergers and consolidations, and that the corporation have power to make appropriate rules and regulations in order better to effect the public purposes of the law.

His suggestions generally were such as to indicate a policy that would prevent chartering of banks unless they were economically necessary to a community, and grant insurance to institutions only if they met much more severe tests than are now in effect.

In part we quote as follows from Mr. Crowley's speech:

Perhaps the problem uppermost in your mind is the cost to you of membership in the fund. I know your concern regarding the present unlimited liability of each bank which is a member of the fund. I can perhaps present my views best if I call your attention first to two general factors and to certain related proposals for legislation. These vitally affect the insurance hazard, which will find expression in the premium.

The two more general factors relate (1) to the re-chartering of banks, and (2) to the sound management of institutions that are members of the fund.

The failure of 14,000 banks in 13 years is unmistakable evidence of the gross error that was made in the almost indiscriminate licensing of banks. We should not repeat that error. We are concerned about it because the unnecessary multiplication of banks will vitally affect our fund. No new bank or bank branch should be licensed or chartered unless it is economically necessary in the particular community. This is a problem upon which your judgment and your voice will be serviceable.

The other general factor relates to the management of the bank. We have previously touched upon it, and now I urge it upon all as a general practice. It is the current absorption of all losses and the building up of reserves for any future losses. This is part of that capable management of banks which we expect from all members of the fund, and which we desire to promote.

Possible changes in the permanent deposit insurance statutes, which, I believe, merit consideration as a means to help achieve the public purpose of the Act are.

Solvency Not Enough

I believe that serious thought should be given to the proposal that it should no longer be mandatory upon the Corporation to admit a bank to the benefits of insurance solely upon the basis of solvency.

The test of solvency is in itself not a sufficient protection to the funds of the corporation and to the depositors. Unless the capital is adequate, we shall always be in danger or in fear of what might happen. I strongly recommend that an adequate capital structure be a condition of admission to the fund, in addition to solvency.

Increasing Importance of Capitalization

Let me also call your attention to the fact that the total deposit liability in banks throughout the country at the present time is far less than it has been under normal conditions. With an increase in loans and investments, which is an inevitable development, we may anticipate a corresponding increase in deposits. The past year has witnessed the phenomenal increase in deposits of four and one-half billions of dollars. When the conditions are such that a healthy volume of borrowing activity develops, we may anticipate a greater increase in deposits. Under the influence of increased business activity, bank liquidity will be lessened and unless capitalization is increased improper ratios between capital and deposits will be created or greatly accentuated. At such time, it will be of vital concern to us all

that we have adequate net sound capital, inasmuch as this is essential to the protection of individual depositors, the insured banks, and the FDIC.

Limit Should Not be Changed

I believe that as a second proposal the present limit of insurance of \$5,000 for each depositor is a wise one, and should be definitely fixed in the permanent statute as the maximum.

Authority to Purchase Assets

I believe as a third proposal that we can materially help the banking service in local communities if the corporation could purchase assets from banks in difficulty in order to facilitate mergers and consolidations where such would remedy the situation. Such a provision would protect the Insurance Fund of the Corporation.

I believe as a fourth proposal, that the Corporation should have power to make appropriate rules and regulations in order better to effect the public purposes of the law. This would promote more flexible administration within the scope of the law.

Gentlemen, I am fully convinced that if such a program as I have just outlined to you becomes a part of our permanent law, and you co-operate heartily with us, the cost of your membership in the FDIC will be greatly reduced.

To come now to the subject, I think, in which you are particularly interested, as well as concerned. I believe, as a fifth proposal, that, in the interest of depositors of the banks and of the insurance fund itself, there should be a definite premium payable annually. The banks will thus know what their expense is going to be, and the Corporation, what revenue it can obtain if necessary from its members.

This will remove the unlimited liability of banks. It will enable us to plan on the building of our fund. It will reveal to us if any additional sources of funds will be necessary. It will be a definite stimulus to improved management to keep premiums as low as is consistent with the purpose of the fund.

Bondholders' Committee Offers Plan for Liquidation of St. Louis Joint Stock Land Bank—Would Become Effective When 90% of Bonds Are Deposited

A bondholders' protective committee for the St. Louis Joint Stock Land Bank bonds has prepared a plan for the liquidation of the bank, it was announced on Oct. 18. Copies of the plan have been deposited with the committee's depositaries, and have been mailed to all holders of certificates of deposit. The plan has been approved by the Federal Trade Commission and the Securities and Exchange Commission, and will become effective when 90% of the \$18,134,500 4½% and 5% bonds of the bank have been deposited with the committee, or a smaller percentage if the committee considers this sufficient and it is approved by the Land Bank Commissioner. It was stated that approximately 77% of the bonds have already been deposited. The "Wall Street Journal" of Oct. 18 summarized other features of the plan as follows:

The plan contemplates sale by the receiver of the bank's assets at public sale at which the committee expects to bid, the purchase price to be paid out of amounts distributable to the committee by the receiver as liquidating dividends. After setting aside a sufficient amount of dividends payable by the receiver to which depositing bondholders may be entitled as working capital for the liquidating corporation and for organization and committee expenses, the committee will distribute the remainder to depositing bondholders, together with one share of common stock of the liquidating corporation for each one-fortieth thousandth of total amount of bonds represented by certificates of deposit. The corporation's capital stock will comprise 40,000 common shares.

Non-depositing bondholders will be paid their respective distributive shares of the purchase price in cash by the receiver out of funds in his hands at the close of sale, and will have no further interest in the assets of the bank. As of Aug. 31 last, the bank had total assets of \$16,845,521, of which \$1,436,760 was in cash and \$605,600 in U. S. Government securities. Liabilities totaled \$20,547,742, consisting principally of \$18,134,500 4½% and 5% bonds.

Navy Department to Salvage Morro Castle Hulk—Receives PWA Allotment of \$180,000 for Removing Vessel to Dry Dock

The Navy Department plans to remove the hulk of the wrecked liner Morro Castle from Asbury Park, N. J., to dry dock in New York to determine whether or not the vessel is worth reconditioning as a tender for seaplanes, it was announced on Oct. 18 when the Public Works Administration allotted \$180,000 for this purpose. If the vessel is not found worth reconditioning she will be sold for junk after being salvaged. The PWA allotment was made at the request of Secretary of Commerce Roper and Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt, who urged prompt action in salvaging because there are 1,000 tons of oil and a cargo of green hides aboard the fire-swept vessel.

Our most recent reference to the Morro Castle disaster was contained in the "Chronicle" of Oct. 20, page 2459. It was expected that the Commerce Department's Bureau of Navigation and Steamship Inspection would complete its report on the disaster and submit it to Secretary Roper late this week. Mr. Roper will probably use the report for the basis of new legislation.

Federal Court in Boston Upholds Processing Taxes Under AAA—Refuses to Declare Law Unconstitutional in Ruling on Test Case

Federal Judge Elisha H. Brewster in a ruling on Oct. 19 refused to declare the Agricultural Adjustment Act un-

constitutional because it bestows taxing power upon administrative officials. The court upheld the processing taxes imposed by the AAA on cotton and flour, in an opinion which was the outcome of a test case brought by the receivers of the Hoosac Mills Corp., who sought authority to refuse to pay processing taxes of \$81,694 against the mills. After Judge Brewster had rendered his decision it was indicated that the case would be appealed, if necessary, to the United States Supreme Court. A Boston dispatch of Oct. 22 to the New York "Journal of Commerce" described the ruling as follows:

The receivers, William M. Butler, former United States Senator, and James A. McDonough, contended that the AAA and its processing taxes violated the fifth amendment of the constitution by failing to grant the States an opportunity to be heard on how the processing taxes should be applied.

Judge Brewster in his opinion said. "It must, I think, be conceded that legislative functions were conferred upon administrative officers by the act. But whether there has been an unlawful delegation of power is to be doubted by the authorities. The courts have not yet clearly defined the line between lawful and unlawful delegation of legislative powers."

The court drew parallels between the processing taxes and ordinary import taxes, and said "no sound distinction in principle" between could be discerned.

The question of whether the processing taxes are inconsistent with the fifth amendment of the constitution, the court said was one that had been shown repeatedly in court decisions to be a political question rather than judicial.

The petitioning textile corporation owns the Butler and New Bedford Mills in New Bedford, and other plants in Taunton and North Adams.

Secretary of Agriculture Wallace States AAA Will Continue Cotton Production Curtailment Program in 1935—Contract Signers May Plant 25% More Land Next Year

The Agricultural Adjustment Administration plans to continue its cotton production curtailment program in 1935, Secretary of Agriculture Wallace announced on Oct. 20. He said he was making public the intention of the AAA in order that more than 1,000,000 farmers who had signed contracts for 1934 and 1935 could proceed with their plans for the next season assured that the voluntary program would continue under the terms of the contracts. A Washington dispatch of Oct. 20 to the New York "Times" elaborated on this announcement as follows:

This announcement does not constitute the formal proclamation required by the contract, it was emphasized, but is hereby assurance that such proclamation will be made by Dec. 1. At that time the percentage of reduction required for 1935 will be made known. The cotton section of the AAA is now developing the details for the reduction in acreage to be required and the amount and manner of rental and parity payments to be made.

Under the contracts, the maximum reduction that can be required is 25% of the base average, which is the average of the five years 1928-1932. It was pointed out that since the reduction below the base average this year averaged 40%, contract signers may plant an average of at least 25% more land in cotton in 1935 than they planted this year.

An important part of the 1935 program will be an offer to producers who did not sign the 1934-35 contracts of an opportunity to sign a contract covering the 1935 season.

AAA Officials Deny Rumors of Plan to Increase Processing Taxes in 1935

Reports that the Agricultural Adjustment Administration was planning to increase processing taxes on farm products in 1935 were described by AAA officials on Oct. 18 as without any foundation. It was said that some of these "rumors" were being circulated in order to stir up sentiment against taxes and it was also reported that some farmers were being told of a "probable campaign" to defeat the processing tax plan.

AAA Has Bought More Than 7,000,000 Cattle in 24 Drought States—Observers Expect Continuation of Program After Original Appropriation Is Exhausted

The Agricultural Adjustment Administration revealed on Oct. 23 that the Government has already purchased more than 7,000 cattle out of a total of 45,598,050 in 24 drought States. For its purchases so far the AAA has paid \$90,379,155 out of authorized expenditures of \$101,217,500, with an average price of around \$13 a head. About 1,100,000 of the cattle bought were destroyed on the farm as unfit for food. A Washington dispatch of Oct. 24 to the "Wall Street Journal" predicted that the drought cattle buying program will be continued after the original appropriation for this purpose has been spent. The dispatch added in part:

Although the original appropriation for beef cattle buying, \$58,000,000 under the Jones-Connally Act and \$46,000,000 under the emergency relief appropriation, is nine-tenths spent, the AAA is still faced with a tough problem of feed shortage this winter.

One of the most difficult features will be the cattle on large ranches and ranges. Such areas are too great for distribution of feed, even though it could be obtained from other sources. Also, transportation costs would be prohibitive. Under such conditions, further cattle buying is indicated.

However, the problem of further appropriations for such purposes will be difficult. An appropriation by Congress, which could be made in January at the earliest, would come too late to do any good. Although several allocations made in connection with drought cattle relief have not been spent, these for the most part are specifically earmarked for uses other than the

buying of beef cattle. However the AAA is looking at the present moment to an appropriation of \$30,000,000 set aside under the LaFollette amendment of the Jones-Connally Act for the purchase of diseased cattle. Of this amount \$8,000,000 has already been spent, leaving \$22,000,000 which the Administration could use.

Federal Surplus Relief Corporation Shipped 692,228,274 Pounds of Foodstuffs to Needy in Year Ended Sept. 30

The Federal Surplus Relief Corporation in the 12 months ended Sept. 30 shipped 692,228,274 pounds of foodstuffs to needy unemployed in 30 States, Territories and the District of Columbia, Harry L. Hopkins, Relief Administrator, announced on Oct. 17. His summary of shipments by the FSRC, as given in a Washington dispatch of Oct. 18 to the New York "Times," was as follows:

The FSRC shipped in all 13,240,135 pounds of feed grains, 3,489,724 head of cattle, 191,670 bags of citrus fruits, 427,090 gallons of syrup, 16,500,948 pounds of grass seed, 23,029,599 pounds of cotton, 3,545,262 yards of ticking, 3,267,049 yards of sheeting, 12,615,400 yards of printed cotton material, 1,024,695 blankets and 1,133,790 tons of fuel, Mr. Hopkins stated.

The foodstuffs were composed of 259,978,665 pounds of pork, 117,202,375 pounds of canned beef, 23,876,730 pounds of lard, 56,597,380 pounds of butter, 6,021,702 pounds of cheese, 144,468,076 pounds of flour, 20,292,291 pounds of cereal food, 6,872,800 pounds of beans and 885,350 pounds of dried apples.

Other food products shipped were 790,000 pounds of cornmeal, 768,000 pounds of salmon, 128,000 pounds of cocoa, 361,750 pounds of sausage, 790,004 pounds of condensed milk, 10,526,851 pounds of fresh veal, 3,508,000 pounds of fresh beef and 3,160,100 pounds of boneless beef.

NRA Appoints Edward R. Stettinius as Special Adviser, Acting as Liaison Officer with Industry—Robert K. Straus Named Deputy Administrator in Foodstuffs Division

The National Recovery Administration announced on Oct. 19 that Edward R. Stettinius of New York, Vice-Chairman of the Finance Committee of the United States Steel Corp., had been appointed a special adviser to the NRA as a liaison officer between the NRA and industry. It was explained that his duties will be similar to those he exercised under the NRA when General Hugh S. Johnson was Recovery Administrator. Mr. Stettinius, whose father was a partner in J. P. Morgan & Co., was formerly a Vice-President of the General Motors Corp.

The NRA also announced on Oct. 19 that Robert K. Straus, son of the American Ambassador to France and one of the first NRA assistants to be appointed by General Johnson, had been selected as Deputy Administrator. He will be attached to the Foodstuffs Division of the NRA, in charge of restaurants, ice and refrigerated warehouse codes.

The New York "Times" of Oct. 20 summarized the career of Mr. Stettinius as follows:

From June to December of last year Mr. Stettinius was liaison officer between the NRA and the Industrial Advisory Board of the NRA.

The son of the late E. R. Stettinius, partner in J. P. Morgan & Co., Mr. Stettinius has held key positions with two of the largest industrial corporations in this country, the General Motors Corp. and the United States Steel Corp.

He resigned as Vice-President of General Motors last December to become, at the age of 33, the Vice-Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Steel Corp. He is one of the four principal executives of the latter company.

As Vice-President of General Motors, he was director of public and industrial relations, supervising the insurance and pension plans for employees. He was active in the national share-the-work movement for the Second Federal Reserve District in 1932, under Walter C. Teagle, President of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey.

When Mr. Stettinius retired from the NRA last December, General Johnson praised his work in the organization, and said his place would be "hard to fill."

As liaison officer in the NRA Mr. Stettinius devoted all of his time to assisting General Johnson.

After his graduation from the University of Virginia in 1924 Mr. Stettinius entered the Hyatt Roller Bearing division of General Motors. In 1926 he was made assistant to John L. Pratt, Vice-President in charge of accessory divisions, and in 1931, when 30 years old, he became a Vice-President.

General Motors Corp. Defines New Labor Bargaining Policy—Letter to Employees Says Relationships Can Be Satisfactorily Adjusted Within Company

General Motors Corp. on Oct. 15 issued an announcement of basic policies which will govern its relationship with employees in all divisions. A letter, signed by Alfred P. Sloan Jr., President of the company, was sent to each of the 130,000 employees describing plans for making collective bargaining "a real step forward." Mr. Sloan said that apparent conflicts between the interests of employer and employee are usually traceable to a lack of mutual understanding or "to a shortsighted viewpoint on the one side or the other." He added that the management of the company is convinced that, if both sides give sincere and patient effort, there is no reason why problems arising out of relationships with employees cannot be satisfactorily adjusted within the organization.

United Press advices from Detroit Oct. 15 quoted from the letter, in part, as follows:

It quoted the President's automobile settlement of last spring, observing: "Since this provision bans coercion by unions as well as employees, all cases of attempted coercion by outside unions to force employees to join them should be thoroughly investigated and if they can be substantiated, referred through the lines of organization to the industrial relations department in Detroit for their records and such use as may be found desirable."

Designed to meet requirements of Section 7-A of the National Industrial Recovery Act, the corporation's plan has been in effect for several weeks. Workers, however, first learned of it to-day in the pamphlets mailed to them.

"We in General Motors recognize 'collective bargaining' as a constructive step forward, both for the employees and the management," Mr. Sloan's accompanying letter said. "Regardless of any obligation that may exist, we propose not only to continue the idea, but to develop it."

The corporation defined collective bargaining as a method of inter-communication and negotiation between workers and management in developing "harmonious and co-operative relations . . . with respect to terms and conditions of employment."

Management must promote the best interests of the business as a continuing institution, it was pointed out. Especially, "collective bargaining does not imply the assumption by the employee of a voice in those affairs of management which management, by its very nature, must ultimately decide upon its own responsibility."

In its plan, the company said, there is room for both informal and formal bargaining, and for impartial or judicial agencies in determining solution of cases such as discrimination and lay-offs.

NRB Approves Amendments to Code for Cloak and Suit Industry—Baltimore Placed in Eastern Area—Wage Rates of Apprentices Increased

The National Recovery Board on Oct. 19 approved an amendment to the code for the coat and suit industry placing Baltimore in the Eastern market area. Another approved amendment shortens the learning periods for apprentices and also gives them a slight increase in wage rates. These amendments were based on the report of a commission which had been instructed to study wage provisions of the code, as well as the provisions establishing market differentials. The NRB concluded that existing differentials were proper except in the case of Baltimore. A Washington dispatch of Oct. 19 to the New York "Herald Tribune" gave further details of the code changes as follows:

The code fixed the wage rate for apprentice cutters for six months at \$22 a week. The amendment provides that they shall be paid that wage for the first four weeks, \$23 for the second four weeks, and \$25 for the third four weeks, and thereafter at the minimum wage fixed for their craft.

Apprentices employed in the jacket, coats, reifers, dress, pressers and finishers crafts, which have been receiving a minimum of 60c. an hour, will receive, under the amendment, not less than 60c. an hour for the first four weeks, 65c. for the second four weeks, and 75c. for the third four weeks.

Apprentices engaged in pressing will receive for the first, second and third four-week period 60c., 65c. and 75c. an hour, respectively.

All apprentices in the various crafts will be paid full minimum wages after completion of their learning periods.

A report on the amendments said that the principle of averages in the code is sound and enforcement has been successful. No change was recommended.

The report said "it seems desirable to extend to the relation between jobbers and contractors in markets other than New York City the provisions and practices governing these relations in the metropolitan area." It said appropriate action should come from the Code Authority on this recommendation.

NRA Code for Hawaiian Retail Trade Approved—Provides 40 to 48-Hour Work-Week and Minimum Wages of \$9 to \$12 a Week

A code for the retail trade in the Territory of Hawaii was approved on Oct. 15 by the National Industrial Recovery Board. The code will affect some 2,800 establishments employing about 15,000 people, it was stated, and will become effective Oct. 29. The National Recovery Administration said that this is the first approved code to apply solely to the Territory. The Administration further announced:

Supplementary schedules appended to the code contain special provisions for retailers of drugs and allied products; food, groceries and their allied products; music and radio; electric refrigeration; jewelry and allied products, and photography and photo-finishing.

The code for Hawaii follows the mainland retail code closely. The hours provisions are identical, establishing a basic maximum work-week of 40 to 48 hours, depending on population and hours of store operation. Minimum wages follow the same scale, but are lower for Hawaii than on the continent, ranging from \$9 to \$12 a week.

The average work-week in retail shops in the Territory has been 65 hours, and the code will bring about a substantial increase in employment.

Wages now paid in a large percentage of the establishments have been as low as \$5 or \$6 a week. The minimum wage provisions of the code will double the payroll of many shops, it is estimated.

The Board's order approving the code specifically exempts members of the trade from the provisions of any other code, to the extent they are engaged in retail trade in Hawaii. It also stays the minimum wage provisions as to outside salesmen, and as to employees of retail drug establishments who spend 60% of their time delivering merchandise outside of the shop.

Any division of the retail trade which has not participated in the establishment of this code may apply for a separate code. In the meantime they are covered by this code.

The code applies to "all selling of merchandise to the consumer and not for resale" in the Territory of Hawaii, but selling milk and dispensing of drugs by doctors in the legitimate practice of their professions are exempted.

Administration of the code is entrusted to a Territorial Code Authority made up of the Chairmen of the County Executive Committees of the Retail Association of Hawaii. The County Executive Committees are to act as County Code Authorities.

The trade practice provisions and the schedules for the various divisions of trade follow very closely the rules approved for those trades on the mainland.

The text of the retail code for the Continental United States, excluding the Panama Canal Zone, was given in our issue of Nov. 4 1933, page 3249.

Bookbinders' Trade Association Refuses to Pay Code Authority Assessments—Notifies NRA It Is Not Abiding by Code—Other Industries Reported Lax in Meeting Payments

The Bookbinders Trade Association, Inc., advised the National Recovery Administration on Oct. 25 that it would categorically refuse to meet all assessments made by the Code Authority for the industry. Morris Rosenblatt, Secretary of the Association, declared in his letter to the NRA that "we have not conformed and have no intention of abiding by any of the provisions of the so-called code of fair competition for the graphic arts industries." He added that the members of the Association will not pay "one cent to support the personnel representing our customer industries." He pointed out that the budget of the Code Authority provides for helping maintain the Graphic Arts Co-ordinating Committee, on which trade binders and rulers have no representation.

The New York "Sun" on Oct. 25 stated that in other industries in New York City there are many failures to contribute assessments to Code Authorities, and said that the situation in this respect is particularly serious in the builders' supply industry and the wholesale ice industry. From the "Sun" we quote the following:

This complete refusal is only a symptom of apparently increasing unwillingness among many business men to contribute longer to the support of these agencies. In a survey the "Sun" discovered several examples of it.

Mr. Rosenblatt's Letter

Here is Mr. Rosenblatt's letter:

There has just been called to our attention a notice sent out by you under date of October 10, 1934, relative to a proposed budget of the trade-binding and paper-ruling industry under the so-called Graphic Arts Code.

Please be advised on behalf of the trade-binding and paper-ruling industry, and in particular on behalf of those whom we represent (in New York City, 230 out of 280 plants), that we have not conformed and have no intention of abiding by any of the provisions of the so-called code of fair competition for the Graphic Arts industries.

Please be further advised that our membership has no intention of paying one cent to support the personnel representing our customer industries.

The attitude of the trade binders and rulers is in principle the old American slogan, "millions for defense and not one cent for tribute." If NRA doesn't like our stand, it can make the most of it. We have lost all confidence in the administration of NRA because of the many abuses and broken promises we have been subjected to. Furthermore, the existing code is illegal.

The budget calls for helping maintain the Graphic Arts Co-ordinating Committee. Trade binders and rulers have no representation on that committee. In addition, a customer industry has been designated as our code authority. There is another American principle which NRA seems to be ignorant of, namely, "Taxation Without Representation Is Tyranny."

As for helping pay the salaries of the officers and code directors of another industry, a customer industry, whose selection trade binders and rulers had no control over, and who do not interest themselves in our problems, no fair and sane person would suggest or commend such payment.

Yours for a square deal, even in the administration of NRA.

BOOKBINDERS TRADE ASSOCIATION, INC.

Others Who Aren't Paying.

The members of the industry who have thus flatly refused to contribute to the expenses of the Code Authority do pamphlet binding and wire stitching, put the binders on pads, rule sheets, as for bookkeeping, and do numbering and perforating.

Although they have entered so emphatic a refusal to contribute, they are by no means the only ones who aren't paying, the "Sun" has learned. There are 383 entries on the official list of Code Authorities in this city, but a sampling of the more important ones brought to light a significant amount of failures to contribute assessments.

So serious is the situation with the Builders Supply Industry Code Authority that H. W. Starr, its counsel, said that its officials were considering bringing suit against the recalcitrant members of the industry soon.

This Code Authority has billed those who supposedly should contribute to its support quarterly, and Mr. Starr said that there has been a noticeable decrease in payments in the last two quarters. He attributes it to lack of enforcement, saying that those billed like to feel that they are getting their money's worth. Many of them paid more to trade associations, he says, than the half of 1% of their business which they are now supposed to pay to the Code Authority.

Mr. Starr believes that failure in observance of the codes has discouraged members of the industry, and points to the fact that the City of New York was accepting bids for supplying cement at less than code prices, a situation now believed to be near solution, as a sample of why these members weren't quick with their payments. Nevertheless, he says, the provision in the code requiring payment has the force of Federal law, and he believes good collection cases can be instituted under it.

Confirmation of Mr. Starr's diagnosis of the situation in the industry with which he is connected came from Louis Pell of the Retail Drug Code Authority. Mr. Pell said that payments to that authority, which are at a rate of \$1 each for every worker in a member's shop, are good. But, he said, this code authority is active; the trouble arises where a code authority isn't functioning.

"And," he said, "I think that 50% of the codes are dormant."

Ice Code Authority.

In the case of the Ice Code Authority, the producers are said to be better than 90% paid up, but not many of the wholesalers are, and they have refrained almost unanimously from paying. It is estimated that there are about 10,000 of them in this city, and about 1,000 have contributed.

When a "Sun" reporter said to Frank J. Coogan, Secretary of the Food and Groceries Distributors Code Authority, "We understand that many of the code authorities are having trouble collecting assessments from their members," Mr. Coogan retorted with emphasis, "You're telling me!"

New York State is 65 to 70% paid, he said, and there has been a decline in payments in the last two or three months. He also said that collections have kept up where enforcement is aggressive, and have been least where it is not.

The most fortunate of the code authorities, probably, are the so-called "label" code authorities. These exist in the garment industries. They finance their operations by the sale of NRA labels, to be sewed in garments. These are sold at a margin above cost which provides the funds the code authorities need, and as manufacturers almost without exception want the labels, and the code authorities have monopolies, their receipts are assured.

E. B. Weiss, Executive Secretary of the Art Needlework Industry Code Authority, said proudly that he believed it had enjoyed more success than 90% of the code authorities in collecting assessments, having got in between 80 and 85% of what it estimated its receipts would be.

As to the refusal of the Bookbinders Trade Association, described as a group of 230 New York City pamphlet and circular binding concerns, to pay Code Authority assessments of \$15,000, the New York "Times" of Oct. 26 stated:

According to Alexander Schwartz, counsel and managing director for the trade association, the industry is one with a yearly income of between \$15,000,000 and \$16,000,000. This group does not do bookbinding.

"Only \$15,000 is asked at the present moment, but before the year was out we probably would be assessed for from \$50,000 to \$75,000 if we made this first payment," Mr. Schwartz said.

NIRB Approves New Code for Legitimate Theatre—Committee Will Study Provisions for Handling Tickets—Some Minimum Wages Increased

The National Industrial Recovery Board on Oct. 22 approved a new code of fair competition for the legitimate theatre, designed primarily in an effort to solve the ticket-selling problem in New York City. The Board appointed a committee of six producers to make recommendations within 60 days for code provisions covering the handling of tickets, as a substitute for the section in the code which was signed by President Roosevelt on Aug. 16 1933. Pending the report of this committee most of the existing code provisions will continue in effect. Agents who desire to handle tickets must be licensed by the Code Authority and must post a bond before the license is granted. This bond is subject to forfeiture if the Code Authority, after a hearing, should find an agent guilty of an infraction. The Code Authority's ruling is subject to reversal by the NIRB.

A Washington dispatch of Oct. 22 to the New York "Times" listed other code provisions as follows:

Each producer is required to keep 25% of his tickets in the box office for public sale. No agency may charge more than 75 cents in excess of the regular or box office price nor sell the tickets of a producer who has been found guilty of violating code provisions.

Limitation of rehearsal hours that may be required for a legitimate production is established. Except for the seven days immediately preceding the first public performance no actor may be forced to rehearse for more than eight consecutive hours, and chorus members may be drilled only seven consecutive hours.

The arrangement is agreed to by the National Association of the Legitimate Theatre, Inc., and the League of New York Theatres, Inc.

For actors of less than two years' experience, whose former minimum wage was \$25 a week, a new minimum is fixed, amounting for some to an increase of 17 2-3%. Salaries of company managers and stock company treasurers were increased 20% above their previously guaranteed minimums of \$40 and \$20 a week. Stock company managers' minimum wages of \$25 a week were raised 37 1/2%.

The pay of ushers, ticket takers, scrubwomen, attendants and porters was increased by 25% over the former minimum rate of 30 cents an hour

Textile Industry Shows Continued Unrest—Mediation Fails in Strike Threat of Silk Dyers—F. J. Gorman Threatens Renewal of Walkouts in South—Wool Manufacturers Protest Creation of Work Assignment Board—George A. Sloan Says Cotton Textile Industry Will Not Be Affected if NRA Slackens Production Control

Federal mediation was unsuccessful this week in averting a threatened strike of 25,000 silk dyers in Paterson, N. J., and other districts in the northern part of the State. The strike was scheduled to begin Oct. 25, the day following the expiration of the contract between the employers and the dyers' union. The principal points at issue are the closed shop, the 30-hour week, and a minimum wage of \$1 an hour, all demanded by the union. Representatives of the employers and workers held several conferences, at which they sought to settle their differences, but no satisfactory agreement was reached.

Although the expected 25,000 strikers walked out on Oct. 25, a conference on the following day between employers, employees and the Textile Labor Relations Board agreed on the closed shop, the principal point in dispute. They then prepared to return to Paterson to seek ratification. If this is obtained, it is probable that the strike will end.

Francis J. Gorman, Chairman of the Organization Committee of the United Textile Workers of America, on Oct. 23 submitted a report to President Roosevelt on the present situation in the textile industry. He declared that there will be a renewal of widespread strikes of mill workers in

the South unless "the attitude of absolute resistance to the President's program is changed." Mr. Gorman charged that many mills were discriminating against strikers who had participated in the recent nation-wide walkout, and urged the President to intervene. A Washington dispatch of Oct. 23 to the New York "Herald Tribune" summarized principal portions of the report as follows:

Mr. Gorman announced that 500 workers at Whitmire, S. C., had struck in protest against discriminations, and that employees of mills at Roanoke Rapids, N. C., had voted to strike on Monday. "I very much fear there will be no way of stopping more strikes in Southern mills unless the attitude of absolute resistance to the President's program is changed," Mr. Gorman said.

The report recites the events leading to the Winant Board report and the calling off of the textile strike on Sept. 22. It then charges that up to this time there has been no open acceptance of the President's program by any of "the organized expressions of the textile industries," though "some of the textile manufacturers have seemed to find no difficulty in entering into negotiations and agreements by collective bargaining with the representatives of the United Textile Workers of America."

The report then describes the scope of alleged discriminations against members of the union.

Arthur Besse, President of the National Association of Wool Manufacturers, announced Oct. 17 that he had telegraphed President Roosevelt protesting against his Executive Order of Oct. 16 stipulating rules and regulations for the Wool Textile Work Assignment Board. He contended that no Federal investigation of the wool textile industry had been made, and therefore any recommendations by the Winant Board of Inquiry must have been based on inadequate knowledge of conditions. The text of the order creating the Wool Textile Work Assignment Board was given in our issue of Oct. 20, page 2452.

George A. Sloan, Chairman of the Cotton Textile Code Authority, issued a statement, Oct. 23, in which he said that the reported change of policy of the National Recovery Administration, removing the control of industrial production, would have no effect on the machine-hour limitations of the cotton textile code. These, he said, were designed to benefit labor and to spread employment.

George N. Peek of Export-Import Bank Suggests Appointment of Committee by A. B. A. to Co-operate with Bank in Furthering Foreign Trade

At a meeting of the National Bank Division of the American Bankers Association at Washington on Oct. 22, George N. Peek, special adviser to President Roosevelt on foreign trade and President of the Export-Import Bank, suggested the appointment of a committee representing the Association to co-operate with the Bank. Mr. Peek in addressing the bankers said in part:

At this time I should like to suggest the Bank would welcome the appointment of a committee of this convention, made up of representatives of your own choosing, to co-operate with the Bank and with which we may co-operate.

I believe that if we cultivate that closer contact, we with you and you with us, we may be able to render one another considerable service in the months ahead.

For, as I say, great care is necessary in dealing with different customers and particularly with different countries, many of which have gone so far as to eliminate practically everything in the way of foreign trade except direct barter, and it is impossible to lay down any hard and fast rules in advance which may not be subject to change a week from now or a month from now. And I believe that if we have the opportunity of getting the views of the bankers and the privilege of giving to them the information which we can get from time to time, that much good will come, not only to the bankers in their handling of foreign trade, but to the exporters and importers as well.

You want to co-operate with your Government, but you don't want the Government to go into the business of handling foreign trade. Even if you do, I don't.

American Legion Convention Votes Resolution Asking Immediate Cash Payment of Bonus as Spur to Business—Approval Recorded by 987 to 183 After Short Debate

The American Legion, holding its sixteenth annual convention at Miami, Fla., voted on Oct. 25 to request the next Congress to pay the soldiers' bonus immediately as a means of stimulating business recovery. The vote of 987 to 183 was announced after a roll call was ordered by Commander Edward A. Hayes. Debate on the bonus resolution, presented by the Legislative Committee, was short. If Congress acted favorably on the Legion request it would necessitate the distribution of almost \$3,000,000,000 among veterans. The Legion also asked the elimination of all accrued interest and the refund of interest already paid on previous payments on adjusted service certificates not due until 1945. Among other resolutions adopted by the Legion convention was one asking the Government to withdraw its recognition of Soviet Russia, and another recommending that Communistic magazines be barred from the mails. Before adjourning the convention elected Frank N. Belgrano, San Francisco banker, as National Commander.

United Press advices from Miami Oct. 25 described the debate on the bonus resolution in part as follows:

The bonus resolution as adopted by the convention makes its request upon Congress on grounds that it is in line with current governmental policy of spending vast sums of money to aid business recovery.

Cheers echoed through the hall as bonus payment advocates heard State after State add its quota of delegates to the "aye" column.

Overseas caps of the veterans flew into the air in approval of the vote. Loud boos roared out when the delegations that remained steadfast with the Legion's previous position—refusal to demand bonus payment—cast their "no" votes.

New Mexico's delegation received a similar set of derisive shouts when it refused to cast its ballot at all.

In demanding immediate payment the legionnaires went counter to what was regarded here as the wish of President Roosevelt. The President has opposed payment of the bonus, indirectly, on grounds that it would unbalance the Nation's financial structure.

Raymond J. Kelly, chairman of the Legion's important legislative committee, placed the bonus resolution before the convention. Delegates cheered wildly when he began reading his committee's report.

Mr. Hayes disregarded the shouts of "Question—Question" that arose from the assembly. He recognized a number of speakers before the final vote was taken.

Among them was Representative Patman (D., Texas), long a bonus payment advocate.

"A better resolution could not have been written," he declared. "We are not making an unreasonable request. Payment of the bonus would not hinder national recovery, but would aid it."

The convention gave him prolonged applause.

New York offered the chief opposition to the resolution. The New York delegation is on record against immediate payment, the State commander, John Dwight Sullivan, of New York, said. He demanded that disabled men be given adequate relief before "able-bodied men."

Report of Economic Policy Commission of ABA Under Chairmanship of Leonard P. Ayres—Main Conditions Cited as Responsible for Restricted Activity of Banking Business Are Stagnation in Privately Financed Building Construction and Decline in Volume of Corporate Financing

In the Report of the Economic Policy Commission of the American Banker's Association, presented at the annual convention of the latter at Washington on Oct. 25, it is stated that "two main conclusions follow from a consideration of the developments which have produced the present abnormal conditions in banking." The report continues:

The first is that American business will again become a good customer of American banking when the prospects for making business profits promise to justify the risks of borrowing. The initiative must be that of the business man. It cannot be that of the banker. The developments of this period have conclusively demonstrated that credit availability can facilitate enterprise, but cannot create it. Unless and until productive business expansion takes place on a large scale the Federal government must remain the most important customer of the banks.

The second conclusion is that the policy which should guide bankers in their operations during this period should be that of fostering and assisting business expansion. The criteria for credit expansion should continue to be the time-tested standards of community service, responsibility of the borrower, and security of the loan. This is a time when good banking must perform be courageous banking, and likewise it is the time when courageous banking must be vigilantly resolute to be good banking.

While it is stated by the Commission of which Leonard P. Ayres is Chairman, that "it is not within the province of this report to attempt an analysis of the many factors which appear to make business men in general doubtful of the possibilities of using borrowed funds profitably, it is appropriate to discuss briefly two sets of conditions which appear to be chiefly responsible for the prevailing restricted activity of the banking business." In part the report goes on to say:

The first of these is the existing stagnation in privately financed building construction. During the prosperity period just before the depression residential construction made up nearly half in value of all new building. In 1925 the new contracts for residential building reported from 37 states amounted to about 10 million dollars per working day. Last year they had fallen to about one million dollars a day, and this year they have been but little more.

Corporate Financing

The other outstandingly important cause of shrinkage in the volume of banking activity appears to be the decline in the volume of new corporate financing. The Federal Reserve Board reports that new issues of domestic corporate securities, including bonds, notes and stocks, ranged in amount during the prosperity period from about 300 million dollars a month in 1925 to nearly 700 million a month in 1929. In 1933 the average was about 13 millions a month, and in the first seven months of 1934 it was 17 millions a month. The decline from 1929 to 1934 is almost 97%.

There can be little doubt that this great shrinkage constitutes the most seriously important development of the entire depression, not merely so far as banking is concerned, but in its relationship to our entire national economy.

President Peek of Export-Import Bank to Open Headquarters at Hotel Commodore, New York, During Convention of National Foreign Trade Council Oct. 31-Nov. 2—To Enable Those in Attendance to Confer on Problems of Foreign Trade Financing—Ralph Dawson, Nevil Ford and J. C. Rovensky to Discuss Foreign Trade Matters

The National Foreign Trade Council announces that George N. Peek, President of the Export-Import Bank and Special Adviser to the President on Foreign Trade, has arranged to open headquarters on the convention floor of the Hotel Commodore, New York City, for the three days commencing Oct. 31 of the National Foreign Trade Convention.

This is expected to afford opportunity to many of the 2,000 foreign traders attending the convention to confer personally with the officials of the Export-Import Bank in regard to their problems on foreign trade financing and long-term credit insurance. The applicants for information, financing and credit assistance are expected to submit their questions and problems in writing in advance of appointment for personal interviews.

It has also been announced that Ralph Dawson, Vice-President, the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, will speak on the relationship of the commercial banks with their clients, exporters and importers, who are seeking Governmental assistance which the Second Export-Import Bank was formed to render.

Of interest to foreign securityholders in the United States and to members of the Investment Bankers Association is the announcement that Nevil Ford, Vice-President, the First Boston Corp., will discuss the subject of the relationship of foreign investment to the promotion of our foreign trade.

This address of Mr. Ford, which is regarded of unusual importance at this critical period of Germany's affairs, will be delivered at the European session on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

The views of several hundred foreign traders in reply to a questionnaire sent to 5,000 by John Abbink, Acting Chairman of the National Federation of Foreign Trade Associations, are to be summarized and presented by him at the Banking Session on Friday, Nov. 2, at which George N. Peek and Ralph Dawson will speak on this subject of foreign trade financing.

Another item of immediate importance to holders of German securities and to exporters and importers who are concerned with the position of Germany in its trade relations with the United States will be an address on the exchange problems of Germany by Joseph C. Rovensky, Vice-President, Chase National Bank, who is expected to make an up-to-date presentation of the present position of Germany's economy in connection with her foreign trade and the servicing of her defaulted loan obligations.

Administration May Ask Next Congress for \$2,000,000,000 to Finance Slum Clearance and Low-Cost Housing Projects, According to Secretary of Interior Ickes—Reports Progress in Building Program

The Administration may seek to obtain from the next Congress as much as \$2,000,000,000 to be expended for slum clearance and low-cost housing projects, Secretary of the Interior Ickes told newspaper men on Oct. 18. He added that the Public Works Administration "could use" such an amount and that he believed Congress would be willing to do almost anything to insure economic recovery. Mr. Ickes said on Oct. 20 that the PWA had made rapid progress on the National slum-clearance program, and that the PWA had allotted approximately \$150,000,000 for slum clearance and low-cost housing. About \$11,500,000 has been set aside for seven limited dividend corporation housing projects and about \$138,500,000 has been budgeted to 39 Federal projects.

Emphasizing that the Housing Division of PWA is now moving ahead rapidly on the basis of extensive preliminary examinations into housing needs for more than 75 cities, Administrator Ickes added in part:

Of the seven authorized limited dividend housing projects, five are under construction, one has been completed, and one is about to start.

Of the 39 Federal projects tentatively budgeted, definite steps to get projects actually under way have been taken on nine large projects. These nine Federal projects, plus seven limited dividend projects, when completed, will provide modern, urban housing of durable type for upwards of 19,000 families. The nine advanced Federal jobs involve expenditure of around \$73,000,000.

Definite steps taken on the nine most advanced projects include actual acquisition of title to various sites, the opening of condemnation proceedings against sites, or the exercise or taking of options.

In addition, options are being taken for projects in two unannounced cities.

Of 19 other projects final recommendations have been prepared and active steps will be taken in the immediate future.

The remaining projects tentatively budgeted are under advanced study. In addition, study is being pushed on approximately 20 other applications for projects for which no funds are immediately available. Applications have been received from cities in 43 States.

Actual demolition has been started in two slum areas preparatory to construction, and contracts for work in a third will be let shortly.

Each limited dividend project was financed by PWA with straight loans at 4% interest, amortized over periods of years. Federal projects are financed wholly by PWA with 30% of the cost of labor and materials as a grant. The remaining capitalization will be returned to the Government with interest through amortization of rents. Each project is self-liquidating, and will return its PWA financing over periods ranging from 33 to 45 years. Under present plans, each project will be turned over to the municipality when the Federal Government's financing has been paid back.

Status of the seven limited dividend projects and the nine most advanced Federal projects follows:

LIMITED DIVIDEND PROJECTS

Hillside Housing Corporation, New York City—Allotment, \$5,060,000. Estimated total cost, \$5,717,871. To provide about 1,388 living units. Approximately 15% complete. (Apartments)

Boulevard Gardens, New York City—Allotment, \$3,450,000. Estimated total cost, \$4,086,600. To provide approximately 957 living units. Approximately 20% complete. (Apartments.)

Juniata Park (Juniata Park Housing Corporation), Philadelphia—Allotment, \$1,039,000. Estimated total cost, \$1,153,607. To provide approximately 284 living units. Approximately 49% complete. (Apartments.)

Neighborhood Gardens (Neighborhood Gardens Corporation), St. Louis—Allotment, \$640,000. Estimated total cost, \$730,000. To provide around 252 living units. Approximately 4% complete. (Apartments.)

Alta Vista Housing Corporation, Alta Vista, Va.—Allotment, \$84,000. Total cost, \$100,000. Project consists of 50 small, single-family houses. Houses complete. Street improvements to be put in

Euclid Homes (Euclid Housing Corporation), Euclid, Ohio—Allotment, \$1,000,000. Project consists of individual and double houses to be erected by persons' owning property with Corporation aid. Approximately 14 houses complete.

Boylan Housing (Boylan Realty Co.), Raleigh, N. C.—Allotment, \$198,600. Estimated total cost, \$233,600. To provide about 54 living units. Ready to start. (Apartments.)

FEDERAL PROJECTS

New York—Allotment, \$25,000,000 for comprehensive program, to be carried out with co-operation of the Municipal Housing Authority. Under principles agreed to by the City of New York and the Authority, options are being exercised by the Federal Government in the Williamsburg area of Brooklyn. Size of this project dependent upon contributions made by the city in the way of schools, streets and park area. Other projects under consideration. Around 5,000 living units will be provided under the program according to preliminary estimates.

Chicago—Allotment, \$25,000,000 for comprehensive program. Condemnation proceedings opened against 37 square blocks in near Southwest area for a project to accommodate 3,000 families. New housing will consist of two-story row houses and three and four-story apartments. Other projects under consideration.

Atlanta—Techwood—Allotment, \$27,700,000. Title acquired for site and demolition of existing buildings started. To provide 603 living units (white) and dormitory quarters for Georgia Institute of Technology. New housing to consist of three-story dormitory and two and three-story apartments.

Atlanta—University—Allotment, \$2,100,000. Title acquired for site and demolition of existing buildings started. To provide 617 living units (Negro). New housing to consist of two and three-story flats and row houses.

Cleveland—Allotment, \$3,000,000. Title acquired for Cedar-Central project and demolition bids taken. Contract for demolition will be awarded in the immediate future. Project provides 799 living units (white). Three-story apartments.

Indianapolis—Allotment, \$3,000,000. Condemnation proceedings started. Project provides 1,044 living units (Negro). One, two and three-story flats and apartments.

Cincinnati—Allotment, \$6,000,000. Option work started. Preliminary estimate, 1,950 living units (white and Negro).

Detroit—Allotment, \$6,000,000. Option work started. Size of project dependent upon extent of site acquired. (Negro.)

Montgomery—Allotment, \$320,000. Condemnation proceedings filed on site. Project to provide 160 row houses. (Negro.)

Mr. Ickes' remarks on Oct. 18 were described as follows, in a Washington dispatch of that date to the New York "Times":

Forty cities that have had no slum clearance programs have already requested \$100,000,000 for low-cost projects, Secretary Ickes made known. Denying that the program contemplated was "Socialistic," he asked:

"Did you ever know people who owned rotten, run-down houses who wanted decent houses put up in the next block? We are not going to let our program be stopped by tenement-house owners."

"Considering the fact that we have to buy land, the slum clearance and low-cost housing program is going along with considerable speed. Since it has been reorganized, the housing division is one of the most efficient in this department."

Many foreign countries, he continued, had "spent huge sums for slum clearance," and he had been "informed that England had recently put \$450,000,000 into such projects."

When the housing division of the PWA began to operate it received a grant of \$250,000,000.

FCC to Begin Hearings Dec. 3 to Determine Recommendations Regarding Possible Merger of Communications Companies

Hearings will begin in Washington on Dec. 3 to aid the Federal Communications Commission to determine whether it should recommend to Congress enactment of laws authorizing the consolidation or merger of communications companies, together with specific safeguards in the event such recommendations are made, according to an announcement by the FCC, Oct. 24. The Commission pointed out that Congress had directed it to make a special report not later than Feb. 1 1935, proposing such amendments to the Communications Act as it considered desirable. The FCC added that the subject of mergers was one of the most important included in the report of President Roosevelt's inter-departmental committee which studied communications. Associated Press Washington advices of Oct. 24 added the following regarding the FCC announcement:

The Commission said that inasmuch as telephone companies since 1921 had had the right to consolidate, it was expected the hearings would be confined almost entirely to the desirability of permitting telegraph companies to consolidate, and to determine conditions that should surround such mergers.

During the last session of Congress, legislation was proposed to legalize a merger of the Postal Telegraph Company, which is controlled by the International Telephone & Telegraph Company and the Western Union Telegraph Company.

It was reported at the time that the Postal had acquired a heavy interest in the Western Union, subject to passage of such a law. However, determined opposition developed and the bill failed to pass.

\$2,387,050 Advanced by Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago During Past Seven Months—Disbursements Since Organization Total \$14,579,246

The Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago has advanced \$2,387,050 to its member institutions in Illinois and Wisconsin during the past seven months without using any additional Government funds during that period. A. R. Gardner, President of the bank, said on Oct. 20 that the institution has disbursed a total of \$14,579,246 during its two years operations, placing 16% of it since March 15 this year, when the last Government investment of \$100,000 was received. In the two States, it was stated, 245 building and loan associations are now using \$11,914,867 of the bank's credit, the major part of which has been borrowed for making new mortgage loans. Loans outstanding at any one time are thus at a new peak in the bank's history, Mr. Gardner said. He added:

The lending done in the past seven months was possible through additional stock subscriptions of new member institutions, deposits of these institutions, and repayments by borrowers on their advances from the bank. Fifty-six associations have been newly admitted to membership during this period, total deposits are more than \$500,000 and repayments on loans are more than \$3,000,000. These operations of the bank are an effective demonstration of how the institution can function as an agent in the freer flow of mortgage funds from one locality to another and from one season to another.

It must always be borne in mind that the eventual destiny of the Federal Home Loan Bank System is planned so that it will need no Government funds to perform its functions, but will depend entirely upon the sources of funds mentioned above, plus the flotation of bonds and debentures.

Of the total loans outstanding to day, \$6,018,458 are in long-term loans. These 10-year advances are amortized by the borrowing institutions on a quarterly basis, and thus from these as well as from the shorter term loans there is a predictable income of repayments which allows the bank additional funds for lending.

First Federal Credit Union Established Under Name of Morris Sheppard Federal Credit Union

The Farm Credit Administration on Oct. 1 chartered the first Federal Credit Union to be established under the recently enacted Federal Credit Union Act. Announcement of this was made by Herbert Emmerich, Acting Director of the Credit Union Section. Employees, teachers and officials of the City of Texarkana, and of Bowie and Texarkana Counties, Tex., established the organization, called the "Morris Sheppard Federal Credit Union." The announcement also said:

The group chose its name in honor of Senator Sheppard of Texas, author of the Federal Credit Union Act. Texarkana is also the Senator's home city.

Texarkana is located in two States, Arkansas and Texas, so that a special advantage for a Federal charter is seen. The first Federal Credit Union, therefore, made possible the organization of a group which could not have obtained a Credit Union charter but for the Federal Act.

C. R. Orchard, Assistant Director of the Credit Union Section, personally attended the meeting at which the Credit Union was organized, and wired the FCA that after an investigation of the organization and examination of the charter, he recommended that the charter be approved. Mr. Emmerich wired his approval at once.

The signers of the organization certificate of the Morris Sheppard Federal Credit Union are: M. L. Watson, City Engineer of Texarkana; R. E. Lee, Captain of the Fire Department; G. D. Garrett, City Secretary; H. F. DeFee, Mayor pro tem.; Ed. B. Levee Jr., City Attorney; A. D. Lanier, Street Commissioner; A. B. Jordan, Tax Collector; B. A. Goodson, Assistant Fire Chief; J. E. Thomas, Dog Catcher and Pound Master; Ed. Holt, Fireman; J. L. Elder, Custodian, and Helen Bounds, Assistant City Secretary.

Mr. Emmerich said:

The chartering of the first Federal Credit Union will be followed by the organization of others. This will spread to many parts of the United States the broad scope of the Credit Union's activities in promoting thrift and providing personal loans at reasonable rates of interest. Especially for persons of small means the Credit Union movement is beneficial, making it possible for them, through their own co-operative efforts, to reduce the cost of consumer credit.

F. F. Hill Appointed Deputy Governor of FCA—Herbert Emmerich Promoted to Executive Officer

The appointment of F. F. Hill as Deputy Governor of the Farm Credit Administration was announced on Oct. 22 by W. I. Myers, Governor of the FCA. Mr. Hill, who had been Assistant Deputy Governor since last July, succeeds to the position vacated by George C. Haas, who recently resigned to serve as Director of a new division of research and statistics in the Treasury Department. Governor Myers also announced on Oct. 22 that Herbert Emmerich, Administrative Assistant to the Governor of the FCA, had been advanced to the position of Executive Officer. The Governor stated:

In his new capacity Mr. Hill will have charge of the Division of Finance and Research. This includes the gathering of statistics related to the operations of the banks and corporations operating under the FCA and the general supervision of financial activities. When the FCA was first organized Mr. Hill was brought to Washington by the Governor to assist in organization and statistical work, and was made Assistant Deputy Governor last July.

Mr. Emmerich joined the FCA organization nearly a year ago, and has taken a very active part in the administration of the work under the Gov-

ernor's direction. The new work will carry with it additional responsibilities. In addition to his general administrative duties, the examination of the banks and corporations will be under his general supervision. Mr. Emmerich also has charge of the organization of the work of the FCA activities in connection with the Federal Credit Union Act passed at the last session of Congress.

J. W. Prentiss of Hornblower & Weeks Chairman of Financial Division in Campaign to Increase Membership of Merchants Association of New York

John W. Prentiss of Hornblower & Weeks has accepted the Chairmanship of the Financial Division in a campaign which the business men of New York have launched to increase the membership of The Merchant's Association of New York in order that that organization may be able to carry on its work more effectively. Among those working with Mr. Prentiss are E. C. Gersten, President of the Public National Bank and Trust Co., who, with the assistance of Roger Topp, Vice-President of the same Company, is directing the campaign among the banks and trust companies. Andrew J. Miller of Hallgarten & Co. heads the investment bankers' and brokers' section and H. Adams Ashforth of Albert B. Ashforth, Inc., leads the campaign among realty interests. S. C. Pecot of Fenner & Beane has been assigned to commodity brokers.

The campaign on behalf of The Merchants' Association has been organized under the general Chairmanship of Malcolm Muir, President of the McGraw-Hill Publishing Co. In an announcement issued Oct. 24 by the Association it is stated:

The campaign was decided upon as a result of a decision that in view of the present extremely difficult business situation, there was need for a more closely knit organization among business men which could exercise greater influence in opposing excessive taxation and other modern tendencies which are detrimental to business. The Association has outlined a carefully thought out constructive program for the benefit of all of its members.

Bankers and brokers have been particularly interested in the work of the Association because it has been one of those organizations insistent upon the maintenance of sound financial policies. Its work was also a material factor in bringing about the amendments to the 1933 Securities Act and to the Stock Exchange Regulation Bill which made both of these measures more workable and less burdensome to business than they were in their original form. The Association has also supported sound banking legislation at Albany and has opposed deposit insurance features of the new National Banking Law. It announced recently that its campaign for less burdensome taxation would be carried on even more vigorously during the coming year.

Annual Meeting of Northern New Jersey Clearing House Association—W. J. Field Elected President—Yearly Figures

At the annual meeting of the Northern New Jersey Clearing House Association held on Oct. 18 at the New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Jersey City, the following figures, showing the year's operations, were presented:

Total amount of exchanges for year	\$1,309,363,674.92
Balances for year	1,088,976,692.19
Largest exchanges on any one day from Oct. 1 1933, to Sept. 30 1934—Jan. 2 1934	11,325,258.75
Largest balances on any one day from Oct. 1 1933 to Sept. 30 1934—Sept. 8 1934	9,279,668.78

Officers for 1934-35, and committees were elected as follows:

1934-1935—Officers

President, William J. Field, Commercial Trust Co. of New Jersey, Jersey City, N. J.; Vice-President, Joseph G. Parr, Trust Co. of New Jersey, Jersey City, N. J.; Secretary, Willard M. Brown, New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Jersey City, N. J.

Executive Committee

One Year—F. A. Berenbroick, Weehawken Trust Co., Union City, N. J.; C. A. Spoerl, First National Bank, Jersey City, N. J.

Two Years—D. E. Everts, New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Jersey City, N. J.; F. C. Ferguson, Hudson County National Bank, Jersey City, N. J.

Nominating Committee

Dr. H. J. Gordon, Weehawken Trust Co., Union City, N. J.; Walter B. French, Trust Co. of New Jersey, Jersey City, N. J.; Edward Groth, Commercial Trust Co. of New Jersey, Jersey City, N. J.; Howard Vreeland, Hudson County National Bank, Jersey City, N. J.; Clarence Meeks, Hudson Trust Co., Hoboken, N. J.

Clearing Committee

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Annual Convention of American Bankers Association

Keen interest was evidenced in the discussions of banking affairs at the annual convention in Washington this week of the American Bankers Association. The address of President Roosevelt and the remarks of Jackson E. Reynolds of the First National Bank of New York were features of the gathering, and these are given in full elsewhere in these columns to-day; in addition, to-day's issue of our paper contains a reference to some of the other addresses, the resolutions, the report of the Economic Policy Commission, &c., also are referred to at length. Discussions of Administration policy by Leo T. Crowley, Chairman of the Federal

Deposit Insurance Corporation; Jesse E. Jones, Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and J. Howard Ardrey, Deputy Administrator of the Federal Housing Administration, were among those claiming an important part of the program. Viewing the large registration lists, on Oct. 20, Francis Marion Law, President of the Association, declared it is a particularly fortunate circumstance that the convention was being held this year in Washington. "Perhaps at no other time in our history," he said, "has there been the need of closer understanding between the Federal Government and the banks, and I am convinced this convention will be one of the most serviceable and constructive in the history of the Association." Mr. Law addressed the opening session of the convention on Oct. 23, and extracts from his address are given in another item.

Stressing the importance of customer relations as the fundamental human element in banking, Mr. Law opened a series of three constructive customer relations clinical meetings at Washington on Oct. 22 as a feature of the American Bankers Association convention. Mr. Law declared that if the human relationships in business are right, the business itself is sound. The essential qualities in proper relationships, he said, are best summed up in the expression we know as the Golden Rule, adding that wherever the Golden Rule is actually in practical operation the matters of law and technicalities will fall into their proper places as a matter of course. Mr. Law added:

There is an inseparable and inherent unity of interest and purpose between the bank and its customers. Your task will not be finished until you bring this truth home to bankers and customers alike. When you have accomplished that, I do not believe we need have any concern about the future of banking.

The customer relations clinical meetings, which were continued on Oct. 23 and 24, were for the purpose of promoting closer understanding between the banker and the public. The clinic was organized by the Association's Public Education Commission, of which John H. Puelicher, President of Marshall and Ilsley Bank of Milwaukee, is Chairman. Mr. Puelicher presided at the opening meeting and the sessions which followed. Whatever may have appeared as indicative, in the early days of the convention, of an attitude other than harmonious between the bankers and the Administration seemed to have been dissipated in the closing days of the convention, particularly after the appearance of President Roosevelt before the bankers the evening of Oct. 24, when his address and that of Mr. Reynolds were delivered. Criticism of the Administration occurred before the State Bank Division on Oct. 22, when Robert M. Hanes, of Winston-Salem, N. C., declared that "I think the President's inferential comparison of the bankers of this country with those of England in his last fireside talk was totally uncalled for and unfair." Mr. Hanes added:

We are accused of not co-operating with the Government's financial program when we are carrying over half the Government's debt, whereas the British banks hold only 11% of their Government debt.

A few minutes later, at the same session, it was noted in United Press accounts from Washington, Oct. 22, that John G. Brown, counsel of the Montana Bankers Association, took occasion to voice his opposition to the Frazier-Lemke Mortgage Act. It was further stated in the account:

Mr. Brown charged that the Act, recently declared unconstitutional by a Federal court in Maryland, has destroyed the principle of inviolability of private contract.

Despite the critical remarks that opened preliminary discussions to-day on State and National banking problems, observers noted a more conciliatory spirit among the bankers than prevailed at their convention a year ago in Chicago.

From the same account to the New York "Journal of Commerce" we also quote the following:

The agitation for a central bank was attacked by Frank P. Bennett, Boston financial editor. He charged the idea was being fostered by "those in political life, who resent whatever independent mindedness is shown by directors of the Federal Reserve Bank."

Mr. Bennett said the public had lost faith in the Federal Reserve System and urged his hearers to pursue a militant course of trying to re-establish the Reserve System in public esteem and to bring all commercial banks into its membership.

Loaning policies of banks received stout support from several quarters in direct refutation of criticism by Administration leaders that the financiers were retarding the recovery program by their apathetic attitude toward the New Deal.

Clyde Hendrix, President of the Tennessee Valley Bank, Decatur, Ala., admitted that banks everywhere are burdened with idle funds, but he emphasized that bankers were having difficulty in obtaining legitimate investments.

"I doubt if a single instance could be cited where an applicant for credit has been turned down if the loan desired was a proper one for a commercial bank to make," he said.

Clinton B. Axford, editor of the "American Banker," New York City, urged the bankers to "clean house," and warned that the people would demand branch banking if "State and unit bankers do not give them something better."

On Oct. 23 the Washington correspondent of the New York "Journal of Commerce" stated, with respect to the recent disagreement between the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Advisory Council over the Administration's monetary policy, that Walter S. Lichtenstein, Secretary of the Advisory Council, was reported to have endeavored to put the Association's Resolutions Committee on record as seconding the Council's stand; that apparently nothing further was done, it was stated, than the presentation of the Lichtenstein proposal in executive session of the Committee on Resolutions.

Vast improvement in the farm mortgage liquidation situation was reported by Governor W. I. Myers of the Farm Credit Administration, said United Press advices, Oct. 23, from Washington, which went on to say:

He told one group that applications to land banks for emergency financing have dropped from 2,000 a week to fewer than 400.

This indicated, Governor Myers said, that farmers are under less pressure to-day than a year ago to meet mortgage requirements.

Authority in the 1933 Banking Act to check mismanagement in trust departments of banks was praised by Eugene M. Stevens, Chairman of the Board of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. Examiners now may demand changes in management and policies to prevent collapse.

"The knowledge of the existence of this power should make its application unnecessary except in rare instances," he declared. "If the supervising authorities have the courage and the good judgment to exercise these powers properly a greater public confidence in examination and supervision may therefore be justified."

From the Washington advices, Oct. 24, to the New York "Herald Tribune" we take the following:

J. F. T. O'Connor, Comptroller of the Currency, appeared unannounced on the program. He said that in the last 18 months his office had approved plans for reopening all but four of the 1,417 banks which were under its control after the bank holiday.

22,569 Home Loans Made

Roger Steffan, Director of Modernization Credits of the Federal Housing Administration, speaking at the convention, reported that in 10 weeks the number of home modernization loans was 22,569 and the volume approximately \$10,000,000. He said that the credit volume in the last few days had been on a sharply rising curve.

Lower Savings Interest Seen

Henry S. Kingman, Treasurer of the Farmers' & Mechanics' Savings Bank of Minneapolis, President of the division, declared that lower interest rates on savings in the near future might be looked for. He maintained that no real reason existed now for the further continuance of postal savings.

Will C. Wood, Vice-President and Manager of the Bank of America, of Oakland, Calif., said that investments in real estate had stood up surprisingly well during the depression. Real estate loans, he maintained, had been responsible for a smaller percentage of losses, computed on the basis of volume carried, than any other type of loan or investment.

In our annual number, our American Bankers Convention Section, to be published at a later date, we will give in full all of the addresses, the detailed proceedings, &c., of the convention.

More than 600 Expected to Attend Convention of Investment Bankers Association of America, Starting To-day (Oct. 27)

More than 600 delegates are expected to attend the annual convention of the Investment Bankers Association of America which opens to-day (Oct. 27) at Hot Springs, W. Va., and continues until Oct. 31. The attendance at the 1933 convention was only 415. This year's increase is general, although there will be proportionally larger delegations from Pacific Coast cities than at any similar convention in the last three years. Reference to the convention was made in the "Chronicle" of Oct. 20, page 2467.

It was announced on Oct. 17 that John J. Pelley, President of the Association of American Railroads, would not deliver a speech at the convention, contrary to earlier reports that he would discuss the financial and economic position of the railroads. Among the speakers who will address the convention is Richard Whitney, President of the New York Stock Exchange, who will discuss the Securities Exchange Act. The New York "Times" of Oct. 23 described other parts of the program before the convention as follows:

Two forums dealing with problems which have arisen in the operation of the Investment Bankers Code will be held at the convention. One will concern itself with the problems of enforcement, handling of complaints on infractions of the code, co-operation of State securities commissions in preventing fraud, code education and service charges. The other will be for consideration of the rules and principles of the code in the light of experience. Francis F. Patton of A. G. Becker & Co., Chicago, will preside at the first meeting, and George S. Stevenson of Stevenson, Gregory & Co., Hartford, Conn., at the latter. Rollin A. Wilbur, managing director; Frank L. Scheffey, deputy managing director, and Paul V. Keyser, counsel for the Investment Bankers Code Committee, will take part in both forums.

The National Industrial Recovery Board announced on Oct. 25 that it had approved a plan of organization of trade practice complaints committees for investment bankers. These committees will be composed of members of the Code Authority and the several regional code committees.

National Foreign Trade Convention to Be Held Next Week in New York—Secretaries Roper and Hull Scheduled to Speak—Latter to Address World Trade Dinner of Convention Nov. 1.

The National Foreign Trade Convention will be held next week at the Hotel Commodore, New York, Oct. 31 and Nov. 1 and 2. Secretary of State Cordell Hull will be the principal speaker at the World Trade Dinner of the Convention to be held on the evening of Nov. 1, at which James A. Farrell, Chairman of the National Foreign Trade Council, will preside. Secretary of Commerce, Daniel Roper is scheduled to address the opening session of the Convention on Oct. 31. As to the forthcoming address of the two Cabinet members an announcement said:

It is expected that Secretary Hull will deal with the progress made in carrying out the objects of the Reciprocal Trade Agreement Act, and the promise present reciprocal trade negotiations give of breaking down existing barriers to American trade abroad. The address of the Secretary of State is awaited with considerable interest by the two thousand delegates who will attend this important Convention.

Secretary Roper will likely outline the plans of the Administration for aiding American foreign traders, exporters and importers, in overcoming present obstacles to an increasing expansion of overseas commerce.

The announcement, issued by Lindsay Crawford, Secretary of the National Foreign Trade Council, also stated:

Canada will be represented at the Convention by a large delegation from the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, headed by Mr. R. J. Magor, President of the Board of Trade, Montreal and Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce. A Canadian luncheon and session will be held at the Hotel Commodore on Friday, November 2, at which a frank discussion will take place concerning the basis on which future trade relations between Canada and the United States may be established by means of a reciprocal trade agreement. It is hoped that by this friendly interchange of views a desirable approach may be made toward the reopening of trade negotiations between the two countries and the way prepared for a freer interchange of commodities between them.

The National Foreign Trade Council announced on Oct. 24 that a message from President Roosevelt would be read at the dinner to be held on Nov. 1, and that this message might be expected to deal with the international situation.

Additional reference to the Convention is made elsewhere in our issue to-day.

Reopening of Closed Banks for Business and Lifting of Restrictions

Since the publication in our issue of Oct. 20 (page 2467) with regard to the banking situation in the various States, the following further action is recorded:

New Jersey

In indicating the reopening of the First National Bank of Fort Lee, N. J., the New York "Times" of Oct. 24 had the following to say:

On the first day of operations since March 1933, the First National Bank of Fort Lee, N. J., whose doors were opened yesterday morning under a new charter, received deposits that exceeded withdrawals by \$38,695, according to George C. Willson, Executive Vice-President and Cashier.

Officials of the bank acted as a reception committee to welcome customers. Deposits were \$65,377 and withdrawals \$26,682. The bank has surplus and capital of \$120,000. It has taken over 55% of the deposits of the old bank, the 45% to remain in the old institution for liquidation.

New York

Concerning the affairs of the defunct Westchester Trust Co. of Yonkers, N. Y., the following was contained in a dispatch from White Plains on Oct. 19 to the New York "Herald Tribune":

Supreme Court Justice Graham Witschief denied a temporary injunction which Superintendent of Banks Joseph A. Broderick applied for to restrain officers of the Westchester Trust Co., which is now in the hands of the State Banking Department for liquidation, from selling mortgage certificates or other assets of the bank.

Justice Witschief also vacated a temporary injunction issued by Supreme Court Justice Frederick P. Close at the time the latter issued the show cause order which brought the case up for consideration to-day. The Justice said that he did not understand why Mr. Broderick wanted such an injunction since the officers named as defendants no longer had any control of the bank's affairs. He said that they were entitled to be free of such an injunction until the trial of the suit now pending for a permanent injunction.

Ohio

The Union National Bank of Fostoria, O., closed since last March and now in the process of liquidation, started payment Oct. 18 of a 14% dividend to depositors, according to advices from Fostoria on that date, printed in the Toledo "Blade." Attorney James V. Ford is the receiver, the dispatch said.

With reference to the affairs of the State Bank of Massillon, Massillon, Ohio, a dispatch from that city on Oct. 20, appearing in "Money & Commerce," had the following to say:

It appears that the restricted State Bank of Massillon will be opened within a short time, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation having agreed to make a loan and an order fixing 9 a. m., Oct. 26, as a time for hearing an application to return the bank to its Board of Directors.

At the same time and for the purpose of legal procedure only, the bank will be taken over by Ira J. Fulton, State Superintendent of Banks, preliminary to reopening in Ohio.

In indicating that the Sharonville Bank at Sharonville, Ohio, and the Silverton Bank at Silverton (Cincinnati),

Ohio, both in Hamilton County, will resume business on Nov. 8 and Nov. 9 respectively, the Cincinnati "Enquirer" of Oct. 20, said in part:

Announcement was made yesterday (Oct. 19) that plans for the reorganization of the two banks were approved by the State Superintendent of Banks. It was stated that the Silverton Bank would reopen Nov. 8 and that the present stockholders would make a voluntary contribution of \$50 a share, and that additional capital would be gained through the sale of 250 shares at par value of \$50.

All deposits of \$50 and under will be paid in full. Depositors of more than \$50 will receive a cash dividend of 50% and a participation certificate in certain assets, which are less liquid and will take time to realize upon, will be issued for the remainder.

The assets in question will be transferred to trustees to be liquidated. For the next three years dividends will be paid to the trustees for the retirement of the participation certificates. The Silverton Bank had 3,000 depositors, with funds aggregating \$280,000.

The plan of reorganization of the Sharonville Bank is similar in many respects to that of the Bank of Silverton, except that deposits of \$25 or less will be paid in full, and accounts over that sum are to receive 50%.

The capital structure of the Sharonville Bank is to be strengthened by an assessment of 60% on the present stockholders. There are 2,000 depositors in the Sharonville Bank, the sum totaling \$215,000.

Thomas F. Behrens was conservator for the Silverton Bank and Charles Sanger for the Sharonville Bank. Ralph L. Hinds, attorney for both banks, handled the reorganization plans.

Both institutions were ordered closed temporarily by the Superintendent of Banks in order to facilitate reorganization plans.

John W. Hackett, receiver of the First National Bank of Toledo, Ohio, announced on Oct. 15 that 53% of the stockholders of the institution have either paid in full or made the quarterly time payment on the full double liability assessed against them by the Comptroller of the Currency. The Toledo "Blade" of Oct. 15, in reporting this, furthermore said in part:

The total assessment amounts to \$500,000. No total of the cash collected in the payment due Oct. 8 is available but many of the larger stockholders, Mr. Hackett indicated, have paid in full. Others have made the first payment due Oct. 8. The next payment will be due Nov. 8 and the entire 100% payment must be made by Jan. 8, 1935.

We learn from Associated Press advices from Washington, D. C., under date of Oct. 22, that the Comptroller of the Currency on that day announced a charter had been issued to the National Bank of Lorain, Ohio. The new institution succeeds the National Bank of Commerce (which has been operating under a conservator). L. A. Sauber is President of the new bank and Harry Nicholls, Vice-President and Cashier, the dispatch said.

Pennsylvania

In indicating that the new First National Bank of Bedford Pa., had opened on Oct. 19, a dispatch from Bedford, printed in the Philadelphia "Record," said:

With the opening of the new First National Bank here to-day upward of \$400,000 became available for distribution among more than 3,000 depositors. That amount is one-half of the bank's checking and savings account.

A majority of the depositors appearing to-day requested that their deposits be transferred to new active accounts. Withdrawals were few.

The new bank is not connected with the old First National Bank, which was closed since the bank holiday of March 1933. The First National Bank is community-owned. Shareholders total more than 500. Officers are: Maurice Cohen, President; Charles W. Moorehead, Vice-President; J. K. Manock, Cashier and H. B. Cessna, Assistant Cashier.

Texas

The new Bexar County National Bank of San Antonio, Tex., which replaces the old Commercial National Bank of that city, was to open for business on Monday of this week (Oct. 22) with deposits of \$2,000,000. The new institution is capitalized at \$500,000 with surplus of \$100,000, and occupies the Commercial National Bank Bldg. at St. Mary's and Travis Streets. Advices from San Antonio to the Houston "Post," authority for the foregoing, furthermore said:

Claude V. Birkhead, who was one of the leaders in the reorganization negotiations, will be Chairman of the Board of Directors of the new institution, and also will serve as its chief counsel. He revealed this week that a suit for \$500,000 worth of stolen Government bonds against the Commercial National Bank had been settled out of court. However, he withheld the terms under which the settlement was effected.

Walter C. Sparks, President of the First State Bank of Taft, will be President of the new institution. He is widely known in Texas banking circles, and prior to becoming President of the Taft bank served for 22 years as active Vice-President of the Commercial State Bank of Sinton.

Other officers of the new bank are Ernest A. Baetz, Executive Vice-President; T. M. West, Vice-President, and A. B. Crowther, Cashier. All are well known in banking circles of the State.

The opening of the new bank is the result of the work of a year by the reorganization committee representing stockholders and depositors of the Commercial National Bank. "With the support and loyalty of those whose funds were tied up in the bank," Mr. Birkhead said, "we have succeeded in forming a strong new bank for San Antonio and South Texas and in preventing any loss whatever to depositors."

"We were given every assistance by Jesse H. Jones, Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, who took a personal interest in aiding us in our work of reorganization."

ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, &c.

Fred R. Wolfe's New York Stock Exchange Membership was proposed for transfer Oct. 25 to Mervin Ash King at \$90,000.

Arrangements were made Oct. 24 for the sale of a New York Curb Exchange membership at \$17,500, a decrease of \$2,500 from the last previous sale of Oct. 11.

The extra membership of Edward J. Wade on the Commodity Exchange, Inc., was sold to Charles Slaughter, for another, at \$2,000, unchanged from the last previous sale which took place Oct. 22. Those who participated in the Oct. 22 sale were William H. English Jr. to E. A. Canalizo, for another.

Arrangements were completed Oct. 18 for the sale of a membership on the Chicago Stock Exchange for \$2,700, up \$200 from the last previous sale.

Guaranty Trust Co. of New York announces the appointment of John K. Moffett as a Second Vice-President

Following an active banking career of more than 40 years, Benjamin L. Allen will retire on Nov. 1 as Vice-President of Irving Trust Co. of New York City. In announcing the retirement the company stated that Mr. Allen will continue a member of its Board of Directors. He will maintain a personal office in the Irving Trust Co. building at 1 Wall St., where he will devote himself to his personal interests. Mr. Allen's career in banking has been outstanding. In 1908, as Vice-President of the Knickerbocker Trust Co., he rendered indispensable service in the rehabilitation of that company. Later he took a prominent part in merging that company with the Columbia Trust Co. He also took a leading part in the merger of the Columbia Trust Co. with the Irving National Bank.

Public National Bank & Trust Co., New York City, has reversed its policy of liquidity during the past 24 months, according to an analysis by Hare's, Ltd., which shows that from Sept. 30 1932 to Sept. 30 1934 cash decreased 29% and loans and discounts increased 95%. Indicated earnings for the 12 months ended Sept. 30 1934, were equivalent to \$2.96 a share, according to Hare's, Ltd.

The branch of the Continental Bank & Trust Co. of New York, formerly located at 20 East 45th St., moved to new and larger quarters at 345 Madison Ave., between 44th and 45th Sts., on Oct. 22. The branch is in charge of Laurence S. Critchell, Assistant Vice-President of the trust company. Modern safe deposit vaults are part of the equipment of the new office.

The New York State Banking Department on Oct. 18 granted authority to the General Motors Acceptance Corp., New York City, to open a branch office at Pensacola, Fla.

The New York State Banking Department on Oct. 17 approved plans to reduce the capital stock of the Bank of Huntington & Trust Co., Huntington, N. Y., from \$500,000 at a par value of \$50 a share to \$250,000 at a par value of \$25 a share.

George W. Bauer was elected President of the Union County Trust Co. of Elizabeth, N. J., at a meeting of the directors on Oct. 19. He succeeds Clark McKay Whittemore, who resigned. Elizabeth advices to the New York "Herald Tribune," in noting the appointment, went on to say:

Mr. Whittemore . . . remains legal counsel to the bank. Mr. Bauer formerly was Executive Vice-President of the trust company.

Stockholders of the Savings Investment & Trust Co. of East Orange, N. J., on Oct. 23, approved a plan of recapitalization to reduce the total face value of the common stock from \$1,500,425 to \$300,085 and apply the difference to charging off or writing down certain assets of the bank. They approved also the issuance of preferred stock A to the amount of \$1,500,000 and of preferred stock B to the amount of \$500,000. Advices to the New York "Times" from East Orange, from which we have quoted above, continuing said:

Bank officials said the Reconstruction Finance Corporation had offered to subscribe for all or part of the preferred A stock. Directors of the bank, it was said, would underwrite the B stock.

Henry B. Rogers has been elected President of the Mt. Prospect National Bank of Newark, N. J., to succeed Alfred L. Dennis who has resigned. Mr. Dennis, who is a resident partner of the firm of Post & Flagg, member of the New York Stock Exchange, retired from the Presidency of the bank because the National Banking laws forbid a dealer in securities to be a bank officer. For the same

reason George M. Griffith, Manager of the Newark office of Post & Flagg, resigned as a director of the Mt. Prospect National Bank. Alonzo D. Hobbie, President of the Lovell-Dressel Co., was elected to succeed Mr. Griffith on the Directorate. The Newark "News" of Oct. 15, from which the above information is obtained, went on to say in part:

Mr. Rogers retired in 1931 from the General Electric Co., of which he was an executive for years. He is Vice-President of the Newark Welfare Federation, Vice-President and trustee of St. Barnabas's Hospital, a trustee of the Franklin Savings Bank and a director of the Fourteenth Ward Building & Loan Association.

The Vice-Presidents of the bank are Chester R. Hoag and William A. Bishop. William H. Bowerman, who resigned as Executive Vice-President to become executive Vice-President of the Sussex & Merchants National Bank of Newton, remains as a director of the Mt. Prospect.

Carl E. H. Johnson has been elected and has assumed the duties of Executive Vice-President of the Marine National Bank of Erie, Pa., relieving the President, W. E. Beckwith, who has been connected with the institution for 45 years and President for a decade. Erie advices, printed in "Money and Commerce" of Oct. 26, from which this is learned, went on to say:

He advanced from a clerkship and served for some years as Cashier. It is said that Mr. Beckwith will continue as President until the annual meeting in January, when he will be elected Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Johnson has been in the banking business since leaving school, and comes here from the State Bank & Trust Co. of Evanston, Ill. It is expected he will succeed Mr. Beckwith as President.

A charter was granted on Oct. 17 to the First National Bank in Bedford, Bedford, Pa., by the Comptroller of the Currency. The new bank is capitalized at \$150,000, made up of \$75,000 preferred stock and \$75,000 common stock, and succeeds the First National Bank & Trust Co. of Bedford. Maurice M. Cohn is President and J. K. Manock, Cashier.

James Ross Mellon, financier, and elder brother of Andrew W. Mellon, former Secretary of the Treasury, died at his home in Pittsburgh, Pa., on Oct. 20 at the age of 88 years. He had been in poor health for several months. Less widely known than his younger brothers, the late Richard B. Mellon and Andrew W. Mellon, he had withdrawn almost entirely from public notice 15 years ago when he retired from active business to devote his time to his philanthropies. He continued, however, until his death to hold the position of President of the City Deposit Bank & Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, which he and his late brother had founded in 1873. He had assumed the Presidency of the bank in 1898. He was also at the time of his death President of the Ligonier Valley Railroad.

Born in Pittsburgh, the son of Judge Thomas Mellon and the former Sarah Jane Negley, Mr. Mellon played an outstanding part in the development of Pittsburgh. His father was the founder of T. Mellon & Sons, now the Mellon National Bank of Pittsburgh. After receiving his education in Pittsburgh Schools and at Jefferson College in Canonsburg, (now part of Washington and Jefferson College at Washington, Pa.) where he received an A. B. degree, he began his business career as a clerk in a law office. Subsequently he engaged in the coal business, and still later went into business with his brother, the late Thomas A. Mellon, selling building supplies and real estate in the locality now known as East Liberty.

We learn from the Philadelphia "Record" of Oct. 20 that Michael J. Ryan, former President of the closed Girard Avenue Title & Trust Co. of Philadelphia, Pa., on Oct. 19 was acquitted in Quarter Sessions Court of charges said to allege the embezzling \$87,666 of the institution's funds. Following the verdict, Mr. Ryan in a brief statement was reported as saying: "I am thankful for this vindication of these terrible charges against me. I don't know what to say for I am so happy and grateful."

The Board of Directors of the Tradesmen's National Bank & Trust Co. of Philadelphia, Pa., has declared a quarterly dividend of \$1.50 per share, at the rate of 6% per annum, payable Nov. 1 1934 to stockholders of record at the close of business Oct. 25 1934.

C. C. Morgan, heretofore Executive Vice-President of the Western Security Bank of Sandusky, Ohio, was elected President of the institution at the October meeting of the Board of Directors, according to a dispatch from that city, printed in "Money and Commerce" of Oct. 20. He succeeds William J. Sprow, organizer and President of the institution during its first year, who resigned in order to devote his time to his extensive private interests, it was said.

Final approval of the change in name of the Lebanon-Citizens' National Bank & Trust Co. to the Lebanon-Citizens' National Bank, was contained in a telegram received from J. F. T. O'Connor, Comptroller of the Currency, according to a dispatch from Lebanon printed in "Money and Commerce" of Oct. 20. The trust department has been discontinued, it was said.

C. Stirling Smith, former President of the closed Standard Trust Co. of Cleveland, Ohio, surrendered Oct. 23 to start serving a 2 to 32-year sentence for embezzling the bank funds. United Press advices from Cleveland, in noting this added:

He was placed in the hospital ward of the county jail. He will be taken to Ohio Penitentiary at Columbus to-morrow.

Reference was made to the sentencing in our April 14 issue, page 2522.

We learn from the Chicago "Tribune" of Oct. 21, that payment of a 25% dividend to depositors of the closed Union Bank & Trust Co. of Freeport, Ill., was authorized on Oct. 20 by State Auditor Edward J. Barrett. The paper continued:

Checks amounting to \$145,217 will be distributed this week. This is the first payment since the bank closed and will be disbursed out of funds acquired through a loan from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

A dividend of 8%, amounting to \$44,004, for depositors of the North Town State Bank of Chicago was authorized on Oct. 12 by Edward J. Barrett, the State Auditor of Illinois, and was to be distributed Oct. 13, it was stated in the Chicago "Tribune" of Oct. 13, which also supplied the following information:

This marks the fourth payment to depositors and brings total disbursements to 40% of total claims.

Auditor Barrett also announced that \$78,418 has been paid to preferred creditors and \$220,068 in bills payable have been retired. The latest dividend is being paid out of a loan obtained from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

The Mount Olive National Bank, Mount Olive, Ill., was chartered by the Comptroller of the Currency on Oct. 19. The institution, which is a primary organization, is capitalized at \$50,000, half of which is preferred stock and half common stock. A. F. Prange and W. W. Prange are President and Cashier, respectively.

Effective Oct. 15, the Farmers' National Bank of Hutchinson, Minn., capitalized at \$50,000, was placed in voluntary liquidation. The institution is succeeded by the First National Bank of Hutchinson.

The Comptroller of the Currency on Oct. 15 issued a charter to the Wymore National Bank, Wymore, Neb. The new organization, which replaces the First National of Wymore, is capitalized at \$50,000, made up of \$30,000 preferred stock and \$20,000 common stock. William A. Stahl is President and L. Boyd Rist, Cashier.

Effective Oct. 15, the Exchange National Bank of Osborne, Kan., capitalized at \$50,000, went into voluntary liquidation. The institution was taken over by the First State Bank of the same place.

W. J. Barnett, State Bank Commissioner for Oklahoma, on Oct. 13 announced payment of dividends to depositors of two State banks in liquidation, according to the "Oklahoman" of Oct. 14, which named the banks and dividend amounts as follows:

The final dividend of 5.7%, making a total of 20.7% paid, will be issued to depositors of the American State Bank, Covington. The dividend amounts to \$10,533.

First dividend of 15%, amounting to \$939, will be paid depositors of Bank of May, May, Oct. 22.

Announcement was made on Oct. 9 that a second dividend of 18%, making a total so far of 88%, was ready for payment to depositors and general creditors of the old South Side National Bank of St. Louis, Mo. The payment was to amount to \$882,143, and was to be distributed among 12,000 creditors. In reporting this, the St. Louis "Globe-Democrat" of Oct. 10 supplied further information, as follows:

The 88% distributed by this bank is the second largest dividend in liquidation paid by a closed bank in St. Louis, and amounts to \$4,341,338. Part or all of the remaining 12% will be paid as liquidation proceeds.

The first dividend of 70% was declared May 3 1934, when the new bank was opened for business. This bank has a capital of \$700,000 and paid-in surplus of \$140,090. Its deposits, of about \$2,250,000, are insured under the Glass-Steagall Banking Act of 1933.

Depositors of the closed Bank of Nashville, Nashville, N. C., received \$77,379.90, or 25.8% of their money, Gurney

P. Hood, State Commissioner of Banks for North Carolina, reported on Oct. 13. Liquidation of the bank, which closed Sept. 30 1927, has now been completed. The Raleigh "News & Observer" of Oct. 14, from which this is learned, continued:

The assets of the bank amounted to \$387,103.03, of which 58%, or \$215,481 was collected. Preferred claims of \$18,683.69 and bills payable of \$93,195.05 were paid in full. Unaudited claims of \$5,807.71 were paid and interest paid amounted to \$1,564.65.

The expenses of liquidation amounted to \$18,850.93 and the income during liquidation was \$16,086.01. The net cost of liquidation was \$2,764.92.

On Oct. 16 the Comptroller of the Currency issued a charter to the Bexar County National Bank of San Antonio, San Antonio, Tex. The new organization, which replaces the Commercial National Bank of the same city, is capitalized at \$500,000, consisting of \$300,000 preferred stock and \$200,000 common stock. Walter C. Sparks is President of the new institution, and Albert B. Crowther, Cashier.

F. W. Heathcote, receiver for the First National Bank of Monterey Park (P. O. Alhambra), Calif., on Oct. 11 announced the payment of an 8% dividend to depositors and other creditors with approved claims. In noting this, the San Francisco "Chronicle" of Oct. 12 went on to say:

Two dividends, totaling 30%, have previously been paid. Dividends will be paid only to persons holding receiver's certificates, Mr. Heathcote said, and the certificates must be presented in order to receive dividend checks.

The dividend is being paid from funds acquired in the ordinary course of liquidation, supplemented by a loan from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Regarding the affairs of the defunct Farmers' & Merchants' Bank of Coquille, Ore., advices from that city to the "Oregonian" on Oct. 8 contained the following:

On and after next Friday (Oct. 12) more than 500 depositors of the closed Farmers' & Merchants' Bank of this city will begin receiving dividend checks, sharing in the \$6,200 to be paid out by S. A. Peters Jr., Deputy Bank Examiner. The sum represents a 10% dividend in both commercial and savings accounts, and will mean a total paid from the former of 40%, or \$19,000, and 85%, or \$15,100, in the savings. When the bank closed two and a half years ago, deposits in both commercial and savings departments amounted to \$66,000.

It is announced that Herbert Leslie Melville Tritton, Vice-Chairman of Barelays Bank (Dominion, Colonial and Overseas), London, has been elected Chairman of the institution to succeed the late Frederick Craufurd Goodenough.

COURSE OF BANK CLEARINGS

Bank clearings this week will again show a decrease as compared with a year ago. Preliminary figures compiled by us, based upon telegraphic advices from the chief cities of the country indicate that for the week ended to-day (Saturday, Oct. 27) bank exchanges for all cities of the United States from which it is possible to obtain weekly returns will be 0.4% below those for the corresponding week last year. Our preliminary total stands at \$4,708,764,995, against \$4,729,737,301 for the same week in 1933. At this center there is a loss for the week ended Friday of 9.0%. Our comparative summary for the week follows:

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph Week Ending Oct. 27	1934	1933	Per Cent
New York	\$2,354,273,602	\$2,587,792,000	-9.0
Chicago	189,738,417	162,094,664	+17.1
Philadelphia	228,000,000	198,000,000	+15.2
Boston	161,000,000	153,000,000	+5.2
Kansas City	54,071,289	48,637,176	+11.2
St. Louis	57,200,000	50,900,000	+11.1
San Francisco	89,400,000	83,590,146	+7.0
Pittsburgh	65,150,761	63,540,387	+2.5
Detroit	53,146,711	42,389,578	+25.4
Cleveland	46,777,068	44,453,981	+5.2
Baltimore	38,803,161	31,399,000	+23.6
New Orleans	30,645,000	21,041,000	+45.6
Twelve cities, 5 days	\$3,368,206,009	\$3,486,837,932	+3.5
Other cities, 5 days	555,764,820	458,962,435	+21.6
Total all cities, 5 days	\$3,923,970,829	\$3,945,800,367	-0.6
All cities, 1 day	784,794,166	783,936,934	+0.1
Total all cities for week	\$4,708,764,995	\$4,729,737,301	-0.4

Complete and exact details for the week covered by the foregoing will appear in our issue of next week. We cannot furnish them to-day, inasmuch as the week ends to-day (Saturday), and the Saturday figures will not be available until noon-to-day. Accordingly, in the above the last day of the week in all cases has to be estimated.

In the elaborate detailed statement, however, which we present further below, we are able to give final and complete results for the week previous—the week ended Oct. 20. For that week there is a decrease of 4.1%, the aggregate of clearings for the whole country being \$5,312,390,585, against \$5,540,630,457 in the same week in 1933.

Outside of this city there is an increase of 14.9%, the bank clearings at this center having recorded a loss of 14.2%. We

group the cities 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, the totals record a loss of 13.1% and in the Boston Reserve District of 0.7%, but in the Philadelphia Reserve District the totals show a gain of 7.5%. In the Cleveland Reserve District there is an improvement of 12.9%, in the Richmond Reserve District of 29.1%, and in the Atlanta Reserve District of 26.5%. The Chicago Reserve District has managed to enlarge its totals by 22.3%, the St. Louis Reserve District by 16.3%, and the Minneapolis Reserve District by 8.0%. In the Kansas City Reserve District the increase is 21.0%, in the Dallas Reserve District 7.4%, and in the San Francisco Reserve District of 19.1%.

In the following we furnish a summary of Federal Reserve districts:

SUMMARY OF BANK CLEARINGS. Table with columns: Week Ended Oct. 20 1934, 1934, 1933, Inc. or Dec., 1932, 1931. Includes Federal Reserve Dists. (1st Boston, 2nd New York, etc.), Outside N. Y. City, and Canada.

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

Table of bank clearings by city for the week ended Oct. 20, 1934. Columns include 1934, 1933, Inc. or Dec., 1932, and 1931. Lists cities grouped by Federal Reserve Districts: First Federal Reserve District (Boston), Second Federal Reserve District (New York), Third Federal Reserve District (Philadelphia), Fourth Federal Reserve District (Cleveland), Fifth Federal Reserve District (Richmond), Sixth Federal Reserve District (Atlanta), and others.

Table of bank clearings by city for the week ended Oct. 20, 1934. Columns include 1934, 1933, Inc. or Dec., 1932, and 1931. Lists cities grouped by Federal Reserve Districts: Seventh Federal Reserve District (Chicago), Eighth Federal Reserve District (St. Louis), Ninth Federal Reserve District (Minneapolis), Tenth Federal Reserve District (Kansas City), Eleventh Federal Reserve District (Dallas), Twelfth Federal Reserve District (San Francisco), and others.

* Not included in totals. b No clearings available. c Clearing House not functioning at present.

THE CURB EXCHANGE

Trading on the Curb Exchange has been quiet and the price trend has been irregularly downward during most of the present week. There have been occasional stocks that have shown moderate improvement, but the gains, as a rule, were not maintained for any very lengthy period. The most active of the popular trading favorites were in the public utilities and in the specialties, but the advances, at no time, were especially noteworthy.

Narrow changes and restricted trading were the outstanding features of the curb market transactions during the two-hour session on Saturday. Some of the specialties, industrials and utilities were moderately strong at times, but many were sold in small lots and yielded from fractions to a point or more. Stocks showing moderate advances included Aluminum Co. of America, Atlas Corp., Greyhound Corp., Hudson Bay Mining & Smelting, Wright Hargreaves, Teck Hughes and Humble Oil. Lower prices were registered by Fisk Rubber Corp., Glen Alden Coal Co., Lake Shore Mines, Standard Oil of Kentucky and United Gas Corp.

Curb prices were lower as the market closed on Monday, and while some improvement was apparent during the first half of the session, the trend was downward at the close. Some of the specialties were moderately active and held their gains to the end of the day, but trading was light and the day's transactions were small. Singer Manufacturing was in moderate demand and closed about a point higher, American Book Co. showed an advance of 2½ points, New York Power & Light pref. gained 4 points to 77 and Pepperell Manufacturing Co. improved 2 points to 89. Pan American Airways moved downward 2½ points and small losses were recorded by American Gas & Electric and Lake Shore Mines. Other stocks closing on the side of the decline were Electric Bond & Share, Creole Petroleum, Swift International, Wright Hargreaves and Distillers Seagrams.

Irregular price movements were again in evidence on Tuesday, the metals and specialties showing a sagging tendency, while the oils, industrials and utilities were fractionally higher. Light offerings appeared during the first hour, and while these fell off for a short while around noon, selling was again apparent later in the day. Among the active stocks moving on the side of the decline were Lake Shore Mines, Newmont Mining, Hiram Walker, Fajardo Sugar, Aluminum Co. of America, Pioneer Gold and Wright Hargreaves. American Gas & Electric and Glen Alden Coal were slightly higher and American Cyanamid B, Creole Petroleum, Electric Bond & Share, Teck Hughes and Distillers Seagrams were steady.

The curb market moved backward and forward during most of the session on Wednesday, but a brisk rally during the final hour restored price levels in most of the active issues. Specialties were fairly strong, particularly Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co., which gained about 2 points before the close. Sherwin-Williams also was strong and moderate advances were recorded by American Cyanamid B, Hiram Walker, Parker Rust Proof and Pan-American Airways. Metal stocks were firm as they moved upward under the leadership of Lake Shore and Newmont. American Gas & Electric pref. was one of the strong spots and surged forward about 5 points.

Small dealings and irregular price movements were again the rule on Thursday. In the public utility group stocks were fairly steady around previous closing prices for such outstanding shares as American Gas & Electric, United Light & Power A, Niagara Hudson and Electric Bond & Share. Metal and mining stocks were firm but practically unchanged, while oil issues were inclined to recede. Swift shares moved slightly lower and the alcohol issues eased off.

Moderate trading with generally lower prices were the chief characteristics of the curb dealings on Friday. Public utility leaders were inclined to sag though there were a few exceptions like American Gas & Electric and Electric Bond & Share that held relatively firm. The Swift stocks were off on the day and alcohol shares lost ground. In the oil group declines appeared in Humble Oil, Gulf Oil of Pennsylvania and International Petroleum; and the mining and metal issues were represented on the side of the decline by Aluminum Co. of America, which slipped back a point. As compared with Friday of last week many market leaders were lower, Aluminum Co. of America closing on Friday night at 50¼, against 53 on Friday of last week; American Cyanamid B at 15⅞, against 16½; American Gas & Electric at 19⅞, against 20⅞; Atlas Corp. at 8¼, against 8¾; Cities Service at 1½, against 1¾; Cord Corp. at 3½, against 3¾; Creole Petroleum at 12⅞, against 12¾; Electric Bond & Share at 9½, against 10⅞; Ford of Canada A at 22⅞, against 23¼; Greyhound Corp. at 16½, against 17; Gulf Oil of Pennsylvania at 50, against 52½; Hudson Bay Mining & Smelting at 11⅞, against 12¼; International Petroleum at 29, against 30⅞; National Bellas Hess at 2⅞, against 3; Niagara Hudson at 3¼, against 4⅞; Swift & Co. at 17⅞,

against 19⅞; United Founders at ½, against ⅞; United Gas Corp. at 2, against 2⅞, and Wright Hargreaves at 9, against 9⅞.

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE

Week Ended Oct. 26 1934	Stocks (Number of Shares)	Bonds (Par Value)			
		Domestic	Foreign Government	Foreign Corporate	Total
Saturday	68,360	\$1,306,000	\$10,000	\$13,000	\$1,329,000
Monday	93,415	2,274,000	35,000	41,000	2,350,000
Tuesday	151,860	2,838,000	90,000	67,000	2,995,000
Wednesday	116,770	3,141,000	37,000	51,000	3,229,000
Thursday	165,666	4,052,000	40,000	56,000	4,148,000
Friday	145,340	3,304,000	33,000	37,000	3,374,000
Total	741,411	\$16,915,000	\$245,000	\$265,000	\$17,425,000

Sales at New York Curb Exchange	Week Ended Oct. 26		Jan. 1 to Oct. 26	
	1934	1933	1934	1933
Stocks—No. of shares	741,411	1,558,176	50,975,587	88,935,500
Bonds				
Domestic	\$16,915,000	\$15,329,000	\$796,939,000	\$737,188,000
Foreign government	245,000	1,055,000	30,359,000	35,325,000
Foreign corporate	265,000	785,000	22,102,000	34,308,000
Total	\$17,425,000	\$17,169,000	\$849,400,000	\$806,821,000

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of Oct. 10 1934:

GOLD

The Bank of England gold reserve against notes amounted to £191,909,743 on the 3rd instant as compared with £191,886,073 on the previous Wednesday.

During the week the Bank announced the purchase of £28,803 in bar gold. With a further appreciation of the gold currencies in terms of sterling, the price of gold continued to advance and new high records have been established during the week under review, the highest being 142s. 9d. the quotation of yesterday.

In the open market moderate amounts were available and the demand was keen, general buying maintaining prices at a considerable premium over the gold exchange parities.

Quotations during the week:

	Per Ounce Fine	Equivalent Value of £ Sterling
October 4	142s. 1d.	11s. 11.50d.
October 5	142s. 4d.	11s. 11.25d.
October 6	142s. 3d.	11s. 11.33d.
October 8	142s. 6d.	11s. 11.08d.
October 9	142s. 9d.	11s. 10.83d.
October 10	142s. 6d.	11s. 11.08d.
Average	142s. 4.83d.	11s. 11.08d.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of gold registered from mid-day on the 1st instant to mid-day on the 8th instant:

Imports		Exports	
France	£37,440	France	£137,389
Switzerland	28,495	Switzerland	6,865
Netherlands	95,388	Netherlands	28,460
Iraq	12,055	Belgium	16,800
British West Africa	156,037		
British South Africa	1,119,637		
British India	88,810		
Hongkong	141,385		
Australia	62,414		
New Zealand	518,000		
Canada	333,803		
Newfoundland and Coast of Labrador	14,157		
Venezuela	16,348		
Argentine Republic	9,403		
Other countries	25,252		
	£2,658,624		£189,514

The SS "Viceroy of India" which sailed from Bombay on the 6th instant carries gold to the value of about £575,000 of which £327,000 is consigned to London and £248,000 to New York.

SILVER

The market has been very active during the past week, and prices advanced rapidly.

There was a rise of ¼d. on the 8th instant followed yesterday by a further rise of ¾d. which carried quotations to 23¼d. for cash and 23⅞d. for two months' delivery; to-day, prices again advanced, cash being quoted at 23¼d. and two months at 23 7-16d., the highest since September 1929.

America has been a buyer, but the strength was caused largely by demand from the Indian Bazaars. The weakness of sterling has again been a factor, besides which the market found that sellers were inclined to hold back.

There has been buying on China account, as well as sales from the same quarter; speculators have given good support, but there was some profit-taking at the advance in prices.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of silver registered from mid-day on the 1st instant to mid-day on the 8th instant:

Imports		Exports	
China	£3,602,467	U. S. A.	£205,350
Japan	36,275	French Possessions in India	4,000
U. S. A.	6,226	Netherlands	16,320
New Zealand	14,000	Belgium	3,154
Fiji Islands	9,600	Austria	3,000
Belgium	9,020	Other countries	5,950
France	6,889		
Bulgaria	3,959		
Argentine Republic	3,346		
Other countries	6,894		
	£3,698,676		£237,774

Quotations during the week:

IN LONDON		IN NEW YORK	
—Bar Silver per Oz., Std.—		(Per Ounce .999 Fine)	
Cash	2 Mos.		
Oct. 4	22¼d.	Oct. 3	50¼ cents
Oct. 5	22½d.	Oct. 4	50½ cents
Oct. 6	22¾d.	Oct. 5	50¾ cents
Oct. 8	23d.	Oct. 6	50¾ cents
Oct. 9	23¼d.	Oct. 8	50¾ cents
Oct. 10	23⅞d.	Oct. 9	51 cents
Average	22.875d.		

The highest rate of exchange on New York recorded during the period from the 4th instant to the 10th instant was \$4.93¼ and the lowest \$4.89.

INDIAN CURRENCY RETURNS

(In Lacs of Rupees)—	Sept. 30	Sept. 22	Sept. 15
Notes in circulation	18,506	18,456	18,450
Silver coin and bullion in India	9,855	9,805	9,838
Gold coin and bullion in India	4,154	4,154	4,154
Securities (Indian Government)	3,197	3,197	3,170
Securities (British Government)	1,300	1,300	1,288

The stocks in Shanghai on the 6th instant consisted of about 50,500,000 ounces in sycee, 333,000,000 dollars and 34,600,000 ounces in bar silver as compared with about 52,700,000 ounces in sycee, 337,000,000 dollars and 32,900,000 ounces in bar silver on the 29th ultimo.

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:

Table with columns for securities (Silver, Gold, Consols, British 4%, 1960-90) and rows for dates from Sat. Oct. 20 to Fri. Oct. 26.

The price of silver in New York on the same days has been:

Table showing silver prices in New York for various categories like Silver in N.Y., U.S. Treasury, and newly mined, from Oct. 20 to Oct. 26.

PRICES ON PARIS BOURSE

Quotations of representative stocks on the Paris Bourse as received by cable each day of the past week have been as follows:

Large table of Paris Bourse stock prices with columns for dates (Oct. 20-26) and various stock names like Bank of France, Canal de Suez, etc.

THE BERLIN STOCK EXCHANGE

Closing prices of representative stocks as received by cable each day of the past week have been as follows:

Table of Berlin Stock Exchange prices for various German stocks like Reichsbank, Berliner Handels-Gesellschaft, etc., from Oct. 20 to Oct. 26.

CURRENT NOTICES

—F. A. Willard and Herbert W. Grindal, together with a large part of the Willard investment organization, are associating themselves with Reynolds & Co., Messrs. Willard and Grindal as general partners.

—Distributors Group, Incorporated, 63 Wall Street, New York City, announces that its investment company studies covering the first nine months of 1934 are available for distribution.

—Announcement is made by Leigh Chandler of the formation of the new firm of Leigh Chandler & Co., Inc., with offices at 100 Broadway, New York, to conduct a general investment business, specializing in railroad equipment trust obligations and municipal bonds.

NATIONAL BANKS

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

CHARTERS ISSUED

Table listing National Bank charters issued, including Wymore National Bank, Wymore, Neb., with capital of \$50,000.

Oct. 16—Bexar County National Bank of San Antonio, San Antonio, Tex. Capital stock consists of \$200,000 common stock and \$300,000 preferred stock.

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 of auction sales by Adrian H. Muller & Son, listing shares and prices for various stocks like Kent Garage Investing Corp., First Mortgage Guaranty & Title Co., etc.

By R. L. Day & Co., Boston:

Table of auction sales by R. L. Day & Co., listing shares and prices for stocks like Milton Bradley Co., Boston Athenaeum, etc.

Bonds

Table of bonds including \$3,000 City of Woburn 4 1/2%, July 1940 tax exempt reg. school loan, Oct. 1928.

By Crockett & Co., Boston:

Table of auction sales by Crockett & Co., listing shares and prices for stocks like United Elastic Corp., Maine Gas Cos., etc.

By Barnes & Lofland, Philadelphia:

Table of auction sales by Barnes & Lofland, listing shares and prices for stocks like Philadelphia National Bank, Penn. Co. for Ins. on Lives, etc.

By A. J. Wright & Co., Buffalo:

Table of auction sales by A. J. Wright & Co., listing shares and prices for Willis Sainte Claire, Buffalo, common.

Baltimore Stock Exchange

Oct. 20 to Oct. 26, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Large table of Baltimore Stock Exchange data with columns for Stocks, Par, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1 1934.

*No par value.

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:

Weekly Return of the Federal Reserve Board (Concluded)

WEEKLY STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF EACH OF THE 12 FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS OCT. 24 1934

Main table showing resources and liabilities of 12 Federal Reserve Banks. Columns include Total, Boston, New York, Phila., Cleveland, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Kan. City, Dallas, San Fran. Rows include RESOURCES (Gold certificates, Federal Reserve notes, Deposits, etc.) and LIABILITIES (F. R. notes in circulation, Deposits, etc.).

* "Other Cash" does not include Federal Reserve notes or bank's own Federal Reserve bank notes

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE STATEMENT

Federal Reserve Note Statement table showing details of notes issued, held by Fed'l Reserve Bank, and in actual circulation across the 12 districts.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK NOTE STATEMENT

Federal Reserve Bank Note Statement table showing collateral held by the Fed'l Reserve Bank, including notes issued, discounted & purchased bills, and U.S. Government securities.

* Does not include \$88,209,000 of Federal Reserve bank notes for the retirement of which Federal Reserve banks have deposited lawful money with the Treasurer of the United States.

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 reporting member banks in 91 leading cities from which weekly returns are obtained.

PRINCIPAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN LEADING CITIES, BY DISTRICTS, ON OCT. 17 1934 (In Millions of Dollars)

Table showing principal assets and liabilities of weekly reporting member banks in leading cities, categorized by Federal Reserve District (Total, Boston, New York, Phila., Cleveland, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Kan. City, Dallas, San Fran.).

Report of Stock Sales—New York Stock Exchange

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NOTICE.—Cash and deferred delivery sales are disregarded in the day's range, unless they are the only transactions of the day. No account is taken of such sales in computing the range for the year.

Main table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT (Saturday Oct. 20 to Friday Oct. 26), Sales for the Week, STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, Range Since Jan. 1 (Lowest, Highest), July 1 1933 to Sept. 29 1934 (Low, High), and Range for Year 1933 (Low, High). Lists various stock symbols and their corresponding prices and ranges.

*Bid and asked prices no sales on this day *Companies reported in receivership *Optional sale *Cash sale *Sold 15 days *Ex-dividend *Ex-rights

Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT; STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE; Range Since Jan. 1; July 1 1933 to Sept. 29 1934; Range for Year 1933. Rows list various stocks like Arnold Constable Corp, Art Metal Construction, Associated Dry Goods, etc.

* Bid and asked prices no sales on this day † Companies reported in receivership b Name changed from Amer Beet Sugar Co. z Ex-dividend

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for dates from Saturday Oct. 20 to Friday Oct. 26, showing high and low sale prices per share for various stocks.

Sales for the Week

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Range Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-share Lots

July 1 1933 to Sept. 29 1934 Range or Year 1933

Main table listing various stocks (e.g., Chiockasha Cotton Oil, Childs Co, Chile Copper Co) with columns for Shares, Lowest, Highest, and Range.

* Bid and asked prices. No sales on this day. I Co-operations reported in receivership. a Optional sale c Cash sale r Ex-dividend y Ex-rights

Table with columns for High and Low Sale Prices (Saturday Oct. 20 to Friday Oct. 26), Sales for the Week, New York Stock Exchange, Range Since Jan. 1, and Range for Year 1933. Includes various stock listings such as Eltek Storage Battery, Elk Horn Coal, and many others.

* Bid and asked prices, no sales on this day. I Companies reported in receivership. a Optional sale c Cash sale. z Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights.

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for dates from Saturday Oct. 20 to Friday Oct. 26, showing high and low sale prices per share for various stocks.

Main table listing stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, including company names, share counts, and price ranges from July 1933 to January 1934.

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Main table containing stock prices, categorized by 'HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT' and 'STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE'. Columns include dates from Saturday Oct. 20 to Friday Oct. 26, sales for the week, and price ranges from July 1, 1933 to July 1, 1934. Stocks listed include Mack Trucks Inc., Maytag Co., and many others.

* Bid and a bid price, no sales on this day. † Companies reported in receivership. ‡ Optional sale. § Cash sale. ¶ Sold 15 days. †† Ex-dividend. ††† Ex-rights.

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Sales for the Week

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Range Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-share Lots

July 1 1933 to Sept. 29 1934 Range for Year 1933

Main table containing stock prices, sales, and ranges for various companies like Northern Pacific, Northwestern Telegraph, etc.

* Bid and asked prices, no sales on this day. † Companies reported in receivership. a Optional sale c Cash sale x Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights.

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT						Sales for the Week	STOCKS		NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE		Range Since Jan. 1		July 1 1933 to Sept. 29 1934	Range for Year 1933	
Saturday Oct. 20	Monday Oct. 22	Tuesday Oct. 23	Wednesday Oct. 24	Thursday Oct. 25	Friday Oct. 26		Shares	Par	Lowest	Highest	Low	High	Low	High	
\$ 33 33	32½ 32½	32¼ 32½	*32 32¼	32¼ 32¼	*31¼ 32½	900	5	4 Jan 3	10¼ Feb 6	3¾	2	10½	2	10½	
7 7	*6½ 8	*5½ 7¼	7 7	*5½ 7¼	*5½ 7¼	200	100	32½ Oct 5	39½ Feb 19	29½	17½	39¼	17½	39¼	
17½ 17½	17½ 18	17½ 18	17½ 18	17½ 18	17½ 18	3,900	100	5½ Oct 5	15 Feb 7	6	6	18½	6	18½	
34 17½	34 18	34 18	34 18	34 18	34 18	800	100	15½ July 31	27½ Feb 6	15½	6½	31¼	15½	31¼	
5½ 14½	*5½ 14½	*5½ 14½	*5½ 14½	*5½ 14½	*5½ 14½	400	100	1½ Aug 9	4½ Feb 6	11½	7½	9½	11½	9½	
*13 17½	*13 17½	*13 17½	*13 17½	*13 15	*13 15	2,200	100	2 July 23	6½ Apr 4	15½	1	9¼	15½	9¼	
*98 99	98¼ 98¼	98 98	*98¼ 99	98 98	98 98	90	No par	5 July 26	20 Mar 8	8	5¼	22	8	22	
*107½ 107½	*107½ 107½	*107½ 107½	*107½ 107½	*107½ 107½	*107½ 107½	130	100	38¼ Oct 4	57 Apr 23	35¼	28	62½	35¼	62½	
58 51½	*58 51½	*58 51½	*58 51½	*58 51½	*58 51½	6	500	8½ Jan 3	108 July 5	80	72	94½	80	94½	
24 24½	24½ 24½	24½ 24½	24½ 24½	24½ 24½	24½ 24½	21,800	5	98¼ Jan 15	113 June 16	90½	80¼	105	90½	105	
37½ 37½	37½ 37½	37½ 37½	37½ 37½	37½ 37½	37½ 37½	3,520	100	5½ Oct 20	12¼ Feb 15	4½	2¼	12	4½	12	
*18½ 20	19 22½	20½ 21½	20½ 21½	19 21½	19 19½	4,100	100	17½ July 26	35½ Apr 11	17½	24	45¼	17½	45¼	
*55 57	*55 57	*55 57	*55 57	*55 57	*55 57	55	56	3 Sept 14	8 Feb 5	2½	5½	10¼	2½	10¼	
*18 18	*18 18	*18 18	*18 18	*18 18	*18 18	5,400	100	15 Jan 2	30¼ Apr 16	12	3½	35¼	12	35¼	
*22 42	*22 42	*22 42	*22 42	*22 42	*22 42	2,600	100	41 Jan 10	57 Oct 19	37¼	28	44¾	37¼	44¾	
40¾ 41½	41 41½	40¼ 41	40¼ 41	40¾ 41½	40¾ 41½	26,400	100	5½ Sept 13	2 Feb 6	5½	1¾	3	5½	3	
*37 37	*37 37	*37 37	*37 37	*37 37	*37 37	300	100	1 Sept 12	3½ Feb 21	1	1	4¾	1	4¾	
*8 8	*8 8	*8 8	*8 8	*8 8	*8 8	220	100	20¼ Oct 4	38¼ Apr 11	19	15	43¾	19	43¾	
*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	700	No par	2½ Sept 15	4½ Feb 7	2½	1½	4¾	2½	4¾	
*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	15,700	No par	31 Aug 6	51¼ Feb 6	30	12½	47	30	47	
*8 8	*8 8	*8 8	*8 8	*8 8	*8 8	1,900	No par	15 Oct 23	4¼ Jan 26	14	14	5	14	5	
*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	700	No par	32 Jan 8	45½ Feb 2	30	24	48	30	48	
*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	*6½ 6½	1,900	No par	12 Sept 13	2 Jan 22	1½	1½	3½	1½	3½	
*23¾ 24½	*23¾ 24½	*23¾ 24½	*23¾ 24½	*23¾ 24½	*23¾ 24½	400	No par	4½ July 26	9 Apr 24	3½	1½	7½	3½	7½	
46 46	*46 48	*46 48	*46 48	*46 48	*46 48	8	8	6¼ Jan 2	13½ Mar 9	6	5¼	13¼	6	13¼	
*65 66	*65 66	*65 66	*65 66	*65 66	*65 66	800	No par	5½ Jan 21	13¼ Feb 23	4	1½	12	4	12	
*118 118½	*111¼ 111½	11 11½	11 11½	*107½ 114	10¾ 10½	3,600	No par	28¼ Jan 8	4½ May 3	30	21¼	41½	30	41½	
*94 98½	94 98½	94 98½	94 98½	94 98½	94 98½	1,200	No par	21 June 12	26¼ Mar 14	20	11¼	31	20	31	
148 148	14¼ 14¼	13¾ 14¾	14¼ 14¼	13¾ 14¾	14¼ 14¼	16,300	100	6 Oct 18	11½ Jan 27	6¾	3½	11½	6¾	11½	
*61½ 52½	*61½ 52½	*61½ 52½	*61½ 52½	*61½ 52½	*61½ 52½	200	200	57 July 31	89 Jan 26	47	28½	61	47	61	
*21 25	*21 25	*21 25	*21 25	*21 25	*21 25	3,200	No par	8 June 4	12½ Feb 16	5½	2½	10¾	5½	10¾	
15 15	15 15	15 15	15 15	15 15	15 15	16,300	100	8½ July 26	24½ Feb 5	8	4¾	31	8	31	
104½ 105	*103½ 105	*103½ 106	*103½ 106	*104 104	*104 104	400	400	7¼ July 26	15½ Oct 17	7¼	4¾	12½	7¼	12½	
*130 136	*130 136	*131 134¼	131 131	*123 130	*125 130	10	10	6 Oct 4	11½ Apr 25	6	3	9½	6	9½	
124 134	117½ 124	12 12½	12 12½	12¾ 13¼	12¾ 13¼	10,100	100	52 Oct 16	68½ Apr 26	42	22	57½	42	57½	
74 74	75 108	75 108	75 108	75 108	75 108	30	30	15 Jan 9	27½ Feb 17	12	7	35	12	35	
18 18	*112 138	*112 138	*112 138	*112 138	*112 138	23,800	100	18½ Oct 11	42 Apr 23	15	8¼	42	15	42	
16 16¼	16¼ 16¼	15½ 16¼	15½ 16¼	15½ 16¼	15½ 16¼	4,500	100	6¼ Jan 3	17 May 5	3½	6	17	3½	17	
20 20	19½ 19½	*19 19½	19¼ 23¼	21 23½	19¾ 19½	1,500	100	88 Jan 6	10½ Sept 21	7½	58	92	7½	92	
34½ 34½	*30¼ 36½	*31 36½	30 36½	*31 36½	*31 36½	400	25	23½ Oct 26	39½ Feb 5	29½	15½	48½	29½	48½	
*54 8	*54 8	*54 8	*54 8	*54 8	*54 8	48	48	115 Jan 16	137 July 23	112	112	132	112	132	
*51½ 52	*50 51½	48 52	48 52	*48 50	*48 50	30	30	10½ Sept 15	22½ Feb 7	10½	14½	28	10½	28	
*40¼ 41	*40¼ 41	*40¼ 41	*40¼ 41	*40¼ 41	*40¼ 41	2,200	No par	5½ Sept 24	9½ Mar 20	5½	3½	20½	5½	20½	
34 34	31 38	31 38	31 38	31 38	31 38	300	No par	12 Sept 10	3¼ Jan 15	24	14	74	24	74	
*26 27	*26 27	*26 27	*26 27	*26 27	*26 27	900	No par	14 Aug 6	32¼ Feb 5	11½	8	36½	11½	36½	
*61 7	*61 7	*61 7	*61 7	*61 7	*61 7	12,700	No par	14 July 26	41¼ Apr 26	14	57½	49	14	57½	
27 27	27 27	29½ 29½	29½ 29½	29½ 29½	29½ 29½	320	320	32 Sept 15	47½ Apr 20	28	8	40¼	28	40¼	
60½ 61½	59 61½	58½ 60½	60¼ 62¾	61½ 64½	60 61½	23,100	100	5 Oct 2	13 Apr 21	5	4	11½	5	11½	
19½ 19½	19½ 20	19½ 20	19½ 20	19½ 20	19½ 20	19,700	100	30¼ Jan 11	74 Apr 21	30¼	25½	61	30¼	61	
*124 124½	124½ 124½	124½ 124½	124½ 124½	124½ 124½	124½ 124½	350	100	7 Jan 22	15½ Apr 23	7	4½	15½	7	15½	
7½ 7½	7½ 7½	7½ 7½	7½ 7½	7½ 7½	7½ 7½	2,200	No par	27½ Sept 14	8 Feb 21	27½	¾	8	27½	8	
*79 81	79 81	79 81	79 81	79 81	79 81	1,000	No par	30 Jan 23	62 Apr 24	20	17½	50	20	50	
*161½ 172	*161½ 172	*161½ 172	*161½ 172	*161½ 172	*161½ 172	800	100	27½ Jan 10	8 Feb 21	27½	12	51½	27½	51½	
*91 21	*91 21	*91 21	*91 21	*91 21	*91 21	1,800	No par	19 Jan 11	73 Apr 21	19	12¼	39¾	19	39¾	
109 109	109 109	108½ 109	109 109	109 109	109 109	1,500	100	30 Jan 23	62 Apr 24	20	17½	50	20	50	
29 29	29 29	28¾ 29½	28¾ 29½	29 29	29 29	35,200	No par	19 Jan 4	67½ Apr 25	17¼	17¼	37½	17¼	37½	
24 24	24 24	24 24	24 24	24 24	24 24	13,400	100	12¼ Jan 6	10½ Feb 20	18	11¼	32½	18	32½	
*26 31½	*26 31½	*26 31½	*26 31½	*26 31½	*26 31½	24,800	100	19 Jan 4	67½ Apr 25	17¼	17¼	37½	17¼	37½	
*94 94	*94 94	*94 94	*94 94	*94 94	*94 94	1,100	No par	17¼ July 26	25½ Feb 1	17¼	13¾	37½	17¼	37½	
60½ 60½	*61 61	*61 61	*61 61	*61 61	*61 61	4,800	No par	12¼ Jan 7	127 Sept 4	120	120	124	120	124	
*44 44	*44 44	*44 44	*44 44	*44 44	*44 44	100	100	3¼ July 27	8 Mar 13	3¼	1	9½	3¼	9½	
*34 35½	*34 35½	*34 35½	*34 35½	*34 35½	*34 35½	300	300	6¼ July 26	17 Feb 6	6	5½	22½	6	22½	
*61 64	*61 64	*61 64	*61 64	*61 64	*61 64	15,600	No par	6¾ July 26	17 Feb 6	6	5½	22½	6	22½	
58 54	58 54	58 54	58 54	58 54	58 54	4,600	No par	6¾ July 26	17 Feb 6	6	5½	22½	6	22½	
34 34	34 34	34 34	34 34	34 34	34 34	9,300	No par	15 July 27	33 Feb 6	15	15	61	15	61	
*14½ 17	*14½ 17	*14½ 17	*14½ 17	*14½ 17	*14½ 17	400	100	17½ Jan 4	38½ Apr 24	16	16	66	16	66	
*70 70	*70 70	*70 70	*70 70	*70 70	*70 70	1,500	No par	7 Jan 13	17 Jan 5	7	7	27½	7	27½	
*116½ 119	*116½ 119	*117 117½	117 117½	*117 117½	*117 117½	30	100	96½ Jan 2	110¼ May 26	94½	92½	106	94½	106	
14 14	14 14	*13¾ 15	*13¾ 15	*13¾ 15	*13¾ 15	144	100	26½ Oct 4	42¾ Jan 30	26½	13½	43	26½	43	
6½ 6½	6½ 6½	6½ 6½	6½ 6½	6½ 6½	6½ 6½	1,800	No par	11½ July 27	25½ Feb 5	11½	7½	27	11½	27	
*34 41	*34 41	*34 41	*34 41	*34 41	*34 41	100	100	14 July 26	3 Feb 1	14	¾	4½	14	4½	
*2 2	*2 2	*2 2	*2 2	*2 2	*2 2	400	No par	4½ July 26	15½ Feb 19	4½	2	22½	4½	22½	
*21 21	*21 21	*21 21	*21 21	*21 21	*21 21	100	No par	3½ July 27	5¼ Jan 26	3½	1	10	3½	10	
9½ 9½	*8½ 9½	*8½ 9½	*8½ 9½	*8½ 9½	*8½ 9½	200	No par	11½ July 27	25½ Feb 5	11½	7½	27	11½	27	
4 4	*4 4	*4 4	*4 4	*4 4	*4 4	900	No par	14 July 26	3 Feb 1	14	¾				

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday Oct. 20 to Friday Oct. 26) and 'Sales for the Week'. Rows list various stock symbols and their corresponding prices.

Sales for the Week

NEW STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Range Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-share Lots

July 1 1933 to Sept. 29 1934

Main table listing stock symbols, par values, and price ranges. Includes columns for 'Lowest' and 'Highest' prices, and 'Low' and 'High' prices for the period July 1 1933 to Sept. 29 1934.

* Bid and asked prices. no sales on this day. x Companies reported in receivership. o Optional sale. c Cash sale. s Sold 7 days. f Ex-dividend. y Ex rights.

New York Stock Exchange—Bond Record, Friday, Weekly and Yearly

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On Jan. 1 1909 the Exchange method of quoting bonds was changed and prices are now "and interest"—except for income and defaulted bonds
NOTICE—Cash and deferred delivery sales are disregarded in the week's range, unless they are the only transactions of the week, and when selling outside the regular weekly range are shown in a footnote in the week in which they occur. No account is taken of such sales in computing the range for the year.

BONDS			N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE			Week Ended Oct. 26		
Interest	Period	Range or Friday's Bid & Asked	Bonds Sold	July 1 1933 to Sept. 29 1934	Range Since Jan. 1	Low	High	No.
U. S. Government.								
First Liberty Loan—3 1/2 of '32-47	J D	103 1/2-104 1/2	550	100 1/2-101 1/2	99	99	100 1/2	101 1/2
Conv 4 1/2 of 1932-47	J D	103 1/2-104 1/2	159	100 1/2-101 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	100 1/2	101 1/2
Conv 4 1/2 of 1932-47	J D	103 1/2-104 1/2		100 1/2-101 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	100 1/2	101 1/2
2d conv 4 1/2 of 1932-47	J D	103 1/2-104 1/2		100 1/2-101 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	100 1/2	101 1/2
Fourth Lib Loan 4 1/2 of 1933-1938	A O	103 1/2-104 1/2		100 1/2-101 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	100 1/2	101 1/2
4 1/2 (3d called) 1933-1938	A O	103 1/2-104 1/2		100 1/2-101 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	100 1/2	101 1/2
Treasury 4 1/2 1947-1952	A O	111 1/2-112 1/2	239	104 1/2-105 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	105 1/2	106 1/2
Treasury 4 1/2 to Oct 15 1934, thereafter 3 1/2	A O	101 1/2-102 1/2	508	97 1/2-99 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	99 1/2	100 1/2
Treasury 4s 1944-1954	A O	107 1/2-108 1/2	459	101 1/2-102 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	102 1/2	103 1/2
Treasury 3 1/2 1916-1956	M S	103 1/2-104 1/2	327	99 1/2-100 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	100 1/2	101 1/2
Treasury 3 1/2 1913-1947	J D	103 1/2-104 1/2	195	99 1/2-100 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	100 1/2	101 1/2
Treasury 3s Sept 15 1951-1955	M S	99 1/2-100 1/2	2200	97 1/2-98 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2
Treasury 3s Dec 15 1916-1948	J D	100 1/2-101 1/2	2290	97 1/2-98 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2
Treasury 3 3/4 June 15 1940-1943	J D	103 1/2-104 1/2	262	98 1/2-99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2	100 1/2
Treasury 3 3/4 Mar 15 1941-1943	M S	103 1/2-104 1/2	144	97 1/2-98 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2
Treasury 3 3/4 June 15 1946-1949	J D	101 1/2-102 1/2	619	94 1/2-95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2
Treasury 3 3/4 Aug 1 1941	F A	101 1/2-102 1/2	766	97 1/2-98 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2
Treasury 3 3/4 1944-1946	A O	101 1/2-102 1/2	2401	98 1/2-99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2	100 1/2
Fed Farm Mtg Corp 3 3/4 1964	M S	100 1/2-101 1/2	283	95 1/2-96 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2	97 1/2
3s 1944-1949	M S	97 1/2-98 1/2	1248	94 1/2-95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2
Home Owners Mtg Corp 4s 1951	J J	97 1/2-98 1/2	3748	94 1/2-95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2
3s series A 1952	M N	97 1/2-98 1/2	4186	94 1/2-95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2
2 1/2 1939-1949	F A	94 1/2-95 1/2	2521	93 1/2-94 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	94 1/2	95 1/2

BONDS			N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE			Week Ended Oct. 26		
Interest	Period	Range or Friday's Bid & Asked	Bonds Sold	July 1 1933 to Sept. 29 1934	Range Since Jan. 1	Low	High	No.
Foreign Govt. & Munic. (Con.)								
Cuba (Republic) 5s of 1904	M S	93	93	93	93	93	93	93
External 5s of 1914 ser A	F A	*						
External loan 4 1/2	F A	87 1/2	89	87 1/2	89	87 1/2	89	90
Sinking fund 5 1/2 Jan 15	J J	72	73 1/2	72	73 1/2	72	73 1/2	74
Public wks 5 1/2 June 30	J D	27 1/2	28 1/2	27 1/2	28 1/2	27 1/2	28 1/2	29
Cundinamarca 6 1/2	M N	15	15 1/2	15	15 1/2	15	15 1/2	16
Czechoslovakia (Rep of) 8s	A O	95	96	95	96	95	96	97
Sinking fund 8s ser B	A O	95	95 1/2	95	95 1/2	95	95 1/2	96
Denmark 20 year extd 6s	A O	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2	100
External gold 5 1/2	F A	95	95 1/2	95	95 1/2	95	95 1/2	96
External 4 1/2. Apr 15	A O	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	84
Deutsche Hk Am part ext 6s								
Stamped extd to Sept 1 1935		51	51 1/2	51	51 1/2	51	51 1/2	52
Dominican Rep Cust Ad 5 1/2	M S	a64	a64	a64	a64	a64	a64	a64
1st ser 5 1/2 of 1926	A O	56	57 1/2	56	57 1/2	56	57 1/2	58
2d series sink fund 5 1/2	A O	55	56 1/2	55	56 1/2	55	56 1/2	57
Dresden (C'ity) external 7s	M N	32	33	32	33	32	33	34
Dutch East Indies 5 1/2 Nov	M N							
El Salvador (Republic) 8s A	J J	*54 1/2						
Certificat of deposit	J J	*50 1/2	52	50 1/2	52	50 1/2	52	53
Estonia (Republic) ext 6s	J J	78 1/2	79 1/2	78 1/2	79 1/2	78 1/2	79 1/2	80
Finland (Republic) ext 6s	M S	101	101 1/2	101	101 1/2	101	101 1/2	102
External sinking fund 7s	M S	101 1/2	102 1/2	101 1/2	102 1/2	101 1/2	102 1/2	103
External sink fund 6 1/2	M S	101 1/2	102	101 1/2	102	101 1/2	102	103
External sink fund 5 1/2	F A	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	101
Finland Mun Loan 6 1/2	A O	99	100	99	100	99	100	101
External 6 1/2 s. r. a. l. B.	A O	99	100	99	100	99	100	101
Frankfort (C'ity) s f 6 1/2	M N	23 1/2	25	23 1/2	25	23 1/2	25	26
French Republic extd 7 1/2	J D	181 1/2	183 1/2	181 1/2	183 1/2	181 1/2	183 1/2	184
External 7s of 1924	J D	182	183 1/2	182	183 1/2	182	183 1/2	184
German Government Interna-								
ional 35-yr 5 1/2 of 1930	J D	25 1/2	28 1/2	25 1/2	28 1/2	25 1/2	28 1/2	29
German Republic ext 7s	A O	38 1/2	39	38 1/2	39	38 1/2	39	40
German Prov & Communal Bks	J D	34 1/2	36	34 1/2	36	34 1/2	36	37
Graz (Austria) 6 1/2	M N	100	100 1/2	100	100 1/2	100	100 1/2	101
Only unmatd coupons on	J J	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	86
Gr Brit & Ire (U K) of 5 1/2	F A	116 1/2	117 1/2	116 1/2	117 1/2	116 1/2	117 1/2	118
*4% fund loan U opt 1960	M N	215	215 1/2	215	215 1/2	215	215 1/2	216
Greek Government 1st ser 7s	M N	33	34	33	34	33	34	35
1st ser Aug '33 coupon	F A	27 1/2	28 1/2	27 1/2	28 1/2	27 1/2	28 1/2	29
Haiti (Republic) s f 6s ser A	A O	73	73	73	73	73	73	74
Hamburg (State) 6s	A O	*23	24 1/2	*	24 1/2	*	24 1/2	25
Heidelberg (German) ext 7 1/2	J J	*17 1/2	21 1/2	*	21 1/2	*	21 1/2	22
Helsinki (C'ity) ext 6 1/2	A O	99	99 1/2	99	99 1/2	99	99 1/2	100
Hungarian Mun Loan 7 1/2	J J	38	39	38	39	38	39	40
Only unmatd coup attached	J J	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	27
Only unmatd coupons on	J J	37 1/2	38	37 1/2	38	37 1/2	38	39
Only unmatd coupons attached	J J	28	28 1/2	28	28 1/2	28	28 1/2	29
Hungarian Land M Inst 7 1/2	M N	44 1/2	45	44 1/2	45	44 1/2	45	46
Sinking fund 7 1/2 ser B	M N	*44 1/2	48	*	48	*	48	49
Hungary (King of) s f 7 1/2	F A	40 1/2	42 1/2	40 1/2	42 1/2	40 1/2	42 1/2	43
Irish Free State ext s f 6s	M N	112	112	112	112	112	112	113
Italy (Kingdom of) ext 7s	J D	93	94 1/2	93	94 1/2	93	94 1/2	95
Italian Cred Consortium 7s A	M S	*99	99 1/2	*	99 1/2	*	99 1/2	100
External sec s f 7s ser B	J J	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	93
Italian Public Utility ext 7s	J J	84 1/2	86	84 1/2	86	84 1/2	86	87
Japanese Govt 30-yr s f 6 1/2	F A	92 1/2	93 1/2	92 1/2	93 1/2	92 1/2	93 1/2	94
Extl sinking fund 5 1/2	M N	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	78 1/2	79
Jugoslavia (State Mtg Bank) —								
Secured s f 7s	A O	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	35
7s with all unmatd coup	J J	*21 1/2	22	*	22	*	22	23
With Oct 1 '35 & sub coupons on	J J	20	20	20	20	20	20	21
Lepzig (Germany) s f 7s	F A	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	36
Lower Austria (Prov) 7 1/2	J D	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	101
Only unmatd coup attach'd	J J	50	50	50	50	50	50	51
Lyons (C'ity) of 15-year 6s	M N	170	170	170	170	170	170	171
Marseilles (C'ity) of 15-year 6s	M N	170	170	170	170	170	170	171
Medellin (Columbia) 6 1/2	J D	10 1/2	11 1/2	10 1/2	11 1/2	10 1/2	11 1/2	12
Medicinal Irrig Assntg 4 1/2	M N	8 1/2	9	8 1/2	9	8 1/2	9	10
Mexico (US) extl 5s of 1899 £	J J	*	10 1/2	*	10 1/2	*	10 1/2	11
Assenting 6s of 1899	F A	11 1/2	12	11 1/2	12	11 1/2	12	13
Assenting 6s large	J J	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	13
Assenting 6s small	J J	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	8
4s of 1904	J J	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	9
Assenting 4s of 1904	J J	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	8
Assenting 4s of 1910 small	J J	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	8
Assenting 4s of 1910 large	J J	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	8
\$Treas 6s of '13 assntg (large)	J J	*8 1/2	12	*	12	*	12	13
\$Small	J J	8 1/2	9	8 1/2	9	8 1/2	9	10
Milan (C'ity, Italy) ext 6 1/2	A O	82 1/2	83 1/2	82 1/2	83 1/2	82 1/2	83 1/2	84
Minas Geraes (Brazil) 6 1/2	M S	22 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	23 1/2	24
September coupon off		*20 1/2	22	*	22	*	22	23
Ext sec 6 1/2 series A	M S	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	23
September coupon off		*20 1/2	23 1/2	*	23 1/2	*	23 1/2	24
Montevideo (C'ity) of 7s	J D	38	38	38	38	38	38	39
External s f 6s series A	M N	33	33 1/2	33	33 1/2	33	33 1/2	34</

BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Oct. 26				BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Oct. 26									
Interest Period	Week's Range or Friday's Bid & Asked		Bonds Sold	July 1 1933 to Sept. 29 1934	Range Since Jan. 1		Interest Period	Week's Range or Friday's Bid & Asked		Bonds Sold	July 1 1933 to Sept. 29 1934	Range Since Jan. 1	
	Low	High			Low	High		Low	High			Low	High
Foreign Govt. & Munic. (Concl.)													
Rio de Janeiro 25-year s f 8s.....1946	A	O	25	25	3	13 1/2	17 1/2	25 3/8	---	---	---	---	---
April coupon off.....1959	F	A	22	22 1/8	3	19	19	23 1/4	---	---	---	---	---
External s f 6 1/2s.....1953	F	A	22	23	7	13	16	25	---	---	---	---	---
August coupon off.....	---	---	---	---	---	21 1/8	21 1/8	24	---	---	---	---	---
May coupon off.....	---	---	---	---	---	23	23	23	---	---	---	---	---
Rome (City) extl 6 1/2s.....1952	A	O	8 3/4	8 3/4	12	7 1/2	80	92	---	---	---	---	---
Rotterdam (City) extl 6s.....1964	M	N	128 3/8	134 1/2	21	91 1/8	112	144	---	---	---	---	---
Rumania (Monopolies) gu 7s.....1959	F	A	3 3/4	3 7/8	67	23	23	40	---	---	---	---	---
Saarbruecken (City) 6s.....1953	J	D	7 1/2	7 1/2	9	56	66 1/8	81	---	---	---	---	---
Sao Paulo (City) s f 5 1/2s.....1952	M	N	27	27	1	18	22	30	---	---	---	---	---
External s f 6 1/2s of 1927.....1957	M	N	24 1/2	25	12	15 1/8	17 1/8	26	---	---	---	---	---
May coupon on.....	---	---	---	---	---	19 1/2	19 1/2	23	---	---	---	---	---
San Paulo (State) extl s f 8s.....1936	J	J	41 1/8	43 1/2	1	15 1/8	18	42	---	---	---	---	---
July 1932 coupon on.....	---	---	---	---	---	32	32	42	---	---	---	---	---
External sec s f 8s.....1950	J	J	27 1/4	27 1/4	3	12 1/2	13 1/2	29 1/4	---	---	---	---	---
July 1932 coupon on.....	---	---	---	---	---	18 1/2	18 1/2	27	---	---	---	---	---
External s f 7s Water L'n.....1956	M	S	24 3/8	25 3/4	9	12 7/8	13 3/8	25 3/4	---	---	---	---	---
September coupon off.....	---	---	---	---	---	23 1/2	23 1/2	24	---	---	---	---	---
External s f 6s.....1968	J	O	24	25	9	10 3/4	12 3/8	26 1/2	---	---	---	---	---
July 1932 coupon on.....	---	---	---	---	---	17 1/8	17 1/8	24 1/4	---	---	---	---	---
Secured s f 7s.....1940	A	O	88	92 1/4	45	61	65	92 1/2	---	---	---	---	---
Santa Fe (Prov Arg Rep) 7s.....1942	M	S	52	52 1/2	8	17	18 1/2	52 1/2	---	---	---	---	---
Stamped.....	---	---	---	---	---	38	38	51 1/8	---	---	---	---	---
Saxon Pub Wks (Germany) 7s.....1945	F	A	40	40 1/8	4	35 1/2	35 1/2	67	---	---	---	---	---
Gen ref guar 6 1/2s.....1951	M	N	36 3/4	38 3/4	10	28 1/2	28 1/2	60 7/8	---	---	---	---	---
Saxon State Mtge Inst 7s.....1945	J	D	45	45	2	42 1/2	42 1/2	71	---	---	---	---	---
Sinking fund g 6 1/2s.....1946	J	D	40 1/2	50	4	44 7/8	44 7/8	70	---	---	---	---	---
Serbs Croats & Slovenes 8s.....1962	M	N	29 3/8	29 7/8	9	19 1/4	21 1/8	29 7/8	---	---	---	---	---
All unmatured coupon on.....	---	---	---	---	---	16	16	23	---	---	---	---	---
Nov 1 1935 coupon on.....	---	---	---	---	---	13 1/2	13 1/2	17 1/2	---	---	---	---	---
External sec 7s ser B.....1962	M	N	26 3/8	27 1/2	40	17	18	27	---	---	---	---	---
All unmatured coupons on.....	---	---	---	---	---	12 1/2	12 1/2	23	---	---	---	---	---
Nov 1 1935 coupon on.....	---	---	---	---	---	11	11	18	---	---	---	---	---
Silesia (Prov of) extl 7s.....1958	F	D	69 1/8	69 3/8	10	42	52 3/4	71	---	---	---	---	---
Silesian Landowners Assn 6s.....1947	F	A	43	43	3	33	33	69	---	---	---	---	---
Styria (Prov) external 7s.....1946	M	N	17 1/4	17 1/4	3	17	150	174 1/4	---	---	---	---	---
Sweden external loan 5 1/2s.....1954	M	N	86 1/8	88	7	47 1/4	55	88	---	---	---	---	---
Sydney (City) s f 5 1/2s.....1955	F	A	91	92	25	75	80	93	---	---	---	---	---
Taiwan Elec Pow s f 5 1/2s.....1971	J	J	73 1/2	73 1/2	1	58	61 1/4	74 1/2	---	---	---	---	---
Tokyo City 5s loan of 1912.....1952	M	S	70	73 1/2	3	53 3/4	65	73 1/2	---	---	---	---	---
External s f 5 1/2s guar.....1961	A	O	73	73 3/4	11	53 3/4	61 1/4	74	---	---	---	---	---
Tollma (Dept of) extl 7s.....1947	M	N	12 7/8	13	7	8 1/2	10 1/2	17	---	---	---	---	---
Trondhjem (City) 1st 5 1/2s.....1957	M	N	84	84	5	63 3/4	67 1/4	87 1/4	---	---	---	---	---
Upper Austria (Prov) 7s.....1945	J	D	10 1/4	10 3/4	5	5 1/4	62	103 1/2	---	---	---	---	---
Only unmatured coupons attach.....	---	---	---	---	---	70	70	76	---	---	---	---	---
External s f 6 1/2s June 15.....1957	J	D	91 1/4	94	3	43 1/2	44 1/2	94 1/2	---	---	---	---	---
Uruguay (Republic) extl 8s.....1946	F	A	42 1/4	42 3/4	12	33	34 1/2	46	---	---	---	---	---
External s f 6s.....1960	M	N	39 3/8	40 3/8	61	26 1/2	27 1/4	44	---	---	---	---	---
External s f 6s.....1960	M	N	39 1/4	40 1/2	9	26 5/8	29 1/4	44	---	---	---	---	---
Venetian Prov Mtge Bank 7s.....1952	A	O	89 1/2	90	4	80 1/2	109	109	---	---	---	---	---
Vienna (City) of extl s f 6s.....1952	M	N	87	88 1/2	27	52 5/8	58	90 1/2	---	---	---	---	---
Unmatured coupons attached.....	---	---	---	---	---	43 1/2	50	76	---	---	---	---	---
Warsaw (City) external 7s.....1958	F	A	65 5/8	66 1/2	29	41	53	68 1/4	---	---	---	---	---
Yokohama (City) extl 6s.....1961	J	D	75 3/8	77 1/4	15	63	66	77 3/8	---	---	---	---	---

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BONDS				Interest Period	Week's Range or Friday's Bid & Asked			Bonds Sold	July 1 1933 to Sept. 29 1934			BONDS			Interest Period	Week's Range or Friday's Bid & Asked			Bonds Sold	July 1 1933 to Sept. 29 1934				
N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Oct. 26					Low	High	No.		Low	High	No.	N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Oct. 26				Low	High	No.		Low	High	No.		
†1 R Ark & Louis 1st 4 1/4s	1934	M S	13 1/4	14	11	97	9 7/8	9 7/8	25	102 1/2	102 1/2	142 1/4	97 1/2	97 1/2	25	102 1/2	102 1/2	142 1/4	97 1/2	97 1/2	25			
Royal Dutch 4s with warr	1945	A O	135	135 3/4	22	90 3/8	102 1/2	142 1/4	97 1/2	97 1/2	25	102 1/2	102 1/2	142 1/4	97 1/2	97 1/2	25	102 1/2	102 1/2	142 1/4	97 1/2			
Ruhr Chemical s f 6s	1948	A O	*52	53		30 1/8	44	74 1/2	47	72	43 1/2	47	72	43 1/2	47	72	43 1/2	47	72	43 1/2	47			
Rut-Cand 1st gu g 4s	1949	J J	52	52 1/2	3	59	59	75 3/8	53 1/2	75 3/8	10	83 1/4	86	103	105 1/4	114	77	95 1/4	64	70	79 3/8	93		
Rutland 1st con 4 1/4s	1947	J J	54 1/2	54 1/2		59	59		64 1/4	77	95 1/4	64	70	79 3/8	93									
St. Joe & Grand 1st 4s	1947	J J	101 1/8	101 3/8	10	83 1/4	86	103	105 1/4	114	77	95 1/4	64	70	79 3/8	93								
St Joseph Lead deb 5 1/4s	1941	M N	108 3/8	109 3/8	28	105 3/4	105 3/4	114	77	95 1/4	64	70	79 3/8	93										
St Jos Ry Lt Ht & Pr 1st 5s	1937	M N	93 1/4	93 1/4	6	64 1/4	77	95 1/4	64	70	79 3/8	93												
St Lawr & Adr 1st g 5s	1996	J J	93	90		70	79 3/8	93																
2d gold 6s	1996	A O	*80																					
St Louis Iron Mt & Southern																								
‡ Riv & G Div 1st g 4s	1933	M N	56	58 3/4	72	45 1/8	47 1/8	64	52	59														
Certificates of deposit			*54 1/2			52	52		53	57 1/2	82													
St L Peor & N W 1st gu 5s	1948	J J	61	61	2	53	57 1/2	82																
‡ St L-San Fran pr lien 4s A	1950	J J	14	15	45	13 1/8	13 1/8	28	11 1/2	26														
Certificates of deposit			13	14 1/2	43	11 1/2	11 1/2	26																
Prior lien 5s series B	1950	J J	14	15	3	13 1/4	13 1/4	30	13	25														
Certificates of deposit			13 1/4	13 1/4	17	13	13	25																
Con M 4 1/4s series A	1978	M S	11	12 1/2	35	11 1/2	12	25 1/2	11 1/2	25 1/2														
Cts of deposit stamped			11	12 1/2	51	11 1/2	11	24 1/2	11	24 1/2														
St L Rocky Mt & P 5s stpd	1955	J J	50	50 1/2	7	37	37 1/4	61	41 1/2	63														
St L S W 1st 4 1/2s bond ctds	1989	M N	72	73 3/8	20	51	64 1/2	81 1/4	42 1/2	63														
2s g inc bond ctds	Nov 1989	J J	*48	50 1/2		41 1/2	42 1/2	63	48	69 1/2														
1st termal & unifying 5s	1952	J J	51	54	20	43	48	69 1/2	38	58 1/2														
Gen & ref 5s ser A	1990	J J	40 1/2	45	13	37	38	58 1/2	45 1/4	82														
St Paul City Cable cons 5s	1937	J J	79	79	2	45	45 1/4	82	45 3/8	80														
Guaranteed 5s	1937	J J	77	77	4	45 3/8	45 3/8	80	84	100														
St P & Duluth 1st con g 4s	1968	J J	*97	100		84	84	100	63	76 1/2														
St Paul E Gr Trk 1st 4 1/4s	1947	J J	*65			45	63	76 1/2	15	17	37 3/4													
St Paul & K C Sh L gu 4 1/4s	1941	F A	18	18	3	17	17	37 3/4	97	106 3/8														
St Paul Minn & Man 5s	1943	J J	105 1/4	106	113	92 1/8	97	106 3/8	86	94	101 1/2													
Mont ext 1st gold 4s	1937	J D	101	101	20	86	94	101 1/2	101	101														
Pacific ext gu 4s (sterling)	1940	J J	96 3/8	96 3/8	1	85	89	99 3/8	89	101 1/2														
St Paul Union Dep 5s guar.	1972	J J	111	112	28	90	101	112																
S A & Ar Pass 1st gu g 4s	1943	J J	79 1/4	81	60	55	60 1/8	85 1/4	70	71	100 1/2													
San Antonio Pub Serv 1st 6s	1952	J J	96 1/4	98 1/4	18	70	71	100 1/2	94 3/8	107														
Santa Fe Pres & Phen 1st 6s	1942	M S	*107			94 3/8	97	106 3/8	35 1/4	41														
Schulco Co guar 6 1/4s	1946	J J	*30	38		35 3/4	37	41	30	45														
Stamped			*35	38		26 1/2	32	41	30	40														
Guar s f 6 1/4s series B	1946	A O	*36 1/2	42		29	32	41	30	40														
Stamped			*30	40		30	30	41	30	40														
Scioto V & N E 1st gu 4s	1989	M N	105	105	1	90	97 1/2	107 1/2	17 1/2	27														
† Seaboard Air Line 1st g 4s	1950	A O	*16	24 1/2		15 3/8	17 1/2	27	16	16	23 1/2													
Certificates of deposit			16 1/4	16 1/4	4	16	16	27	15	16	27													
† Gold 4s stamped	1950	A O	*17 1/4	20 1/2		12 1/2	15	27	10	10	14													
Certifs of deposit stamped			16	16 1/4	9	10 1/4	16	27	3	3	7 1/2													
Adjustment 6s	Oct 1949	F A	*3 1/8			5	5	7 1/2	5	5	13													
† Refunding 4s	1959	A O	*7	7 1/2		10	10	14	5	5	13													
Certificates of deposit			7	7 1/2	4	5	5	13	8 1/2	9 3/4	64	6 3/4	6 3/4	16 1/2	14	14 1/2	14 1/2	14	12	13	25 1/2			
1st & cons 6s series A	1945	M S	8 1/2	9 3/4	64	6 3/4	6 3/4	16 1/2	8	8 7/8	12	5 1/4	5 1/4	14 1/2	10	14 1/2	25 1/2	2	2	2				
Certificates of deposit			8	8 7/8	12	5 1/4	5 1/4	14 1/2	19 1/8	19 3/8	7	10	14 1/2	25 1/2	2	2	2							
† Atl & Birn 1st g 4s	1933	M S	19 1/8	19 3/8	7	10	14 1/2	25 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/4	7 1/4													
† Seaboard All Fla 6s A ctds	1935	A O	*31 1/4	31 1/2	14	2 1/2	2 1/4	7 1/4	38	78														
Series B certificates	1935	F A	*21 1/2	5		38	78		89 1/2	103 1/2														
Sharon Steel Hoop s f 5 1/4s	1948	F A	67 1/2	69	35	38	78		89 1/2	103 1/2														
Shell Pipe Line s f deb 5s	1952	M N	102 1/2	103 1/4	97	86	89 1/2	103 1/2	89 3/8	102 1/2	148	78 3/8												
Shell Union Oil s f deb 5s	1947	M N	102	102 1/2	148	78 3/8			89 3/8	102 1/2	185	79												
Deb 5s with warrants	1949	A O	102 1/2	102 3/8		58	64 3/8	84 3/8	63	39	81													
Silynetsu El Pow 1st 6 1/4s	1952	J J	83 3/4	84	31	58	64 3/8	84 3/8	39	81														
Siemens & Halske s f 7s	1935	J J	42 3/4	45	10	63	39	81	36	69														
Debutenture s f 6 1/4s	1951	M S	*239 1/4	40	11	36	36	69	86 1/4	104 1/4														
Sierra & San Fran Power 5s	1949	F A	97	101	32	80 3/4	86 1/4	104 1/4	26	68 1/2														
Silesia Elec Corp s f 6 1/4s	1941	F A	*27 1/2	30 1/4		37 3/4	37 3/4	58 3/4	102 1/4	104 3/4														
Silesian-Am Corp coll tr 7s	1941	F A	57 3/8	53	27	33	37 3/4	58 3/4	101	105 3/8														
Sinclair Cons Oil 7s ser A	1937	M S	104	104 3/8</																				

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NOTICE.—Cash and deferred delivery sales are disregarded in the week's range, unless they are the only transactions of the week; and when selling outside of the regular weekly range are shown in a footnote in the week in which they occur. No account is taken of such sales in computing the range for the year.

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 (Oct. 20 1934) and ending the present Friday (Oct. 26 1934). It is compiled entirely from the daily reports of the Curb Exchange itself, and is intended to include every security, whether stock or bond, in which any dealings occurred during the week covered:

Table with columns: Stocks—Par, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), July 1 1933 to Sep. 29 1934 (Low, High), Range Since Jan. 1 1934 (Low, High), Stocks (Continued) Par, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), July 1 1933 to Sep. 29 1934 (Low, High), Range Since Jan. 1 1934 (Low, High). The table lists numerous stocks such as Acetol Products, Acme Wire Co, Adams Mills, Aero Supply, Agfa Anso, Alinsworth Mfg Corp, Air Investors, Warrants, Convertible pref., Alabama Oil Southern, Ala Power \$7 pref., \$6 preferred, Alliance Investment, Allied Internat Investing, \$3 convertible pref., Allied Mills Inc., Aluminum Co common, 6% preference, Aluminum Goods Mfg., Aluminum Ltd com, 6% preferred, Series D warrants, Amer Beverage com, Amer Book Co, Amer Brit & Cont Corp., Amer Capital, Common class B, \$3 preferred, \$5 1/2 prior preferred, Amer Cigar Co, Am Cities Pow & Lt, Class A, Class B, Amer Cyanamid of B n-v, Am Dist Tel N J 7% pf, Amer Equities Co com, Amer Founders Corp, 7% pref series B, 6% 1st pref ser D, Amer & Foreign Pow warr, Amer Gas & Elec com, Preferred, Amer Hard Rubber, Amer Investors com, Warrants, Amer Laundry Mach, Amer L & Tr com, 6% preferred, Amer Malze Prod, Amer Manufacturers, Amer Maracabo Co, Amer Meter Co, Amer Potash & Chemical, Am Superpower Corp com, 1st preferred, Preferred, Amer Thread Co pref, Amsterdam Trading, American shares, Anchor Post Fence, Anglo Persian Oil, Amer dep rets reg, Apex Electric Mfg, Appalachian Elec pref, Acturus Radio Tube, Arkansas Nat Gas com, Common class A, Preferred, Arkansas P & L \$7 pref, Armstrong Cork com, Art Metal Works com, Associated Elec Industries, Amer deposit rets, Assoc Gas & Elec, Class A, \$5 preferred, Warrants, Assoc Laundry v c com, Associated Rayon com, Assoc Telep \$1.50 pref, Assoc Tel Util com, Atlantic Coast Fisheries, Atlantic Cst Line Co, Atlas Corp common, \$3 preference A, Warrants, Atlas Plywood Corp, Automatic-Voting Mach, Axtion-Fisher Tobacco, Class A common, Babcock & Wilcox Co, Baldwin Locomotive Works, Warrants, Baumann (L) & Co 7% ptd, Bellanca Aircraft v c, Bell Tel of Canada, Benson & Hedges com, Convertible preferred, Bickfords Inc com, \$2 1/2 conv preferred, Bliss (E W) & Co com, Blue Ridge Corp com, \$3 opt conv pref, Blumenthal (S) & Co, Bohack (H C) Co com, 7% 1st preferred, Borne Strymer Co, Botany Consol Mills, Bourjols Inc, Bower Roller Bearing, Bowman-Biltmore Hotels, 7% 1st preferred, Brazilian Tr Lt & Pow, Bridgeport Machine, Brill Corp class B, Class A, Brillo Mfg Co com, Class A, British-Amer Oil coup, Registered, British Amer Tobacco, Am dep rets ord bearer, Am dep rets ord reg.

Stocks (Continued)	Par	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week	July 1933 to Sep. 29 1934		Range Since Jan. 1 1934		Stocks (Continued)	Par	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week	July 1933 to Sep. 29 1934		Range Since Jan. 1 1934		
		Low	High		Low	High	Low	High			Low	High						
Doehler Die Casting	100	8 1/2	8 1/2	300	3	3 1/2	Jan	11 1/2	Hydro Electric Securities	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3 1/2	4	July	8	Feb
Dominion Steel & Coal B25	100	73	74 1/2	1,400	55	67 1/2	July	79 1/2	Hygrade Food Prod.	50	20	20 1/2	100	17	17	Sept	24	Feb
Dow Chemical	100	10	10	49	56	56	Jan	95	Hygrade Sylvania Corp.	100	13	13	100	10	10 1/2	Jan	30	Apr
Driver Harris Co.	100	11	11	49	56	56	Jan	95	Illinois P & L \$6 pref.	100	13	13	100	10	12	Sept	28	Feb
7% preferred	100	11	11	49	56	56	Jan	95	6% preferred	100	13	13	100	10	12	Sept	28	Feb
Dubilier Condenser Corp.	100	11	11	49	56	56	Jan	95	Imperial Chem Industries	100	13	13	100	10	12	Sept	28	Feb
Duke Power Co.	100	38 1/2	40	175	37	37 1/2	Jan	57 1/2	Amer deposit rets.	100	8 1/2	8 1/2	200	6	7 1/2	Feb	10	Apr
Durham Hosiery class B.	100	38 1/2	40	175	37	37 1/2	Jan	57 1/2	Imperial Oil (Can) coup.	13,900	16 1/2	16 1/2	13,900	10 1/2	12 1/2	Jan	16 1/2	Oct
Eagle Texas Sulphur	100	6 1/2	7	300	2	4	Jan	10 1/2	Registered	700	16 1/2	16 1/2	700	11 1/2	13	Jan	16 1/2	Oct
Eagle Picher Lead Co.	20	3 1/2	3 1/2	300	2	4	Jan	10 1/2	Imperial Tob of Canada	200	12 1/2	12 1/2	200	9 1/2	10 1/2	June	12 1/2	Apr
East Gas & Fuel Assoc.	100	5 1/2	6	400	5 1/2	5 1/2	Oct	10 1/2	Imperial Tobacco of Great Britain and Ireland	100	33	33	100	23 1/2	28	Jan	33 1/2	Sept
Common	100	5 1/2	6	400	5 1/2	5 1/2	Oct	10 1/2	Indiana Pipe Line	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	6 1/2	Feb
4 1/2% prior preferred	100	5 1/2	6	400	5 1/2	5 1/2	Oct	10 1/2	Ind'polis P & L 6 1/2% p100	100	48	48	100	48	58 1/2	July	72	Apr
6% preferred	100	5 1/2	6	400	5 1/2	5 1/2	Oct	10 1/2	Indian Tel Illum Oil	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Aug	2 1/2	Feb
East States Pow com B.	100	5 1/2	6	400	5 1/2	5 1/2	Oct	10 1/2	Non-voting class A	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Aug	4 1/2	Feb
6% preferred	100	5 1/2	6	400	5 1/2	5 1/2	Oct	10 1/2	Class B	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Aug	4 1/2	Feb
\$6 preferred series B.	100	5 1/2	6	400	5 1/2	5 1/2	Oct	10 1/2	Industrial Finance v t c	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Aug	4 1/2	Feb
\$7 preferred series A.	100	5 1/2	6	400	5 1/2	5 1/2	Oct	10 1/2	Insurance Co of N Amer.	1,700	48 1/2	51 1/2	1,700	34 1/2	38 1/2	Jan	51 1/2	Apr
Easy Washing Mach "B"	100	3	3 1/2	400	3	3	Oct	8 1/2	International Cigar Mach	100	25 1/2	25 1/2	100	18 1/2	19	Jan	25 1/2	Oct
Edison Bros Stores com.	100	10 1/2	10 1/2	27,200	9 1/2	9 1/2	Sept	23 1/2	Internat Hold & Invest.	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	Aug	2 1/2	Feb
Elser Electric Corp.	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	25	28 1/2	Jan	50 1/2	Internat Hydro-Elec	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Aug	2 1/2	Feb
Elec Bond & Share com.	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	25	28 1/2	Jan	50 1/2	Pref \$3.50 series	60	8 1/2	9	425	9 1/2	8 1/2	Oct	31 1/2	Apr
\$5 preferred	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	25	28 1/2	Jan	50 1/2	Internat Mining Corp.	200	11 1/2	12 1/2	200	7 1/2	10 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Apr
\$6 preferred	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	25	28 1/2	Jan	50 1/2	Warrants	100	4 1/2	5	1,500	2 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	6 1/2	Apr
Elec Power Assoc com.	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	1,400	3 1/2	3 1/2	Oct	8 1/2	International Petroleum	9,900	28 1/2	30 1/2	9,900	14 1/2	19 1/2	Jan	30 1/2	Oct
Class A	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	1,400	3 1/2	3 1/2	Oct	8 1/2	International Products	100	2 1/2	2 1/2	200	1	1	Jan	3	Aug
Elec P & L 2d pref.	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	2,790	3 1/2	3 1/2	Oct	8 1/2	Internat Safety Razor B.	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1	1	Jan	2 1/2	Jan
Option warrants	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	2,790	3 1/2	3 1/2	Oct	8 1/2	Internat Utility	100	7 1/2	7 1/2	400	7 1/2	7 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	Feb
Electric Shareholding	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	800	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	4 1/2	Class B	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	400	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	Feb
Common	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	800	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	4 1/2	Interstate Equities	100	15 1/2	15 1/2	100	15 1/2	15 1/2	Jan	22 1/2	Feb
\$6 conv pref w w	100	38 1/2	39 1/2	175	34 1/2	36	Jan	52 1/2	\$3 conv preferred	50	15 1/2	15 1/2	100	15 1/2	15 1/2	Jan	30 1/2	Apr
Electrical Secur \$5 pref.	100	80	80	80	80	80	July	80	Interstate Hos Mills	100	25 1/2	25 1/2	100	13	19	Jan	30 1/2	Apr
Electrographic Corp.	100	1	1	2	2	2	Feb	3 1/2	Interstate Power \$7 pref.	30	8 1/2	9	30	7	7	July	19	Mar
Elgin Natl Watch	15	6 1/2	7 1/2	13	6 1/2	7 1/2	Jan	13	Iron Cap Copper	100	3	3	100	2 1/2	2 1/2	July	1 1/2	Apr
Empire District El 6% 100	100	13	13	50	13	13	Jan	23 1/2	Irving Air Chute	100	1	1 1/2	1,200	1 1/2	1	Sept	3	Feb
Empire Gas & Fuel Co.	100	17	17	25	12	15	July	22 1/2	Italian Super Power A.	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	400	3 1/2	3 1/2	June	1	Feb
6 1/2% preferred	100	17	17	25	12	15	July	22 1/2	Warrants	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	400	3 1/2	3 1/2	June	1	Feb
7% preferred	100	14 1/2	14 1/2	100	11	12 1/2	Jan	29 1/2	Jersey Central Pr & Lt	100	5 1/2	5 1/2	800	5 1/2	5 1/2	Oct	5 1/2	Oct
8% preferred	100	18 1/2	18 1/2	50	13 1/2	16 1/2	July	32 1/2	5 1/2% preferred	100	7 1/2	7 1/2	400	5	5 1/2	Jan	7 1/2	Oct
Empire Power Part Stk	100	8	8	700	4	5	Jan	10	\$3 conv preferred	100	19 1/2	20 1/2	20	15 1/2	15 1/2	July	48	Feb
Equity Corp com	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	3,800	1	1	Sept	2 1/2	Kansas City Pub Serv	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	2,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	Sept
Eureka Pipe Line	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	3,800	1	1	Sept	2 1/2	Pref A v t c	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	2,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	Sept
European Electric Corp.	100	5 1/2	6	400	5 1/2	5 1/2	Oct	10 1/2	Kerr Lake Mines	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	400	1 1/2	1 1/2	Mar	3	Mar
Class A	100	5 1/2	6	400	5 1/2	5 1/2	Oct	10 1/2	Kingsbury Breweries	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	400	1 1/2	1 1/2	Mar	3	Mar
Option warrants	100	5 1/2	6	400	5 1/2	5 1/2	Oct	10 1/2	Kirby Petroleum	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	400	1 1/2	1 1/2	Mar	3	Mar
Evans Wallower Lead	1,100	1 1/2	1 1/2	1,100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Kirkland Lake G M Ltd.	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	400	1 1/2	1 1/2	Feb	1 1/2	Sept
Ex-cell-O Air & Tool	3	6	6 1/2	2,200	2 1/2	4 1/2	Sept	8 1/2	Klein (Emil)	100	12 1/2	12 1/2	100	9 1/2	10 1/2	May	13 1/2	Feb
Fairchild Aviation	1	8 1/2	8 1/2	1,300	2 1/2	4 1/2	Jan	9 1/2	Kleinert Rubber	100	5	5 1/2	100	5	5 1/2	Mar	8 1/2	Feb
Fairley Aviation Ltd.	10s	6	8 1/2	400	4	5	Mar	8 1/2	Knott Corp	100	1	1	100	1	1	Aug	3 1/2	Feb
American shares	100	77	79	50	59	65	May	105	Kolster Brands Ltd.	100	1	1	100	1	1	Aug	1 1/2	Feb
Falcon Sugar Co.	100	2 1/2	2 1/2	400	2 1/2	2 1/2	Sept	8 1/2	Koppers Gas & Coke Co.	100	55	68	Apr	68	Apr	82	June	Oct
Falstaff Brewing	100	28	28	25	11	11 1/2	Jan	28	Kress (S H) 2nd pref.	100	10	10 1/2	100	10	10 1/2	Jan	11 1/2	Oct
Fanny Farmer Candy	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	400	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Kreuger Brewing	400	5 1/2	5 1/2	400	6	6 1/2	Oct	14 1/2	Apr
Fansteel Products Co.	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	400	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Lake Shore Mines Ltd.	100	53	57 1/2	6,900	36	41 1/2	July	60 1/2	Sept
F E D Corp	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	400	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Laney Foundry & Mach	100	25	25	100	25	25	July	24	Apr
Fedders Mfg Co class A.	100	23 1/2	23 1/2	1,500	15 1/2	18 1/2	June	25	Lane Bryant 7% pref 100	100	49 1/2	50 1/2	100	49 1/2	49 1/2	July	50 1/2	June
Federal Bake Shops	100	11	11 1/2	200	7 1/2	7 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Langendorf United Bak	100	9 1/2	9 1/2	100	9 1/2	9 1/2	July	15	Jan
Federated Capital	100	11	11 1/2	200	7 1/2	7 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Lefcourt Realty com.	100	1	1	100	1	1	Jan	3	Apr
Ferro Enamel	100	23 1/2	23 1/2	1,500	15 1/2	18 1/2	June	25	Preferred	100	13 1/2	13 1/2	100	7	8 1/2	Jan	13 1/2	Oct
Flat Amer dep rets .200L	200L	23 1/2	23 1/2	1,500	15 1/2	18 1/2	June	25	Lehigh Coal & Nav.	200	7 1/2	7 1/2	200	5 1/2	5 1/2	Jan	10 1/2	Feb
Fidello Brewery	100	9	9 1/2	500	3 1/2	4 1/2	Jan	16	Leonard Oil Develop.	25	31	32 1/2	1,900	31	31	Jan	3 1/2	Mar
Fire Association (Phila.)	10	49 1/2	50 1/2	125	35	41	Feb	50 1/2	Lerner Stores common.	100	31	32 1/2	1,900	31	31	Jan	3 1/2	Mar
First National Stores	100	113 1/2	113 1/2	50	110	110 1/2	June	117	6% pref with warr	100	10 1/2	10 1/2	100	10 1/2	10 1/2	Jan	32 1/2	Oct
7 1/2% preferred	100	113 1/2	113 1/2	50	110	110 1/2	June	117	Libby McNeil & Libby	100	6	6 1/2	2,100	2 1/2	2 1/2			

Main table with columns for Stocks (Continued), Par, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), and Range Since Jan. 1, 1934. It lists numerous companies and their stock performance.

Stocks (Concluded) Par	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week	July 1 1933 to Sep. 29 1934	Range Since Jan. 1 1934					Low	High	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July
	Low	High			Low	High	Jan	Feb	Mar									
Unexcelled Mfg.-----10	2 1/4	2 1/4	100	2 1/4	2	Oct	2 1/4	2 1/4	2	2	Oct	2 1/4	2 1/4	2	2	Oct	2 1/4	2 1/4
Union American Inv'g.-----	19	19	200	16	17	July	25	19	16	17	July	25	19	16	17	July	25	19
Union El Lt & Pr pref.-----100	104	104	3	104 1/2	106 1/2	Aug	107 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	106 1/2	Aug	107 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	106 1/2	Aug	107 1/2	104 1/2
Union Gas of Can.-----	4 1/4	4 1/4	1,100	3	3	Jan	3 1/4	3	3	3	Jan	3 1/4	3	3	Jan	3 1/4	3	3
Union Tobacco com.-----	500	500	500	500	500	Jan	500	500	500	500	Jan	500	500	500	500	Jan	500	500
Union Traction Co.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	50	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United Aircraft Transport			6	8	8	Sept	8	8	8	8	Sept	8	8	8	Sept	8	8	8
United Aircraft Transport Warrants-----	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3	3	Sept	3 1/2	3	3	3	Sept	3 1/2	3	3	Sept	3 1/2	3	3
United Carr Fastener-----	11 1/4	11 1/4	1,500	5 1/2	5 1/2	Jan	11	11	5 1/2	5 1/2	Jan	11	11	5 1/2	5 1/2	Jan	11	11
United Chemicals com.-----	2 1/2	2 1/2	13	15	15	Jan	20 1/2	2 1/2	13	15	Jan	20 1/2	2 1/2	13	15	Jan	20 1/2	2 1/2
United Corp warrants-----	1	1	300	1	1	Sept	1	1	1	1	Sept	1	1	1	Sept	1	1	1
United Dry Docks com.-----	2 1/2	2 1/2	300	1	1	Sept	2 1/2	1	1	1	Sept	2 1/2	1	1	Sept	2 1/2	1	1
United El Serv Am 50L-----	1	1	2	2	2	July	1	1	2	2	July	1	1	2	July	1	1	2
United Founders.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	9,600	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United Gas Corp com.-----	2	2 1/4	3,500	1 1/2	1 1/2	July	2 1/4	2	1 1/2	1 1/2	July	2 1/4	2	1 1/2	July	2 1/4	2	1 1/2
United G & E 7% pref.-----100	60	60	10	46	46	Feb	62	60	46	46	Feb	62	60	46	Feb	62	60	46
United Lt & Pow com A.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	1,900	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United Milk Products.-----	7 1/2	8 1/4	1,100	6 1/2	6 1/2	Sept	7 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	Sept	7 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	Sept	7 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
United Mollases Co.-----			20	20	20	Jan	20	20	20	20	Jan	20	20	20	Jan	20	20	20
United Profit-Sharing.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	400	1 1/2	1 1/2	Aug	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Aug	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Aug	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United Shoe Mach com.-----25	68 3/4	70 3/4	525	48 3/4	48 3/4	Jan	71 3/4	68 3/4	48 3/4	48 3/4	Jan	71 3/4	68 3/4	48 3/4	Jan	71 3/4	68 3/4	48 3/4
United States 5% pref.-----	3 1/2	3 1/2	140	3 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
United States 7% pref.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	1,300	1 1/2	1 1/2	Aug	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Aug	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Aug	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 8% pref.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	1,800	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 9% pref.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	1,100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Oct	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Oct	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Oct	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 10% pref.-----	4 1/2	4 1/2	300	3 3/4	3 3/4	Sept	4 1/2	3 3/4	3 3/4	3 3/4	Sept	4 1/2	3 3/4	3 3/4	Sept	4 1/2	3 3/4	3 3/4
United States 11% pref.-----	2 3/4	2 3/4	100	2 3/4	2 3/4	Jan	2 3/4	2 3/4	2 3/4	2 3/4	Jan	2 3/4	2 3/4	2 3/4	Jan	2 3/4	2 3/4	2 3/4
United States 12% pref.-----	10 3/4	10 3/4	151	14 1/4	14 1/4	Jan	15 3/4	10 3/4	10 3/4	10 3/4	Jan	15 3/4	10 3/4	10 3/4	Jan	15 3/4	10 3/4	10 3/4
United States 13% pref.-----	9 1/4	9 1/4	50	8	8	Jan	9 1/4	8	8	8	Jan	9 1/4	8	8	Jan	9 1/4	8	8
United States 14% pref.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	1,700	1 1/2	1 1/2	June	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	June	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	June	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 15% pref.-----	4	4 1/2	2,400	3 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	4 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	4 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	4 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
United States 16% pref.-----	2 1/2	2 1/2	500	1 1/2	1 1/2	Oct	2 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Oct	2 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Oct	2 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 17% pref.-----	1	1	100	1	1	Feb	1	1	1	1	Feb	1	1	1	Feb	1	1	1
United States 18% pref.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 19% pref.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	1,200	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 20% pref.-----	15 1/4	15 1/4	175	15 1/4	15 1/4	Oct	15 1/4	15 1/4	15 1/4	15 1/4	Oct	15 1/4	15 1/4	15 1/4	Oct	15 1/4	15 1/4	15 1/4
United States 21% pref.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	200	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 22% pref.-----	43	43	25	30	36	Jan	53	43	30	36	Jan	53	43	30	Jan	53	43	30
United States 23% pref.-----	3 1/4	3 1/4	100	3 1/4	3 1/4	Jan	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	Jan	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	Jan	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
United States 24% pref.-----	2	2	600	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 25% pref.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	2,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 26% pref.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 27% pref.-----	5 1/4	5 1/4	100	4 3/4	4 3/4	Oct	5 1/4	4 3/4	4 3/4	4 3/4	Oct	5 1/4	4 3/4	4 3/4	Oct	5 1/4	4 3/4	4 3/4
United States 28% pref.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	200	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 29% pref.-----	43	43	25	30	36	Jan	53	43	30	36	Jan	53	43	30	Jan	53	43	30
United States 30% pref.-----	3 1/4	3 1/4	100	3 1/4	3 1/4	Jan	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	Jan	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	Jan	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
United States 31% pref.-----	2	2	600	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 32% pref.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	2,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 33% pref.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
United States 34% pref.-----	5 1/4	5 1/4	100	4 3/4	4 3/4	Oct	5 1/4	4 3/4	4 3/4	4 3/4	Oct	5 1/4	4 3/4	4 3/4	Oct	5 1/4	4 3/4	4 3/4
Venezuela Mex Oil.-----10	1 1/2	1 1/2	200	1 1/2	1 1/2	July	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	July	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	July	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
Venezuelan Petroleum.-----5	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
Vogt Manufacturing.-----	2 1/4	2 1/4	200	2 1/4	2 1/4	Jan	2 1/4	2 1/4	2 1/4	2 1/4	Jan	2 1/4	2 1/4	2 1/4	Jan	2 1/4	2 1/4	2 1/4
Waco Aircraft Co.-----	6 1/2	6 1/2	400	5 1/2	5 1/2	July	6 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	July	6 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	July	6 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2
Wahl Company.-----	1 1/4	1 1/4	100	1 1/4	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/4
Walt & Bond of A.-----	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
Class B.-----	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
Walker (Hiram) Gooderhm	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Oct	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Oct	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Oct	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
Walker & Werts Ltd com.-----	22 1/4	26	6,300	20 1/4	21 1/4	July	27 1/4	20 1/4	20 1/4	20 1/4	July	27 1/4	20 1/4	20 1/4	July	27 1/4	20 1/4	20 1/4
Walker Mining.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	200	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
Watson (John Warren).-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	200	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
Wayne Pump Co.-----	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1								

Table of bond prices and interest rates, organized into two columns. Includes headers for 'Bonds (Continued)', 'Week's Range of Prices', 'Sales for Week', 'July 1 1933 to Sep. 29 1934', and 'Range Since Jan. 1 1934'. Contains various bond listings such as European Elec Corp Ltd, Lexington Utilities, and Missouri Power & Light.

Bonds (Continued)—	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week	July 1 1933 to Sept 29 1934		Range Since Jan. 1 1934	
	Low	High		Low	High	Low	High
Penn Water Pow 6s.....1940	110	110 1/2	10,000	103	103 1/2	Jan	111 1/2
4 1/2 s series B.....1968	105 1/4	106	10,000	89	95 1/4	Jan	106
Peoples Gas L & Coke—							
4 1/2 % serial notes.....1936	---	---	---	93	95	Jan	100 1/2
4s series B.....1981	72 1/2	74	13,000	56 1/2	62 1/2	Jan	80
6s series C.....1957	88	89 1/2	95,000	68 1/2	75	Jan	99
Peoples Lt & Pr 5s.....1974	2	2 1/2	11,000	1 1/4	1 3/4	Aug	5 1/2
Phila Electric Co 5s.....1966	113 1/2	113 3/4	7,000	104 1/2	106 1/2	Jan	113 1/2
Phila Elec Pow 5 1/2s.....1962	109 1/2	110	18,000	100	104 1/2	Jan	100
Phila Rapid Transit 6s.....1972	---	---	---	44 1/2	49 1/2	Jan	74 1/2
Phil Sub Co G & E 4 1/2s.....1937	107 1/4	107 1/2	6,000	98	100	Jan	108
Phila Suburban Wat 5s.....1955	105	105	4,000	95 1/2	98 1/2	Jan	105
Piedm't Hydro-EI 6 1/2s.....1960	71 1/2	72	7,000	66	68	Sept	92 1/2
Piedmont & Nor 6s.....1954	89	92 1/2	19,000	69	74 1/2	Jan	93
Pittsburgh Coal 6s.....1949	101	101 1/2	6,000	89	93	Jan	103 1/2
Pittsburgh Steel 6s.....1948	89	91	15,000	79	85	Mar	96
Pomeranian EI 6s.....1953	---	---	---	27	25 1/2	Sept	54 1/2
Poor & Co 6s.....1939	94	94	1,000	80	83	Jan	97
Portland Gas & Coke 5s.....1940	78	79 3/4	15,000	73	73	Sept	95 1/2
Potomac Edison 6s.....1956	99 1/4	100 1/2	48,000	73	74 1/2	Jan	100 1/2
4 1/2 s series F.....1961	93	93 1/2	8,000	65	73	Jan	94
Potomac Elec Pow 5s.....1936	106	106	2,000	101	102 1/2	Jan	106 1/2
Potrero Sugar 7s.....1947	---	---	---	13	18	Jan	34 1/2
PowerCorp(Can) 4 1/2s B.....1959	---	---	---	53	63	Jan	79 1/2
Power Corp of N Y—							
6 1/2 s series A.....1942	95	96	96,000	70	70	Jan	96
6 1/2 s.....1947	62	63 1/2	16,000	50	51 1/2	Jan	64 1/2
Power Securities 6s.....1949	71	71 1/2	11,000	41 1/2	45	Jan	74
Prussian Electric 6s.....1954	---	---	---	29	29	Sept	73
Pub Serv of N H 4 1/2s B.....1967	103 1/2	104	7,000	82 1/2	83 1/2	Jan	104
Pub Serv of N J opt cfts.....	116 1/2	117	12,000	102	103	Jan	119 1/2
Pub Serv of Nor Illinois—							
1st & ref 5s.....1956	85 1/2	86 1/2	12,000	62	65 1/2	Jan	91 1/2
6s series C.....1966	82	82	5,000	63 1/2	60 1/2	Jan	87
4 1/2 s series D.....1976	75 1/2	78	24,000	53 1/2	56	Jan	81 1/2
4 1/2 s series E.....1980	76 1/2	78 3/4	1,000	62 1/2	65 1/2	Jan	81 1/2
1st & ref 4 1/2 s ser F.....1981	78 1/2	78	106,000	52 1/2	55	Jan	81 1/2
6 1/2 s series G.....1987	100 1/2	102 1/2	70,000	73 1/2	76 1/2	Jan	103 1/2
6 1/2 s series H.....1982	94	95	12,000	69 1/2	71 1/2	Jan	99 1/2
Pub Serv of Oklahoma—							
5s series C.....1961	88 1/2	89 1/2	4,000	60 1/2	62	Jan	90
6s series D.....1967	88 1/2	89 1/2	60,000	55	57 1/2	Jan	90 1/2
Pub Serv Subsd 5 1/2s.....1949	75	76 1/2	7,000	40 1/2	42	Jan	85 1/2
Puget Sound P & L 5 1/2s.....1949	54	55 1/2	139,000	37 1/2	41 1/2	Jan	59 1/2
1st & ref 5s series C.....1960	50	52 1/2	51,000	36 1/2	39 1/2	Jan	57 1/2
1st & ref 4 1/2 s ser D.....1960	49	50 1/2	69,000	33 1/2	36 1/2	Jan	55
Quebec Power 6s.....1968	103 1/2	103 1/2	18,000	85	91	Jan	104
Queens Boro G & E 4 1/2s.....1968	---	---	---	88	88	Jan	101 1/2
5 1/2 s series A.....1962	83	85	29,000	61 1/2	62	Jan	89
Reliance Management 5s.....1954	---	---	---	78	78	Jan	79
With warrants.....	40	40 3/4	6,000	14	14 1/2	Jan	40 1/2
Republic Gas 6s.....1945	38 1/2	41	90,000	13 1/2	15	Jan	41
Certificates of deposit.....	39	39	3,000	22 1/2	28 1/2	Jan	47
Rochester Central Pr 5s.....1953	110 1/2	111 1/2	14,000	100	102 1/2	Jan	113
Rochester Ry & Lt 5s.....1954	37	37 1/2	5,000	32	37	Sept	66
Ruhr Gas Corp 6 1/2s.....1963	---	---	---	23	23	July	70 1/2
Ruhr Housing 6 1/2s.....1968	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Ryerson (Jos T) & Sons—							
6s.....1943	102 1/2	103 1/2	5,000	90	91 1/2	Jan	104 1/2
Safe Harbor Water 4 1/2s.....1979	105 1/4	107	16,000	91	95 1/2	Jan	107
St Louis Gas & Coke 6s.....1947	4 1/2	5	13,000	3 1/2	3 1/2	Aug	11
San Antonio Puille Service							
6s series B.....1958	90 1/2	91	26,000	64	65	Jan	94 1/2
San Diego Consol G & E—							
5 1/2 s series D.....1960	102 1/2	102 1/2	2,000	98 1/2	102	Sept	107 1/2
San Joaquin Lt & Power—							
6s series B.....1952	103 1/2	104	8,000	88	88	Jan	108 1/2
5s series D.....1957	91 1/2	94	25,000	75 1/2	75 1/2	Jan	99 1/2
Sauda Falls 5s.....1955	108 1/2	108 1/2	2,000	101	103 1/2	Jan	109
Saxon Pub Wks 6s.....1937	40 3/4	41 1/4	2,000	36 1/2	40	Sept	72 1/2
Schulte Real Estate 6s.....1935	---	---	---	7	9 1/2	May	15 1/2
Without warrants.....	---	---	---	4 1/2	7	Jan	18
Scrapp (E W) Co 5 1/2s.....1943	89 1/2	90	82,000	66 1/2	73	Jan	90
Seattle Lighting 5s.....1949	27	29 1/2	179,000	17	17	Sept	41
Certificates of deposit.....	91	95	61,000	61	71	Jan	95
Shervin Inc 6s.....1948	95 1/2	96	137,000	63	72 1/2	Jan	96 1/2
Shawinigan W & P 4 1/2s.....1967	95 1/2	96	20,000	63 1/2	73	Jan	96
4 1/2 s series B.....1970	102 1/2	103	17,000	73	79	Jan	103
1st 5s series C.....1970	97 1/2	97 1/2	16,000	63 1/2	72 1/2	Jan	96 1/2
1st 4 1/2 s series D.....1970	95 1/2	96	12,000	63 1/2	72 1/2	Jan	96 1/2
Sheffield Steel 5 1/2s.....1945	103 1/2	106 1/2	2,000	77 1/2	85 1/2	Jan	104 1/2
Sheridan Wyo Coal 6s.....1947	39	39	1,000	38	38	Sept	49 1/2
Sou Carolina Pow 5s.....1957	70	70 1/2	4,000	41	51 1/2	Jan	79
Southeast P & L 6s.....2022	---	---	---	68 1/2	69 1/2	Jan	74 1/2
Without warrants.....	100 1/2	102 1/2	150,000	92	93 1/2	Jan	106
Sou Calif Edison 5s.....1951	106 1/2	107 1/2	46,000	100	102 1/2	Jan	108 1/2
5s.....1939	100 1/2	102 1/2	65,000	90 1/2	93 1/2	Jan	106
Refunding 5s June 1 1954	100 1/2	103 1/2	71,000	92 1/2	93	Jan	106
Refunding 5s Sep 1952	90 3/4	94	57,000	78 1/2	82	Jan	98 1/2
Sou Calif Gas Co 4 1/2s.....1961	98 1/2	100	22,000	85 1/2	89	Jan	104
1st ref 5s.....1967	100 1/2	103	11,000	92 1/2	93 1/2	Jan	106
5 1/2 s series B.....1952	99 1/2	100	25,000	83 1/2	87 1/2	Jan	102 1/2
Sou Calif Gas Corp 5s.....1937	91	95	2,000	79 1/2	87	Sept	97 1/2
Sou Counties Gas 4 1/2s.....1938	101 1/2	101 1/2	2,000	93	96	Jan	102 1/2
Southern Gas Co 6 1/2s.....1935	108	108 1/2	6,000	96 1/2	101	Jan	108 1/2
Sou Indiana G & E 5 1/2s.....1957	49	51	68,000	45 1/2	45 1/2	Sept	73
Sou Indiana Ry 4s.....1951	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Sou Natural Gas 6s.....1944	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Unstamped.....	73 1/2	76	48,000	53	59	Jan	77 1/2
Stamped.....	55 1/2	56 1/2	7,000	40	42	Jan	64 1/2
S'western AssocTel 5s.....1961	88 1/2	89 1/2	30,000	60	62 1/2	Jan	92 1/2
Southwest G & E 5s A.....1957	88 3/4	89 3/4	21,000	60	63 1/2	Jan	91
5s series B.....1957	70	71	15,000	45	47	Jan	75 1/2
S'western Lt & Pr 6s.....1957	54 1/2	55	8,000	25	34	Jan	55
S'western Nat Gas 6s.....1945	49	49 1/2	4,000	37	40	Jan	66 1/2
So West Pow & Lt 5s.....2022	76	77 1/2	2,000	55	57	Jan	84
S'west Pub Serv 6s.....1945	104	104 1/2	10,000	83	87	Jan	104 1/2
Staley Mil 6s.....1942	75 1/2	80 1/2	68,000	33 1/2	43 1/2	Jan	94
Stand Gas & Elec 6s.....1935	76	80 1/2	56,000	38	43 1/2	Jan	93
Conv 6s.....1955	45 1/4	49	59,000	30	32 1/2	Jan	60
Debenture 6s.....1951	44	46	58,000	30	32 1/2	Jan	59
Debenture 6s, Dec 1 1966	77	78 1/2	14,000	64	64 1/2	Jan	82
Standard Investg 5 1/2s.....1939	82	82 1/2	14,000	64	66	Jan	83
5s ex warrants.....1937	41	42 1/2	56,000	27	29 1/2	Jan	57 1/2
Stand Pow & Lt 6s.....1957	23 1/2	24 1/2	14,000	16	18	Jan	24 1/2
Standard Telep 5 1/2s.....1943	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Stinnes (Hugo) Corp—							
7s ex-warr.....1936	39	40	4,000	30 1/2	32	July	58
7-4 stamped.....1936	32	32	1,000	26	26	Aug	55
7s ex.....1946	38	38	7,000	29	33	Aug	51
7-4 stamped.....1940	29	29	1,000	25	25	Aug	50
Super Power of Ill 4 1/2s.....1932	82	82 1/2	22,000	59	59	Jan	89 1/2
1st 4 1/2 s.....1970	82	82 1/2	33,000	56	57 1/2	Jan	85
6s.....1961	97 1/2	97 1/2	9,000	70	73	Jan	99 1/2
Swift & Co 1st m f 5s.....1944	107 1/2	108 1/2	16,000	101 1/2	103 1/2	Jan	108 1/2
5s notes.....1940	104	104 1/2	59,000	94 1/2	98 1/2	Jan	104 1/2
Syracuse Lt 6 1/2s.....1954	107 1/2	107 1/2	1,000	103 1/2	103 1/2	Jan	108 1/2
5s series B.....1957	---	---	---	97	100	Jan	108 1/2
Tennessee Elec Pow 6s.....1956	79 1/2	80 1/2	12,000	48	55	Jan	82
Tenn Public Service 6s.....1970	94 1/2	96	22,000	40	44	Jan	96 1/2
Terni Hydro Elec 6 1/2s.....1953	75 1/2	76 1/2	9,000	62	62	June	89 1/2
Texas Elec Service 5s.....1960	81 1/2	83	131,000	60	63	Jan	88 1/2
Texas Gas Util 6s.....1945	13	14	5,000	13	13	Oct	25
Texas Power & Lt 6s.....1956	92 1/2	94 1/2	99,000	65	67 1/2	Jan	104 1/2
6s.....1937	102 1/2	103 1/2	57,000	87	89 1/2	Jan	104 1/2
6s.....2022	82	82	3,000	51	56 1/2	Jan	87
Thermoid C Co 6s spd.....1937	68	68 1/2	5,000	55	55	Jan	76
Tide Water Power 5s.....1979	71 1/2	72 1/2	21,000	49	50	Jan	74 1/2
Toledo Edison 5s.....1962	104	105 1/2	178,000	79	88 1/2	Jan	105 1/2
Twin City Rad Tr 5 1/2s.....1952	44 1/2	45 1/2	67,000	19	23 1/2	Jan	58

Bonds (Concluded)—	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week	July 1 1933 to Sept 29 1934		Range Since Jan. 1 1934	
	Low	High		Low	High	Low	High
Ulen Co deb 6s.....1944	47 1/2	50 1/2	41,000	33	38 1/2	Jan	52 1/2
U Amer Invest 5s A.....1948	---	---	---	78	85	Jan	90 1/2
Union Elec Lt & Power—							
5s series A.....1954	105 1/2	106 1/2	2,000	89	101	Jan	106 1/2
5s series B.....1967	105 1/2	106	4,000	82 1/2	95 1/2	Jan	106 1/2
4 1/2 s.....1957	---	---	---	98	101 1/2	Jan	106 1/2
Un Gulf Corp 5s July 1 '50	103 1/2	104 1/2	69,000	96 1/2	100	Jan	107 1/2
United Elec N J 4s.....1949	---	---	---	96 1/2	100	Jan	107 1/2
United El Serv 7s x-w							

Other Stock Exchanges

New York Produce Exchange

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Table with columns: Stocks—, Par, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to Sep. 29 1934, Range Since Jan. 1 1934. Lists various commodities like Admiralty Alaska, Allied Brew, etc.

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Chicago Stock Exchange

Oct. 20 to Oct. 26, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks—, Par, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to Sep. 29 1934, Range Since Jan. 1 1934. Lists various stocks like Abbott Laboratories com, Acme Steel Co, etc.

New York Real Estate Securities Exchange

Closing bid and asked quotations Friday, Oct. 26

Table with columns: Active Issues, Bid, Ask, Active Issues, Bid, Ask. Lists real estate securities like Bway Barclay Off. Bldg 6s'41, etc.

Baltimore Stock Exchange.—See page 2630

Boston Stock Exchange

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Table with columns: Stocks—, Par, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to Sep. 29 1934, Range Since Jan. 1 1934. Lists various stocks like Amer Continental Corp., Amer Pneu Ist pref., etc.

Stocks (Concluded) Par	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week	July 1 1933 to Sep. 29 1934		Range Since Jan. 1 1934			
	Low	High		Low	High	Low	High	Low	High
General Candy Corp A...	5 3/4	5 3/4	50	3	4	Jan	7 3/4	Mar	7 3/4
Gen Household Util com...	5 3/4	7 3/4	8,050	7	5 1/4	Oct	16 1/4	Apr	16 1/4
Godchaux Sugar Inc B...	6 3/4	6 3/4	50	3 3/4	3 1/4	Jan	10 1/4	Mar	10 1/4
Goldblatt Bros Inc com...	15 3/4	16 1/4	400	15	15	July	32 3/4	Feb	32 3/4
Great Lakes Aircraft A...	3 1/4	3 1/4	2,500	3 1/4	3 1/4	Oct	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2
Great Lakes D & D com...	16 1/2	17 1/4	1,050	12 1/2	13 1/4	July	22	Jan	22
Greyhound Corp com...	17	17 1/4	300	3 1/2	5 1/4	Feb	19 1/2	July	19 1/2
Hall Printing Co com...	10	10	3,700	3 1/4	3 1/4	Jan	9 3/4	Feb	9 3/4
Harnischfeger Corp com...	4 1/2	4 1/2	100	5	4 1/2	Oct	7	Feb	7
Hart-Carter conv pref...	5 1/2	6	200	4	4	Oct	9	Feb	9
Hibb, Spenc, Bartlett cm 25	25	25	10	21 1/2	25	Aug	30	Apr	30
Hornel & Co com...	21	21	150	16	16	May	21	Aug	21
Houdaille-Hershey--									
Class B.....	4 3/4	4 3/4	450	2 1/2	2 1/2	July	6 3/4	Jan	6 3/4
Illinois Brick Co cap...25	4	4 1/4	250	3 1/2	3 1/2	Aug	7 1/2	Feb	7 1/2
Ill North Util pref...100	60 1/4	60 1/4	30	42 1/4	42 1/4	Jan	70	May	70
Indep Pneu Tool v t c...	26 1/2	26 1/2	50	9	17	Jan	27	Oct	27
Interstate Power \$7 pref...	9 3/4	9 3/4	90	7 3/4	7 3/4	July	17	Jan	17
\$6 preferred...	8	8	10	6 1/2	6 1/2	Sept	11	Apr	11
Iron Fireman Mfg v t c...	16 1/2	18	1,700	5 1/2	8	Jan	18	June	18
Jefferson Electric com...	13	13	100	9	10 1/4	July	16 1/4	Jan	16 1/4
Kalamazoo Stove com...	20 1/2	20 1/2	96	14	18	Aug	27 1/4	Feb	27 1/4
Katz Drug Co com...	34 3/4	34 3/4	50	19	21	Jan	38	Apr	38
Kentucky Util Jr cum pf 50	9	9 1/2	90	5	5	Aug	23	Jan	23
Keystone Stl & Wire com...	20	20	250	7 3/4	11 1/4	Jan	23 1/4	May	23 1/4
Kingsbury Brewing cap...1	2	2 1/2	250	1 1/2	1 1/2	Sept	9 1/4	Jan	9 1/4
Libby McNeil & Libby...16	6 1/4	6 3/4	800	2 1/2	3	Jan	8 1/4	Aug	8 1/4
Lindsay Light com...10	3	3 1/4	50	2	2	Apr	3 3/4	Jan	3 3/4
Lion Oil Refg Co com...	3	3 1/2	400	3 1/2	3	Oct	5 1/4	Feb	5 1/4
Loudon Packing com...	22	22	60	10 1/4	16 1/2	Apr	25 1/2	Sept	25 1/2
McGraw Electric com...	9	9	50	3 3/4	4	Jan	10 1/4	May	10 1/4
McQuay-Norris Mfg com*	45 1/4	45 1/4	10	39 1/4	40	July	47	Feb	47
McWilliams Dredging Co...	23 1/2	26	2,300	12 3/4	14 1/4	Jan	26 3/4	Jan	26 3/4
Mapes Cons Mfg cap...1	31 1/2	31 1/2	30	30	30	Aug	35	Apr	35
Marshall Field common...	10 1/2	11 1/2	250	8 1/4	8 1/4	Aug	19 1/4	Apr	19 1/4
Merch & Mfg ser A com...1	1 1/4	1 1/4	300	1 1/4	1 1/4	Jan	4 1/2	Feb	4 1/2
Mitchellberry's F&D Prod com	1 1/4	1 1/4	300	1	1	Apr	3 1/4	Jan	3 1/4
Middle West Util com...	1 1/4	1 1/4	100	1 1/4	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/2	Feb	1 1/2
\$6 convertible pref A...	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	Oct	2 1/2	Feb	2 1/2
Midland United--									
Common.....	3 1/4	3 1/4	200	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	3 1/4	Feb	3 1/4
Midland Util--									
7% preferred class A...100	3 1/4	3 1/4	100	3 1/4	3 1/4	June	1 1/4	May	1 1/4
Modine Mfg Co com...	12	13	200	7	9 1/2	Jan	16	Apr	16
Monroe Chemical com...	4	4	20	2	2 1/2	Jan	8 1/4	Apr	8 1/4
Preferred.....	37	37 1/2	20	20 1/2	20 1/2	Jan	40	Apr	40
Mosser Leather Corp com*	16	16	30	7	9 1/2	Jan	16	Sept	16
Muskegon Motor Spec A...	11 1/2	11 1/2	50	5	9 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Jan	14 1/2
Nashman-Springfield com*	4 1/4	4 3/4	50	4 1/4	4 3/4	Mar	5 1/4	Jan	5 1/4
National Battery pref...	20 1/2	20 1/2	50	15	15	July	23	Feb	23
Nat Gypsum A n v com...5	7 1/2	7 1/2	100	7 1/2	7 1/2	Oct	14	July	14
Noblitt-Sparks Ind com...	14	14	950	10	10	July	16	Feb	16
North American Car com...	2	2	100	2 1/4	1 1/2	Oct	6 1/2	Feb	6 1/2
Northwest Bancorp com...	3	3 1/2	700	3	3	Sept	6 1/4	Jan	6 1/4
Northwest Eng Co com...	3 1/2	3 1/2	40	3	3	Sept	7 3/4	Mar	7 3/4
North West Util 7% pf 100	1	1 1/4	40	1	1	Jan	5	Jan	5
7% prior lien.....100	3	3	20	2	2 1/2	July	7 1/4	Feb	7 1/4
Parker Pen Co (The) cm...10	7 1/2	8	700	4	4 1/2	Jan	9	Apr	9
Pines Winterfront com...5	3 1/4	3 1/4	50	3 1/4	3 1/4	June	2 1/4	Feb	2 1/4
Prima Co com...	2 1/4	2 1/4	100	2 1/4	2	Oct	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2
Public Service of Nor Ill--									
Common.....	11 1/4	11 1/4	50	9 1/4	11	Oct	22	Feb	22
6% preferred.....100	10 1/2	10 1/2	100	12	10 1/2	Oct	22	Feb	22
7% preferred.....100	62	63	40	28	34	Jan	66	July	66
Quaker Oats Co--									
Common.....	126 1/2	128	500	106	106	Apr	128	Oct	128
Preferred.....100	127 1/2	130	70	111	115	Jan	132 1/2	July	132 1/2
Rath Packing Co com...10	30 1/4	30 1/4	50	20	24 1/2	Jan	31 1/2	Oct	31 1/2
Raytheon Mfg--									
v t c for common...50c	1 1/4	1 1/4	250	1	1 1/2	July	4	Jan	4
Relliance Mfg Co com...10	29	9 1/4	450	9	9	July	19 1/4	Apr	19 1/4
Ryerson & Sons Inc com...	14 1/4	15 1/4	250	11	12 1/2	Jan	20	Feb	20
Signode Steel Strap com...	1 1/4	1 1/4	70	1 1/4	1 1/4	Oct	2 1/4	Feb	2 1/4
Cumulative preferred...30	12	12	80	6 3/4	7	Jan	13 1/4	Aug	13 1/4
Silver Steel Cast com...	3 1/4	3 1/4	10	4	3 1/2	Oct	7	Mar	7
Standard Dredge com pf...	2	2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Aug	5 1/4	Feb	5 1/4
Storkline Furn conv pf...25	3	3	190	3	3	Oct	6 1/4	Apr	6 1/4
Swift International...15	36 3/4	38 1/4	2,550	19 1/2	24	Jan	40 1/4	Sept	40 1/4
Swift & Co.....25	17 1/2	19 1/2	10,250	11 1/4	14	Jan	20 1/2	Aug	20 1/2
Thompson Co (J R) cm 25	4 1/4	4 1/4	50	5	4 1/2	Oct	10 1/4	Feb	10 1/4
U S Gypsum com...20	40 1/2	40 1/2	100	38	38	Sept	50	Jan	50
Utah Radio Products com*	1 1/4	1 1/4	100	3/4	3/4	July	2 1/2	Jan	2 1/2
Util & Ind Corp--									
Convertible preferred...*	2	2 1/2	200	1 1/4	1 1/4	Jan	6	Feb	6
Viking Pump Co--									
Preferred.....	33	33 1/4	100	21 1/4	23	Feb	34 1/2	Oct	34 1/2
Vortex Cup Co--									
Common.....	13 1/4	13 1/4	500	5 3/4	8 1/4	Jan	16 1/4	Aug	16 1/4
Class A.....	29	29	200	24	25	Mar	32 1/2	July	32 1/2
Walgreen Co common...	24	25	700	15 1/2	17 1/2	Jan	29	June	29
Ward (Monts) & Co cl A...	120 1/2	122	200	56	88	Jan	123	June	123
Waukesha Motor com...	29 1/2	30	90	17 1/4	19	July	35	Feb	35
Wayne Pump Co--									
Common.....	1 1/2	1 1/2	50	3/4	3/4	Sept	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2
Wieboldt Stores Inc com...	10 1/2	10 1/2	50	9 1/4	9 1/4	July	18 1/2	Feb	18 1/2
Williams Oil-O-Matic com...	2 1/2	2 1/2	100	2 1/2	2 1/2	June	4	Feb	4
Yellow Cab Co Inc (Chl)--	10	10 1/4	1,600	10	10	Sept	16 1/4	May	16 1/4
Zenith Radio Corp com...	2	2 1/4	400	1 1/2	1 1/4	July	5	Feb	5
Bonds--									
Chicago City Rys 5s...1927	59 1/2	59 1/2	\$2,000	37	46 1/2	Jan	59 1/2	Oct	59 1/2
Certificates of deposit...	58	61 1/2	13,000	36	44	Jan	61 1/2	Oct	61 1/2
208 So La Salle St Bldg--									
8 1/4%.....1958	22 1/4	24	17,000	24	19	Oct	38	May	38

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Stocks--	Par	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week	July 1 1933 to Sep. 29 1934		Range Since Jan. 1 1934		
		Low	High		Low	High	Low	High	High
Aluminum Industries...		9	9	50	6	7 1/2	Jan	16	Jan
Amer Laundry Machine 20		12	12 1/2	174	10 1/2	11	Jan	18	Jan
Amer Products com...		2 1/2	2 1/4	50	1	2	Apr	3	Apr

Stocks (Concluded) Par	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week	July 1 1933 to Sep. 29 1934		Range Since Jan. 1 1934			
	Low	High		Low	High	Low	High	Low	High
Baldwin com...20	2 3/4	2 3/4	6	1	2	Jan	3	Jan	3
Carey pref...100	5 1/2	5 1/2	16	5 1/2	5 1/2	Oct	62 1/2	Jan	62 1/2
Champ Coated Ist pref 100	100	100	20	85	92	Feb	103	July	103
Special preferred...100	100	100	10	79 3/4	85	Mar	100	Aug	100
Cincinnati Adv Products...*	18 1/2	19	75	11	11	Mar	19 1/4	Oct	19 1/4
Cincinnati Gas pref...100	76 1/4	79	138	62	66	Jan	83	Apr	83
Cincinnati Street Ry...50	3 1/4	4	148	4	3 1/2	Oct	6	Apr	6
Cincinnati Telephone...50	65 3/4	68	50	60 1/4	62	Jan	71	Apr	71
City Ice & Fuel...50	19	19	210	14 1/2	17	Jan	24 1/4	Jan	24 1/4
Crosley Radio...50	13 1/2	13 1/2	18	7 1/2	8	Jan	17 1/4	June	17 1/4
Dow Drug...50	5 1/4	5 1/2	180	2	2 1/2	Jan	5 1/2	Oct	5 1/2
Eagle Picher...20	4	4	20						

Philadelphia Stock Exchange

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* No par value.

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange

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* No par value.

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* No par value.

San Francisco Curb Exchange

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* No par value.

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Toronto Stock Exchange - Curb Section

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Montreal Stock Exchange

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			Low	High		Low	High	Low	High
Jamaica Pub Serv Ltd.*	20	20	20	20	50	20	Oct	20	Oct
Preferred.....100	110	110	110	110	119	97	Jan	110	Oct
Lake of the Woods.....100	11 1/2	11 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	550	10	July	15	Feb
Preferred.....100	83 3/4	84	84	84	60	55	Jan	85 3/4	Oct
Lindsay (C W).....*	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	16	1 3/4	Apr	3 1/4	Mar
Preferred.....100	38	38	38	38	12	3 1/2	Feb	40	May
Massey-Harris.....*	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	635	3 1/2	Oct	8	Feb
McColl-Fontenac Oil.....*	13 1/2	13 1/2	14	14	970	10 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Apr
Mont L H & P cons.....*	31 1/2	31	32 1/2	32 1/2	3,920	30 1/2	July	39 1/2	Feb
Montreal Tramways.....100	92	92	93	93	122	92	Oct	125	Feb
National Breweries.....*	28 3/4	28 3/4	29 1/4	29 1/4	2,284	23 1/2	Jan	29 1/4	Oct
Preferred.....25	35	35	35	35	280	31	Feb	37	Sept
Natl Steel Car Corp.....*	15	15	17	17	2,005	12 1/4	July	18 3/4	Feb
Ogilvie Flour Mills pref 100	135	135	135	135	3	125	Jan	140 1/4	July
Ottawa L H & Power.....100	84	84	84	84	16	79	Jan	92	Mar
Preferred.....100	102	102	102	102	5	90	Jan	103	June
Penmans.....*	62	62	63 1/2	63 1/2	60	47	Jan	15	Feb
Power Corp of Canada.....*	8 1/2	8 1/2	9	9	420	1 1/2	Jan	15	Feb
Quebec Power.....*	16 1/2	16 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	169	15	Jan	20	Feb
St Lawrence Corp.....*	1.30	1.30	1.50	1.50	785	1.25	Oct	1 3/4	Feb
A preferred.....50	7	7	7	7	75	5 1/2	Jan	11 1/2	May
St Law Flour Mills.....100	39	39	39	39	15	33	Feb	45	Sept
St Law Paper pref.....100	12	12	13	13	726	10 1/2	Oct	26	May
Shawinigan W & Power.....*	17 1/2	17 1/2	19 1/4	19 1/4	3,564	17 1/4	Jan	24 1/2	Feb
Sher Williams of Can.....*	12 1/2	12 1/2	13 1/4	13 1/4	365	12 1/2	Jan	21	Mar
Preferred.....100	86	86	87	87	155	60	Jan	87 1/2	Mar
Simon (H) & Son pref.....100	100	100	100	100	95	65	Jan	100	July
Southern Can Power.....*	12	12	13	13	70	11	Jan	16	Mar
Steel Co of Canada.....*	38 1/2	38 1/2	40	40	760	38	Jan	41 1/2	Oct
Preferred.....25	38 1/2	38 1/2	39	39	50	31	Jan	39	July
Tuckett Tobacco pref.....100	131	131	131	131	25	116	Feb	131	Oct
Western Grocers pref.....100	98	98	98	98	1	85	Jan	100	Sept
Winnipeg Electric.....*	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	46	1 3/4	Jan	4	Feb
Banks—									
Canada.....100	125	125	126	126	47	124	Aug	145	Feb
Commerce.....100	160	160	163	163	17	129	Jan	166	Feb
Montreal.....100	201	200	203	203	86	169	Jan	203	Feb
Nova Scotia.....100	266	266	267	267	27	250	Sept	276	Feb
Royal.....100	165	165	167	167	93	129 1/2	Jan	166 1/2	Feb

Montreal Curb Market

Stocks (Concluded)	Par	Friday Last Sale Price	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week Shares	Range Since Jan. 1	
			Low	High		Low	High
Mining—							
Big Missouri Mines Corp.1		31c	34 1/2c		3,500	26 1/2c	June 50c
Bulolo Gold Dredging Ltd5		33.75	36.25		1,035	23.50	Jan 37.50
Brazil Gold & Diamond...1		16 1/2c	18c		4,500	10c	Oct 1.50
Castle-Trethewey M Ltd.1		4c	5c		23,500	1c	Jan 9c
Crown Cons Mines Ltd 25c		43 1/2c	42 3/4c	43 1/4c	41,700	31c	Aug 43 1/4c
J M Consol.....1		30c	26c	31 1/2c	6,700	26c	Oct 47 1/2c
Lake Shore Mines Ltd.....1		52.25	52.00	55.00	399	42.50	Jan 58.50
Lamaque Cont.....*		14c	14c		200	14c	Oct 47c
Noranda Mines Ltd.....*		33.00	32.00	36.75	9,673	32.00	Oct 45.00
Parkhill G Mines Ltd.....1		30c	30c	33c	6,850	25c	Sept 71 3/4c
Pickle-Crow.....*		1.81	1.95		4,900	1.37	Aug 1.95
Quebec G Mining Corp.....1		12c	13c		15,500	12c	Oct 70c
Read-Author Mine Ltd.....1		90c	84 1/2c	1.03	21,100	26c	Jan 1.74
Siscoe Gold Mines Ltd.....1		2.58	2.55	2.72	14,300	1.43	Jan 2.87
Sullivan Consol.....1		51c	48c	52c	24,194	44c	June 68c
Teek-Hughes G M Ltd.....*		3.80	4.09		3,515	3.80	Oct 8.00
Thompson-Cadillac.....*		29c	35c		600	20 1/2c	Jan 58c
Ventures Ltd.....*		90c	90c		700	77c	Jan 1.12
Wright Harg Mines Ltd.....*		8.80	9.20		1,900	6.75	Jan 10.25
Unlisted Mines—							
Ashley G Min Corp Ltd.....1		2c	2c		2,000	2c	July 18c
Howey Gold Mines Ltd.....1		1.15	1.21		2,000	98c	Feb 1.37
McVittie Graham M Ltd.....1		37c	40c		1,000	37c	Oct 1.20
Pioneer G M of B C.....1		11.00	10.85	11.40	2,900	10.85	Sept 14.00
San Antonio G Mines Ltd 1		4.50	4.55		700	1.76	Jan 6.20
Sheritt-Gordon M Ltd.....1		49 1/2c	48c	49 1/2c	1,100	44c	Sept 1.43
Stadacona Rouyn Mines...*		28c	23c	29c	18,445	8 3/4c	Jan 46 1/4c
Sylvanite G Mines Ltd.....1		2.50	2.63		1,000	1.30	Jan 3.20
Unlisted—							
Abitibi Pow & Paper Co.....1		1.00	85c	1.00	320	85c	Oct 2 1/4
Cts of dep 6% pref.....100		---	3	3 1/2	110	2	Sept 7 1/2
Brewers & Distil of Van...*		60c	65c		110	60c	Oct 2.95
Brewing Corp of Can Ltd.....*		5	5	6	537	5	Oct 11
Preferred.....100		24	23	26 1/4	500	15 1/2	Jan 32 1/2
Canada Malting Co Ltd.....*		29	27	30	543	26 1/2	Oct 35 1/4
Cndn Industries Ltd B.....*		181	181	10	148	Mar 181	Oct
Claude Neon Gen Ad Ltd.....*		35c	35c	35c	15	35c	June 80c
Conso Bakeries of Can.....*		10	10	10 1/4	200	7 1/2	Sept 11 3/4
Consol Paper Corp Ltd.....*		1.20	1.20	1.30	1,645	1.20	Oct 3 1/2
Ford Motor of Can Ltd A.....*		22 1/2	23 1/2		668	15 1/2	Jan 25 1/2
Gen Steel Wares pref.....100		28 1/2	28 1/2		25	14 1/2	Jan 47
Loblaw Groceries Ltd A.....*		17 1/2	17 1/2		125	14 1/2	Mar 18
Price Bros Co Ltd.....100		2 1/2	2 1/2		150	95c	Jan 6
Preferred.....100		18	20		95	7	Jan 37 1/2

Provincial and Municipal Issues

Province of Alberta				Province of Ontario			
Denom	Term	Bid	Ask	Denom	Term	Bid	Ask
4 1/2s	Apr 1 1935	100 3/4	101 1/2	5 1/2s	Jan 3 1937	107 1/4	105 1/2
5s	Jan 1 1948	101 1/2	102 1/4	5s	Oct 1 1942	110 1/2	111 1/2
4 1/2s	Oct 1 1956	96 1/4	97 1/4	6s	Sept 15 1943	117 1/2	118 1/2
Prov of British Columbia				Province of Quebec			
4 1/2s	Feb 15 1936	99 3/4	100 3/4	4 1/2s	June 1 1962	104 1/4	105
5s	July 12 1949	99	100	4 1/2s	Jan 15 1965	110 3/4	111 3/4
4 1/2s	Oct 1 1953	95 1/2	96 1/2	Province of Saskatchewan			
Province of Manitoba				4 1/2s	Mar 2 1950	109 1/4	110 1/4
4 1/2s	Aug 1 1941	99 1/2	100 1/2	4s	Feb 1 1958	104	105 1/2
5s	Jan 15 1954	102	103	4 1/2s	May 1 1961	109 1/2	110 1/2
5s	Dec 2 1959	104 1/2	---	Province of Saskatchewan			
Prov of New Brunswick				4 1/2s	May 1 1936	99 1/4	100 1/2
4 1/2s	June 15 1936	103 1/4	104 1/2	5s	June 15 1943	98 1/4	99 1/4
4 1/2s	Apr 15 1960	107 1/4	108 1/4	5 1/2s	Nov 15 1946	100 1/2	101 1/2
4 1/2s	Apr 15 1961	105 1/2	106 1/2	4 1/2s	Oct 1 1951	91 1/4	92 1/4
Province of Nova Scotia							
4 1/2s	Sept 15 1952	106 3/4	107 3/4				
5s	Mar 1 1960	113 1/4	114 1/2				

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			Low	High		Low	High	Low	High
Asbestos Corp vtg trusts...*	6	5 1/4	6	6	290	5	Sept	13 1/2	Apr
Assoc Broerles of Can.....*	12	11 1/2	12	12	288	9 1/2	June	13	Feb
Cum preferred.....100	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4	10	90	Feb	100 1/4	Oct
Asso Oil & Gas Co Ltd.....*	13c	13c	13c	13c	500	12c	Sept	35c	Jan
Brit Col Packers Ltd.....*	1.50	1.25	1.50	1.50	395	1.10	Aug	2 1/2	July
Cum preferred.....100	16	15	16	16	167	11	July	16	Oct
Bathurst Power & Pap B.....*	32	1.10	1.10	1.10	5	75c	Sept	3 1/2	Feb
Belding-Corticelli Ltd.....100	83	83	82	82	15	65	Jan	85	Aug
Brit Amer Oil Co Ltd.....*	13 1/2	13 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	675	12 3/4	July	15 3/4	Mar
Canada Vinegars Ltd.....*	25 1/4	25 1/4	25 1/4	25 1/4	5	22 3/4	Jan	27 1/2	Feb
Cndn Dredge & Dk Ltd.....*	25	21 3/4	21 3/4	21 3/4	18	18	Aug	34 1/2	Feb
Cndn Foreign Invest Corp...*	25	25	25	25	325	9	Jan	25	May
Preferred.....100	101	106	106	106	27	80	Jan	107	Oct
Canadian Winerles Ltd.....*	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	10	5	Sept	11 1/4	Jan
Catell Mac Prods pref A 30	8	8	8	8	10	7	July	9 1/2	Sept
Champlain Oil Prods pref...*	8	8 1/4	8 1/4	8 1/4	855	7 1/4	Mar	9	Mar
Commercial Alcohols Ltd.....*	50c	50c	50c	50c	380	30c	July	1.50	Jan
Distill Corp Seagrams Ltd...*	13	12 1/2	15	15	1,380	8 3/4	July	26 1/2	Jan
Dominion Eng Wks Ltd.....*	21	21	21	21	75	18 3/4	Aug	28	Feb
Dominion Stores Ltd.....*	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 3/4	14 3/4	75	14 1/2	Oct	22 1/2	Mar
Dom Tar & Chem Co Ltd.....*	2	2 1/4	2 1/2						

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Quotations on Over-the-Counter Securities—Friday Oct. 26—Concluded

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Table of Insurance Companies with columns for Par, Bid, Ask and descriptions of various insurance firms.

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Sugar Stocks

Table of Sugar Stocks with columns for Par, Bid, Ask and descriptions of sugar-related companies.

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Railroad Stocks Guaranteed & Leased Line Preferred Common

Railroad Bonds

Adams & Peck 63 WALL ST., NEW YORK
BO wing Green 9-8120
Boston Hartford Philadelphia

Guaranteed Railroad Stocks
(Guarantor in Parenthesis.)

	Par	Dividend in Dollars.	Bid.	Ask.
Alabama & Vicksburg (Ill Cent).....	100	6.00	84	90
Albany & Susquehanna (Delaware & Hudson).....	100	10.50	202	206
Allegheny & Western (Buff Roch & Pitts).....	100	6.00	95	98
Beech Creek (New York Central).....	50	2.00	32 1/2	35
Boston & Albany (New York Central).....	100	8.75	119	122
Boston & Providence (New Haven).....	100	8.50	150	150
Canada Southern (New York Central).....	100	3.00	49	52
Caro Clinchfield & Ohio (L & N A C L) & %.....	100	4.00	80	83
Common 5% stamped.....	100	5.00	85	88
Chic Cleave Cline & St Louis pref (N Y Cent).....	100	5.00	85	89
Cleveland & Pittsburgh (Pennsylvania).....	50	3.50	77	79
Betterman stock.....	50	2.00	43 1/2	45
Delaware (Pennsylvania).....	25	2.00	43	45
Fort Wayne & Jackson pref (N Y Central).....	100	5.50	75	80
Georgia RR & Banking (L & N, A C L).....	100	10.00	155	165
Lackawanna RR of N J (Del Lack & Western).....	100	4.00	70	75
Michigan Central (New York Central).....	100	60.00	850	1050
Morris & Essex (Del Lack & Western).....	50	3.75	66	68
New York Lackawanna & Western (D L & W).....	100	5.00	93	96
Northern Central (Pennsylvania).....	50	4.00	86	89
Old Colony (N Y N H & Hartford).....	100	7.00	78	82
Owego & Syracuse (Del Lack & Western).....	60	4.50	65	70
Pittsburgh Bess & Lake Erie (U S Steel).....	50	1.50	32	35
Preferred.....		3.00	64	67
Pittsburgh Fort Wayne & Chicago (Penn).....	100	7.00	147	152
Preferred.....	100	7.00	167	170
Rensselaer & Saratoga (Delaware & Hudson).....	100	6.90	116	120
St Louis Bridge 1st pref (Terminal RR).....	100	6.00	128	132
2nd preferred.....	100	3.00	64	66
Tunnel RR St Louis (Terminal RR).....	100	3.00	128	132
United New Jersey RR & Canal (Penna).....	100	10.00	230	233
Utica Chenango & Susquehanna (D L & W).....	100	6.00	87	91
Valley (Delaware Lackawanna & Western).....	100	5.00	85	88
Vicksburg Shreveport & Pacific (Ill Cent).....	100	5.00	67	72
Preferred.....	100	5.00	68	72
Warren RR of N J (Del Lack & Western).....	50	3.50	50	53
West Jersey & Sea Shore (Penn).....	50	3.00	61	63

EQUIPMENT TRUST CERTIFICATES
Quotations-Appraisals Upon Request

STROUD & COMPANY INC.
Philadelphia, Pa.
Private Wires to New York

Railroad Equipment Bonds

	Bid	Ask		Bid	Ask
Atlantic Coast Line 6 1/2%.....	3.25	2.75	Missouri Pacific 4 1/2%.....	6.50	6.00
4 1/2%.....	3.50	3.00	5%.....	6.50	6.00
Baltimore & Ohio 4 1/2%.....	3.40	3.25	5 1/2%.....	6.50	6.00
5%.....	3.60	3.25	New Ori Tex & Mex 4 1/2%.....	7.00	6.00
Boston & Maine 4 1/2%.....	4.25	3.80	New York Central 4 1/2%.....	3.60	3.20
5%.....	4.25	3.80	5%.....	3.60	3.20
Canadian National 4 1/2%.....	4.10	3.80	6%.....	2.00	1.50
5%.....	4.10	3.80	7%.....	2.00	1.50
Canadian Pacific 4 1/2%.....	4.00	3.80	N Y Chic & St L 4 1/2%.....	4.10	3.80
Cent RR New Jer 4 1/2%.....	3.50	3.00	5%.....	4.10	3.80
Chesapeake & Ohio 5 1/2%.....	3.25	2.75	N Y N H & Hartford 4 1/2%.....	4.35	4.00
6 1/2%.....	3.00	2.50	5%.....	4.35	4.00
4 1/2%.....	3.25	2.50	Northern Pacific 4 1/2%.....	3.75	3.25
5%.....	3.25	2.50	Pennsylvania RR 4 1/2%.....	3.20	3.00
Chicago & Nor West 4 1/2%.....	5.60	5.25	6%.....	3.20	3.00
5%.....	5.60	5.25	Pere Marquette 4 1/2%.....	4.10	3.80
Chic Milw & St Paul 4 1/2%.....	6.00	5.50	Reading Co 4 1/2%.....	3.25	3.05
5%.....	6.00	5.50	6%.....	3.25	3.05
Chicago R I & Pac 4 1/2%.....	80	85	St Louis-San Fran 4%.....	75	85
5%.....	80	85	5 1/2%.....	75	85
Denver & R G West 4 1/2%.....	6.00	5.50	6%.....	75	85
5%.....	6.00	5.50	St Louis Southwestern 6%.....	4.50	4.00
5 1/2%.....	6.00	5.50	5 1/2%.....	4.50	4.00
Erie RR 5 1/2%.....	4.00	3.50	Southern Pacific 7%.....	2.00	1.50
6%.....	4.00	3.50	4 1/2%.....	3.60	3.15
4 1/2%.....	4.00	3.50	5%.....	3.60	3.15
5%.....	4.00	3.50	Southern Ry 4 1/2%.....	4.25	4.75
Great Northern 4 1/2%.....	3.50	3.00	5%.....	4.25	4.75
5%.....	3.50	3.00	6%.....	2.00	1.50
Hooking Valley 5%.....	3.40	3.00	Texas Pacific 4%.....	4.20	3.90
Illinois Central 4 1/2%.....	3.65	3.25	4 1/2%.....	4.20	3.90
5%.....	3.65	3.25	5%.....	4.20	3.90
5 1/2%.....	3.65	3.25	Union Pacific 4 1/2%.....	3.10	2.80
6 1/2%.....	3.60	3.25	5%.....	3.10	2.80
7%.....	3.50	3.15	7%.....	1.50	1.00
Internat Great Nor 4 1/2%.....	80	85	Virginian Ry 4 1/2%.....	3.20	3.00
Long Island 4 1/2%.....	3.50	3.10	5%.....	3.20	3.00
5%.....	3.50	3.10	Wabash Ry 4 1/2%.....	7.00	6.00
Louis & Nashv 4 1/2%.....	3.50	3.10	5%.....	7.00	6.00
5%.....	3.50	3.10	5 1/2%.....	7.00	6.00
6 1/2%.....	3.25	2.75	6%.....	7.00	6.00
Maine Central 5%.....	4.75	4.25	5%.....	4.25	1.75
5 1/2%.....	4.75	4.25	Western Maryland 4 1/2%.....	4.25	1.75
Minn St P & S S M 4%.....	6.50	6.00	5%.....	6.00	5.50
4 1/2%.....	6.50	6.00	Western Pacific 5%.....	6.00	5.50

Telephone and Telegraph Stocks

	Par	Bid	Ask		Par	Bid	Ask
Amer Dist Teleg (N J) com *.....	69	72 1/2	72 1/2	New York Mutual Tel.....	100	22 1/2	25
Preferred.....	100	111 3/4	113	North Bell Tel pf 6 1/4% 100.....	110 1/4	112 1/2	113
Bell Teleg of Canada.....	100	121 1/2	125	Pac & Atl Teleg U S 1% .25.....	14 1/4	16 1/2	17
Bell Teleg of Penn pref.....	100	115 1/2	117	Peninsular Telephone com *.....	4 1/2	6 1/2	6 3/4
Cincin & Sub Bell Teleg.....	50	64 1/4	68	Preferred A.....	67	69 3/4	71
Cuban Teleg 7% pref.....	100	22 1/2	28 1/2	Roch Teleg \$6.50 1st pf.....	101 1/2	101 1/2	---
Empire & Bay State Teleg.....	100	54	58	So & Atl Teleg \$1.25.....	25	17	---
Franklin Teleg \$2.50.....	100	35 1/2	41 1/2	So New Engl Teleg.....	104 1/2	106	---
Int Ocean Teleg 6%.....	100	80	84	S'western Bell Tel, pf.....	119 1/4	121 1/4	---
Lincoln Tel & Tel 7%.....	100	80	84	Tri States Tel & Tel.....	10	9 1/2	10 1/4
Mount States Tel & Tel.....	100	107 3/4	108 3/4	Preferred.....	10	9 1/2	10 1/4
New England Tel & Tel.....	100	96 1/4	98	Wisconsin Teleg 7% pref 100.....	110 1/4	114	---

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Miscellaneous Bonds

	Bid	Ask		Bid	Ask		
Adams Express 4%.....	1947	79	79 1/2	Maine Central RR 6%.....	1935	63 3/4	66 3/4
American Meter 6%.....	1946	83	---	Merchants Refrig 6%.....	1937	92	---
Amer Tobacco 4%.....	1951	101	---	N Y & Hob F'y 5%.....	1946	74	77
Am Type Fdms 6%.....	1937	e27	31	N Y Shipbldg 5%.....	1946	94	---
Debenture 6%.....	1939	e27	31	North American Refractories 6 1/2%.....	1944	e38 1/4	41
Am Wire Fabrics 7%.....	1942	89	---	Otis Steel 6% cts.....	1944	50	54
Bear Mountain-Hudson River Bridge 7%.....	1953	76	79	Pierce Butler & P 6 1/2%.....	1942	e4	8
Butterick Publishing 6 1/4 1936.....	1936	38	40	Prudence Co guar collateral 5 1/2%.....	1961	54	---
Chicago Stock Yds 5%.....	1961	89	91	Realty Assoc sec 6%.....	1937	e36	---
Consolidation Coal 4 1/2 1934.....	1934	e20	24	Sixty-One B'way 1st 5 1/2% '60.....	1960	43	51
Deep Rock Oil 7%.....	1937	e35 1/2	37 1/2	Standard Textile Products— 1st 6 1/2 unvs'nted.....	1942	20	---
Equitable Office Bldg 5% '52.....	'52	63 1/2	56 1/2	Starratt Investing 5%.....	1950	35 1/2	40 1/2
Forty Wall Street 6%.....	1958	46	48	Struthers Wells Titusville 6 1/2%.....	1943	55	---
Hayden Corp 8%.....	1938	e14	16	Toledo Term RR 4 1/2%.....	1957	100 1/4	101 3/4
Hoboken Ferry 5%.....	1946	82 1/4	85	Trinity Bldg 5 1/2%.....	1939	95 1/4	96 1/2
Home Owners' Loan Corp 1 1/2%.....	Aug 15 1936	100 3/4	100 1/2	Wetherbee Sherman 6%.....	1944	e5	8
1 1/2%.....	Aug 15 1937	100 3/4	100 1/2	Woodward Iron 5%.....	1952	e24	28
1 1/2%.....	Aug 15 1938	100 1/2	100 1/2				
Journal of Comm 6 1/2%.....	1937	42 1/4	46				
Loews New Broad Prop— 1st 6%.....	Broadway.....	1945	95 1/4	97 3/4			

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Industrial Stocks

	Par	Bid	Ask		Par	Bid	Ask
Adams-Millis Corp, pf.....	100	98	102	Herring-Hall-Marv Safe.....	100	10	16
American Arch \$1.....	14 3/8	---	---	International Textbook.....	---	13 1/4	22 1/2
American Book \$4.....	100	56	59	King Royalty com.....	---	8 1/2	11
American Hard Rubber.....	50	4	8	\$8 preferred.....	---	72	78
American Hardware.....	25	18 1/2	19 1/4	Kinner Airplane & Motor.....	---	1	1 1/2
American Mfg.....	100	51 1/2	9 1/2	Lawrence Port Cement.....	100	9	11
Preferred.....	100	41	51	Locomotive Firebox Co.....	---	3 1/2	4 1/2
American Meter com.....	---	8	---	Mafadden Publica'ns com 5 preferred.....	---	3 1/2	4 1/2
Andian National Corp.....	---	37 1/2	39 1/4	Merck Corp \$8 pref.....	100	125	128
Babcock & Wilcox.....	100	23	24 1/2	National Cashier.....	---	69	74
Bancroft (Jos) & Sons com *.....	1	1	3	Preferred.....	---	105	---
Bliss (E W) 1st pref.....	50	15	25	National Licorice com.....	100	30	---
2d pref B.....	10	11 1/2	31 1/2	Nat Paper & Type pref.....	100	1	5
Bon Ami Co B common.....	37	40	---	New Haven Clock pref.....	100	37 1/2	41 1/2
Bowman-Biltmore Hotels.....	100	3	4 3/8	New Jersey Worsted pref.....	100	56	---
1st preferred.....	100	3	4 3/8	North Amer Match Corp.....	---	24	26
2nd preferred.....	100	3	4 3/8	Northwestern Yeast.....	100	145	149 1/2
Brunsw-Balke-Col pref.....	100	53	54 1/2	Norwich Pharmacal Co.....	---	86 1/2	89 1/2
Bunker H & Sullivan com 10.....	10	27 1/4	29 1/4	Onio Leather.....	---	14	17 1/2
Canadian Colanese com.....	20	20	23	Pathe Exchange 8% pref.....	100	100	104
Preferred.....	100	110 1/2	115	Publication Corp com.....	---	18 1/2	21 1/2
Carnation Co \$7 pref.....	100	103 1/4	107 1/2	\$7 1st preferred.....	100	90	---
Clinchfield Coal Corp pf 100.....	100	32	---	Riverdale Silk Mills.....	---	24 1/2	25
Color Pictures Inc.....	---	51 1/2	61 1/2	Rockwood & Co.....	---	91 1/2	---
Colts Patent Fire Arms.....	25	18 1/4	19 1/2	Preferred.....	---	39	---
Columbia Baking com.....	---	14	14	Ruberoid Co.....	100	32	33 1/2
1st preferred.....	---	2	4 1/2	Seovill Mfg.....	2 1/2	18 1/2	19 1/2
2d preferred.....	---	5 1/2	11 1/2	Singer Manufacturing.....	100	226	231
Columbia Broadcasting cl A.....	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 3/4	Standard Cap & Seal.....	5	25	30
Class B.....	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 3/4	Standard Screw.....	100	50 1/2	55
Crowell Pub Co \$1 com.....	20	20	23	Taylor Milling Corp.....	---	10	11 1/2
\$7 preferred.....	100	91	---	Taylor Wharton Ird&St com *.....	---	16 1/2	31 1/4
Dietaphone Corp.....	---	17 1/4	19 1/4	Preferred.....	---	100	---
Preferred.....	---	102	---	Tenn Products Corp pref.....	50	14 1/4	---
Dixon (Jos) Crucible.....	100	39 1/2	44	Tubize Chatillon cum pf.....	100	37	41
Doehler Die Cast pref.....	---	58	63	Urexcelled Mfg Co.....	---	2	3 1/2
Preferred.....	---	50	28	U S Finishing pref.....	100	2	4 1/4
Douglas Shoe preferred.....	100	19	21	Welch Grape Juice pref.....	100	65	---
Draper Corp.....	---	48 1/2	50 1/2	West Va Pulp & Pap com *.....	---	9 1/2	10 1/4
Driver-Harris pref.....	100	63	72	Preferred.....	---	82 1/2	85
Elsman Magneto pref.....	100	8	13	White (S S) Dental Mfg.....	---	12	13
First Boston Corp.....	---	17 3/8	19 1/8	White Rock Min Spring— \$7 1st preferred.....	100	95	---
Flour Mills of America.....	---	14	2 1/4	Wilcox-Gibbs com.....	50	21	---
Franklin Railway Supply.....	---	10	9	Woodward Iron.....	100	4	---
Gen Fireproofing \$7 pf.....	100	52	---	Worcester Salt.....	100	45	49
Graton & Knight com.....	---	3 1/4	4 3/4	Young (J S) Co com.....	100	72 1/2	---
Preferred.....	---	23	26				

General Corporation and Investment News

RAILROAD—PUBLIC UTILITY—INDUSTRIAL—MISCELLANEOUS.

Below will be found in alphabetical arrangement current news pertaining to all classes of corporate entities—railroad, public utility and industrial companies. This information was heretofore given under classified headings, such as Current Earnings, Financial Reports, Steam Railroads, Public Utilities and Industrial and Miscellaneous.

Monthly Gross Earnings of Railroads—The following are comparisons of the monthly totals of railroad earnings, both gross and net (the net before the deduction of taxes), of all the Class I roads in the country reporting monthly returns to the Interstate Commerce Commission:

Month.	Gross Earnings.			Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).	Length of Road.	
	1933.	1932.	\$		Per Cent.	1933
January	228,889,421	274,890,197	-46,000,776	-16.73	241,881	241,991
February	213,851,168	266,231,186	-52,380,018	-19.67	241,189	241,467
March	219,857,606	288,880,547	-69,022,941	-23.89	240,911	241,489
April	227,300,643	267,480,682	-40,180,039	-15.02	241,680	242,160
May	257,963,036	254,378,672	+3,584,364	+1.41	241,484	242,143
June	281,353,909	245,869,626	+35,484,283	+14.43	241,455	242,333
July	297,185,484	237,493,700	+59,691,784	+25.13	241,348	241,906
August	300,520,299	251,782,311	+48,737,988	+19.36	241,166	242,358
September	295,506,009	272,059,765	+23,446,244	+8.62	240,992	239,904
October	297,690,747	298,084,387	-393,640	-0.13	240,858	242,177
November	260,503,983	253,225,641	+7,278,342	+2.87	242,708	244,143
December	248,057,612	245,760,336	+2,297,276	+0.93	240,338	240,950

Month	Net Earnings.		Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).	Per Cent.
	1933.	1932.		
January	45,603,287	45,964,987	-361,700	-0.79
February	41,460,593	56,187,604	-14,727,011	-26.21
March	43,100,029	68,356,042	-25,256,013	-36.94
April	52,585,047	56,261,840	-3,676,793	-6.55
May	74,844,410	47,416,270	+27,428,140	+57.85
June	94,485,669	47,018,799	+47,466,870	+100.87
July	100,482,838	46,148,017	+54,334,821	+117.74
August	96,108,921	62,553,029	+33,555,892	+53.64
September	94,222,438	83,092,822	+11,129,616	+13.39
October	91,000,573	98,337,561	-7,336,988	-7.46
November	66,866,614	63,962,092	+2,904,522	+4.54
December	59,129,403	57,861,144	+1,268,259	+2.19

Month	Net Earnings.		Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).	Per Cent.
	1933.	1932.		
January	62,262,469	44,978,266	+17,284,203	+38.43
February	59,923,775	40,914,074	+19,009,701	+46.46
March	83,939,285	42,447,013	+41,492,272	+97.75
April	65,253,473	51,840,515	+13,412,958	+26.36
May	72,084,732	73,703,351	-1,618,619	-2.20
June	74,529,256	92,967,854	-18,438,598	-19.83
July	67,569,491	98,803,830	-31,234,339	-31.61
August	71,019,068	94,507,245	-23,488,177	-24.85

Acme Steel Co.—Bonds Called—
The Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, trustee, will on Dec. 17 next redeem \$60,000 Acme Steel Goods Co. 1st mtge. 20-year 6% sinking fund gold bonds, series A, due March 1 1943, at 102 and int.—V. 139, p. 1699.

Air Reduction Co., Inc.—Earnings—
Period End. Sept. 30—1934—3 Mos.—1933—9 Mos.—1933

Gross income	\$3,962,840	\$3,960,045	\$12,477,124	\$10,077,727
Operating expenses	2,597,426	2,351,527	7,784,974	6,399,045
Reserves	359,660	397,954	1,119,458	1,207,278
Federal taxes (est.)	139,371	173,162	495,493	334,078
Net profit	\$866,383	\$1,037,402	\$3,077,199	\$2,137,324
Shs. stk. outst. (no par.)	832,588	841,288	832,588	841,288
Earnings per share	\$1.04	\$1.23	\$3.70	\$2.54

—V. 139, p. 1699.

Akron Canton & Youngstown Ry.—Earnings—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$129,543	\$140,475	\$128,136	\$153,036
Net from railway	32,516	49,089	36,121	38,429
Net after rents	10,928	24,630	16,726	12,827
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	1,307,724	1,223,541	1,182,962	1,498,284
Net from railway	448,639	456,916	357,790	461,302
Net after rents	219,554	252,250	163,457	217,152

—V. 139, p. 2037.

Alabama Great Southern RR.—Earnings—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$409,918	\$436,539	\$385,555	\$507,050
Net from railway	73,117	135,645	78,785	73,768
Net after rents	54,289	100,992	36,193	37,677
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	3,662,860	3,360,553	3,074,748	4,786,160
Net from railway	729,436	804,223	54,112	555,853
Net after rents	482,281	444,842	def286,186	275,704

—V. 139, p. 2037.

Alabama Power Co.—Earnings—
[A Subsidiary of Commonwealth & Southern Corp.]

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933	1934—12 Mos.—	1933
Gross earnings	\$1,313,940	\$1,374,567	\$15,425,054	\$15,475,852
Oper. exps., incl. maint. and taxes	548,257	579,778	6,730,213	6,526,384
Fixed charges	390,912	390,457	4,706,037	4,673,487
Provision for retirement reserve	97,845	92,683	1,158,654	1,030,950
Divs. on pref. stock	195,186	195,192	2,342,203	2,342,171
Balance	\$81,738	\$116,455	\$487,945	\$902,859

—V. 139, p. 2037.

Alaska Mining & Power Co.—Sale Approved—
The stockholders at a special meeting held Oct. 19 voted to sell all the company's physical properties, including power rights, to Alaska Juneau Gold Mines Co. for \$4,703 shares of stock of the latter.—V. 139, p. 2194.

Allan's Beverages, Ltd.—Pays Preferred Accumulations—
The directors have declared a dividend of \$5.25 per share on account of accumulations on the 7% cum. pref. stock, par \$100, payable Oct. 31 to holders of record Oct. 26. No dividend has been paid on this issue since Jan. 31, last, when a regular quarterly dividend of \$1.75 per share was disbursed. On Dec. 4 1933 the company paid a dividend of \$7 per share thus wiping out accruals up to that date.

There will be no accumulations on the above issue after the payment of the Oct. 31 dividend. The dividend will be paid in Canadian funds and is subject in the case of non-residents to a 5% tax.—V. 138, p. 505.

Allegheny Corp.—Bond Plan Assents Total \$16,108,000—
Deposits of bonds under the plan of the corporation to meet interest payments for the next five years on the bonds maturing in 1950 through the issuance of new preferred stock up to Oct. 26 aggregated \$16,424,000, out of a total of \$24,532,000 outstanding, leaving undeposited \$8,108,000 of bonds.—V. 139, p. 2511.

Allied General Corp.—Asset Value—
The nine months report shows a Sept. 30 1934 asset value of \$15.60 per preferred share compared with \$15.67 on Dec. 31 1933.—V. 139, p. 2037.

Allied Owners Corp.—Plan of Reorganization Entitled—
A plan of reorganization proposed by the company pursuant to Section 77-B of the National Bankruptcy Act has been filed in the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York. A hearing on the plan will be held on Oct. 31.

A brief statement of the debtor's situation, the reasons for, and purposes of, the plan and the general nature of some of its principal provisions follows: On Aug. 8 1933, the debtor filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York and was adjudicated a bankrupt by order of said Court. On June 22 1934, the debtor filed a petition under Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act, which petition was approved by said Court on that date. Stephen Callaghan, William M. Greve and Percival E. Jackson, who had been the trustees elected in the bankruptcy proceeding, were appointed by the Court temporarily as trustees in the proceedings under 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act, and their appointment was later made permanent.

Necessity for a Plan of Reorganization—
The debtor's principal assets are seven theatre properties, and the agreements with Paramount Publix Corp. entered into with respect thereof which provide for title thereto being transferred to Paramount, upon the making of net payments more than sufficient to meet the interest on and over a period of time to pay the principal of the debtor's first mortgage real estate 6% sinking fund gold bonds and its serial 6% gold debentures.

In 1927, Paramount assigned to Loew's Theatre & Realty Corp., its rights in respect of three of the theatre properties, to wit, Loew's Kings Theatre, Loew's Valencia and Loew's Pitkin Theatre, and the latter corporation assumed all the obligations of Paramount in respect thereof without Paramount being released therefrom. Simultaneously with such assignment, Loew's Inc., guaranteed performance by Loew's Theatre & Realty Corp. of its obligations assumed as aforesaid, which guaranty was thereafter assigned by Paramount to the debtor.

In Jan. 1933, Paramount discontinued making payments to the debtor under its aforementioned contracts and in March of that year was adjudicated a bankrupt. Shortly thereafter, Loew's Theatre & Realty Corp. also discontinued its payments to the debtor, nor did Loew's, Inc. make those payments. The two Loew companies, in refusing to continue the payments contended, among other things, that the debtor might not be able to deliver title to the three theatre properties in question upon completion of payments by the Loew companies in view of the fact that the theatre properties were covered by three mortgages of the debtor (securing the debtor's obligations in excess of \$11,000,000, consisting of its first mortgage real estate 6% sinking fund gold bonds, serial 6% gold debentures and obligations held by New York Investors, Inc.) any or all of which might be foreclosed in case of default thereunder by the debtor which the Loew's companies felt was imminent in view of the discontinuance of payment by Paramount to the debtor.

This curtailment of cash receipts made it impossible for the debtor to meet its interest and other fixed charges and precipitated the bankruptcy proceedings which the debtor instituted on Aug. 8 1933, in order to preserve its assets for the benefit of all creditors.

Suits were instituted to enforce the rights of the debtor against Loew's Theatre & Realty Corp. and Loew's, Inc., but feeling that such litigation would be long and costly, conferences were held with officers of Loew's Theatre & Realty Corp. and Loew's, Inc., which have resulted in a settlement agreement. The settlement agreement (under which Loew's Theatre & Realty Corp. has already deposited in escrow as of Sept. 1 1934, approximately \$416,000) provides, among other things, that the two Loew's companies may withdraw therefrom, in case on or before Dec. 31 1934, said agreement is not approved by the U. S. District Court, and a plan of reorganization containing certain provisions designed to enable the debtor to comply with and carry out the terms of said agreement is not confirmed by said Court.

The other four theatres are also held under contract to Paramount. A claim in behalf of the debtor has been filed in the bankruptcy proceedings of Paramount but contested by it, and this matter is still pending. In the meantime, the debtor has made temporary arrangements for the operation of the Brooklyn Paramount Theatre and Alabama Theatre (together with two smaller theatres located in Glens Falls, N. Y. and Fremont, Ohio, which were also under contract to Paramount) on such basis as was possible under present depressed business conditions, providing in most instances for receipt by the debtor of a minimum guaranty and a certain percentage of gross receipts, if any. The debtor's income under these temporary arrangements has been very substantially less than the amounts provided for under the Paramount contracts with respect to these theatre properties.

Terms of the Settlement Agreement With Loew's Theatre & Realty Corp. and Loew's, Inc.
The obligation of Paramount with respect to the three theatre properties now known, respectively, as Loew's Kings Theatre, Loew's Valencia Theatre and Loew's Pitkin Theatre (which obligation was assumed by Loew's Theatre & Realty Corp., with Loew's, Inc. as guarantor) provided for the payment to the debtor over a period ending on Dec. 1 1943, in the case of the Loew's Kings & Loew's Pitkin and on Sept. 1 1943, in the case of the Loew's Valencia, of \$697,023 per annum and \$1,093,728 on Sept. 1 1943, and \$2,391,387 on Dec. 1 1943, of which, on July 1 1933, approximately \$1,807,260 in amount was still unpaid, and also for payment of such items as real estate taxes, assessments and water rents. It was a provision of such agreement that when such payments were completed, the debtor was to transfer title to said theatre properties without further payment. There was also a provision permitting the debtor at its option to transfer said properties subject to mortgages not in excess of a certain aggregate amount, in which case the amounts of cash payments to be received by the debtor as aforesaid were proportionately decreased. There was also a provision in said agreement that permitted prior payment on an anticipation basis. These are the agreements which were contested by the Loew companies.

The settlement agreement which will only become effective in case a plan of reorganization for the debtor is confirmed, obviates the necessity for litigation and provides in respect of the three theatre properties above mentioned that Loew's Theatre & Realty Corp. will pay to the debtor in cash the sum of \$500,000 per year for 10 years (beginning June 1 1933) and the sum of \$525,000 per year for the next succeeding 15 years, making total payments aggregating \$12,875,000 (in addition to payment of real

estate taxes, assessments, water rents, &c.); and upon completion of said payments, title to said theatre properties will pass to Loew's Theatre & Realty Corp. without further payment by it. There is also a provision in this agreement that Loew's Theatre & Realty Corp., by anticipating payments (discounted on a 5% basis), may take title at an earlier date. Said agreement also provides that Loew's, Inc. will guarantee performance by Loew's Theatre & Realty Corp. of its obligations thereunder.

It should be noted that the amount remaining unpaid under the original agreements as above stated total some \$10,800,000. The aggregate payments under the settlement agreement total \$12,875,000. However, the payments under the settlement agreements are spread over a longer period of time, running to 1958, whereas, under the original agreements, the final payment was due in 1943.

From the standpoint of the security holders of the debtor it is important to note that, for the reasons above stated, the debtor's annual income is unavoidably reduced, and by the expression "debtor's annual income" is meant the amount available each year for the payment of interest and other charges, the reduction of debt, operating expense and other items.

Modification of Existing Indentures Under Plan

The plan of reorganization contemplates a modification of existing indentures and of the first mortgage bonds and other obligations secured thereby. In connection therewith the following facts should be noted:

All assets which are owned by the debtor and which are now pledged under the indentures securing the first mortgage bonds and the debentures will in substance, upon the consummation of the plan, be subject to the lien of the indentures.

The principal amount of the first mortgage bonds, debentures and other obligations remains unchanged.

The maturity dates of the major part of the obligations of the debtor are extended as follows:

First mortgage bonds to July 1 1958.
 Debentures to July 1 1963.
 The obligations of the debtor, which are to be exchanged for third lien notes, to July 1 1963.

The first mortgage bonds will first be entitled to receive interest on a cumulative income basis at the rate of 4% per annum together with a substantial annual sinking fund payment.

The debentures and other junior debt will then in the order of their respective priorities be entitled to receive 2% per annum on a cumulative income basis, but for approximately two years after consummation of the reorganization no funds will be available currently to pay this interest and it will cumulate.

The first mortgage bonds are next entitled to an addition to the annual sinking fund provided therefor, and after Jan. 1 1938, the first mortgage bonds, debentures and third lien notes are entitled to receive pro rata from any income then remaining, an additional 1% per annum as interest on a cumulative income basis.

Thereafter the debentures and other junior debt in order of priority will be entitled, from any income then remaining, to receive an additional 1% per annum for any current year.

Organization of Subsidiaries

There shall be organized two domestic (New York) business corporations, one to be known as "Lowallied Corp." and the other to be known as "Glenmont Corp." Each such corporation shall have an authorized capital stock consisting of 100 shares of common stock of no par value. The certificate of incorporation shall restrict the business and powers of each such corporation to those required under this plan of reorganization. Certain properties shall be transferred to the corporations.—V. 139, p. 2511.

Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co.—Earnings—

	1934	1933
Nine Months Ended Sept. 30—		
Sales billed.....	\$14,301,206	\$9,407,976
Cost of sales.....	15,178,879	11,391,732
Operating loss.....	\$877,672	\$1,983,755
Interest, discounts, &c.....	578,194	548,565
Total loss.....	\$299,478	\$1,435,190
Debiture interest, discounts, &c.....	607,699	605,249
Net loss.....	\$907,177	\$2,040,440

The company for the third quarter of 1934 reports a loss of \$84,923, after all charges, including debenture interest and depreciation, on billings of \$5,794,953. This compares with a loss in the third quarter of 1933 of \$381,532 on billings of \$4,029,357.

Orders received for the third quarter of 1934 amounted to \$5,787,661, an increase of 14% over the \$5,072,114 reported for third quarter the year before.

Orders received for the current nine months amounted to \$16,367,529, compared with \$9,839,903 for the nine months of 1933, an increase of 66%.

Unfilled orders on the books Sept. 30 1934 aggregated \$8,492,321, compared with \$5,873,753 Sept. 30 1933, an increase of \$2,618,568, or 45%.

The Sept. 30 1934 balance sheet shows cash and marketable securities of \$3,640,960 and net current assets of \$23,125,711. This compares with cash and marketable securities Sept. 30 1933 of \$5,603,077 and net current assets of \$24,148,910.—V. 139, p. 588.

Alpha Portland Cement Co.—Preferred Stock Called—

The New York Stock Exchange announced Oct. 25 that it had been notified by the company that its entire issue of 20,000 shares of 7% preferred stock (\$100 par) will be redeemed on Feb. 1 1935 at \$125 a share plus accrued dividends. Redemptions will be made at the First National Bank & Trust Co., of Easton, Pa.—V. 139, p. 2511.

Amalgamated Sugar Co.—To Build California Refinery—

The company, whose common stock is nearly wholly owned by the American Crystal Sugar Co. (formerly American Beet), will, it is said, erect a sugar beet refinery at Clarksburg, Calif., at a cost of \$1,500,000.—V. 139, p. 271.

American Business Shares, Inc.—

Indicating their belief in sound common stocks as the most desirable investment medium, for the present at least, Leon Abbott, President, in a letter to shareholders discussing the policies governing the administration of this mutual fund, reported that as of Oct. 1 1934, the management had 99.97% of its invested assets in common stocks and 0.03% in cash. While empowered by its charter to invest, not only in common stocks, but also in government and corporation bonds, and in preferred stocks, the management has determined on this policy feeling that common stocks possess both hedge protection if inflation comes, and profit possibilities if recovery takes place without inflation, according to the letter. In his letter, Mr. Abbott takes exception to the recently advanced doctrine that so-called "rubbish stocks" are attractive during the preliminary phase of inflation, stating that "no such stocks will ever consciously be included in the company's portfolio."

An analysis of the portfolio based on closing prices of Oct. 1 1934 shows that 76.99% of the total market value was invested in common stocks of industrial companies; 8.16% in rails and rail equipment; 3.58% in insurance; 11.24% in utilities, and 0.03% in cash.—V. 139, p. 433.

American Colortype Co.—Sales—

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Sales.....	\$1,450,510	\$4,468,765
	\$1,186,387	\$3,695,225

—V. 139, p. 433.

American Encaustic Tiling Co. (Ltd.)—Listing of Additional Common Stock—Loan of \$250,000 From RFC—Increase in Capital and Liquidation of Bank Loans—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 48,634 additional shares of common stock (no par), on official notice of issuance, making the total amount applied for 291,804 shares.

The directors on Sept. 13 and Sept. 25, authorized the calling of a special meeting of stockholders for Oct. 29, for the following purposes:

(1) To consider and act upon obtaining a loan of \$250,000 from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and to authorize the officers and directors to consummate such loan.

(2) To authorize the officers and directors in connection with such loan, to execute and deliver to the RFC company's note in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 payable on or before a date one year from the date thereof, bearing int. at rate of 6% per annum payable semi-annually, and to authorize and consent to the execution of a mortgage securing said note covering

all real estate, buildings, plants, machinery, &c., now owned or hereafter acquired and located in its plant at Zanesville, O., and also all real estate, buildings, machinery, equipment, &c., now owned or hereafter acquired by the company and located at its plants Nos. 1 and 2 at Maurer, N. J., together with any and all patents, trade marks, &c., used in connection with the property so to be mortgaged.

(3) Provided the loan from the RFC be accepted and approved and the officers and directors be authorized to consummate such loan, to consider and act upon approving and ratifying the contract, dated Sept. 15 1934, entered into between the company, as seller and Louis Kramer, as purchaser, involving the sale of premises No. 16 East 41st St., N. Y. City, and 30,000 new shares of the no par value common capital stock for the aggregate sum of \$90,000, and to authorize the officers and directors to close title under said contract provided that the RFC loan is consummated and provided that there are available 30,000 new shares of the no par value common stock.

(4) Provided the Kramer contract be approved and ratified, to consider and act upon using the proceeds of said contract, to wit, \$90,000, for the purpose of liquidating the indebtedness of the company to Bankers Trust Co. and Irving Trust Co. and to obtain from said banks full and complete releases and to accept the proposition of the banks to discharge the indebtedness upon such payment of such sums of \$90,000.

(5) Provided the Kramer contract be approved and ratified, to authorize the increase of the no par value common stock by 39,804 shares, to wit, from 252,000 shares to 291,804 shares.

(6) Provided such increase be authorized, to authorize the offering of 39,804 new shares, and also 8,350 shares heretofore authorized but unissued aggregating in all 48,634 shares, to stockholders for subscription at 50 cents per share in the ratio of one share for every five shares outstanding.

The company is at present indebted to Bankers Trust Co. and Irving Trust Co. in the sum of \$216,946 and int., and on Sept. 18 the banks started suits against the company for collection of such indebtedness.

Several months ago the company applied to the RFC for a working capital loan and on Sept. 21 the RFC adopted a resolution authorizing a loan to the company of \$250,000, contingent, among other things, upon prior liquidation of the company's bank indebtedness without the use of RFC money.

The company has entered into a contract with Louis Kramer for the sale and purchase of the company's premises at 16 East 41st St., N. Y. City, for \$75,000 and for the sale to Mr. Kramer of 30,000 new shares of the no par common stock at 50 cents per share, aggregating \$15,000. The Kramer contract recites that it must have the approval and ratification of the directors and stockholders and that it is also contingent upon the liquidation of the bank indebtedness and the making of a loan by the RFC and the increase of the common stock.

Upon the signing of the Kramer contract, the banks were offered the entire proceeds thereof, to wit, the sum of \$90,000, in full discharge of all obligations to the banks. The proceeds of the Kramer contract would thus enable the company to fully liquidate its bank indebtedness. The banks have since notified the company that they will accept such \$90,000 in full discharge of the company's obligations to the banks. This acceptance, when the proceeds of the Kramer contract have been paid to the banks, will allow the company to obtain a loan from the RFC.

To place the company in position to complete the Kramer contract, there must be available 30,000 new shares of stock at 50 cents per share, to be accomplished by increasing the capital stock. In order to enable the Kramer contract to be concluded, the stockholders are being requested to waive their rights to subscribe, and 48,634 shares are being offered in the ratio of one share for every five shares outstanding. The proceeds of the sale of the stock, aside from the money received therefor from Mr. Kramer, are to be used to defray expenses of accomplishing the company's capital stock increase and completing the Kramer contract.

Earnings for 8 Months to Aug. 31 1934

Loss from operation.....	\$53,304
Selling, general and administrative expenses.....	123,261
Provision for depreciation.....	57,843
Royalty expense.....	46,667
Loss from operations.....	\$281,075
Other income.....	8,017
Net loss.....	\$273,058
Interest paid on loans &c.....	8,350
Adjustment of inventories.....	100,000
Debit to surplus account.....	\$381,409
Balance deficit at beginning of period.....	758,812
Deficit at end of period.....	\$1,140,222

Pro Forma Balance Sheet Aug. 31 1934

[After giving effect to RFC loan, sale of new stock issue, sale of New York building, retirement of bank loans, &c.]

Assets—	Liabilities—
Cash on hand on in banks.....	Accounts payable.....
Loan receivable—RFC.....	Accrued labor, taxes, insur., &c.....
Notes & accounts receivable.....	Mortgage payable—RFC.....
Inventories.....	Deferred royalties payable.....
Trade investments.....	Common stock (273,170 shs.).....
Other notes receiv. (pledged).....	Deficit.....
Deferred charges.....	
Fixed assets (less depreciation).....	
Total.....	Total.....

—V. 139, p. 2511.

American-Hawaiian Steamship Co.—Earnings—

Per. End. Sept. 30—	[Including Williams S. S. Corps.]			
	1934—Month—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Operating earnings.....	\$1,196,763	\$1,033,004	\$6,859,565	\$7,845,937
Oper. & gen. exps.....	1,039,403	800,183	6,602,943	6,801,116
Net profit from oper.....	\$157,360	\$232,821	\$256,622	\$1,044,821
Other income (net).....	8,309	1,261	51,722	3,799
Profit before deprec. & Fed. inc. tax.....	\$165,669	\$234,083	\$308,343	\$1,048,620
Provision for deprec.....	52,804	51,558	475,594	490,713
Balance.....	\$112,865	\$182,524	def\$167,250	\$557,907
Exps. incid. to longshoremen's strike (Sept.).....	143,457	-----	495,854	-----
Profit on sale of securities.....	-----	-----	20,277	-----
Net profit or loss before Fed. inc. taxes.....	def\$143,457	-----	\$475,577	-----
Fed. inc. taxes.....	def\$30,592	\$182,524	def\$642,827	\$557,907

—V. 139, p. 2194.

American Ice Co. (& Subs)—Earnings—

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Net profit after deprec. and Federal taxes.....	\$619,144	\$777,066
Earns. per sh. on 559,200 shs. com. stk. (no par).....	\$0.73	\$1.01
		\$0.02

—V. 139, p. 2356.

American Machine & Metals, Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Gross profit on sales.....	\$165,915	\$132,484
Interest, discount, &c.....	34,327	47,134
Gross income.....	\$200,243	\$179,618
Costs and expenses.....	167,977	165,306
Depreciation.....	29,634	14,179
Interest on bonds.....	14,923	25,711
Loss.....	\$12,291	\$25,578
Profit on retire. of bonds.....	-----	10,150
Federal taxes.....	-----	14,543
Net loss.....	\$12,291	\$15,428

—V. 139, p. 589.

American Telephone & Telegraph Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End, Aug. 31, 1934—Month—1933 and 1934—8 Mos.—1933. Rows include Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Net oper. revenues, Operating taxes, and Net oper. income.

American Tri-Ergon Corp.—New Patent Suits—

The corporation on Oct. 24 began in the U. S. District Court, New York, six additional suits alleging infringement of patents held by the corporation.

American Water Works & Electric Co., Inc. (& Subs.)

Table with columns for Per. End, Sept. 30—1934* and 1933** (Month), and 1934* and 1933** (12 Months). Rows include Gross earnings, Oper. exps., maint. & taxes, Gross income, Int. & amort. of dis., Preferred dividends, Reserved for renewals, Net income, Preferred dividends, and Available for common stock.

** As adjusted. * All figures subject to audit insofar as they contain earnings for the year 1934.

Weekly Output—

Output of electric energy for the week ended Oct. 20 1934 totaled 33,625,000 kilowatt hours, an increase of 2% over the output of 32,869,000 kilowatt hours for the corresponding period of 1933.

Comparative table of weekly output of electric energy for the last five years follows:

Table with columns for Week End, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931, 1930. Rows include Sept. 29, Oct. 6, Oct. 13, Oct. 20.

American Writing Paper Co., Inc.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 9 Mos. End, Sept. 30—1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Net sales, Mfg. cost of sales, admin. & general expenses, Operating profit, Other income, Total income, Interest, Depreciation, Other deductions, Net loss.

Ann Arbor RR.—Earnings—

Table with columns for September, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, From Jan. 1, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Apache Ry.—Receiver's Certificates—

The Interstate Commerce Commission on Oct. 17 authorized the company to issue not exceeding \$28,000 of receiver's certificates to be sold at not less than par and the proceeds used to pay taxes due and to become due.

A. P. W. Paper Co., Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for Quar. End, Sept. 30—1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Net sales, Cost of sales, Gross profit, Other income, Total earnings, Provision for deprec'n., Gen. adm. & sell. exps., Interest on funded debt, Int. on unfunded debt, Net profit.

Argonaut Mining Co., San Francisco—Federal Judge Dismisses Company's Attack on Hoarding Ban—

A Federal Court order which attorneys said was equivalent to upholding the Government's gold policy was issued at San Francisco Oct. 23 in a case brought by the company.

of the company under the gold hoarding act, but we will file a libel action against the gold involved. The gold, 7,171 ounces, was mined during May, June and July 1933, but was not offered to the mint until after Aug. 1 1933, when the price was fixed at \$34.05 an ounce.

Armstrong Cork Co.—Special Dividend— declared The directors have declared a special dividend of 12½ cents per share on the common stock, payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 14.

Artloom Corp.—Accumulated Preferred Dividend— declared The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.75 per share on the 7% cumulative preferred stock, par \$100, payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 15.

Associated Oil Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings— Period End, Sept. 30—1934—3 Mos.—1933 1934—9 Mos.—1933 Net profit after int., deprec., depl., Federal taxes, &c.

Associated Telephone Co., Ltd.—Earnings— Period End, Sept. 30—1934—Month—1933 1934—9 Mos.—1933 Operating revenues—222,222 223,718 1,972,717 1,993,246

Atlas Powder Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings— 9 Mos. End, Sept. 30—1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Net sales, Cost of goods sold, Net operating profit, Other income, Gross income, Federal income tax, Net income, Surplus begin. of year, Total surplus, Preferred dividends, Common dividends, Surplus Sept. 30.

Table with columns for 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Cash, U. S. Gov. secs., Other mark. secs., Accts. & notes rec., Inventories, y Other investm'ts, Plant, prop. & eq., G'd. bill. pay., Secur. of affiliated cos. at cost., Deferred items.

Auburn Automobile Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings— Period End Aug. 31—1934—3 Mos.—1933 1934—9 Mos.—1933 Net loss after deprec., taxes, minority int., &c.

Baldwin Locomotive Works—Earnings— 12 Months Ended Sept. 30—1934, 1933. Rows include Sales, Costs and expenses, Depreciation, Operating loss, Other income, Loss, Interest, &c., Mtdvale Co. minority interest, Prov. Fed. Income tax, Net loss.

Bonds Drop Sharply on Loss Report— The decline in the five-year consolidated mortgage 6s of 1933, which occurred in the final hour of trading Oct. 25 and which carried the bonds ex-warrants off 23½ points and the bonds with warrants off 29¾ points for the day, followed publication of the company's report for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, which shows net loss of \$3,777,093 after allowance for depreciation and minority interest requirements.

on the bonds repurchased is added to the sinking fund, the amount available for the purchase of the bonds has increased each year.
 At present there are \$6,451,000 of the bonds in the sinking fund out of the total of \$10,000,000 originally issued. Approximately \$898,000 have been retired, representing property sold by the company the funds of which were not reinvested.—V. 139, p. 2513.

Baltimore & Ohio RR.—Earnings—

Sept.—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$11,005,089	\$13,356,708	\$10,050,961	\$14,860,996
Net from railway	3,549,549	4,416,623	3,316,048	4,797,368
Net after rents	2,415,238	3,379,018	2,276,391	3,739,557
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	103,671,596	97,592,905	94,519,333	134,283,764
Net from railway	27,671,860	32,482,443	24,169,298	31,258,322
Net after rents	18,306,556	22,679,436	15,119,547	21,655,359

Bangor & Aroostook RR.—Securities Authorized—

The Interstate Commerce Commission on Oct. 22 authorized the company to issue not exceeding \$5,176,000 of consolidated refunding mortgage 4% bonds, stamped so as to be convertible into common stock and redeemable, not exceeding \$2,000,000 of the bonds to be sold at not less than 97½% and the proceeds used to retire outstanding 5% bonds, and not exceeding \$3,176,000 to be exchanged for outstanding 5% bonds; and to issue not exceeding 98,344 shares of common stock to be used solely for conversion of such bonds as may be presented for that purpose. See offering of bonds in V. 139, p. 2513.

Bangor Hydro-Electric Co.—Earnings—

[And Controlled Company]

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—12 Mos.—	1933—
Gross earnings	\$187,441	\$184,403	\$2,051,924	\$1,994,976
Operating expenses	58,826	55,756	679,233	640,020
Taxes accrued	29,850	24,650	296,850	243,150
Depreciation	10,518	12,581	150,967	127,086
Fixed charges	27,547	27,675	331,583	314,391
Div. on pref. stock	25,483	25,493	305,768	307,906
Div. on common stock	21,721	27,152	298,672	362,026
Balance	\$13,493	\$11,094	def\$11,150	\$394

—V. 138, p. 4455.

Bayuk Cigars, Inc.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933—	1934—9 Mos.—	1933—
Net earnings	\$395,699	\$270,769	\$998,813	\$794,170
Other income	34,360	23,454	90,445	69,685
Total income	\$430,059	\$294,223	\$1,089,258	\$863,855
Reserves	122,537	123,877	355,245	344,793
Net income	\$307,522	\$170,346	\$734,013	\$519,062
Preferred dividends	44,840	49,479	138,172	152,083
Surplus	\$262,682	\$120,867	\$595,841	\$366,979
Shs. com. outst. (no par)	94,485	90,851	94,485	90,851
Earnings per sh. on com.	\$2.78	\$1.33	\$6.31	\$4.04

* After deducting charges for maintenance and repairs of plants and estimated Federal taxes, &c.—V. 139, p. 436.

Bell Telephone Co. of Pennsylvania—Earnings—

9 Mos. End. Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross	\$44,762,587	\$43,850,135	\$49,558,990	\$55,012,365
Net after deprec. & tax.	10,366,398	9,011,455	10,972,900	13,759,336
Total income	10,463,234	9,207,604	11,288,934	14,269,328
Net income	5,789,898	4,439,803	5,324,003	8,466,432
Preferred dividend	975,000	975,000	975,000	975,000
Common dividend	6,050,000	6,600,000	6,600,000	6,060,000
Deficit	\$1,235,102	\$3,135,197	\$2,250,997	sur\$891,432

—V. 139, p. 2358.

Berland Shoe Stores, Inc.—\$1.75 Preferred Dividend

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.75 per share on account of accumulations on the 7% cumulative conv. pref. stock, par \$100, payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 20. This compares with \$3.50 per share distributed on Aug. 1 and May 1 last. The last regular quarterly payment of \$1.75 per share was made on Feb. 1 1932. Accumulations after the payment of the Nov. 1 dividend will amount to \$10.50 per share.—V. 139, p. 273.

Bethlehem Steel Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933—	1934—9 Mos.—	1933—
Total income	\$2,662,202	\$4,879,146	\$15,426,621	\$5,682,561
Interest charges	1,671,845	1,688,534	5,059,513	5,009,465
Prov. for deprec., obsol. and depletion	3,390,483	3,473,709	10,227,636	10,038,490
Net deficit	\$2,400,126	\$283,097	prof\$139,472	\$9,365,394

The value of orders on hand Sept. 30 1934 was \$58,476,986, as compared with \$70,436,890 at the end of the previous quarter and \$72,155,458 on Sept. 30 1933.

Operations averaged approximately 22.8% of capacity during the third quarter of 1934 as compared with 51.8% during the previous quarter, and 40.8% during the third quarter of 1933. Current steel production is approximately 26% of capacity.—V. 139, p. 2039.

Birmingham Electric Co.—Earnings—

[National Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—12 Mos.—	1933—
Operating revenues	\$481,408	\$443,372	\$5,775,821	\$5,392,953
Oper. exps., incl. taxes	368,834	349,499	4,471,352	3,995,500
Net revs. from oper.	\$112,574	\$93,873	\$1,304,469	\$1,397,453
Other income	90	80	1,087	2,729
Gross corp. income	\$112,664	\$93,953	\$1,305,556	\$1,400,182
Int. and other deducts.	51,216	56,170	650,693	683,783
Balance	y\$61,448	y\$37,783	\$654,863	\$716,399
Property retirement reserve appropriations			478,454	404,434
* Dividends applicable to pref. stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid			429,241	428,769
Deficit			\$252,832	\$116,804

* Dividends accumulated and unpaid to Sept. 30 1934, amounted to \$214,622, after giving effect to dividends of \$1.75 a share on 7 pref. stock and \$1.50 a share on \$6 pref. stock, declared for payment on Oct. 1 1934. Dividends on these stocks are cumulative. y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.—V. 139, p. 2039.

Blue Ribbon Corp., Ltd.—Accumulated Dividend

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on account of accumulations on the 6½% cum. pref. stock, par \$50, payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 25. The dividend is payable in Canadian funds and in the case of non-residents is subject to a 5% tax. Similar distributions were made in each of the 11 preceding quarters, prior to which regular quarterly disbursements of 81¼ cents per share were made.

Arrears, following the above payment amount to \$3.75 per share.—V. 139, p. 1077.

(Sidney) Blumenthal & Co., Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933—	1934—9 Mos.—	1933—
Loss from operation	\$76,980	\$483,220	\$225,183	\$343,327
Amt. set aside for deprec.	96,669	96,469	296,551	288,458
Net loss	\$173,649	sur\$386,751	\$521,734	sur\$54,869

—V. 139, p. 592.

Blue Ridge Corp.—Regular Preference Stock Dividend

The directors on Oct. 19 declared the 21st regular quarterly dividend of the optional \$3 conv. preference stock, series of 1929, payable on Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 5, at the rate of 1-32d of one share of the common

stock of the corporation for each share of such preference stock, or, at the option of holders (providing written notice thereof is received by the corporation on or before Nov. 15) at the rate of 75c. per share in cash.—V. 139, p. 1078.

Bon Ami Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

9 Mos. End. Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross profit on sales	\$1,825,584	\$1,814,139	\$1,857,504	\$1,955,444
Profit before deprec., &c.	1,005,604	1,050,620	1,010,246	1,150,804
Depreciation	53,856	54,121	50,335	46,856
Federal taxes	127,924	147,744	124,585	128,392
Proportion applicable to minority interest			62	56
Net profit	\$823,824	\$848,693	\$835,270	\$975,462
x Class A shs. outstand'g	87,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
y Class B shs. outstand'g	199,800	200,000	200,000	200,000
Earnings per sh. under participating features	\$4.08	\$3.87	\$3.80	\$4.50
y Earnings per sh. under participating features	\$2.34	\$2.31	\$2.27	\$2.63
z Dividends on company's own reacquired capital stock heretofore included in income account have been omitted from income for the nine months ended Sept. 30 1934. If these dividends had been included as they were for the nine months ended Sept. 30 1933, the net profit of the company for the first nine months of this year would have been \$863,424.				
Note—The class A stock is entitled to \$4 per annum, then after class B stock has received \$2.50 per annum, both issues participate equally as a class in further distributions.—V. 139, p. 753.				

Bond & Mortgage Guarantee Co.—New President

Richard A. Brennan, special Deputy Superintendent in charge of the Rehabilitation Bureau of the Insurance Department of the State of New York, was elected President on Oct. 23.—V. 138, p. 3764.

Boston & Maine RR.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—9 Mos.—	1933—
Operating revenues	\$3,340,469	\$3,847,948	\$31,728,897	\$31,388,045
Net oper. revenue	937,717	1,139,937	7,450,977	8,916,662
Net ry. oper. income	596,241	808,124	4,192,169	5,592,627
Net misc. oper. inc.—Dr	75,534	75,449	740,974	8,728
Other income				761,404
Gross income	\$671,775	\$883,573	\$4,933,143	\$6,345,303
Deduc. (rentals, int., &c.)	629,549	705,351	5,728,186	5,889,417
Net income	\$42,226	\$178,222	def\$795,043	\$455,886

—V. 139, p. 2039.

Brazilian Traction, Light & Power Co., Ltd.—Earnings

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—9 Mos.—	1933—
Gross earnings from oper.	\$2,677,724	\$2,450,869	\$22,510,047	\$21,362,167
Operating expenses	1,242,554	1,061,936	10,812,924	9,593,556
Net earnings	\$1,435,170	\$1,388,933	\$11,697,123	\$11,768,611

Note—Earnings continue to be adversely affected by the arbitrary action of the Brazilian authorities in abolishing the relationship of foreign currencies to the milreis in determining certain of the rates for services as provided in the relevant concessions. Temporary rates have been imposed materially reducing the income from such services pending the findings of a commission to recommend permanent rates which in default of agreement are to be settled by arbitration.—V. 139, p. 2039.

Bristol-Myers Co.—Extra Dividend—Earnings—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 10 cents per share in addition to the regular dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, par \$5, both payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 10. Like amounts were distributed on Sept. 1, June 1, March 1 and Dec. 1 last.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933—	1934—9 Mos.—	1933—
Net inc. after all charges	\$552,012	\$667,758	\$1,574,060	\$1,895,820
Earns. per sh. on 700,280 shs. com. stk. outstand	\$0.79	\$0.96	\$2.25	\$2.71

For the 12 months ended Sept. 30 1934, net profit was \$1,831,973 after depreciation, taxes, &c., equal to \$2.62 a share, against \$2,262,513 or \$3.23 a share in preceding 12 months.—V. 139, p. 592.

British Columbia Power Corp. Ltd.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933—
Gross earnings	\$1,037,073	\$1,017,199	\$3,109,473	\$3,034,054
Operating expenses	700,552	707,715	2,142,358	2,152,713
Net earnings	\$336,521	\$309,484	\$967,115	\$881,341

—V. 139, p. 2197.

Brooklyn Edison Co., Inc.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933—	1934—12 Mos.—	1933—
Sales of electric energy—				
kwh	266,022,874	255,918,757	1,099,733,154	1,047,308,109
Sales of electric energy	\$10,020,097	\$9,739,709	\$43,470,806	\$44,400,421
Miscellaneous income	466,070	485,398	1,883,916	1,960,801
Total oper. revenues	\$10,486,168	\$10,225,108	\$45,354,722	\$46,361,226
Operating expenses	4,919,367	4,414,800	19,585,392	18,653,203
Retirement expense	867,306	1,029,372	4,397,444	4,752,735
Taxes (incl. prov. for Federal income tax)	2,337,810	1,905,574	8,350,863	7,038,638
Operating income	\$2,361,684	\$2,875,360	\$13,021,021	\$15,916,649
Non-oper. revenues	175,846	177,942	700,344	787,848
Non-oper. rev. deducts.	38,969	10,921	217,017	167,692
Gross corporate inc.	\$2,498,561	\$3,042,380	\$13,504,348	\$16,536,806
Int. on long term debt	837,257	837,287	3,349,030	3,349,510
Miscell. deductions	81,044	65,608	305,064	262,433
Net income	\$1,580,259	\$2,139,484	\$9,850,253	\$12,924,862

Earnings for the 9 Months Ended Sept. 30	1934	1933
Sales of electric energy—kwh	\$13,225,467	\$13,225,467
Sales of electric energy	\$32,080,216	\$32,432,709
Miscellaneous income	1,401,910	1,454,093
Total operating revenues	\$33,482,126	\$33,886,803
Operating expenses	14,515,751	13,516,889
Retirement expense	3,152,501	3,499,611
Taxes (incl. provision for Federal income tax)	6,653,027	5,566,545
Operating income	\$9,163,846	\$11,303,756
Non-operating revenues	523,328	575,629
Non-operating revenue deducts	95,363	47,409
Gross corporate income	\$9,591,811	\$11,831,976
Interest on long term debt	2,511,772	2,412,102
Miscellaneous deductions	237,956	196,825
Net income	\$6,842,082	\$9,123,048

A statement issued with the earnings says: "The results for the periods covered by the accompanying statements may be affected by pending litigation as to electric rates and taxes. The figures shown for operating revenues are exclusive of the sums shown below as representing the effects of the 6% reduction in electric rates to general consumers, ordered by the P. S. Commission to become effective as of Sept. 1 1933, the validity of which is pending undetermined in the State Courts. The taking effect of the rate reduction orders has been stayed by the giving of undertakings, and the amounts stated constitute the 'rate reserve' pending final determination. Similarly the amounts shown for operating expenses and taxes are exclusive of uncollectible bills and taxes applicable or relating to the revenues shown in the 'rate reserve' account. The applicable figures are:"

Period Ended—	Sept. 30 1934		Sept. 30 1933
	Rate Reserve for 6% Reduction in Rates	Uncollectible Bills and Taxes Applicable to Revenues Shown in "Rate Reserve" "Rate Reserve"	Rate Reserve for 6% Reduction in Rates
Three months...	\$515,164	\$127,680	\$189,270
Nine months...	1,799,988	372,928	189,270
Twelve months...	2,322,447	509,862	189,270
Total of rate re- to Sept. 30....	2,511,717	509,862	189,270

The tax liability for the period is similarly subject to change, depending on the outcome of litigation relating to the validity of certain additional local taxes imposed by the City of New York and the right of the company, in case those taxes should be finally sustained, to deduct them from its special franchise tax.

The operating expenses do not include the costs and expenses of compliance by the company with various requirements imposed by the Commission as a part of amended Uniform System of Accounts, which are in litigation before the State courts and which, according to advice received by the company, could not in any event affect retroactively the results for the period ended Sept. 30 1934.—V. 139, p. 592.

Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit System—Earnings—

[Incl. Brooklyn & Queens Transit System]

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933—
Operating revenues	\$3,992,212	\$4,164,644	\$12,258,359	\$12,574,101
Operating expenses	2,610,170	2,553,749	8,231,928	7,893,428
Taxes on oper. properties	327,030	308,915	961,138	976,452
Operating income	\$1,055,012	\$1,301,980	\$3,065,293	\$3,704,221
Net non-oper. income	60,399	67,415	181,176	177,085
Gross income	\$1,115,411	\$1,359,395	\$3,246,469	\$3,881,306
Income deductions	729,970	757,452	2,165,029	2,278,233
* Current inc. carried to surplus	\$385,441	\$601,943	\$1,081,440	\$1,603,073
* Accruing to minority int. of B. & Q. T. Corp.—V. 139, p. 2197.	37,054	79,400	80,414	202,130

Brooklyn & Queens Transit System—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933—
Operating revenues	\$1,620,477	\$1,687,120	\$4,882,405	\$5,000,161
Operating expenses	1,302,470	1,260,426	4,000,749	3,827,881
Taxes on oper. properties	126,337	119,151	368,799	370,025
Operating income	\$191,672	\$307,543	\$512,857	\$802,255
Net non-oper. income	16,735	17,729	47,814	55,046
Gross income	\$208,407	\$325,272	\$560,671	\$857,301
Income deductions	128,053	136,318	386,289	411,587
Current inc. carried to surplus—V. 139, p. 1861.	\$80,354	\$188,954	\$174,382	\$445,714

Brunswick-Balke-Collender Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933—	1934—9 Mos.—	1933—
Net sales	\$1,492,196	\$1,297,154	\$3,889,052	\$2,581,059
Profit after depreciation	486,321	410,563	1,218,700	774,641
Other income	91,990	102,164	293,387	285,587
Total income	\$578,311	\$512,727	\$1,512,087	\$1,060,229
Expenses	508,999	557,204	1,534,070	1,468,913
Adjustment of inventories		6,223		24,171
Special pay on lease cancellations				19,966
Profit on sale of securities			\$70,164	
Profit before Fed. taxes	\$69,312	loss \$50,700	\$48,181	loss \$452,822

Current assets as of Sept. 30 1934, incl. \$1,185,421 cash and marketable securities, at market quotations, amounted to \$7,337,462 and current liabilities were \$329,411 compared with cash and marketable securities of \$1,368,928, current assets of \$7,436,811 and current liabilities of \$418,788 on Dec. 31 1933. Total assets on Sept. 30, last were \$10,050,104 against \$10,179,367 on Dec. 31 1933. Inventories were \$2,762,407 against \$2,910,397 at end of preceding year. Capital surplus on Sept. 30 1934, was \$2,312,428 and deficit from operations was \$667,323.—V. 139, p. 754.

Canada Northern Power Corp. Ltd.—Earnings—

[A Subsidiary of Power Corp.]

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—9 Mos.—	1933—
Gross earnings	\$357,716	\$309,361	\$3,051,273	\$2,700,326
Operating expenses	127,236	89,995	1,032,825	821,247
Net earnings—V. 139, p. 2040.	\$230,480	\$219,366	\$2,018,448	\$1,879,079

Canadian National Rys.—Earnings—

Earnings of System for Third Week of October

	1934	1933	Increase
Gross earnings—V. 139, p. 2515.	\$3,617,952	\$3,581,882	\$36,070

Canadian Pacific Ry.—Earnings—

Earnings for Third Week of October

	1934	1933	Increase
Gross earnings—V. 139, p. 2515.	\$2,966,000	\$2,718,000	\$248,000

Carolina Power & Light Co.—Earnings—

[National Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—12 Mos.—	1933—
Operating revenues	\$809,362	\$828,628	\$9,489,706	\$9,109,470
Oper. exps., incl. taxes	417,362	437,125	4,767,428	4,681,663
Rent for leased prop (net)	17,589	17,438	213,466	208,573
Balance	\$374,411	\$374,065	\$4,508,812	\$4,219,234
Other income	6,410	2,535	36,044	33,059
Gross corp. income	\$380,821	\$376,600	\$4,544,856	\$4,252,293
Int. and other deductions	197,218	200,747	2,369,212	2,376,789
Balance	y\$183,603	y\$175,853	\$2,175,644	\$1,875,504
Property retirement reserve appropriations			960,000	960,000
x Dividends applicable to pref. stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid			1,255,237	1,255,236
Deficit			\$39,593	\$339,732

x Dividends accumulated and unpaid to Sept. 30 1934, amounted to \$1,097,781, after giving effect to dividends of 85 cents a share on \$7 pref. stock and 75 cents a share on \$6 pref. stock, declared for payment on Oct. 1 1934. Dividends on these stocks are cumulative, y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.—V. 139, p. 2198.

(A. M.) Castle & Co.—\$1 Extra Dividend—Earnings

The directors have declared an extra dividend of \$1 per share in addition to the usual quarterly distribution of 25 cents per share on the common stock, par \$10, both payable Dec. 5 to holders of record Nov. 21. Regular dividends of 25 cents per share have been distributed in each of the three preceding quarters prior to which no disbursements were made since Feb. 1 1931, when a quarterly dividend of 75 cents per share was paid.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933—	1934—9 Mos.—	1933—
Net profit after deprec. and Federal taxes	\$54,787	\$49,923	\$217,306	\$3,354
Earns. per sh. on 120,000 shs. common stock—V. 139, p. 139b.	\$0.45	\$0.41	\$1.81	\$0.02

Caterpillar Tractor Co.—50-Cent Extra Dividend—Earnings

The directors on Oct. 24 declared an extra dividend of 50 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the

capital stock, no par value, both payable Nov. 30 to holders of record Nov. 15. On Aug. 31 last a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share was paid as against quarterly distributions of 12½ cents per share made on May 31, Feb. 28 1934 and Dec. 1 1933.—V. 139, p. 2515.

Catalin Corp. of America—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	3 Mos. 1934	9 Mos. 1934	1933
Net profit after int., deprec., and other charges but before Federal taxes—V. 139, p. 437.	\$59,046	\$221,429	\$73,817

Celluloid Corp.—Sues Libbey-Owens—

The company has filed a suit in equity against Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co., Toledo, charging infringement of patent number 1936044 covering a method of manufacturing laminated glass, and asking an injunction to prevent manufacture and sale, and an accounting of the profits.—V. 138, p. 1566.

Central Arizona Light & Power Co.—Earnings—

[American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—12 Mos.—	1933—
Operating revenues	\$219,186	\$210,096	\$2,651,067	\$2,629,660
Oper. exps., incl. taxes	152,091	157,104	1,893,395	1,749,393
Net revs. from oper.	\$67,095	\$52,992	\$757,672	\$880,267
Other income	23,338	22,206	274,681	266,734
Gross corp. income	\$90,433	\$75,198	\$1,032,353	\$1,147,001
Interest & other deduc'ns	31,838	31,585	381,617	380,557
Balance	y\$58,595	y\$43,613	\$650,736	\$766,444
Property retirement reserve appropriations			440,016	443,755

x Dividends applicable to preferred stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid

Balance

x Regular dividends on \$7 and \$6 preferred stocks were paid on Aug. 1 1934. After the payment of these dividends there were no accumulated unpaid dividends at that date. Regular dividends on these stocks were declared for payment on Nov. 1 1934. y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.

Note.—Income account includes full revenues without consideration of rate reduction in litigation.—V. 139, p. 2040.

Central RR. of New Jersey—Earnings—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$2,312,527	\$2,570,943	\$2,577,433	\$3,138,872
Net from railway	704,705	871,702	827,295	739,032
Net after rents	107,978	293,141	258,446	125,956
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	21,839,808	20,365,909	22,820,009	30,221,963
Net from railway	6,348,688	5,769,307	5,802,317	7,238,714
Net after rents	2,418,595	1,965,608	1,788,947	3,078,152

—V. 139, p. 2041.

Chain & General Equities, Inc.—Assets Value—

The company as of Sept. 30 1934, reports asset value for the preferred stock, based on market valuations or estimated fair values, of \$68.48 per share, before deducting accumulated unpaid dividends. On the basis of taking the corporation's holdings of Interstate Equities Corp. stock at net asset value applicable thereto (rather than market) the net asset value of the preferred stock was \$69.68 per share. This compares with \$88.43 and \$69.77 a preferred share, respectively, on June 30 1934.—V. 139, p. 593.

Chartered Investors, Inc.—Earnings—

Earnings for Nine Months Ended Sept. 30 1934

Dividends received	\$191,489
Interest earned on bonds	29,840
Gross income	\$221,329
Expenses and taxes	31,499
Provision for Federal income tax	1,250
Net income	\$188,580
Balance Dec. 31 1933	500,812
Adjustment of provision made for capital stock tax payable in 1934 to revised valuation as determined by the management	1,363
Total income	\$690,755
Dividends declared and accrued on preferred stock	183,123

Unappropriated div. and interest income as at Sept. 30 1934— \$507,632

Capital surplus as at Sept. 30 1934—Amount available through the writing down of the stated values of capital stock: Preferred stock written down from \$100 to \$25 per share, 51,000 shares at \$75, \$3,825,000; common stock written down from \$25 to \$1 per share, 170,000 shares at \$24, \$4,080,000; total, \$7,905,000. Deduct: Excess of cost of preferred stock required from 1932 to date over the stated value of \$25 per share, \$61,647; balance, \$7,843,353; balance from investment reserve representing net profits on sales of securities from commencement of operations to Dec. 31 1933, \$116,936; value of Radio Corp. shares received on distribution to stockholders of General Electric Co., \$1,313; total, \$7,961,601. Capital losses sustained and provided for: Net loss sustained on investments sold during nine months to Sept. 30 1934, \$280,527; capital loss provided for—Difference between cost and market value of investments owned at Sept. 30 1934, \$4,517,770; balance, Sept. 30 1934, \$3,163,304.

Comparative Balance Sheet

Assets—	Sept. 30 '34	Dec. 31 '33	Liabilities—	Sept. 30 '34	Dec. 31 '33
Cash	\$18,288	\$293,444	Accounts payable	\$6,258	
Investments— (Market)	5,058,370	4,709,931	Capital stock tax	1,400	\$4,114
Accrued int. receivable	12,451	10,034	Reserve for Federal income tax	1,250	
			Divs. payable on preferred stock	20,316	20,427
			b \$5 pref. stock	1,218,950	1,225,650
			a Common stock	170,000	170,000
			Capital surplus	3,163,304	3,092,406
			Surplus (earned)	507,632	500,812
Total	\$5,089,110	\$5,013,409	Total	\$5,089,110	\$5,013,409

a Represented by 170,000 no par shares. Of the unissued shares, 34,000 are held in reserve against option warrants outstanding. b Represented by 48,758 (49,026 in 1933) no par shares.—V. 139, p. 1548.

Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, RR.—Earnings—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$7,413,743	\$7,400,507	\$7,097,276	\$9,199,057
Net from railway		2,557,431	2,150,239	2,764,693
Net after rents	1,444,321	1,599,584	1,135,056	1,803,272
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	59,282,388	56,714,645	59,384,189	85,758,101
Net from railway		17,218,545	15,199,254	26,311,154
Net after rents	8,496,238	8,676,900	6,507,505	16,619,486

—V. 139, p. 2198

Chicago & Eastern Illinois Ry.—Reorganization Hearing

Plans for reorganization of the company will be presented on Dec. 3 at a hearing before O. E. Sweet, director of finance of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Louisville & Nashville-Big Four Deal Barred—See Louisville & Nashville RR. below.—V. 139, p. 2199.

Chicago & North Western Ry.—RFC Loan of \$4,138,000

Approved—Company Not in Need of Financial Reorganization—The Interstate Commerce Commission on Oct. 17 in approving a loan of \$4,138,000 to the company from the

Reconstruction Finance Corporation found the company "not to be in need of financial reorganization in the public interest at this time."

The report of the Commission says in part:

The company, on Oct. 6, 1934, filed with us an application for a further loan of \$7,415,000 from the RFC. On the same date the application was amended to request approval of loan of \$4,138,000 at this time for somewhat different purposes, and deferment of action until a later date upon the remainder.

On Feb. 23 1932, Sept. 29 1932, and Oct. 22 1932, upon previous applications, we approved loans to this applicant by the RFC, upon prescribed terms and conditions and for specified purposes of \$7,600,000, \$12,461,350, and \$1,000,000 respectively; likewise on Feb. 4 1933, a loan of \$11,127,700, on Aug. 8 1933, a loan of \$3,862,000, and on Sept. 29 1934, a loan of \$7,357,000. The times of payment originally prescribed for certain of these loans were extended, or the terms otherwise modified. Loans totaling \$43,408,050 were thus approved, on which \$34,793,133 had been advanced to July 31 1934; and \$3,384,000 repaid; leaving \$31,409,133 outstanding on that date in the loans approved prior thereto.

The applicant's property and the its previous earnings, and the liens of its securities, have been described or stated in our previous reports. For the month of August 1934, net income in the amount of \$9,452 was earned. For the months of September to December, inclusive, 1934, a deficit in net income of \$648,342 is estimated by the applicant.

The Application

The further loan of \$4,138,000 is desired for a term of two years, to be applied to the payment of \$3,058,000 of unpaid vouchers, \$511,000 of past due taxes, \$569,000 of taxes due in December, and \$1,139,800 of interest due Dec. 1 1934, or as much of these items as remain unpaid when the loan is made available.

The applicant represents that it is unable at the present time to borrow the money for these payments from the banking house by which it has ordinarily been financed, and that the current market prices of its bonds and the other securities held in its treasury are so depressed as to prohibit financing through their sale to the public.

Necessities of the Applicant

The current necessities of the applicant are indicated by the amount and purposes of the accommodation applied for in the amended application. Its resources in cash and expected earnings, on the one hand, and its operating requirements and pending financial maturities, on the other hand, are detailed in our report of Sept. 29 1934 (V. 139, p. 2199). Application was recently made for our approval of railway maintenance and equipment to be applied to the property of the applicant and proposed to be financed with the aid of a loan of not to exceed \$5,650,557 from the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works. That application has been withdrawn, those funds not being needed in addition to the loan applied for herein. Giving effect to loans totaling \$7,357,000 approved Sept. 29 1934 and an additional loan of \$7,415,000 as originally applied for herein, the applicant's forecast of cash transactions indicated a balance in excess of \$7,000,000 in cash account for the close of each month from October 1934, until April 1935. Such a balance would, in our opinion, be unnecessarily large.

Security

The earnings of the applicant, and the coll. security for its existing reconstruction loans, are discussed in our reports of Sept. 29 1934 (V. 139, p. 2199). As security for the additional loan of \$7,415,000 originally applied for, the applicant offered an additional \$13,500,000 of its first and refunding mortgage 6% bonds of 2037 for deposit. The same tender will be made for a loan in the reduced amount now applied for. The current market quotation for 6% bonds under this mortgage is about 40.

Under the provisions of the Emergency Railroad Transportation Act, 1933, we may not approve an application for a loan under the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act, as amended, if we are of the opinion that the carrier is in need of financial reorganization in the public interest. For reasons stated in our report of Sept. 29 1934, it is not apparent at present that the public interest in the vast agricultural territory which it serves, or reorganization of the applicant under the Bankruptcy Act. The public interest may best be served by a gradual reduction of the applicant's fixed interest-bearing obligations, through the creation of sinking funds, or by other means.

Prior to the closing months of 1931 the applicant had an unbroken record of dividends on its common stock over a period of 54 years. It is reasonably capitalized as evidenced by an investment of approximately \$643,518,851 and capital liabilities in the amount of \$527,688,900. Its corporate surplus on Dec. 31 1933, was \$39,387,231. From 1922 to 1930, inclusive, it earned its fixed charges each year by not less than 1 1/2 times. The evidence is that its financial difficulties began with and are incident to the general depression and have been aggravated by the drought and the severity of hard times in the vast agricultural territory which it serves. It is possible that its resources may not prove to be sufficient to carry it on and into better times. But its record in the past and the nature of its difficulties are such as to lead us to believe that the applicant's present need is not reorganization of capital structure so much as it is an opportunity with reasonable aid to work out its problems.

Conclusions

We conclude:

1 That we should find that the applicant is not at this time in need of financial reorganization in the public interest;

2 That we should approve a further loan to the applicant by the RFC of not to exceed \$4,138,000, for a period not to exceed two years from Oct. 12 1934, for the purposes and upon the terms hereinbefore specified, upon condition that the loans in amount of \$5,000,000 owed to Kuhn, Lobb & Co. and associates by the applicant, maturing Oct. 13 1934, shall have been paid, extended, or refinanced, without accommodation from the RFC in respect thereof, to a maturity date not earlier than the maturity date of the loan herein conditionally approved;

3 That the applicant should deliver to the RFC, as collateral security for the additional loan conditionally approved herein, a further \$13,500,000 of its first and refunding mortgage 6% bonds of 2037;

4 That the applicant should agree that all collateral security now deposited by it with the RFC, and not conditionally approved to be released in exchange, and the additional and substitute collateral to be deposited in accordance with the provisions of this and previous certificates of approval, shall apply first and foremost to secure equally and ratably all loans now or hereafter owing to the RFC by the applicant; and that no assignment of equity in such collateral inconsistent with such agreement has been or will be made;

5 That the applicant should agree to use the proceeds of the additional loan herein conditionally approved solely for the purposes and in the manner designated in this report;

6 That the applicant should agree that it will, within 30 days from the making of each advance upon the loan herein conditionally approved, report in writing to the RFC and to this Commission the disposition made of the proceeds thereof.

Commissioner Mahaffie dissenting said:

Section 15, of the Emergency Railroad Transportation Act, 1933, reads in part as follows:

The Commission shall not approve a loan to a carrier under the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act, as amended, if it is of the opinion that such carrier is in need of financial reorganization in the public interest.

The applicant has failed to earn its fixed charges by \$6,034,124, \$11,216,820, and \$7,875,418, in the years 1931-1933, respectively. In 1934 its deficit in net income will apparently not differ greatly from that of 1933. Even those figures do not appear accurately to represent the situation in that had normal expenditures for maintenance been made the deficits shown would be larger. For example, in 1930 there was expended for maintenance of way and structures \$19,195,307. In 1933, \$9,559,665. It seems certain that a large amount of deferred maintenance must be made up before the property is restored to the physical condition of former times. On the basis of present traffic and earnings the money now lent can hardly carry the property beyond May 1 1935. So far as can be seen additional loans will be essential if default is to be avoided at about that time.

All of which makes it necessary, as I see it, to consider the intent of Congress in imposing on us the duty to make a finding as to the need of financial reorganization. As to that intent, we have little guidance. My interpretation of the law is that Congress expected that Government moneys should be used to sustain a financial structure only if the record indicates a reasonable prospect that it can be expected to survive. That it is not worth while merely to prolong the struggle at public expense. The management of a property which over an extended period has to borrow in order to pay its fixed charges naturally, and perhaps properly, cuts to the bone

all items of expenditure that can be cut. Money needed for improvements is diverted to the payment of interest charges, and forces are reduced to a minimum to the same end. Before long this is likely to result in deterioration of service, and adequacy of service is the prime public interest in our railroads. Meantime the addition to the debt burden grows.

The argument that it is helpful to the holders of securities of a carrier for it to borrow in order to pay interest to them is, I think, unsound except if it be assumed that ultimate reorganization can thus be avoided. Unless it can, the bondholders, while collecting interest for the present will be in worse position later provided, of course, the collateral furnished for the loan is adequate.

The majority, as I understand, rely to a great extent on the earnings history of the North Western prior to 1930. And on that, in part at least, reach the conclusion that its debt burden probably can be successfully carried. I think this takes too little into consideration the changes in railroading in recent years. Passenger traffic used to be profitable. It has to a large extent disappeared. What is left is conducted generally at a loss. Trucks are decimating many classes of traffic. And particularly the more profitable. Carriers by water and by pipe line are cutting into the traffic of rail carriers. Increasing efficiency in the use of coal as well as the substitution of other fuel or electric power is reducing coal traffic. The relocation of industry in order to reduce transportation costs is proceeding, and is perhaps the most important factor in decreasing railroad traffic in its relation to general business. A considerable part of railroad property, both road and equipment, is no longer of economic value. Some is obsolete. Changes in transportation practices and facilities threaten to render unprofitable additional property. Circumstances such as these make it more difficult to support a capital structure based on the old values. And make it the more necessary for a railroad be in position to replace obsolete units and to take advantage of improved devices and equipment. Increasing costs of conducting transportation and of fuel and supplies add to the difficulty.

While I hope the majority proves correct, I am unable upon the facts before us to join in the findings.

Withdraws Application to Borrow \$5,650,557 from PWA—The company's application of Sept. 22 to the ICC to approve a loan of \$5,650,557 from the Public Works Administration has been withdrawn and the application dismissed.—V. 139, p. 2517.

Chicago St. Paul Minn. & Omaha Ry.—Earnings—

	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$1,425,892	\$1,393,844	\$1,470,232	\$1,608,087
Net from railway	403,911	340,494	340,494	230,752
Net after rents	132,415	240,810	186,152	40,800
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	11,110,578	10,983,367	11,206,892	14,425,926
Net from railway	2,558,678	1,111,602	1,111,602	1,801,007
Net after rents	693,035	1,198,717	def270,562	252,966

Chicago South Shore & South Bend RR.—Reorganization Proceedings—continued

The Interstate Commerce Commission has announced that at the public hearing in the proceedings for the reorganization of the company under the provisions of Section 77 of the Bankruptcy Act, as amended, to be held on Nov. 22 1934, there may be presented any plan of reorganization which the debtor, its receivers or trustees, or any group of creditors, being not less than 10% in amount of any class of creditors, are then prepared to present. For the purpose of the hearing parties having a substantial interest in the proceedings will, upon application and for good cause, be permitted at the hearing to intervene.

It is expected that a plan of reorganization will be presented by the debtor. After submission of evidence in support thereof opportunity will be given parties to present evidence in opposition to all or any features of that plan. Thereafter other or different plans may be presented, together with evidence in support of and in opposition thereto.

In the event that parties may require additional time for preparation of plans or preparation of evidence in opposition to plans presented at the hearing adjournment of the hearing for a reasonable period may be arranged.

Following the hearing or after the conclusion of any adjournment thereof, the Commission will fix a time for filing briefs and upon receipt thereof will render a report in which it will recommend a plan of reorganization (which may be different from any which has been proposed at the hearings), in compliance with subdivision (d) of Section 77, which will be subject to further proceedings as provided in that subdivision. The plan recommended by the Commission, and, in its discretion, any other plan of reorganization filed as provided in that subdivision will be submitted to the creditors and stockholders of the debtor for acceptance or rejection.—V. 137, p. 2633.

Chicago Yellow Cab Co., Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

	1934—3 Mos.	1933	1934—9 Mos.	1933
Net inc. after deprec.				
Federal taxes, &c.	\$100,191	\$232,605	\$103,175	\$473,322
Earns. per sh. on 400,000 shs. cap. stk. (no par)	\$0.25	\$0.58	\$0.26	\$1.18

V. 139, p. 1762.

Chrysler Corp.—Retail Sales—

Retail sales of Chrysler cars in the week ended Oct. 20 totaled 682 units, an increase of 22.7% over the 556 units sold in the previous week, 21.6% over the corresponding week of 1933 and more than 2 1/2 times sales in the corresponding week of 1932.—V. 139, p. 2359.

Cin. New Orleans & Texas Pacific Ry.—Earnings—

	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$906,298	\$1,076,882	\$802,014	\$1,039,648
Net from railway	234,706	463,042	221,050	166,306
Net from rents	140,648	320,931	185,715	131,025
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	9,448,572	8,967,167	7,668,891	11,524,967
Net from railway	3,580,711	3,665,571	1,545,565	2,323,803
Net after rents	2,556,600	2,730,542	1,124,865	1,645,499

—V. 139, p. 2042.

Cincinnati Union Terminal Co.—Balance Sheet Aug. 31

Assets—		Liabilities—		
	1934	1933	1934	
Investment in road and equip.	\$39,562,752	\$39,264,451	Common stock	3,500,000
Deposits in lieu of mortgaged property sold	1,698,628	1,686,983	Preferred stock	3,000,000
Cash	644,323	480,505	Mortgage bonds	36,000,000
Special deposits	9,365	8,941	Non-negotiable dt.	625,000
Net bal. receivable from agents and conductors	85	113	Audited accts. and wages payable	167,033
Misc. accts. rec'le	841,547	1,200,485	Misc. accts. pay.	9,265
Material & supplies	227,185	167,291	Int. matured unpd.	9,240
Rents rec'le (accrued not due)	3,550	2,300	Divs. matured unpd.	125
Working fund advs	50	50	Unmat'd dividends declared	60,000
Other def. assets	5,395		Unmat. int. acerd.	398,250
Rents & insurance premiums paid in advance	6,945	1,242	Other deferred liabilities	16,834
Discount on funded debt	966,320	987,872	Tax liability	167,136
Other unadj. debits	33	63,950	Operating reserves	630
			Accrued depreciation—equipment	462
			Other unadjusted credits	9,438
Total	\$43,960,783	\$43,869,578	Total	\$43,960,783

—V. 138, p. 3085.

Cleveland Cliffs Iron Co.—Stockholders Approve Republic-Corrigan, McKinney Merger—McKinney Steel Holding Co. also Ratifies Plan—

The stockholders of the company at a meeting Oct. 23 approved the sale of the business property and assets of the Corrigan, McKinney Steel Co. to Republic Steel Corp. upon the terms contained in the contract which

has been entered into between these two companies and which will be considered at a special meeting of the stockholders of each company called for that purpose. Out of a total of 395,530 shares of preferred and common stock entitled to vote at the Cleveland Cliffs Iron Co. meeting 830,791 shares were represented in person or by proxy and the vote in favor of the merger was unanimous.

The Cleveland Cliffs Iron Co. owns 110,042 shares of the common stock of Republic Steel Corp. and 109,375 shares of common stock of the Corrigan, McKinney Steel Co., which stock will now be voted at the Corrigan, McKinney and Republic meetings in favor of the sale.

The Cleveland Cliffs Iron Co. also owns all of the common stock of the McKinney Steel Holding Co., which owns 671,875 shares of the common stock of the Corrigan, McKinney Steel Co. The McKinney Steel Holding Co. meeting was held on Thursday, Oct. 25 and the stockholders also acted favorably for the merger.

The Cliffs Corp. has already held its meeting and instructed its officers to vote the Republic stock which its owns, consisting of 144,000 shares of Republic Steel common stock, in favor of the merger.—V. 139, p. 1863.

City Ice & Fuel Co.—Earnings—

9 Months Ended Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932
Revenue from sales	\$20,909,204	\$18,119,810	\$18,869,135
Cost of sales	8,351,344	7,342,733	7,475,554
Operating expenses	5,618,192	4,250,217	4,654,697
Depreciation	1,897,144	1,821,592	1,871,908
Interest	376,045	395,587	520,862
Federal taxes	640,769	614,130	597,590
Net income	\$4,025,710	\$3,695,551	\$3,748,524

—V. 139, p. 1080.

Coca-Cola International Corp.—To Reduce Stock—

The stockholders at the annual meeting to be held Nov. 20 will consider reducing the authorized number of class A and common shares and prohibiting the re-issuance of any shares acquired by the corporation.—V. 139, p. 439.

Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Co.—25-Cent Extra Dividend^{declared}

The directors on Oct. 24 declared an extra dividend of 25 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly distribution of 12½ cents per share on the common stock, no par value, both payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 8. On Aug. 1 last a quarterly dividend of 12½ cents per share was paid, this being the first distribution made on this issue since Jan. 21 1933, when 25 cents per share was disbursed. (See V. 139, p. 277 for further dividend record.)

The company issued the following statement: "The directors decided that until the company has established an earning record of sufficient consistency and duration to warrant a change the regular rate of 50 cents a share per year would stand. It was felt, however, that the payment of this extra 25 cents is justified at this time based solely on actual earnings to date and estimated earnings for the balance of this year."—V. 139, p. 758.

Collins & Aikman Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

27 Wks. End. Sept. 1 '34.	6 Mos. End. Aug. 27—		
	1933	1932	
Operating profit	\$924,457	loss\$99,008	\$1,778,441
Interest earned	25,098	48,392	54,272
Total profit	\$230,209	loss\$50,616	\$1,832,713
Depreciation reserve	247,006	228,328	y\$511,571
Interest paid	12,189		
Inventory write-off		x162,762	292,082
Federal taxes		90,000	
Net loss	\$28,986 x pf\$634,227	x\$437,980 xpf\$1029060	
Preferred dividends	219,688	222,094	285,967
Deficit	\$248,674 sura\$414,539	\$660,074 sur\$743,093	

a Equivalent to 73c. a share on 565,000 shares of common stock outstanding.
 x Excludes \$147 excess of par value over cost, of preferred stock purchased for retirement in 1933; \$81,744 in 1932 and \$134,945 in 1931. y Includes taxes. z Inventory adjustment of \$462,762 less \$300,000 portion thereof charged to contingent reserve created at Feb. 27 1932 by a charge to surplus.—V. 139, p. 111.

Commercial Credit Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933	
Gross purchase receiv.	\$98,879,467	\$62,774,034	\$307,051,980
Net income after charges and Federal taxes	1,420,779	906,404	3,800,346
Earns. per share on com.	\$1.11	\$0.57	\$2.83

—V. 139, p. 923.

Commercial Solvents Corp.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933	
Net profit after deprec., Federal taxes, &c.	\$612,756	\$642,317	\$1,850,493
Shs. com. outst. (no par)	2,635,978	2,635,684	2,635,684
Earnings per share	\$0.23	\$0.24	\$0.70

—V. 139, p. 2042.

Consolidated Film Industries, Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933	
Consol. net profit after deprec., Fed. taxes, &c.	\$187,841	\$253,901	\$826,404
Earns. per sh. on 524,973 shs. com. stock (par \$1)	Nil	\$0.10	\$0.43

—V. 139, p. 1081.

Consolidated Gas Co. of New York—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	[Including Affiliated Companies]		
	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—12 Mos.—1933	
Sales of gas, 1,000 cu. ft.	7,759,249	7,765,250	39,321,417
Sales of electric energy, 1,000 kwh.	1,064,541	1,016,692	4,410,076
Sales of steam, 1,000 lbs.	863,324	915,894	12,305,414
Sales of gas	\$9,094,035	\$9,107,424	\$44,879,431
Sales of electric energy	38,924,338	37,534,799	166,749,674
Sales of steam	784,231	793,810	11,260,558
Miscellaneous income	184,467	248,306	855,337
Total oper. revenues	\$48,987,071	\$47,684,339	\$223,744,999
Operating expenses	26,168,836	22,995,412	107,922,172
Retirement expense	3,329,490	3,621,431	15,365,767
Taxes (incl. provision for Federal tax)	10,492,466	8,819,281	40,855,192
Operating income	\$8,996,279	\$12,248,215	\$59,601,869
Non-operating revenues	64,811	72,497	457,267
Non-oper. rev. deduc'ns.	62,370	53,326	274,196
Gross corp. income	\$8,998,719	\$12,267,386	\$59,784,939
Int. on long-term debt.	4,994,803	5,003,130	20,001,999
Miscell. int., amort. of debt discount & exp. & misc. deductions	429,994	489,871	1,980,657
Divs. on pref. stock of affiliated cos. held by minority	161,743	162,534	647,865
x Net income	\$3,412,179	\$6,611,850	\$37,154,419
Div. on \$5 cum. pref. stk.			10,496,245
Div. on com. stk. of affil. cos. held by minority			297,233
Balance avail. for divs. on common stock	\$3,412,179		\$26,360,940

x Includes the interest of minority stockholders.

Consolidated Income Account for 9 Months Ended Sept. 30

	1934	1933
Sales of gas, 1,000 cubic feet	29,400,006	29,001,301
Sales of electric energy, 1,000 kwh.	3,279,612	3,098,219
Sales of steam, 1,000 pounds	8,771,948	7,900,873
Sales of gas	\$33,506,667	\$33,266,647
Sales of electric energy	123,621,252	123,963,081
Sales of steam	8,067,752	7,165,412
Miscellaneous income	638,622	689,508
Total operating revenues	\$165,834,294	\$165,024,649
Operating expenses	80,104,433	71,642,753
Retirement expense	11,375,127	11,810,434
Taxes (incl. provision for Federal income tax)	31,332,472	26,852,281
Operating income	\$43,022,263	\$54,719,179
Non-operating revenues	190,710	242,111
Non-operating revenue deductions	185,515	163,627
Gross corporate income	\$43,027,459	\$54,797,663
Deductions from gross corporate income:		
Interest on long-term debt	14,998,909	15,011,294
Miscell. interest, amortization of debt discount and expense, and miscellaneous deductions	1,226,920	1,239,699
Dividends on preferred stock of affiliated cos. held by minority stockholders	485,265	488,281
x Net income	\$26,316,364	\$38,058,388

x Includes the interest of minority stockholders.
 Note—The results for the periods covered by the accompanying statements may be affected by pending litigation as to electric rates, taxes, and assessments of regulatory expenses. The figures shown for operating revenues are exclusive of the sums shown below as representing the effects of the 6% reduction in electric rates to general consumers, ordered by the Public Service Commission to become effective as of Sept. 1 1933, the validity of which is pending undetermined in the State courts. The taking effect of the rate reduction orders has been stayed by the giving of undertakings, and the amounts stated constitute the "rate reserve" pending final determination. Similarly, the amounts shown for operating expenses and taxes are exclusive of uncollectible bills and taxes applicable or relating to the revenues shown in the "rate reserve" account. The applicable figures are:

Period Ended—	Sept. 30 1934—	Sept. 30 1933
	Rate Reserve for 6% Reduction in Rates	Uncollectible Bills and Taxes Applicable to Revenues Shown in "Rate Reserve" for 6% Reduction in Rates
3 months	\$1,769,371.57	\$415,177.76
9 months	6,316,436.03	1,275,273.98
12 months	8,168,766.43	1,748,033.48
Total rate reserve to Sept. 30	\$8,852,631.78	\$1,748,033.48
		\$683,865.35

The tax liability for the period is similarly subject to change, depending on the outcome of litigation relating to the validity of certain additional local taxes imposed by the City of New York and the right of the companies, in case those taxes should be finally sustained, to deduct them from their special franchise taxes. The operating expenses shown do not include costs and expenses of regulatory investigations and(or) valuations, assessed against various companies by the Commission, amounting to \$7,031.02 to Sept. 30 1934; now being contested by the companies. The operating expenses do not include the costs and expenses of compliance by the companies with various requirements imposed by the Commission as part of amended uniform systems of accounts, which are in litigation before the State courts and which, according to the advice received by the companies, could not in any event affect retroactively the results for the period ended Sept. 30 1934.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—12 Mos.—1933	
Sales of gas, 1,000 cu. ft.	3,569,462	3,552,834	18,693,921
Operating revenues			
From sales of gas	\$3,910,703	\$3,892,752	\$20,204,489
From miscell. sources	509,418	453,938	2,224,811
Total oper. revenues	\$4,420,122	\$4,346,690	\$22,429,300
Operating expenses	3,117,252	2,770,442	13,288,412
Retirement expenses	211,144	159,877	1,306,476
Taxes	759,757	746,026	2,406,084
Operating income	\$331,967	\$651,344	\$5,428,329
Non-operating revenues	10,219,784	13,651,302	43,587,364
Non-oper. rev. deduc'ns.	291,834	277,251	1,901,070
Non-operating income	\$9,927,950	\$13,374,051	\$41,686,295
Gross corp. income	\$10,259,917	\$14,025,395	\$47,114,623
Int. on long-term debt	1,737,500	1,737,500	6,950,000
Miscell. int. and amortiz. of debt, disc't. & exp.	93,552	281,491	539,444
Net income	\$8,428,866	\$12,006,404	\$39,625,179
Divs. declared on \$5 cum. preferred stock			10,496,245
Bal. avail. for divs. on common stock			\$29,128,934

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Sales of gas, 1,000 cubic feet	14,010,700	13,733,427
Operating revenues—From sales of gas	\$15,120,890	\$14,879,703
From miscellaneous sources	1,534,339	1,331,296
Total operating revenues	\$16,655,229	\$16,210,999
Operating expenses	9,833,311	8,818,145
Retirement expense	831,573	618,004
Taxes	2,325,312	2,569,761
Operating income	\$3,665,032	\$4,205,088
Non-operating revenues	34,115,988	41,145,686
Non-operating revenue deductions	878,244	832,451
Non-operating income	\$33,273,744	\$40,313,234
Gross corporate income	\$36,938,776	\$44,518,322
Interest on long-term debt	5,212,500	5,212,500
Miscell. int. and amortiz. of debt disc't. & exp.	1,319,299	716,843
Net income	\$31,406,977	\$38,588,979

—V. 139, p. 2042.

Commonwealth & Southern Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—1933	1934—12 Mos.—1933	
Gross earnings	\$9,246,655	\$9,147,429	\$113,665,677
Oper. exps., incl. maintenance and taxes	4,626,920	4,346,261	56,021,266
Fixed charges *	3,319,594	3,338,196	39,877,565
Prov. for retirem. reserve	813,609	795,816	9,991,975
Divs. on pref. stock	749,729	749,721	8,996,644
Balance	def\$263,198	def\$85,565	def\$921,773
Net income	\$1,689,601	\$1,689,601	\$11,869,311

* Includes interest, amortization of debt discount and expense and earnings accruing on stock of subsidiary companies not owned by Commonwealth & Southern Corp.
 Note—The effect of settlement in August 1934 of rate case involving refunds retroactive to May 1 1933, has been included for all periods in the above statement.
 September Output—
 Electric output of the system for the month of September was 426,404,310 kilowatt hours as compared with 456,302,126 kilowatt hours for September 1933 a decrease of 6.55%. For the nine months ended Sept. 30 1934 the output was 4,259,598,789 kilowatt hours as compared with 3,973,300,847 kilowatt hours during the corresponding period of 1933, an increase of 7.21%. Total output for the year ended Sept. 30 1934 was 5,594,536,788

kilowatt hours as compared with 5,272,810,566 kilowatt hours for the 12 months ended Sept. 30 1933, an increase of 6.10%.—V. 139, p. 2042.

Consumers Power Co.—Earnings—

[A Subsidiary of Commonwealth & Southern Corp.]				
Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—1933	1934—12 Mos.—1933		
Gross earnings.....	\$2,321,394	\$2,146,943	\$28,107,117	\$26,179,985
Oper. exps., incl. maintenance and taxes.....	1,110,973	1,013,116	13,017,717	11,716,390
Fixed charges.....	385,465	384,885	4,657,304	4,648,747
Provision for retirement reserve.....	237,500	232,000	2,833,500	2,784,000
Dividends on pref. stock.....	350,611	347,078	4,179,579	4,161,114
Balance.....	\$236,843	\$169,863	\$3,419,014	\$2,869,732

—V. 139, p. 2043.

Consolidation Coal Co.—Trustee's Report—

Robert O. Hill and L. S. Zimmerman, trustees have submitted to William C. Coleman, Judge of the U. S. District Court for the District of Maryland a report of operations of the company and subsidiaries for the seven months ending July 31 1934, marking the termination of the receivership operations on July 13 1934 and the appointment of trustees on that date.

Production for the seven months ending July 31 1934 and for the full years 1933 and 1932 was as follows:

	7 Mos. End. July 31 1934	Full Year 1933	Full Year 1932
Net tons mined by the company.....	4,915,959	7,141,036	5,752,988
Net tons mined by lessees.....	788,211	1,241,547	1,597,465
Total.....	5,704,170	8,382,583	7,350,453

A comparison of the combined working capital of the debtor's estate and its subsidiary companies at July 31 1934, with previous periods is as follows:

	July 31 1934	Dec. 31 1933	June 2 1932
Inventories on hand—Coal & coke.....	\$5,167,036	\$3,671,301	\$2,176,825
Materials and supplies.....	887,245	761,859	953,525
Notes and accounts receivable.....	3,315,866	3,607,097	2,585,746
Cash.....	2,257,824	1,367,475	2,675,040
Total.....	\$11,627,973	\$9,407,734	\$8,391,138
Less: Accounts payable, &c.....	3,415,051	2,267,762	2,430,738
Balance—working capital.....	\$8,212,922	\$7,139,971	\$5,960,399
Increase over June 2 1932.....			2,252,522

Consolidating Statement of Income for 7 Months Ending July 31 1934

	Parent Company	Subsidiary Companies	Combined
Sales of coal to the public, incl. coal produced & purchased, transportation to distribution points, &c., (less allowances, &c.).....	\$6,467,188	\$6,210,347	\$12,677,536
Gross income from other oper. sources:			
Coal royalties.....	91,536	982	92,518
Other sources.....	1,157,994	441,932	1,599,926
Total.....	\$7,716,718	\$6,653,261	\$14,369,980
Oper. exps., taxes, insur. & royalties a.....	6,295,163	6,368,231	12,663,394
Earns. from oper. before providing for deprec. & depletion.....	\$1,421,555	\$285,030	\$1,706,585
Other income:			
Int. divs. & sundry net income (incl. \$34,136 divs. on Metropolitan Coal Co., pref. stock pledged).....	44,834	1,822	46,656
Inter-co. comm., int., royalties, &c. (net).....	Dr131,462	Cr131,462	-----
Total income.....	\$1,334,927	\$418,314	\$1,753,241
Deduct:			
Parent co.'s cap. expenditures chgd. to expense in lieu of deprec. prov. for funds in closed banks.....	568,382	16,864	585,246
b Int. on 5% secured notes.....	116,667	-----	116,667
b Amortiz. of disc't on 5 sec. notes.....	1,008	-----	1,008
Depec. (on props. of subs. only).....	-----	178,259	178,259
Deplet. on cost (on props. of subs. only).....	-----	5,212	5,212
Prov. for Fed. income tax.....	9,000	29,479	38,479
c Balance of income.....	\$639,870	\$188,499	\$828,369

Profit and Loss Account July 31 1934

	Parent Company	Subsidiary Companies	Combined
Bal. at debit of profit & loss acct. at Dec. 31 1933.....	\$21,519,863	\$7,868	\$21,527,732
Add—Loss on plant & equip. retired.....	77,002	-----	77,002
Miscell. adjustments (net).....	5,940	-----	5,940
Total.....	\$21,602,804	\$7,869	\$21,610,673
Deduct—Bal. of inc. for the 7 mos. end. July 31 1934, as above.....	639,870	188,499	828,369
Divs. received from sub. company.....	Cr22,500	Dr22,500	-----
Bal. at debit July 31 1934.....	\$20,940,434	\$158,130	\$20,782,304

a After eliminating from both captions \$1,447,257 of sales (\$13,923 tons) billed to subsidiary companies at code prices. b No provision has been made for int. & amortiz. on other debt in default. c On basis indicated above carried to profit and loss account, below (including \$54,513 from the North Western Fuel Co. a wholly owned sub. company part of the capital stock of which is pledged).

Balance Sheet July 31 1934

	Parent Company	Subsidiary Companies	Combined
Assets—			
Mining plants, equip., transp. & distribution facilities, &c.....	\$27,768,025	\$9,622,262	\$37,390,287
Less—Reserve for depreciation.....	15,310,772	5,227,688	20,538,461
Total.....	\$12,457,252	\$4,394,573	\$16,851,826
Coal lands and other real estate.....	\$40,667,243	\$1,928,547	\$42,595,791
Less—Reserve for depletion.....	10,291,520	17,034	10,308,555
Total.....	\$30,375,722	\$1,911,512	\$32,287,235
Total capital assets.....	\$42,832,974	\$6,306,086	\$49,139,061
Investments:			
Met. Coal Co. pfd. stock (pledged).....	975,300	-----	975,300
Investment in sub. co. in receivership.....	125,000	-----	125,000
Sundry stocks and bonds.....	118,668	38,545	157,214
Cash in hands of trustees, &c.....	49,332	-----	49,332
Notes & accts. receiv. from prop. sales, &c. (partly pledged).....	70,647	6,327	76,974
Current assets:			
a Inventories on hand.....	531,098	4,635,937	5,167,036
Mat'ls, supplies & stores (at cost).....	649,750	237,494	887,245
Notes receiv. for sale of products.....	707	45,948	46,656
Accts. receivable (less reserve).....	1,426,166	1,843,043	3,269,210
Deposits in closed banks (less res.).....	30,784	14,931	45,715
Cash on hand and in banks.....	1,600,666	611,443	2,212,109
Expenses applicable to future oper. Unamortized discount on mtgs. (at date of receivership).....	66,987	65,807	132,795
Inter-co. investments (partly pledged).....	1,217,579	-----	1,217,579
Excess of par value of sub. co. stocks over cost (see contra).....	9,268,295	-----	9,268,295
b Inter-company accounts (net).....	2,761,033	Cr2,761,033	-----
Balance at debit.....	20,940,434	Cr158,130	20,782,304
Total.....	\$83,143,132	\$1,140,402	\$84,283,535

	Parent Company	Subsidiary Companies	Combined
Liabilities—			
Common stock (par \$100).....	\$49,015,748	-----	\$49,015,748
7% preferred stock.....	10,000,000	-----	10,000,000
5% sec'd notes matured April 1 1934.....	4,000,000	-----	4,000,000
c 4% ref. mtge. mat'd May 1 1934.....	3,398,000	-----	3,398,000
d 5% 1st & ref. mtge. mat'g Dec. 1 '50	18,733,000	-----	18,733,000
Surp. of sub. companies.....	3,914,127	-----	3,914,127
Excess of par value of sub. co. stocks over cost (see contra).....	477,704	-----	477,704
Capital loss by North Western Fuel Co. on sale of stk. of Empire Coal Co. Ltd., to parent company.....	-----	-----	199,864
Res. for conting. & insurance.....	58,899	-----	58,899
Deferred credits:			
Unearned mining royalties from leased properties, &c.....	221,225	-----	221,225
Excess of par value over cost of com. stock & bonds of Consolidation Coal Co. in treasury.....	228,284	-----	228,284
Other deferred credits.....	47,377	51,957	99,334
Accounts payable, &c.:			
Accts. payable & accrued payrolls (since receivership).....	1,214,510	1,236,302	2,450,813
Accts. pay. (prior to receivership).....	166,845	-----	166,845
Accrued int. on 5% secured notes.....	16,666	-----	16,666
Acrr. int. (to date of receivership only) on mortgages.....	482,280	-----	482,280
Accrued property taxes.....	159,462	100,629	260,091
Reserve for Federal income tax.....	9,000	29,353	38,353
Total.....	\$83,143,132	\$1,140,402	\$84,283,535

a Coal and coke (parent co.'s inventory valued at cost or market prices, whichever were lower; sub. cos. inventories at code prices at date of shipment, plus transportation charges. The subs. inventories include approximately 580,351 tons of coal purchased from the parent company on which the parent company has taken up a profit estimated at approximately \$125,000. b These accounts include \$747,728 owed by the parent company to its subsidiaries which arose prior to the receivership. c Exclusive of bonds pledged as collateral. d Accrued prior to acquisition of stock by Consolidation Coal Co.—V. 139, p. 759.

Container Corp. of America (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
x Net profit.....	\$164,002	\$290,958
x After interest, depreciation, Federal taxes, &c.—V. 139, p. 439.	\$762,861	\$50,781

Continental Baking Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period—	13 Weeks Ended—	39 Weeks Ended—
Sept. 29 '34	Sept. 30 '33	Sept. 30 '33
Net income from oper.....	\$1,127,016	\$1,600,059
Other income.....	13,492	48,213
Total income.....	\$1,140,508	\$1,648,272
Interest and amortiz.....	25,646	26,226
Depreciation.....	452,074	428,142
Federal taxes.....	83,050	170,000
Minority interest.....	196	4,703
Net income.....	542	\$1,019,201
Shs. of 8% pref. stock.....	410,600	419,616
Earnings per share.....	\$1.41	\$2.43
—V. 139, p. 1703.		\$3.45
		\$5.11

Continental Can Co.—Earnings—

12 Months Ended Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932
Net profit after charges.....	\$14,586,877	\$9,698,926	\$7,669,687
Depreciation and Federal tax.....	4,509,941	3,477,749	3,198,837
Net income.....	\$10,076,936	\$6,221,177	\$4,470,850
Shares common stock (par \$20).....	1,776,494	1,733,345	1,733,345
Earnings per share.....	\$5.67	\$3.59	\$2.55
—V. 139, p. 2517.			

Continental Motors Corp.—Committee Issues Statement Regarding \$16,000,000 Suit—

A. W. Porter, Chairman of the stockholders' protective committee, recently formed, consisting of A. W. Porter, Chairman, Harry S. Johnson, Walter A. Frederick and L. N. Rosenbaum, has issued the following statement on behalf of the Committee:

"A suit has been filed by several stockholders of corporation against William R. Angell, James H. Ferry, Benjamin F. Tobin, Roger Sherman and Craig Keith, as officers and directors of corporation, for restitution of some \$16,000,000 of moneys and assets of Continental Motors Corp. alleged to have been lost and dissipated in the last four years through the acts and conduct of these officers and directors, against whom the suit is filed.

"The complaint alleges, among other things, that these officers and directors profited personally in very large sums by reason of numerous unlawful acts alleged in the complaint. Among these is the inter-relationship of Continental Motors Corp. with subsidiaries and affiliates, including Lakey Foundry & Machine Co., Inc.

"The complaint further alleges that Messrs. Angell and Sherman purchased stock of Peerless Motors Corp. for the sum of \$375,000 and that thereafter, realizing said stock was not worth that much money, caused Continental Motors Corp. to assume such purchase and to pay out of its treasury for their personal obligation, the sum of \$375,000, thereby relieving them of their own personal losses.

"In addition the complaint sets forth allegations that control of the corporation was wrested from the prior management by the defendant Angell by procuring votes of directors, with promises of large, excessive and unnecessary salaries, who thereupon voted control into the hands of Mr. Angell and the other co-defendants including themselves.

"Among the further allegations of the complaint are the following: "That the defendants, as officers and directors of Continental Motors Corp., and in violation of their trust to the stockholders, caused it to assume a loss in excess of \$2,500,000, in the manufacture of an automobile, which they permitted the corporation to enter into without adequate preparations and proper financial arrangements; that the corporation attempted to raise capital for this venture through the sale of stock in the open market, but succeeded only in acquiring additional capital of \$638,918 at the excessive cost of \$92,624, so that the corporation paid for this money in excess of 15%; that the defendant Angell negligently permitted the New York Stock Exchange to strike from listing, the shares of Continental Motors Corp., which deprived the corporation of the ability to sell a large amount of its then unissued stock; that the officers and directors permitted the corporation's assets to be wasted by complicated subsidiary corporate organizations, duplication of franchise taxes and other taxes and paid out huge and excessive salaries; that the payroll and administrative costs of the corporation were permitted to remain geared to a volume of \$25,000,000 although the corporation actually was doing only \$2,500,000 to \$3,500,000 a year volume; that the corporation was permitted to acquire a large and excessive amount of non-productive real estate, not needed for corporate purposes whatsoever, but which was sold by the defendants or persons associated or affiliated with them, to the corporation, at sums in excess of the true value of said real estate; that the defendants permitted the corporation deliberately to take orders at a loss in order to give a semblance of activity; that the defendant William R. Angell, while an officer and director of the corporation, charged to the corporation a large amount of personal expenses, and received a salary from the corporation while engaged for long periods of time in personal work; that the corporation sought a loan from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and in order to procure such loan, the defendant Angell made the statement that the corporation would, in the year 1934, have a volume of business of \$28,000,000 when, as a matter of fact, the defendant Angell knew at such time that the corporation was only doing a volume of approximately \$2,000,000; that the defendant Angell was voted out of office as President at a directors' meeting, held on Aug. 1 1934, but illegally cast a vote of an absent director, so as to maintain his status as President; that the statement of the corporation filed with the New York Stock Exchange and given to the stockholders as of Apr. 30 1934, did not show the true financial condition of the corporation; that the defendants caused the Continental Motors Corp. to purchase assets of various corporations in large sums of money, all of which resulted in a heavy loss to the corporation; that the annual meeting of the stockholders, originally scheduled for Jan. 17 1934, has not yet been held, thus

permitting the defendants to maintain themselves in control of the defendant corporation.

"The stockholders who have filed this complaint have deposited their stock with the committee, and such complaint was filed with the knowledge and approval of the committee, through counsel selected by the committee in order to procure restitution of these huge sums.

"The committee has as its objective the elimination from the control of this corporation of the present management, the rehabilitation of the corporation of its successful place in the business community and the restoration to the corporation of the prestige and financial position that it had up to the time when the present management took control and direction.

"The committee has as its ultimate objective the procuring of additional and adequate working capital, the proper, capable and conscientious direction and management of the company's affairs, and the procurement of ample and adequate volume of business, to enable the company to function profitably, and for the fullest protection of the stockholders, as well as to maintain its position thereby of dominance in the industrial community."

Continental Securities Corp.—New Assets Value— The corporation estimates net assets (taking investments at market or estimated fair value in absence thereof) as of Sept. 30 1934 to be \$2,992,887, which compares with \$3,199,231 as indicated in the audited mid-year report dated June 30 1934. This is equivalent to \$1,077.35 per debenture outstanding, and to \$15.11 per preferred share.—V. 139, p. 2360.

Corn Products Refining Co.—Earnings— Table with columns for 9 Mos. End. Sept. 30—, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Net earnings, Total income, Interest & depreciation, Net income, Prof. divs, Common stock extra, Balance, surplus, Earnings per sh., etc.

Cudahy Packing Co.—Bonds Called— There has been called for payment as of Dec. 18 next a total of \$98,700 5½% gold debentures at 102½% and int. Payment will be made at the Continental Illinois National Bank & Trust Co. of Chicago, trustee.—V. 139, p. 2043.

Curtis Publishing Co.—Earnings— Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30—, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Net profit after deprec. and Federal taxes, Shs. com. stock (no par), Earnings per share.

Dayton Rubber Mfg. Co.—Recapitalization Plan Approved The stockholders have approved the recapitalization plan proposed by the directors. Under the plan \$31 dividend arrearage is wiped out on the preferred stock. The recapitalization is planned to simplify the capital structure of the company, place the stock in a more favorable position for dividends, increase marketability and provide sufficient capital for the necessary expansion of the company. See also V. 138, p. 3268 for further details.—V. 139, p. 2043.

Delaware & Hudson RR. Corp.—Earnings— Table with columns for September—, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Notes The ICC on Oct. 22 authorized the company to issue and reissue from time to time not exceeding \$16,000,000 of promissory notes. The report of the Commission says in part: To show the necessity for the proposed issue, the applicant has submitted a forecast of its cash position for the period Oct. 1 1934 to April 30 1935, inclusive. The statement shows cash on hand on Oct. 1 1934, \$396,500, estimated cash resources, including cash on hand, \$15,694,500, and estimated cash requirements, \$20,303,655, indicating an excess of requirements over resources of \$4,609,155. The applicant states that in view of the uncertainties necessarily involved in the making of such a forecast, it is deemed proper to apply for the issue of notes to the maximum amount named. It is shown that as of Oct. 1 1934, there were outstanding promissory notes aggregating \$11,475,723, which were issued pursuant to our orders of April 25 1933, and Dec. 11 1933. The applicant desires authority to issue and reissue from time to time, at not less than par, promissory notes bearing interest at a rate not to exceed 6% per annum, payable on demand or upon such due dates as may be specified therein, not later than Oct. 1 1936, to an aggregate face amount not exceeding \$16,000,000 at any time outstanding, this amount to include the \$11,475,723 of outstanding notes, and any notes issued in renewal thereof or in substitution thereof. The notes are to be delivered to evidence loans to be used for the general corporate purposes of the applicant, or in renewal of or in substitution for short-term notes, and will exceed 5% of the par value of the securities of the applicant outstanding. No arrangements have yet been made in regard to the loans or renewal of notes for which the proposed notes are to be given.—V. 139, p. 2360.

Delaware Lackawanna & Western RR.—Earnings— Table with columns for September—, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Derby Gas & Electric Corp.—New President— Malcolm M. Eckhardt has been elected President, succeeding George H. Scranton, deceased, and H. T. Pritchard, Chicago, has been elected Vice-President, succeeding Mr. Eckhardt.—V. 139, p. 2201.

Detroit & Mackinac Ry.—Earnings— Table with columns for September—, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Distillers Co. Ltd. of Gt. Britain—Contract Terminated See National Distillers Products Corp. below.—V. 138, p. 4461.

Detroit Street Rys.—Earnings— Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30—, 1934—Month—1933, 1934—12 Mos.—1933. Rows include Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Taxes assign. to oper., Operating income, Non-oper. income, Gross income, Deductions, Net income.

Detroit Toledo & Ironton RR.—Earnings— Table with columns for September—, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

(S. R.) Dresser Mfg. Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings— Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30—, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Net profit after deprec., taxes, &c., Shs. class A stk. (no par), Earnings per share.

Duluth-Superior Transit Co.—Report— This company took over the property and rights of Duluth Street Ry. on Sept. 1 1933 under the foreclosure proceedings (per plan in V. 139, p. 1764).

Income Account for Years 1932 and 1933 [Including Duluth Superior Bus Co.] Table with columns for First 8 Mos., Last 4 Mos., 12 Mos., x Year 1932. Rows include Total operating revenues, Total oper. expenses, Net rev. from oper'ns, Taxes assignable to operations, Operating deficit, Total non-oper. income, Gross deficit, Total deductions from gross income, Net deficit.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1933 Table with columns for Assets, Liabilities. Rows include Road and equipment, Investments, Insurance deposit, Cash, Working funds, Special deposit, Released cash, Miscellaneous accounts receivable, Accrued interest receivable, Materials and supplies, Unadjusted debits, Capital stock, Funded debt, Cash res. for old bondholders, Audited accts. & wages pay'le, Accrued State & local taxes, Accrued int. on funded debt, Reserve for contingencies, Reserve for depreciation, Reserve for future abandonment and/or obsolescence, Other reserves, Unadjusted credits, Surplus 1933.

Note—2,441¼ shares of common stock and 205 bonds, listed above as outstanding, have not yet been delivered in exchange for 205 1st mtge. bonds and 9 general mtge. bonds of Duluth Street Railway Co.

Eastern Massachusetts Street Ry.—Earnings— Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30—, 1934—Month—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Railway oper. revenues, Railway oper. expenses, Taxes, Balance, Other income, Gross corp. income, Interest on funded debt, rents, &c., Deprec. and equalization, Net loss.

(E. I.) du Pont de Nemours & Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30—, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Income from operations, Prov. for depr. & obsol. of plants & equipment, Net income from oper., Income from marketable secur., invest. in affil. cos. not wholly owned & miscell. investments, Total income, Provision for Fed. taxes, Net inc., excl. of inc. from invest. in Gen. Motors Corp., Inc. received from invest. in Gen. Motors Corp., Net inc. before int. on bonds of subs. cos., Int. on bonds of sub. cos., Net income, Divs. on debs. stock, Consol. earns. applic. to common stock, Amt. earn. on com. stk., Av. no. shs. com. stk. outstanding during period, Amount earned a share.

x Including E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.'s equity in undivided profits or losses of controlled companies not consolidated.

Surplus Account Sept. 30

	1934	1933
Surplus at beginning of year.....	\$170,345,234	\$178,717,373
Net income nine months.....	38,727,818	26,437,238
a Adjustment resulting from revaluation of investment in General Motors Corp.....	2,500,000	dr. 14,500,000
Premium (excess over par value) paid for redemption of outstanding voting deb. stock.....	dr. 8,387	
Adjustment resulting from disposition of the Co.'s common stock previously purchased.....		4,023,149
Total.....	\$211,564,665	\$194,677,760
Dividends on debenture stock.....	4,916,238	4,907,587
Dividends on common stock—1st quarter.....	5,531,046	5,435,957
2d quarter.....	7,192,716	5,475,306
3d quarter (including extra in 1934).....	12,714,110	5,524,114
Surplus at Sept. 30.....	\$181,210,555	\$173,334,803

In accordance with past custom, the value of du Pont Co.'s investment in General Motors Corp. common stock was adjusted on the books of the company in March 1933, to \$154,500,000 (\$15.45 a share) and in March 1934 to \$157,000,000 (\$15.70 a share), which closely corresponded to its net asset value as shown by the balance sheets of General Motors Corp. at Dec. 31 1932, and Dec. 31 1933, respectively.—V. 139, p. 2518.

Economy Grocery Stores Corp.—Sales—

Period End, Sept. 28—	1934—5 Wks.—1933	1934—3 Mos.—1933
Sales.....	\$1,469,254	\$3,776,356
	\$1,404,172	\$3,626,993

—V. 139, p. 2518.

Edmonton Street Ry.—Earnings—

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—Month—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Revenues.....	\$44,964	\$46,225
Expenses.....	38,851	38,372
Fixed charges.....	6,153	12,591
Renewals.....		55,426
		27,000
Net surplus.....	def \$46	def \$4,738

—V. 139, p. 2044.

Electric Auto Lite Co.—Contract—
C. O. Mininger, Chairman of the board, has announced that the company has been awarded a long time contract for all ignition requirements of the new Packard model soon to be introduced in the small car field. The contract represents all new business and will be handled at Toledo and a few subsidiary plants, it is said.—V. 139, p. 1707.

Electric Bond & Share Co.—Electric Output of Affiliates
Electric output for the three major affiliates of the Electric Bond & Share System for the week ended Oct. 18 compares with the corresponding week of 1933 as follows (kwh):

	1934	1933	Increase
	Amount	%	
American Power & Light Co.....	82,246,000	81,181,000	1,065,000 1.3
Electric Power & Light Corp.....	37,687,000	35,785,000	1,902,000 5.3
National Power & Light Co.....	72,220,000	64,929,000	7,291,000 11.2

—V. 139, p. 2518.

Electric Railway Equipment Securities Corp.—Certificates Called—
Certificates numbered 1028, 1034, 1037, 1044, 1046, 1047, 1048, 1050, 1052, 1053, 1061, 1062, 1102, 1117 and 1118, due June 1 1935, have been called for payment as of Dec. 1 next at par and divs. Payment will be made at the Fidelity-Philadelphia Trust Co., 135 South Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa.—V. 136, p. 1723.

Emerson's Bromo Seltzer, Inc.—Smaller Dividends—
The directors on Oct. 23 declared a quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share on the class A and class B stocks, no par value, payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 25. Previously regular quarterly distributions of 50 cents per share were made on the above issues.—V. 139, p. 926.

Empire Power Corp.—50-cent Participating Dividend—
The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the \$2.25 cum. partic. stock, no par value, payable Nov. 10 to holders of record Oct. 31. Quarterly distributions of 56 cents per share were made on this issue on Jan. 1 and April 1 1932, none thereafter until May 10 1934 when a div. of 50 cents per share was made. A record of dividends paid on the participating stock follows:
July, 1926, 40c.; Oct. 1926 to Oct. 1927, 50c. quar.; July 1928 to April 1930, 50c. quar.; July 1930, \$3.04; Oct. 1930, 56c.; year 1931, \$2.25; year 1932, \$1.12.—V. 138, p. 3773.

Erie RR.—Earnings—
[Including Chicago & Erie RR.]

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—Month—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Operating revenues.....	\$6,201,088	\$6,827,873
Oper. exps. & taxes.....	4,950,220	4,968,117
Hire of equip. & joint facility rents—net deb.	358,427	370,095
		3,005,542
		2,801,869
Net ry. oper. income.....	\$892,440	\$1,489,660

—V. 139, p. 2044.

European Mortgage & Investment Corp.—Sale—
Certain of the company's property and rights will be sold at auction Oct. 31 by R. L. Day & Co., Boston, at \$100,750.—V. 139, p. 926.

Ex-Cell-O Aircraft & Tool Corp.—Earnings—

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Net loss after taxes and charges.....	\$53,536	\$82,315
Earnings, per sh., on 376,810 shs. of cap. stk. (par \$3)	Nil	Nil
		\$0.39

—V. 139, p. 598.

Fall River Gas Works Co.—Earnings—

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—Month—1933	1934—12 Mos.—1933
Gross earnings.....	\$72,135	\$75,384
Operation.....	33,779	31,553
Maintenance.....	4,017	3,274
Retiremen't res'v'e accural.....	5,000	5,000
Taxes.....	13,940	12,076
Interest charges.....	851	1,491
Balance.....	\$14,545	\$21,987

Under the requirements of the Department of Public Utilities of Massachusetts, the company is now making provision for retirements by charging operating expenses each month. All previous years' figures affected, including retirement reserve and earned surplus for the previous year, have been adjusted to a directly comparable basis.
During the last 31 years the company has expended for maintenance a total of 7.78% of the entire gross earnings over this period, and in addition during this period has set aside for reserves or retained as surplus a total of 7.91% of these gross earnings.—V. 139, p. 2044.

Federal Screw Works (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Net loss after deprec., taxes, &c.....	\$10,249	\$18,082
		\$13,324
		\$155,570

—V. 139, p. 1083.

Federated Metals Corp.—Bonds Called—
All of the outstanding 15-year 7% convertible sinking fund gold bonds have been called for redemption on Dec. 1, next, at 102½ and interest payment will be made at the office of Chase National Bank, trustee, 11 Broad St., New York.—V. 135, p. 4039.

(Marshall) Field & Co.—Earnings—

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Net sales.....	\$23,665,800	\$24,745,600
Net loss after taxes, depreciation, int., &c.....	175,000	955,000
		2,082,000
		loss 1420,400

—V. 139, p. 2203.

Florida Power Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—12 Mos.—1933
Operating revenues.....	\$514,628	\$459,492
Maintenance.....	51,605	53,065
Other operating exps.....	215,440	177,278
Taxes (incl. Fed. income)	39,743	22,696
Renewals & replacements.....	25,589	15,859
		147,458
Net earnings.....	\$182,250	\$190,593
Non-operating income.....	9,434	11,171
		48,928
Gross income.....	\$191,685	\$201,765
Int. on long-term debt.....	151,250	151,250
Other int. & deductions.....	25,506	23,733
Special items (net).....	5,343	
		12,688
Net income.....	\$9,586	\$26,782

—V. 139, p. 598.

Florida Power & Light Co.—Earnings—

[American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—Month—1933	1934—12 Mos.—1933
Operating revenues.....	\$736,053	\$644,221
Oper. exps., incl. taxes.....	487,773	414,611
		5,943,808
		4,944,455
Net revs. from oper.....	\$248,280	\$229,610
Other income.....	9,299	7,222
		\$4,305,234
		\$4,758,512
Gross corp. income.....	\$257,579	\$236,832
Int. & other deduc'tns.....	346,865	361,626
		4,124,508
		\$5,096,198
		\$4,135,570
Balance.....	def \$89,286	def \$124,794
Property retirement reserve appropriations.....		400,000
x Dividends applicable to preferred stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid.....		1,153,008
		1,151,836
Deficit.....	\$1,107,640	\$591,208

Dividends accumulated and unpaid to Sept. 30 1934 amounted to \$2,017,764. Latest regular quarterly dividends paid Jan. 3 1933. Dividends on preferred stocks are cumulative.
Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.
Note—Income account includes full revenues without consideration of rate reduction in litigation.—V. 139, p. 2045.

Florida Public Service Co.—Amendment of Plan of Readjustment of Debt—

The plan of readjustment of debt dated July 20 1933 (V. 137, p. 864) was declared operative in accordance with its terms and is in effect. \$11,383,600 principal amount of the \$12,407,900 old bonds mentioned in the plan have been deposited with the co-depositaries named in the plan for the purposes thereof.
The readjustment committee has requested Southeastern Electric & Gas Co. to subordinate \$2,000,000 old bonds of the Florida company owned by it, in addition to the \$4,407,900 to be subordinated as provided in the original plan (increasing the amount to \$6,407,900), so as to reduce the total amount of new mortgage bonds to be issued for the purposes of the plan from \$8,000,000 to \$6,000,000 and that the new mortgage bonds shall be issued by the Florida company as a new series under its existing first mortgage, thus obviating the necessity of the execution of a new mortgage or the foreclosure of the existing mortgages or the formation of a new corporation. The Southeastern company has consented to this request.
Since the adoption of the plan, the so-called "Corporate Reorganization Act" has been enacted. The readjustment committee is of the opinion that the plan could be expedited if it is carried out and put into effect in a proceeding instituted under Section 77B of the Bankruptcy Act and to this the Southeastern company has also consented.
In the judgment of the readjustment committee, none of the changes, modifications or amendments provided for, adversely affect bondholders who have deposited their bonds to a material degree. On the contrary, it is the judgment of the committee, that such changes, modifications and amendments substantially improve their position.

- Changes Made by the Amendment:
- The amount of new mortgage bonds to be issued pursuant to the plan as amended will be reduced from \$8,000,000 to \$6,000,000. This reduction is being effected by reason of Southeastern Electric & Gas Co. an affiliate of Florida Public Service Co., subordinating an additional \$2,000,000 of bonds, which will result in its receiving only \$3,811,000 instead of the \$5,811,000 new mortgage bonds provided for in the original plan.
 - The amount of bonds outstanding owned by Southeastern Electric & Gas Co. and its affiliates which are to be exchanged for unsecured income debentures will be increased from \$4,407,900 to \$6,407,900, and as a result of this reduction in the amount of new mortgage bonds to be received by it, Southeastern Electric & Gas Co., will in effect subordinate \$6,407,900 principal amount of old bonds (including \$442,000 10-year 7% secured gold bonds which are already junior to the outstanding first mortgage bonds) owned by them, in favor of the new mortgage bonds.
 - The new mortgage bonds will be issued by the Florida company as a new series under its existing first mortgage, to be entitled "first mortgage 4% bonds, series C, due 1955," and consequently there will be no foreclosure, no new mortgage and no new corporation. They shall be redeemable at any time in whole or in part at 102% of the principal amount thereof and accrued interest on or before July 1 1953, at 101% of the principal amount thereof and accrued interest after said date and on or before July 1 1954, and thereafter at par and accrued interest.
 - The plan as amended will not be carried out and put into effect unless it is confirmed by a U. S. District Court in the State of Florida in a proceeding instituted by or against the Florida company, under the so-called "Corporate Reorganization Act" being Sections 77A and 77B of the Bankruptcy Act as amended.
If the plan is carried out and put into effect, the mortgage debt of the Florida company will be reduced from \$12,047,900 to \$6,000,000, a reduction of \$6,407,900.
The plan as amended provides that the holders of the publicly owned bonds shall receive new first mortgage bonds, par for par, bearing interest at the rate of 4% per annum, without any reduction whatsoever in the amount of principal.
It will not be necessary for bondholders who have not heretofore deposited their bonds and who desire to accept the plan as amended, to deposit their bonds with either of the co-depositaries named in the original plan. It will only be necessary for them to sign and mail to either depositary, an acceptance.—V. 139, p. 927.

Fort Pitt Brewing Co.—Five-cent Dividend Declared—
The directors have declared a dividend of five cents per share on the common stock, par \$1, payable Oct. 31 to holders of record Oct. 24. A similar distribution was made on May 10 last, and compares with five cents per share disbursed on Feb. 10 last and 10 cents per share on Nov. 10 1933. On Nov. 10 1930 a distribution of five cents per share was made. The company has no set dividend-paying policy.—V. 137, p. 3154.

Fort Worth (Tex.) Stock Yards Co.—50-Cent Extra Div. Declared—
The directors have declared an extra dividend of 50 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 37½ cents per share on the no par common stock, both payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 20. Regular dividends of 37½ cents per share have been paid each quarter since and including Aug. 1 1933, prior to which 25 cents per share was distributed in each of the three preceding quarters, 37½ cents per share on Aug. 1 1932 and 50 cents per share quarterly previously.—V. 137, p. 697.

Fundamental Investors, Inc. (Del.)—Earnings—
Income Account for the Nine Months Ended Sept. 30 1934

Total income.....	\$61,467
Expenses.....	15,236
Net income.....	\$46,231
Dividends paid in cash (4c.).....	29,669
Stock (2%).....	4,252
Surplus.....	\$12,310
Earned surplus Dec. 31 1933.....	57,117
Excess allowance for Federal income and capital stock taxes.....	162
Balance.....	\$69,589

Balance Sheet

Table with columns for Assets and Liabilities, and rows for Sept. 30 '34 and Dec. 31 '33. Includes items like Cash, Accounts receivable, and Total.

Galveston Electric Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End, Sept. 30, 1934—Month—1933, 1934—12 Mos.—1933. Rows include Gross earnings, Operation, Maintenance, Taxes, and Net oper. revenue.

an interest on 8% secured income bonds is deducted from surplus when declared and paid. Last payment was July 31 1934 and interest for two months since then not declared or paid is \$2,800 and is not included in this statement.—V. 139, p. 2045.

Galveston-Houston Electric Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End, Sept. 30, 1934—Month—1933, 1934—12 Mos.—1933. Rows include Gross earnings, Operation, Maintenance, Taxes, Interest (public), and Deficit.

an interest on income bonds and notes has not been earned or paid and \$490,283 for 37 months since Sept. 1 1931 is not included in this statement. Also interest receivable on income notes since Oct. 20 1932 in the amount of \$712 is not included.—V. 139, p. 2045.

Gary Electric & Gas Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End, Sept. 30, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—12 Mos.—1933. Rows include Operating revenue, Other income, Total income, Operating exps., maintenance and taxes, Bond interest, Int. on unfunded debt, Amort. of debt expense, Retirement expense, and Net income for divs.

—V. 139, p. 2519.

General American Transportation Corp. (& Subs.)—(Formerly General American Tank Car Corp.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End, Sept. 30, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Net profit after charges, deprec. & Fed. taxes, Shs. cap. stock (par \$5), and Earnings per share.

Purchases Tank Cars—

The company has purchased a fleet of more than 200 tank cars from Archer-Daniels-Midlands, Inc. Simultaneously with the purchase the company concluded a long-term lease with the Archer-Daniels-Midlands Co. by which they will provide all the linseed oil company's tank car requirements.—V. 139, p. 2519.

General Brock Hotel Co.—Personnel—

Vernon G. Cardy has been elected President. The new directors and officers are as follows: Vernon G. Cardy, Pres., Montreal; Claude A. Findlay, V.-Pres., Niagara Falls; George A. Ross, C. A. Ripley, Montreal; W. S. Morden, Toronto; Andrew J. Cardy, Hamilton, and A. I. Brooks, Welland, Secretary.—V. 139, p. 1084.

General Electric Co.—New Publication—

"Industrial Cable," a new publication of General Electric Co., describes and lists all standard types of insulated wire and cable used by industrials for transmission, distribution and control, and used on or with electric equipment such as mining machinery, locomotives, arc welders, neon signs, etc.

The publication, of 128 pages and with an ornamental cover, does not cover the paper-insulated types of cable, used principally for transmission of large blocks of power at the higher voltages. Such types are custom-built, and generally require the assistance of experienced engineers on both application and installation.

"Industrial Cable," GEA-1833, is a companion to Bulletin GEA-1837, an 80-page publication on "How to Select Insulated Cable." Copies of either are available on request to the company.—V. 139, p. 2519.

General Gas & Electric Corp.—To Reduce Stock—

The stockholders will vote Nov. 16 on reducing the authorized number of shares of preferred stock from 1,000,000 to 660,000, and common stock class A from 10,000,000 to 5,000,000.—V. 139, p. 2519.

General Motors Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End, Sept. 30, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Net sales, Net profit after taxes, Depreciation int. &c., Preferred dividends, Balance, Earnings per sh. on avge. com. shs. outstanding, and Net profit.

including equities in the undivided profits or the losses of subsidiary and affiliated companies not consolidated. y Excluding inter-divisional transactions.

Cash, United States Government and other marketable securities at September 30 1934 amounted to \$207,963,581, compared with \$177,303,966 at Dec. 31 1933 and \$232,566,172 at Sept. 30 1933. Net working capital at Dec. 31 1933 amounted to \$291,842,794, compared with \$243,832,896 at Dec. 31 1933 and \$285,292,313 at Sept. 30 1933.

During the third quarter ended Sept. 30 1934, General Motors dealers in the United States delivered to consumers 259,149 cars and trucks, compared with 245,128 cars and trucks in the corresponding quarter of 1933—a gain of 14,021 units, or 5.7%. Sales by General Motors operating divisions to dealers in the United States during this quarter amounted to 248,721 cars and trucks, compared with 244,783 cars and trucks in the corresponding quarter a year ago—a gain of 3,938 units, or 1.6%. Total sales to domestic and Canadian dealers and overseas shipments, including production from foreign sources, amounted to 315,490 cars and trucks, compared with 285,680 cars and trucks in the corresponding quarter of 1933—a gain of 29,810 units, or 10.4%.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30 1934, General Motors dealers in the United States delivered to consumers 754,121 cars and trucks, compared with 644,892 cars and trucks in the corresponding period of 1933—a gain of 109,229 units, or 16.9%. Sales by General Motors operating divisions to dealers in the United States during this period amounted to \$41,588 cars and trucks, compared with 37,645 cars and trucks in the first nine months of 1933—a gain of 169,043 units, or 25.1%. Total sales to domestic and Canadian dealers and overseas shipments, including production from foreign sources, amounted to 1,065,766 cars and trucks, compared with 784,302 cars and trucks in the corresponding period of 1933—a gain of 281,464 units, or 35.9%.—V. 139, p. 2519.

General Printing Ink Corp.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 9 Mos. End, Sept. 30, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Operating profit, Other income, Total income, Other deductions, Federal taxes, Net profit, Shs. com. stk. outst'g, and Earnings per share.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30 1934 net profit was \$121,216 after charges and taxes, equal to 36 cents a share on 183,990 common shares, comparing with \$145,142, or 47 cents a share on 185,489 common shares, in the third quarter of 1933.—V. 139, p. 1554.

General Refractories Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End, Sept. 30, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Total income, Income, taxes, &c., Interest on bonds, Int. on floating debt, Bond discount and exp., Deprec. and depletion, Net income, Shares capital stock outstanding (no par), and Earnings per sh. on cap. stk.

Comparative Balance Sheet Sept. 30

Table with columns for 1934, 1933, 1934, 1933. Rows include Assets (Real estate, Repair parts, Patents, Cash, Deposit for redem., Notes receivable, Accts. receivable, Cash in banks, Inventories, Acrued int. receiv, Gen'l Refractories Co. secur. reacq., Due from officers and employees, Marketable secur., Acrued int. on investment, Empl. mortgages, Miscell. investm't., Deferred accts.) and Liabilities (Cap. & surplus, 2-year 5% notes, 5-yr. 1st mtg. inc. 6s, Notes pay'le (sec.), Acrued int. on 5-year bonds, Res'v' for employ. pensions, Res. for cont'g., Res. for Fed. Inc. tax., Accts. payable, Acrued accounts, Unclaimed divs.).

Total—22,763,488 23,552,999 Total—22,763,488 23,552,999 x Represented by 317,739 shares of no par value in 1934 and 263,060 in 1933. y \$27,000 bonds and 12,854 shares of common (v. t. c.) stock. z Not yet deposited with trustee.—V. 139, p. 1084.

Georgia & Florida RR.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Second Week of Oct., 1934, 1933, Jan. 1 to Oct. 14, 1934, 1933. Rows include Gross earnings.

Receivers Abandonment—

The Interstate Commerce Commission on Oct. 15 issued a certificate permitting the receivers to abandon the Tennille branch, extending from McAdoo in a westerly then southerly direction to Tennille, 66.66 miles, in Burke, Jefferson, Glascock and Washington counties, Georgia.

Upon a petition of the receivers to the District Court of the United States for the Southern District of Georgia for authority to abandon the branch, subject to our permission, the Court entered a rule nisi and served the same upon the New York Trust Co., trustee under the first mortgage indenture of the Georgia & Florida, and upon the railroad corporation. These parties were ordered to show cause, if any they had, why the receivers' prayer should not be granted. They filed acknowledgment of the notice served and expressed their consent that the Court consider and pass upon all questions presented in the petition and enter such order as might be proper. Thereupon, on Aug. 6 1934, the Court entered an order authorizing the receivers to file the present application and, upon securing our permission, to abandon the branch, without prejudice to the rights of the trustee as to the property to be abandoned. The order provides that all rail, track fixtures and structures which shall be removed shall be used by the receivers only in necessary reconstruction work or repairs on other portions of the Georgia & Florida, and that no portion of said material shall be sold or otherwise disposed of until the same shall have been released from the lien of the first mortgage and such sale duly authorized by the Court. The applicant state that they propose to remove all rails and rail fastenings and to sell the same as scrap or re-lay material, and they further propose to sell such portions of the abandoned right-of-way as may be sold under the titles now held by the railroad.—V. 139, p. 2520.

Georgia Power Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End, Sept. 30, 1934—Month—1933, 1934—12 Mos.—1933. Rows include Gross earnings, Oper. expenses, including maintenance & taxes, Fixed charges, Prov. for retire' reserve, Divs. on 1st pref. stock, Balance, and Net profit.

—V. 139, p. 2046.

Georgia Southern & Florida Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for September, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, From Jan. 1, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

—V. 139, p. 2045.

(E. M.) Gilbert Engineering Co.—Interest Not Paid—

The interest due Oct. 1 1934 on the \$2,952,000 W. S. Barstow & Co. 6% sinking fund debentures, due Oct. 1942, has not been paid.—V. 138, p. 2748.

Gillette Safety Razor Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for 9 Mos. End, Sept. 30, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Net inc. before charges, Interest, Depreciation, Income taxes, Net profit, Special reserve, Balance to surplus, and Earnings per share on com.

x Including \$73,188 realized on sales of securities (1933, \$81,434). y After price adjustment reserve of \$1,050,000. z Includes premium on debentures purchased.

Note.—In the report for the 9 months ended Sept. 30 1933, subsidiaries outside of North America are included for the 9 months ended Aug. 31 1933. No unrealized profits on foreign exchange in this period have been credited to earnings.

For the nine months to Sept. 30 1934 certain foreign subsidiaries for the 9 months ended Aug. 31 1934 are included. For the second and third quarters the earnings of certain foreign subsidiaries have been omitted because their currencies cannot be converted at present into dollars. On the basis of foreign exchange rates used in prior periods, these omitted earnings amounted to \$156,264, or if present nominal quoted rates of exchange are used they amounted to \$360,458.

Lee Higginson Corp. Bidding 103 1/2 for Debentures—

Lee Higginson Corp. at the request of the company, is bringing to the attention of the 5% convertible debenture holders the present market position of their bonds. In a letter to bondholders, the bankers bid 103 1/2 and interest net for bonds "subject to change and, in any event, only to Nov. 1."

The letter states: "While we are unable to state whether or not the company intends to call these bonds for redemption prior to maturity, it seems advisable to us to point out the terms of retirement provided by the indenture."

"Debentures are redeemable as a whole or in part on 60 days' notice on any int. date (April 1 or Oct. 1) at 102 on or before Oct. 1 1936; thereafter at 101 on or before Oct. 1 1939; and at par on April 1 1940, plus accrued interest in each case."

Case of Gillette Against Standard Safety Razor Corp. Assigned for Nov. 3 in New York—

Judge Edwin S. Thomas of U. S. District Court at Hartford, Conn. recently signed an order allowing an appeal to the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals from the interlocutory decree in the patent infringement case of the Gillette Safety Razor Co. of Boston against the Standard Safety Razor Corp. of East Norwalk. The case has been assigned for Nov. 3 in New York City.

In the interlocutory decree, also signed, Judge Thomas found that the plaintiff is owner of the patents involved and that the defendant has infringed by the manufacture and sale of certain safety razor blades. The decree calls for a perpetual injunction enjoining the defendant from manufacturing or selling the blades involved and directs payment to the plaintiff of all gains and profits which have accrued from infringement of the patent, as well as all gains and profits which would have accrued to the Gillette company if their patents had not been infringed.

Stay of the injunction and accounting was granted by Judge Thomas pending decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals.

Brings Out New Razor—

The company is according its stockholders a "preview" of its new "Aristocrat" one-piece razor, which will be introduced to the public by advertisements in the Dec. 5 issues of the leading national weekly magazines. The new razor is so designed that a twist of the handle opens the cap like a trap door to remove or replace the blade; another twist locks it in perfect position for shaving. It is heavily plated with 24-karat gold, and being expensive to manufacture, is priced to retail at \$4. (10 Gillette "Blue Blades" included), with a suggested minimum price of \$3.79. Wholesale price will be \$2.68, and the company is offering stockholders the opportunity of buying the new razors at that price.—V. 139, p. 2204.

Gilby Wire Co.—Forms French Subsidiary—

Wilbur B. Driver, President, has announced the establishment of a new French company to take over the European business of this company. The new company, known as Gilby Wire Societe Anonyme, with the main office at 11 bis Rue d'Aguesseau, Paris, and plant at 76 Boulevard Richard Wallace, Puteau, France, commenced business on Sept. 1. Gabriel Fodor will direct the affairs of the new company.—V. 138, p. 4299.

Glidden Co.—Acquires German Patents—

The company has acquired exclusive rights to German patents for manufacturing and refining lecithin, and the American patents and business of the American Lecithin Co.—V. 139, p. 764.

Globe-Wernicke Co.—Plan Completed—Personnel—

The reorganization of this company has been completed. The new Globe-Wernicke Co. acquired the assets and operation of the old company as of Oct. 1.

Directors of the new company are: F. H. Kunkel, J. J. Rowe, J. S. Sprott, F. A. Schmitz, P. E. Kline, De Witt W. Balch, Norman S. Hill, Herbert Jackson and Hugh McD. Ritchey.

The following officers have been chosen: J. S. Sprott, President and General Manager; H. H. Wittstein, Vice-President in Charge of Sales; D. B. Morrow, Vice-President and Secretary; F. A. Schmitz, Vice-President in Charge of Production, and J. E. Blaine, Treasurer. C. W. Hamilton is Sales Promotion and Advertising Manager.—See also V. 139, p. 1403.

Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio—\$1 Preferred Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on the \$7 cum. pref. stock, no par value, payable Jan. 2 to holders of record Dec. 1. Similar distributions were made on this issue on Oct. 1, July 2 and April 1 last, as compared with 50 cents per share in each of the four preceding quarters. A disbursement of \$2 per share was also made on the pref. stock on March 1 last on account of accumulations.

After the payment of the Jan. 2 dividend, accruals on the above issue will amount to \$6 per share.—V. 139, p. 1240.

Could Coupler Co.—Seeks to Reorganize—

The company on Oct. 16 filed a petition in Federal court, Buffalo, for corporate reorganization under Section 7-B of the amended bankruptcy law.—V. 135, p. 1501.

Graham-Paige Motors Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

9 Months Ended Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932
Gross profit	\$943,515	\$1,102,073	\$527,312
Profit after expenses	131,191	435,072	loss 471,152
Interest paid and miscell. expenses	200,454	313,252	483,372
Loss	\$69,263	prof \$121,820	\$954,524
Other income	106,441	162,383	187,068
Total income	\$37,178	\$284,203	loss \$767,456
Subsidiary selling company net loss	15,325	138,269	198,321
Net profit	\$21,853	\$145,934	loss \$965,777

Current assets as of Sept. 30 1934, including \$845,367 cash, amounted to \$2,188,151 and current liabilities were \$845,342 compared with cash of \$925,766, current assets of \$2,366,964 and current liabilities of \$983,337 on Sept. 30 1933. Inventories were \$1,063,970 against \$1,042,546.—V. 139, p. 444.

Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting & Power Co., Ltd.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Operating profit	\$40,449	\$165,275
Depreciation	196,686	196,685
Depletion	118,433	135,298
Net loss	\$274,670	\$166,708

—V. 139, p. 444.

Granite City Steel Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Net sales	\$854,274	\$1,972,699
Cost of sales, sell., gen. & admin. expense	\$14,580	1,636,817
Depreciation	90,000	90,000
Operating loss	\$50,306	sur \$245,882
Miscellaneous income	4,443	6,494
Total loss	\$45,864	sur \$252,376
Spec. charges, incl. Fed. income tax	451	49,519
Net loss	\$46,314	sur \$202,856
Shs. common stk. (no par)	255,292	292,347
Earnings per share	Nil	\$0.69

—V. 139, p. 1084.

Great Lakes Power Co., Ltd.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Operating revenues	\$177,971	\$166,223
Operating expenses	40,010	37,502
Prov. for retirement	31,296	22,542
Net earns. from oper'n	\$106,664	\$106,178
Non-operating income	2,685	776
Gross income	\$109,350	\$106,954
Funded debt interest	23,295	25,170
General interest	73,262	73,328
Miscellaneous	Cr67	12,132

Net income before preferred dividends \$12,860 def \$3,675 \$62,614 def \$6,484

A dividend of \$1.75 per share was paid Oct. 15 1934. After this payment, total unpaid cumulative dividends on the 7% preferred stock aggregates \$43,750 which represents accumulations of approximately \$5.83 per share. —V. 139, p. 1869.

Great Northern Railway—Earnings—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$7,884,882	\$7,239,787	\$6,121,284	\$7,702,968
Net from railway	2,733,862	3,265,386	2,475,306	3,291,739
Net after rents	8,872,896	7,888,378	def 2,052,440	7,625,777

—V. 139, p. 2046.

Gulf States Steel Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Operating income	\$30,982	\$455,212
Deprec., int. & Fed. tax	236,354	288,542
Net loss	\$205,374	pf \$166,670

The company states that the above figures, in accordance with the usual practice, are taken from the books of the company and are subject to year-end revision when physical inventory and annual audit are completed.—V. 139, p. 600.

Hearst Publications, Inc.—To Retire Bonds—

The company will on Nov. 1 retire a block of \$1,000,000 of 1934 serial maturities of its first mortgage and collateral trust 6 1/4% bonds. On that date company will also disburse to the bondholders \$468,750 in semi-annual interest.—V. 126, p. 2485.

Hercules Powder Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Net profit after charges and taxes	\$637,807	\$837,964
Earns. per sh. on 533,046	\$0.77	\$1.12
Avge. no. of common shares outstanding		\$3.23

—V. 139, p. 2206.

Hooven & Allison Co.—Larger Dividend Declared—

The directors have declared a semi-annual dividend of \$4 per share on the common stock, par \$100, payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 15. This compares with \$3 per share paid on May 1 last and \$2 per share distributed on Nov. 15 1933.—V. 138, p. 2925.

Horn Silver Mines Co.—Admitted to Trading—

The (New York Produce Exchange) has admitted to trading the common stock, par \$1.

Household Finance Corp.—Balance Sheet—

Consolidated Balance Sheet Sept. 30.		1934		1933	
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$	\$
Cash	5,838,643	5,696,571	Notes pay. to bks.	9,550,000	7,900,000
Install. notes rec., less reserves	35,395,026	33,732,111	Notes pay. to oth's	9,050	775,000
Other notes & accounts receiv'le	2,354	55,611	Dividends payable	626,144	664,727
Notes receiv. from empl. for stock purchased	155,048	73,097	Empl. thrift accts.	284,328	176,816
Claims against closed banks	1	85,705	Federal income tax payable & acc'd	680,724	634,524
Other receivables	262,960	90,290	Miscell. curr. liab.	9,050	45,276
Office equipment	438,020	425,992	Purch. mon. oblig.	500,000	930,333
			Res'v' for conting.	143,815	91,627
			Special temp. res.	335,000	
			Partic. pref. stock	10,619,200	10,617,300
			x Com. cl. A stock	4,559,100	4,559,100
			y Com. cl. B stock	10,117,825	10,166,375
			Minority interest	15,601	12,071
			Surplus	4,651,265	3,586,228
Total	42,092,052	40,159,377	Total	42,092,052	40,159,377

x 182,364 no par shares. y 404,713 no par shares in 1934 and 406,655 in 1933.—V. 139, p. 2521.

Houston Electric Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—1933	1934—12 Mos.—1933
Gross earnings	\$175,841	\$171,703
Operation	87,220	80,821
Maintenance	27,133	23,047
Taxes	17,692	17,951
Int. & amort. (public)	21,299	22,299

Balance a. \$22,497 \$27,584 \$291,810 \$198,372

An interest on 8% secured income bonds is deducted from surplus when declared and paid. Interest not declared or paid to Sept. 30 1934 amounts to \$20,800 and is not included in this statement.

During the last 33 years the company has expended for maintenance a total of 13.36% of the entire gross earnings over this period, and in addition during this period has set aside for reserves or retained as surplus a total of 10.09% of these gross earnings.—V. 139, p. 2048.

Houston Lighting & Power Co.—Earnings—

[National Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]			
Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—1933	1934—12 Mos.—1933	
Operating revenues	\$760,072	\$714,236	
Oper. exps., incl. taxes	344,770	345,544	
Net revs. from oper.	\$415,302	\$368,692	
Other income	1,018	889	
Gross corp. income	\$416,320	\$369,581	
Int. and other deduct'ns	115,443	115,444	
Balance	y \$300,877	y \$254,137	
Property retirement reserve appropriations		\$2,845,506	
x Dividends applicable to pref. stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid		535,075	
Balance		\$1,995,802	

x Regular dividends on 7% and \$6 pref. stocks were paid on Aug. 1 1934. After the payment of these dividends there were no accumulated unpaid dividends at that date. y Before property retirement appropriations and dividends.—V. 139, p. 2048.

Hudson Motor Car Co.—Sales—

Sales of Terraplane and Hudson cars were higher for the week ended Oct. 20 than for any seven-day period in two months according to figures made public by William R. Tracy, General Sales Manager. "Sales of Hudsons and Terraplanes are running over 26% ahead of September and parallel those of August very closely," stated Mr. Tracy.

"In spite of the general tendency for sales to fall off rapidly at this time of year," continued Mr. Tracy, "we are experiencing actual gains each week. As a result our gains over the corresponding period of last year

continue to increase materially. Shipments for the year to date are 88.9% ahead of 1933. Our retail sales gain for the week is the biggest increase for a weekly period since June 2. We regard the strong fall demand as an excellent indication of improving business conditions."—V. 139, p. 2206.

Hudson & Manhattan RR.—Earnings—

Period	1934—Month	1933	1934—9 Mos.	1933
Gross oper. revenue	\$609,739	\$626,075	\$5,856,844	\$6,001,458
Oper. exps. and taxes	367,382	375,141	3,468,357	3,468,329
Operating income	\$242,357	\$250,934	\$2,388,486	\$2,533,128
Non-oper. income	25,046	23,333	227,938	222,409
Gross income	\$267,403	\$274,267	\$2,616,425	\$2,755,537
Income charges	315,051	314,774	2,833,187	2,831,206
Net deficit	\$47,647	\$40,506	\$216,762	\$75,669

—V. 139, p. 2048.

Hupp Motor Car Corp.—Personnel—

The directors on Oct. 19 elected Archie M. Andrews Chairman of the Board of Directors and re-elected him Chairman of the Executive Committee. Mr. Andrews, who is the largest stockholder, succeeds C. D. Hastings as Chairman of the Board. Mr. Hastings also resigned as President. His post has not yet been filled, it was stated.

Rufus S. Cole was elected Executive Vice-President and General Manager. The other new officers for the coming year are: J. Walter Drake, Vice-President, A. W. Bangham, Assistant Treasurer, and George E. Roehm, Secretary.

The following three new directors were named for a three-year period at the stockholders' meeting held Oct. 18: Frank C. Lewis, George M. Frischkorn, and Frederick Cardway.

Period	1934—3 Mos.	1933	1934—9 Mos.	1933
Net loss after taxes, depreciation, & other charges	\$923,994	\$414,699	\$2,403,361	\$1,196,131

A net profit of Commonwealth Alcorn Co. (a wholly owned company), of \$9,922 for the 9 months ended Sept. 30 1934, is not consolidated.

Current assets as of Sept. 30 1934, including \$801,207 cash and Government securities amounted to \$3,356,171 and current liabilities were \$1,243,467. This compares with cash and Government securities of \$4,465,428, current assets of \$6,191,442 and current liabilities of \$1,191,114 on Sept. 30 1933.—V. 139, p. 1711.

Illinois Bell Telephone Co.—Earnings—

9 Months Ended	Sept. 30—1934	1933
Gross revenue	\$40,428,226	\$54,770,719
Net income after taxes, interest, depreciation, &c.	4,183,789	7,649,467

Explaining the drop in earnings and total revenues the report states "the statement for the first nine months of 1934 reflects adjustments of the revenue and expense items necessary in order to give effect to the recent court order requiring refunds to certain coin box subscribers in Chicago of the difference between the rates collected and those ordered by the Illinois Commerce Commission in 1923.

"These adjustments are chiefly a reduction in local service revenues by the amount to be so refunded, a reduction in depreciation expense of a similar amount, a reduction in uncollectible revenues and a provision for interest on the amounts to be refunded."—V. 139, p. 2365.

Illinois Central System.—Earnings.—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$7,845,102	\$7,778,220	\$7,914,981	\$9,126,120
Net from railway	2,167,809	2,501,606	1,477,827	1,477,827
Net after rents	1,156,845	1,403,248	1,662,722	762,987

From Jan. 1—

	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	67,545,994	64,329,423	66,119,140	89,460,402
Net from railway	18,567,948	15,888,888	15,390,245	15,390,245
Net after rents	9,634,004	11,321,596	8,048,604	6,694,434

Note—The company arranged for a loan of \$10,000,000 from the Public Works Administration, of which it is estimated that the amount to be expended for maintenance will be \$8,745,376. The amount so expended will be carried in suspense for the time being and charged to operating expenses over a period of 36 months. There has been expended through September 1934 a total of \$8,480,379 chargeable to operating expenses, of which \$285,147 is included in operating expenses reported for September 1934 and \$1,425,739 for the five months ended Sept. 30 1934.

Does not include 4% of wages \$300 per month and under required by the Railroad Retirement Act, approximately \$161,887 for the month and \$331,602 for the period (effective Aug. 1 1934).—V. 139, p. 2049.

Illinois Terminal Co.—Earnings.—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$398,070	\$449,000	\$387,300	\$535,497
Net from railway	122,250	176,641	113,372	181,962
Net after rents	80,119	109,761	67,926	116,501

From Jan. 1—

	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	3,659,161	3,546,952	3,369,862	4,970,852
Net from railway	1,088,805	1,162,949	870,731	1,701,105
Net after rents	700,717	658,817	412,447	1,156,640

—V. 139, p. 2049.

Indian Motocycle Co.—Earnings—

6 Months Ended	June 30—1934	1933
Sales (net)	\$678,655	\$334,820
Manufacturing cost of sales	470,501	185,612
Under-absorbed overhead	12,064	66,568
Gross profit	\$196,090	\$82,640
Other income	2,101	7,649
Total income	\$198,191	\$90,289
Expenses	83,742	79,504
Balance, profit	\$114,448	\$10,785
Profit of Indian Acceptance Co.	3,676	1,466
Profit	\$118,124	\$12,251
Depreciation	38,157	—
Reserve for doubtful accounts	6,000	—
Net profit	\$73,968	\$12,251

Consolidated Balance Sheet

Assets—	June 30 '34	Dec. 31 '33	Liabilities—	June 30 '34	Dec. 31 '33
x Plant & equip.	\$566,406	\$554,024	y Preferred stock	\$451,690	\$451,840
Cash	7,982	11,070	z Common stock	758,988	684,870
Accts., notes, &c., receivable	394,148	310,567	Notes pay. Ind. Corp.	9,738	—
Inventories	626,634	442,506	Accts., notes and accept. payable	369,970	139,439
Other investments	50,000	55,035	Bank loans	—	45,705
Prepaid expenses	2,037	1,581	Taxes & accr. exps.	49,537	37,801
			Res. for mdse. to be delivered	7,283	15,127
Total	\$1,647,206	\$1,374,783	Total	\$1,647,206	\$1,374,783

x After depreciation. y Represented by 29,622 no par shares in 1934 and 29,592 in 1933.—V. 139, p. 445.

Intercontinentals Power Co.—Reorganization Plans—

The U. S. District Court for the District of Delaware has approved the filing by company of its petition as a debtor in proceedings for reorganization of a corporation under Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act, and the Court has granted leave to the debenture holders protective committee to intervene in the proceedings, but the plan and agreement of reorganization, dated as of Sept. 15, adopted by said committee has not yet been passed upon by the Court, and the Court makes no recommendation to the debenture holders, creditors or others interested in the company as to the fairness or equity of the plan of reorganization, or whether such persons should or should not join therein.

The debenture holders' protective committee, in a circular letter, states in part:

Continued unsettled conditions with respect to foreign x; the low value of the local currencies of Argentina, Brazil and Chile which

translated into American currency, the embargoes or restrictions on the transfer of funds to the United States, and the decline in earnings of the South American properties of the company due to current economic conditions and other factors necessitate, in the judgment of the committee, a drastic reduction in indebtedness and fixed charges of the company.

As of Dec. 31 1933, the company was indebted to banks and to American Equities Co. for loans and advances aggregating, with accrued interest to that date, \$2,874,551, said indebtedness being secured by pledge of \$3,063,072 of notes of Cia Sud Americana de Servicios Publicos, S. A., an Argentine corporation (hereinafter called Sudam Argentine), the chief subsidiary of the company. In addition, the company guaranteed payment of indebtedness of Sudam Argentine to an equipment manufacturing company which, with interest to Dec. 31 1933, amounted, at the approximate official rate of exchange prevailing on that date, to about \$421,645. If said indebtedness of, or secured by the notes of, Sudam Argentine is not funded or otherwise dealt with to the satisfaction of the holders thereof, the enforcement of such indebtedness would, in the opinion of your committee, probably result in a total loss of the company's equity in Sudam Argentine.

The bank creditors, American Equities Co., and the above-mentioned equipment manufacturing company (the secured creditors) have agreed to accept the plan and the treatment therein provided for the debt to the secured creditors. The result of this agreement on the part of the secured creditors is to postpone payment of the bank loans which matured on July 1 1931, for a period of six years and six months, to Jan. 1 1938.

Under the plan, holders of the debentures will receive, without payment, all the preferred stock and approximately 45% of the common stock originally to be issued by the new company. In addition, holders of debentures may purchase, if they so elect, units of secured notes and common stock.

The committee recognizes that, under the plan, inability to pay or refund the secured notes at their maturity on Jan. 1 1938, may result in a complete wiping out of the interest of the holders of junior securities, if the then holders of the secured notes should be unwilling to grant a further extension. The only alternative, however, is for the holders of debentures to abandon any interest in Sudam Argentine (which would probably be acquired or disposed of by the secured creditors in liquidation of their claims) and to take over and attempt to operate the remaining properties which are relatively small and scattered. Committee gave this alternative serious consideration, particularly in view of the fact that such properties contribute substantially to the gross operating revenues and net operating earnings of the entire system, but to accept and attempt to carry out this alternative it would be necessary to provide not only management for the properties so taken over but also the money necessary to operate the same, and in addition thereto, it would probably be necessary to raise an additional 1,842,531 Argentine pesos (\$620,000 at approximate official rate of exchange prevailing Dec. 31 1933) to pay off the net indebtedness to Sudam Argentine of the companies owning and operating the properties to be taken over. In view of these facts and also because under the plan all of the properties of the system would be kept and operated as a unit in the earnings of which the debenture holders would have an interest, committee believes that the chances of a successful outcome for the holders of debentures are better under the plan.

The members of the committee are: Benjamin W. Couch, George de B. Greene, John H. Mason, George T. Purves, John J. Rudolf, and Homer Reed Jr., Chairman.

Assets as at Dec. 31 1933

Pledged Assets—(1) Assets pledged as collateral to \$10,500,000, 6% convertible debentures:

(a) Common stocks: Cia Sud Americana de Servicios Publicos (Argentine) 33,303 shares, par value 1,000 Argentine pesos per share. Cia Sud Americana de Servicios Publicos (Chile), 570 shares, par value 10,000 Chilean pesos per share.

(b) Bonds: Cia Sud Americana de Servicios Publicos (Chile) 6% mtge. bond, due June 30 1958, payable in U. S. gold—par value \$1,000,000, bearing interest from Aug. 1 1931.

(c) Note receivable: Cia Sud Americana de Servicios Publicos (Chile) demand note 9% dated May 31 1930, payable in U. S. gold—\$51,109, bearing interest from Dec. 31 1931.

Note—There are also pledged as collateral for the debentures the following securities, Property of Cia Sud Americana de Servicios Publicos (Argentine), borrowed for pledging:

Common stocks: Compania Luz Electrica de Tres Arroyos, S.A. 15,698 shares, par value 50 Argentine pesos per share; Usina Electrica Salliquelo, S.A. 852 shares, par value 100 Argentine pesos per share; Compania Telefonica y Luz Electrica del Ohubut, S.A. 3,518 shares, par value 50 Argentine pesos per share; Compania Sud-Americana de Servicios Publicos, S.A. (Brazil) 11,000 shares, par value 1,000 milreis per share; Compania Santamariense de Luz Electrica S.A. (Brazil) 5,971 shares of 200 milreis per share.

Note receivable: Cia Sud Americana de Servicios Publicos (Chile) demand 9% note dated June 12 1931, payable in U. S. gold—\$521,306 bearing interest from June 12 1931.

(2) Assets pledged as collateral to bank loan: Notes receivable Cia Sud Americana de Servicios Publicos (Argentine): Demand note (non interest bearing) dated Oct. 31 1930, \$1,600,000; demand note (non-interest bearing) dated Nov. 26 1930, \$750,000; demand note (non-interest bearing) dated May 30 1931, \$650,000.

(3) Assets pledged as collateral to American Equities Co. loan: Notes receivable Cia Sud Americana de Servicios Publicos (Argentine): Demand note 7% dated Oct. 27 1931, \$50,000, bearing interest from Oct. 27 1931, subordinated to notes described in (2); demand note 7% dated Nov. 23 1931, \$13,072, bearing interest from Nov. 23 1931, subordinated to notes described in (2).

Unpledged Assets—Cash, \$20,781. 8,528 shares common stock of Compania Electrica de Curico (Chile) par value 100 pesos per share. Note receivable—Cia Sud Americana de Servicios Publicos (Argentine) \$230,000 bearing interest from Nov. 2 1931, subordinated to notes described in (2). Account receivable—Cia Sud Americana de Servicios Publicos (Argentine), \$59,427; account receivable—Cia Sud Americana de Servicios Publicos (Chile), \$137,046.

Liabilities as at Dec. 31 1933

Secured Liabilities—

Bank loans—Chase National Bank of the City of New York, 7% note dated July 1 1931, due on demand \$1,200,000

Chase National Bank of the City of New York, 7% note, dated Nov. 24 1931, due April 1 1932 7,500

Bank of America N.A. New York (the National City Bank of New York, Successor), 7% note, dated July 1 1931, due on demand 1,200,000

Bank of America N.A. New York (the National City Bank of New York, Successor), 7% note, dated Nov. 24 1931, due April 1 1932 7,500

Accrued interest on above, Oct. 1 1931 to Dec. 31 1933 386,773

Other notes payable—Secured: American Equities Co., 7% note, dated Oct. 27 1931, due on demand 50,000

American Equities Co., 7% note, dated Nov. 23 1931, due on demand 13,072

Accrued interest on above 9,705

Total secured notes payable and accrued interest \$2,874,551

Funded debt: 6% debentures, series "A", due Dec. 1 1948 7,500,000

Convertible 6% debentures series due Dec. 1 1948 3,000,000

Accrued int. on debts., June 1 1931 to Dec. 31 1933 1,627,500

Unpresented coupons matured prior to June 1 1931 3,120

Total secured liabilities \$15,005,171

Unsecured Liabilities—

Accrued unpaid franchise tax—State of Delaware 14,830

Accounts payable—American Equities Co. 29,749

General Management Corp. 2,035

Miscellaneous 2,154

Total unsecured liabilities \$48,769

Total \$15,053,941

There are not included in the foregoing statement (a) contingent liability as guarantor of notes payable of Compania Sud Americana de Servicios Publicos Argentine to Compania Westinghouse Internacional in the amount

of 1,203,866 Argentine pesos due on demand according to terms of agreement dated July 31 1931; (b) liability for compensation to receivers and receivers' counsel in an amount to be fixed by the Court; (c) liability to subsidiary for return of securities (having a book value, at official rates of exchange, of about \$3,300,000) borrowed for pledge to secure debentures; or (d) possible liability for Chilean and Argentine withholding taxes on account of accrued interest from subsidiaries.

A summary of plan of reorganization, dated as of Sept. 15 1934, follows:

New Company—New corporation is to acquire all the properties and assets of Intercontinents Power Co. and its receivers, and is to issue securities as hereinafter stated.

Securities to Be Authorized

Secured notes	\$5,255,000
\$4 dividend preferred stock	52,500 shs.
Common stock	171,015 shs.
Warrants for the purchase of 44,486 shs. of com. stock at \$10 per share.	

* \$1,127,100 of secured notes reserved for issuance in payment of first three years' interest.

Exchange of Securities—(a) Debenture holders to receive, for each \$1,000 debenture (including accrued unpaid interest): 5 shares preferred stock, 4 1/2 shares common stock, and subscription rights (see below).
(b) Secured creditors to receive, for principal of their debt and accrued interest to Jan. 1 1934, secured notes at 85% of their principal amount, plus the common stock offered for subscription with the secured notes (as below), or, to the extent that secured notes and common stock are subscribed for by others, cash in lieu thereof. In addition, the secured creditors will receive 9,500 shares of common stock.

There will be offered for subscription to debenture holders, unsecured creditors and stockholders:

(a) \$4,127,900 of secured notes and 48,779 shares of common stock in units of \$100 of secured notes and 1 share of common stock (4 shares for each of first 2,500 units subscribed for) for \$85, and

(b) Warrants to purchase 44,486 shares of common stock up to Dec. 31 1936, at \$10 per share, such warrants being offered at \$1 per warrant.

The secured creditors have agreed to subscribe for units of secured notes and common stock to an amount sufficient with other subscriptions and funds (not exceeding \$50,000) which may be available from South American subsidiaries to furnish at least \$150,000 (in addition to money in the hands of the receivers) for reorganization expenses and working capital.

General Management Corp. as part payment for managerial services will be entitled to receive up to 21,000 shares of common stock.

Description of Notes—Secured notes to be dated Jan. 1 1934, to mature Jan. 1 1938. Notes are to be issued under an appropriate indenture which will provide, among other things: (a) Notes will bear fixed interest at the rate of 2% per annum and contingent interest (payable if earned and non-cumulative) at the rate of 5% per annum, in each case payable semi-annually, the interest on the secured notes issued to the secured creditors for their debt to bear interest from Jan. 1 1934 (the date to which accrued unpaid interest was calculated in arriving at the amount of secured debt) and the secured notes issued for cash to bear interest from date of payment therefor. Fixed and contingent interest for first three years will be payable, at option of new company, in secured notes at 85% of face amount thereof.

(b) The trustee under the indenture will release from lien thereof any part of property subject thereto (not exceeding 40% of book value of entire property subject thereto) for any sale or exchange approved by holders of 60% of face amount of secured notes and unanimous vote of voting trustees for common stock, provided proceeds from such sale or exchange be re-deposited under indenture or expended in acquisition of new properties to be subjected to the lien of the indenture or in the improvement of the existing properties subject to the lien of the indenture and (or) (up to one-half of such proceeds) for retirement of secured notes. The trustee will also consent to any disposition of property subject to the lien of the indenture pursuant to any plan of readjustment or reorganization approved by holders of 60% of the secured notes and 60% of the preferred stock and unanimous vote of the voting trustees for common stock. The trustee will also permit subsidiaries to dispose of unnecessary property and will permit, on request of holders of 60% of face amount of secured notes, substitution of stock of subsidiaries in place of their obligations pledged under the indenture.

(c) There will be pledged as security for the secured notes stock and certain securities and indebtedness of the operating subsidiaries.

Voting Trust—All common stock to be issued to voting trustees under voting trust agreement to continue while secured notes outstanding.

\$4 Dividend Preferred Stock to have no voting rights except upon default in payment of dividends aggregating \$4 for dividend periods subsequent to Jan. 1 1938. Dividends on preferred stock to be at the rate of \$4 per annum, non-cumulative prior to Jan. 1 1938 and no dividends to be paid upon preferred stock or common stock so long as any secured notes outstanding, except with written consent of majority of voting trustees for common stock.

Preferred stock red. all or part at any time (after retirement of secured notes) on 30 days' notice at \$60 per share plus divs., and to be entitled to a similar amount on liquidation, dissolution or winding up.

Holders of preferred stock and (or) common stock will have no preemptive right to subscribe to new securities.

Expenses—Expenses of reorganization (including expenses of and \$30,000 compensation for the committee, latter being payable in secured notes at 85% of the face amount thereof) are estimated at \$170,000, exclusive of South American taxes and expenses to be paid by South American subsidiaries.—V. 139, p. 1873.

International Business Machines Corp.—Earnings—

(Including Foreign Subsidiaries)

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Net profit after interest, reserves, depreciation and estimated Fed. taxes.	\$1,652,338	\$1,476,136
Earns. per sh. on 703,345 shs. cap. stk. (no par).	\$2.34	\$2.10
A number of promotions in the domestic, Canadian and European organizations of the corporation, made by President Thomas J. Watson before his recent departure for Europe, were announced by the company Oct. 26.	\$7.18	\$6.22

Walter D. Jones, General Manager of the European organization, becomes a Vice-President of the company's Canadian subsidiary. International Business Machines Co., Ltd., an additional office whose creation was required by the growing volume of Canadian business. He is succeeded as General Manager of the European organization by J. E. Holt, former executive secretary of I. B. M., who has been with the company four years.

H. E. Pim, Comptroller, becomes General Service Manager, in charge of all service to I. B. M. customers, both systems and mechanical. He was appointed Comptroller last May, and is now succeeded in that post by F. C. Elstob, General Auditor.

Gordon Packard, Sales Manager of the I. B. M. European organization, has been promoted to District Manager of the Pacific Coast.

F. M. Farwell, Assistant Manager of the tabulating machine division Chicago office, becomes Assistant Sales Manager of the entire division. He is succeeded as Assistant Sales Manager of the divisional Chicago office by J. S. Williams of the Chicago sales force.

P. J. McMahon has been promoted to Manager of the tabulating machine division's Cincinnati office.—V. 139, p. 2049.

International Cement Corp.—Earnings—

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Gross sales	\$4,392,639	\$3,823,161
Packages disc. & allow.	720,056	619,561
Manufact. cost	2,371,650	2,119,652
Ship, sell, & admin. exp.	732,681	707,694
Interest & finance exp.	197,582	220,957
Res. for taxes & conting.	185,078	125,055
Net profit	\$185,592	\$30,236
—V. 139, p. 446.		\$532,564 loss \$222,921

International Great Northern, RR.—Earnings—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$1,098,211	\$986,751	\$878,659	\$1,177,099
Net from railway		259,576	263,398	275,866
Net after rents	149,187	118,028	176,369	168,046
From Jan. 1				
Gross from railway	9,512,916	9,570,337	7,610,263	14,804,308
Net from railway		2,810,129	1,241,203	4,181,304
Net after rents	1,145,596	1,330,143	250,854	2,286,829
—V. 139, p. 2522.				

Interstate Equities Corp.—Preferred Asset Value \$39.29.

The net asset value of the preferred stock of this corporation (subsidiary of Equity Corp.), amounted to \$39.29 per share as of Sept. 30 1934, according to the report for the first 9 months of the year. This compares with \$41.02 on Dec. 31 1933. Total income for the 9 months is reported at \$76,122 and net income at \$24,395.

David M. Milton, President of Equity Corp., has been elected a director of Interstate Equities Corp.—V. 139, p. 1556.

Intertype Corp.—Earnings—

Period End Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Gross profit	\$276,480	\$220,178
Expenses	203,981	191,417
Deprec. & tax reserve	51,107	43,800
Net profit	\$21,392 loss	\$15,039
—V. 139, p. 767.		\$82,249 loss \$76,901

Island Creek Coal Co.—Earnings—

Period End, Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Net income after depr., Federal taxes, &c.	\$305,070	\$391,560
Earns. per sh. on 593,865 shs. com. stock (par \$1)	\$0.44	\$0.59
—V. 139, p. 2522.		\$1.80 \$1.00

Jackson & Curtis Securities Corp.—\$1 Dividend Declared

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on account of accumulations on the \$6 cum. pref. stock, no par value, payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 22. This compares with 75 cents per share distributed each quarter from Aug. 1 1933 up to and incl. Aug. 1 last; 50 cents per share paid each quarter from Aug. 1 1932 up to and incl. May 1 1933, and with regular quarterly distributions of \$1.50 per share made previously. Accumulations after the payment of the Nov. 1 dividend will amount to \$8.25 per share.—V. 139, p. 2050.

Jacksonville Gas Co.—Proposed Plan of Reorganization

The company has filed a petition for reorganization under the provisions of Section 77-B of the Federal Bankruptcy Act in the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida. This action was necessitated by the inability of the company by reason of steadily declining earnings, to pay and provide for its obligations as they mature, viz.: its current liabilities, its debenture interest due on Nov. 1 1934, and its bond interest due on Dec. 1 1934.

By an order of the court dated Oct. 12 the petition was approved as properly filed under the provisions of the Act and the company was directed to give notice to creditors and security holders of a hearing before the Court to be held in Jacksonville on Nov. 9 1934.

The Florida National Bank of Jacksonville has been designated by the court as depository of the securities of the company in connection with the plan.

Digest of Plan of Reorganization, Dated Oct. 1 1934

Outstanding Securities to Be Dealt with Under the Plan

1st mtge. sinking fund 5% gold bonds due June 1 1942	\$3,904,000
1st mtge sinking fund 5% gold bonds, due June 1 1942 (bearing coupons for additional interest at rate of 3% per annum)	221,000
6% gold debentures, series A, due May 1 1952	1,404,000
\$7 cum. 1st pref. stock, series A (par \$100)	286 shs.
\$7 cum. 2d pref. stock, series A (par \$1)	x1,000 shs.
Common stock (par \$1)	60,000 shs.

In addition to the securities of the company outstanding as set forth above, the following securities are in the company's treasury: \$4,000 of 5% bonds, \$96,000 of debentures and 139 shares of 1st pref. stock. Upon this plan becoming operative these securities will be canceled.

The holders of the 2d preferred stock (being also the holders of the common stock) recently consented to a reduction of the outstanding shares of 2d preferred stock from 10,000 shares to 1,000 shares. The interest of the canceled shares in the assets of the company (\$900,000 in case of involuntary liquidation, and \$967,500 in case of voluntary liquidation) together with accumulated and unpaid dividends equal to \$110,250 thereupon passed to the benefit of the common stock, the number of shares of which was simultaneously reduced from 300,000 to 60,000.

Claims Against the Company to Be Dealt with Under the Plan

Customers have invested an aggregate of approximately \$119,000 in shares of the 1st pref. stock, \$6 series of 1929, of American Commonwealths Power Corp. (Del.) and shares of the prior preferred stock of American Commonwealths Power Corp. (New Jersey). Certain of these customer investors have asserted claims against the company with respect to their investments and the company reserves the right to treat with these claims and any other claims arising out of said investments in the manner set forth below (called Commonwealths preferred stock claimants).

The bondholders and debenture holders and Commonwealths preferred stock claimants will be the only creditors or claimants against the company affected by the plan. Other creditors will be paid in cash in full by the company in the ordinary course of business, subject to the approval of the Court.

Adjustment of Existing Bonds

From and after June 1 1934, the 5% and the 8% bonds will bear fixed interest unconditionally payable at the rate of 3% per annum semi-annually on June 1 and Dec. 1 in each year, until maturity on June 1 1942.

50% of the net earnings of the company shall be annually applied, to the extent available, to the payment of additional interest on the bonds at the rate of 2% per annum, and any unpaid portion of additional interest shall be cumulative and payable prior to any interest payment on the company's unsecured funded debt, and in any event shall be payable at the maturity of the bonds. The remaining 50% of the net earnings shall be applied to the retirement of the 5% and/or 8% bonds by purchase at the lowest prices obtainable, not exceeding the redemption price (105 and int. in respect of the 5% bonds, and 110 and int. in respect of the 8% bonds) or to the redemption of bonds by lot to the extent that bonds are not so purchasable.

The additional 3% coupons now attached to the 8% bonds constitute unsecured obligations of the company. The present aggregate annual requirement in respect of said coupons is \$6,630. It is provided that after the payment of the conditional interest of 2% on the bonds any balance of the 50% of the company's net earnings out of which said conditional interest is to be paid, shall be applied to payment of interest on the company's unsecured funded debt. Until the maturity of the bonds, additional interest not exceeding 3% per annum will be paid on the 8% bonds in respect of the 3% additional interest coupons now attached to such bonds in the ratio which \$6,630 (such figure to be reduced to the extent that any 8% bonds are retired) bears to the amount annually payable on the company's unsecured funded debt, such additional interest to be paid when interest payments are made on the company's debentures.

Treatment of the Debentures Series A

The company will execute a supplemental agreement with the trustee under the debenture agreement creating a new series of debentures.

Holders of debentures of series A will receive in exchange new debentures in an equal principal amount and voting trust certificates representing shares of the company's fully paid and non-assessable common stock at the rate of 12 shares of stock for each \$1,000 of debentures. New debentures shall be dated Jan. 1 1935, shall mature on May 1 1952, new debentures shall be entitled to interest only after satisfaction of the interest and sinking fund requirements on the bonds, or in the event that all of the bonds shall be retired, after the satisfaction of the interest and retirement requirements on obligations of the company issued under a mortgage which shall have become a first mortgage upon the satisfaction of the indenture securing the bonds. The amount of interest payable upon the new debentures and upon the new notes hereinafter mentioned (as well as ratably on the 8% bonds) shall not exceed 6% per annum and shall be such amount as the net earnings shall suffice to pay.

New debentures shall be subject to redemption at the option of the company at any time upon 30 days' notice at par, together with any interest which may be accumulated and unpaid thereon at the date of redemption; provided, however, that no interest shall begin to accumulate until Jan. 1 1942.

Treatment of Existing Stocks

(a) **First Preferred Stock**—The presently outstanding 286 shares of 1st preferred stock will be canceled, together with all claims in connection therewith for accumulated and unpaid dividends. Holders of the 1st preferred stock will receive for each share thereof \$100 of promissory note.

which will be dated Jan. 1 1935, will mature May 1 1952, and will be fully registered. Net earnings remaining after satisfaction of the interest and sinking fund requirements on the bonds will be applied ratably on the new notes and on the new debentures, as well as ratably on the 8% bonds, at such rate, not exceeding 6% per annum, as the remaining net earnings will suffice to pay. The interest on the new notes to the extent earned shall be payable to the registered owners thereof on June 1 in each year and shall be non-cumulative.

(b) *Second Preferred Stock* will be surrendered by the present owners thereof, retired and canceled, together with all claims for accumulated and unpaid dividends thereon. The 2d pref. stock will be given no participation in the plan.

(c) *Common Stock*—Of the presently outstanding 60,000 shares of the common stock, 9,804 shares will be surrendered without consideration by the present holders thereof and will be retired and canceled. The present holders of the common stock will deposit the remaining 50,196 shares under the voting trust and will, without consideration, tender voting trust certificates representing 25,098 shares available for distribution to the bondholders and debenture holders as contemplated by the plan.

Commonwealths Preferred Stock Claimants

The Commonwealths preferred stock claimants who shall have satisfactorily established their claims upon the company shall receive a principal amount of new notes equal to the amount actually paid by them for their stock or on account of their purchase or subscription agreements. The stock certificates and/or purchase and/or subscription agreements held by claimants shall be surrendered to the company.

In the event that the plan is not accepted by at least 66 2-3% in principal amount of the Commonwealths preferred stock claimants within the time set forth, the provisions of the plan relating to said claimants shall be deemed ineffective and the certificates and other instruments then deposited in respect of said claims shall be returned to their owners upon the surrender by them of their receipts therefor.

Income Statement Year Ended Sept. 30 1934

Gross operating revenue	\$589,904
Operating expenses—Operations	248,596
Maintenance	23,032
Taxes	59,397
Net operating income	\$258,876
Non-operating income	4,850
Gross corporate income	\$263,727
Interest on funded debt	297,120
Interest on unfunded debt	4,679
Provision for retirements and replacements	29,249
Amortization of debt discount and expense	41,794
Net deficit	\$109,116

Balance Sheet as at Sept. 30 1934

<i>Assets</i>		<i>Liabilities</i>	
Fixed assets	\$7,502,514	1st mtge. sinking fund 5s, 1942	\$3,904,000
Current assets	173,030	1st mtge. sinking fund 8s, 1942	221,000
Due from American Gas & Power Co.	88,534	6% gold debts, 1952	1,404,000
Prepaid expenses	4,503	Current and accrued liabilities	192,262
Unamortized debt disc. and expense	379,265	Consumers' meter and extension deposits	87,363
Miscell. items in suspense	17,597	Due to Amer. Gas & Pow. Co.	9,571
		Unadjusted credits	125
		Reserves	275,866
		\$7 pref. stock (1st series)	b28,600
		\$7 pref. stock (2d series)	c1,000
		Common stock	c60,500
		Capital surplus	d2,288,500
		Earned surplus	def307,343
Total	\$8,165,445	Total	\$8,165,445

a Now represented by note, due March 31 1936, bearing interest at 5% per annum, payable semi-annually. Arrangement has been made, however, with the maker of the note to pay \$25,000 on account thereof, upon the consummation of the plan of reorganization, dated Oct. 1 1934. b Par \$100. c Par \$1. d Of which \$2,038,500 not available for dividends and \$250,000 not available for dividends. Arrears of dividends on cumulative pref. stocks (not accrued) are as follows: 1st preferred, since Nov. 15 1933, \$1,751; 2d preferred, since Aug. 1 1932, \$15,166.—V. 138, p. 4466.

Jewel Tea Co., Inc.—Sales—

<i>4 Weeks End.—</i>		<i>1934</i>		<i>1933</i>	
Jan. 27	\$1,214,762	\$1,095,422	July 14	\$1,311,074	\$1,015,832
Feb. 24	1,276,473	1,061,841	Aug. 11	1,275,079	1,021,010
Mar. 24	1,335,685	1,052,201	Sept. 8	1,294,003	1,065,819
Apr. 21	1,276,651	1,073,823	Oct. 6	1,363,333	1,148,974
May 19	1,265,777	1,034,399			
June 16	1,265,343	1,071,700	Total 40 wks.	\$12,878,182	\$10,641,020
—V. 139, p. 2050.					

Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

<i>Period End. Sept. 30—</i>		<i>1934—3 Mos.—1933</i>		<i>1934—9 Mos.—1933</i>	
Loss after taxes	\$525,056	\$499,149	\$1,196,570	\$690,441	
Depreciation & depletion	1,220,142	1,400,257	3,798,717	3,750,184	
Interest	81,029	96,025	262,352	299,954	
Net loss	\$1,826,227	\$997,133	\$2,864,499	\$4,740,579	
Preferred dividends		146,784		440,354	
Total deficit	\$1,826,227	\$1,143,917	\$2,864,499	\$5,180,933	
p Profit.—V. 139, p. 1406.					

Kansas City Power & Light Co.—Earnings—

<i>Period End. Sept. 30—</i>		<i>1934—Month—1933</i>		<i>1934—12 Mos.—1933</i>	
Gross earnings	\$1,196,694	\$1,170,470	\$14,610,863	\$14,309,529	
Oper. exps. (incl. maint., gen. & prop. tax)	566,341	528,748	6,668,651	6,240,684	
Interest charges	147,271	146,446	1,767,067	1,752,332	
Amortiz. of discount & premiums	10,967	10,967	131,609	131,609	
Depreciation	183,883	183,548	2,200,493	2,190,126	
Fed. & State inc. tax	35,200	47,500	535,900	602,136	
Balance	\$263,030	\$263,260	\$3,307,142	\$3,392,639	
—V. 139, p. 2208.					

Kansas Gas & Electric Co.—Earnings—

<i>Period End. Sept. 30—</i>		<i>1934—Month—1933</i>		<i>1934—12 Mos.—1933</i>	
Operating revenues	\$440,913	\$408,943	\$5,042,700	\$4,952,635	
Oper. exps. incl. taxes	218,962	216,632	2,561,773	2,467,536	
Net rev. from oper.	\$221,951	\$192,311	\$2,480,927	\$2,485,099	
Other income	1,219	1,029	18,943	18,330	
Gross corp. income	\$223,170	\$193,340	\$2,499,870	\$2,503,429	
Int. & other deductions	82,500	82,168	986,523	983,520	
Balance	\$140,670	\$111,172	\$1,513,347	\$1,519,909	
Prop. retirement reserve appropriations			600,000	600,000	
x Divs. applic. to pref. stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid			520,784	520,766	
Balance			\$392,563	\$399,143	

y Before property retirement reserve appropriations & divs. x Regular divs. on 7% and \$6 pref. stocks were paid on July 2 1934. After the payment of these dividends there were no accumulated unpaid dividends at that date. Regular dividends on these stocks were declared for payment on Oct. 1 1934.—V. 139, p. 2051.

Kerr Lake Mines, Ltd.—Dividends Resumed—

The directors on Oct. 23 declared a dividend of 10 cents per share on the common stock, par \$4, payable Nov. 27 to holders of record Nov. 17. This is the first distribution to be made on this issue since Oct. 15 1927 when a semi-annual dividend of 6 cents per share was paid.—V. 139, p. 1873.

Kreuger & Toll Co.—Trustee Issues Third Report—

The Marine Midland Trust Co., successor to the Lee, Higginson Trust Co., Boston, as trustee for 5% secured sinking fund gold debentures of this bankrupt company, has mailed to debenture holders a third report containing a statement of collateral security held for the bondholders as of Oct. 1. The report, covering the period since Aug. 15 1933, follows (in part):

International conditions during the period in question, and the complexities of the general Kreuger & Toll situation, have required the trustee to continue its activity in the administration of this trust over a wide field. On Jan. 1 1934 Candler Cobb was named as special representative of the trustee in Europe in matters relating to Kreuger & Toll and has been actively engaged since that date in Paris, Budapest, Belgrade, Riga and London on matters of importance affecting the various collaterals held by the trustee, counsel for the trustee have also been active in the interests of the debentureholders in New York, Stockholm and Paris, and foreign counsel have been retained in Stockholm, Budapest and Belgrade. Various investigations with respect to the collateral and other matters have been carried on by auditors in Sweden and Pemberton Berman, as Vice-President of the trustee, has kept in close contact with various problems affecting the administration of the bankruptcy assets of Kreuger & Toll both in the United States and Sweden. In several instances the trustee has sought the assistance of the U. S. Department of State. In general, the trustee has been in close touch with the two American protective committees for the debentures and has had the benefit of their active co-operation and assistance.

Of primary significance to the debentureholders is the successful culmination of the continuous and prolonged efforts of the trustee to obtain actual custody of the collateral. Upon the appointment of Marine Midland Trust Co. as trustee, the major part of the collateral was held in Sweden by Skandinaviska Kreditaktiebolaget, the depositary named in the debenture agreement, and legislation was then in force which prevented the trustee from effecting its removal at that time. On the expiration of this restrictive legislation the trustee commenced negotiations for the transfer of this collateral, believing that possession should be obtained as promptly as possible, because the ordinary duties of a trustee for bonds secured by collateral, as well as the provisions of the debenture agreement, point to New York as the place in which the administration of the collateral should be centered, and because appropriate foreclosure proceedings for the ultimate disposition of the collateral would require its physical presence in New York. Various legal difficulties were encountered, however, the Swedish liquidators advising the trustee that there was doubt under Swedish law as to the right of the trustee to secure the collateral without their consent, that it was questionable whether they were empowered to give such consent, and that a sale of the collateral outside of Sweden might affect the rights of the trustee in the Swedish bankruptcy. After several months of negotiations, with the co-operation of the Swedish liquidators and the American trustee in bankruptcy, an arrangement enabling the trustee to obtain possession was finally concluded. In order to obtain the consent of the Swedish liquidators and in order to avoid the long delay and expense necessarily incident to the determination by litigation of the respective rights of the trustee and the liquidators, and in order to obtain the agreement of the liquidators not to object to an accounting, in the Swedish bankruptcy, of the sale of such collateral under appropriate foreclosure proceedings, the trustee agreed that the collateral in New York would be carried out with certain formalities suggested by the liquidators, and the American trustee in bankruptcy agreed that any possible excess realized from the sale of the collateral, over the amount due on the debentures and under the debenture agreement, would be paid over to the Swedish bankruptcy. The possibility of any such excess seems at this time entirely theoretical.

Careful and exhaustive consideration has been given to the service on each item of the collateral in default and negotiations with the representatives of the obligors and others looking toward immediate partial payment of arrears and the ultimate resumption of full payment have been actively prosecuted by the trustee in Europe, South America and the United States. Following is a brief statement respecting the service on the various securities:

Republic of Latvia deposited with Lee, Higginson & Co., fiscal agent for the Latvian loan held by the trustee, \$180,000 in U. S. lawful money, the nominal amount of the interest due on July 15 1933. Although the loan is payable in gold coin, the Republic refused to sanction payment of the amount deposited with a reservation of the trustee's rights by reason of the gold clause. Under court authorization, the trustee finally accepted the amount deposited as satisfaction of its interest claim, all rights with respect to future payments, however, being reserved. The Republic then withheld for a considerable period the amount of the interest due Jan. 15 1934, claiming that the bonds held by the trustee, to the extent of \$200,000 were subject to an agreement made by Svenska Tandstick Aktiebolaget (Swedish Match Co.) in connection with its original purchase of the bonds from the Republic.

After protest by the trustee and negotiations in Riga and Stockholm, the amount of this interest was deposited by the Republic with the fiscal agent, in U. S. lawful money, and under court authorization was accepted by the trustee as satisfaction of its interest claim. The nominal amount of the sinking fund payment due July 15 1934 (\$36,798) has been deposited by the Republic with the fiscal agent, and \$32,680 has been similarly deposited on account of the interest payment due July 15 1934 in each case in U. S. lawful money. The trustee has received judicial authorization to accept this sinking fund payment and the interest payment on account and is continuing its efforts to secure the payment of the balance of this interest, which, although withheld from the trustee for the same reasons advanced with respect to the withholding of the previous installment, has been deposited by the Republic in Stockholm.

Kingdom of Rumania Monopolies Institute bonds, due 1971, held by the trustee are part of an issue which is widely held. 50% of the interest due Oct. 1 1933 on these bonds has been paid, without prejudice to the rights of the holders as to the balance. The Monopolies Institute has now offered to the holders of the bonds of this issue long term bonds of the Monopolies Institute with respect to the balance due on the Oct. 1 1933 coupon, and has offered payment of between 50% and 60% with respect to the coupons maturing from April 1 1934 to Oct. 1 1936 inclusive, the balance to be represented by deposited Rumanian Government treasury bills, subject to cancellation under certain conditions. All sinking fund payments during this period are to be waived. The trustee has received judicial authorization to accept these offers with respect to the coupons on bonds held by it.

The Kingdom of Rumania 4% Consolidation Loan Bonds, due 1968, held by the trustee are also part of a widely held issue. 25% of the interest due on October 1, 1933 on these bonds was paid on Jan. 8 1934, without prejudice to the rights of the holders as to the balance. The Kingdom of Rumania has offered to the holders of the bonds of this issue long term bonds of the Kingdom of Rumania in respect of the balance of the interest due on Oct. 1 1933, and has offered payments of between 25% and 42% of the nominal amount of the coupons maturing April 1 1934 to Oct. 1 1936 inclusive. In addition, funding obligations of the Kingdom of Rumania representing a portion of the balance of the nominal amount of the coupons maturing in 1934 and 1935 are to be deposited in the National Bank of Rumania, subject, however, to return to the Government if the payments provided for are made. All sinking fund payments during this period are to be waived. The trustee has also received judicial authorization to accept these offers with respect to the coupons on bonds held by it.

Hungarian Land Reform Mortgage—The trustee has been able to effect several settlements with respect to the Hungarian Land Reform mortgage 5½% bonds held by it, acting in each case in conjunction with Skandinaviska Kreditaktiebolaget and Swedish Match Co., which hold the remaining bonds of the same issue, and with the Swedish liquidators. In settlement of an amortization payment of \$48,753.65 due Jan. 15 1932 the trustee, by arrangement with the Land Reform Society and the other holders of the bonds, accepted as its share of the sinking fund payment due on that date 278,753 pengoes, which were disposed of for approximately \$51,000. No further amortization payments have been made. By a similar arrangement the trustee accepted in partial payment of the coupons due July 15 1932, without prejudice to its rights to the balance, pengoes which were sold for approximately \$19,200. While intervening payments are still in arrears, the trustee has been able to settle the entire installment of interest due Jan. 15 1934 on the bonds held by the trustee for pengoes which realized approximately \$146,500. The other holders accepted a similar settlement. Negotiations relating to the instalment of interest due July 15 1934 are now being actively prosecuted.

Jugoslav—Negotiations have been in progress over an extended period respecting the December 1, 1932 and subsequent service payments on the Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes (Jugoslav) Monopolies Loan 6¼% bonds due 1958, held by the trustee. An informal offer has been made to the trustee of certain cash payments and funding bonds, on account of the overdue interest, which, it is hoped, may in the near future lead to an acceptable adjustment. The trustee was advised that 39,035,232

dinars have been deposited in the Banque Nationale de Yugoslav with respect to the interest payment due Dec. 1 1932. In the summer of 1933 the trustee contracted to sell the coupons due Dec. 1 1932, but after several extensions the sale contract was defaulted by the prospective purchaser and the trustee appropriated as liquidated damages a \$5,000 deposit under the contract. The trustee is now acting in conjunction with American and European committees for the Kreuger & Toll secured debentures in its negotiations with the Monopolies Institute.

Ecuador—The trustee is advised that Ecuadorian currency has been deposited at the rate of 5 sucres per dollar on account of the interest and sinking fund instalments due Feb. 1 1933 and Aug. 1 1933 on the Mortgage Bank of Ecuador 7% bond loan due 1949 (guaranteed by the Government of the Republic of Ecuador) held by the trustee, apparently in pursuance of laws adopted by the Republic providing that the Mortgage Bank may discharge its obligations currently falling due on this loan by such deposits, and also purporting to reduce the principal amount of the bonds of this issue held by the trustee from \$907,991 to \$762,712 and to reduce the interest rate on this loan from 7% to 6%. The trustee has not been advised of any further deposits. No interest or sinking fund payments have been made on the Government of Republic of Ecuador 8% external loan of 1927, due 1953, held by the trustee, since the instalments due Jan. 1 1932.

Invested in Gold Bullion—As previously indicated the various settlements outlined above were effected in pursuance of authority granted in proceedings in the New York Supreme Court. The trustee instituted and prosecuted to conclusion two such proceedings, and two supplemental proceedings, for authority to deal with interest and sinking fund payments on the bonds held as collateral. In one of these proceedings the court authorized the trustee to invest a part of its funds in gold bullion in London (a measure requested by representatives of a large body of European debentureholders) and a part in short-term obligations of United States of America.

Two Test Suits Now Instituted—The right of the trustee to represent the debentureholders in the proceedings in the Swedish bankruptcy of Kreuger & Toll Co. has been challenged by the Swedish Match Co. In connection with these proceedings various complicated currency questions have been raised, including the question whether the trustee and the debentureholders may prove and receive distributions in the Swedish bankruptcy on the basis of gold coin of the United States of America or of equal to the standard of weight and fineness existing on March 1 1929, or on the basis of sterling or certain other currencies in which the debentures were payable, or on the basis of current dollars. These questions are occupying the attention of the trustee and through its Swedish counsel are being litigated in Sweden. At the present time two test suits by debentureholders have been instituted; one claiming on the basis of pounds sterling, the other on the basis of gold coin of the United States of America or of equal to the standard of weight and fineness existing March 1 1929.

Court Proceedings—The trustee has instituted proceedings in the New York Supreme Court, joining as defendants the trustee in the American bankruptcy and the liquidators in the Swedish bankruptcy of Kreuger & Toll Co., the fiscal agents for the loan, and the two American protective committees for the debentures as representatives of all debentureholders, to account for its actions in the administration of the trust and for instructions as to the allocation between principal and interest of distributions of funds made by the trustee to debentureholders. Intermediate accounts have been filed for the period from Sept. 15 1932 to July 31 1934. No objections to the accounts were filed. The referee has not yet presented his report in this matter. Since Sept. 15 1932 the trustee has charged against the trust disbursements of \$294,093 incurred in the transfer of the collateral from Sweden (including accrued compensation and expenses of the depository), investigations at home and abroad, negotiations for the protection of the security and other matters of the administration of the trust. The trustee also has requested compensation for its services in these proceedings.

Distribution—The trustee has made distribution, available on Sept. 1 1933 of \$25 on account of each \$1,000 debenture and \$12.50 on account of each \$500 debenture outstanding under the debenture agreement in accordance with the terms of said agreement. The holders of \$971,000 principal amount of debentures have not yet presented their debentures to receive this payment, and should do so promptly at the principal office of the trustee, 120 Broadway, New York. In connection with the foregoing distribution, a filing of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue was sought as to whether the trustee should withhold any part of the distribution for Federal income tax purposes. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue ruled that the distribution would not be payments of income to the debentureholders and that therefore the trustee was not required to withhold any tax from such distribution.

Coupons maturing March 1 1932 and prior thereto in the face amount of \$11,125 also have not yet been presented for payment. Funds have been provided for such payments and debentureholders who have not collected them are therefore advised to do so at the principal office of the trustee above mentioned.

Statement of Collateral Security Oct. 1 1934

Securities and cash held by the successor trustee:	
Government of the Republic of Ecuador 8% external loan bonds of 1927 due 1953, with July 1 1932 and subsequent coupons.....	\$1,879,290
Mortgage Bank of Ecuador 7% bond loan due 1949, with Feb. 1 1933 and subsequent coupons.....	907,991
German Government International loan 5 1/4% bonds of 1930, with Dec. 1 1934 and subsequent coupons.....	S. kr. 55,000
Hungarian Land Reform mortgage 5 1/2% bonds due 1979, series A, with July 15 1933, July 15 1934 and subsequent coupons.....	\$11,800,000
Hungarian Land Reform mortgage 5 1/2% bonds due 1979, series B, with July 15 1933, July 15 1934 and subsequent coupons.....	\$12,000,000
Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes (Yugoslavia) Monopolies loan 6 1/4% bonds due 1958, with June 1 1933 and subsequent coupons.....	\$22,000,000
Republic of Latvia 6% bonds due 1964, with July 15 1934 and subsequent coupons.....	\$6,000,000
Kingdom of Rumania, Monopolies Institute 7 1/2% bonds due 1971, with Oct. 1 1933 and subsequent coupons (Oct. 1 1933 coupons paid to extent of 50%).....	74,605,000
Kingdom of Rumania 4% consolidation loan bonds due 1968, with Oct. 1 1933 and subsequent coupons (October 1 1933 coupons paid to extent of 25%).....	£380,691
United States of America Treasury Bills, dated May 16 1934, due Nov. 14 1934.....	\$270,000
United States of America 2 1/2% Treasury notes, due March 15 1935 with March 15 1935 coupons.....	\$110,000
Cash.....	\$258,980
Coupons held by Union Bank of Switzerland, Zurich, Switzerland, for account of the successor trustee:	
Dec. 1 1932 coupons detached from Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes Monopolies loan 6 1/4% bonds.....	
Jan. 15 1933 coupons detached from Hungarian Land Reform mortgage 5 1/2% bonds, series A and series B.....	
July 15 1932 coupons each of face value of \$1,375 detached from Hungarian Land Reform Mortgage 5 1/2% bonds, series A and series B. A partial payment of 1835 pengos was made on account of each coupon, totalling 873,460 pengos.....	
Gold bullion and pounds sterling held by Barclays Bank, Ltd., for account of successor trustee:	
Thirty-one gold bars representing..... fine ounces	12,329.85
English currency on deposit.....	£23

No claims have been made against the collateral to the knowledge of the trustee since appointment except by the American trustee in bankruptcy for International Mercantile Marine which has made a special claim in the amount of approximately \$1,200,000, and a general claim or reservation without specification of amount, and by the Republic of Latvia which claims that the Republic of Latvia 6% bonds due 1964 are subject to the extent of \$200,000 principal of amount bonds, to an agreement made by Swedish Match Co. in connection with its original purchase of the bonds from the Republic.—V. 138, p. 3606.

Key Boiler Equipment Co.—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1933
Gross income.....	\$630,833
Operating expenses, interest and taxes.....	566,836
Depreciation.....	57,528
Net profit.....	\$6,469

Comparative Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Assets—	1933	1932	Liabilities—	1933	1932
Cash on deposit & on hand.....	\$27,623	\$32,103	Notes pay. to bks.	\$19,000	\$70,000
Notes & accts. rec.....	44,953	65,598	Accts. pay.—trade	22,180	71,076
Inventories.....	72,094	97,633	Salary, comms. & expenses accrued	17,593	10,327
Securities.....	6,032	6,032	Adv. on sales contr.	—	15,000
Capital assets.....	436,204	485,123	Non-current liabils	10,413	—
Patent & tr. mks.....	16,947	—	Rl. est. mtge. bds.	60,000	60,000
Other assets.....	25,163	7,432	Res. for compensation insurance	5,000	3,185
Deferred charges.....	7,076	7,887	Capital stock.....	474,094	474,094
			Surplus.....	33,297	23,040
Total.....	\$641,577	\$726,723	Total.....	\$641,577	\$726,723

—V. 134, p. 516.

Kimberly-Clark Corp.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Net sales.....	\$3,920,469	\$3,662,901
Cost of sales.....	3,418,027	2,984,251
General and sell. exps.....	379,553	348,884
Profit from operation.....	\$122,889	\$329,765
Other income.....	44,077	52,289
Total income.....	\$166,966	\$382,055
Bond interest.....	95,337	97,273
Federal income tax (est.).....	12,000	41,000
Net loss of Wm. Bonifas Lumber Co.....	—	9,000
Net after taxes.....	\$59,629	\$234,782
Preferred dividends.....	149,445	149,445
Net for common.....	loss\$89,816	\$85,337
Earn. per sh. on 499,800 shs. com. stk. (no par)	Nil	\$0.17
—V. 139, p. 2523.		

Lambert Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Net profit after charges and taxes.....	\$606,581	\$541,120
Earns. per sh. on 746,371 shs. cap. stk. (no par)	\$0.81	\$0.72
—V. 139, p. 603.		

Langleys, Ltd.—Accumulated Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.75 per share on account of accumulations on the 7% cum. conv. red. pref. stock, par \$100, payable Nov. 15 to holders of record Oct. 31. A similar distribution was made on Aug. 15 and May 15 last. Regular quarterly payments at the same rate were made up to and incl. May 15 1932. The balance of accumulations due after the Nov. 15 payment will be \$12.25 per share.—V. 139, p. 603.

Laura Secord Candy Shops, Ltd.—Earnings—

Years End. Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Net profit after all exps., prov. for bonus deprec., income taxes, &c.....	\$216,687	\$218,037	\$281,262	\$300,038
Preferred dividend.....	—	—	—	30
Common dividend.....	172,500	172,500	172,500	172,454
Balance.....	\$44,187	\$45,537	\$108,762	\$127,524
Shares com. stock outstanding (no par).....	57,500	57,500	57,500	57,500
Earnings per share.....	\$3.76	\$3.79	\$4.89	\$5.22

Balance Sheet Sept. 30

Assets—	1934	1933	Liabilities—	1934	1933
x Fixed assets.....	\$264,929	\$291,587	y Common stock.....	\$904,464	\$904,464
Good-will.....	1	1	Payables.....	1,000	1,000
Cash.....	239,828	67,462	Tax reserves.....	39,016	39,000
Bonds.....	1,402,646	1,437,532	Surplus.....	1,090,594	987,043
Invest. in & adv. to Candytry, Ltd	8,580	4,856			
Receivables.....	6,591	6,691			
Inventories.....	102,166	112,620			
Prep'd & def. chgs.	10,334	10,758			
Total.....	\$2,035,075	\$1,931,507	Total.....	\$2,035,075	\$1,931,507

x After deducting depreciation of \$468,982 in 1934 and \$437,118 in 1933. y Represented by 57,500 no par shares.—V. 137, p. 3335.

Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co.—Semi-annual Dividend—

The directors have declared a semi-annual dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable Nov. 30 to holders of record Oct. 31. A similar distribution was made on May 31 last and compares with 20 cents per share paid on Nov. 29 1933 and 10 cents per share on Jan. 31 and Feb. 28 1933.—V. 139, p. 768.

Lehigh Portland Cement Co.—Earnings—

12 Mos. End. Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Net profit after taxes, deprec., deplet., &c.....	\$495,853	loss\$1254899	loss\$1329328	\$482,352
—V. 139, p. 1088.				

Lehigh Valley RR.—Earnings—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway.....	\$2,940,559	\$3,639,106	\$3,163,159	\$3,795,020
Net from railway.....	476,841	1,000,383	564,133	558,653
Net after rents.....	182,536	691,325	544,435	170,884
Gross from railway.....	29,930,966	28,211,973	28,583,905	38,405,546
Net from railway.....	6,436,954	5,955,787	4,482,071	6,884,627
Net after rents.....	3,438,471	2,938,844	1,404,601	3,339,909
—V. 139, p. 2523.				

Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

9 Mos. End. Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Manufacturing profit.....	\$6,204,861	\$6,384,834	\$2,250,403	\$2,518,683
Depreciation.....	1,625,892	1,401,547	1,390,310	1,912,581
Profit.....	\$4,578,969	\$4,983,287	\$860,093	\$606,102
Other income.....	479,454	332,893	295,162	262,362
Total income.....	\$5,058,423	\$5,316,180	\$1,155,255	\$868,464
Interest, &c.....	—	173,664	319,543	126,643
Adm. & gen. exps., contingencies, &c.....	1,772,695	1,458,498	1,246,684	1,256,324
Loss on oper. of gas prop.	—	—	27,935	—
Federal tax.....	466,660	—	—	—
Net profit.....	\$2,819,068	\$3,684,018	loss\$438,907	loss\$514,503
—V. 139, p. 2523.				

Lindsay Light Co.—10-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 10 cents per share on the common stock, par \$10, payable Nov. 12 to holders of record Nov. 3. A similar distribution was made on Aug. 13 last and compares with 10 cents per share distributed on May 16 1932 and 20 cents per share paid quarterly previously.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Net profit after taxes, depreciation, &c.....	\$9,821	\$5,262
Earns. per sh. on 60,000 shs. com. stk. (par \$10)	\$0.11	\$0.02
—V. 139, p. 603.		

Loblaw Groceries, Ltd.—Earnings—

Period—	4 Weeks Ended—		16 Weeks Ended—	
	Sept. 22 '34	Sept. 23 '33	Sept. 22 '34	Sept. 23 '33
Sales	\$1,107,733	\$1,054,926	\$4,388,772	\$4,034,118
Net profit after charges and income taxes	48,962	49,945	199,115	195,177

Long-Bell Lumber Corp.—Earnings—

9 Mos. End. Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Operating loss	\$233,122	pr\$412,848	\$1,425,170	pr\$372,389
Depletion	294,618	890,130	535,138	1,106,949
Depreciation	181,043	560,153	576,404	758,298
Interest	371,929	1,128,633	1,167,386	1,403,145
Inventory adjustment				x400,000
Net loss	\$1,080,712	\$2,166,068	\$3,704,107	\$3,296,003

x Inventory adjustment as of June 30 1931.—V. 139, p. 1874.

Loose-Wiles Biscuit Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933	1934—9 Mos.—	1933
Net profit after Federal taxes, deprec'n & int.	\$318,384	\$453,633	\$1,043,698	\$1,218,543
Shs.com.stk.out.(par \$25)	522,600	526,000	522,600	526,000
Earnings per share	\$0.49	\$0.74	\$1.49	\$2.31

Louisville & Nashville RR.—Co-ordinator Eastman Forbids Company to Change Route—Rejects Company's Plan to Quit Chicago & Eastman Illinois at Evansville for New York Central Hook-up—

Joseph B. Eastman, Federal Co-ordinator of Transportation issued an order Oct. 25 rejecting a proposal by the Louisville & Nashville RR. to stop the interchanging of passenger train equipment of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Ry. in the "Dixie Flyer" and other trains at Evansville, Ind., Oct. 28 and substitute equipment of Cleveland Cincinnati Chicago & St. Louis Ry. (New York Central, lessee).

The plan, he said, would "result in unnecessary duplication of services and facilities and the elimination of a route now existing, without the consent of all participating lines, and will unduly impair the net earnings (of the C. & E. I.) and will result in wastes and preventable expense."

Although Mr. Eastman ruled against the substitution of the New York Central's equipment, an appeal may be carried to the ICC for review, and this, Mr. Eastman stated, he will "not oppose, but on the contrary will favor."

[The order entered Oct. 25 follows in part: The case is regarded with interest, as it involves a basic power of the co-ordinator to prevent duplications and unnecessary expense. Ed.]

It appearing, that on Oct. 1 1934, Charles M. Thomson, Trustee, Chicago & Eastern Illinois Ry., notified the Co-ordinator that the Louisville & Nashville RR. had on Sept. 25 1934, served notice on the Chicago & Eastern Illinois that the Louisville & Nashville would terminate as of Oct. 28 1934, the interchange of through passenger train equipment with the Chicago & Eastern Illinois at Evansville, Ind., and substitute therefor interchange of such equipment with Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Ry.

It further appearing, that the trustee filed with the Co-ordinator a letter and memorandum representing that the discontinuance of such interchange would require passengers from and to points on the Chicago & Eastern, north of Evansville, to and from points on the Louisville & Nashville and its connections south of Evansville to change cars at Evansville and would result in unnecessary duplication of services and facilities and in the elimination of an existing route without the consent of all the participating lines, and would involve practices affecting service and operation, and would unduly impair net earnings and involve wastes and preventable expense; . . .

Now therefore, the Co-ordinator finds as follows: That the discontinuance of the interchange of through passenger train equipment between the Louisville & Nashville and Chicago & Eastern Illinois at Evansville and the establishment of such interchange at Evansville, between the Louisville & Nashville and Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis will result in unnecessary duplication of services and facilities and the elimination of a route now existing without the consent of all participating lines and will unduly impair the net earnings of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois and will result in wastes and preventable expense.

That an order by the Co-ordinator directed to the Louisville & Nashville and Chicago & Eastern Illinois directing them to continue the present interchange of through passenger train equipment at Evansville and directing the Louisville & Nashville and Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis not to establish interchange of through passenger train equipment at Evansville will be consistent with the public interest and in furtherance of the purposes of chapter 7, Title 49, U. S. Code.

And it is ordered, that the Louisville & Nashville and the Chicago & Eastern Illinois be and they are hereby directed to continue the interchange of through passenger train equipment at Evansville.

It is further ordered, that the proposed interchange of through passenger train equipment at Evansville between the Louisville & Nashville and Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis be not established.

And it is further ordered, that this order shall remain in effect until it is vacated by the Co-ordinator or suspended or set aside by the Commission or other lawfully constituted authority.—V. 139, p. 2209.

Louisville Ry.—General Balance Sheet Aug. 31 1934—

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Investments—		Preferred stock	\$3,500,000
Road and equipment	\$18,415,982	Common stock	8,323,600
Investments in affil. cos.	4,136,501	Funded debt unamort.	9,035,000
Other investments	424,010	Audited accounts and wages payable	230,454
Cash	471,421	Matured interest, dividends and rents unpaid	49,977
Special deposits	45,000	Accrued interest, dividends and rents payable	49,313
Loans and notes receivable	101,560	Other deferred liabilities	1,310
Miscell. accounts receivable	22,674	Tax liability	114,479
Material and supplies	149,772	Insurance reserve	264,996
Interest, divs. and rents rec.	264,757	Reserve for injuries and damages	4,942
Deferred assets	142,000	Accrued depreciation	1,676,888
Rents and insur. premiums paid in advance	50,092	Res. for amort. of franchises	8,011
Property abandoned chargeable to operating expenses	599,181	Other unadjusted credits	91,660
Other unadjusted debits	91,002	Corporate surplus	1,563,323
Total	\$24,913,953	Total	\$24,913,953

—V. 138, p. 1742.

MacAndrews & Forbes Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933	1934—9 Mos.—	1933
Net profit after exps. & Federal taxes	\$231,537	\$236,936	\$725,196	\$618,843
Preferred dividends	29,856	29,856	89,568	90,168
Common dividends	151,947	151,947	455,841	349,503
Surplus	\$49,734	\$55,133	\$179,787	\$179,172
Shares com. stock outstanding (par \$10)	303,894	303,894	303,894	303,894
Earnings per share	\$0.66	\$0.68	\$2.09	\$1.74

V. 139, p. 448.

McIntyre Porcupine Mines, Ltd.—New Director—

Bernard Smith has been elected a director.—V. 139, p. 2524.

McKesson & Robbins, Inc.—September Sales—

1934—Sept.—1933	Increase	1934—9 Mos.—1933	Increase
\$9,994,063	\$9,316,223	\$67,784	\$91,065,098
		\$74,999,561	\$16,065,537

—V. 139, p. 2524.

McKinney Steel Holding Co.—Approves Republic-Corri-

gan, McKinney Merger— Oscar L. Cox, President, Oct. 25 issued the following statement: Stockholders of this company, which holds approximately 55% of the voting shares of the Corrihan, McKinney Steel Co., at a special meeting held Thursday morning, passed a resolution authorizing the officers of the

McKinney Steel Holding Co. to vote the company's stock in the Corrihan, McKinney Steel Co. in favor of the sale of the steel company's business and assets to the Republic Steel Corp.

Of the 72,500 shares of preferred stock outstanding, approximately 57,600 shares were present, of which 57,105 shares, or 78.77% of the total issue, voted in favor of the sale and only 461 shares voted against it. All of the 10,100 shares of common stock voted in favor of the sale.

The charter of the corporation provides that the approval of two-thirds of both classes of stock is necessary to consummate this transaction and such approval was secured at this meeting.—V. 139, p. 2209.

McLellan Stores Co.—Stock Bought for United Stores Corp.—

The United Stores Corp. is reported to be the real purchaser of the major part of 250,000 shares of McLellan Stores common stock. George K. Morrow who, with his associates, was credited with having purchased this large block of stock, constituting virtual control of the company, is said to have retained only a small part of the stock in his own name.

George K. Morrow stated that creditor claims have been reduced to 10% and it should be an easy matter to retire the balance before Jan. 31, the date set in a hearing in bankruptcy proceedings against the company.

"The difficulties that caused the McLellan Stores receivership were financial and not merchandising, and these problems are being worked out steadily. It should be an easy matter to work out a reorganization plan for a company that has no debt and is earning a substantial amount on its common stock. The preferred stocks, amounting to a little more than \$4,000,000, are cumulative and the arrears on both classes are 15%, but this should be no obstacle to a reorganization. Preferred dividends are now being earned several times over."

Mr. Morrow is further quoted: "The McLellan stock I own was purchased before United Stores Corp. became interested as a buyer. Furthermore, neither I nor any members of my family has sold McLellan stock to United Stores. The stock purchased by the corporation was taken directly on its own account and was paid for by the corporation. I am not prepared to say what United paid for McLellan Stores except that the buying began at 5½ and ended at 12. Some stock was purchased at 12." —V. 139, p. 2524.

Magma Copper Co.—Earnings—

Period—	Quarter Ended—		9 Mos.—	
	Sept. 30 '34	June 30 '34	Mar. 31 '34	Sept. 30 '34
x Profit after expenses & depr., but disregarding Federal taxes	\$42,842	\$231,734	\$231,575	\$506,151
x Based on a net average sale price of 7.80 cents per pound.				
During the three months ended Sept. 30 1934 the estimated refined copper resulting from the blister produced will be 5,313,924 pounds. Cost of producing this copper to electrolytic grade after deducting gold and silver values was 7.49 cents a pound before Federal taxes and depletion, but after depreciation and all other fixed and general expenses.—V. 139, p. 1875.				

Maine Central RR.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933	1934—9 Mos.—	1933
Operating revenues	\$879,238	\$972,817	\$8,112,713	\$7,830,289
Net oper. revenues	253,848	291,402	1,936,982	2,235,293
Net ry. oper. income	194,459	202,871	1,134,260	1,473,715
Other income	39,215	28,283	233,267	196,606
Gross income	\$233,674	\$231,154	\$1,367,527	\$1,670,321
Deductions (rentals, interest, &c.)	181,823	181,134	1,600,362	1,644,649
Net income	\$51,851	\$50,020	def\$232,835	\$25,672

—V. 139, p. 2053.

Marine Midland Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933	1934—9 Mos.—	1933
Net oper. earnings after taxes & adjusted min. interests	\$846,257	\$1,118,503	\$2,829,390	\$3,331,331

—V. 139, p. 282.

Memphis Power & Light Co.—Earnings—

[National Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]				
Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933	1934—12 Mos.—	1933
Operating revenues	\$473,106	\$454,314	\$6,287,702	\$6,234,613
Oper. exps., incl. taxes	306,035	279,276	3,922,101	3,717,391
Net revs. from oper.	\$167,071	\$175,038	\$2,365,601	\$2,517,222
Other income	340	127	9,424	14,426
Gross corp. income	\$167,411	\$175,165	\$2,375,025	\$2,531,648
Int. & other deductions	67,221	71,490	838,297	860,634
Balance	y\$100,190	y\$103,675	\$1,536,728	\$1,671,014
z Div. retirement reserve appropriations			682,252	692,868
z Divs. applic. to pref. stocks for period, whether paid or prepaid			394,876	393,233
Balance			\$459,600	\$584,913

y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends. z Regular dividends of \$7 and \$6 pref. stocks were paid on July 2 1934. After the payment of these dividends there were no accumulated unpaid dividends at that date. Regular dividends on these stocks were declared for payment on Oct. 1 1934.—V. 139, p. 2053.

Mesta Machine Co.—Stock Increase Approved—

The stockholders on Oct. 19 increased the capital stock to 1,400,000 shares from 1,000,000 shares of \$5 par.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 400,000 additional shares of common stock (par \$5) on official notice of issuance as a stock dividend, making the total listing applied for, 1,000,000 such shares.

At a meeting held on Oct. 5, the directors declared a stock dividend of 2-3d of a share of common stock for each share of common stock now held, payable Nov. 30 to holders of record Oct. 25.

At the same meeting the directors called for redemption and retirement on Oct. 30, all of the company's outstanding 6% cumulative preferred stock.

Earnings for the 6 Months Ended June 30 1934

Gross profit	\$846,750
Other income	28,611
Total income	\$875,361
Expenses	224,033
Depreciation	114,418
Federal taxes	73,825
Net profit	\$463,085
Preferred dividends	35,661
Common dividends	296,393
Surplus	\$131,031

Balance Sheet June 30 1934

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Cash in bank and on hand	\$649,530	Accounts payable	\$551,727
Accounts receivable, &c. (net)	2,262,730	Dividends payable	166,027
Inventories	929,616	Accrued royalties, &c.	132,224
Due from employees on sale of common stock	63,077	Accrued Federal income tax	124,345
Common shares held for resale to employees	68,220	Accrued taxes, general	24,419
Permanent assets	4,803,865	Prepayments received on completed contracts	6,715
Deferred charges	14,869	Reserves	181,236
		Common stock	5,000,000
		Earned surplus	2,605,210
Total	\$8,791,906	Total	\$8,791,906

—V. 139, p. 2524.

Marion Steam Shovel Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933	1934—9 Mos.—	1933
Net loss after taxes and charges—	\$83,708	\$140,295	\$345,992	\$469,816
—V. 139, p. 603.				

Mengel Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933	1934—9 Mos.—	1933
Net loss after interest, deprec., taxes, &c.—	\$22,075	prof\$5,004	prof\$52,959	\$499,364
—V. 139, p. 604.				

Michigan Gas & Electric Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933	1934—9 Mos.—	1933
Total gross earnings—	\$322,392	\$301,132	\$896,882	\$832,751
Total oper. exp. & taxes—	240,120	206,672	663,706	589,799
Net earns. from oper.—	\$82,271	\$94,459	\$233,176	\$242,951
Other income (net)—	1,160	450	2,847	2,367
Net earns. before int.—	\$83,432	\$94,909	\$236,023	\$245,319
Total interest deduction—	63,756	63,744	192,389	191,830
Net inc. before prior lien and pref. div.—	\$19,676	\$31,164	\$43,634	\$53,489
x Adjustments, including increased provision for retirement, made subsequent to Sept. 30 1933, but applicable to the period beginning Jan. 1 1933 have been given effect to in these columns.—V. 139, p. 2524.				

Michigan Public Service Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933	1934—9 Mos.—	1933
Total gross earnings—	\$257,809	\$245,485	\$632,975	\$608,579
Operation—	92,395	79,871	221,256	190,138
Maintenance—	8,955	11,483	29,077	26,184
Provision for retirement—	31,919	19,714	62,012	48,774
Taxes—Local, State & Federal (3% elec.)—	21,535	15,763	61,332	47,186
Taxes Federal income—	3,804		6,277	
Net earns. from oper.—	\$99,198	\$118,653	\$253,018	\$296,295
Other income (net)—	561	377	1,448	984
Net earnings before int.—	\$99,760	\$119,031	\$254,467	\$297,280
Funded debt interest—	49,475	50,377	149,080	152,385
General interest—	9,757	9,744	29,275	29,637
Amort. of debt disc. and expenses—	6,123	6,243	18,441	18,855
Amort. of capital stock comm. and expense—	166	495	1,168	1,486
Int. charged construction—		Cr60		Cr292
Net income before pref. and junior pref. div.—	\$34,237	\$52,230	\$56,501	\$95,207
x Adjustments made subsequent to Sept. 30 1933, but applicable to the period beginning Jan. 1 1933 have been given effect to in these columns.—V. 139, p. 2524.				

Midland Utilities Co.—Philadelphia Interests Organizing Committee for 6% Debenture Bonds—

Philadelphia interests, it is announced, are organizing a protective committee in the interest of all holders of 6% debentures, series A, due Sept. 1 1938.

Company, a holding company, controls a group of public utility operations in northern and central Indiana and western Ohio. In turn it is controlled through ownership of common stock by Midland United Co. of Chicago. There are outstanding \$6,000,000 of the debentures referred to, on which interest was defaulted on Sept. 1 1934, and application was made for authority to re-organize under Section 77B of the new Bankruptcy Act.

Announcement of the personnel of the committee will be made in due course.—V. 139, p. 1538.

Midvale Co.—\$1 Dividend—

The directors on Oct. 25 declared a dividend of \$1 per share on the capital stock, no par value, payable Nov. 7 to holders of record Oct. 31. This is the first dividend paid by the company on this issue since Jan. 1 1933, when 50 cents per share was distributed. On Oct. 1 1932, 75 cents per share was paid while from Jan. 1 1930 up to and incl. July 1 1932 quarterly distributions of \$1 per share were made.

A capital distribution equal to \$20 per share was made between April 30 and May 3 last.

Baldwin Locomotive Works owns approximately 61.45% of the capital stock.—V. 138, p. 3095.

Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933	1934—9 Mos.—	1933
Net income after Federal taxes & charges—	\$346,293	\$385,932	\$551,959	\$280,953
Earns. per sh. on 197,500 shares common stock—	\$1.64	\$1.84	\$2.46	\$1.09
The income account for the quarter ended Sept. 30 1934 follows: Net sales, \$1,664,083; cost of goods sold and operating expenses, \$1,191,586; depreciation, \$55,243; operating profit, \$417,254; other income \$5,954; total income, \$423,208; provision for doubtful accounts, \$16,688; Federal taxes, \$55,503; miscellaneous deductions, \$4,724; net income, \$346,293.—V. 139, p. 2525.				

Minneapolis & St. Louis RR.—Earnings—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway—	\$773,667	\$693,096	\$796,215	\$868,057
Net from railway—		108,904	182,744	104,197
Net after rents—	66,040	47,665	95,601	34,215
From Jan 1—				
Gross from railway—	5,550,698	5,687,337	5,811,091	8,025,949
Net from railway—		684,402	149,897	867,450
Net after rents—	def\$1,870	157,390	def460,556	137,546
—V. 139, p. 2368.				

Minneapolis St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Ry.—Earnings

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933	1934—9 Mos.—	1933
Total revenues—	\$1,350,578	\$1,553,483	\$9,366,107	\$9,494,687
Net railway revenues—	463,417	629,837	1,245,114	1,584,869
Net after rents—	367,800	494,197	444,986	602,503
Other income—Net Dr.—	52,939	60,841	628,611	621,317
Int. on funded debt—Dr	427,602	420,589	3,864,743	3,771,704
Net deficit—	\$112,741	Cr\$12,767	\$4,048,368	\$3,790,517
—V. 139, p. 2210.				

Minnesota Power & Light Co.—Earnings—

[American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]				
Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933	1934—12 Mos.—	1933
Operating revenues—	\$455,722	\$412,950	\$5,256,897	\$4,886,757
Oper. exps., incl. taxes—	194,159	174,139	2,252,630	1,918,922
Net revs. from oper.—	\$261,563	\$238,811	\$3,004,267	\$2,967,835
Other income—	225	Dr11	2,290	3,314
Gross corp. income—	\$261,788	\$238,800	\$3,006,557	\$2,971,149
Interest & other deduc'ns—	144,293	145,091	1,736,488	1,748,619
Balance—	y\$117,495	y\$93,709	\$1,270,069	\$1,222,530
Property retirement reserve appropriations—			300,000	250,000
x Dividends applicable to preferred stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid—			990,540	990,450
Deficit—			\$20,471	\$17,920
y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.				
x Dividends accumulated and unpaid to Sept. 30 1934 amounted to \$618,676 after giving effect to dividends of \$1.32 a share on 7% preferred stock, \$1.13 a share on 6% preferred stock and \$1.13 a share on \$6 preferred stock, declared for payment on Oct. 1 1934. Dividends on these stocks are cumulative.—V. 139, p. 2054.				

Mississippi River Power Co.—Earnings—

Earnings for the 12 Months Ended Aug. 31 1934	
Gross revenue—	\$3,425,588
Net income after taxes, interest, depreciation, &c.—	615,521
—V. 139, p. 1091.	

Missouri-Kansas-Texas Lines—Earnings

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933	1934—9 Mos.—	1933
Operating revenues—	\$2,291,616	\$2,516,430	\$20,060,506	\$18,356,297
Operating expenses—	1,698,690	1,667,967	15,361,712	14,133,389
Available for interest—	297,849	632,702	1,769,006	1,442,051
Fixed interest charges—	347,377	347,796	3,126,909	3,130,375
Int. on adjustment bonds—	56,573	56,573	509,158	509,158
Net income—	def\$106,101	\$228,333	df\$1,867,061	df\$2,197,482
—V. 139, p. 2054.				

Missouri-Pacific, RR.—Earnings—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway—	\$6,372,323	\$6,280,526	\$6,282,041	\$7,549,635
Net from railway—		1,541,934	2,013,538	1,986,381
Net after rents—	332,639	841,526	1,402,589	1,622,253
From Jan 1—				
Gross from railway—	55,568,182	50,624,060	51,976,541	74,235,423
Net from railway—		11,999,346	11,780,584	20,412,034
Net after rents—	5,371,438	5,581,129	5,769,760	13,730,845
Int. on Iron Mountain Bonds—				
Federal Judge Faris has entered order for the payment of the semi-annual interest due Nov. 1 1934, on the first mortgage bonds of St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern Ry., River & Gulf Division in the amount of \$690,960.—V. 139, p. 2210.				

Monsanto Chemical Co.—25-Cent Extra Dividend—

The directors on Oct. 23 declared an extra dividend of 25 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly distribution of like amount on the capital stock, par \$10, both payable Dec. 15 to holders of record Nov. 24. An extra distribution of 75 cents per share was made on Dec. 29 1933. See also V. 138, p. 2932.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933	1934—9 Mos.—	1933
Net profit after charges and taxes—	\$566,195	\$680,757	\$1,945,230	\$1,519,704
Earns. per share on \$64,000 shs. com. stock—	\$0.65	x\$0.78	\$2.25	x\$1.76
x Giving effect to the two for one split made last spring.				

The report states that increased efficiencies were unable to offset higher labor and other costs and smaller volume of sales during the third quarter.

Concerning the recent financing of Monsanto's British subsidiary, Edgar M. Queeny, President, stated:

"During September our British subsidiary, Monsanto Chemicals, Ltd., sold £400,000 of an authorized issue £500,000 of 5½% non-voting, cumulative preferred stock. The issue was offered at 2½% premium and was heavily over-subscribed. The favorable terms of this financing involved no guarantee by the parent company nor sinking fund requirements, but provided an option to the company to call the issue between 1940 and 1970 at a premium of 7½%.

"The proceeds will be used in part to expand our British properties, but the major portion will reimburse the treasury of the parent company for past expenditures in England and will finance additions and extensions to the company's American properties.—V. 139, p. 2369.

Montana Power Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

[American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]				
Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933	1934—12 Mos.—	1933
Operating revenues—	\$610,726	\$714,443	\$8,553,584	\$8,834,753
Oper. exps., incl. taxes—	320,683	359,014	4,613,095	4,591,499
Net rev. from oper.—	\$290,043	\$355,429	\$3,940,489	\$4,243,254
Other income—	11,064	6,251	111,525	63,865
Gross corp. income—	\$301,107	\$361,680	\$4,052,014	\$4,307,119
Int. & other deduc'ns—	210,559	204,605	2,552,094	2,434,810
Balance—	y\$90,548	y\$157,075	\$1,499,920	\$1,872,309
Property retirement reserve appropriations—			507,962	216,249
x Dividends applicable to pref. stock for period, whether paid or unpaid—			954,851	953,118
Balance—			\$37,107	\$702,942
y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.				
x Regular dividend on \$6 preferred stock was paid Aug. 1 1934. After the payment of this dividend there were no accumulated unpaid dividends at that date. Regular dividend on this stock was declared for payment on Nov. 1 1934.—V. 139, p. 2055.				

(Philip) Morris & Co., Ltd.—Earnings—

6 Mos. End. Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Net profits after charges but before Fed. taxes—	x\$776,704	\$214,536	\$259,417	\$250,287
x After Federal taxes.—V. 139, p. 2369.				

Murray Corp. of America—Depositary—

Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, as custodian and registrar is accepting deposits of first mortgage 6½% 10-year sinking fund gold bonds of Murray Corp. of America (successor to Murray Body Corp.) pursuant to plan of extension as outlined in V. 139, p. 2211.

National Bellas Hess, Inc.—New Director—

S. G. Bradley has been elected a director in place of Louis Steinberg who has resigned. Mr. Steinberg represented the common stockholders protective committee of the predecessor company.—V. 139, p. 2370.

National Biscuit Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—	1933	1934—9 Mos.—	1933
Net inc. after taxes, &c.—	\$2,667,118	\$4,145,208	\$8,931,969	\$10,643,633
Earns. per sh. on 6,289,263 shs. com. (par \$10)—	\$0.35	\$0.59	\$1.21	\$1.48
—V. 139, p. 451.				

National Rys. of Mexico—Earnings—

[Mexican Currency]				
Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933	1934—8 Mos.—	1933
Railway oper. revenues—	9,071,146	7,305,265	68,487,325	53,125,023
Railway oper. expenses—	6,482,943	6,243,585	49,787,548	47,035,853
Net oper. revenue—	2,588,203	1,061,679	18,699,776	6,089,169
Percentage, exps. to rev.—	71.47%	85.47%	72.70%	88.54%
Tax accruals & uncollec. revenue (deduct)—		1	13	5,514
Other income—	54,874	67,019	356,526	316,652
Deductions—				
Items 536-541 (ICC)—	29,495	249,856	2,012,022	1,729,494
Net oper. income—	2,613,582	878,840	17,044,267	4,670,813
Kilometers operated—	11,287,417	11,296,419	11,287,417	11,296,419
—V. 139, p. 1876.				

National Distillers Products Corp.—Earnings—

9 Months Ended Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932
Profit after depreciation—	\$10,315,325	\$2,275,636	\$466,804
Interest—	181,329	31,363	56,593
Provision for contingencies—	500,000		
Minority interest—			4,746
Federal taxes—	1,321,999	290,000	35,050
Net profit—	\$8,311,997	\$1,954,273	\$370,415
For the quarter ended with Sept. 30 the net profit, after allowances, was \$2,513,834, equal to \$1.24 a share on 2,022,083 common shares, compared with \$1,955,885, or 97c. a share, in the preceding quarter and \$1,477,925, or 73c. a share in the third quarter of the previous year.			

Contract with Distillers Limited Ended Pending Fresh Negotiations

The contract between this company and Distillers Co. Ltd. of Great Britain, by which the latter was to purchase 337,000 shares of National Distillers has been terminated.

The stock was to have been sold to the British at a price of \$25 a share (or less) and the same amount offered to National stockholders at the same price.

The September operating statement follows:

Table for Natomas Co.—Earnings—, showing period end, month, and 9 months totals for various operating items like Gold dredging, Rock operating, Land rentals, etc.

Including taxes, insurance, general expense, reclamation assets acct., int., reclamation assets acct., maintenance, etc. depletion dredged lands, misc. depreciation, land sales and cancellations and prospecting.—V. 139, p. 2056.

Nebraska Power Co.—Earnings—

Table for Nebraska Power Co.—Earnings—, showing period end, month, and 12 months totals for operating revenues, expenses, and income.

Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends. Regular dividends on 7% and 6% preferred stocks were paid on Sept. 1 1934.

Nestle-Le Mur Co.—10-cent Class A Dividend Declared

The directors have declared a dividend of 10 cents per share on account of accumulations on the \$2 cumulative participating class A stock payable Nov. 15 to holders of record Nov. 5.

Table for Nestle-Le Mur Co.—Earnings for Years Ended Aug. 31, showing net profit after taxes, depreciation, &c., and earnings per share.

Nevada-California Electric Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings

Table for Nevada-California Electric Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings, showing period end, month, and 12 months totals for gross operating earnings, expenses, and income.

New Bedford Gas & Edison Light Co.—Earnings—

Table for New Bedford Gas & Edison Light Co.—Earnings—, showing 12 months ended Sept. 30 for total operating revenues, expenses, and income.

New England Telephone & Telegraph Co.—Earnings—

Table for New England Telephone & Telegraph Co.—Earnings—, showing period end, month, and 8 months totals for operating revenues, expenses, and income.

New York Dock Co.—Earnings—

Table for New York Dock Co.—Earnings—, showing 9 months ended Sept. 30 for revenues, expenses, and net income.

New Jersey & New York RR.—Earnings—

Table for New Jersey & New York RR.—Earnings—, showing September and From Jan. 1 for 1934, 1933, 1932, and 1931.

New Mexico Lumber & Timber Co.—Tenders—

The Detroit Trust Co., trustee, will until Nov. 1 next receive bids for the sale to it of general mortgage 6 1/2% gold bonds dated June 1 1932 sufficient to exhaust the sum of \$11,738 at prices not exceeding par and int.—V. 139, p. 936.

New Orleans & Northeastern RR.—Earnings—

Table for New Orleans & Northeastern RR.—Earnings—, showing September and From Jan. 1 for 1934, 1933, 1932, and 1931.

New York Edison Co.—Earnings—

Table for New York Edison Co.—Earnings—, showing period end, month, and 12 months totals for sales of electric energy, operating revenues, and income.

Earnings for the Nine Months Ended Sept. 30

Table for Earnings for the Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, showing sales of electric energy, operating revenues, and income.

Note—The results for the periods covered by the accompanying statements may be affected by pending litigation as to electric rates and taxes. The figures shown for operating revenues are exclusive of the sums shown below as representing the effects of the 6% reduction in electric rates to general consumers, ordered by the P. S. Commission to become effective as of Sept. 1 1933.

Table for Rate Reserve and Taxes Applicable to Revenues Shown in "Rate Reserve" in Rates, showing three, nine, and twelve months.

Total rate reserve to Sept. 30.—\$3,661,866.38 \$710,756.64 \$276,941.18

The tax liability for the period is similarly subject to change, depending on the outcome of litigation relating to the validity of certain additional local taxes imposed by the City of New York and the right of the company, in case those taxes should be finally sustained, to deduct them from its special franchise tax.

New York New Haven & Hartford RR.—Earnings—

Table for New York New Haven & Hartford RR.—Earnings—, showing period end, month, and 9 months totals for operating revenue, net revenue, and net income.

New York Steam Corp.—Common Dividend Omitted—

The directors on Oct. 25 failed to take any action on the payment of a dividend on the no par common stock at this time. On Sept. 1 and June 1 last 30 cents per share was distributed and compares with 55 cents per share paid each quarter from June 1 1933 up to and incl. March 1 1934 and 65 cents per share disbursed quarterly from March 2 1931 up to and incl. March 1 1933.

Table for New York Steam Corp.—Common Dividend Omitted—, showing period end, month, and 12 months totals for sales of steam, operating revenues, and income.

Earnings for the 9 Mos. Ended Sept. 30

	1934	1933
Sales of steam (1,000 lbs.)	8,771,948	7,900,873
Sales of steam	\$8,067,752	\$7,165,412
Miscellaneous income	9,850	14,927
Total operating revenues	\$8,077,603	\$7,180,339
Operating expenses	4,676,104	3,888,755
Retirement expense	350,877	316,034
Taxes (including prov. for Federal income tax)	1,015,717	813,255
Operating income	\$2,034,903	\$2,212,263
Non-operating revenues	63,759	63,531
Non-operating revenue deductions	24,337	20,790
Gross corporate income	\$2,074,325	\$2,255,004
Interest on long-term debt	1,073,218	1,078,315
Miscellaneous deductions	186,334	150,661
Net income	\$814,772	\$1,026,027

Note—The tax liability for the periods covered by the accompanying statements is subject to change, depending on the outcome of litigation relating to the validity of certain additional local taxes imposed by the City of New York and the right of the company, in case those taxes should be finally sustained, to deduct them from its special franchise tax. The operating expenses do not include the costs and expenses of compliance by the company with various uniform requirements imposed by the Commission before the State courts and which, according to advice received by the company, could not in any event affect retroactively the results for the period ended Sept. 30 1934.—V. 139, p. 606.

New York Shipbuilding Corp.—New Officers—Directors
 J. F. Metten has been elected President, succeeding C. L. Bardo, resigned. L. B. Manning has been elected Chairman of the Board, filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of E. L. Cord. C. M. Kaltwasser has been named Executive Vice-President and Roy Campbell General Manager, to succeed E. I. Cornbrooks, as of Nov. 1.
 Directors are L. B. Manning, W. H. Beal, Ralph J. Leibenderfer, Gene Tunney, R. S. Pruitt, C. M. Kaltwasser and J. F. Metten.—V. 139, p. 936.

New York Susquehanna & Western RR.—Earnings—

September—	*1934	*1933	*1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$268,632	\$294,559	\$277,415	\$278,630
Net from railway	52,064	61,367	79,034	37,451
Net after rents	14,639	16,110	35,935	def9,564
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	2,757,192	2,538,801	2,582,816	3,260,641
Net from railway	692,892	603,901	694,921	940,230
Net after rents	315,819	199,341	267,085	418,772

* Includes Wilkesbarre & Eastern RR.—V. 139, p. 2056.

New York Telephone Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Aug. 31—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—8 Mos.—	1933—
Operating revenues	15,170,049	15,114,425	124,416,971	123,099,468
Uncollec. oper. rev.	104,544	149,805	705,040	1,219,742
Operating revenues	15,065,505	14,964,620	123,711,931	121,879,726
Operating expenses	11,245,027	10,971,318	88,421,034	89,487,477
Net oper. revenues	3,820,478	3,993,302	35,290,897	32,392,249
Operating taxes	1,511,792	1,194,161	12,133,859	9,735,795
Net oper. income	2,308,686	2,799,141	23,157,038	22,656,454

—V. 139, p. 2526.

New York Westchester & Boston Ry.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—9 Mos.—	1933—
Railway oper. revenue	\$140,678	\$141,292	\$1,275,075	\$1,264,114
Railway oper. expenses	119,025	113,218	1,115,159	1,009,818
Taxes	25,600	26,854	230,400	241,686
Operating income	def\$3,946	\$1,219	def\$70,484	\$12,610
Non-operating income	1,684	2,221	16,506	17,638
Gross income	def\$2,262	\$3,441	def\$53,977	\$30,249
Deductions	248,105	244,034	2,224,909	2,185,883
Net deficit	\$250,367	\$240,593	\$2,278,886	\$2,155,633

—V. 139, p. 2057.

Niagara Share Corp. of Maryland (& Subs.)—Earnings

9 Mos. End. Sept. 30—	1934	1933
Dividends and interest	\$907,223	\$1,169,827
Other income	133,765	77,301
Gross income	\$1,040,989	\$1,247,128
General expenses	282,418	308,931
Interest, taxes, &c.	704,114	598,123
Balance	\$54,457	\$340,074
Security profits of a wholly owned subsidiary credited to income	149,826	54,021
Net income	\$204,283	\$394,094
Earned surplus, Jan. 1 1933	960,100	622,623
Miscellaneous adjustments applic. to prior years	—	365
Gross earned surplus	\$1,164,383	\$1,017,083
Class A preferred dividends	143,877	181,279
Earned surplus Sept. 30 1933	\$1,020,507	\$835,804

—V. 139, p. 937.

Norfolk & Western Ry.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—9 Mos.—	1933—
Ry. operating revenues	\$5,810,184	\$7,074,402	\$54,505,829	\$51,315,839
Net ry. oper. revenues	2,114,739	3,564,523	21,156,337	22,295,532
Net ry. oper. income	1,601,547	3,152,790	16,374,080	17,647,045
Other income items	151,178	120,829	1,032,630	1,147,078
Gross income	\$1,752,726	\$3,273,619	\$17,406,710	\$18,794,123
Interest on funded debt	293,398	329,672	2,648,008	2,914,709
Net income	\$1,459,327	\$2,943,947	\$14,758,702	\$15,879,414

—V. 139, p. 2057.

North Boston Lighting Properties—Notes Called
 All of the outstanding \$9,000,000 5 1/4% secured notes due Oct. 15 1937 have been called for redemption as of Nov. 24 next at 101 and interest. Payment will be made at the Old Colony Trust Co., 17 Court St., Boston, Mass. In connection with the call for redemption of the notes, Frank D. Comerford, President, stated that "the funds are being obtained by bank credit for a three-year period and at a lower rate of interest."—V. 138, p. 4471.

Northern Alabama Ry.—Earnings—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$45,166	\$46,868	\$43,658	\$52,623
Net from railway	16,743	18,589	18,213	11,749
Net after rents	3,093	def1,111	369	def7,321
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	403,352	388,469	342,250	508,539
Net from railway	139,393	148,215	73,954	112,504
Net after rents	20,589	def20,656	def90,503	def66,057

—V. 139, p. 2057.

Northern States Power Co.—Files with SEC for \$10,000,000 Issue
 The company has applied to the Securities and Exchange Commission to register \$10,000,000 5% 30-year refunding mortgage bonds for public offer-

ing on or after Nov. 12. Of the proceeds of the issue \$6,387,000 will be advanced to the Minneapolis General Electric Co., a subsidiary, to enable the latter to meet on Dec. 1 a maturity of that amount of 5% mortgage bonds. The advance, together with others made by Northern States Power Co. to this subsidiary in the past, will be covered by the delivery to Northern States of \$16,530,000 first mortgage bonds and \$11,500,000 common stock of Minneapolis General Electric.
 The syndicate that will offer the bonds will be headed by the First Boston Corp. and include H. M. Byllesby & Co., W. C. Langley & Co., Edward B. Smith & Co. and A. C. Allyn & Co.—V. 139, p. 2370.

Northwestern Electric Co.—Earnings—
 [American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—12 Mos.—	1933—
Operating revenues	\$291,560	\$254,380	\$3,452,831	\$3,366,281
Oper. exps., incl. taxes	204,925	179,878	2,296,711	2,194,079
Rent for leased property	16,928	16,825	202,460	201,157
Balance	\$69,707	\$57,677	\$953,660	\$971,045
Other income	Dr243	64	Dr1,687	2,639
Gross corp. income	\$69,464	\$57,741	\$951,973	\$973,584
Int. & other deducns	51,630	53,033	633,302	648,409
Balance	y\$17,834	y\$4,708	\$318,671	\$325,175
Property retirement reserve appropriations	—	—	260,000	260,000
Dividends applicable to preferred stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid	—	—	334,159	334,149
Deficit	—	—	\$275,488	\$268,974

y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.
 z Dividends accumulated and unpaid to Sept. 30 1934 amounted to \$266,927. Latest dividend on 7% pref. stock was 88 cents a share paid Jan. 3 1933. Latest dividend on 6% preferred stock was \$1.50 a share paid Oct. 1 1932. Dividends on these stocks are cumulative.—V. 139, p. 2057.

Northern Pacific Ry.—Earnings—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$5,152,288	\$5,100,885	\$5,075,457	\$5,791,388
Net from railway	—	1,798,858	1,591,854	1,691,311
Net after rents	1,179,287	1,535,350	1,196,890	1,265,856
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	38,196,589	34,833,327	34,980,386	47,646,803
Net from railway	—	5,435,941	5,435,941	3,252,090
Net after rents	5,364,519	3,007,991	def2,416	3,773,600

—V. 139, p. 2057.

Northern Pennsylvania Power Co.—Reduces Rates—
 The Pennsylvania P. S. Commission announced Oct. 15 that the company has filed new electric rates to become effective Nov. 15, making reductions of approximately \$100,000 a year.—V. 139, p. 1412.

Northeastern Public Service Co.—Conversion of Scrip—
 The holders of participation scrip certificates representing an interest in Northeastern Public Service Co. prior preferred stock or preferred stock are advised by the bondholders' protective committee under date of Oct. 16 as follows:
 There are now outstanding various participation scrip certificates or fractional shares in prior preferred stock and preferred stock of Northeastern Public Service Co. As a result of the reorganization of Northeastern Public Service Co. the prior preferred stock and preferred stock held against such participation scrip certificates is no longer of any value but certain amounts have been collected on account of dividends which had been paid on such stock and receive by the depositor thereof. Arrangements have now been made whereby the holders of said participation scrip certificates, upon surrender of said participation scrip certificates to City Bank Farmers Trust Co., 22 William St., N. Y. City, for cancellation, will receive therefor the same proportion of \$2.75 per whole share of prior preferred stock and 37 1/2 cents per whole share of preferred stock that the fractions of a share represented by said participation scrip certificates bear to a whole share. If said scrip certificates are not surrendered prior to Dec. 31 1935 they will be void.
 Holders of participation scrip certificates therefore should surrender same immediately to City Bank Farmers Trust Co. in order to obtain the money distributable on account thereof.—V. 139, p. 2526.

Ohio Bell Telephone Co.—Wins Writ—
 The Ohio Supreme Court on Oct. 24 decided to allow a writ of prohibition restraining the Cuyahoga County (Ohio) common pleas court from proceeding in naming a receiver for the company. The court held that the Ohio Utilities Commission has sole power to enforce compliance with the commission order to refund \$12,000,000 to subscribers. The court also held that depositors in financial institutions operated by conservators cannot start proceedings to collect double liability from stockholders, and upheld the State banking department's position that it alone could institute such action.—V. 139, p. 2526.

Ohio Edison Co.—Earnings—
 [A Subsidiary of Commonwealth & Southern Corp.]

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—	1933—	1934—12 Mos.—	1933—
Gross earnings	\$1,175,475	\$1,161,852	\$15,036,808	\$14,501,602
Oper. exps., incl. maintenance and taxes	560,803	528,535	6,787,894	5,915,510
Fixed charges	324,198	324,930	3,876,933	3,899,575
Provision for retirement reserve	100,000	100,000	1,200,000	1,200,000
Divs. on pref. stock	155,573	155,595	1,866,859	1,866,849
Balance	\$34,899	\$53,351	\$1,305,121	\$1,619,666

Note—The effect of settlement in Aug. 1934 of rate case involving refunds retroactive to May 1 1933, has been included for all periods in the above statement.—V. 139, p. 2058.

Owens-Illinois Glass Co.—Increases Common Dividend—
 The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of \$1 per share on the common stock, par \$25, payable Nov. 15 to holders of record Oct. 30. This compares with 75 cents per share paid each quarter from Feb. 15 1934 up to and including Aug. 15 last and 50 cents per share paid quarterly from May 15 1931 up to and including Nov. 15 1933. In addition an extra disbursement of 25 cents per share was made on Nov. 15 and Aug. 15 1933.

Consolidated Income Account 12 Months Ended Sept. 30.

	1934	1933	1932
Gross manufacturing profit	\$11,611,390	\$9,940,783	\$6,143,730
Depreciation of manufacturing plants	1,992,686	2,065,628	1,900,653
Operating profit	\$9,618,704	\$7,875,155	\$4,243,078
Royalties from own factories, licensed and other companies	2,400,057	2,083,693	1,737,056
Other income (net)	707,696	521,528	721,419
Gross income	\$12,726,457	\$10,480,376	\$6,701,553
Sell., admin., patent & royalty exps., development and general expenses	4,473,942	3,594,223	3,498,076
Interest on bonds and debentures	—	—	282,886
Prem. on bonds & debts, pur. & retired	—	—	153,405
Discounts on sales & prov. for bad dts.	686,860	558,906	408,830
Provision for management bonus	220,220	—	—
Incr. or decr. in reserve for fluctuation in market value of securities	—	—	159,709
Increase in reserve for loss on deposits in closed banks	98,668	120,000	90,000
Losses on sale or other disposal of securities and other assets and sundry expenses	—	138,884	58,425
Provision for Fed. taxes (estimated)	1,022,406	760,075	256,700
Net income	\$6,085,476	\$4,952,456	\$2,030,573
Dividends paid on preferred shares	—	324,000	480,000
Net available for common shares	\$6,085,476	\$4,628,456	\$1,550,573
Common shares outstanding	1,200,000	1,200,000	922,173
Earnings per share	\$5.07	\$3.86	\$1.68

—V. 139, p. 453.

Otis Elevator Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

9 Months Ended Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932
Gross operating income	\$3,693,727	\$3,004,828	\$5,818,675
Expenses	4,175,809	4,372,564	5,339,718
Depreciation	552,297	539,760	544,785
Net operating loss	\$1,034,379	\$1,907,496	\$65,828
Income from interest, discount, &c.	265,070	261,124	302,503
Divs. & distrib. from foreign subs., unconsol. at deprec. exchange value	575,278	388,479	688,091
Net loss	\$194,031	\$1,257,893	pf\$924,766
Earn. per sh. on 2,000,000 com. shs.	Nil	Nil	\$0.31

For the quarter ended Sept. 30 1934, net profit was \$101,193 after taxes and charges, equal after dividend requirements on the 6% preferred stock, to less than one cent a share on 2,000,000 no-par shares of common stock. This compares with net loss of \$230,157 in the September quarter of 1933. —V. 139, p. 1035.

Pacific American Fire Insurance Co.—\$3 Liquidating Dividend—
The directors have declared a liquidating dividend of \$3 per share on the capital stock, par \$10, payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 11. A liquidating dividend of \$1.50 per share was distributed on May 1 last. —V. 138, p. 2759.

Pacific Coast Aggregates, Inc.—Reorganization Plan—
Complete revision of its funded debt and capital structure is proposed in a plan of reorganization which the company has filed with the California State Corporation Commission.

The plan provides that the holders of the existing \$3,927,000 1st mtge. 6½% bonds, \$1,389,000 7% debts., 159,426 shares of conv. pref. stock and 219,500 shares of existing common stock are to exchange their securities for 554,587 shares of new common stock (par \$10). Under the plan, the holders of the first mortgage bonds will receive 85% of the new common stock or 120 shares for each \$1,000 bond; deb. holders will receive 8½% of the new common or 34 shares for each \$1,000 deb.; pref. stockholders will receive 4% of the new common, or 14 shares for each share of existing pref. stock; any existing common stockholders will receive 1% of the new common, or .025 share for each share of existing common stock.

In cancellation of a note indebtedness of \$107,978, the Natomas Co. will receive 8,316 shares of the new common stock, or, 1½% of the total shares to be issued.

It is contemplated that the plan will be made effective by proceedings in the U. S. District Court under Section 77-B of the National Bankruptcy Act and, accordingly, security holders will be requested to forward to the company their written approval of the plan and the Court proceedings.

Approximately 86% of the company's first mortgage bonds and 84% of its debts. are now on deposit under a three-year adjustment program whereby interest and sinking fund charges have been payable only out of net earnings available for that purpose. The earnings of the company have not been sufficient to make any disbursements to either classes of security holders, except one-half of the interest which was due on Jan. 1, 1932, on the first mortgage bonds and which has been paid to the holders of such bonds.

The agreement under which the bonds and debts. are now held expires on Jan. 1, 1935, at which time the company will have an accumulated deficit on account of first mortgage bond interest and sinking fund requirements aggregating \$1,324,960 and in addition a deficit on account of deb. interest and sinking fund aggregating \$769,709. No dividends have been paid on the conv. pref. stock and dividends have accumulated thereon to the extent of \$1,115,163 as of July 1, 1934.

According to Chas. M. Cadman, President, it is obviously impossible under present conditions to refinance the company by the issuance or sale of new securities and the company therefore faces the danger of foreclosure or receivership proceedings, with the possibility of disintegration of the company's property and business and the loss of its going concern value. The essential value of the company on a going concern basis can be maintained, in the opinion of the directors, only by a complete recapitalization which this plan contemplates.

The plan which has been filed with the Corporation Commission states that the committee organized to represent the interests of the company's first mortgage bonds, of which Livingston B. Keplinger is Chairman; the deb. holders committee, of which Philip C. Salterbach is Chairman; the committee for the conv. pref. stock; and the voting trustees for the present common stock have unanimously approved the plan and will urge its acceptance by all classes of security holders.

W. L. Temple has been appointed by the company to assist in presenting the plan, and for the convenience of security holders offices will be maintained at Room 401, 485 California St., San Francisco and at Room 620, 634 South Spring St., Los Angeles, Calif.

The plan contains the following schedule showing the decline in gross revenues and net earnings since 1930:

Year—	Gross Revenue	Net Earnings
1930	\$3,188,688	\$494,677
1931	1,749,402	202,798
1932	605,414	14,845
1933	1,113,575	4,765
1934 (6 months)	516,031	72,796

* Before bond and deb. interest, depreciation, depletion, amortization of bond and deb. discount and expense, and adjustments in connection with the sale and retirement of certain capital assets.—V. 134, p. 3470.

Pacific Lighting Corp.—Acquisition—

The corporation as of June 30 last purchased the assets and assumed the liabilities of Southern California Gas Corp. The Pacific Lighting Corp. owned over 99% of the common stock and over 94% of the preferred stock of the Southern California Gas Corp., which in turn owned over 95% of the common stock of Southern California Gas Co. Pacific Lighting Corp. now owns over 99% of the common stock of Southern California Gas Co.

12 Mos. End. Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross revenue	\$43,336,429	\$45,051,947	\$47,049,528	\$47,331,558
Operating expenses	18,935,313	19,076,834	19,217,259	20,198,659
Taxes	5,784,053	5,505,222	5,784,354	4,953,094
Bond interest	5,071,518	5,338,831	5,468,621	5,652,605
Other interest	31,496			
Depreciation	6,741,762	7,134,954	7,234,998	6,782,480
Amortization	281,328	277,679	278,541	342,263
Pref. divs. sub. cos.	1,545,623	1,690,815	1,862,839	1,954,994
Minority interest	572	242	361	665
Int. charged to construc.	Cr\$4,055			

Net income	\$4,998,819	\$6,027,370	\$7,202,554	\$7,446,798
Preferred dividends	1,178,460	1,059,630	903,293	840,725
Common dividends	4,825,893	4,825,893	4,825,893	4,825,893

Surplus	def\$1,005,534	\$141,846	\$1,473,368	\$1,780,179
Earns. per sh. on avge. com. outstanding	\$2.37	\$3.09	\$3.92	\$4.11

Balance Sheet as of Sept. 30

Assets—	1934	1933	Liabilities	1934	1933
Prop., plant and franchise	230,594,062	234,954,861	Preferred stock	19,666,500	19,666,500
Invest. in secur.	7,973,534	9,945,704	Pref. stk. of subs.	25,271,725	25,981,375
Current assets	9,709,798	9,823,902	x Common stock	29,937,924	29,937,924
Sinking fund	698,719	698,719	Min. int. in subs.	1,559	6,015
Deferred charges	6,785,628	7,632,237	Deferred deb.	96,450,000	102,102,000
			Dep. & adv. for construction	2,518,152	3,104,018
			Current liab'ls.	7,858,884	7,946,666
			Deprec. reserve	62,495,518	59,710,271
			Other reserves	2,248,263	2,829,563
			P. & L. surplus	8,614,497	11,771,092
Total	255,063,021	263,055,422	Total	255,063,021	263,055,422

x Represented by 1,608,631 no par shares.—V. 139, p. 607.

Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co.—Rates Cut—

A reduction of 8 to 10% in rates for local exchange service in Oregon was ordered Oct. 11 by Charles M. Thomas, Oregon Public Utilities Commissioner. Under the provisions of the order, Commissioner Thomas—

1. Reduced by \$360,000 a year the amount collected from Oregon telephone ratepayers.

2. Slashed the claimed valuation for rate-making purposes on the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. local exchange properties in Oregon from \$24,208,789.94 to \$15,900,000.

3. Refused to permit further payment of the \$95,644 annual fee to the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. for service charges and ruled that the holding company must present an itemized statement of the services rendered based on their actual cost.

4. Increased the reported operating income from \$542,110 to \$1,116,719 by adjusting eliminating the "holding company fee, excessive depreciation charges, excessive charges to repairs and excessive administrative overheads," and ordering compensation to the various exchanges for the handling of toll business.

5. Characterized as "neither just nor equitable" that Portland (Ore.) ratepayers should make up the operating deficit that has obtained in up-State communities for some years.

6. Set forth that the West Coast Telephone Co., operating in like territory with comparable exchanges and number of stations in Oregon, is giving good service and is making a profit, including depreciation, of approximately \$150,766, while the Pacific company, corresponding operation shows a loss of \$80,216.

7. Charged the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. with defiance of the Commissioner's orders regarding the keeping of books and payments to the holding company.

Reductions in toll charges to virtually all classes of telephone users are reflected in the new rate schedule which accompanied the order. The cut in the charge to residential users will be in most cases 25 cents per telephone in the City of Portland, while the reduction on business telephones will be from 50 to 75 cents.—V. 139, p. 2527.

Pacific Power & Light Co.—Earnings—

[American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month	1933	1934—12 Mos.—1933
Operating revenues	\$380,968	\$318,587	\$3,946,401
Oper. exps., incl. taxes	208,821	178,179	2,330,060
Net revs. from oper.	\$172,147	\$140,408	\$1,616,341
Rent from leased property (net)	14,828	14,725	177,260
Other income	35,220	25,008	316,906
Gross corp. income	\$222,195	\$180,141	\$2,110,507
Int. & other deductions	106,002	109,122	1,285,923
Balance	y\$116,193	y\$71,019	\$824,584
Property retirement reserve appropriations			600,000
z Dividends applicable to preferred stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid			458,478
Deficit			\$233,894

y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.
z Dividends accumulated and unpaid to Sept. 30 1934 amounted to \$649,511. Latest dividends, amounting to 87 cents a share on 7% pref. stock and 75 cents a share on \$6 pref. stock, were paid on Aug. 1 1933. Dividends on these stocks are cumulative.—V. 139, p. 2527.

Pacific Western Oil Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

9 Months Ended Sept. 30—	1934	1933
Gross income from all operations	\$3,259,691	\$3,022,199
Oil and gas royalties	531,791	483,162

Balance	\$2,727,900	\$2,539,037
Expenses	629,102	599,604
Provisions for abandonments	71,701	165,681
Depletion & least amortization	324,715	378,943
Depreciation &c.	492,487	792,802
Amortization of drill & operation contracts	65,704	128,037
Insurance	20,181	12,880
Taxes	123,423	119,111
Interest	516,628	516,742

Net profit 1,000,000 shs. cap. stk. (no par) \$ 483,959 loss \$174,663

Earns. per sh. on 1,000,000 shs. cap. stk. (no par) \$0.48 Nil
For the quarter ended Sept. 30 1934, net profit was \$197,687 after charges and taxes, equal to 19 cents a share, comparing with a net loss of \$1,923 in the September quarter of 1933.—V. 139, p. 1096.

Package Machinery Co.—Balance Sheet Dec. 31—

Assets—	1933	1932	Liabilities—	1933	1932
Cash	\$56,163	\$100,622	Accounts payable	\$16,471	\$44,128
Bonds (market)	18,100	51,413	(trade)	150,000	150,000
Accounts and notes receivable	335,103	320,616	Notes payable	3,768	2,659
Materials finished parts (work in process)	409,292	427,877	Accrued expenses	15,510	5,000
Interest receivable	981		Adv. paym. (cust.)	10,933	
Royalties	7,075	6,740	Branch office exps.	2,119	
Prepaid expenses	3,981	12,455	Customers' credit balance	1,900	
Investments	112,450	108,850	Reserve liabilities	15,475	11,691
Treasury stock (at par)	88,050	87,950	7% cum. pref. stock	334,600	334,600
x Plant and equipment	426,823	440,984	Common stock	1,823,300	1,823,300
y Pats., pats. pending and good-will	997,888	1,011,534	Surplus	63,499	188,083
			Sink. fund reserve	18,301	9,279
Total	\$2,455,907	\$2,569,041	Total	\$2,455,907	\$2,569,041

x After depreciation of \$330,516 in 1933 and \$355,030 in 1932. y After depreciation of \$72,663 in 1933 and \$18,754 in 1932.—V. 137, p. 2285.

Packard Motor Car Co.—Expansion Program—

About \$6,500,000 is to be spent immediately by the company in reorganization and development of plant facilities in preparation for materially increased operations in 1935, according to official announcement made Oct. 19.

While including development work on the recently introduced Twelfth Series Packard cars, which embody extensive changes, the major portion of these expenditures is in connection with the new line of lower-priced cars to be brought out in the near future.

By the end of the year \$3,500,000 will have been spent for tooling on both cars, \$1,200,000 for engineering, \$1,000,000 for machinery and equipment and \$500,000 for plant rearrangement.

Provision has been made for charging against operations all costs which are not properly capital expenditures. All told, operations this year will be called upon to absorb around \$5,000,000 of the total expenses in connection with the development program.

These extraordinary charges will be reflected in the report for the quarter ended Sept. 30 1934, which is expected to show a net loss of around \$2,400,000, comparing with a net profit of \$622,786 after taxes, depreciation, &c., equivalent to 4 cents a share on 15,000,000 no-par shares of capital stock, in the September quarter of 1933. Indicated net loss for the first nine months of 1934 is \$5,368,000, comparing with a net loss of \$487,084 in the first nine months of 1933.

Cash and marketable securities on Sept. 30 1934 totaled \$13,000,000, compared with \$15,114,017 a year earlier.

Steady progress is being made in the manufacturing program laid out for the Twelfth Series car, brought out early in September. Because of extensive changes made in the new models, it was impossible to get into production on all body types from the start. With only five-passenger sedans available during the first month, orders mounted rapidly and the company is now booked ahead for more than two months' production.—V. 139, p. 1561.

Paraffine Companies, Inc.—Earnings—

3 Months Ended Sept. 30—	1934	1933	1932
Net profit after depreciation, depletion and Federal taxes	\$370,663	\$581,954	\$115,714
Shares of capital stock, no par	476,007	476,031	476,031
Earnings per share	\$0.78	\$1.22	\$0.24

—V. 139, p. 1877.

Park Place-Dodge Corp.—Earnings—
Years Ended Aug. 31—
Income—
Operating expenses, incl. provision for doubtful accounts—
Real estate taxes—
Interest on first mortgage—
Interest on gen. mtg. bonds 1/4% paid May 1 1933—
Net loss for year—
Amount applicable to interest income reserve—
Net to surplus—

Condensed Balance Sheet Aug. 31
Assets—
Land, bldg. and equipment—
Cash—
Due from tenants (net)—
N. Y. City 4 3/4% revenue bills and accrued interest—
Deferred charges—
Total—
Liabilities—
1st mtg. 6s, 1937—
General mtg. bds.—
Accrued int. on 1st mortgage—
Accrued real estate taxes—
Accrued expenses—
Prepaid rent and tenant depos.—
Income int. reserve—
Capital stock (9-202 shs. no par)—
Deficit—
Total—

Peninsular Telephone Co.—Tenders—
The Irving Trust Co., corporate trustee, 1 Wall St., N. Y. City, will until 12 noon, Nov. 9 receive bids for the sale to it of first mtg. gold bonds 5 1/2% series, due 1951 sufficient to exhaust the sum of \$31,598 at prices not exceeding 102.—V. 138, p. 2760.

Pennsylvania Coal & Coke Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings
3 Mos. End. Sept. 30—
Gross earnings—
Oper. exp. & taxes (not incl. Federal tax)—
Operating income—
Miscellaneous income—
Gross income—
Charges to income—
Net def. bef. Fed. tax—

Pennsylvania Co.—Tenders—
The Girard Trust Co., trustee, Philadelphia, Pa., will until 12 m. on Oct. 31 receive bids for the sale to it of 40-year guaranteed gold trust certificates, series E, due 1952, to an amount sufficient to exhaust \$100,000 at a price not exceeding par and interest.—V. 138, p. 3614.

Pennsylvania Power & Light Co.—Earnings—
[Lehigh Power Securities Corp. Subsidiary]
Period End. Sept. 30—
Operating revenues—
Oper. exps., incl. taxes—
Rent for leased property—
Balance—
Other income—
Gross corp. income—
Int. & other deductions—
Balance—
Prop. retirement reserve appropriations—
z Divs. applic. to pref. stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid—
Balance—
y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.
z Regular dividends on all classes of pref. stock were paid on July 2 1934.
After the payment of these dividends there were no accumulated unpaid dividends at that date. Regular dividends on these stocks were declared for payment on Oct. 1 1934.—V. 139, p. 2214.

Pfister & Vogel Leather Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—
Income Account Year Ended Dec. 31 1933
Loss from liquidation of inventories and rental of plants, before charging depreciation and interest and discount and before crediting miscellaneous income—
Provision for depreciation—
Interest and discount (net)—
Total loss—
Income from sale of good-will—
Income from investments (net)—
Other income and profits—
Net loss—

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1933
Assets—
Cash in banks and on hand—
City of Milwaukee orders (at par)—
Demand loan—
Accounts & notes receivable—
Inventory—
Investments—
Land contract receivable—
Maint. mat'ls & sundry suppl.—
Properties—
Unexpired insurance, prepaid expenses, &c.—
Total—
Liabilities—
Note payable—
Accts. pay., acrd' wages, &c.—
Real est. & pers. prop. taxes—
Deferred rent income—
Res. for sundry uninv. risks—
7% cum. preferred stock—
Common stock—
Capital surplus—
Total—

a After reserve for discounts and bad debts of \$12,979. b After depreciation reserve of \$3,185,488. c Represented by 80,000 (no par) shares at a stated value of \$10 per share.—V. 136, p. 338.

Phillips Petroleum Co.—25-cent Dividend—
The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on common stock, no par value, payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 2. A similar distribution was made on Sept. 1, May 14 and Feb. 15 last, this latter payment marking the resumption of dividends on this issue. (See also V. 138, p. 161.)
Earnings for Period Ended Sept. 30
Gross—
Expenses—Costs of product sold oper. expense, taxes & interest—
Profit—
Deprec., depl., &c.—
Net profit—
Shs. com. stk. outstand.—
Earnings per share—
Frank Phillips, President, says:
There has been a substantial increase in business both in volume and dollars for the nine months' period resulting in a gross income of \$57,965,611. The increase in expenses is due to the greater volume of sales and higher

labor and material costs occasioned by the National Recovery Administration and Petroleum Code. The net operating profit for the same period after all expenses, but before reserves, was \$16,381,204.
The reduction in reserves is due principally to the curtailment in our crude oil production occasioned by our co-operation in the proration program. After all charges and reserves there was a net profit of \$4,208,706.
Your management is undertaking to co-operate in business recovery. There have been flagrant violations of the oil code by many within the industry. A lack of control of illegally produced oil together with other practices have caused a very unsettled and most unsatisfactory price structure, which is particularly true at this writing.
Company earned after all charges and reserves \$1.01 per share and paid 75c. per share dividends for the nine months' period. The directors have declared a dividend of 25c. per share payable Dec. 1 1934 to holders of record at the close of business Nov. 2 1934.—V. 139, p. 610.

Pitney-Bowes Postage Meter Co.—Notes Called—
All of the outstanding 10-year 6% secured sinking fund gold notes due Dec. 1 1937, have been called for redemption Dec. 1 next, at 100 and interest. Payment will be made at the corporate trust department of the Chase National Bank, successor trustee, 11 Broad Street, New York.—V. 139, p. 939.

Pond Creek Pocahontas Co.—Earnings—
3 Months Ended—
Net income—
Earnings per share on 126,404 shares common stock (no par)—

Portland Gas & Coke Co.—Earnings—
[American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]
Period End. Sept. 30—
Operating revenues—
Oper. exps. incl. taxes—
Net revs. from oper.—
Other income—
Gross corp. income—
Interest and other deduc.—
Balance—
Property retirement reserve appropriations—
x Dividends applicable to pref. stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid—
Deficit—
x Dividends accumulated and unpaid to Sept. 30 1934, amounted to \$448,361. Latest dividends, amounting to 87 cents a share on 7% pref. stock and 75 cents a share on 6% pref. stock, were paid on Feb. 1 1934. Dividends on these stocks are cumulative. y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.—V. 139, p. 2059.

Portland General Electric Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—
9 Months Ended Sept. 30—
Gross revenue—
Balance after taxes—
x Net income—
x After charges and depreciation.—V. 139, p. 2528.

Procter & Gamble Co.—Earnings—
3 Months Ended Sept. 30—
Net profit after interest, depreciation, Fed. taxes, &c.—
Shares common stock outstanding (no par)—
Earnings per share—

Producers Royalty Co.—Common Dividend Declared
The directors have declared a dividend of 2 1/2 cents per share on the common stock, par \$1, payable Dec. 31 to holders of record Dec. 20.—V. 128, p. 3088.

Public Service Co. of Oklahoma—Earnings—
8 Months Ended Aug. 31—
Gross earnings—
Operating expenses and taxes:
Operation—
Maintenance—
Provision for retirement—
Taxes—
Net earnings from operation—
Other income (net)—
Net earnings available for interest—
Interest and amortization charges—
Net income before dividends—
Prior lien stock dividends—
Balance—

Prudence Co., Inc.—Distributions to Certificate Holders—
Sixth Avenue & 55th Street Corp.—Joseph A. Broderick, State Superintendent of Banks of New York, is making a disbursement of interest due Oct. 1 1934 on Prudence 5 1/2% 1st mtg. certificates participating in mortgage covering premises 100 West 55th St., New York, and known as 6th Avenue & 55th Street Corp. issue. The payment is for full amount due and at the rate of \$27.50 per \$1,000 face amount of certificate. This amounts to a disbursement of \$4,950. The principal amount of certificates outstanding is \$360,000. Brooklyn Trust Co. is depository for this issue. Judge Cotillo in the N. Y. Supreme Court authorized the Superintendent to pay out these funds as liquidator and rehabilitator of the Prudence Co., Inc.
Prudence-Bonds 15th Series—The Prudence Co., Inc., is making a disbursement of interest on Prudence-Bonds 15th Series, applicable to coupons due May 1 1933. The payment is at the rate of \$4 per \$1,000 5 1/2% bond and \$6.50 per \$1,000 6% bond. This amounts to a total disbursement of \$22,605 of which \$12,198 is on the 5 1/2% bonds and \$10,406 on the 6% bonds. The total amount of bonds outstanding is \$4,650,700, of which \$3,049,700 is at 5 1/2% and \$1,601,000 at 6%. The Chemical Bank & Trust Co. is trustee for this series. The order permitting the Superintendent to make this disbursement was signed by Judge Cotillo in the N. Y. Supreme Court.

Action Against Former Directors for Misappropriation of Funds—
James T. Heenehan, Attorney for Superintendent of Banks Broderick of New York, cited a Court of Appeals decision in the Bank of United States case in submitting a reply Oct. 24 in the \$2,450,000 action against Prudence Co., Inc., and its former directors as individuals. The memorandum was submitted to Judge Rosenman in Special Term Part II, N. Y. Supreme Court. The contention of Mr. Heenehan is that for all practical purposes the Superintendent of Banks has the exclusive right to bring action to recover once the Superintendent has assumed possession and control.
Suit was instituted Sept. 24, 1934 by Julia Regan, Leopold Helfant and Bertha Stein suing on behalf of themselves and others similarly situated, on the grounds of misappropriation, waste and diversion of \$2,450,000 paid as dividends by Prudence Co., Inc., from 1928 to 1932. The complaint was filed by Attorneys Pollock and Emerov and it named Prudence Co., Inc., Frank Bailey, Crowell Hadden, William M. Greve, Joseph P. Day, Edward C. Delafield, Louis J. Horowitz, Clifford S. Kelsey, William H. English, Leo S. Bing, Jackson A. Dykman, William Guthman, Nathan S. Jonas, Ralph E. Jonas, Arthur H. Waterman, H. A. Mark, William H. Wheelock, Moritz Rosenthal and Charles B. Stuart.
The Superintendent of Banks having taken possession of Prudence Co., Inc., on Sept. 29 1934, Mr. Heenehan moved on Oct. 10 1934 that the creditors' action against the officers and directors of Prudence Co., Inc., should be dismissed on the grounds that the plaintiffs had no legal capacity to sue. It was admitted that previous to the action of the Superintendent in taking over Prudence Co., Inc., the plaintiffs had had such right, but

hat the assumption of possession and control by the Superintendent, pursuant to Section 57 of Banking Law, created a supervening incapacity and gave to the Superintendent, as liquidator and rehabilitator, the paramount right to maintain the present action or any other action within the scope of Section 81 of the Banking Law.

It was here that the rule on Isaac vs. Marcus in the Bank of United States case was brought in to show that the right to sue is paramount in the Superintendent of Banks regardless of whether action is brought by a stockholder before or after the Superintendent has taken possession of the company. The Court of Appeals had held that "either the Superintendent of a stockholder must have a paramount right and the implication in the statute is clearly that it is the Superintendent that has such right."—V. 139, p. 2528.

—Quebec Extension Ry.—RFC Loan of \$3,000,000 Approved—The Interstate Commerce Commission on Oct. 19 approved the company's application for a loan of \$3,000,000 from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. The report of the Commission says in part:

The company on April 3 1934 filed an application, and on Sept. 14 a supplemental application, to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for a loan under the provisions of Section 5 of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act, approved Jan. 22 1932, as amended.

The Application

A loan of \$3,000,000 is requested for a term not exceeding three years for the purpose of completing the construction of a proposed new line of railroad and for the purchase of equipment. The railroad will lie wholly within Aroostook County, Me., and extend from Washburn to Lac Frontier, at the international boundary line, a distance of 112 miles. The company was organized on June 4 1924 in Maine, with authorized capital stock of \$4,000,000 (\$100 par), none of which has been issued. It is proposed to construct, initially, 92 miles of the proposed line, the eastern terminus to be at Portage, Me., where a connection would be made with a branch of the Bangor & Aroostook RR. When the business warrants, it is proposed to extend the line 20 miles further eastward to Washburn, where a second connection would be made with another branch of the Bangor & Aroostook RR. At the western terminus, Lac Frontier, a connection would be had with the Quebec Central Ry., a part of the Canadian Pacific Ry. lines. The estimated cost of the 92 miles of railroad, construction of which it is proposed will be immediately undertaken, is \$4,168,030, including the purchase of equipment. The applicant states that it will provide \$1,168,030 of this amount and, additionally, has already expended in excess of \$197,000, largely upon construction of the line east of Portage. The estimated cost of the entire 112 miles, eventually to be constructed, is \$4,728,235.

By our last supplemental order, issued Dec. 29 1932, we extended to Dec. 31 1934, the time within which the construction should be completed.

Surveys have been made, right-of-way obtained or promised, and grading of five miles of the road completed. The applicant states that political conditions causing the withdrawal of certain right-of-way grants necessitated the cessation in 1926 of further construction work. These grants were restored in 1929, but subsequent efforts to finance the project have failed. The applicant states that in October 1929 it appeared that the necessary financing would be consummated with certain investment houses of New York and Boston, but owing to the sudden change at that time in the financial market, the negotiations could not be completed and that since that time persistent efforts to finance the project have been made without success.

The applicant requests that \$500,000 of the loan be advanced within 90 days after commencement of construction and \$150,000 per month thereafter, payments to be made on certificates of work completed.

Proposed Operations

In our report (May 11 1925) we fully discussed the public convenience and necessity requiring the construction of the proposed railroad and described its prospective traffic and the nature and resources of the territory to be served. The general conditions as stated in that report are represented by the applicant to exist at the present time, and the economic justification for the new line of railroad to be even more pronounced. The applicant's chief source of revenue will be the carriage of pulpwood, mostly spruce and some balsam, to the paper mills located in Maine, New York and other parts of New England. About 1,000,000 acres of pulpwood lands would be immediately served by the railroad and 1,500,000 or more additional acres would be ultimately made tributary by the construction of feeder branches. No more than the annual growth of pulpwood lumber would be cut each year in order that the stands may be self-perpetuating. The applicant estimates that 1,800 to 2,500 men will be employed in the lumber operations.

A major part of the pulp and pulpwood supply for the paper mills in the United States now comes from Canada, with some imports from Norway, Sweden, Finland and Germany. The applicant represents that the large source of supply in Maine, which its railroad will make available, compares favorably with any of the existing sources and that an immediate market will be available for all of the pulpwood that can be cut along its line. The representatives of the applicant have approached five of the largest pulpwood operators in Maine and have agreed with them to form a lumber company, to be known as the "Aroostook Pulpwood, Tie & Lumber Co.," to be organized in Maine, with a paid-in capital of not less than \$500,000 in cash and equipment. The certificate of incorporation of this company has been prepared for filing and the by-laws are ready for adoption. The lumber company would not own the timberland, but would contract for an initial term of eight or ten years for pulpwood stumpage in an annual amount of approximately 200,000 cords, amounting to 12,500 car loads, which would be shipped over the applicant's railroad. The lumber company proposes to pay for its stumpage one-half in cash and one-half in stock of the applicant, which will be purchased for cash from the applicant by the lumber company. The lumber company is confident of contracting with the International Paper Co. and other mills for the sale of its pulpwood at prices to be determined, upon a varying scale depending upon the price of paper. The present price of pulpwood is \$16 per cord, and evidence appears in the record herein that the price trend for pulpwood and newsprint is upward. It is estimated that the profit accruing to the lumber company from its operations will be not less than 75 cents per cord.

The applicant professes its willingness to first procure signed contracts of the lumber company both for stumpage and for the sale of its products as a condition to the obtaining of the loan applied for therein, and will also agree to procure the endorsement by that company of any note or notes evidencing the loan, guaranteeing the payment of both principal and interest, and to procure the assignment to the Finance Corporation by the lumber company of its equity in any and all its contracts for the sale of its products. It will also procure the agreement of the lumber company to set aside and maintain out of its earnings an amount necessary to meet the interest charge upon the loan. The lumber company at present is non-existent and the record does not show what, after incorporation, its assets will be, other than the aforesaid contracts.

The applicant has furnished a statement, by accounts, of the estimated cost of construction of its railroad, and also an estimate of its revenues and expenses for the third year of its operation, presumed to be normal. The estimate of revenues indicates that, while the greatest proportion of revenues will come from the carriage of pulpwood, it is expected that considerable additional revenue will be obtained from hardwood for general construction purposes, cedar poles, ties, posts, lumber, shingles, petroleum products, provisions for lumber camps, and some general merchandise. The total freight revenues are estimated at about \$777,000, with passenger revenues of approximately \$92,000. Operating expenses estimated at \$477,000 would leave an estimated net operating revenue of about \$392,000. The operating ratio indicated is approximately 55%. While its estimate of revenues for the third year of operation, the applicant believes that the earnings for the first year will be only about 10% less.

The applicant's line will be electrically operated and of standard gage construction, built in accordance with American Railway Engineering Association specifications for steam railroad branch line construction. Its route has been finally selected and formal approval received from the Board of Railroad Commissioners of Maine. Most of its equipment will be obtained from connecting carriers, the estimated construction cost providing for only 10 box cars and five cabooses. Four motor coaches and three second-hand rebuilt combination coaches will provide for passenger needs and nine 80-ton electric freight locomotives for freight traffic.

Security

As security for the loan the applicant offers a first lien upon all of its real property, rights, franchises and personal property of every description. The notes evidencing the loan would be endorsed, as stated above, by the lumber company. The applicant will also agree, during the term of the

loan, to provide a sinking fund out of its net income to be applied towards the retirement of the principal of the loan.

Under the provisions of the Emergency Railroad Transportation Act, 1933, we may not approve an application for a loan under the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act, as amended, if we are of the opinion that the carrier is in need of financial reorganization in the public interest. The applicant has issued no securities and any issue in the future will be subject to our authorization under Section 20-A of the Interstate Commerce Act. The applicant, therefore, is not in need of financial reorganization in the public interest.

Conclusions

We conclude:

That we should approve a loan of not to exceed \$3,000,000 for a term not exceeding three years from the dates of the advances thereon, to the applicant by the Finance Corporation, for the purposes hereinabove specified, subject, however, to the following conditions:

1. That the applicant pledge with the Finance Corporation as security for the loan \$3,000,000, principal amount, of its bonds to be issued under a first mortgage covering all the properties, including equipment, now owned or hereafter acquired by it, which mortgage shall be in form satisfactory to the Finance Corporation;

2. That the applicant agree with the Finance Corporation that during the life of the loan the applicant will not permit the creation of any lien upon the property of the applicant equal or superior to the lien of the aforesaid bonds, nor issue any additional bonds under the aforesaid mortgage without the written consent of the Finance Corporation;

3. That the loan be further secured, as to payment of both principal and interest, by the unrestricted indorsement and guaranty by the lumber company of the note or notes evidencing the loan; said indorsement and guaranty to be secured by a written assignment to the Finance Corporation by the lumber company of all the right, title and interest remaining to it at any time during the term of the loan in any and all of its contracts for the sale of pulpwood, over and above any lien or liens which may, during such term, attach to said contracts as security for any moneys borrowed by the lumber company from sources other than the Finance Corporation; said indorsement and guaranty to be further secured by an agreement in writing of the lumber company with the Finance Corporation to set apart and maintain, during the term of the loan, out of its net earnings, as soon as sufficient and determined, an amount equal to the interest charges for one year upon the loan to the applicant from time to time outstanding, or, if the net earnings are not sufficient to pay all of such interest charges, then to set apart and maintain a fund of such amount as is available;

4. That, before any advance be made upon the loan, the applicant cause to be deposited with the Finance Corporation verified copies of executed contracts entered into by the lumber company providing for the sale and delivery by it of not less than 125,000 cords of pulpwood annually for a term of not less than eight years; together with verified copies of executed stumpage contracts providing for the supply to the lumber company of such pulpwood;

5. That the applicant agree in writing with the Finance Corporation to set aside annually out of net income, after the determination thereof, a sinking fund for the retirement of the loan equal to 2% of the principal amount of the loan;

6. That before any advance be made upon the loan, the applicant file with the Finance Corporation and with us a verified statement showing in detail the expenditure, subsequent to the date hereof, of not less than the sum of \$1,168,030, no part of which shall be reimbursed from the proceeds of the loan; said expenditure to be for the construction of the line of railroad and (or) for the purchase of equipment for use in connection with the operation thereof;

7. That, upon the expenditure of the sum of not less than \$1,168,030 by the applicant, as hereinabove specified, an immediate advance of \$500,000 be made upon the loan, and that further advances be made in the amount of \$150,000 each, or in such lesser sum as may have been authorized but not advanced; provided, that such further advances shall be made only upon the filing by the applicant with the Finance Corporation and with us, of a verified statement showing in detail the disposition of at least 90% of previous advances on the loan and certifying that the additional advances requested are necessary for purposes herein authorized; and provided further, that, at any time before the entire amount of the loan shall have been advanced to the applicant, if and when the applicant and the Finance Corporation shall so agree, the remaining proceeds of the loan not theretofore advanced to the applicant may be placed in escrow with a trustee satisfactory to the Finance Corporation, to be held as property of the Finance Corporation, and to be released to the applicant only in reimbursement of expenditures for the purposes specified herein upon the presentation of an appropriate certificate showing that such expenditures have been made;

8. That the cash proceeds of the sale of preferred stock or of any other securities of the applicant to the lumber company, to be used by the lumber company for delivery as part payment on account of stumpage contracts, be applied solely by the applicant towards the retirement of the loan herein approved; provided, however, that the sum so received by the applicant shall be not less than \$125,000 annually on the basis of \$2 per cord stumpage for pulpwood sold by the lumber company and, if the price per cord shall be more or less than \$2 per cord, the annual amount to be used to retire the loan shall be more or less in proportion;

9. That before any advance be made upon the loan, the applicant furnish bond or other assurance to satisfy the Finance Corporation that it will perform and complete, with the proceeds of the loan, the proposed construction of the line of railroad and will purchase, as proposed, the equipment for use in connection therewith.—V. 138, p. 2425.

Quincy Market Cold Storage & Warehouse Co.—75-cent Preferred Dividend Declared

The directors have declared a dividend of 75 cents per share on account of accumulations on the 5% cum. pref. stock, par \$100, payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 18. Similar distributions were made on Aug. 1, May 1 and Feb. 1 last. In addition, a special dividend of \$1.25 per share was paid on May 1 last. A distribution of 25 cents per share was made on Feb. 1 1933 and 50 cents per share was disbursed in the three preceding quarters, prior to which regular quarterly dividends of \$1.25 per share were paid.

Effective with the Nov. 1 payment, accruals will amount to \$7.75 per share.—V. 139, p. 941.

Railway Equipment & Realty Co., Ltd.—Balance Sheet Aug. 31 1934—

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Properties	\$12,787,238	Funded debt	\$2,174,750
Investments in corp. stocks	14,698,527	Contracts payable	10,100
Advances	909,596	Advances	604,553
Current assets	5,131	Current liabilities	629,237
Deferred charges	45,336	Accrued interest payable	24,755
Additional deprec. (contra)	324,824	Reserve for depreciation	2,050,287
		Capital stock	7,216,253
		Surplus	15,735,893
		Additional deprec. (contra)	324,824
Total	\$28,770,652	Total	\$28,770,652

—V. 139, p. 1717.

Reading Co.—Earnings—

	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$3,930,120	\$4,436,235	\$4,043,235	\$5,700,313
Net from railway	1,110,113	1,626,230	1,267,358	1,325,351
Net after rents	862,295	1,455,866	1,119,291	1,049,072
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	40,269,160	36,606,871	38,428,278	53,753,249
Net from railway	12,434,958	12,283,660	8,548,687	6,663,106
Net after rents	9,755,526	9,905,521	7,291,573	4,391,556

—V. 139, p. 2060.

Republic Stamping & Enameling Co.—Not to Publish Financial Statements—Company in Sound Financial Position—

The company has declined to give out financial statements. H. R. Milligan, Pres. & Treas. states that "we feel justified" in doing this "as our stock is virtually owned and controlled by just a few, and by action of our board of directors at the quarterly meeting on Sept. 21, it was decided to withdraw from the Cleveland Stock Exchange, thus relieving us of the necessity of furnishing our balance sheet through the Exchange to whoever might wish it."

In the past nearly 30 years our company has never lapsed a day in the payment of its dividend, and in nearly the past year and a half, there has

not been a dollar's worth of stock traded on in the Exchange. The company does not owe a dollar that is over 10 days old; we have no indebtedness, bonded or otherwise, no preferred stock outstanding, and a substantial cash balance.

"As stated, the company is in sound financial condition, and with the general trend of Governmental requirements, we see no reason to make public our statement, which is only of particular interest to the stockholders and officers themselves, so you will please excuse us from further comment."

The officers of the company are: H. C. Milligan, Pres. & Treas.; C. T. Carlson, Vice-Pres. and Factory Manager; E. K. Sober, Vice-Pres.; H. B. Fawcett, Vice-Pres. and Secretary; R. M. Fawcett, Vice-Pres. and Sales Manager; P. M. Seymour, Director of Purchases.

The directors are: H. C. Milligan, C. T. Carlson, H. B. Fawcett, F. E. Dussel, E. K. Sober, E. A. Langenbach, P. M. Seymour, R. M. Fawcett, Wm. T. Kuhns.

The results for the fiscal year ended May 31 (as reported in the press) follows:

Years Ended May 31—	1934	1933
Net income	\$59,692	\$16,568
Earnings per share on 97,700 shs. capital stock	\$0.61	\$0.17

SEC Says Action in Denying Request of Cleveland Exchange for Registration of Stock Is No Reflection on Company—

The Stock Exchange Commission announced Oct. 4 that its action denying the request of the Cleveland Stock Exchange for registration of the stock of the company was not meant in any way to reflect upon the company. The company did not itself apply for registration of its stock on the Cleveland Stock Exchange, the commission explained. Instead the Cleveland Stock Exchange applied to list this company's stock, stating that special circumstances existed which justified such action. The commission found that no such special circumstance existed in view of company's vote against application for listing. The merits of the stock were not in any way considered, the commission stated.—V. 138, p. 161.

Republic Steel Corp.—Meeting to Vote on Consolidation to Be Postponed Until Dec. 17—Directors Adopt Resolution Giving Preferred Stockholders Right to Withdraw Deposited Stock at any Time Before Meeting—

T. M. Girdler, Chairman, announced Oct. 26 that the special meeting of stockholders called for Oct. 30, to vote on the proposed consolidation of Republic and Corrgan, McKinney Steel Co., is to be postponed until Dec. 17 1934.

In a letter to stockholders, Mr. Girdler points out that the management, its auditors and counsel have been continuously engaged in the preparation of the registration statement, but it has not yet been completed and cannot be filed until after the date originally fixed for the stockholders' meeting. This possibility was foreseen when the consolidation plan was first presented to stockholders and provision was made for the postponement of the meeting in such case.

Mr. Girdler further states that "the plan has been well received by the stockholders as a whole, and the number of proxies and deposits thus far received has been gratifying."

In connection with the request for immediate deposit of preferred stock as well as the submitting of proxies for both common and preferred under the plan, Mr. Girdler adds that "the board of directors has adopted a resolution providing that stockholders who have deposited or hereafter deposit preferred stock under the plan shall be entitled to withdraw their stock from deposit upon surrender of their deposit receipts to one of the depositaries at any time up to the hour and date of the stockholders' meeting at which the plan shall be approved. In other words, the deposit will be in substantially the same position as the proxies, which are legally revocable until voted."

The depositaries under the plan are Bank of the Manhattan Co., New York; Continental Illinois National Bank & Trust Co., Chicago; and Cleveland Trust Co., Cleveland.—V. 139, p. 2215.

Richfield Oil Co. (of Calif.)—Chase National Bank Brings Action for Declaratory Judgment to Speed Proceedings—Opinion of U. S. Supreme Court to Be Sought—

The Chase National Bank, New York, as trustee, on Oct. 22 filed in the Federal Court at Los Angeles, a complaint for a declaratory judgment in order to hasten a final sale of the Pan American Petroleum Co. and Richfield Oil Co. properties which has been pending in the Court for over two years. Permission to file the complaint was given by Judge James who has charge of the Richfield proceedings.

The present delay in consummating the pending foreclosure has been caused by a recent act of Congress, which Pan American Petroleum Co. and William C. McDuffie, receiver for Richfield Oil Co., contend is in the nature of a moratorium statute and prevents the sale of the property until after it has been appraised and then sold for an amount equal to two-thirds of the appraised value.

The statute in question provides that all sales of real estate in Federal courts shall be at public sale, provided that the Court may order a private sale when the interests of the parties will be best subserved by such private sale and provided further that the Court shall appoint three disinterested appraisers and that said sale shall not be confirmed for less than two-thirds of the appraised value.

The Chase Bank contends that the two provisos which were added to the law by Congress on June 19 of this year both apply to private sales and that the Act is not in the nature of a moratorium statute. The complaint alleges that the property had recently been appraised at approximately \$69,000,000 and that if it were again appraised for that amount and the statute held to be applicable it would have to sell for \$46,000,000 before a sale could be confirmed. It is alleged that after several years of negotiations no bid has been received by any of the bondholders' protective committees, except for amounts many million dollars less than that amount, and that, therefore, it is impossible that if the property were appraised so as to require sale for \$46,000,000, or any other particular amount, and the statute should then be held inapplicable the sale would be unfair as it might eliminate from the bidding many persons who would be willing to bid less than \$46,000,000.

The Chase Bank contends that if the statute is construed as a moratorium statute and applicable to the pending foreclosure proceedings, it should be held unconstitutional as have similar State statutes.

The complaint discloses that the U. S. Government which obtained a judgment for over \$9,000,000 in connection with the Government oil frauds of 1923, is entitled to be paid \$5,000,000 in cash as soon as the Richfield properties are sold, that it is not getting any interest on that amount and that the delay of an appraisal, which might take a year, and cost from \$50,000 to \$300,000, would irreparably damage the Pan American bondholders, other Pan American creditors, and the U. S. Government.

Mr. J. V. Kline, of Mudge, Stern, Williams & Tucker, counsel for Chase National Bank, stated that the present action was one of the first to be brought under the Declaratory Judgment statute enacted by Congress last June, one of the primary purposes of which was to enable the Supreme Court of the United States promptly to pass upon controversies of this nature. It is expected also that the constitutionality of the Declaratory Judgment statute itself will be passed upon by the courts.—V. 139, p. 2372.

Riverside & Dan River Cotton Mills, Inc.—\$3 Preferred Dividend Declared

The directors on Oct. 20 declared a semi-annual dividend of \$3 per share plus 6% interest from its accrued date, July 1, last, on the \$6 cum. pref. stock, par \$100, payable Nov. 3 to holders of record Oct. 20. This is the first payment to be made on this issue since Jan. 1 1931 when a regular semi-annual distribution of \$3 per share was made.

The amount to be distributed is \$230,000.—V. 138, p. 2941.

Robbins & Myers, Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Years Ended Aug. 31—	1934	1933
Net profit after deprec., Fed. taxes, &c.	\$75,515 loss	\$116,042

Rockwood & Co.—\$2 Accumulation Dividend Declared

A dividend of \$2 per share was paid on account of accumulations on the 8% cum. pref. stock, par \$100, on Oct. 20 to holders of record Oct. 11. Similar distributions were made on April 20, and Feb. 20 last, and on Nov. 24, July 20, and May 20 1933 prior to which no dividends had been distributed on this issue since April 1 1932 when a regular quarterly dividend of \$2 per share was paid.

Accumulations after the Oct. 20 dividend amount to \$8 per share.—V. 138, p. 2941.

St. Louis Public Service Co.—Trustee—

On June 5 1934 Henry W. Kiel (receiver for the company) was appointed trustee under Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act. Petition for appointment of trustee was filed by bondholders' protective committee.—V. 138, p. 4312.

St. Louis Rocky Mountain & Pacific Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Gross earnings	\$305,815	\$187,384
Cost, expenses & taxes	223,032	131,474
Interest charges	45,688	30,633
Deprec. and depl. and amort. of developm'ts	x25,858	17,198
Net income	\$11,237	\$8,079
Earn. per share on 9,248 shs. 5% pref. stock	\$1.21	\$0.87
x Depreciation and depletion only	—V. 139, p. 611.	\$1.03
		\$0.35

St. Louis-San Francisco Ry. System—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Operated mileage	5,721	5,889
Operating revenue	\$3,652,662	\$3,584,354
Operating expenses	3,168,675	2,900,291
Net ry. oper. income	175,284	407,050
Other income	30,791	27,044
Total income	\$206,075	\$434,094
Deductions from income	4,724	6,051
Bal. avail. for int., &c.	\$201,350	\$428,043
		\$2,600,009
		\$2,476,744

RFC Opposes Ruling—

The Counsel for the Reconstruction Finance Corporation at the direction of Chairman Jesse H. Jones has opposed a ruling by the Federal Court at St. Louis on the solvency of the road at this time in order to await the enactment of new railroad reorganization legislation by Congress early next year.—V. 139, p. 2529.

St. Louis Southwestern Ry. Lines—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933
Railway oper. revenues	\$1,136,833	\$1,104,175
Net rev. from ry. oper.	324,821	346,611
Net ry. oper. income	166,771	181,685
Non-operating income	6,214	8,610
Gross income	\$172,985	\$190,296
Deducts. from gross inc.	259,719	278,157
Net deficit	\$86,734	\$87,861
		\$771,304
		\$1,293,243
		—Jan. 1 to Oct. 21—
		1934
		1933
		\$11,675,509
		\$10,452,655

—V. 139, p. 2529.

Savannah & Statesboro Ry.—Dismantled—

The road has been dismantled and sold as scrap. The terminal property in Statesboro has been leased to receivers of Georgia & Florida RR.—V. 137, p. 2271.

Seaboard Air Line Ry.—Earnings—

September—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross from railway	\$2,270,856	\$2,249,520	\$2,157,701	\$2,771,324
Net from railway	def274,514	94,642	134,234	198,918
Net after rents	def156,800	94,642	def27,567	4,956
From Jan. 1—	25,529,343	23,567,383	23,301,854	33,357,970
Net from railway	4,287,017	4,287,017	2,503,751	5,774,191
Net after rents	1,315,252	1,815,048	52,244	2,469,505

New Officers—

R. Parke Jones, until Oct. 15 chief accounting officer has been made chief finance and accounting officer with jurisdiction over the general auditor, treasurer, auditor of revenue, auditor of disbursements, freight claim agent, real estate, insurance and corporate work, according to an announcement by Legh R. Powell, Jr. and Col. Henry W. Anderson, receivers.

B. F. Allen, Mr. Jones announced, has been named Treasurer for the receivers, a place left vacant by the death of T. W. Mathews. It was also announced that C. W. Powell, formerly assistant general auditor, will succeed Mr. Allen.

L. L. Knight, general auditor, will have jurisdiction over his department and the auditor of revenues and auditor of disbursements. Mr. Allen's jurisdiction extends over the treasury and insurance departments.

Under the new setup the officers in the finance and accounting departments will be Mr. Jones, chief finance and accounting officer; Mr. Knight, general auditor; Mr. Allen, Treasurer; W. D. Steele, auditor of revenue; C. W. Powell, auditor of disbursements; J. L. Walker, freight claim agent; J. K. Waitt, real estate agent, and L. J. Molloy, superintendent of insurance.

RFC Loan Withdrawn—

The Interstate Commerce Commission on Oct. 19 revoked its certificate and dismissed the application of the receivers for a loan of \$1,500,000 from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

The application of the receivers of the company to the RFC for a loan of \$1,500,000 was filed on Nov. 1 1932; and on Jan. 4 1933, the Commission issued its report and certificate approving a loan of the same amount.

On Oct. 13 1934, the receivers withdrew the application.—V. 139, p. 2530.

Seattle Gas Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—1933	1934—12 Mos.—1933
Gross revenues	\$148,061	\$147,860
Operating expenses	91,437	96,511
Income deductions	56,339	55,816
Net income	\$284	def\$4,467
Retirement provision (for auto. equip. only)	268	350
Net income to earned surplus	\$15	def\$4,817
		def\$103,203
		def\$103,225

Balance Sheet as of Sept. 30 1934

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Operating property	\$16,272,719	7% cum. pref. stock	\$2,000,000
Non-operating property	270,523	Common stock	b459,038
Sinking fund & other deposits	26,873	Earned surplus	36,463
Prepaid ins. prems., taxes, &c.	22,290	Funded debt	11,037,000
Sundry deferred charges and unadjusted items	69,678	Deferred liabilities	159,429
Cash	271,258	Notes payable to Portland Elec. Pow. Co. & sub. co.	1,340,000
a Notes, warrants and accounts receivable	179,077	Notes payable	25,627
Estimated unbilled gas rev.	60,000	Equip. purchase obligations	29,640
Mdse., materials & supplies	167,357	Accounts payable	52,441
		Accrued interest	350,474
		Accrued taxes	200,998
		Deferred credits	24,974
		Reserves	1,623,689
Total	\$17,339,774	Total	\$17,339,774
		a After reserve for uncollectible notes and accounts receivable of \$66,775.	
		b 30,000 shares (no par).—V. 139, p. 2373.	

Servel, Inc.—Clears Up Preferred Accumulations—

The directors on Oct. 22 declared a dividend of \$14 per share on account of accumulations on the 7% cumulative preferred stock, payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 15. This payment will clear up all accumulations on this issue. The last regular dividend paid was on Nov. 1 1932.—V. 139, p. 1252.

Scott Paper Co.—Earnings—

	1934	1933	1932	1931
9 Mos. End. Sept. 30—				
Net sales to customers	\$6,728,055	\$5,926,618	\$6,207,664	\$6,704,659
Manufacturing expenses	3,604,836	3,238,262	3,220,715	3,767,926
Maintenance			191,961	183,459
Depreciation	376,844	348,935	345,341	317,859
Selling & gen. expenses	1,926,097	1,574,006	1,670,872	1,577,476
Federal taxes	119,942	105,455	107,602	103,534
Net income	\$700,336	\$659,958	\$671,173	\$754,405
Preferred dividends	106,838	112,927	121,545	122,143
Common dividends	198,420	181,507	177,246	177,993

	1934	1933	1932	1931
Balance	\$395,078	\$365,523	\$372,382	\$454,269
Shs. com. stk. out. (no par)	168,864	168,847	168,834	165,488
Earnings per share	\$3.51	\$3.23	\$3.25	\$3.82

For quarter ended Sept. 30 1934 net profit was \$251,165 after charges and taxes, equal to \$1.45 a share on 168,864 common shares, comparing with \$213,112 or \$1.05 a share on 168,864 common shares in preceding quarter and \$276,291 or \$1.42 a share on 168,847 common shares in quarter ended Oct. 1 1933.

Condensed Statement Comparing Current Assets and Current Liabilities

	Sept. 30 '34	Oct. 1 '33
Cash	\$1,057,015	\$976,805
All other	2,469,929	1,824,491
Total current assets	\$3,526,944	\$2,801,296
Total current liabilities	466,311	397,921
Current ratio	7.5 to 1	7.0 to 1

Scruggs-Vandervoort-Barney Dry Goods Co.—Earnings.

Income Account for Year Ended July 31 1934

Net sales	\$11,976,118
Cost of sales	7,932,474
Gross profit from operations	\$4,043,645
Expenses	3,904,700
Bad debts	66,408
Net profit from operations	\$72,536
Interest and other miscellaneous income received	56,284
Total profit from operations	\$128,820
Interest charges on serial and collateral gold notes and current indebtedness	182,793
Miscellaneous charges	14,908
Net deficit	\$68,881

Balance Sheet as at July 31

	1934	1933	Liabilities—	1934	1933
Cash	\$188,801	\$119,660	Notes payable	\$251,020	\$328,994
Notes & accts. rec.	1,579,626	1,553,090	Accounts payable	690,278	613,472
Misc. on hand & in transit	384,890	282,259	Serial real estate		
Invest. of mds. & Cst. notes receiv.	2,054,372	2,230,615	1st mtge. 6% g. notes	112,500	106,500
Cash in closed bk. incl. claims filed	29,764	60,711	Acct'd int. on gold notes	51,117	53,810
Sundry notes and accts receivable	58,727	62,857	Acct. sal., taxes, interest, &c.	147,683	73,410
Invest. in Scruggs, Vandervoort & Barney Bank	1	1	7% coll. gold notes of parent co.	1,388,000	1,374,900
Other investments			7% serial g. notes to be exchanged for coll. g. notes	33,500	59,100
—stks., bds., &c	63,295	68,795	Serial real estate		
Prepaid expenses	85,758	85,744	1st mtge. 6% g. notes	546,500	659,000
Real est., bldg., delivery equip't & fixtures	3,652,713	3,781,960	Preferred stock of subsidiary cos.	99,800	99,800
Unamort. discount on gold notes	54,831	61,072	Mln. int. in com. stk. of sub. cos.	684	869
Improve. to leased premises	134,793	141,816	1st preferred stock	1,245,500	1,245,500
Good-will	4	4	2d preferred stock	1,019,225	1,019,225
			Common stock	4,100,000	4,100,000
Total	\$8,320,396	\$8,498,327	Deficit	1,365,411	1,236,252
x After depreciation reserves.			Total	\$8,320,396	\$8,498,327

Seaman Brothers, Inc.—Earnings—

	1934	1933	1932	1931
Quar. End. Sept. 30—				
Net profit after charges and Federal taxes	\$122,797	\$111,162	\$61,783	\$90,409
Shs. com. stk. outstanding (no par)	108,000	108,700	108,700	117,300
Earnings per share	\$1.14	\$1.02	\$0.57	\$0.77

Profits for the September quarter for 1934 have been arrived at after giving effect to the drawing down of one quarter of the reserve for advertising and sales promotion set up out of last year's earnings as was shown in the annual statement to stockholders for year ended June 30. There were also set up adequate reserves against inventory depreciation during the current year in accordance with the company's usual policy.—V. 139, p. 1252.

Shareholders Corp.—Earnings—

	1934	1933
3 Months Ended Sept. 30—		
Net income after expenses, int. and other charges	\$2,081	\$1,250
Net assets value a share was \$4.29, against \$4.77 on June 30 1934; investments, at cost \$429,178, against \$431,378; total assets, \$435,399, against \$446,119.—V. 136, p. 860.		

Sierra Pacific Electric Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

	1934	1933	1932	1931
Period End. Sept. 30—				
Gross earnings	\$146,317	\$131,387	\$1,499,185	\$1,383,410
Operation	64,437	66,057	612,007	612,205
Maintenance	6,421	5,362	65,163	55,050
Taxes	19,187	17,221	214,814	173,023
Interest and amort.	10,341	10,284	126,423	125,197
Balance	\$45,929	\$32,461	\$480,776	\$417,933
Appropriations for retirement reserve			100,478	100,000
Balance			\$380,298	\$317,933

During the last 24 years the company has expended for maintenance a total of 7.32% of the entire gross earnings over this period, and in addition during this period has set aside for reserves or retained as surplus a total of 11.57% of these gross earnings.—V. 139, p. 2062.

(L. C.) Smith & Corona Typewriters, Inc.—Earnings—

	Year End. June 30 '34	6 Months Ended June 30 '34	Year End. Dec. 31 '33
Net prof. from oper., before deprec.	\$638,465	\$373,356	\$265,110
Provision for depreciation	195,932	97,074	98,857
Net profit from operations	\$442,533	\$276,281	\$166,252
Other income	24,237	8,331	15,906
Total income	\$466,770	\$284,612	\$182,158
Interest on funded debt	68,842	33,458	35,384
Other interest	25,229	13,762	11,466
Provision for doubtful accounts, less recoveries	56,394	37,178	19,216
Royalties	13,178	7,571	5,607
Discounts allowed	14,107	5,993	8,114
Loss on retirement of fixed assets	4,622	4,622	
Moving expense	3,264	3,264	
Miscellaneous	23,888	6,077	17,810
Provision for Federal income taxes	22,456	22,456	
Net income	\$234,790	\$150,230	\$84,560

Company has changed its fiscal year to end June 30.—V. 138, p. 4138.

(A. O.) Smith Corp.—New Director—
H. B. Clark (of White Weld & Co.) has been elected a director.—V. 139, p. 2062.

South American Gold & Platinum Co.—10-cent Div. Declared

The directors have declared a dividend of 10 cents per share on the capital stock, par \$1, payable Dec. 31 to holders of record Dec. 21. Similar distributions were made on Sept. 25, May 29 and Dec. 12 1933.—V. 139, p. 612.

Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co.—Earnings

	1934	1933	1932	1931
Period End. Sept. 30—				
Operating revenues	\$4,150,379	\$3,959,120	\$37,129,363	\$36,064,529
Uncollectible oper. rev.	15,394	30,740	150,283	492,789
Operating revenues	\$4,134,985	\$3,928,380	\$36,979,080	\$35,571,740
Operating expenses	2,786,185	2,713,277	25,334,408	23,804,650
Net oper. revenues	\$1,348,800	\$1,215,103	\$11,644,672	\$11,767,090
Operating taxes	529,626	480,767	4,439,519	4,387,696
Net oper. income	\$819,174	\$734,336	\$7,205,153	\$7,379,394

Southern California Edison Co., Ltd.—Earnings—

	1934	1933	1932	1931
9 Mos. Ended Sept. 30—				
Gross	\$27,018,878	\$26,360,378	\$28,039,015	\$28,039,015
Expenses and taxes	10,254,338	9,045,520	8,620,490	8,620,490
Interest and amortization	5,614,650	5,523,108	5,301,088	5,301,088
Depreciation	3,375,556	3,295,047	3,504,877	3,504,877
Net profit	\$7,774,334	\$8,498,703	\$10,612,560	\$10,612,560
Preferred dividends	\$2,660,558	\$2,660,558	\$2,660,558	\$2,660,558
Surplus for common	\$5,113,776	\$5,838,145	\$7,951,999	\$7,951,999

Southern California Gas Corp.—Merged—

See Pacific Lighting Corp. above.—V. 137, p. 3150.

Southern Pacific Lines—Earnings—

	1934	1933	1932	1931
Period End. Sept. 30—				
Railway oper. income	\$12,942,837	\$13,320,288	\$11,728,782	\$95,076,067
Railway oper. expenses	10,087,485	8,942,234	\$5,774,904	75,911,320
Railway tax accruals	1,023,319	1,059,182	9,454,489	10,536,775
Uncoll. ry. revenues	3,653	17,219	31,814	91,640
Equipment rents (net)	451,632	489,121	4,737,761	4,109,662
Joint facility rents (net)	27,341	23,105	245,675	349,131
Net ry. oper. income	\$1,349,407	\$1,789,426	\$11,484,140	\$4,077,541

Cotton Belt Merger Upheld—

The U. S. Supreme Court on Oct. 22 upheld an order of the ICC permitting acquisition by Southern Pacific Co. of the St. Louis Southwestern RR. Co. The acquisition was contested by the Missouri Pacific and Texas & Pacific. The suit was brought to set aside the orders of the Commission approving the plan.—V. 139, p. 2531.

Southern Ry.—Earnings—

	1934	1933	1932	1931
September—				
Gross from railway	\$6,180,956	\$6,600,179	\$6,385,104	\$7,803,235
Net from railway	1,303,306	2,089,715	1,586,152	1,552,551
Net after rents	711,116	1,472,762	957,103	772,291
From Jan 1—				
Gross from railway	58,379,747	57,522,084	54,340,726	75,537,525
Net from railway	14,475,254	16,974,053	7,497,656	14,050,105
Net after rents	8,755,791	11,242,866	1,356,617	6,435,832
Second Week October—				
Period—				
Gross earnings (est.)	\$1,918,637	\$1,956,888	\$80,010,639	\$78,121,297

Spiegel, May, Stern & Co., Inc.—Earnings—

	1934	1933	1932	1931
Period End. Sept. 30—				
Net income after int., deprec., Fed. taxes, &c	\$429,777	\$213,801	\$1,695,047	\$383,869
Earns. per share on 175,000 no par shares common stock	\$2.08	\$0.84	\$8.55	\$1.06

Standard Cap & Seal Corp.—Earnings—

	1934	1933	1932	1931
Period End. Sept. 30—				
Net income after charges and taxes	\$148,906	\$132,634	\$432,253	\$415,750
Shares cap. stk. (no par)	209,405	206,000	209,405	206,000
Earnings per share	\$0.71	\$0.64	\$2.06	\$2.02

Standard Collateral Shares Corp.—Trust Terminated—

Empire Trust Co., trustee, is notifying holders of Standard Collateral Truited Common Stock Shares that, according to the terms of the trust agreement, Standard Collateral Shares Corp. terminated the agreement on Oct. 13 1934. Holders of certificates for 1,000 trust shares or multiples thereof may present the certificates to the trustee for the underlying property within three months after the termination date. Thereafter the property remaining in the trust will be liquidated and the net proceeds in cash distributed pro rata to the then outstanding holders of the Trust Shares.—V. 126, p. 3775.

Sterling Securities Corp.—Earnings—

	1934	1933
9 Months Ended Sept. 30—		
Dividends received	\$324,874	\$268,075
Interest received	71,395	57,904
Total income	\$396,268	\$325,979
Operating expenses	75,916	64,464
Provision for State franchise and miscell. taxes	19,518	4,522
Net income for period before adding profits or deducting losses on sales of securities and adjustment of security valuation by application of market quotations	\$300,834	\$256,993
Deficit Dec. 31 on basis of carrying investments at cost	15,316,554	14,942,432
Net loss on sales of securities on basis of average cost	14,942,432	825,826
Net excess of cost over amount of investments priced at market quotations	2,324,036	474,702
Deficit Sept. 30 on basis of carrying investments priced at market quotations at that date	\$16,938,624	\$15,985,967

Note—The unrealized shrinkage in market valuation of investments at Sept. 30 1933 was \$474,702 as compared with \$4,920,197 at Dec. 31 1932.

Balance Sheet Sept. 30

	1934	1933	1934	1933
Assets—			Liabilities—	
Cash	\$663,190	\$60,761	Accts. pay. & accr.	\$8,437
Due from brokers	36,743	29,068	e Conv. 1st pf. stk.	13,943,250
Divs. & int. rec.	72,230	57,325	d Preferred stocks	2,500,000
c Investments	13,959,137	14,977,629	a Com. cl. A stock	603,803
Syndicate partic.		38,306	Com. cl. B stock	
Prepaid expenses	10,477	1,588	Capital surplus	14,594,912
			Deficit	16,938,624
Total	\$14,741,778	\$15,664,676	Total	\$14,741,778

a Represented by 603,802½ no par shares. b There are outstanding 298,297 shares class B common stock (no par), but are given no value in balance sheet. c Market value at Sept. 30. d Represented by 500,000 (no par) shares. e Represented by 278,865 shares of \$5

compared with net assets of \$16,325,410 or \$58.54 per share on Dec. 30 1934.—V. 139, p. 2064.

Standard Gas & Electric Co.—Weekly Electric Output—
Electric output of the company for the week ended Oct. 20 1934 totaled 80,180,947 kwh., an increase of 2.0% compared with the corresponding week last year, and a decrease of 1,187,218 kwh., or 1.5%, under the week ended Oct. 13 this year.—V. 139, p. 2531.

Standard Oil Co. of Kansas—Earnings—
Period End. Sept. 30—1934—3 Mos.—1933 1934—9 Mos.—1933
Net profit after taxes, depr., depl., amortiz. of intangible develop. costs & other charges... \$76,868 \$101,050 \$308,627 loss\$23,642
Shares capital stock... 146,546 320,000 146,546 320,000
Earnings per share... \$0.52 \$0.31 \$2.10 Nil
—V. 139, p. 943.

Standard Oil Co. of Ohio—Raises Tire Prices—
The company has increased the price of Atlas tires about 15% on both passenger and truck sizes. Trade-in allowance has been increased 5% making net discount now about 10%. Tube price remain at floor levels.—V. 138, p. 2592.

Sterling Products, Inc.—Acquisition—
The company has acquired the R. O. Watkins Co. through an exchange of stock, it was announced on Oct. 20. The R. O. Watkins Co. is the manufacturer of Dr. Lyon's Tooth Powder, Glostora, Liquid Arvon, and Watkins Mulsified Coconut Oil.—V. 139, p. 779.

Stillwater Worsted Mills.—Earnings—
Calendar Years—
Net before depreciation... 1933 1932
Depreciation... \$1,323,997 \$326,244
238,078 249,004
Net after depreciation... \$1,085,919 \$77,240
Interest and Federal taxes... 183,283 66,604
Net profit... \$902,636 \$10,636

Balance Sheet Years Ended Dec. 31
Assets— 1933 1932
Cash... \$223,779 \$135,447
Receivables... 306,064 134,591
Inventories... 2,229,100 1,248,768
Cash, surr. value of life insurance... 62,588 82,817
Real estate, plant, &c... 3,803,442 3,844,969
Prepaid items... 44,648 53,411
Def. & misc. items... 23,967 27,020
Total... \$6,693,588 \$5,527,023
Liabilities— 1933 1932
Notes & accts. pay... \$94,876 \$21,254
Acceptances... 537,596
Accruals & tax res... 264,842 73,690
bMachinery notes... 5,264 24,054
cUnderlying mtge... 75,000 150,000
Debs. ser. A 5 1/2%... 602,500 816,000
Miscell. items... 14,727 8,139
Preferred stock... 189,600 355,020
Common stock... 3,090,770 3,094,670
Special reserves... 1,641,192 856,357
Surplus... 177,221 127,839
Total... \$6,693,588 \$5,527,023

a After reserves for depreciation of \$2,052,370 and \$1,828,439 in 1933 and 1932, respectively. b Due later than one year. c Not assumed by company.—V. 137, p. 1952.

Sun Oil Co., Philadelphia—9% Stock Dividend Declared
The directors on Oct. 18 declared a 9% stock dividend on the common stock, no par value, payable Dec. 15 to holders of record Nov. 24. A regular quarterly cash dividend of 25 cents per share is also payable on the same date.

The company has paid on the no par common stock quarterly cash dividends of 25 cents per share from Sept. 15 1925, and, in addition, made the following distributions in common stock in December of the stated years: 1925, 3%; 1926, 6%; 1927, 3%; 1928, 6%; 1929, 9%; 1930, 9%; 1931, none; 1932, 3%; 1933, 9%.—V. 139, p. 1253.

Superior Water, Light & Power Co.—Earnings—
[American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]
Period End. Sept. 30—1934—Month—1933 1934—12 Mos.—1933
Operating revenues... \$75,634 \$74,443 \$891,896 \$909,950
Oper. exps., incl. taxes... 52,865 53,059 621,240 618,964
Net revs. from oper... \$22,769 \$21,384 \$270,656 \$290,986
Other income... 151 351 544
Gross corp. income... \$22,769 \$21,535 \$271,007 \$291,530
Int. and other deducts... 8,060 7,907 95,443 94,412
Balance... y\$14,709 y\$13,628 \$175,564 \$197,118
Property retirement reserve appropriations... 46,990 47,460
x Dividends applicable to pref. stock for period, whether paid or unpaid... 35,000 35,000
Balance... \$93,574 \$114,653
x Regular dividend on 7% pref. stock was paid on July 2 1934. After the payment of this dividend there were no accumulated unpaid dividends at that date. Regular dividend on this stock was declared for payment on Oct. 1 1934. y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.—V. 139, p. 2064.

Swan-Finch Oil Corp.—Balance Sheet June 30 1934—
Assets— \$589,763
a Capital assets... 589,763
Invests. in wholly owned foreign subs. cos... 6,617
Inv. in & advs. to partly owned selling company... 45,504
Sundry investments... 12,243
Treasury stock... 3
Inventories... 186,886
Accounts receivable... 123,746
Foreign drafts receivable... 2,378
Notes receivable... 9,707
Cash... 88,633
Deferred charges... 4,339
Total... \$1,069,820
Liabilities—
Common stock... \$861,991
Preferred stock... 178,350
Mortgage payable... 34,390
Accounts payable & sundry accruals... 30,712
Reserve for Federal income tax... 9,176
Reserve for leakage, export shipments... 2,810
Deficit... 47,609
Total... \$1,069,820
a After depreciation of \$244,259.—V. 137, p. 1595.

Sylvanite Gold Mines, Ltd.—Earnings—
Years Ended March 31— 1934 1933
Bullion produced... \$1,558,912 \$795,642
Exchange comp... 103,905
Total operating income... \$1,558,912 \$899,547
Less: Operating expenses... 605,516 602,965
Outside prospecting... 34,775 23,438
Administration expenses...
Net operating earnings... \$918,621 \$273,144
Interest, income... 27,163 24,983
Total net earnings... \$945,784 \$298,127
Reserve for depreciation... 96,008 81,204
Reserve for taxes... 80,400 15,000
Profit... \$769,376 \$201,923
Common dividends... 494,928 164,975
Taxes thereon and exchange... 39,908
Surplus for year... \$234,540 \$36,948
Previous surplus... 478,276 441,328
Profit on bonds sold... 322
Balance, forward... \$713,138 \$478,278

Balance Sheet as at March 31 1934
Assets— \$284,499
Cash... 154,767
Bullion... 3,208
Accounts receivable... 30,226
Stores & materials... 608,011
Bonds & debentures... 159,543
a Bldgs., plant, mach. & equip... 1,400,000
Mining properties... 524,736
Preliminary development, &c... 67,883
Deferred development... 53,669
Shares in & adv. to wholly-owned sub... 21,551
Prepaid exps. & sundry assets...
Total... \$3,308,092
Liabilities—
b Accts. payable, incl. reserve for taxes... 126,536
Payroll payable... 13,697
Accrued charges... 20,024
Reserve for contingencies... 51,697
c Subscribed capital... 2,883,000
Profit & loss balance... 713,138
Total... \$3,308,092
a After depreciation of \$480,513. b Including reserve for taxes. c After discount on shares of \$916,500.—V. 138, p. 3455.

Superior Oil Corp.—Earnings—
Period End. Sept. 30—1934—3 Mos.—1933 1934—9 Mos.—1933
Gross earnings... \$271,478 \$169,124 \$791,198 \$399,761
Expenses, interest, &c... 118,248 92,421 321,961 407,974
Cost of unproven leaseholds, surr., &c... 26,705 7,567 36,843 18,448
Deprec. & depletion... 82,713 45,566 239,555 209,217
Balance, surplus... \$43,812 \$23,570 \$192,839 def\$235,880
x Includes other income of \$934 for the 3 mos. of 1934, \$779 in 1933, \$3,122 for the nine months of 1934, and \$32,326 for the nine months of 1933.—V. 139, p. 1563.

Tampa Electric Co.—Earnings—
Period End. Sept. 30—1934—Month—1933 1934—12 Mos.—1933
Gross earnings... \$302,660 \$298,183 \$3,878,825 \$3,657,668
Operation... 118,411 119,706 1,499,607 1,331,585
Maintenance... 16,871 23,935 221,667 230,155
Retirement accruals... 35,833 35,916 429,256 448,105
Taxes... 37,247 32,656 447,904 353,292
Interest... 874 844 9,950 23,433
Balance... \$93,421 \$85,124 \$1,270,439 \$1,271,095
—V. 139, p. 2064.

Tennessee Electric Power Co.—Earnings—
[A Subsidiary of Commonwealth & Southern Corp.]
Period End. Sept. 30—1934—Month—1933 1934—12 Mos.—1933
Gross earnings... \$995,629 \$982,155 \$12,281,566 \$11,336,146
Oper. exps., incl. maint. and taxes... 538,523 462,272 6,454,532 5,236,738
Fixed charges... 220,499 220,340 2,634,873 2,665,085
Prov. for retire. reserve... 105,000 105,000 1,260,000 1,260,000
Dividends on pref. stock... 129,248 129,376 1,552,156 1,552,430
Balance... \$2,358 \$65,165 \$380,005 \$621,892
—V. 139, p. 2064.

Texas Electric Service Co.—Earnings—
[American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]
Period End. Sept. 30—1934—Month—1933 1934—12 Mos.—1933
Operating revenues... \$567,588 \$553,138 \$6,484,298 \$6,434,435
Oper. exps., incl. taxes... 274,236 275,771 3,163,634 2,905,604
Rent for leased property... 6,369 6,369 76,433 98,202
Balance... \$286,983 \$270,998 \$3,244,231 \$3,430,629
Other income... 544 541 16,866 16,332
Gross corp. income... \$287,527 \$271,539 \$3,261,097 \$3,446,961
Int. and other deductions... 143,680 144,114 1,731,427 1,736,516
Balance... y\$143,847 y\$127,425 \$1,529,670 \$1,710,445
Property retirement reserve appropriations... 300,000 250,000
x Dividends applicable to pref. stock for period, whether paid or unpaid... 375,109 373,845
Balance... \$854,561 \$1,086,600
x Regular dividend on \$6 pref. stock was paid July 2 1934. After the payment of this dividend there were no accumulated unpaid dividends at that date. Regular dividend on this stock was declared for payment on Oct. 1 1934. y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.—V. 139, p. 2064.

Texas & Pacific Ry.—Earnings—
Period End. Sept. 30—1934—Month—1933 1934—9 Mos.—1933
Operating revenues... \$1,960,529 \$1,783,684 \$16,459,707 \$16,678,913
Net rev. from ry. oper... 658,746 592,733 5,440,489 5,092,006
Net ry. oper. income... 475,264 415,848 3,450,856 2,939,336
Gross income... 512,131 451,903 3,756,798 3,251,680
Net income... 167,829 95,745 634,413 def\$305,720
—V. 139, p. 2064.

Texas Power & Light Co.—Earnings—
[American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]
Period End. Sept. 30—1934—Month—1933 1934—12 Mos.—1933
Operating revenues... \$913,576 \$913,307 \$9,263,414 \$9,192,412
Oper. exps., incl. taxes... 383,936 392,922 4,343,159 4,145,163
Rent for leased property... 2,500 2,500 30,000 30,000
Balance... \$527,140 \$517,885 \$4,890,255 \$5,017,249
Other income... 1,056 2,514 9,274 8,256
Gross corp. income... \$528,196 \$520,399 \$4,899,529 \$5,025,505
Int. and other deductions... 203,455 203,628 2,457,481 2,455,654
Balance... y\$324,741 y\$316,771 \$2,442,048 \$2,569,851
Property retirement reserve appropriations... 450,000 350,000
x Dividends applicable to pref. stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid... 865,090 864,725
Balance... \$1,126,958 \$1,355,126
x Regular dividends on 7% and \$6 pref. stocks were paid on Aug. 1 1934. After the payment of these dividends there were no accumulated unpaid dividends at that date. y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.—V. 139, p. 2065.

Thatcher Manufacturing Co.—Earnings—
Period End. Sept. 30—1934—3 Mos.—1933 1934—9 Mos.—1933
Net profit after deprec., Federal taxes, &c... \$174,250 \$179,052 \$514,940 \$349,088
Earns. per sh. on 146,836 no par shs. com. stk... \$0.44 \$0.46 \$1.25 \$0.90
—V. 139, p. 1880.

Thompson Products, Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—
Period End. Sept. 30—1934—3 Mos.—1933 1934—9 Mos.—1933
Manufacturing profit... \$348,078 \$405,575 \$1,378,892 \$1,066,436
Expenses, &c... 237,014 191,256 652,579 572,683
Interest... 6,123 6,253 18,928 19,291
Depreciation... 34,941 33,102 102,389 93,414
Federal taxes... 1,808 17,160 59,674 29,793
Other deductions... 241,81 21,458 73,516 70,889
Net profit... \$44,011 \$136,346 \$471,806 \$280,366
Earns. per sh. on 263,160 no par shs. com. stk... \$0.14 \$0.49 \$1.72 \$0.99
Current assets as of Sept. 30 1934, including \$270,050 cash, amounted to \$1,835,810 and current liabilities, including reserve for Federal taxes, were \$424,559. This compares with cash of \$137,521, current assets of \$1,595,446 and current liabilities, including reserve for Federal taxes, of \$556,050 on Sept. 30 1933. Inventories totaled \$938,318 against \$872,415. Total assets as of Sept. 30 1934, aggregated \$4,966,419 comparing with \$4,786,400 on Sept. 30 1933 and surplus was \$1,353,843 against \$945,630.

The company announces that bank loans which amounted to \$475,601 on June 30 and \$200,000 on Sept. 30, last, have been paid in full.—V. 139, p. 945.

(John R.) Thompson Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933		
Net sales	\$3,215,243	\$3,014,707	\$8,651,113	\$8,111,104
Net profit after taxes, deprec., int., amortiz. & other charges	18,876	76,313	loss 168,642	loss 215,319
Earns. per sh. on 298,556 shs. cap. stk. (par \$25)	\$0.06	\$0.25	Nil	Nil

—V. 139, p. 614; V. 138, p. 3108, 2944.

Tide Water Associated Oil Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933		
Net profit	\$1,904,284	\$2,464,886	\$4,582,669	\$2,639,240
Shs. of com. stock outstanding	5,630,865	5,613,800	5,630,865	5,613,800
Earnings per share	\$0.17	\$0.26	\$0.31	Nil

x After taxes, int., deprec., depletion, minority interest and other charges.—V. 139, p. 1880.

Tide Water Oil Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933		
Net profit	\$1,512,645	\$1,847,900	\$4,037,803	\$1,850,396
Shs. of common stock	2,191,823	2,189,923	2,191,823	2,189,923
Earnings per share	\$0.58	\$0.73	\$1.51	\$0.50

x After taxes, interest, depreciation, depletion, minority interest and other charges.—V. 139, p. 1881.

Toledo Peoria & Western RR.—Bonds—
The InterState Commerce Commission on Oct. 18 authorized the company to issue not exceeding \$500,000 1st mtge. bonds, series A, in reimbursement for capital expenditures heretofore made; the bonds to be sold at not less than 90 and the proceeds applied to the payment of indebtedness and the restoration of working capital.—V. 139, p. 2218.

Trinity Buildings Corp.—Tenders—
The Guaranty Trust Co., 140 Broadway, N. Y. City, will, until 4 p. m. Dec. 3, receive bids for the sale to it of 1st mtge. 20-year 5½% s. f. gold loan certificates, due June 1 1939, to an amount sufficient to exhaust \$50,607 at prices not exceeding 101 and interest.—V. 139, p. 469.

Trunz Pork Stores, Inc.—15-Cent Dividend Declared
The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock payable Nov. 9 to holders of record Nov. 2. A similar distribution was made on Aug. 10 last and compares with 25 cents per share apud each quarter from Feb. 9 1931 up to and including May 10 last.—V. 139, p. 2376.

Unadilla Valley Ry.—Bonds Extended—
The \$200,000 1st mtge. 4s due Jan. 1 1934 have been extended to Jan. 1 1937.—V. 122, p. 3336.

Underwood Elliott Fisher Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933		
Net prof. after exp. & charges	\$641,233	\$606,704	\$2,450,846	\$972,747
Other net income	10,816	28,554	52,879	66,326
Total income	\$652,049	\$635,258	\$2,503,725	\$1,039,073
Depreciation	119,103	73,664	354,588	166,437
Federal tax reserve	74,900	21,640	299,000	32,580
Net profit	\$458,046	\$539,954	\$1,850,137	\$840,056
Earns. per sh. on 666,448 shs. com. stk. (no par)	\$0.61	\$0.73	\$2.56	\$1.04

—V. 139, p. 945.

Union Carbide & Carbon Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933		
Earnings after provision for income, &c., taxes	\$6,473,922	\$6,594,979	\$19,875,874	\$14,804,107
Int. on funded debt and dividends on preferred stock of subsid'y cos.	296,303	299,599	891,820	902,714
x Depr. & other charges	1,825,463	1,691,717	5,514,454	4,996,520
Balance	\$4,352,156	\$4,603,663	\$13,469,600	\$8,904,873
Shs. com. stock outstanding (no par)	9,000,743	9,000,743	9,000,743	9,000,743
Earnings per share	\$0.48	\$0.51	\$1.49	\$0.99

x Estimated.—V. 139, p. 1255.

Union Electric Light & Power Co. of Illinois—Earnings.
Earnings for the 12 Months Ended Aug. 31 1934

Gross revenue	\$3,935,348
Net income after taxes, interest, depreciation, &c.	2,437,675

—V. 139, p. 945.

Union Electric Light & Power Co. (Mo.)—Earnings—
Earnings for the 12 Months Ended Aug. 31 1934

Gross revenue	\$2,617,161
Net inc. after taxes, int., deprec., sub. pref. divs. & minor. int.	4,687,600

—V. 139, p. 945.

Union Gas Utilities, Inc.—Bonds Worthless—
We have been advised that the 10-year 6½% secured bonds, series A, due Nov. 1 1937, have no value. The bonds were secured by deposit of over 99% of the common stock and \$2,417,300 of the outstanding pref. stock of Union Gas Corp. The latter company was reorganized in June 1933 (V. 136, p. 4087), but the stocks were entirely wiped out in the reorganization.—V. 135, p. 4035.

Union Pacific RR.—Streamline Train Sets 57-Hour Mark for Run from Los Angeles to Manhattan—

The bullet-shaped M-10001, fastest train ever to cross the United States, rolled into Grand Central station Oct. 15 with a new record of two days, eight hours and 55 minutes from Los Angeles to the heart of Manhattan. The time is 14 hours 32 minutes faster than the previous transcontinental railroad record of 71 hours 27 minutes, established in 1906.

"The cross-country run of the Union Pacific train proved the feasibility of establishing a fast through service of the new type train," said Carl R. Gray, President of Union Pacific. "We had plenty of speed in reserve at all times and maintained an exact schedule."

William Averill Harriman, Chairman of the board of the Union Pacific system, said on the arrival of the speed train, that beginning in February the Union Pacific would provide a weekly service between Chicago and coast cities with a schedule under 40 hours. If this service proves popular, Union Pacific system will purchase additional trains to provide daily service.—V. 139, p. 2532.

United Corp. (of Del.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933		
x Divs. & int. received	\$2,678,756	\$2,847,457	\$8,093,447	\$9,286,112
Interest paid	89,889	51,444	321,680	321,680
Current expenses	103,073	251,480	387,476	524,396
Loss on sale of secur.			4,181	
Net income	\$2,575,683	\$2,506,088	\$7,650,344	\$8,440,036
Preferred dividends	1,866,515	1,866,513	5,599,545	5,599,537
Common dividends			2,905,892	
Surplus	\$709,168	\$639,575	\$2,050,799	def\$65,393
Shares com. stock outstanding (no par)	14,531,197	14,529,465	14,531,197	14,529,465
Earnings per share	\$0.05	\$0.04	\$0.14	\$0.19

x Exclusive of dividends paid in stock. a Dividends received only. The securities in the corporation's portfolio, which at Sept. 30 1934, were carried on the books at a cost or declared value of \$583,291,181, had an indicated market value of \$168,653,686 at such date based on current

published quotations. On Dec. 31 1933, securities with a total cost or declared value of \$586,498,080 had an estimated market value on that date of \$188,249,626.—V. 139, p. 945.

United Biscuit Co. of America. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933		
Net profit after deprec., int., Fed. taxes, &c.	\$264,657	\$293,200	\$755,934	\$710,446
Shs. com. stk. (no par)	462,925	450,325	462,925	450,325
Earnings per share	\$0.49	\$0.59	\$1.47	\$1.41

—V. 139, p. 1419.

United Electric Coal Cos.—New Director—
Joseph P. Routh has been elected a director succeeding J. Lawrence Gilson deceased.—V. 139, p. 1881.

United Gas Improvement Co.—Weekly Electric Output—
Week Ended— Oct. 20 1934 Oct. 13 1934 Oct. 21 1933
Electric output U. G. I. System(kwh.) 71,269,992 70,207,429 69,665,612
—V. 139, p. 2533.

United Gold Equities of Canada, Ltd.—Earnings—
Income Account for Period from Date of Incorporation May 19 1933 to June 30 1934

Interest and dividends	\$6,670
Net profit on sales of investment securities	27,209
Total income	\$33,879
Expenses, taxes, auditors', legal and trust company fees, &c.	4,183
Net profit	\$29,696
Dividends	3,006
Organization expenses written off	1,349
Earned surplus	\$25,341

Balance Sheet as at June 30 1934

Assets—	Liabilities—		
Cash in bank and on hand	\$896	Accounts payable	\$292
Amount due from selling agents re subser. to 11,795 standard shares of company	27,723	Amount due to brokers re security purchases	17,303
Investment securities	250,979	Standard shares (par \$1)	112,849
Int. accrued & divs. receivable	2,522	Common shares (par \$1)	1,000
Furniture	226	Capital surplus	76,989
Prepaid and deferred charges	196	Paid-in surplus	48,769
		Earned surplus	25,341
Total	\$282,542	Total	\$282,542

—V. 139, p. 131.

United Publishers Corp.—Injunction Suit—
The Bankers Trust Co., Wilfred T. Pratt and Atwell & Co., New York, on Oct. 24 filed suit in Chancery Court, Wilmington, Del., for an injunction to restrain officers and directors of the corporation from carrying out amendments to the corporation's charter which was approved by stockholders on Oct. 16.

Mr. Pratt and the Bankers Trust Co. are executors of the estate of G. Eugene Sly, owner of 1,060 shares of the corporation's preferred stock. The other complaint alleges that the corporation is dominated and controlled by John Blair Moffett, of Philadelphia, a stockholder, and that he had the amendments adopted for his own benefit.

The amendments, which the complainants allege are illegal, provide that the corporation's name shall be changed to the Chilton Co. and that the directors may redeem the present stock, giving 10 shares of new \$10 par value common for each \$100 par value preferred and one share of the new for one of the present no par common.

Mr. Moffett, it is said, owns 32,000 of the 44,111 preferred shares and 73,922 of the 75,220 common shares outstanding.—V. 134, p. 1976.

United Rys. & Electric Co. of Baltimore—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—Month—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933		
Total revenue	\$804,931	\$806,777	\$7,896,025	\$7,283,621
Total expenses	706,088	697,793	6,718,483	6,400,573
Taxes	81,629	91,158	765,658	815,783
Operating income	\$17,213	\$17,825	\$411,883	\$67,264
Non-oper. income	782	317	8,537	7,174
Gross income	\$17,995	\$18,143	\$420,421	\$74,438
Fixed charges	8,353	14,078	90,277	160,943
Net income	\$9,641	\$4,065	\$330,143	def\$86,504

—V. 139, p. 2065.

U. S. Hoffman Machinery Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933		
Gross profit on sales	\$259,262	\$383,645	\$960,316	\$670,008
Expenses	263,804	291,146	765,526	727,683
Operating loss	\$4,543	prof\$92,499	prof\$194,790	\$57,675
Other income	41,231	35,030	112,056	99,757
Total surplus	\$36,689	\$127,529	\$306,846	\$42,081
Depreciation	32,382	31,894	95,207	98,443
Other charges	53,253	34,995	121,074	71,207
Federal taxes	Cr5,771	881	13,112	1,831
Net loss	\$43,175	prof\$59,759	prof\$79,452	\$129,400

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet Sept. 30

1934	1933	1934	1933		
x Plant & property	\$733,153	\$686,651	y Capital stock	\$1,111,017	\$1,111,017
Constr. and equip.	99,666	99,666	Notes payable		150,000
Patents, good-will	1	1	Loans payable secured	559,820	
x Cash	240,856	373,158	Accts. & tax pay.	149,940	158,854
Install. accts. rec.	2,195,261	1,718,237	Reserve	400,399	80,721
Accts. receivable	358,921	367,106	Deposits	12,098	12,838
Inventories	992,460	817,416	Capital surplus	1,389,310	1,389,310
Prep. & def. chgs.	38,309	25,594	Earned surplus	1,118,531	1,384,032
Due from employees incl. exp. funds.	14,323	17,260			
Dep. on leases, &c.	4,336	3,374			
Mortgages receiv.	94,850	94,850			
Investments	25,977	40,790			
Treasury stock	42,670	42,670			
Total	\$4,741,117	\$4,286,772	Total	\$4,741,117	\$4,286,772

x After reserves. y Represented by 222,203 no par shares. z Includes cash in restricted banks of \$44,394 in 1934 (\$88,118 in 1933).—V. 139, p. 617.

United States Playing Card Co.—Extra Dividend Declared
The directors on Oct. 25 declared an extra dividend of 50 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, par \$10, both payable Jan. 2 to holders of record Dec. 21. On Oct. 1 last an extra of 25 cents per share was disbursed. Quarterly dividends of 25 cents per share have been paid on this issue since and including Oct. 1 1932.—V. 139, p. 781.

Virginia Iron, Coal & Coke Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1934—3 Mos.—1933	1934—9 Mos.—1933		
Gross	\$298,844	\$266,228	\$1,037,916	\$680,024
Expenses	296,264	289,266	1,071,339	700,486
Operating profit	\$2,579	loss\$23,038	loss\$33,424	loss\$20,462
Other income	30,876	32,187	81,372	73,274
Total income	\$33,455	\$9,149	\$47,948	\$52,812
Int., deprec. & taxes	33,314	34,119	94,233	114,352
Net profit	\$141	loss\$24,970	loss\$46,285	loss\$61,540

Note—The above shows results of operations for nine months after having made allowances for depreciation and depletion.—V. 139, p. 618.

Virginian Ry.—Earnings.—

Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and other financial metrics.

Wabash Ry.—Earnings.—

Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and other financial metrics.

Warren Brothers Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for 8 Months Ended Aug. 31, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Net profit after deprec., int., taxes, and losses on sales of capital assets.

Warner-Quinlan Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30, 1934, 3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Net loss after taxes, interest and reserves.

Washington Water Power Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30, 1934—Month—1933, 1934—12 Mos.—1933. Rows include Operating revenues, Oper. exps., Net revs. from oper., Other income, Gross corp. income, Int. & other deducts, Balance, Property retirement reserve appropriations, Divs. applic. to pref. stock.

Webster Eisenlohr, Inc.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Gross profit, Sell., gen. & misc. exp., Loss on sale of tobacco, Net profit.

Westchester Fire Insurance Co.—Extra Distribution—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 10 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, par \$10, both payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 20.

Western Maryland Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period—, 1934, 1933, 1934, 1933. Rows include Gross earnings (est.), Net profit.

Western Pacific RR.—Earnings—

Table with columns for September—, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Western Power, Light & Telephone Co.—Trustees—

In June 1934 company filed a petition in Federal Court, Chicago, to reorganize under Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act, as amended.

Westinghouse Air Brake Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Net profit after taxes, depreciation, &c., Earnings per sh. on 3,172,111 shares cap. stock (no par).

Westvaco Chlorine Products Corp.—Debentures Called

A total of \$71,000 of 10-year 5½% sinking fund gold debentures due March 1 1937 have been called for payment Nov. 19 next at 101 and int. Payment will be made at the Guaranty Trust Co., trustee, 140 Broadway, N. Y. City or at the Continental Illinois National Bank & Trust Co., Chicago, Ill.

Wheeling & Lake Erie Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for September—, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

(S. S.) White Dental Mfg. Co.—20-cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share on the common stock, par \$20, payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 18.

West Virginia Coal & Coke Corp.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30—, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Production—tons, Gross profit on coal sales, Other oper. prof. & inc., Gross profit from oper., Sell., adm. & gen. exps., Interest on funded debt, Deprecia & depletion, Prov. for Fed. inc. taxes, Net profit.

Balance Sheet as of Sept. 30 1934

Table with columns for Assets and Liabilities. Rows include Cash, Accts. & notes rec. (net), Inventories, Prepaid, accrued & other items, Investments, Fixed assets, Vouchers & accounts payable, Accrued interest and taxes, Equipment purchase notes, Operating reserves, Funded debt, Reserve for contingencies, Common stock, Surplus, Earnings for current year.

Whiting Corp.—Preferred Dividend Deferred—

The directors have decided to defer payment of a dividend on the 6½% cumulative preferred stock, par \$100, due at this time. Regular quarterly dividends of \$1.62½ per share have been paid up to and including Aug. 1 last.

Williamsport Wire Rope Co.—Reorganization Plan Modified—

The bondholders' protective committee for the first mortgage sinking fund 6% gold bonds of the company have announced a modification of the reorganization plan so as to provide for an immediate distribution of \$700 in cash for each \$1,000 of bonds represented by outstanding certificates of deposit.

Wilson-Jones Co.—50-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the no par common stock, payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 25.

Wisconsin Central Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30—, 1934—Month—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Total revenues, Net railway revenues, Net after rents, Other income—net Dr., Int. on funded debt—Dr., Net deficit.

(William) Wrigley Jr. & Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30—, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Earnings, Expenses, Depreciation, Federal taxes, Net profit, Shares capital stock outstanding (no par), Earnings per share.

Yale & Towne Mfg. Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30—, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Net profit from oper., Interest received, Other income, Profit, Depreciation charges, Net loss.

Yellow Truck & Coach Mfg. Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30—, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Net sales, Net profit before prov. for depreciation, Prov. for depreciation, Net loss, Earnings per sh. on 150,000 shs. 7% pref. stock.

Zonite Products Corp.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. Sept. 30—, 1934—3 Mos.—1933, 1934—9 Mos.—1933. Rows include Operating profit, Interest, Depreciation, Federal taxes, Net profit, Shs. cap. stk. outstand. (par \$1), Earnings per share.

The Commercial Markets and the Crops

COTTON—SUGAR—COFFEE—GRAIN—PROVISIONS

PETROLEUM—RUBBER—HIDES—METALS—DRY GOODS—WOOL—ETC.

COMMERCIAL EPITOME

Friday Night, Oct. 26 1934.

Coffee futures on the 20th inst. were quiet and closed unchanged to 1 point higher on Santos with sales of 1,750 bags, and 5 to 14 points lower on Rio with sales of 4,500 bags. Cost and freight offers from Brazil were unchanged. Brazilian markets were weaker. On the 22d inst. futures closed 3 to 7 points lower on Santos with sales of 8,000 bags, while Rio contract closed 1 point lower to 8 points higher with sales of 7,250 bags. Cost and freight offers were about unchanged and spot coffee was in small demand, with Santos 4s still 11¼c. On the 23rd inst. futures closed unchanged to 2 points higher on Santos with sales of 7,000 bags, and 4 to 7 points higher on Rio with sales of 4,000 bags. On the 24th inst. futures closed 2 points lower to 2 points higher on Santos contracts with sales of 6,750 bags, and 1 to 3 higher on Rio with sales of 1,750 bags.

On the 25th inst. futures declined 2 to 4 points on Santos contracts with sales of 1,250 bags and 4 to 7 points on Rio with sales of 2,000 bags. Brazilian markets were weaker. Cost and freight offers from Brazil were light and unchanged. Spot coffee was quiet and unchanged, with Santos 4s at 11¼c. To-day futures closed 4 to 6 points lower on Santos contracts and 3 points lower to 1 point higher on Rio. Trade selling sent prices down.

Rio coffee prices closed as follows:

December	7.15	July	7.52
March	7.36	September	7.58
May	7.46		

Santos coffee prices closed as follows:

December	10.41	July	10.41
March	10.37	September	10.42
May	10.39		

Cocoa futures on the 20th inst. closed 4 to 6 points higher with sales of 227 lots. Dec. ended at 4.60c., March at 4.80c., May at 4.94c., July at 5.07c. and Sept. at 5.21c. On the 22d inst. futures ended with net losses of 13 to 16 points under general liquidation, sales 100 lots. Dec. ended at 4.45c., March at 4.64c., May at 4.80c., July at 4.93c. and Sept. at 5.08c. On the 23rd inst. the ending was 8 to 12 points higher with Dec. at 4.54c., Jan. at 4.61c., March at 4.74c. and May at 4.68c. On the 24th inst. futures after advancing about 10 points early in the session reacted later and closed unchanged, after sales of 95 lots. Dec. ended at 4.54c., Jan. at 4.61c., March at 4.74c., May at 4.88c., July at 5.02c. and Sept. at 5.16c.

On the 25th inst. futures closed unchanged to 2 points higher with sales of 43 lots. Oct. ended at 4.48c.; Dec. at 4.55c.; Mar. at 4.76c.; May at 4.89c.; July at 5.02c., and Sept. at 5.17c. To-day futures closed 8 to 10 points lower under selling by European interests. Dec. ended at 4.45c.; Jan. at 4.52c.; Mar. at 4.66c.; May at 4.79c., and July at 4.94c.

Sugar futures continued their downward course on the 20th inst., and closed 2 to 3 points lower under heavy hedge selling and profit taking. Sales were 353 lots. No sales were reported in the raw market. On the 22d inst., futures closed 2 to 4 points lower with sales of 513 lots. Liquidation of December and hedge selling sent prices down. Raws were reported sold at the equivalent of 79c. f. o. b. Cuba. English refined was reduced 1½d. per hundredweight. On the 23d inst., futures closed 1 to 2 points lower on sales of 37,000 tons. The announcement that the Cuban Sugar Stabilization Institute intended to sell or store approximately 360,000 tons of Cuba's remaining unsold quota for the United States before Jan. 1 caused rather heavy selling.

On the 24th inst., futures closed 1 point lower to 2 points higher with sales of 312 lots. Covering and new buying furnished the main support, but aggressive buying was lacking owing to a disposition to await the effect of the Cuban proposal to dispose of the remaining unsold portion of its 1934 quota for the United States, approximating 360,000 tons.

On the 25th inst. futures advanced 3 to 10 points with sales of 304 lots. Buying was inspired by the news that the Cuban Institute would withdraw their offer to sell the balance of their quota amounting to approximately 360,000 tons. To-day futures ended 2 points lower to 4 points higher with Dec. showing the most strength.

Prices were as follows:

December	1.83	May	1.76
January	1.76	July	1.80
March	1.73	September	1.81

Lard futures held quite steady on the 20th inst. despite the weakness in wheat which stimulated light selling. Hogs were steady with the top \$5.90. Cash lard was also steady; in tierces, 9.45c.; refined to Continent, 8 to 8¼c.; South America, 8¼ to 8¾c. On the 22nd inst. futures ended slightly higher under being induced by the firmness of grain. Hogs were 10c. higher with the top \$6. Cash lard was firm; in tierces, 6.50c.; refined to Continent, 8¼ to 8¾c.; South America, 8¼ to 8¾c. On the 23rd inst. futures finished steady in a quiet trade. Closing prices were unchanged to 5 points lower. Selling was influenced by the continued heavy marketings of hogs. Cash interests bought. Hogs were 15 to 25c. lower with the top \$6. Cash lard was steady. On the 24th inst. futures closed unchanged to 2½ points higher on buying by cash interests. Lower hog prices influenced light selling which was easily absorbed. Hogs were steady with the top \$6. Cash lard was steady. On the 25th inst. futures ended unchanged to 5 points lower. Some selling was induced by the weakness in hogs, but buying by cash interests of December and January steadied the market. Hogs were 10c. to 15c. lower with the top \$5.80. Cash lard was steady; in tierces, 950c.; refined to Continent, 8¼ to 8¾c.; South America, 8¼ to 8¾c. To-day futures closed 7c. lower to 10c. higher.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
October	9.32	9.30	9.30	9.32	9.32	9.27
December	9.37	9.40	9.37	9.40	9.40	9.35
January	9.47	9.55	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.45

Pork easier; mess, \$28; family, \$24 nominal; fat backs, \$22.25 to \$24. Beef weaker; mess, nominal; packer, nominal; family, \$17 to \$18 nominal; extra India mess, nominal. Cut meats were inactive; pickled hams, picnic, loose, 4 to 6 lbs., 9¼c.; 6 to 10 lbs., 9c.; skinned, 14 to 16 lbs., 15¼c.; 18 to 20 lbs., 15c.; 22 to 24 lbs., 13¼c.; 10 to 12 lbs., 14¼c.; 14 to 16 lbs., 15c.; 18 to 20 lbs., 15¼c. Bellies, clear, f.o.b. New York, pickled, 6 to 12 lbs., 16¼c.; bellies, clear, dry salted, boxed, N. Y., 14 to 16 lbs., 15¼c.; 18 to 20 lbs., 14¼c.; 20 to 25 lbs., 14¼c.; 25 to 30 lbs., 14¼c. Butter, creamery, firsts to higher than extra, 24½ to 29¼c. Cheese, flats, 16½ to 20c. Eggs, mixed colors, checks to special packs, 17½ to 35c.

Oils—Linseed showed little life. Meals were quiet. Tank cars were quoted at 8.3c. Coconut, Manila, coast, tanks, 27c.; tanks, N. Y., nearby, 3¼c. Corn, crude, tanks, Western mills, 30 days, 7¼c. China wood, delivered N. Y., drums, 9½ to 9¼c.; tanks, spot, 8.6c. Olive, denatured, spot, Spanish, 85c.; shipments, Spanish, 82 to 83c.; Greek, 79 to 80c. Soya bean, tanks, Western mills, spot, forward, 6.0 to 6.3c.; cars, N. Y., 7¼c.; L.C.L., 7¼c. Edible, olive, \$1.60 to \$2.15. Lard, prime, 9c.; extra strained winter, 8¼c. Cod, dark, 29¼c.; light filtered, 30c. Turpentine, 53 to 57c. Rosin, \$5.35 to \$6.55.

Cottonseed Oil sales, including switches, 44 contracts. Crude, S. E., 7¼c. Prices closed as follows:

October	8.35@	February	8.36@8.46
November	8.35@8.45	March	8.48@8.50
December	8.33@8.39	April	8.50@8.60
January	8.33@8.38	May	8.61@8.66

Petroleum—The summary and tables of prices formerly appearing here regarding petroleum will be found on an earlier page in our department of "Business Indications," in the article entitled "Petroleum and Its Products."

Rubber futures were quiet. On the 20th inst., futures closed 8 to 11 points lower, with sales of only 740 tons. Spot ribbed smoked sheets fell to 13.87c. London and Singapore declined. Oct. ended at 13.81c.; Dec. at 14.01 to 14.02c.; March at 14.41 to 14.42c.; May at 14.62c.; July at 14.82c., and Sept. at 15.02c. On the 22d inst. futures closed 2 to 8 points higher with sales of only 1,110 tons. Spot ribbed smoked sheets advanced to 13.95c. London was slightly higher, but Singapore showed a decline of 1-32d. Oct. ended at 13.89c.; Dec. at 14.07c.; Jan. at 14.15c.; March at 14.45c.; May at 14.66c.; July at 14.86c., and Sept. at 15.06c. On the 23d inst., futures closed 7 to 14 points higher with sales of 1,660 tons. The firmness of London contributed to the strength here. Oct. ended at 14.01c.; Dec. at 14.17c.; Jan. at 14.29c.; March at 14.52 to 14.54c.; May at 14.75c., and July at 14.99c. On the 24th inst., futures closed 2 to 6 points lower, with sales of only 890 tons. Spot ribbed smoked sheets were unchanged at 14.05c. London and Singapore markets were lower. Dec. ended at 14.12 to 14.14c.; Jan. at 14.25c.; March at 14.52c.; May at 14.72c. July at 14.93c., and Sept. at 15.13c.

On the 25th inst. futures declined 5 to 9 points; sales 3,180 tons. Spot smoked ribbed sheets fell to 13.96c. London was unchanged to 1-16d. lower and Singapore was off 1-16 to 3-32d. Dec. ended at 14.06 to 14.07c.; Jan. at 14.16c.; Mar. at 14.44 to 14.46c.; May at 14.64c.; July at 14.87c., and Sept. at 15.08c. To-day futures closed 15 to 20 points

lower under general liquidation. Dec. ended at 13.91c.; Jan. at 14.01c.; Mar. at 14.26c.; May at 14.47c.; July at 14.67c., and Sept. at 14.88c.

Hides futures on the 20th inst. closed 1 point lower to 4 points higher with sales of 80,000 lbs. Sales of about 13,000 hides were reported in the Chicago spot market at firm prices. Approximately 12,000 hides were sold in the Argentine spot market at unchanged prices. Old contract closed unchanged and was inactive, Dec., 6.60c., March, 6.75c. Standard contract ended with Dec., 5.87 to 5.90c., Jan., 5.94c., March, 6.05c., May, 6.15c., July, 6.25c., and Sept. at 6.37c. On the 22d inst. futures ended 5 to 14 points lower with sales of 1,000,000 lbs. Old contract closed 10 points lower with Dec. at 6.50c. and March at 6.65c., standard, Dec., 7.55c., March, 7.80 to 7.85c., June, 8.10c., and Sept., 8.40c. On the 23rd inst. futures finished 5 points lower to 7 points higher on sales of 720,000 lbs. June standard ended at 8.15c. and Sept. at 8.43c. On the 24th inst. futures closed 8 to 12 points higher with sales of 1,440,000 lbs. Sales of 35,900 hides were reported in the Chicago spot market at unchanged prices. In the Argentine spot market 6,500 hides sold at steady prices. Old contract closed 5 points higher at 6.65c. for Dec. and 6.80c. for March, standard, Dec., 7.60 to 7.75c., March, 7.96c., June, 8.25 to 8.26c., and Sept., 8.55c.

On the 25th inst. futures fell 3 to 15 points after sales of 2,200,000 lbs. Some 64,000 hides sold in the Chicago spot market at steady prices. Light native cows sold at 7c. Old contract closed 10 points lower with Dec. at 6.55c., and Mar. at 6.70c.; standard Mar., 7.85 to 7.90c.; June, 8.15 to 8.16c., and Sept., 8.40 to 8.50c. To-day futures closed unchanged to 7 points lower in a dull market. Standard Dec. ended at 7.50c.; Mar. at 7.79c.; June at 8.10c., and Sept. at 8.40c.

Ocean freights recently were a little more active.

Charters included: Grain booked—3½ loads to Havre-Dunkirk, 7c.; 8 loads, New York-Marseilles-Genoa, 11c.; few Montreal, 12c. 11½ loads, prompt Montreal, barley, 7½c. to Continent. Coal—Port Talbot to Malaga, 8s. 3d., Oct. 11; Cardiff to Las Palmas, 8s., Oct. 15; Port Talbot to United States, Northern range, 6s. 3d. f.d., Oct. 19. Scrap Iron—Early Nov., New York-Gdynia, \$4.50; Nov., Gulf-Japan, 13s. 6d. f.i.o. Trips—Across, redelivery United Kingdom-Continent, 60c.; short period, West Indies, \$1.05; round, West Indies, \$1; prompt, West Indies, round, \$1.15; prompt, West Indies, round, 95c. Tankers—Nov., Gulf clean, to United Kingdom-Continent, 11s. 6d.; clean, prompt loading, California, 15s. 3d.; United Kingdom-Continent; clean, Nov. loading, Curacao, 10s. United Kingdom-Continent; clean, prompt loading, California, 15s. United Kingdom-Continent; Constanza-Lisbon, 13s. 6d.; clean, Oct.; Gulf, United Kingdom-Continent, 12s. clean, Oct. 25-Nov. 15; Gulf, Ostermoor and Danzig, 12s. 7½d.; dirty, Nov.; Gulf-Havre, 11s., crude, Nov. 1-20.

Coal demand has fallen off a little owing to the recent higher temperatures. Bituminous output gained 25,000 tons last week. The total for three weeks to Oct. 20 was 21,161,000 and the weekly average 7,053,000 against 19,400,000 and 6,466,000 tons respectively a year ago.

Copper was in good demand abroad with prices ranging from 6.90 to 6.95c. e. i. f. Hamburg, Havre and London. European and Japanese interests have recently been good buyers. Blue Eagle was in fair demand at 9c. delivered to end of January. London on the 25th inst. declined 7s. 6d. on the spot to £27 12s. 6d.; futures dropped 7s. 6d. to £27 18s. 9d.; sales, 300 tons of spot and 3,400 tons of futures; electrolytic up 5s. to £30 10s. for spot and £21 10s. for futures.

Tin was quiet at 51½c. for spot straits. In London on the 25th inst. spot standard declined 15s. to £229 12s. 6d.; futures off 5s. to £228 10s.; sales, 30 tons of spot and 290 tons of futures; spot straits were off 15s. to £229 15s.; Eastern e. i. f. London unchanged at £230 5s.; spot standard at the second session dropped 7s. 6d. with sales of 10 tons of futures.

Lead was in moderate demand at 3.70c. New York and 3.55c. East St. Louis. In London on the 25th inst. spot was unchanged at £10 12s. 6d.; futures off 1s. 3d. to £10 12s. 6d.; sales, 1,150 tons of futures.

Zinc was quiet with prime Western unchanged at 3.85c. East St. Louis. In London on the 25th inst. spot was unchanged at £12 16s. 3d.; futures unchanged at £12 16s. 3d.; sales none.

Steel was in better demand for light descriptions, particularly for galvanized sheets and tin plate. There were also fair sales of heavy steel. Japan may be in the market before very long for permission has been asked of the Japanese Government to import steel. Operations increased to the highest level since Sept. Quotations: Semi-finished billets, re-rolling, \$27; billets, forging, \$32; sheet bars, \$28; slabs, \$27; wire rods, \$38; skpet, 1.70c.; sheets, hot rolled, annealed, 2.40c.; galvanized 3.10c.; strips, hot rolled, 1.85c.; strips, cold rolled, 2.60c.; hoops, 1.85c.; bands, 1.85c.; tin plate, per box, \$5.25.

Pig Iron was dull. Stocks at foundries throughout the country are very small but the demand does not improve very much. Quotations: Foundry No. 2 plain, eastern Pennsylvania, \$19.50; Buffalo, Chicago Valley and Cleve-land \$18.50, and Birmingham, \$14.50. Basic Valley, \$18; eastern Pennsylvania, \$19; Malleable, eastern Pennsylvania, \$20; Buffalo, \$19.

Wool—Combing territory sold a little more freely recently at firm prices. Good French combings and average strictly combings 64s. and finer territory wools in original bags sold at about 73c. soured basis. The chief demand,

however, was for average to good French combings staple 64s. and finer in original bags at 67 to 70c. and strictly combings staple at 63 to 65c. soured basis.

Silk futures closed unchanged to 1c. higher on the 22d inst., with sales of 1,480 bales. Crack double extra in the spot market was unchanged at \$1.23½. Oct. ended at \$1.16 to \$1.16½, Nov., \$1.15½, Dec., \$1.16, Jan. and Feb., \$1.17½ to \$1.18, March, \$1.17½, April, \$1.18 to \$1.18½, and May, \$1.18 to \$1.18½. On the 23d inst., futures closed unchanged to 1c. lower on sales of 600 bales. Nov. and Dec. ended at \$1.15½, Feb. and March, \$1.16½, April, \$1.17½, and May, \$1.18. On the 24th inst., futures closed ½ to 1½c. higher. Crack double extra was unchanged at \$1.22½. Japanese cables were firmer. Oct. ended at \$1.16 to \$1.17, Nov. at \$1.16 to \$1.16½, Dec. at \$1.16½ to \$1.17, March at \$1.18, April at \$1.18½, and May at \$1.14.

On the 25th inst. futures ended unchanged to 2c. lower with sales of 1,310 bales. Crack double extra on the spot was up 1½c. to \$1.24. Oct. ended at \$1.16; Nov. at \$1.15½; Dec. at \$1.15½ to \$1.16; Jan. at \$1.16½ to \$1.17; Mar., \$1.17; April and May, \$1.17 to \$1.17½. To-day futures closed 1½c. lower to ½c. higher in moderate trading. Nov. ended at \$1.15½; Dec., \$1.15½; Jan., \$1.15; Feb., \$1.15½; Mar., \$1.16; April at \$1.16½; May at \$1.17½, and June at \$1.17½.

COTTON

Friday Night, Oct. 26 1934.

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 232,059 bales, against 208,963 bales last week and 240,603 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since Aug. 1 1934 2,039,530 bales, against 3,272,633 bales for the same period of 1933, showing a decrease since Aug. 1 1934 of 1,233,103 bales.

Receipts at—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total
Galveston	9,101	18,244	9,925	3,185	6,053	4,250	50,758
Texas City	---	---	---	---	---	---	3,501
Houston	8,030	6,854	14,290	4,902	6,119	21,431	61,626
Corpus Christi	1,399	1,591	2,102	1,696	1,712	2,158	10,658
Beaumont	---	---	---	---	---	---	874
New Orleans	6,185	7,070	8,191	6,178	37,037	6,483	71,144
Mobile	754	1,966	2,331	504	1,222	1,550	8,327
Pensacola	25	---	---	4,100	1,336	---	5,461
Jacksonville	---	---	---	---	---	---	555
Savannah	923	555	712	421	1,082	761	4,454
Charleston	469	425	300	626	158	---	2,729
Lake Charles	---	---	---	---	---	---	2,840
Wilmington	70	201	150	306	316	287	1,330
Norfolk	885	850	588	1,025	764	936	5,048
Baltimore	---	---	---	---	---	---	776
Totals this week.	27,841	37,756	38,589	22,943	56,673	48,257	232,059

The following table shows the week's total receipts, the total since Aug. 1 1934 and stocks to-night, compared with last year:

Receipts to Oct. 26	1934		1933		Stock	
	This Week	Since Aug 1 1934	This Week	Since Aug 1 1933	1934	1933
Galveston	50,758	414,688	118,390	792,298	596,442	748,156
Texas City	3,501	42,533	13,371	78,688	33,134	53,277
Houston	61,626	626,059	119,367	1,157,311	1,107,848	1,537,558
Corpus Christi	10,658	232,282	5,639	284,166	131,275	126,990
Beaumont	874	2,727	---	5,651	2,430	13,125
New Orleans	71,144	389,793	66,265	482,078	738,171	826,801
Gulfpport	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mobile	8,327	73,721	8,541	63,446	116,328	126,969
Pensacola	5,461	40,122	4,483	80,091	18,710	39,372
Jacksonville	555	4,881	401	8,919	6,375	7,090
Savannah	4,454	69,875	4,532	116,541	122,744	147,961
Brunswick	---	200	237	7,884	---	---
Charleston	4,707	70,463	1,970	82,488	67,894	67,818
Lake Charles	2,840	40,283	2,188	73,985	50,806	62,556
Wilmington	1,330	3,801	506	10,081	18,172	18,287
Norfolk	5,048	16,083	2,078	18,859	16,255	25,161
Newport News	---	---	---	---	---	---
New York	---	---	---	---	---	---
Boston	---	---	---	---	---	---
Baltimore	776	12,019	496	10,146	50,520	111,907
Philadelphia	---	---	---	---	---	---
Totals	232,059	2,039,530	348,464	3,272,633	3,087,041	3,927,568

In order that comparison may be made with other years, we give below the totals at leading ports for six seasons:

Receipts at—	1934	1933	1932	1931	1930	1929
Galveston	50,758	118,390	128,082	130,210	86,985	111,239
Houston	61,626	119,367	149,322	163,510	136,227	168,813
New Orleans	71,144	66,265	52,859	63,416	77,833	114,628
Mobile	8,327	8,541	9,647	21,101	47,650	30,597
Savannah	4,454	4,532	6,683	13,717	31,649	21,791
Brunswick	---	237	---	4,255	7,294	---
Charleston	4,707	1,970	6,292	5,608	19,668	17,965
Wilmington	1,330	506	2,044	4,149	8,644	7,187
Norfolk	5,048	2,078	2,331	5,085	10,161	13,995
Newport News	---	---	---	---	---	---
All others	24,665	26,578	30,247	42,185	22,119	17,065
Total this wk.	232,059	348,464	387,507	453,232	448,230	503,270
Since Aug. 1 -	2,039,530	3,272,633	2,947,547	3,406,515	4,428,651	4,192,954

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 111,819 bales, of which 4,814 were to Great Britain, 10,838 to France, 8,691 to Germany, 15,014 to Italy, 46,953 to Japan, 3,175 to China, and 22,334 to other destinations. In the corresponding week last year total exports were 245,831 bales. For the season to date aggregate exports have been 1,179,725 bales, against 2,187,203 bales in the same period of the previous season. Below are the exports for the week.

Week Ended Oct. 26 1934 Exports from—	Exported to—							Total
	Great Britain	France	Germany	Italy	Japan	China	Other	
Galveston	---	3,654	955	1,994	10,585	---	3,085	20,273
Houston	---	1,178	2,446	5,605	12,150	900	11,445	33,724
Corpus Christi	3,946	654	150	---	2,541	1,475	260	9,026
Texas City	---	2,506	129	7	---	---	1,424	4,066
Beaumont	146	---	---	---	---	---	214	360
New Orleans	---	2,693	3,398	7,100	12,949	800	4,153	31,093
Lake Charles	---	---	100	---	---	---	285	385
Mobile	697	---	933	---	---	---	1,168	2,800
Pensacola	---	---	100	170	4,228	---	---	4,498
Panama City	---	---	---	---	4,100	---	---	4,100
Norfolk	---	53	228	138	---	---	---	419
Gulfport	25	---	---	---	---	---	---	25
Los Angeles	---	100	250	---	400	---	300	1,050
Total	4,814	10,838	8,691	15,014	46,953	3,175	22,334	111,819
Total 1933	34,931	12,135	60,046	27,716	83,899	9,075	18,029	245,831
Total 1932	31,531	8,123	41,566	11,516	28,488	3,961	37,343	156,528

From Aug. 1 1934 to Oct. 26 1934 Exports from—	Exported to—							Total
	Great Britain	France	Germany	Italy	Japan	China	Other	
Galveston	27,766	26,552	27,669	25,700	126,872	3,537	59,228	296,324
Houston	17,948	32,264	20,858	31,416	121,541	26,142	53,783	303,952
Corpus Christi	16,310	17,838	6,439	6,702	84,797	4,275	26,665	163,026
Texas City	---	5,760	246	7	743	---	4,049	10,805
Beaumont	2,855	---	---	---	---	---	309	3,164
New Orleans	32,402	18,746	43,867	23,640	51,170	1,075	29,228	200,128
Lake Charles	2,352	658	243	125	2,611	---	2,951	8,940
Mobile	10,355	3,945	16,289	6,925	9,602	---	4,919	52,035
Jacksonville	304	52	992	---	---	---	---	1,348
Pensacola	2,995	---	5,410	1,230	6,785	---	2,293	18,713
Panama City	1,984	---	452	---	9,928	---	---	12,382
Savannah	20,956	2,570	18,640	---	3,900	---	2,196	48,282
Brunswick	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	200
Charleston	20,545	2,586	7,494	---	5,500	---	1,592	37,717
Norfolk	1,218	103	425	138	---	---	787	4,431
Gulfport	2,279	---	---	---	---	---	---	2,704
New York	100	192	5,433	---	---	---	602	6,327
Los Angeles	1,069	300	1,217	---	4,600	500	1,300	8,986
San Francisco	38	---	243	---	---	---	---	281
Total	160,476	111,566	158,102	95,883	428,049	35,529	190,120	1,179,725
Total 1933	361,456	265,586	460,143	211,651	547,761	52,326	288,280	2,182,203
Total 1932	277,476	264,450	576,225	171,613	302,315	61,411	168,097	1,821,577

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 give 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 18,195 bales. In the corresponding month of the preceding season the exports were 14,482 bales. For the 12 months ended July 31 1934 there were 254,686 bales exported, as against 196,869 bales for the 12 months of 1932-33.

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:

Oct. 26 at—	On Shipboard Not Cleared for—					Total	Leaving Stock
	Great Britain	France	Germany	Other Foreign	Coast-wise		
Galveston	5,600	2,600	5,000	31,600	1,000	45,800	550,642
Houston	2,514	1,519	2,371	24,215	---	30,419	1,077,429
New Orleans	2,176	4,656	1,209	7,537	---	15,578	722,593
Savannah	3,000	---	---	---	---	3,000	119,744
Charleston	---	---	---	---	---	---	67,894
Mobile	343	2,047	---	16,132	150	18,672	97,656
Norfolk	---	---	---	---	---	---	16,255
Other ports*	---	---	---	---	---	---	321,359
Total 1934	13,633	10,822	8,380	79,484	1,150	113,469	2,973,572
Total 1933	32,241	15,574	39,312	115,760	4,500	207,387	3,720,181
Total 1932	22,931	20,568	25,549	115,451	3,566	188,055	4,056,253

* Estimated.

Speculation in cotton for future delivery has been on a very small scale, largely because of the deadlocked position of the spot situation. Farmers are holding back their cotton for higher prices, or are putting it in the Government 12c. loan.

On the 25th inst. prices declined 9 to 11 points, after showing early strength under buying prompted by steadier Liverpool cables. Weaker markets for stocks and wheat, however, caused selling and general liquidation later on, and a consequent decline. The President's address before the bankers was well received, but had little, if any, effect. Wall Street and Japanese interests were buying, and there was quite a bit of price-fixing on the way down. New Orleans sold a little. The weather was generally clear over the Eastern belt, while generally cloudy conditions prevailed in the central part, with light scattered rains. The Western belt was generally fair following light rains in Arkansas and southwestern Texas. The basis in the South was still firm, but very little business was reported.

To-day prices opened easier and gradually worked lower, to close 3 points lower to 2 points higher. Selling, however, was not heavy. Spinners' takings were estimated by the Exchange this week between 255,000 and 265,000 bales, compared with 234,000 bales last week and 310,000 bales in the same week last year and 326,000 bales two years ago. The spot situation in the South were still deadlocked. Worth Street was quiet.

On the 20th inst. prices fluctuated within a narrow range in a very small market. The ending was unchanged to 4 points lower. Operations consisted chiefly of hedge selling and trade buying. The spot basis in the South was firm and offerings were limited. The weather was generally favorable but frost was indicated in Western Oklahoma and Northwestern Texas. The Indian cotton acreage planted to Oct. 1 was estimated by the Indian Government at 20,365,000 acres, against 19,641,000 acres planted to Oct. last year, an increase of 3.7%. The Exchange Service estimated the 1934-35 Indian commercial crop tentatively at 4,300,000,

equivalent 478 lbs. net weight bales, as compared with 000 last season, an increase of 6.5%. On the 22d inst. prices declined 2 to 4 points. It was an extremely quiet market. There was an absence of constructive news over the week-end and Liverpool cables were disappointing. The weather was favorable, the predicted frosts in parts of the country failing to materialize. Liverpool and trade buying caused an early slight advance but later liquidation prompted by the easier tone of stocks and a sharp break in wheat brought about a reaction. The spot situation in the South remained deadlocked. Southern spot markets were 3 to 5 points lower with sales at leading markets totaling 22,157 bales, against 44,184 bales last year.

On the 23d inst., after showing considerable strength because of steadier Liverpool cables and trade buying, prices reacted late in the session under liquidation and ended 3 points lower to 1 point higher. The deadlocked spot situation in the South where farmers are holding back for higher prices or are putting their cotton in the Government 12-cent loan tends to restrict trading. The spot demand was still slow with buyers' and sellers' ideas still far apart. Other factors which tend to curtail operations are the increased competition of cotton of foreign growths and the falling off of exports from this country. The trade was the principal buyer. There was some Southern selling but it was not large. Southern spot markets were unchanged to 5 points higher and sales at leading centers totaled 23,319 bales, against 33,999 last year. The Indian crop was estimated by a leading commission house at 6,932,000 bales of 400 lbs. each, compared with 6,516,000 bales last year.

On the 24th inst. prices opened 5 to 7 points higher on buying stimulated by better Liverpool cables and held steady throughout the day. There was some trade price fixing and buying by Liverpool, the Continent and the Far East. New Orleans sold and there was light hedge selling by the South but these offerings were easily absorbed. The market ended at the day's highs, i.e., 12 to 17 points above the previous close. The better trend influenced an improved outside interest. Shorts covered and there was some new buying in anticipation of a constructive talk by the President to the Bankers' Association in Washington. The basis for spot cotton in the South continued high but there was a better inquiry. Textile markets were quiet. Southern spot markets were officially 10 to 15 points higher with total sales at leading centers 25,951 bales, against 52,675 bales last year. Except for partly cloudy conditions west of the Mississippi River the weather was generally fair over the belt.

Staple Premiums
80% of average of
six markets quoting
for deliveries on
Nov. 1 1934.

15-16 in.		1-inch & longer.		Differences between grades established for deliveries on contract Nov. 1 1934 are the average quotations of the ten markets designated by the Secretary of Agriculture.	
.20	.47	Middling Fair	White	.75	on Mid.
.20	.47	Strict Good Middling	do	.59	do
.20	.47	Good Middling	do	.48	do
.20	.47	Strict Middling	do	.33	do
.20	.47	Middling	do	---	Basis
.18	.38	Strict Low Middling	do	.38	off Mid
.17	.35	Low Middling	do	.80	do
.20	.45	*Strict Good Ordinary	do	1.31	do
.20	.45	*Good Ordinary	do	1.76	do
.20	.45	*Good Middling	Extra White	.40	on do
.20	.45	Strict Middling	do	.33	do
.20	.45	Middling	do	.01	do
.20	.45	Strict Low Middling	do	.37	off do
.20	.45	Low Middling	do	.77	do
.20	.45	Good Middling	Spotted	.25	on do
.18	.37	Strict Middling	do	Even	do
.17	.37	Middling	do	.38	off do
.17	.37	*Strict Low Middling	do	.81	do
.17	.37	*Low Middling	do	1.31	do
.17	.37	Strict Good Middling	Yellow Tinged	.02	off do
.17	.37	Good Middling	do	.28	off do
.17	.35	Strict Middling	do	.46	do
.17	.35	*Middling	do	.81	do
.17	.35	*Strict Low Middling	do	1.29	do
.17	.35	*Low Middling	do	1.73	do
.17	.35	Good Middling	Light Yellow Stained	.43	off do
.17	.35	*Strict Middling	do	.81	do
.17	.35	*Middling	do	1.30	do
.17	.35	Good Middling	Yellow Stained	.79	off do
.17	.35	*Strict Middling	do	1.28	do
.17	.35	*Middling	do	1.71	do
.17	.35	Good Middling	Gray	.27	off do
.17	.35	Strict Middling	do	.52	do
.17	.35	*Middling	do	.82	do
.17	.35	*Good Middling	Blue Stained	.81	off do
.17	.35	*Strict Middling	do	1.29	do
.17	.35	*Middling	do	1.73	do

* Not deliverable on future contract

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been:

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Middling upland	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.65	12.55	12.50

Market and Sales at New York.

The total sales of cotton on the spot each day during the week at New York are indicated in the following statement. For the convenience of the reader, we also add columns which show at a glance how the market for spot and futures closed on same days.

	Spot Market Closed	Futures Market Closed	SALES		
			Spot	Contr'ct	Total
Saturday	Quiet, unchanged	Steady	---	---	---
Monday	Steady, unchanged	Barely steady	700	---	700
Tuesday	Quiet, unchanged	Barely steady	---	300	300
Wednesday	Steady, 15 pts. adv.	Steady	200	500	700
Thursday	Quiet, 10 pts. dec.	Steady	---	---	---
Friday	Steady, 5 pts. dec.	Steady	235	---	235
Total week			1,135	800	1,935
Since Aug. 1			25,230	54,900	80,130

Futures.—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

Table showing futures prices for various months (Oct 1934 to Oct 1935) with columns for Range, Closing, and dates for Saturday through Friday.

Range of future prices at New York for week ending Oct. 26 1934 and since trading began on each option:

Table showing the range of future prices at New York for week ending Oct. 26 1934 and since trading began on each option, with columns for Option for, Range for Week, and Range Since Beginning of Option.

The Visible Supply of Cotton to-night, as made up by cable and telegraph, is as follows. Foreign stocks as well as afloat are this week's returns, and consequently all foreign figures are brought down to Thursday evening.

Table showing the visible supply of cotton, including stocks in Liverpool, Manchester, and various international locations like Bremen, Havre, and Bombay, along with total continental and European stocks.

At the Interior Towns the movement—that is, the receipts for the week and since Aug. 1, the shipments for the week and to-night, and the same items for the corresponding period of the previous year—is set out in detail below:

Table showing movement at interior towns, including receipts and shipments for various towns like Ala., Birmingham, Eufaula, Montgomery, Selma, etc., with columns for Movement to Oct. 26 1934 and Movement to Oct. 27 1933.

Total, 56 towns 222,038 1,552,005 127,406 182,918 281,850 1,921,736 187,214 188,1910

* Includes the combined totals of 15 towns in Oklahoma.

The above totals show that the interior stocks have increased during the week 93,589 bales and are to-night 52,712 bales less than at the same period last year.

New York Quotations for 32 Years. The quotations for middling upland at New York on Oct. 26 for each of the past 32 years have been as follows:

Table showing New York quotations for middling upland for each of the past 32 years, with columns for Year, Price, and Date.

Overland Movement for the Week and Since Aug. 1.—We give below a statement showing the overland movement for the week and since Aug. 1, as made up from telegraphic reports Friday night.

Table showing overland movement for the week and since Aug. 1, including total gross overland, deduct shipments, and leaving total net overland, with columns for 1934 and 1933.

The foregoing shows the week's net overland movement this year has been 13,214 bales, against 8,339 bales for the week last year, and that for the season to date the aggregate net overland exhibits an increase over a year ago of 54,019 bales.

Table showing in-sight and spinners' takings, with columns for Receipts at ports to Oct. 26, Net overland to Oct. 26, South'n consumption to Oct. 26, Total marketed, Interior stocks in excess, Excess of Southern mill takings over consumption to Oct. 1, Came into sight during week, Total in sight Oct. 26, and North. spin'n's takings to Oct. 26.

Table showing movement into sight in previous years, with columns for Week, Bales, and Since Aug. 1 for years 1932, 1931, and 1930.

Quotations for Middling Cotton at Other Markets.

Below are the closing quotations for middling cotton at Southern and other principal cotton markets for each day of the week:

Week Ended Oct. 23	Closing Quotations for Middling Cotton on—					
	Saturday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed'day	Thursday	Friday
Galveston	12.60	12.55	12.55	12.70	12.60	12.55
New Orleans	12.60	12.57	12.59	12.71	12.58	12.55
Mobile	12.38	12.35	12.36	12.48	12.37	12.33
Savannah	12.55	12.50	12.51	12.63	12.54	12.49
Norfolk	12.45	12.40	12.45	12.60	12.50	12.60
Montgomery	12.40	12.35	12.35	12.50	12.58	12.54
Augusta	12.59	12.55	12.56	12.68	12.25	12.25
Memphis	12.30	12.25	12.25	12.40	12.55	12.55
Houston	12.60	12.55	12.55	12.65	12.38	12.23
Little Rock	12.25	12.25	12.26	12.38	12.28	12.23
Dallas	12.15	12.10	12.15	12.25	12.20	12.15
Fort Worth	12.15	12.10	12.15	12.25	12.20	12.15

New Orleans Contract Market.—The closing quotations for leading contracts in the New Orleans cotton market for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday Oct. 20	Monday Oct. 22	Tuesday Oct. 23	Wednesday Oct. 24	Thursday Oct. 25	Friday Oct. 26
Oct. (1934)	12.18	Bid.	12.17	Bid.	12.18	12.32
November	12.30	12.27	12.28-12.29	12.40-12.41	12.28-12.29	12.25
Jan. (1935)	12.34	Bid.	12.32	Bid.	12.32	12.28
February	12.40	12.35-12.36	12.36	12.50-12.51	12.36	12.31
March	12.40	12.35-12.36	12.36	12.50-12.51	12.36	12.31
April	12.44	12.42	12.41	12.56	12.41	12.36
May	12.44	12.42	12.41	12.56	12.41	12.36
June	12.49	12.45	12.42	12.57	Bid.	12.44-12.45
July	12.49	12.45	12.42	12.57	Bid.	12.44-12.45
August						
September				12.31	12.18	Bid.
October						12.30
Options	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.
Spot	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.	Very stdy.	Steady.	Steady.

n Nominal.

Activity in the Cotton Spinning Industry for September 1934—The Bureau of the Census announced on Oct. 19 that, according to preliminary figures, 30,954,762 cotton spinning spindles were in place in the United States on Sept. 30 1934, of which 22,112,888 were operated at some time during the month, compared with 24,153,998 for August, 24,417,778 for July, 24,621,334 for June, 25,895,778 for May, 26,485,114 for April, and 25,993,140 for September 1933. The cotton code limits the hours of employment and of productive machinery. However, in order that the statistics may be comparable with those for earlier months and years, the same method of computing the percentage of activity has been used. Computed on this basis the cotton spindles in the United States were operated during September 1934 at 54.3% capacity. This percentage compares with 76.8 for August, 74.3 for July, 72.6 for June, 98.0 for May, 105.6 for April, and 99.5 for September 1933. The average number of active spindle hours per spindle in place for the month was 120. 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 September	
	In Place Sept. 30	Active During September	Total	Average per Spindle in Place
United States	30,954,762	22,112,888	3,716,261,653	120
Cotton growing States	19,369,530	15,309,804	3,010,526,005	155
New England States	10,556,112	6,213,096	608,434,755	58
All other States	1,029,120	589,988	97,300,893	95
Alabama	1,926,550	1,449,892	305,568,295	159
Connecticut	955,648	480,214	54,000,789	57
Georgia	3,395,030	2,765,386	454,205,279	134
Maine	998,168	743,328	141,771,538	142
Massachusetts	5,668,492	3,228,844	227,652,874	40
Mississippi	227,084	164,060	40,458,520	178
New Hampshire	1,118,640	756,004	75,425,353	67
New York	542,452	248,946	26,451,541	49
North Carolina	6,145,940	4,933,598	926,409,716	151
Rhode Island	1,699,900	927,108	95,562,633	56
South Carolina	5,815,882	4,487,098	912,615,537	157
Tennessee	642,168	477,548	113,693,050	177
Texas	278,336	211,840	44,815,170	161
Virginia	652,892	634,090	171,481,996	263
All other States	889,580	624,932	126,149,362	142

Rate of Cotton Goods Production in United States Highest Since Last May, According to New York Cotton Exchange—Domestic mills are producing cotton goods at a higher rate than at any time since last May, according to a report issued Oct. 22 by the New York Cotton Exchange Service. Cotton goods production recovered quickly after the strike, and is now at a somewhat higher level than the production of general manufactures. Cloth business has improved recently, and sales are now absorbing the current output. In its report the Exchange Service states:

Domestic cotton goods production increased sharply during the first half of this month, following the termination of the textile strike that limited production in September, while production of general manufactures in this country registered a slight improvement. The index of cotton goods production for the first half of October was 88 (1922-27 average equals 100) as against 58 in September, 92 in October last year, 94 two years ago, 83 three years ago, and 79 four years ago. The present rate of domestic cotton goods production is the highest since last May. The index of general manufacturing production, also based on the average rate of production during the six years from 1922 through 1927 as 100, was 75 for the first half of October as compared with 72 in September, 77 in October last year, 66 two years ago, 72 three years ago, and 88 four years ago.

Business in the domestic cotton cloth market improved materially last week. Sales of cloth by mills were estimated to have been about equal to the current production in the aggregate. Print cloths, broadcloths, narrow sheetings, and some of the coarser convertibles sold in fairly large volume for both spot and future delivery. Lawns and some combed goods sold

fairly freely. Sales of heavy goods continued small. Cloth prices were unchanged to higher, with those items in demand up an eighth to a quarter of a cent a yard from the week before last. Prices of heavy goods were unchanged.

The position of mills as to stocks and unfilled orders is still irregular. On some lines of goods, stocks at mills are being run down and forward orders are increasing, while, on other lines, mills are accumulating stocks. Mill activity is reported to have increased further last week to about 80% of full capacity.

Cotton Ginned from Crop of 1934 Prior to Oct. 18—The Census report issued on Oct. 25, compiled from the individual returns of the ginners, shows 6,748,223 running bales of cotton (counting round as half bales and excluding linters) ginned from the crop of 1934 prior to Oct. 18, compared with 8,608,090 bales from the crop of 1933 and 7,309,094 bales from the crop of 1932. Below is the report in full:

REPORT ON COTTON GINNING

Number of bales of cotton ginned from the growth of 1934 prior to Oct. 18 1934, and comparative statistics to the corresponding date in 1933 and 1932.

State	RUNNING BALES (Counting round as half bales and excl. linters)		
	1934	1933	1932
Alabama	715,779	750,623	615,786
Arizona	41,686	17,050	19,675
Arkansas	647,968	598,821	752,775
California	147,867	21,645	33,521
Florida	21,921	22,374	12,804
Georgia	693,544	900,425	600,343
Louisiana	425,300	394,594	489,372
Mississippi	857,743	837,139	721,509
Missouri	147,038	85,980	139,997
New Mexico	48,441	30,296	14,991
North Carolina	222,903	483,272	391,082
Oklahoma	206,041	690,539	539,789
South Carolina	372,793	546,065	457,105
Tennessee	240,443	190,925	158,000
Texas	1,942,183	3,015,600	2,344,647
Virginia	8,777	19,229	13,009
All other States	7,796	3,513	4,689
United States	*6,748,223	*8,608,090	*7,309,094

* Includes 99,787 bales of the crop of 1934 ginned prior to Aug. 1 which was counted in the supply for the season of 1933-34, compared with 171,254 and 71,063 bales of the crops of 1933 and 1932.

The statistics in this report include 120,772 round bales for 1934; 327,418 for 1933 and 246,367 for 1932. Included in the above are 6,074 bales of American-Egyptian for 1934; 1,215 for 1933, and 2,526 for 1932. The statistics for 1934 in this report are subject to revision when checked against the individual returns of the ginners being transmitted by mail. The revised total of cotton ginned this season prior to Oct. 1 is 4,964,871 bales.

Consumption, Stocks, Imports and Exports—United States
Cotton consumed during the month of September 1934, amounted to 295,960 bales. Cotton on hand in consuming establishments on Sept. 30, was 1,056,744 bales, and in public storages and at compresses 7,616,140 bales. The number of active consuming cotton spindles for the month was 22,112,888. The total imports for the month of September 1934, were 7,870 bales and the exports of domestic cotton, excluding linters, were 479,861 bales.

World Statistics
The world's production of commercial cotton, exclusive of linters, grown in 1933, as compiled from various sources, was 25,451,000 bales, counting American in running bales and foreign in bales of 478 pounds lint, while the consumption of cotton (exclusive of linters in the United States) for the year ending July 31 1934, was 25,324,000 bales. The total number of spinning cotton spindles both active and idle, is about 157,000,000.

Weather Reports by Telegraph—Reports to us by telegraph this evening denote that the weather has been mostly fair throughout the cotton belt during the week, except in the northwestern portion. Picking of the crop outstanding has made good progress, although in Oklahoma there has been some interruption by rain, but the harvest is practically finished in the Southeastern part of the cotton belt. In the northeastern section of the belt late cotton is opening rapidly, with picking advancing well.

State	Rain	Rainfall	Thermometer		
			high	low	mean
Galveston, Tex.	2 days	0.34 in.	high 84	low 70	mean 77
Amarillo, Tex.		dry	high 84	low 46	mean 65
Austin, Tex.		dry	high 92	low 48	mean 70
Abilene, Tex.		dry	high 92	low 48	mean 70
Brenham, Tex.	1 day	0.08 in.	high 90	low 58	mean 74
Brownsville, Tex.		dry	high 88	low 66	mean 77
Corpus Christi, Tex.		dry	high 86	low 68	mean 77
Dallas, Tex.		dry	high 90	low 54	mean 72
El Paso, Tex.		dry	high 84	low 44	mean 64
Henrietta, Tex.		dry	high 88	low 48	mean 68
Kerrville, Tex.		dry	high 92	low 38	mean 65
Lampasas, Tex.		dry	high 98	low 42	mean 70
Longview, Tex.	1 day	0.28 in.	high 94	low 50	mean 72
Luling, Tex.		dry	high 90	low 52	mean 71
Nacogdoches, Tex.	1 day	0.02 in.	high 88	low 48	mean 68
Palestine, Tex.	1 day	0.02 in.	high 92	low 58	mean 75
Paris, Tex.		dry	high 90	low 60	mean 71
San Antonio, Tex.	1 day	0.14 in.	high 90	low 60	mean 75
Taylor, Tex.		dry	high 96	low 48	mean 72
Weatherford, Tex.		dry	high 94	low 48	mean 71
Oklahoma City, Okla.	2 days	0.14 in.	high 82	low 58	mean 70
Fort Smith, Ark.	2 days	0.30 in.	high 88	low 50	mean 69
Little Rock, Ark.	2 days	0.46 in.	high 88	low 54	mean 71
New Orleans, La.	2 days	0.06 in.	high 88	low 66	mean 78
Meridian, Miss.	2 days	0.40 in.	high 91	low 49	mean 75
Vicksburg, Miss.		dry	high 90	low 58	mean 69
Mobile, Ala.		dry	high 90	low 56	mean 73
Birmingham, Ala.	2 days	0.02 in.	high 86	low 46	mean 65
Montgomery, Ala.		dry	high 86	low 54	mean 70
Jacksonville, Fla.		dry	high 86	low 60	mean 73
Pensacola, Fla.		dry	high 84	low 60	mean 72
Tampa, Fla.		dry	high 86	low 64	mean 75
Savannah, Ga.		dry	high 87	low 58	mean 72
Atlanta, Ga.		dry	high 78	low 48	mean 63
Augusta, Ga.		dry	high 84	low 50	mean 67
Macon, Ga.		dry	high 84	low 52	mean 68
Charleston, S. C.	1 day	0.10 in.	high 84	low 57	mean 71
Ashville, N. C.	2 days	0.05 in.	high 76	low 42	mean 59
Charlotte, N. C.		dry	high 80	low 48	mean 64
Raleigh, N. C.	1 day	0.16 in.	high 78	low 44	mean 61
Wilmington, N. C.	1 day	0.04 in.	high 82	low 48	mean 65
Memphis, Tenn.	2 days	0.82 in.	high 86	low 58	mean 73
Chattanooga, Tenn.	1 day	0.06 in.	high 82	low 50	mean 66
Nashville, Tenn.		dry	high 82	low 48	mean 65

The following statement we have also received by telegraph, showing the height of rivers at the points named at 8 a. m. of the dates given:

River	Oct. 26 1934		Oct. 27 1933	
	Feet	Feet	Feet	Feet
New Orleans	Above zero of gauge—	2.4	Above zero of gauge—	2.1
Memphis	Above zero of gauge—	2.2	Above zero of gauge—	4.4
Nashville	Above zero of gauge—	9.5	Above zero of gauge—	8.5
Shreveport	Above zero of gauge—	3.1	Above zero of gauge—	7.6
Vicksburg	Above zero of gauge—	3.2	Above zero of gauge—	3.5

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 (1934, 1933, 1932), Stocks at Interior Towns (1934, 1933, 1932), Receipts from Plantations (1934, 1933, 1932). Rows list weeks from July 27 to Oct 26.

The above statement shows: (1) That the total receipts from the plantations since Aug. 1 1933 are 2,715,991 bales; in 1932-33 were 3,957,684 bales and in 1931-32 were 3,574,189 bales. (2) That, although the receipts at the outports the past week were 232,059 bales, the actual movement from plantations was 325,648 bales, stock at interior towns having increased 93,589 bales during the week.

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:

Table: Cotton Takings, Week and Season. Columns: 1934 (Week, Season), 1933 (Week, Season). Rows: Visible supply Oct. 19, American in sight to Oct. 26, Bombay receipts to Oct. 25, Other India shipments to Oct. 25, Alexandria receipts to Oct. 24, Other supply to Oct. 24, Total supply, Deduct, Visible supply Oct. 26, Total takings to Oct. 26, Of which American, Of which other.

* Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c. This total embraces since Aug. 1 the total estimated consumption by Southern mills, 912,000 bales in 1934 and 1,405,000 bales in 1933—takings not being available—and the aggregate amounts taken by Northern and foreign spinners, 2,514,679 bales in 1934 and 3,053,822 bales in 1933, of which 1,440,479 bales and 2,105,422 bales American. b Estimated.

Alexandria Receipts and Shipments.—We now receive weekly a cable of the movements of cotton at Alexandria, Egypt. The following are the receipts and shipments for the past week and for the corresponding week of the previous two years:

Table: Alexandria Receipts and Shipments. Columns: 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows: Receipts (cantars) This week, Since Aug. 1; Exports (Bales) To Liverpool, To Manchester, &c, To Continent & India, To America, Total exports.

Note—A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weigh about 750 lbs. This statement shows that the receipts for the week ended Oct. 24 were 380,000 cantars and the foreign shipments 31,000 bales.

India Cotton Movement from All Ports.—The receipts of India cotton at Bombay and the shipments from all India ports for the week and for the season from Aug. 1 as called for three years, have been as follows:

Table: India Cotton Movement from All Ports. Columns: 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows: Bombay Receipts at Oct. 25; Exports from Bombay for the week and since August 1; Exports from Other India for the week and since August 1; Total all for the week and since August 1.

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 4,000 bales during the week, and since Aug. 1 shows an increase of 65,000 bales.

Manchester Market—Our report received by cable tonight from Manchester states that the market in both yarns and cloths is steady. Demand for India is improving. We give prices to-day below and leave those for previous weeks of this and last year for comparison:

Table: Manchester Market prices. Columns: 1934 (32s Cop Twist, 8 1/2 Lbs. Shirtings, Cotton Middl'g Up'ds) and 1933 (32s Cop Twist, 8 1/2 Lbs. Shirtings, Cotton Middl'g Up'ds). Rows list weeks from July 27 to Oct 26.

Shipping News.—Shipments in detail:

Table: Shipping News. Columns: Destination, Date, Bales. Rows list various shipping routes and destinations including GALVESTON, HOUSTON, TEXAS CITY, MOBILE, and NEW ORLEANS.

Total 111,819

Cotton Freights.—Current rates for cotton from New York, as furnished by Lambert & Barrows, Inc., are as follows, quotations being in cents per pound:

Table with columns for High Density, Standard Density, and various ports including Liverpool, Manchester, Antwerp, Havre, Rotterdam, Genoa, Oslo, Stockholm, Trieste, Flume, Barcelona, Japan, Shanghai, Bombay, Bremen, Hamburg, Piraeus, Salonica, Venice, Copenh'g, Naples, Leghorn, and Gothenberg.

Liverpool.—By cable from Liverpool we have the following statement of the week's sales, stocks, &c., at that port:

Table with columns for Oct. 5, Oct. 12, Oct. 19, Oct. 26 and rows for Forwarded, Total stocks, Of which American, Total imports, Of which American, Amount afloat, and Of which American.

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:

Table showing Market, Mid. Upl'ds, and Futures Market with columns for Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, detailing demand and price movements.

Prices of futures at Liverpool for each day are given below:

Table showing prices of futures at Liverpool for each day from Oct. 20 to Oct. 26, with columns for Saturday through Friday and rows for New Contract, October (1934), January (1935), March, May, July, October, December, January (1936), March, May, July, and October.

BREADSTUFFS

Friday Night, Oct. 26 1934

Flour was in small demand, but prices were rather steady.

Wheat has been inactive and the course of prices was dominated largely by the movement of foreign markets. On the 20th inst. prices declined 1/4 to 1/2c. on selling owing to the weakness of foreign markets and reports of beneficial rains over the belt. Eastern interests bought December and May but the support was not enough to check the downward movement of prices.

On the 23d inst. prices ended 3/8 to 5/8c. higher on buying, stimulated by the firmness of markets abroad. Winnipeg ended 3/8 to 5/8c. higher and Liverpool was up 1/2 to 3/4d.

On the 24th inst., prices advanced 3/8 to 5/8c., owing to buying influenced by firmer foreign markets. Winnipeg closed 1/2c. lower, but Liverpool was firmer.

On the 25th inst. prices ended 1 1/4 to 2c. lower. Early prices were stronger, owing to buying by commission houses stimulated by firmer foreign cables, but profit-taking sales on the bulges caused a setback.

To-day prices were 1/2c. lower to 1/4c. higher. Early prices reached new lows for the season on selling owing to weaker Liverpool cables and reports of a change in the Canadian Government's plans in regard to the wheat trading situation.

According to a Buenos Aires (Argentina) cablegram, Oct. 20, to the New York "Times," farmers of the Buenos Aires province have planted 5% less wheat acreage and 30% more

flaxseed than last year, it is indicated in the report made by the Provincial Bank. The cablegram continued:

The area sown to wheat is 8,264,310 acres, which is 335,518 acres less than in 1933. The Province of Buenos Aires produces 45% of the Republic's wheat.

The area sown to flaxseed is 1,930,540 acres, which is 455,820 acres more than that of last year. The province produces 20% of the country's flaxseed.

The area sown to oats is 2,559,935 acres, or 11,448 acres above last year's. The area sown to rye and barley is 2,024,476 acres, a rise of 317,900 acres.

All growing crops in Buenos Aires province are reported in good condition, as the result of abundant rains.

That notwithstanding the import duty on wheat of 42 cents per bushel Canada is able under certain conditions to sell substantial quantities of the grain in the American market is shown in a report to the United States Commerce Department from its Commercial Attache at Ottawa. The Commerce Department announced on Oct. 22 that the report states:

During the month of September, Canada exported to the United States 2,969,422 bushels of wheat, valued at \$2,767,496, compared with 97 bushels, valued at \$99, in September, 1933. It is presumed that all of this wheat was hard durum.

For the two months August and September, 1934, Canadian wheat shipments to the United States amounted to 3,340,498 bushels, valued at \$3,122,376, compared with 110 bushels, valued at \$112, in the corresponding two months of 1933.

In a cablegram from the office of the Commercial Attache at Berlin, Oct. 16, to the United States Commerce Department, it was stated that a recent German Government decree has increased the import duty on wheat from 25 Reichsmarks to 35 Reichsmarks per 100 kilos net, and has reduced the import duty on oleomargarine to 40 Reichsmarks per 100 kilos net from previous rates ranging from 75 to 100 Reichsmarks per 100 kilos net. According to the cablegram the decree was to become effective on Oct. 22.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK

Table with columns for Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. and rows for No. 2 red.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO

Table with columns for Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. and rows for December (new), May (new), July (new), and December (old).

Table with columns for Season's High and When Made, Season's Low and When Made, and rows for Dec. (old), Dec. (new), May (new), and July (new).

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN WINNIPEG

Table with columns for Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. and rows for October, December, and May.

Corn showed some independence at times, but was chiefly dominated by wheat. Trading was not large. On the 20th inst., prices moved downward with those of wheat, closing 1/8 to 1/2c. lower. On the 22d inst., prices, after showing early firmness reacted and ended 1/4 to 1/2c. lower under general liquidation.

On the 23d inst., closing prices showed net losses of 1/4 to 1/2c. under general liquidation inspired by very favorable weather in the belt which will tend to check the demand for feeding purposes.

On the 24th inst., prices closed 1/2c. lower to 1/4c. higher. The market showed early strength with wheat, but general liquidation and other selling caused a setback. The very favorable condition of pastures reported in some parts of the Southwest may mean a smaller demand for corn for feeding purposes.

On the 25th inst. prices ended 1/2 to 1c. lower. Most of the trading consisted of switching December for May. The open interest at the close in Chicago on Wednesday totaled 83,291,000 bushels, an increase of 517,000 bushels. To-day prices ended 1/4 to 3/4c. higher. The open interest was 83,363,000 bushels.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK

Table with columns for Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. and rows for No. 2 yellow.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO

Table with columns for Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. and rows for December (old), December (new), May (new), and July (new).

Table with columns for Season's High and When Made, Season's Low and When Made, and rows for December, May, and July.

Oats followed the trend of wheat in very light trading. On the 20th inst., the ending was 3/4 to 1 1/2c. lower, but on the 22d inst. the ending was irregular, i. e., 1/4c. lower to 1/2c. higher.

On the 24th inst., prices closed 1/2c. lower to 1/4c. higher. On the 25th inst. prices ended 3/8 to 1 3/8c. lower. To-day prices ended 1/4c. lower to 1/2c. higher.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK

Table with columns for Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. and rows for No. 2 white.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO

Table with columns for Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. and rows for December (new), May (new), July (new), and December (old).

Table with columns for Season's High and When Made, Season's Low and When Made, and rows for December, May, and July.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN WINNIPEG

Table with columns: Month (October, December), Day (Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.), and Price (e.g., 41, 40 1/2, 40 3/4, 40 3/4, 40 1/2, 40 3/4).

Rye reflected the downward trend in other grains in very small trading. On the 20th inst., prices declined 1 1/2% to 2 1/2%...

On the 24th inst. prices advanced 1/8 to 3/8c. On the 25th inst. prices ended with net losses of 7/8 to 1 1/2c.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO

Table with columns: Month (December, May, July, December), Day (Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.), and Price (e.g., 70 1/2, 69 1/2, 69 3/4, 69 3/4, 68 1/2, 68 1/4).

Season's High and When Made Season's Low and When Made Dec. (new) 90 1/2 Aug. 9 1934 Dec. (new) 65 1/2 June 22 1934...

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN WINNIPEG

Table with columns: Month (October, December), Day (Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.), and Price (e.g., 54 1/4, 54 1/4, 55 1/4, 55 1/2, 54 3/4, 54 1/2).

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF BARLEY FUTURES IN CHICAGO

Table with columns: Month (December, May), Day (Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.), and Price (e.g., 77 1/2, 77 1/2, 78, 78, 77 1/2, 77).

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF BARLEY FUTURES IN WINNIPEG

Table with columns: Month (October, December), Day (Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.), and Price (e.g., 50 1/2, 51 1/2, 52 1/2, 52 1/2, 51 1/2, 51 3/4).

Closing quotations were as follows:

Table with columns: Grain (Wheat, Barley, Corn), Variety (No. 2 white, N.Y., etc.), and Price (e.g., 110 3/4, 84 1/2, 90 1/2).

FLOUR

Table with columns: Flour type (Spring patents, Soft winter straights, etc.), Price (e.g., \$7.60@7.90, 6.65@6.95).

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.

Large table showing Receipts at (Chicago, Minneapolis, Duluth, etc.) for Flour, Wheat, Corn, Oats, Rye, and Barley.

Table showing Receipts at since Aug. 1 for 1934, 1933, and 1932 for various grain types.

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for the week ending Saturday, Oct. 20 1934, follow:

Table showing Receipts at (New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, etc.) for Flour, Wheat, Corn, Oats, Rye, and Barley.

* 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, Oct. 20 1934, are shown in the annexed statement:

Table showing Exports from (New York, Philadelphia, New Orleans, Montreal, Sorel, Halifax) for Wheat, Corn, Flour, Oats, Rye, and Barley.

The destination of these exports for the week and since July 1 1934 is as below:

Table showing Exports for Week and Since July 1 to Flour, Wheat, and Corn by destination (United Kingdom, Continent, So. & Cent. Amer., etc.).

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports Saturday, Oct. 20, were as follows:

Table showing Grain Stocks (Wheat, Corn, Oats, Rye, Barley) in bushels for United States and On Canal.

Summary table for Total Oct. 20 1934, Total Oct. 13 1934, Total Oct. 21 1933, and Total Oct. 21 1933.

Note—Bonded grain not included above: Oats—Buffalo afloat, 268,000; total, 268,000 bushels, against none in 1933.

Table showing Canadian Grain Stocks (Wheat, Corn, Oats, Rye, Barley) in bushels.

Summary table for Canadian Total Oct. 20 1934, Total Oct. 13 1934, Total Oct. 21 1933, and Total Oct. 21 1933.

The world's shipment of wheat and corn, as furnished by Broomhall to the New York Produce Exchange, for the week ending Oct. 19, and since July 1 1933 and July 2 1933, are shown in the following:

Table showing Exports (North Amer., Black Sea, Argentina, Australia, India, Oth. countr's) for Wheat and Corn.

Weather Report for the Week Ended Oct. 24—The general summary of the weather bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture, indicating the influence of the weather for the week ended Oct. 24, follows:

About the middle of the week abnormally cool weather obtained in the Lake region and Middle and North Atlantic States, but otherwise moderate to abnormally high temperatures prevailed in all sections from the Rocky Mountains eastward.

Chart I shows that the weekly mean temperatures were abnormally high in all sections between the Appalachian and Rocky Mountains, and especially from Missouri, Kansas and eastern Colorado southward.

The chart shows also the southern limit of freezing temperatures during the week. Except in some Eastern States, the minima continued unusually high for the season.

and eastern Kansas southward, generally around 50 degrees or above. The lowest reported was 20 degrees at Flagstaff, Ariz., on the 20th.

Chart II shows that rainfall in substantial amounts occurred over a large area from the central Mississippi and lower Missouri valleys and southern Great Plains northward to the Canadian border. In most places the weekly totals exceeded one inch, and precipitation was excessive locally in the upper Mississippi Valley. Minneapolis, Minn., had 5.4 inches, or more rain than fell during the entire summer season, and more than twice as much as during the three spring months—March to May. Rainfall was heavy also in much of the Pacific area, and was substantial in most of the Great Basin. The Southern States had little or no rain, and the amounts were light from the central Ohio Valley eastward and northeastward, except locally along the north Atlantic coast.

The week brought exceptionally favorable weather to large areas of the country. Temperatures were moderate to high generally, which promoted unusually good growth of late vegetation in all sections where soil moisture was sufficient or where it was improved by widespread showers of the week. There was but little frost, damage occurring only locally in some middle Atlantic sections. Grass continued to green up in much of the interior; some Central-Northern States have at this time the best grazing of the season, especially in the upper Mississippi Valley.

In the Southwest, wherever moisture has been sufficient, early seeded wheat has grown so rapidly that extensive pasturage is available, especially in portions of Missouri, eastern and south central Kansas, and parts of Oklahoma. Fall vegetables are unusually plentiful for the season in the lower half of the Mississippi Valley and they are doing well in the South-eastern States.

While recent rains have been very helpful in the Pacific area, parts of the Great Basin, western Montana and northern and western Wyoming, there are still unfavorable dry areas over the western half of the country and in the southwest. The most important of these include Texas, most parts of New Mexico and Colorado, western Kansas (especially the northwest), southeastern Wyoming, western North Dakota, and eastern Montana. Also the eastern Ohio Valley, including principally Ohio, eastern Kentucky, and much of West Virginia, needs rain.

SMALL GRAINS—Early planted winter wheat is generally up to good stands in the Ohio Valley, but more moisture is now needed in the central and eastern valley areas, particularly in Ohio, where the ground is reported too dry for germination of the late-sown. In the central and northern Mississippi Valley substantial rains were very helpful for winter wheat, with the early crop up and looking well in most parts. In eastern Kansas and Nebraska conditions were favorable, especially in the former State, where wheat generally covers the ground and is being extensively pastured. In Oklahoma late-planted is mostly up and showing good stands, while the early made good progress, with many fields affording pasturage.

The soil is generally too dry for germination in Texas, while in western Kansas, eastern Colorado and southeastern Wyoming generally droughty conditions still prevail, with moisture badly needed for plowing, seeding and germination. Rains were helpful in South Dakota and eastern North Dakota, while in the Pacific Northwest they were of much benefit, with general improvement noted, although more moisture is needed in eastern Oregon. Showers were helpful in the eastern Great Basin and adjacent localities.

CORN AND COTTON—In the Central-northern corn belt, especially northern Illinois and Iowa, corn dried slowly because of cloudy weather and rainfall. In Iowa, where the crop needs a freeze for drying, husking progressed slowly during the week. East of the Mississippi Valley good drying weather prevailed, with husking and cribbing progressing.

In the cotton belt the weather was mostly fair, except in the northwest, and picking of the crop still outstanding made good progress. This work is far advanced and mostly completed, except in some later northern districts. In Oklahoma there was some interruption by rain, but harvest is practically finished in the southeastern portion. In some Mississippi Valley sections of the northern belt green bolls are still developing on lowlands, but elsewhere the crop is mostly gathered. In the northeastern belt late cotton is opening rapidly, with picking advancing well.

The Weather Bureau furnished the following resume of conditions in the different States:

Virginia—Richmond: Clear weather and normal fall temperatures favored outdoor work, except ground too dry for late plantings of south-eastern truck. Meadows and pastures good. Seeding wheat nearly finished. Picking apples continues, but nearing end.

North Carolina—Raleigh: Fine for field work, except in southwestern Piedmont where bottoms too wet from heavy rains of previous week. Cotton bolls opening rapidly and picking good to excellent advance. Gathering corn, digging sweet potatoes and peanuts, and housing forage. Early sown winter grains doing well.

South Carolina—Columbia: Averaged warm and fair; sunshine abundant. Cotton picking and ginning good advance in north and nearly completed elsewhere. Much good hay housed. Harvesting all crops well advanced and grain sowing good progress. Vegetables, truck, and pastures retarded by previous coolness locally in north.

Georgia—Atlanta: Warm and dry, but soil condition generally satisfactory, except in a few southern localities. Cotton picking good advance and completion reached in many places and nearly done elsewhere; ginning completed locally. Gathering corn and peans, digging sweet potatoes, sowing oats and wheat, and threshing peanuts now leading activities.

Florida—Jacksonville: Cotton season over and corn practically all harvested. Truck fair, but retarded by dry weather; planting continues under ideal weather. Potatoes good. Citrus coloring very slowly.

Alabama—Montgomery: Warm and practically dry. Cotton picking about finished and corn harvest well advanced. Oats, peas, and cover crops being sown; some coming up to good stands, with soil condition excellent. Progress and condition of potatoes fair to good.

Mississippi—Vicksburg: Mostly warm and dry, but occasional, light showers. Progress of cotton picking and ginning generally very good, with picking approaching completion to northern border. Progress in housing corn very good. General farm activities favorable for farm work.

Louisiana—New Orleans: Warm and dry; favorable for farm work. Cotton picking and ginning nearly completed. Cutting rice progressed rapidly and nearly finished, with threshing well advanced. Cutting sugar cane in many places; condition good, but cool weather needed to increase sucrose.

Texas—Houston: Warmth continued over State, departures ranging from 6 to 13 degrees above normal. Rainfall mostly light and widely scattered. Picking and ginning cotton continue to make rapid advance and only fragments remain, including some top crop. Some winter wheat and oats up to fair stands, but soil generally too dry for germination and a considerable amount remains to be planted. Pastures generally short; cattle poor to fair.

Oklahoma—Oklahoma City: Warm, with moderate to heavy rains, except in southeast and extreme southwest where very light or none and need for additional rainfall urgent and more subsoil moisture needed generally. Wheat and oats materially benefited; late-planted mostly up and showing good stands, while earlier show good condition and progress; many fields affording pasturage. Picking and ginning cotton good advance, although retarded somewhat by rain, and practically finished in southeast. Grain sorghums show improvement and harvest continues. Meadows, pastures, fall gardens, and livestock improved, except in drier sections.

Arkansas—Little Rock: Weather very favorable for corn. Green bolls of cotton still developing on central and eastern lowlands where picking good advance; gathering well along or completed elsewhere. Soil dry in some central and most southern portions, but elsewhere weather very favorable for all fall and winter crops which are good to excellent.

Tennessee—Nashville: Weather warm, with no frosts; mostly fair. Favorable for harvesting, plowing, and seeding except interrupted by rain in north Thursday. Good progress in picking cotton, baling hay, sowing winter grains, making sorghum, cutting and stripping tobacco, and digging potatoes.

Kentucky—Louisville: Temperatures generally high; light to heavy showers beneficial to fall grains which show good stands and growth satisfactory, but need more moisture in many places. Pastures poor to good; drying badly in central and east. Corn gathering more general. Wheat sowing nearly completed in south.

sales were shown. While this was partly due to special promotions, merchants felt encouraged by the fact that the number of unit transactions showed an appreciable increase, indicative of the first gain in the physical volume of trade within more than a year. As heretofore, rural sections made the best showing, resulting in reports of the shifting of surplus stocks of merchandise by large chain organizations from their city stores to outlying districts. Chief attention continued to be claimed by the heavier apparel lines, but there were also substantial increases in the sale of accessories and initial purchases of holiday gift articles. Sales of department stores in the metropolitan area from Oct. 1 to Oct. 15, according to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, rose 5.4%, including liquor sales, and 3.3% excluding liquor sales, and a rise of 8% in dollar volume and of 6.75% in the number of unit sales during the same period was reported by the National Retail Dry Goods Association, in a survey among stores in 75 representative cities throughout the country.

Trading in the wholesale dry goods markets during the earlier part of the week was greatly stimulated by the receipt of substantial orders from retail merchants, partly for purposes of replenishing thinning apparel inventories and partly in preparation for the approaching holiday trade. Wholesalers, on their part, entered the market on an extensive scale, and active buying was noted in seersuckers, gingham and sport novelty fabrics. Later in the week, Washington advices concerning a possible reversal in the present policy of restricted production had a dampening influence on buying activities, and a further restraining factor was supplied by the renewed easing of prices in some divisions, including a 5% cut on standard overalls, resulting from the recent decline in denim prices as revealed in the low bids for Government contracts. Business in silk goods was dominated by the growing threat of a dyers' strike in the Paterson area, which materialized later in the week, resulting in slightly firmer quotations for dyed and finished goods. More interest was shown in spring fabrics, and, pending an early termination of the labor trouble, the outlook for future contracts appeared favorable. Greige goods were inactive, with prices showing an easier trend. Business in rayon yarns continued its slow improvement, with chief interest centering in the 200 and 150 denier numbers. Weaving yarns were again in fair demand, while inquiry for knitting numbers continued to lag. Current shipments show appreciable gains over September, although still keeping below the volume of October 1933. Stocks in producers' hands are said to have increased slightly, but the price structure appears steadier, with less underselling being reported than of late.

Domestic Cotton Goods—Trading in gray cloths showed a steady undertone, although actual business was restricted. Mills held to their prices in the confident belief that buyers still need fairly large quantities of goods to meet seasonal requirements. A further slight improvement in the movement of finished goods and continued cheerful reports from the retail field also served to bolster sentiment. A decided change in the tone of the market was caused by reports from Washington to the effect that consideration is being given to a proposal to remove machine hour limitations and return to unlimited production. While it was believed that the danger of the production control in the cotton textile code being scrapped was exaggerated, buyers obviously became worried, and as a result buying activities were brought to a virtual halt. Prices were not greatly affected by the turn in affairs; second-hand offerings at slightly lower figures increased somewhat, but mills did not press goods on the market, preferring to await a clarification of the news from Washington. Business in fine goods was spotty, with a fair amount of orders being received for immediate shipment. Combed lawns continued to move in moderate volume, and there was a fair call for cotton voiles, combed poplins and carded piques. Closing prices in print cloths were as follows: 39-inch 80's, 9c.; 39-inch 72x76's, 8½c.; 39-inch 68x72's, 7¼ to 7½c.; 38½-inch 64x60's, 7c.; 38½-inch 60x48's, 5¼ to 5½c.

Woolen Goods—Trading in men's wear fabrics expanded considerably, partly under the influence of the announcement concerning formation of a corporation for the purpose of cleaning up stocks of free wools that had been underselling Government offerings. This development imparted a stronger tone to the raw wool market and resulted in substantial business being placed by cutters, for overcoatings and spring suitings, with oxford and cambridge gray goods again being in active demand for spot and nearby delivery. Favorable reports from retail clothing centers helped to improve sentiment. Business in women's wear fabrics also reflected the better movement of goods in retail channels.

Foreign Dry Goods—Trading in household linens continued to expand moderately. Table linens, in particular, were in good demand. Orders on dress goods and linen suitings gave no immediate indications of a broader call, but prices held steady, in line with the strength of quotations in the primary markets. Moderately increased activity featured the burlap market. Following the series of holidays in Calcutta, a substantial amount of shipment orders was placed by bag interests and firmer sterling rates served to steady the market. Domestically, light weights were quoted at 4.35c.; heavies at 5.95c.

THE DRY GOODS TRADE

New York, Friday Night, Oct. 26 1934.

Retail business during the past week not only maintained its recent gains, but in many sections further increases in

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PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATION MUNICIPAL ALLOTMENTS

The following is a list of the municipalities to whom the Public Works Administration has agreed to furnish loans and grants for various public works projects. These allotments were reported during the period from Oct. 20 to Oct. 26, inclusive. In each instance the PWA has agreed to furnish a grant, not subject to repayment, for 30% of the total expenditures incurred for the payment of labor and material costs. Moreover, the PWA will accept 4% general obligation or revenue bonds of the municipality as security for the loan portion of the allotment. The table shows the name of the municipality, the total allotment, estimated expenditures for labor and materials and the nature of the project to be undertaken. In the case of the type of bond to be used as security for the loan, this is indicated, whenever known, by (*) for general obligations and (x) for revenue or special assessments. We wish to point out that mere announcement of an allotment does not necessarily imply that a given project is already under way or that arrangements have been fully completed. The PWA has already allotted millions of dollars to local Government units but has purchased a comparatively small portion of the bonds covered by the allotments. In many cases, too, the municipalities have asked that allotments be rescinded in the belief that they can finance the projects in the public market on terms lower than the 4% interest rate basis required by the PWA.

Name—	Total Allotment	Labor and Material Costs	Nature of Project
Escanaba, Mich.....	\$2,600	\$2,500	Dock improvement
Hays, Kan.....	\$65,000	59,600	sewage disposal plant
Louisville, Ky.....	3,092,700	4,629,000	street and bridge impt.
New York, N. Y.....	78,000	75,500	Hospital
Steamboat Springs, Colo.....	\$12,500	10,600	Water system
Stockdale, Tex.....	x34,000	31,000	Water works system
Wyoming, State of.....	270,000	259,437	Institution improvement

PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATION MUNICIPAL ALLOTMENTS CHANGED

During recent months many of the municipal subdivisions which had been awarded loans and grants by the Public Works Administration found that they could float their bonds more advantageously in the open market, or that the condition of their various sinking funds warranted their application for cancellations of the loan portion of their allotments, utilizing only the grant customarily given by the Federal Government. Recent press releases by the Administration have been laying greater stress on these changes than on announcements of new allotments and we therefore give below summaries of the latest changes we have received.

The following announcements were made public by the Public Works Administration this week:

Release No. 1034

Increases totalling \$262,200 have been made in 10 previously awarded allotments for non-Federal projects, and reductions totalling \$6,300 have been made in three others, it was announced to-day by Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes.

The following allotments have been increased.

Brownsville, Tex.—Docket 149: Loan and grant of \$2,472,000 allotted to the Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County for developing the port of Brownsville increased to \$2,694,000 because bids received show that the improvements to be made will cost more than was estimated at the time the allotment was made.

Vancouver, Wash.—Docket 1182: Grant of \$35,000 allotted to School District No. 37 of Clark County for construction of an addition to a high school building in Vancouver increased to \$35,800 because bids received show that the building will cost more than was estimated when the allotment was made.

Ft. Steilacoon, Wash.—Docket 1186: Grant of \$6,600 allotted to the State of Washington for construction of a commissary building at the Western Street Hospital at Fort Steilacoon increased to \$6,800 because of increased construction costs.

Granite Falls, N. C.—Docket 1222: Loan and grant of \$55,000 for a water system increased to \$58,000 to enable the town to revise its plans and increase the scope of the project.

Algoma and Ahnapee, Wis.—Docket 1367: Grant of \$51,000 allotted to Joint School District No. 1 of the City of Algoma and the Town of Ahnapee for a grade and high school building increased to \$55,800 because bids received from contractors show that the building will cost more than was estimated.

Sumas, Wash.—Docket 1556: Grant of \$4,100 allotted to School District No. 319 of Watecom County for construction of a new school building increased to \$5,300 to enable the district to construct a larger building than originally intended.

Redmond, Wash.—Docket 2105: Grant of \$8,400 for modernizing a school building increased to \$10,700 because of increased costs.

West Liberty, Iowa.—Docket 2383: Grant of \$5,600 for a sewage treatment plant increased to \$6,100 because of increased costs.

Burke County, N. C.—Docket 3388: Loan and grant of \$170,000 allotted to the Burke County Board of Education for construction of school buildings in Glen Apline, Icard, Chesterfield, and Mull increased to \$190,500 because of increased construction costs.

Atoka, Okla.—Docket 6948: Loan and grant of \$34,900 for a high school building increased to \$41,800 to enable the city to revise plans and increase the scope of this project.

The following allotments have been reduced.

Minocqua, Wis.—Docket 3870: Loan and grant of \$44,000 for storm and sanitary sewers and a sewage disposal plant reduced to \$41,000, the amount called for by the loan and grant agreement covering this allotment.

Grandview, Tex.—Docket 4092: Loan and grant of \$9,000 for improving the water system reduced to \$6,000 because the city has revised its plans and reduced the amount of work to be done.

Bradford, Ill.—Docket 6253: Loan and grant of \$12,800 for improving the water system reduced to \$12,500 after an engineering restudy based on additional cost data received since the allotment of \$12,800 was made.

Release No. 1035

Nine more allotments of loans and grants awarded for construction of non-Federal projects have been changed, at the request of the recipients, to grants only of 30% of the cost of labor and materials to be used on their projects. The changes were requested because the recipients have been able to sell their bonds in the private investment market and do not need PWA loans.

The nine changes announced to-day released \$2,740,300 of PWA funds for reallocation to other projects still on the waiting list. To date, total of 389 such changes have been made and \$42,556,533 has been released for reallocation to expand the public works program.

The following allotments were changed to-day.

Centerville, Iowa.—Docket 3054: Loan and grant of \$27,000 for a sewage disposal plant changed to a grant of \$8,000.

Rochester, N. Y.—Docket 3241: Loan and grant of \$515,000 for a bridge on Elmwood Ave. changed to a grant of \$139,000.

Paris, Mo.—Docket 5057: Loan and grant of \$64,300 for an addition to the school building changed to a grant of \$26,200.

Burlington, Iowa.—Docket 5837: Loan and grant of \$34,000 for an armory building changed to a grant of \$9,800.

Manistee, Mich.—Docket 6413: Loan and grant of \$40,700 for a school building changed to a grant of \$20,700.

Providence, R. I.—Docket 6579: Loan and grant of \$3,000,000 for two fireproof senior high school buildings changed to a grant of \$900,000.

Piqua, Mo.—Docket 6820: Loan and grant of \$25,000 for a school recreation hall changed to a grant of \$7,200.

Saugus, Mass.—Docket 7631: Loan and grant of \$65,000 for a combined fire and police station changed to a grant of \$18,800.

Kent, Conn.—Docket 7989: Loan and grant of \$140,000 for improving about three and a half miles of South Kent Road extending from Route No. 341 to the New Milford town line changed to a grant of \$41,000.

Release No. 1039

Transfer of \$637,000 of PWA river and harbor allotments was announced to-day by the PWA.

For the construction of the Gallipolis Dam on the Kanawha River \$375,000 was transferred from an original allotment of \$435,000 for open channel work on the Ohio River.

For the construction of the Intercoastal Waterway from Jacksonville to Miami, Fla., a project previously approved by PWA, \$200,000 was made available. This amount was transferred from an allotment of \$3,700,000 for continuation of the project for improving the Caloosahatchee River and Lake Okechobee, Fla.

From an original allocation of \$165,000 for improvement of the Hudson River Channel \$62,000 was transferred for dredging at Great Kills, Staten Island, N. Y.

All three transfers were made at the request of the War Department, Corps of Engineers, which has jurisdiction over river and harbor work.

MUNICIPAL ALLOTMENTS RESCINDED

In line with the above changes, the Administration has been forced to rescind many loans and grants to municipal bodies for various causes, such as unsuccessful bond elections, cancellation of projects, &c. It has been our custom to publish these under their separate headings whenever reported, but for the sake of convenient reference we have gathered together the following latest reports issued from Washington.

The following announcements were issued by the PWA this week:

Release No. 1036

Revocation of 21 previously awarded allotments of loans and grants for non-Federal projects was announced to-day by Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes. A total of \$1,662,200 was released by these revocations and the money has been reallocated to other non-Federal projects still on the waiting list.

The following allotments were revoked.

San Mateo, Calif.—Docket 3973: Loan and grant of \$121,000 allotted to the city for construction of intercepting sewers, sewage treatment plant and a central pumping plant, rescinded because an election held on the question of issuing bonds failed to carry.

Ashland, Kan.—Docket 4495: Loan and grant of \$32,000 for improving the water system, rescinded at the request of the city.

Rochester, N. Y.—Docket 4544: Loan and grant of \$75,000 for construction of a sewage treatment plant rescinded at the request of the city.

Elmore County, Ala.—Docket 4591: Loan and grant of \$162,000 allotted to the County Board of Education for constructing three brick and two frame school buildings and improving five existing school buildings rescinded at the request of the applicant.

Dunklin County, Mo.—Docket 5447: Grant of \$600 allotted to School District No. 4 for a new building rescinded at the request of the District.

Snohomish County, Wash.—Docket 5529: Grant of \$5,900 for improving two miles of the Vernon Park-Sunnyside Road rescinded at the request of the county.

Gallatin, Tenn.—Docket 5561: Loan and grant of \$144,000 for extending the sewer system and constructing a sewage disposal plant rescinded at the request of the city.

Santa Barbara, Calif.—Docket 5721: Loan and grant of \$46,000 for beach improvements rescinded at the request of the city.

Woodbury, N. J.—Docket 5737: Loan and grant of \$50,000 for improving the water system rescinded at the request of the city.

Clallam County, Wash.—Docket 5905: Grant of \$5,700 for road improvements rescinded at the request of the county.

San Mateo, Calif.—Docket 5968: Loan and grant of \$403,000 allotted to the San Mateo County Harbor District for port developments rescinded because an election held to authorize issuance of bonds failed to carry.

Clallam County, Wash.—Docket 6449: Grant of \$3,600 for improvement of the Ferguson-Lyendecker Road because the county has not executed the grant agreement sent to it and has refused to respond to communications from PWA inquiring as to the reasons for the delay. This allotment was made on July 18 1934.

Clallam County, Wash.—Docket 6450: Grant of \$8,500 for improvement of the Joyce-Lyre Road rescinded at the request of the county.

Moore County, N. C.—Docket 7094: Loan and grant of \$222,500 for school building construction rescinded at the request of the county.

Laurel, Miss.—Docket 7129: Loan and grant of \$129,000 for improvements to the water system rescinded at the request of the city.

Louisville, Ga.—Docket 7249: Grant of \$7,000 for improvements to the water system rescinded at the request of the city.

Rutland, Vt.—Docket 7311: Grant of \$3,000 for an addition to a dormitory at the Poor Farm rescinded at the request of the city.

King County, Wash.—Docket 7581: Grant of \$4,900 for road improvements rescinded at the request of the county.

Lower Merion, Pa.—Docket 7904: Grant of \$135,000 allotted to Lower Merion Township, Montgomery County, for reconstructing 62 sections of highway rescinded at the request of the Township.

Huntington Beach, California—Docket 7996: Loan and grant of \$100,000 for construction of sewers and a secondary sewage treatment plant rescinded at the request of the city.

Perley, Minn.—Docket 8578: Loan and grant of \$3,500 allotted to School District No. 15 of Norman County for construction of an elementary school building near the town of Perley rescinded at the request of the District.

NEWS ITEMS

Arkansas—Completion of Bond Exchange Announced by Committee—One of the most widely publicized bond default litigations in recent years reached its conclusion on Oct. 23 when the bondholders' committee on the State bonds announced the completion of exchanges of securities deposited with it for refunding. The "Wall Street Journal" of Oct. 24 had the following to say on the matter:

The bondholders' committee for State of Arkansas Highway and Toll Bridge bonds has completed the exchange of the securities deposited with it for refunding bonds of the State of Arkansas, and is terminating its existence. Notices, giving complete details of the exchange, were mailed to all of the committee's depositors last night. The Chase National Bank of the City of New York, the depository, is now ready to make delivery of refunding bonds.

Exchanges of unrefunded securities must now be arranged through the State Treasurer at Little Rock, Ark. The State hopes that all bondholders will send in their securities for exchange as promptly as possible so that the entire refunding operation can be completed within the next few months. There is no existing provision for the payment of interest on unrefunded securities.

Members of the committee included: William L. DeBost, President, Union Dime Savings Bank; Philip A. Benson, President, National Association of Mutual Savings Banks; Henry W. George, 2nd Vice-Pres., Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.; Fred P. Hayward, 2nd Vice-Pres. and Treas., John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., Boston; Fred W. Hubbell, Vice-President and Treas., Equitable Life Insurance Co. of Iowa; Kenneth M. Keefe, Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., and Harold Palagano, Treas., New York Life Insurance Co. W. D. Bradford, 115 Broadway, New York, N. Y., has acted as Secretary.

California—Improvement District Act to Be Heard by United States Supreme Court—An Associated Press dispatch from Washington on Oct. 15 reported that on that day the United States Supreme Court consented to hear a case involving the validity of the California Acquisition and Improvement District Act of 1925. The news report reads in part as follows:

The act provides for the creation of districts and their division into zones. The improvement district is authorized to issue bonds to finance the improvement. The payment of interest on the bonds and the payment of the bonds on maturity is to be made from taxes imposed on property.

The City Council of San Diego challenged the act and the California Supreme Court declared it valid.

The City Council contended the act as construed permitted taxes to be levied in excess of the benefits received.

Chicago, Ill.—Action to Block School Board's Bonds Dismissed—The following report on the dismissal of a suit in the Circuit Court seeking to stop the proposed issuance of \$10,000,000 in Board of Education funding bonds, is taken from the Chicago "Tribune" of Oct. 14:

A taxpayer's suit to restrain the Board of Education from issuing \$10,000,000 in bonds to redeem outstanding 1928 and 1929 tax anticipation warrants was dismissed yesterday by Circuit Judge John Prystalski. Attorney for Jeanne C. Berman, the plaintiff, announced that they would carry the case to the Illinois Supreme Court.

Attorneys for the plaintiff contended that the tax warrants are not a general obligation of the Board of Education and therefore cannot be paid out of taxes. The warrants were issued and sold prior to a general reduction of Cook County assessments, and had been issued up to 75% of the larger prior tax levy. The assessment and ensuing tax levy reduction automatically took from the Board any legal obligation to pay warrants outstanding above 75% of the reduced levy. It was held.

Ralph W. Conde, attorney for the Board of Education, declared that while the Board may not be legally liable to redeem the outstanding \$10,000,000 of warrants, it was morally obligated. He declared buyers accepted the warrants in good faith and that the original issue was legal.

Dade County, Fla.—Bondholders Notified of Approaching Exchange—Stranahan, Harris & Co., Inc., and R. E. Crummer & Co., Inc., fiscal agents for the Board of Public Instruction, are notifying the county's bondholders that they should tender promptly their bonds to the Exchange Agent in order that all bonds tendered prior to Nov. 2 1934, may be subject to exchange. Exchanges under the refunding program are proceeding as rapidly as a qualifying percentage of bonds is on deposit with the First National Bank of Chicago. The refunding program involves all districts of the County except Nos. 12 and 14.

Illinois—Many Writs Requested in Sales—Tax Fight—According to an Associated Press dispatch from Springfield on Oct. 13 an injunction suit was filed by 116 municipalities on that day to restrain the State from collecting the 2% retail sales tax from their water and electric plants. K. L. Ames Jr., State Finance Director, was made defendant in the suit, filed in the Sangamon County District Court.

The claim is said to have been made that the sale of water and electricity by municipalities does not constitute the retailing of tangible personal property and hence should be exempt under the Sales-Tax Act. Regulations had been issued by Mr. Ames holding that municipal plants should pay the tax to the State.

Maine—Result of Voting on Constitutional Amendments—At the State election held on Sept. 10 the voters were called upon to pass on three proposed amendments to the State Constitution and one referendum question. All of these proposals received approving majorities. The following is the text of the measures submitted and the official tabulation of the total vote cast:

Amendment No. 1—"Shall the constitution be amended by the repeal of the 26th Amendment relating to the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors?" By Chapter 219 of the Resolves of 1933, (approved Dec. 16, in special session), it is proposed to repeal the 26th Amendment to the Constitution. Yes, 161,893; No, 85,363.

Amendment No. 2—"Shall the Constitution be amended as proposed by a resolution of the Legislature to provide for an increase of the State debt limit?" By Chapter 222 of the Resolves of 1933, (approved Dec. 16, in special session), it is proposed that Section 14 of Article IX of the Constitution, as amended by Articles XXXV, XLII, XLIII, and XLV, shall be further amended to read as follows:

Sec. 14. The credit of the State shall not be directly or indirectly loaned in any case. The Legislature shall not create any debt or debts, liability or liabilities, on behalf of the State, which shall singly, or in the aggregate, with previous debts and liabilities hereafter incurred at any one time, exceed \$2,000,000, except for the purposes of building State highways, intra-State, inter-State and international bridges; to suppress insurrection, to repel invasion, or for the purposes of war; to provide for the payment of a bonus to Maine soldiers and sailors in the war with Germany; or for the purposes of building and maintaining public wharves and for the establishment of adequate port facilities in the State of Maine; but this amendment shall not be construed to refer to any money that has been, or may be deposited with this State by the Government of the United States, or to any fund which the State shall hold in trust for any Indian tribe. Yes, 117,046. No, 91,515.

Amendment No. 3—"Shall the Constitution be amended as proposed by a resolution of the Legislature to provide for a bond issue for the construction, improvement and equipment of State buildings?" By Chapter 223 of the Resolves of 1933, (approved Dec. 16, in special session,) it is proposed to amend Article IX of the Constitution, by adding thereto the following section:

Sec. 20. The State under authority of proper enactment of the Legislature may issue its bonds not to exceed the amount of \$2,000,000 payable within 20 years, at a rate of interest not exceeding 5% per annum, payable semi-annually, the proceeds to be disbursed for the construction of State buildings and equipment for same, or remodeling or extension of any plant which is part of State-owned property. Said bonds shall be designated "State of Maine Improvement Bonds," and when paid at maturity or otherwise retired, shall not be reissued. Yes, 123,843. No, 79,906.

Referendum Question—Shall an Act Entitled "An Act Relating to Transportation of Intoxicating Liquor," become a law? Yes, 141,259. No 82,877.

New Jersey—Dill Program for Fiscal Reform Viewed as Aid to Credit Restoration—The Dill Plan, sponsored by Judge William L. Dill, Democratic candidate for Governor of the State, an article on which appeared in V. 139, p. 2393, should go far to restore the credit of New Jersey municipalities in the opinion of Frank M. Morse of Lehman Brothers, a banking firm that has been active in the flotation of securities of that State. In a statement issued on Oct. 19, Mr. Morse stated that some of the outstanding features of the plan which appeal to the investing public are:

1. That all cities wherever possible will be placed on a cash basis.
2. That operating expenses will be reduced to the lowest possible level.
3. That there will be strict supervision by a State Board of Control, which will have power to force economies; if necessary, to limit new debt capital expenditures and to control local budgets to insure operation on a cash basis.
4. That the plan enables cities to meet the staggering debt maturities of the next five years and to avoid further defaults through the extension of these maturities over a long period of years so they can be met promptly without hardship.
5. That the interest cost to municipalities will be reduced so that the insurance, which the cities will pay the Insurance Fund for its guaranty, will cost the taxpayers nothing.
6. That the present high tax rates can be reduced as it will be necessary for municipalities to appropriate only 50% of the amount refunded in each year during the first five years of the plan.
7. That no municipality will be forced to refund and no bondholder will be forced to take refunding bonds and furthermore that all municipalities can take advantage of this relief plan, if they so desire.

New York City—Budget Total for 1935 Raised \$14,000,000—The proposed city budget for 1935 was increased \$14,000,000 over the estimate by Mayor La Guardia and the Board of Estimate on Oct. 20, thus bringing it to the maximum total of \$564,959,602. As proposed the budget is subject to hearings calling for reductions but no further additions may be included. The additional \$14,000,000 was added in order to bring the reserves set off in the bankers' agreement from \$11,000,000 to the original \$25,000,000. The belief of the Mayor and of Comptroller McGoldrick was that the bankers would agree to the original reduction. It was thought, however, that new State legislation is necessary in order to actually carry only \$11,000,000 in reserves.

Aldermen Vote Approval of City Residence Bill—The proposed local law of Alderman Edward W. Curley which would require all city employees except members of the school system, to reside in the city, was passed by the Board of Aldermen on Oct. 23 by a count of 46 to 11. It was forwarded to the Board of Estimate, where a similar bill introduced by Bronx Borough President Lyons is pending. It is considered doubtful that Mayor LaGuardia will sign the bill as he has previously expressed his opposition to the proposal.

Under the bill passed, time is to be given to those employees who live outside the city to change their places of residence. It is stated that this local law would affect about 11,000 city employees.

Court Upholds Validity of Buckley Utility Tax Law—Supreme Court Justice Peter Schmuck on Oct. 18 upheld the validity of the Buckley Act under which New York City imposed a tax of 1½% on the monthly gross revenues of public utility companies from Sept. 1 1933 to Feb. 20 1934. The action to determine the status of the law was brought by the New York Steam Corp. and others seeking to have the law declared unconstitutional and have the amount of the taxes returned.

Justice Schmuck pointed out that the law "authorized the adoption of local laws through local legislative bodies imposing any tax which the Legislature has or would have the power to impose."

City Reports Cash Balance of \$38,952,501—The weekly financial statement of Comptroller Joseph D. McGoldrick shows that the city had a cash balance in the treasury for all purposes at Oct. 20 of \$38,952,501, which compares with the balance of \$40,474,534 as of Oct. 13.

The statement reports that during the 42 weeks ended Oct. 20 taxpayers paid into the city the following amounts available for ordinary operating expenses: Taxes, 1933 and prior years, \$99,648,200; 1934, current, first half, \$174,665,584; current second half, \$46,566,548, thus making a grand total of \$320,880,332. Of this total, there was pledged under the bankers' agreement for the repayment of prior and current borrowings the sum of \$284,250,166, leaving available for current city purposes an amount of \$36,630,166.

New York State—Robert Moses Proposes 2% Sales Tax Plan to Balance Budget—In a speech delivered at Binghamton on Oct. 22, Robert Moses, Republican candidate for Governor, advocated a 2% retail sales tax for an emergency period of five years, according to press dispatches of that date. In so doing, Mr. Moses placed squarely up to Governor Herbert H. Lehman, his Democratic opponent, what the Republican candidate regards as the most important issue of the campaign, which is that of balancing the State budget and providing for future financial needs. He challenged Governor Lehman to offer an alternative. He also recommended that a \$100,000,000 bond issue be voted on in 1935, the money to be devoted to relief costs, completion of State hospital and institutional construction and "for permanent highway construction pending the time when diversion of automobile taxes can be stopped." Mr. Moses reported that he favored such economies in government as could be achieved but that, frankly, there was no hope of meeting the situation which confronts the State except through new revenues.

Ohio—18 Municipalities Indorse 3% Sales Tax—Meeting in Columbus on Oct. 17 for a discussion on the financial affairs of their respective communities and the setting up of revenue measures to cope with the failure of funds—V. 139, p. 2545—the Mayors of 18 municipalities tentatively recommended the enactment of a 3% sales tax. We give the following report from a Columbus dispatch to the Cleveland "Plain Dealer" of Oct. 18:

Qualified indorsement of the principle of the 3% sales tax was voted here to-day by mayors of 18 Ohio municipalities, full approval being contingent on the allocation of funds satisfactory to the executives.

Mayor Henry Worley of Columbus, sponsor of the conference, declared the schools are pushing a concerted program aimed at getting a major share of the sales tax revenue, and urged the cities to "keep on their toes" to get fair shares of the funds.

Unless the municipalities get a heavy share of the revenue, Worley said, "we will be in worse condition in the cities than we are now."

Mayor Harry L. Davis of Cleveland contended that no indorsement of the sales tax principle should be voted until the definite allocation is included. He left before the vote was taken.

No vote was recorded for Cleveland, but cities voting in favor of the sales tax principle were:

Lakewood, Akron, Springfield, Dayton, Sandusky, Zanesville, Findlay, Elyria, Portsmouth, Cuyahoga Falls, Barberton, Middleton, East Liverpool, Canton, Warren, Norwood, Mansfield and Columbus.

Carleton S. Dargusch, State Tax Commissioner, told the conference he was not as alarmed over passage of the sales tax as he was about its allocation.

Port of Albany, N. Y.—Commission Issues Report on Progress—Comparative figures for the fiscal years ending from June 30 1931 to 1934 are presented in a report of progress just made public by the Port District Commission. The report contains both financial statistics and operating statistics and gives a brief resume of the State Laws of 1925 creating the said District. The Port was formally dedicated in June 1932, and the summary of revenues derived and expenses incurred through its operation in the past two fiscal years reveal a considerable growth in net operating income. On June 30 1934 the outstanding bonded debt of the District is shown at \$7,391,000. Any difference between net operating income and debt service requirements is provided by a tax levy on the real estate in the District.

United States—Real Estate Tax Limitation to Be Voted on by Three or More States—A news dispatch from Chicago on Oct. 17 reported as follows on the movement gaining way in many States to alleviate the tax burden on real estate:

Voters in at least three States will go to the polls next month to vote on a question close to their pocketbooks—real estate tax limitation.

Elsewhere throughout the land the problem of easing the tax burden for home owners in the face of "New Deal" expenditures is receiving attention from State Legislatures and groups organized to combat taxation.

Watching on the sidelines during the November election when the voters of Michigan, Oregon and Washington will be asked to accept or reject proposals affecting tax systems will be the National Association of Real Estate Boards, which has been leading the fight for revision with a six-point program.

In brief, officials list the Association's program as follows:

"State control of local tax levies and bond issues, under proper safeguards.

"Limitations of the property tax by State constitutional provision.

"Spread of school costs to a wider tax base.

"Expenditure of funds from State gas and vehicle taxes upon city streets as well as upon rural highways.

"Restriction of use of special assessments for financing public improvements.

"Consideration of the income or use value of property as one of the major factors in arriving at a fair assessment for tax purposes."

So far, the Association says taxes have been reduced in seven States, Ohio, Michigan, Oklahoma, Washington, Indiana, West Virginia and New Mexico, by limiting the amount of valuation upon which taxes may be levied, and predicts that many more States will fall in line within a year. In 21 States organized movements are working for limitation, the Association reports.

Taking 120 cities as an average, officials claim a 23.5% reduction in taxes has been effected—from \$39.66 for each \$1,000 of valuation to \$30.34.

Sanford, Fla.—Fourth Interest Payment Announced—The bondholders' protective committee of the above city announced on Oct. 20 a fourth distribution of interest to depositing bondholders, amounting to 1% of the face amount of each deposited bond. Depositors of matured bonds will receive interest on the same basis as if their past due interest were represented by coupons, the committee says. This payment will constitute full and final payment of all interest claims of depositors against the city for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30 1934.

Bonds on deposit with the committee as of Sept. 30 1934 aggregated \$5,305,000 or about 88% of the outstanding bonds.

The committee reports tax collections for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30 1934 from the 1933 tax roll approximated 44.47% of the roll, as against slightly over 40% of the roll at the same date last year. Collections in dollars from the 1933 roll amounted to \$93,539, half of which went to operating expenses and the other half to debt service. There were also relatively substantial collections of delinquent taxes due, in part, to tax settlements made in connection with mortgage refinancing through the Home Owners' Loan Corporation. The city's assessed valuation for the fiscal year 1933-34 was \$7,001,000, on which a tax of 30 mills was levied, the levy being equally divided between operating expenses and debt service. The principal amount of the city's bonded debt was \$6,017,000 as of

Sept. 30 1934. This shows a reduction during the last fiscal year of \$170,000.

United States—Sound Credit Rating Being Regained by Municipal Securities—The New York "Journal of Commerce" of Oct. 23 carried the following review on an article appearing in a municipal bulletin, regarding the present credit rating of certain municipal securities as compared with their standing during the past few years:

Progress in the restoration of certain municipal securities to their former position as "staple and standard commodities in the world of finance" is noted by Wendell R. Erickson, Manager of the Municipal Department of Stone & Webster & Blodgett, Inc., in the current issue of the Stone & Webster bulletin issued yesterday.

"In the past two or three years," says Mr. Erickson, "the securities of a number of municipalities which had formerly been highly rated suffered from a variety of causes and ceased to measure up to the standards customarily accepted. Fortunately many of these municipalities recognized the seriousness of this situation in time to enable them, with the co-operation of bondholders, to rehabilitate their credit."

"The situation was met vigorously. By careful reorganization of financial management, including the adoption of drastic economies in all departments and better planned methods for the prompt collection of taxes, many municipalities have been able to operate on a cash basis, maintain balanced budgets and control the outstanding floating and funded debt. Chicago, Detroit and Newark afford good examples of the action some of the larger cities have taken. Chicago bonds, for three years hopelessly down in the price scale, are now close to prices yielding 4.25%. Detroit has successfully refunded or extended maturing issues with longer term bonds. Newark, unable to sell bonds at an interest rate even close to the 6% legal limit two years ago, recently sold over \$6,000,000 of long term bonds with a 5 1/4% coupon and sold them in a mildly reactionary municipal bond market. The vast majority of municipalities have remained financially sound throughout the depression. Some others may never be able to pay their obligations in full, but many, after reaching treacherous footing, have solved their difficulties to their present and future benefit. Others after more delay are adopting the principles and methods found successful by municipal finance experts throughout the country and are now working to put their financial houses in order. The record of municipal credit clearly indicates the desire of the average American to stand behind any obligations which he incurs."

Woodbridge, N. J.—Suit Instituted on Bond Refunding Deal—Alleging that a 1923 statute makes it illegal to pay any commission on the sale or issuance of bonds by a municipality, suit was instituted in Federal Court on Oct. 23 by the officials of the above town, for the return of \$18,500 paid as commission to a bond broker on a refunding operation put into effect in 1933. The New York "Times" of Oct. 24 carried the following report on the action:

The town of Woodbridge in Middlesex County, N. J., sought yesterday in Federal Court to repudiate a contract made in 1933 with B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Inc., a New York brokerage house, which refunded its bonds and made possible the payment of \$1,718,000 that might otherwise have been in default.

The town sued to recover from the firm \$18,500 paid as a commission for refunding, on the ground that a New Jersey law passed in 1923 made the payment illegal.

William A. Ryan, who was Democratic Mayor of Woodbridge when the contract was made, said last night that the Van Ingen firm had rendered a service to the township and had been paid legitimately.

Leon McElroy, the township attorney, backed by August Griner, Republican Mayor, who succeeded Mr. Ryan last January, pointed, however, to the wording of the law, which says that "no bonus, commission, fee or any other compensation or consideration" can be paid to any broker or agent for the issuance or sale of municipal securities.

The matter came into Federal Court on a motion by Burton A. Zorn, attorney for the brokers, to dismiss the complaint on the ground that there was no cause of action. The law firm of McDonnell & Lebet represent the township. Judge John C. Knox reserved decision.

BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS

AKRON, Summit County, Ohio—NOTICE TO BONDHOLDERS—Holders of city bonds, particularly of those which mature in 1934, have been requested to contact the Ohio Bondholders Association, Inc., 1503 Buckeye Building, Columbus, regarding a proposed refunding plan covering such bonds.

ALAMEDA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS (P. O. Oakland), Calif.—BOND ELECTION—It is stated by the Secretary of the Board of Education that bonds aggregating \$2,842,000 will be passed on by the voters on Nov. 6. The bonds are divided as follows: \$2,185,000 Berkeley Elementary School District, and \$677,000 Berkeley High School District bonds.

ALBANY PORT DISTRICT (P. O. Albany) Albany County, N. Y.—BOND SALE—The \$315,000 coupon or registered bonds offered on Oct. 24—V. 139, p. 2546—were awarded as 3 1/4% jointly to the Bancamerica-Blair Corp. and Halsey, Stuart & Co., both of New York, at par plus a premium of \$1,736, equal to 100.55, a basis of about 3.71%. Dated Nov. 1 1934 and due \$7,000 on Nov. 1 from 1939 to 1983, incl. The bankers are re-offering the issue for public investment at prices to yield from 3.40% to 3.70% according to maturity. They are stated to be legal investment for savings banks and trust funds in New York State. Other bids were as follows:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Premium
Brown Harriman & Co. and Eldredge & Co., jointly	4%	\$1,889.69
Edward B. Smith & Co.	4%	2,044.35
National Commercial Bank & Trust Co., Albany	4 1/4%	50.00
George B. Gibbons & Co., Inc., Blyth & Co., Roosevelt & Weigold and Stone & Webster and Blodgett, Inc.	4%	10,111.50

ALBION, Erie County, Pa.—PROPOSED BOND SALE—Clarence T. Bryan of the law firm of Bryan & Evans of Erie, informs us that the Borough wishes to sell \$30,000 4% general obligation bonds, for the purpose of financing the construction of a sewer system and sewage disposal plant. They are part of the issue of \$46,000 originally offered for sale last March and were approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs on Jan. 17 1934. Inquiries should be addressed to Mr. Bryan.

ALLEGANY COUNTY (P. O. Cumberland), Md.—BOND OFFERING—Thomas P. Richards, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. on Nov. 9 for the purchase of \$525,000 3 1/4% coupon or registered school bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$21,000 annually from 1940 to 1964 incl. Principal and interest (M. & N.) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Bids may be made for all or part of the issue. The bonds are authorized by Chapter 48 of the Acts of General Assembly, Extraordinary Session of 1933, and are exempt from all taxation in Maryland. A certified check for 5% of the bonds bid for, payable to the order of the County Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

Financial Statement

Assessable basis	\$82,019,418
Bonded indebtedness (not including this issue, but including \$600,000 to be retired through receipts from gasoline taxes and not by direct levy). No floating debt.	2,755,000

ALLIANCE, Stark County, Ohio—NOTICE TO BONDHOLDERS—H. F. Bohecker, City Auditor, in a recent communication to holders of matured bonds or those maturing prior to Dec. 31 1934, stated that unless the sale scheduled for Nov. 8 of \$227,592.56 4% refunding bonds is successful—V. 139, p. 2546—payment of the aforementioned bonds will be made on the basis of 20% cash and 80% refunding bonds. Interest coupons have been fully paid or will be paid upon presentation of same at the City Treasurer's office. He also said that the City Council by ordinance fixed the interest rate at 4%, which action was considered a matter of necessity in view of the fact that the city is spending 72% of its gross tax revenues for debt service charges, leaving but 28% for general operation. Considerable difficulty has been experienced in trying to

meet general expenses, he pointed out, adding that since March 15 1933 payroll requirements and other current bills have been met largely through the use of scrip and tax warrants. Bondholders will be advised of any action proposed by the city.

ALPENA, Alpena County, Mich.—LOAN AUTHORIZED—The State Loan Board has approved the borrowing of \$35,000 against tax collections in the next fiscal year.

AMSTERDAM, Montgomery County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING—Frank A. Howland, City Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on Oct. 31, for the purchase of \$200,000 not to exceed 6% interest coupon or registered emergency relief bonds, divided as follows:

\$130,000 series A bonds. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$15,000 from 1936 to 1941, incl. and \$20,000 in 1942 and 1943. 70,000 series B bonds. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$5,000 in 1936 and 1937 and \$10,000 from 1938 to 1943, inclusive.

All of the bonds are dated Oct. 1 1934. Bidder to bid for the entire loan and name a single interest rate thereon, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 or 1/10th of 1%. Principal and interest (A. & O.) payable in lawful money of the United States at the First National Bank, Amsterdam. A certified check for \$4,000, payable to the order of the city, is required. The bonds are direct obligations of the city, payable from unlimited taxes. Legal opinion of Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York, will be furnished the successful bidder.

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Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include Assessed valuation per capita, bonded indebtedness, water bonds, and various tax levies and collections for 1934.

Bonded Debt

The city has a clear debt history, never having defaulted on any of its principal or interest payments when due. The bonded debt has remained practically stable since 1931, showing a decrease of \$42,070 in the total bonded debt, and an increase of only \$96,666.34 after consideration has been given to deductible items. This is a most enviable record. At the present time the net bonded debt, including water bonds and less sinking funds is \$2,732,188.38 or 79.69 per capita. The ratio of total assessed valuation to net over all debt is .0951. This issue will retire a like amount of notes issued for home and work relief. There are no tax anticipation notes outstanding.

Assessed Valuation

The assessed valuation for 1934 is \$28,728,450 or \$825 per capita. This city has always been extremely conservative in assessing property. In 1931 the total was \$31,021,496; 1932, \$30,699,390; 1933, \$29,263,810 and 1934, \$28,728,450. This policy has benefited the city's credit rating as the per capita bonded indebtedness for all purposes including this issue only \$79.69.

ANN ARBOR, Washtenaw County, Mich.—BOND AWARD DEFERRED—Action on award of the issue of \$345,000 4% sewerage revenue bonds offered on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2546—has been deferred until Nov. 5.

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY (P. O. Annapolis), Md.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION—Stein Bros. & Boyce and Mackubin, Legg & Co., both of Baltimore, were associated with the Mercantile Trust Co., Baltimore, in the purchase on Oct. 16 of \$35,000 5% coupon Gibson Island District bonds at 100.83, a basis of about 4.83%—V. 139, p. 2546.

ANTHONY, Harper County, Kan.—BOND ELECTION—It is reported that an election on the issuance of \$15,000 in recreation ground bonds will be on the ballot at the Nov. 6 election.

ARAPAHOE, Furnas County, Neb.—BOND SALE—An \$18,000 issue of 4% refunding bonds was purchased recently by the First Trust Co. of Lincoln, at a discount of \$150, equal to 99.15, a basis of about 4.10%. Dated June 1 1934. Due on June 1 1944. Principal and interest (J. & D.) payable at Red Cloud, Neb. Legality approved by Hall, Cline & Williams. These bonds were issued to refund a like amount of 4 1/2% bonds maturing in 1947.

AUBURN, Worcester County, Mass.—BONDS PUBLICLY OFFERED—Whiting, Weeks & Knowles of Boston made public offering on Oct. 22 of \$171,000 3 1/2% coupon high school bonds, due serially on Nov. 1 from 1935 to 1954 incl., at prices to yield from 1.75% to 3.40%, according to maturity.

BARBERTON, Summit County, Ohio—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The City Council has passed ordinances providing for the issuance of \$102,242.36 5% refunding bonds, divided as follows:

\$70,860.00 general obligation refunding bonds. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$6,860, 1936; \$7,000 from 1937 to 1944 incl. and \$8,000 in 1945. 31,382.36 special assessment refunding bonds. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$2,382.36, 1936; \$3,000 from 1937 to 1943 incl., and \$4,000 in 1944 and 1945.

Each issue is dated Oct. 1 1934. Principal and interest (A. & O.) payable at the First Central Trust Co., Barberton.

BEE COUNTY (P. O. Beeville), Tex.—BOND ELECTION—It is reported that an election will be held on Nov. 13 to vote on the issuance of \$165,000 in not to exceed 5 1/2% road bonds. It is said that only \$40,000 of this issue will be used for highway work, the remaining \$125,000 to be employed in the conversion of the county's outstanding warrant indebtedness. The warrants bear 6% interest. (This proposal was defeated by the voters on Sept. 21—V. 139, p. 2394.)

BERLIN, Worcester County, Md.—BOND OFFERING—A. P. Christopher, Secretary and Treasurer of the Mayor and City Council, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. on Nov. 5, for the purchase of \$100,000 4% coupon (registerable as to principal) sanitary sewerage system and sewage treatment plant construction bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000 and numbered from 1 to 100, incl. Due as follows: \$2,000 May 1 1936; \$1,000 May 1 1937; \$1,000 May 1 and Nov. 1 from 1938 to 1942, incl.; \$2,000 May 1 and \$1,000 Nov. 1 from 1943 to 1946, incl.; \$2,000 May 1 and Nov. 1 from 1947 to 1953, incl.; \$3,000 May 1 and \$2,000 Nov. 1 from 1954 to 1959, incl.; \$2,000 May 1 and \$3,000 Nov. 1 in 1960 and 1961 and \$3,000 May 1 and Nov. 1 1962. Any or all bonds No. \$1 to 100, inclusive, however, to be callable, in inverse order, at any interest period after Nov. 1 1944, upon 30 days' written notice to the registered holders thereof and in the event said bonds are not registered, then by 30 days' notice in one or more newspapers published in Baltimore, Md. Said bonds to be exempt from State, county and municipal taxation. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. All bids should be sealed and accompanied by a certified check for the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

BIG STONE COUNTY (P. O. Ortonville), Minn.—BOND SALE—The \$15,000 issue of refunding bonds offered for sale on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2546—was purchased by Kalman & Co. of Minneapolis, as 3 3/4%, paying a premium of \$150, equal to 101, a basis of about 3.60%. Due from Oct. 1 1937 to 1945, inclusive.

BLYTHE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Kaska), Schuylkill County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING—Peter Llieck, District Secretary, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. on Nov. 5 for the purchase of \$140,000 4% school building construction bonds. Dated July 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due July 1 as follows: \$28,000, 1939; \$6,000, 1940 to 1951 incl., and \$5,000 from 1952 to 1959 incl. Alternate bids are asked for

4 1/4, 4 1/2 and 4 3/4% bonds. Int. is payable in J. & J. A certified check for 2% of the bonds bid for, payable to the order of Anthony Masonis, District Treasurer, must accompany each proposal. An allotment of \$140,000 has been approved by the Public Works Administration.

BOISE, Ada County, Ida.—WARRANTS CALLED—The following registered warrants were called for payment at the office of the City Treasurer on Oct. 15: Nos. 2,018 to 4,302 of general, and Nos. 72 to 88 of the Municipal Lighting warrants.

BOLTON, Tolland County, Conn.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION—The \$100,000 3 1/2% highway bonds sold recently to Shaw, Aldrich & Co. of Hartford, at 100.76, a basis of about 3.41%—V. 139, p. 2547—are dated Oct. 1 1934, mature \$5,000 annually from 1935 to 1954 incl. and payable as to principal and interest (A. & O.) at the Hartford Connecticut Trust Co., Hartford.

Financial Statement

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include Assessed valuation, Bonded debt, Sinking fund, and Tax rate.

BONDURANT, Polk County, Iowa—BOND ELECTION—An election is said to be scheduled for Nov. 1 to vote on the proposed issuance of \$10,000 in water works bonds.

BOSTON, Suffolk County, Mass.—BOND SALE—The \$3,350,000 coupon bonds offered on Oct. 25—V. 139, p. 2547—were awarded to a syndicate composed of the National City Bank, Bankers Trust Co., Edward B. Smith & Co., Blyth & Co., Inc., Lazard Freres & Co., Inc., and the First of Michigan Corp., all of New York, at a price of 100.029 for \$2,250,000 3 1/2s and \$1,100,000 3s, the net interest cost basis to the city being about 3.171%. The award was made as follows:

- List of bond issues: \$750,000 3 1/2% bonds for sewerage reconstruction, 700,000 3% bonds for hospital construction, 500,000 3 1/2% street reconstruction bonds, 350,000 3 1/2% water main construction bonds, 250,000 3 1/2% sewerage bonds, 250,000 3% highway bonds, 200,000 3 1/2% police communications system bonds, 200,000 3 1/2% Northern Ave. bridge reconstruction bonds, 150,000 3% Brookline Ave. water main replacement bonds.

All of the bonds are dated Nov. 1 1934. The members of the successful group made public re-offering of the \$1,100,000 3% bonds at prices to yield from 0.75% to 3.20%, while the \$2,250,000 3 1/2s were offered to yield from 0.75% to 3.25% on the maturities from 1935 to 1954, incl., and the bonds of that series maturing from 1955 to 1964, incl., were offered at a price of 99. All of the bonds, in the opinion of the bankers, meet the requirements as legal investments for savings banks and trust funds in New York, Massachusetts and certain other States. They are also stated to be direct and general obligations of the city, payable as to principal and interest from ad valorem taxes which may be levied without limitation of rate or amount on all the taxable property therein.

OTHER BIDS—The following other bids were submitted at the sale: Brown, Harriman & Co., Inc., headed a syndicate which bid 100.009 for \$500,000 as 3s and the balance as 3 1/4s, or an interest cost basis of 3.21%. Associated with them were Kidder, Peabody & Co., Stone & Webster and Blodgett, Inc., and F. S. Moseley & Co.

A syndicate headed by Halsey, Stuart & Co. offered par plus \$50 for \$700,000 as 3s and the balance as 3 1/4s, an interest cost basis of 3.225. Included in this syndicate were Bancamerica-Blair Corp., Phelps, Penn. & Co., J. & W. Seligman & Co., George B. Gibbons & Co., Inc., Darby & Co., E. H. Rollins & Sons, Inc., Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. of Buffalo, Wertheim & Co., Burr & Co., Inc., Stifel, Nicolaus & Co., Inc., and M. F. Schlatte & Co.

First Boston Corp., R. L. Day & Co. and Estabrook & Co. offered 100.319 for 3 1/4s.

A syndicate headed by Lehman Bros. and including Chemical National Bank, Graham, Parsons & Co., Jackson & Curtis, Mercantile Commerce Bank & Trust Co., Kean, Taylor & Co., R. H. Moulton & Co., Hemphill, Noyes & Co., F. L. Putnam & Co., Schaumburg, Rebhann & Osborne, Laurence M. Stern, Wells-Dickey & Co. and Stern Brothers, bid 100.085 for 3 1/4s.

BOUNTIFUL, Davis County, Utah—BONDS AUTHORIZED—It is now reported that the issuance of \$156,000 in revenue bonds was authorized recently to acquire an electric light and power system—V. 139, p. 2235.

BRADNER, Wood County, Ohio—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will be asked to approve the issuance of \$14,000 water supply system bonds.

BRENTWOOD (P. O. Pittsburgh) Allegheny County, Pa.—BOND SALE—The \$150,000 coupon bonds offered on Oct. 19—V. 139, p. 2235—were awarded as 4s to McLaughlin, MacAfee & Co. of Pittsburgh, at par plus a premium of \$1,837.50, equal to 101.225, a basis of about 3.87%. Dated Nov. 1 1934 and du. \$10,000 on Nov. 1 from 1940 to 1954, incl.

BROKEN ARROW, Tulsa County, Okla.—BONDS NOT SOLD—It is stated by J. O. Ledbetter, City Clerk, that the \$16,000 issue of water works extension bonds offered on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2547—was not sold.

BONDSRE-OFFERED—Sealed bids will be received until Nov. 5, by the said Clerk, for the purchase of the above bonds. Bidders to name the rate of interest. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Due \$1,000 from Nov. 1 1937 to 1952 incl. These bonds were approved by the voters on Oct. 4. A certified check for 2% of the bonds bid for, is required.

BROWARD COUNTY (P. O. Fort Lauderdale), Fla.—TAX INCREASE ORDERED—The "Wall Street Journal" of Oct. 18 carried the following report from Miami on the proposed payment of harbor bonds:

"Circuit Court here has ruled that the Broward County Commission and the Broward County Port Authority must increase taxes for 1934-35 to raise \$421,000 in interest which is past due and coming due on harbor bonds during the fiscal year. Attorneys for the parties who brought the suits contended that \$4,000,000 of the harbor bonds are outstanding and that the taxing officials have failed to provide for interest and sinking fund in their budgets for the past four years."

BUFFALO, Erie County, N. Y.—BOND SALE—The \$2,000,000 work relief and (or) home relief coupon or registered bonds offered on Oct. 25—V. 139, p. 2547—were awarded to a syndicate composed of Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., Bancamerica-Blair Corp., Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., R. W. Pressprich & Co., Stranahan, Harris & Co., Jackson & Curtis, Burr & Co., Inc., Adams, Muntz & Co. and Grayson M.-P. Murphy & Co., all of New York, on their bid of par plus a premium of \$7,500 for 3.10s, equal to 100.375, a basis of about 3.06%. Dated Nov. 15 1934 and due Nov. 15 1944. The successful group is making public re-offering of the issue at a price of 101.25, to yield over 2.95%. They are declared to be legal investment for savings banks and trust funds in New York and other States and constitute general obligations of the city, payable from ad valorem taxes to be levied on all taxable property therein without limitation as to rate or amount.

OTHER BIDS—Second highest bid for the issue, an offer of 100.147 for 3.20s, was submitted by a syndicate composed of Edward B. Smith & Co., Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co., R. L. Day & Co., J. & W. Seligman & Co. and Eldredge & Co. An offer of 100.119 for 3.20s was made by the Chase National Bank of New York and associates, while an account managed by the Chemical Bank & Trust Co. bid 100.309 for 3.25s. A syndicate, headed by Bankers Trust Co. and including Marine Trust of Buffalo, Lazard Freres Co., Inc., Kelley, Richardson & Co., L. F. Rothschild Co., Schoellkopf, Hutton & Pomeroy, Inc., bid 100.049 for 3.30s. George B. Gibbons & Co., heading a syndicate composed of Bacon, Stevenson & Co., Stone & Webster and Blodgett, Inc., Dick & Merle-Smith and Roosevelt & Weigold offered 100.50 for 3.40s.

BUFFALO, Erie County, N. Y.—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will be asked to pass upon the following

question: "Shall the City of Buffalo apply to the Federal Government for a loan and grant for erection of school buildings, and include in the next general city tax a sum which will not be in excess of \$2.50 a \$1,000 of assessed valuation of the real estate in said city, subject to taxation, to provide funds for the retirement of existing bonds falling due in the next fiscal year, in lieu of which bonds so retired, bonds will be issued to provide funds for the erection of such buildings at an expenditure by the city not exceeding \$2,200,000 and also acquire sites therefor?"

BURGAW, Pender County, N. C.—BONDS VOTED—At the election on Oct. 20—V. 139, p. 2335—the voters approved the issuance of bonds aggregating \$60,000, divided as follows: \$48,000 water system and \$12,000 sewer system bonds.

BUTTERFIELD, Watonwan County, Minn.—CERTIFICATE SALE—The \$11,000 issue of water main certificates of indebtedness offered for sale on Oct. 19—V. 139, p. 2547—was purchased by Mr. Wallace Wagner, of St. James, at 5% paying par. Due in 1952.

CABARRUS COUNTY (P. O. Concord), N. C.—NOTE SALE—A \$9,000 issue of revenue anticipation notes is reported to have been purchased by Oscar Burnett & Co. of Greensboro, at 3%, plus a premium of \$7.00.

CALDWELL, Noble County, Ohio—BOND ELECTION—A proposal to issue \$30,000 water system bonds will be submitted for consideration of the voters at the general election on Nov. 6.

CALIFORNIA, Moniteau County, Mo.—INJUNCTION SOUGHT ON POWER AND LIGHT PROJECT—The Missouri Utilities Co., a subsidiary of the Community Power & Light Co., is said to have entered a petition recently in the U. S. District Court for the Western Part of Missouri, seeking an injunction to restrain the town from constructing a power and light plant with Public Works Administration funds. A bond issue of \$100,000 has already been voted for this project and a loan and grant of \$155,000 has been approved by the PWA—V. 138, p. 3642.

In connection with the above report we quote in part as follows from the Kansas City "Star" of Oct. 16:
 "Arguments were heard to-day by Judge Merrill E. Otis of the U. S. District Court in another important Public Works Administration case in which a public utility is attempting to stop use of PWA funds for construction of a municipal electric light plant in California, Mo.
 "The case was brought by the Missouri Utilities Corp., operator of utilities in about 50 Missouri towns, within a few days after the decision by Judge A. L. Reeves of the Federal Court, holding illegal the use of PWA funds in construction of a utility in Concordia, Mo.
 "In the California case argued to-day the citizens of that community, 25 miles west of here, voted \$100,000 bonds for the light plant and obtained a PWA grant of \$45,000. Issuance of the bonds was contested by the utility in an injunction suit in the Moniteau County Circuit Court last May, but Judge Nike Sevier of the Circuit Court ruled against the utility."

CASPER, Natrona County, Wyo.—BOND CALL—It is reported that the following bonds are being called for payment at the Stock Growers' National Bank in Cheyenne on Nov. 1: Nos. 26 to 38 and 49 to 60 of the sewer bonds, dated April 30 1919, due in 1939, optional in 1929; Nos. 70 to 72 of the water bonds, dated July 1 1917, due in 1947, optional on July 1 1932; Nos. 33 to 36, 38 to 37, 89, 91 and 92, and 95 to 98 of the public building bonds, dated April 30 1919, due in 1949, optional in 1929; Nos. 1, 3 to 5, 9 to 17, 19 to 22, 27 to 41, 43 to 52, 55 to 69 and 71 to 75 of the sewer bonds dated Nov. 1 1923, due in 1943, optional in 1933. All of the above bonds are 5% general obligations, in the denom. of \$1,000 each, except the building bonds, which are for \$500 apiece.

CASSIA COUNTY (P. O. Burley), Ida.—WARRANTS CALLED—It is stated by W. R. Stearman, County Treasurer, that certain warrants were called for payment beginning Oct. 11. The warrants called are current expense, hospital and charity fund, fair fund, and various school district warrants.

CEDARBURG, Ozaukee County, Wis.—MATURITY—The \$25,000 4% semi-annual sewage disposal bonds that were purchased by the Cedarburg State Bank, at a price of 101.845—V. 139, p. 2395—are due on Feb. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1935 to 1949, and \$2,000, 1950 to 1954, giving a basis of about 3.80%.

CEDAR COUNTY (P. O. Tipton) Iowa—MATURITY—The \$131,000 refunding bonds that were purchased by Glaspell, Vieth & Duncan of Davenport, as 3 3/4%, at par—V. 139, p. 2548—are due on May 1 as follows: \$18,000, 1935 and 1936; \$17,000, 1937 to 1941, and \$10,000 in 1942.

CENTER TOWNSHIP (P. O. Indianapolis), Marion County, Ind.—BOND SALE—The \$258,961.58 judgment funding bonds offered on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2080—were awarded as 3 3/4% to a group composed of the Fletcher Trust Co., Union Trust Co. and the Indianapolis Bond & Share Corp., all of Indianapolis, at par plus a premium of \$2,761, equal to 101.066, a basis of about 3.56%. Dated Oct. 15 1934 and due as follows: \$8,000, July 1 1936; \$8,000, Jan. 1 and July 1 from 1937 to 1951 incl.; \$8,000, Jan. 1 and \$2,961.58, July 1 1952.

CERRO GORDO COUNTY (P. O. Mason City), Iowa—BOND SALE—A \$58,000 issue of 3 3/4% semi-ann. refunding bonds is reported to have been purchased at par by the White-Phillips Co. of Davenport. Due from 1936 to 1943.

CHARLOTTE, Mecklenburg County, N. C.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. on Oct. 30 by W. C. Easterling, Secretary of the Local Government Commission, at his office in Raleigh, for the purchase of three issues of coupon or registered bonds aggregating \$85,000, divided as follows:
 \$15,000 street impt. bonds. Due on Nov. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1936 to 1940, and \$2,000, 1941 to 1945.
 50,000 sanitary sewer bonds. Due on Nov. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1937 to 1958, and \$2,000, 1959 to 1972.
 20,000 street extension bonds. Due \$1,000 from Nov. 1 1937 to 1956.

Denom. \$1,000. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Interest rate is not to exceed 6%, payable M. & N. A separate bid for each separate issue is required. All bids must bear the same rate of interest, in multiples of 1/4 of 1%. Bids below par cannot be accepted. The bonds will be awarded at the lowest rate of interest bid upon and on the highest aggregate of the separate bids so made for all bonds at such rate. Principal and interest payable in New York City. The approving opinion of Masslich & Mitchell of New York, will be furnished. The bonds will be delivered on or about Nov. 20, at place of purchaser's choice. A certified check for \$1,700, payable to the States Treasurer, must accompany the bid.

CHIPPEWA COUNTY (P. O. Sault Ste Marie), Mich.—FINANCIAL CONDITION IMPROVED—Herbert C. Ryan, County Treasurer, recently reported to the Board of Supervisors that at the close of the last fiscal year on Oct. 1 1934, there was \$50,453.66 in the three principal funds of the county, as compared with \$23,901.63 in 1933 and \$11,360.41 in 1932. The bonded debt is \$70,500, which will be entirely paid off by 1938 if no new issues are sold in the meanwhile.

CHRISTIAN COUNTY (P. O. Hopkinsville), Ky.—BONDS VALIDATED—The following report is taken from an article in the Hopkinsville "Era" of Oct. 12, regarding a court decision on refunding bonds:
 Circuit Judge Ira D. Smith this morning ruled that an issue of \$42,000 in railway refunding bonds of Christian County was valid and a binding debt on the county. The ruling came in a friendly suit brought against Judge Alvan H. Clark for a declaratory judgment as required by State statute.

"Fiscal Court on Oct. 2 approved the bid of par and accrued interest at 4 1/2% rate of the Equitable Securities Corp., Nashville, on the advice of County Attorney W. H. Southall and County Judge W. O. Soyars.
 "Under the law as a protective measure for both the county and the prospective buyers a Circuit Judge must pass on the validity of such issues. Judge Clark agreed to be made the defendant as the representative of Christian County taxpayers."

CHULA VISTA, San Diego County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION—It is reported that an election is scheduled for Nov. 15 to vote on the issuance of \$107,000 in paving bonds.

CINCINNATI, Hamilton County, Ohio—PROPOSED BOND FINANCING—The Council's Finance Committee on Oct. 15 recommended passage of ordinances providing for the issuance of \$79,500 bonds, consisting of \$65,000 for par purposes; \$5,000 for improvements at the Central Incinerator; \$5,000 to begin work on the new obstetrical building at General

Hospital and \$4,500 for payment of damages resulting from acquisition of property for improvement of Robert Avenue.

CLARK COUNTY (P. O. Springfield), Ohio—BOND SALE—The \$29,500 coupon poor relief bonds offered on Oct. 25—V. 139, p. 2395—were awarded as 2 3/4% to Johnson, Kase & Co. of Cleveland at par plus a premium of \$108, equal to 100.36, a basis of about 2.61%. Dated Nov. 1 1934 and due as follows: \$9,600 March 1 and \$9,800 Sept. 1 1937, and \$10,100 March 1 1938. Other bids were as follows:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Prem.
Otis & Co., Cleveland	2 3/4%	\$17.70
First National Bank & Trust Co., Springfield	3 1/4%	147.50
Chas. A. Hinsch & Co., Inc., Cincinnati	2 3/4%	17.77
Assel, Goetz & Moerlein, Inc., Cincinnati	2 3/4%	59.00
Hayden, Miller & Co., Cleveland	2 3/4%	31.85
Mitchell, Herrick & Co., Cleveland	2 3/4%	54.20
Fox, Einhorn & Co., Cincinnati	2 3/4%	112.66
Stranahan, Harris & Co., Inc., Toledo	2 3/4%	32.22
Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co., Cincinnati	2 3/4%	23.60

CLEVELAND, Cuyahoga County, Ohio—BOND SALE—The \$560,000 city's portion paving and sewer bonds offered on Oct. 26—V. 139, p. 2395—were awarded as 4 1/4% to a group composed of Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., Bancamerica-Blair Corp., both of New York, and Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood of Minneapolis, at a price of 100.359, a basis of about 4.44%. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Due Nov. 1 as follows: \$50,000 in 1936 and \$51,000 from 1937 to 1946 incl.

CLEVELAND HEIGHTS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Cuyahoga County, Ohio—BOND SALE—The \$176,000 refunding bonds offered on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2236—were awarded as 5 1/2% to Braun, Bosworth & Co., Toledo, and Cool, Stiver & Co., Cleveland, jointly, at par plus a premium of \$308, equal to 100.175, a basis of about 5.48%. The sale included:

\$141,000 series No. 39 bonds. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$14,000 from 1939 to 1947 incl. and \$15,000 in 1948.
 35,000 series No. 40 bonds. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$3,900, 1939; \$4,000, 1940; \$3,000, 1941; \$4,000, 1942; \$3,000, 1943; \$4,000, 1944; \$3,000, 1945; \$4,000, 1946; \$3,000 in 1947 and \$4,000 in 1948.

All of the bonds are dated Oct. 1 1934 and subject to call at par and accrued int. on Oct. 1 1938 or any maturity period thereafter.

Financial Statement (Oct. 1 1934)

Valuation of Taxable Property			
1934	\$105,700,000	1932	\$143,621,900
1933	125,206,120	1931	165,198,810
Taxes Levied for Current Year		Amount Collected for Current Year	
1932	\$2,003,521.00	1932	\$1,665,133.11
1933	1,834,254.00	1933	*1,301,725.64
1934	1,517,522.00	1934	652,263.35

* Does not include \$122,647.90 frozen in bank. a First half settlement.

Total delinquent taxes as of Feb. 1 1934 \$1,210,100.18

Tax Rates

	Total	School
1932	25.3	13.9500
1933	25.9	14.6500
1934	27.6	11.7000

Mileage levied for operation, 7.95. Mileage for debt service, 6.4.

Total bonded indebtedness, \$6,575,000.

Sinking Fund—\$25,015.96 cash; \$266,000 investments, bonds; \$38,000—notes.

Principal requirements for next five years:

1934	1935	1936	1937	1938
\$328,000	\$328,500	\$327,000	\$329,000	\$328,000

The following figures for total bonded indebtedness as of: Jan. 1 1932, \$7,230,500; Jan. 1 1933, \$6,905,000; Jan. 1 1934, \$6,675,000.

CLINTON, Cluster County, Okla.—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will pass on the issuance of \$41,000 in sewer bonds, according to report. (On July 24 the voters rejected a proposal to issue \$29,000 in sewage disposal plant bonds—V. 139, p. 2080.)

CLINTON COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 116, Ill.—BOND SALE—The Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago recently purchased an issue of \$65,000 school bonds, due serially from 1935 to 1954 incl., at a price of 103.01.

CLINTON COUNTY (P. O. Wilmington), Ohio—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The State Relief Commission has authorized the county to issue \$13,600 poor relief bonds.

COLBY COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Colby), Thomas County, Kan.—CORRECTION—We are informed by the Clerk of the Board of Education that the original issue of \$200,000 4% semi-ann. school building bonds purchased on Sept. 24, at par—V. 139, p. 2236—has been reduced to \$180,000 in size. Due \$10,000 from July 1 1935 to 1952 incl.

COLFAX AND UNION COUNTIES SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 39 (P. O. Raton), N. Mex.—BOND OFFERING NOT CONTEMPLATED—It is stated by the County Treasurer that the litigation has been settled regarding the \$19,500 school bonds that were offered for sale without success on June 30—V. 139, p. 146—but he goes on to say that the bonds will not be reoffered for sale.

COLOGNE, Carver County, Minn.—CERTIFICATE OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p. m. on Nov. 5, by Henry H. Elden, Village Clerk, for the purchase of an \$8,000 issue of 4% water main certificates of indebtedness. Denom. \$500. Dated March 1 1934. Due \$500 from 1935 to 1950. Principal and interest (M. & S.) payable at the office of the Village Treasurer. The sale of said certificates cannot be made at a price below par value and accrued interest.

COLTON, San Bernardino County, Calif.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—It is stated by the City Clerk that an ordinance was passed recently authorizing the issuance of \$30,000 4% semi-ann. sewer bonds approved by the voters last December. Denom. \$500. Dated Aug. 1 1934. Due \$1,000 from Aug. 1 1935 to 1964. Principal interest payable at the office of the City Treasurer. (A loan and grant of \$40,000 has been approved by the Public Works Administration.)

COLUMBUS, Franklin County, Ohio—BOND OFFERING—Samuel J. Willis, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. on Nov. 16 for the purchase of \$55,000 4% Main Line Extension Fund No. 26 coupon water bonds. Dated Nov. 15 1934. Due serially on Feb. 1 as follows: \$6,000 from 1937 to 1941 incl. and \$5,000 from 1942 to 1946 incl. Principal and interest (F. & A.) payable at the fiscal agency of the city in New York City. Bids for the bonds to bear interest at a rate other than 4% expressed in a multiple of 1/4 of 1% will also be considered. A certified check for 1% of the bonds bid for, payable to the order of the City Treasurer, must accompany each proposal. Transcripts of proceedings will be furnished successful bidders and sufficient time allowed within 15 days from the time of bid award for the examination of such transcript by bidder's attorney, and bids may be made subject to approval of same. Place of delivery, City Clerk's office, Columbus, Ohio.

COMMERCE, Hunt County, Tex.—BOND EXCHANGE—In connection with the report given in V. 139, p. 2395, that the City Commissioners would issue \$150,000 in refunding bonds to take up an issue of 6% bonds, we are informed by the City Clerk that it is solely an exchange agreement.

CONYNGHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT, Luzerne County, Pa.—BOND SALE—The \$5,000 school building addition construction bonds mentioned in V. 139, p. 2548 bear 5% interest and have been sold to Charles L. Wilde of Hazleton, at a price of 101.25, a basis of about 4.73%. Due \$500 on Nov. 1 from 1935 to 1944 incl.

COOK COUNTY (P. O. Chicago), Ill.—FEDERAL FUND ALLOTMENT—The following announcement was made public by the Public Works Administration on Oct. 20:
 Allotment of \$825,000 to the Corps of Engineers, War Department, for the construction of three by-passes in the Sag Channel, Cook County, Ill., was announced to-day by Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes.

This allotment was made possible as result of arrangements whereby the Sanitary District of Chicago and the Illinois State Highway Department will alter the three bridges located below the junction of main channel and the Sag Channel.

The Chief of Army Engineers recommended approval of the project for widening and deepening the Sag Canal as part of the Great Lakes to Gulf waterway, upon condition that local interests will place in operative condition the highway bridges at Lemont and Romeo and the railroad bridge at Lemont.

In a letter to Public Works Administrator Ickes, Secretary of War Dern stated it the understanding of the War Department that local interests are

prepared to arrange for the installation of operating machinery at the draws of these three bridges. The new by-passes on the Sag Channel will have the effect of easing river traffic in the downtown Chicago district. This river traffic causes frequent opening of bridges which results in street traffic blockades.

PWA last Dec. 11 made an allocation of \$2,814,500 for the Calumet Sag development provided Chicago met certain conditions among which was the furnishing of evidence satisfactory to the Secretary of War that the 20 movable bridges across the canal would be placed in operating condition or otherwise satisfactorily altered.

COOK COUNTY (P. O. Chicago), Ill.—TAXES CUT \$100,000,000 IN FOUR YEARS—During the period from 1930 to 1933 incl. a reduction of over \$100,000,000 has been made in the taxes levied on real estate and personal property by the State, the county and other local taxing units, according to the Chicago "Tribune" of Oct. 21. This was disclosed when finance experts completed estimates of the probable 1933 tax extensions. The following table compares the 1930 and 1933 tax extensions for the major governments. It will be noted that the State's 1933 tax levy was supplanted by the occupational [sales] tax.

Table with 4 columns: Government Body, 1930, 1933 (Estimated), Per Cent Reduced. Rows include City, Board of Education, County, Sanitary District, South Park District, Lincoln Park District, West Park District, Forest Preserve District, State, and All others.

Totals *1931. \$290,280,586 1930 \$180,040,000 37.9

The 1934 tax extensions for Cook County, officials intimated, may be still lower than those of 1933. This will depend on three factors, it was said, a continued improvement in tax payments, reduction of outstanding governmental debts in bonds and tax warrants, and reduction of bond and warrant interest burden.

CORAOPOLIS, Allegheny County, Pa.—BOND ELECTION.—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will be asked to approve an issue of \$65,000 school bonds.

CORNING, Steuben County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING—Chester R. Hallock, City Chamberlain, will receive sealed bids until 3 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on Nov. 2 for the purchase of \$60,000 not to exceed 6% interest coupon or registered emergency relief bonds. Dated Oct. 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$5,000 from 1935 to 1938 incl. and \$10,000 from 1939 to 1942 incl. Bidder to name a single interest rate for all of the bonds, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 or 1-10th of 1%. Principal and interest (A. & O.) payable in lawful money of the United States at the Irving Trust Co., New York. A certified check for \$1,200, payable to the order of the City Chamberlain, must accompany each proposal. Legal opinion of Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York will be furnished the successful bidder.

Funded Debt (as of Oct. 18 1934)—Total funded debt, except special assessments, \$590,600. The City has no special assessment debt; unfunded debt; water debt; sinking funds; tax notes, or other indebtedness outstanding.

Sinking Fund—None. Population (1930 census) 15,777. The assessed valuation of the real property and special franchises of said City subject to taxation as it appears on the last preceding assessment roll is \$14,535,119 and the total contract debt of said City including this issue of \$60,000 bonds is \$650,600. Said City has no water debt. The total debt above stated does not include the debt of any other subdivision having power to levy taxes upon any or all of the property subject to the taxing power of the City.

Table with 4 columns: Fiscal Year, Amount of Levy, Uncollected End of Fiscal Year, Uncollected Oct. 17 1934. Rows for 1931-1932, 1932-1933, 1933-1934.

The taxes of the current fiscal year (1934-1935) amount to \$210,672.27 and to date \$170,703.16 thereof has been collected.

CORTLAND (P. O. Peekskill), Westchester County, N. Y.—CERTIFICATE ISSUE SOLD—George B. Gibbons & Co., Inc., of New York purchased on Oct. 11 an issue of \$100,000 certificates of indebtedness at 3 1/2% int., at par plus a premium of \$1. Dated Oct. 15 1934. Denoms. \$10,000 and \$5,000. Due \$50,000 May 15 and June 15 1935. Payable at the National City Bank, New York. Legality approved by Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York.

COVINGTON, Kenton County, Ky.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The City Commission is said to have authorized recently the issuance of \$120,000 in bonds for water main extensions in Latonia.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY (P. O. Cleveland), Ohio—BOND OFFERING—George H. Stahler, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. on Nov. 9 for the purchase of \$726,700 4 1/2% series D poor relief bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1934. One bond for \$700, others for \$1,000. Due as follows: \$235,000, March 1 and \$242,000, Sept. 1 1937, and \$249,700, March 1 1938. Principal and interest (M. & S.) payable at the State Treasurer's office. A certified check for 2% of the bonds bid for, payable to the order of the County Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION—Bids may also be made for the bonds to bear interest at a rate other than 4 1/2%, provided, however, that where a different rate is named, such rate shall be expressed in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. Coupon bonds will be furnished, with the privilege of registration as to principal only, or convertible into fully registered bonds. The approving opinion of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey of Cleveland will be furnished the successful bidder.

CUYAHOGA FALLS, Summit County, Ohio—BOND DESCRIPTION—The issue of \$92,000 4 1/2% refunding bonds included in the aggregate of \$316,000 which were offered for sale on Oct. 15 is dated Dec. 1 1934 and due as follows: \$5,000, June 1 and \$4,000 Dec. 1 from 1939 to 1944, incl.; \$5,000 June 1 and Dec. 1 1945; \$4,000 June 1 and \$5,000 Dec. 1 1946; \$5,000 June 1 and Dec. 1 1947, and \$4,000 June 1 and \$5,000 Dec. 1 1948. Callable in whole or in part on June 1 1938 or on any interest-paying date thereafter. The four other issues included in the offering were reported on in full in V. 139, p. 2396.

DAYTON, Montgomery County, Ohio—PROPOSED BOND SALE—The \$33,000 6% fire department apparatus purchase bonds recently authorized by the City Commission—V. 139, p. 2396—will be purchased at a price of par by the Board of Sinking Fund Trustees. Dated Nov. 1 1934 and due Oct. 1 as follows: \$6,000 in 1936 and 1937, and \$7,000 from 1938 to 1940 incl.

DELAWARE RIVER JOINT COMMISSION (P. O. Camden), N. J.—BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT—The syndicate composed of Yarnall & Co., Dougherty, Cockran & Co., Singer, Deane & Scribner, Inc. and Moncre Biddle & Co., which was awarded on Oct. 19 an issue of \$1,000,000 4 1/4% Philadelphia-Camden bridge bonds at 105.32, a basis of about 3.2%—V. 139, p. 2548—made public reoffering of the issue on Oct. 22 at prices to net from 3% to 3.94%, according to maturity. The bonds are declared to be legal investment in the States of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

DEER CREEK, Tazewell County, Ill.—BOND ELECTION—At a special election to be held on Nov. 1 the voters will be asked to approve an issue of \$2,800 street improvement bonds. The issue would be dated Nov. 1 1934, bear 5% interest and mature Nov. 1 as follows: \$500 from 1936 to 1940, incl., and \$300 in 1941.

DELTA COUNTY (P. O. Delta), Colo.—WARRANTS CALLED—The County Treasurer is said to have called for payment at his office on Oct. 20, various special school fund, county fund and general school fund warrants.

DESCHUTES COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Bend), Ore.—BOND SALE—The \$60,000 issue of 6% semi-ann. notes that were

offered for sale on Feb. 2—V. 138, p. 713—were purchased at par by the State of Oregon. Denom. \$20,000. Dated Jan. 3 1934. Due on Jan. 3 1935.

DEVILS LAKE, Ramsey County, N. Dak.—SUPREME COURT UPHOLDS ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS—The State Supreme Court decided recently that the city has the right to issue the \$400,000 of special obligation bonds that were approved by the voters on Dec. 4 1933, for the construction or acquisition of a municipal electric plant, according to news advices.

DUBUQUE, Dubuque County, Iowa—BOND SALE—The \$28,000 issue of coupon sewer bonds that was offered for sale on Oct. 19—V. 139, p. 2396—was awarded to the White-Phillips Co. of Davenport as 3 1/4%, paying a premium of \$598, equal to 102.135, a basis of about 3.30%. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$5,000 in 1946 and 1947 and \$10,000 in 1948.

Table with 3 columns: Name of Bidder, Rate Bid, Premium. Rows for Glaspell, Vieth & Duncan of Davenport, Iowa-Des Moines National Bank & Trust Co., Des Moines, and Carleton D. Beh Co. of Des Moines.

DURHAM, Durham County, N. C.—BOND ISSUANCE CONTEMPLATED—The city is reported to be planning the issuance of \$50,000 in cannery and abattoir bonds.

DURHAM COUNTY (P. O. Durham), N. C.—BOND DETAILS—The County Manager states that the \$115,000 (not \$135,000) school building bonds voted by the County Commissioners in August—V. 139, p. 1580—will be 4% coupon bonds and the legality of the issue will be approved by Masslich & Mitchell of New York.

EAST CANTON RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Stark County, Ohio BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will be asked to approve an issue of \$16,000 school bonds, due in 20 years.

EAST PATERSON, Bergen County, N. J.—NOTE OFFERING—Walter A. Bredder, Borough Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. on Nov. 16 for the purchase of \$50,000 not to exceed 6% interest emergency notes. Dated Sept. 26 1934. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Due \$12,500 on Sept. 26 from 1935 to 1938, incl. They will be in coupon form, registerable as to both principal and interest. Bidder to name a single interest rate for the entire issue, expressed in a multiple of 1-100th of 1%. Principal and semi-annual interest payable at the Second National Bank, Paterson. A certified check for 2% of the notes bid for, payable to the order of the Borough, must accompany each proposal. The approving opinion of Reed, Hoyt & Washburn of New York will be furnished the successful bidder.

EASTON, Northampton County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING—C. E. Rogers, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 9 a. m. on Nov. 20 for the purchase of \$100,000 2 3/4, 3, 3 1/4, 3 1/2, 3 3/4 or 4% coupon city hall and sewer improvement funding bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$5,000 on Nov. 1 from 1935 to 1954, incl. Registerable as to principal only. Bidder to name a single interest rate for all of the bonds. Principal and interest (M. & N.) payable at the City Treasurer's office. A certified check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the order of the City Treasurer, must accompany each proposal. Bonds are being issued subject to approval as to legality by Townsend, Elliott & Munson of Philadelphia.

ECHO, Umatilla County, Ore.—WARRANT SALE—The City Recorder states that \$2,000 city building heating plant warrants were sold to local investors, at 6%. Due \$1,000 on Dec. 1 1935 and 1936.

ECORSE, Wayne County, Mich.—REFUNDING PLAN NEARS COMPLETION—John S. Rae, refunding agent for the village, recently advised the Board of Trustees that the plan approved in July for the refinancing of the entire outstanding funded debt—V. 139, p. 310—was 83% complete and will probably be 93% complete by Oct. 31, according to report. A total of \$2,181,191.60 bonds have already been refunded, he stated.

EL PASO, El Paso County, Tex.—BOND ORDINANCE AMENDED—The City Council is said to have amended the ordinance calling for the issuance of \$353,000 in sewer revenue bonds, approved at the election on May 19—V. 139, p. 802—in order that it will comply with the Public Works Administration requirements. The ordinance now makes the first interest payment as of March 1 1935. (A loan and grant of \$440,000 has been approved by the Administration.)

EL RENO, Canadian County, Okla.—BONDS SOLD—It is stated by the City Clerk that the \$25,000 swimming pool bonds offered for sale without success on April 30—V. 138, p. 3316—have since been sold to three local investors.

EMMET COUNTY (P. O. Estherville), Iowa—BOND SALE—A \$9,000 issue of refunding bonds is reported to have been purchased by Glaspell, Vieth & Duncan of Davenport.

EMPORIA, Lyon County, Kan.—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 it is reported that the voters will pass on the proposed issuance of \$345,000 in gas distribution system bonds.

ENID, Garfield County, Okla.—BOND ISSUANCE CONTEMPLATED—It is said that the City Commissioners are acting on the proposed issuance of \$124,900 in water system bonds, to be used as security in securing a loan and grant of \$167,000 from the Federal Government. The city had originally requested an allotment of \$250,000 from the Public Works Administration.

ENTERPRISE, Washington County, Utah—BOND ELECTION—A special election was held on Oct. 27 in this town to vote on the issuance of \$25,000 in water works system improvement revenue bonds. Interest rate not to exceed 4%, payable semi-annually.

EPWORTH, Dubuque County, Iowa—BONDS OFFERED—Sealed bids were received until 7 p. m. on Oct. 26, by Arthur Edwards, Town Clerk, for the purchase of a \$9,000 issue of community house bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 from Jan. 1 1937 to 1945 incl. The purchaser must agree to furnish the bonds, all forms such as resolutions, notices, approving opinion, etc. Principal and int. (J. & J.) payable at the office of the Town Treasurer.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY (P. O. Lancaster), Ohio—BOND OFFERING—Edson Kindler, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. on Nov. 8 for the purchase of \$45,000 poor relief bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Due as follows: \$8,800 March 1 and \$8,700 Sept. 1 1935; \$8,900 March 1 and \$9,200 Sept. 1 1936, and \$9,400 March 1 1937. Bidder to express the rate of interest in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. Interest is payable semi-annually. A certified check for 1% of the bonds bid for, payable to the order of the County Commissioners, must accompany each proposal.

FARMINGTON, Oakland County, Mich.—REFUNDING BONDS APPROVED—The Public Debt Commission of the State has approved the city's request for permission to issue \$83,500 general obligation refunding bonds. A description of the bonds to be refunded appeared in V. 139, p. 2397.

FINLEYVILLE, Washington County, Pa.—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will be asked to approve an issue of \$18,000 water system bonds.

FLORIDA, State of (P. O. Tallahassee)—DISCUSSION OVER HOMESTEAD TAX AMENDMENT—The following report is taken from a Tallahassee dispatch to the "Wall Street Journal" of Oct. 18th:

"The proposed homestead tax exemption amendment is an absorbing issue now in Florida. Proponents of the measure claim that the tax on homes would be lightened, while those opposing it contend that the portion of tax levied for bond payments, the largest part of all taxes in Florida, would not be noticeably reduced. According to the latest figures from the State Auditor's office, there are \$484,000,000 in bonds outstanding in the various towns, cities, districts and counties of the State.

"Under a Supreme Court ruling, it is said, the homestead tax amendment does not exempt owners from paying levies to retire those bonds. The exemption applies only to taxes levied for administrative purposes—on homes up to a valuation of \$5,000."

FORT MADISON, Lee County, Iowa—BOND SALE—A \$35,000 issue of 3 1/2% refunding bonds is reported to have been purchased recently by the Carleton D. Beh Co. of Des Moines at par.

FORT SUMNER, De Baca County, N. Mex.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The issuance of \$46,000 in water revenue bonds is reported to have been

authorized by the City Council. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Sept. 1 1934. Due from 1936 to 1959 incl.

FORT THOMAS, Campbell County, Ky.—BOND ELECTION—It is reported that the voters will pass on the proposed issuance of \$95,000 in park bonds at the general election on Nov. 6. The bonds are said to be due over a period of 20 years.

FEDERICKSBURG, Gillespie County, Tex.—BOND ISSUANCE CONTEMPLATED—The City Commission is said to be intending to issue \$174,000 in 4% water and sewer bonds, to mature in 1959. (A loan and grant of \$228,000 for water system construction has been approved by the Public Works Administration)

FREEDOM, Woods County, Okla.—BOND SALE—The \$15,000 water works bonds offered for sale on Oct. 18—V. 139, p. 2549—were purchased by the Public Works Administration, as 4s at par. No other bid was received.

GALLATIN COUNTY (P. O. Bozeman), Mont.—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will pass on the proposed issuance of \$185,000 in court house bonds. An issue of \$210,000 bonds for this purpose was defeated at an election on Feb. 3—V. 138, p. 1261. Now the amount is placed as above indicated.

GLENDON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—FINANCIAL STATEMENT—In connection with the recent sale of \$4,400 4% coupon funding bonds at par to the Easton School District sinking fund—V. 139, p. 2549—we learn that the issue is the first one negotiated by the district and that the legal debt limit is \$4,498.50. The floating debt totals \$4,289.71, including a \$700 bank loan and unpaid bills of \$3,589.71. Assessed valuation for 1934 is \$224,925. Property is assessed at 75% of real value. Population of district estimated at 500.

GLEN ROCK, Bergen County, N. J.—BOND SALE—The Borough Clerk reports that \$20,800 tax title bonds have been purchased by local investors. They bear 6% interest, were sold at a price of par, and are payable on demand. Denom. \$100 and multiples thereof. In registered form, with interest payable J. & D. 15. The borough has voted to issue \$45,000 worth, against unpaid taxes. It was previously reported that the amount was \$80,000—V. 139, p. 2549.

GLIDDEN, Carroll County, Iowa.—BOND ISSUANCE NOT CONTEMPLATED—It is stated that the \$47,000 light plant construction bonds approved by the voters on July 18—V. 139, p. 802—will not be issued until the completion of the plant and at that time they will be taken by the contractor.

GLOUCESTER, Athens County, Ohio.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The Village Council recently passed an ordinance providing for the issuance of \$8,376.92 6% general and special assessment refunding bonds. Dated Oct. 1 1934. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$876.92 in 1939 and \$1,500 from 1940 to 1944 incl. Prin. and int. (A. & O.) payable at the Village Treasurer's office.

GOOD HOPE RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Hocking County, Ohio.—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will be asked to approve an issue of \$5,000 school building construction bonds, due in 10 years.

GOOSE CREEK, Harris County, Tex.—BONDS DEFEATED—At the election held on Oct. 20—V. 139, p. 2397—the voters rejected the proposed issuance of \$328,000 in bonds, divided as follows: \$300,000 electric light and power plant, and \$28,000 water works bonds.

GRAFTON, Taylor County, W. Va.—BOND PROPOSAL HELD INVALID—We quote in part as follows from a report appearing in the Moundsville, W. Va., "Echo" of Oct. 16:

"The Supreme Court ruled to-day a proposal of the City of Grafton to issue \$84,000 in bonds for the construction of a municipal hospital to be paid from indirect taxes is invalid.

"Any attempt of a municipality to obligate itself to pay a debt in taxes to be collected in future years is in violation of the Constitution, Article 2, Section 8," the Court said.

"It reversed and remanded for further hearing in the Taylor County Circuit Court a suit of A. R. Warden, suing for himself and other taxpayers, who sought an injunction to restrain issuance of hospital bonds."

GRAFTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Grafton) Walsh County, N. Dak.—BOND SALE EXTENDED—It is stated by J. E. Gray, District Clerk, that the sale of the \$96,000 4% semi-ann. school bonds, originally scheduled for Oct. 20—V. 139, p. 2549—has been extended to Oct. 27 at 2 p. m.

GREEN BAY METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Green Bay) Brown County, Wis.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on Nov. 14, by the District Commissioners, for the purchase of an issue of \$111,000 semi-ann. 4% East River project bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Oct. 1 1933. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$36,000, 1943; \$41,000, 1944, and \$34,000 in 1945. These bonds are part of an authorized issue of \$723,000. The cost of printing and the legal expenses of Chapman & Cutler of Chicago, will be borne by the district. The date of delivery of these bonds is Dec. 5, and the place of delivery is Green Bay. (A loan and grant of \$822,000 for the project was approved by the Public Works Administration.)

GREENBURGH, Westchester County, N. Y.—AUTHORIZES ECONOMY SURVEY—To obtain information for use in preparing the 1935 budget, the Federation of Greenburgh Taxpayers' Associations has employed H. A. Hopf & Co., management engineers, to make a survey of the business administration of the town. All non-statutory expenditures will come under scrutiny with a view to uncovering opportunities for economy. The survey is to be conducted along strictly non-partisan lines, according to Herbert L. Jamison, chairman of the Federation. The full co-operation of the Town Board and of Supervisor William C. Duell has been pledged.

GUTTENBERG, Hudson County, N. J.—INITIAL PASSAGE OF BOND ORDINANCE—An ordinance providing for issuance of \$74,000 5½% bonds shown below was passed on first reading by the Borough Council on Oct. 15:

\$47,000 assessment bonds. Dated Nov. 15 1934. Due serially from 1935 to 1941 incl.
27,000 improvement bonds. Dated Nov. 15 1934. Due serially from 1936 to 1947 incl.

HARDWICK, Caledonia County, Vt.—BONDS SOLD TO PWA—The Public Works Administration purchased, at a price of par, the issue of \$47,000 4% sewer and water bonds which was unsuccessfully offered April 13—V. 138, p. 2785. Dated Feb. 1 1934 and due Feb. 1 as follows: \$4,000 from 1936 to 1946 incl. and \$3,000 in 1947.

HAVERHILL, Essex County, Mass.—BONDS APPROVED—The City Council on Oct. 15 approved an issue of \$32,000 welfare bonds.

HAVRE, Hill County, Mont.—BONDS DEFEATED—At the election on Oct. 11—V. 139, p. 2082—the voters rejected the proposal to issue \$80,000 in municipal gas system bonds, according to the City Clerk.

HEARNE, Robertson County, Tex.—BOND ISSUANCE CONTEMPLATED—The City Manager reports that the \$20,000 4% water bonds approved by the voters on Aug. 6—V. 139, p. 1273—have not been issued but they will be taken up shortly either by the Public Works Administration or local investors.

HEBRON, Thayer County, Neb.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—A resolution is said to have been passed by the City Council calling for the issuance of \$28,000 in 4% water refunding bonds.

HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 15 (P. O. Lawrence), Nassau County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING—Harry R. Homan, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 3:30 p. m. on Oct. 30 for the purchase of \$620,000 not to exceed 4% interest coupon or registered school building bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due Sept. 1 as follows: \$18,000, 1937 to 1940, incl.; \$19,000, 1941 and 1942; \$21,000, 1943 to 1945, incl.; \$23,000, 1946 and 1947; \$25,000, 1948 to 1950, incl.; \$27,000, 1951 to 1953, incl.; \$29,000, 1954 and 1955; \$31,000, 1956; \$33,000, 1957 and 1958; \$34,000, 1959; \$35,000 in 1960 and \$21,000 in 1961. Bidder to name a single interest rate for all of the bonds, expressed in a multiple of ¼ or 1-10th of 1%. Principal and interest (M. & S.) payable in lawful money of the United States at the Lawrence-Cedarhurst Bank, Lawrence, or at the Guaranty Trust Co., New York. A certified check for \$12,400, payable to the order of the Board of Education, must accompany each proposal. The bonds will be valid and legally binding obligations of the Board of Education, which has the power and will be

obligated to provide for their repayment through the levying of ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the district, without limitation of rate or amount. Legal opinion of Hawkins, Delafield, & Longfellow of New York will be furnished the successful bidder.

HENRY COUNTY (P. O. Napoleon), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING—Lester A. McClure, County Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on Nov. 9, for the purchase of \$44,000 6% poor relief bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Due as follows: \$6,300 March 1 and \$6,500 Sept. 1 1935; \$6,700 March 1 and \$6,900 Sept. 1 1936; \$5,700 March 1 and \$5,900 Sept. 1 1937 and \$6,000 March 1 1938. Principal and interest (M. & S.) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Bids for the bonds to bear interest at a rate other than 6%, expressed in a multiple of ¼ of 1%, will also be considered. A certified check for 5% of the issue, payable to the order of the County Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

(A similar amount of poor relief bonds, consisting of \$24,000 3s and \$20,000 3½s, was awarded on Sept. 24 to Assel, Goetz & Moerlein, Inc. of Cincinnati, at 100.22, a basis of about 3.03%.—V. 139, p. 2082.)

HIDALGO COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Edinburg), Tex.—PETITION IN BANKRUPTCY FILED—The following statement has been made public by E. J. Couch, County Judge:

"You are hereby notified that Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 of Hidalgo County, Texas, has filed its petition in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Brownsville Division, at Brownsville, Texas, praying for the benefits of Chapter IX of the Bankruptcy laws of the United States; which chapter is known as the Summers-Wilcox Bill, passed by the Seventy-Third Congress of the United States for the aid of insolvent public debtors.

"Said petition alleges that a plan has been prepared and filed for the adjustment and refunding of all claims against said district, except bonds, and that more than 30% of the holders of such claims have accepted said plan, in writing. Such claims and obligations to be refunded by refunding warrants of the district as set out in said plan.

"Said petition further alleges that said plan of readjustment is fair and equitable to the creditors affected and to the taxpayers of the district, and asks the approval of the court of said settlement.

"Said petition has been set down for hearing at the United States District Court room in the City of Brownville, Texas, at 10 a. m. on Dec. 3 1934, at which time any creditor of said Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 may present such facts as may be necessary for said court to determine whether said plan of adjustment and settlement is fair and equitable to the creditors and the district, and whether the same should be approved; and if there are objections to said plan of readjustment and settlement, same may be presented at said hearing."

HIGHLAND COUNTY (P. O. Hillsboro), Ohio.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The State Relief Commission has approved the County's request for permission to issue \$27,000 poor relief bonds.

HILLSVILLE, Carroll County, Va.—BOND ELECTION—It is reported that an election will be held on Nov. 20 to vote on the issuance of \$12,500 in high school bonds.

HINSDALE, Du Page County, Ill.—PARTIAL PAYMENT OF ASSESSMENT BONDS—F. H. Clifton, Village Collector, states that maturing special assessment bonds are being paid on a pro-rata basis, as collections of assessments are made. These bonds, he declares, under the Illinois law are not obligations of a municipality.

HUDSON, Columbia County, N. Y.—BONDS DEFEATED—At an election held on Oct. 15 the proposal to issue \$394,000 high school building construction bonds was defeated by a vote of 510 to 399. The Public Works Administration had approved a loan and grant of \$540,000 for the project.

HUNTINGTON (P. O. Huntington), Suffolk County, N. Y.—BOND SALE—The First National Bank of Huntington was awarded on Oct. 17 the following issues of coupon or registered refunding water bonds aggregating \$15,500, as 4s, at par plus a premium of \$10, equal to 100.06, a basis of about 3.99%:

\$12,500 South Huntington Water District bonds. Dated May 1 1934. One bond for \$500, others for \$1,000. Due Nov. 1 as follows: \$1,000 from 1945 to 1956 incl. and \$500 in 1957.

2,000 South Huntington Water District Enlargement No. 1 bonds. Dated July 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Jan. 1 in 1950 and 1951.

1,000 South Huntington Water District Enlargement No. 6 bonds. Dated May 1 1934. Due Nov. 1 1951.

Principal and interest payable in lawful money of the United States at the Huntington Station Bank, Huntington Station. Legality approved by Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York.

HYDE PARK, Cache County, Utah.—BONDS VOTED—The voters are said to have recently approved the issuance of \$5,000 in water works system bonds.

IDABEL, McCurtain County, Okla.—BONDS OFFERED—Sealed bids were received until 2 p. m. on Oct. 25 by Ralph Griffin, City Clerk, for the purchase of a \$30,000 issue of water works bonds. Interest rate named by the bidder. Due \$2,000 from 1937 to 1951, incl. These bonds were approved by the voters on Aug. 2—V. 139, p. 1120. (A loan and grant of \$40,000 has been approved by the Public Works Administration.)

INDIANAPOLIS SANITARY DISTRICT, Marion County, Ind.—LOAN OFFERING—Evans Woolen Jr., City Comptroller, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. on Nov. 8 for the purchase of a \$50,000 temporary loan issue, dated Nov. 8 1934 and payable Dec. 31 1934 at the County Treasurer's office or at one of the authorized depositories of the City.

IRON RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT, Iron County, Mich.—BOND INTEREST TO BE PAID—Frank Hendry, Superintendent of Schools, announces that int. coupons due Nov. 1 1934 will be paid upon presentation at the Miners State Bank of Iron River. Defaulted bond prin. will be paid early in 1935, according to present expectations.

IRONTON, Lawrence County, Ohio.—BONDS NOT SOLD—No bids were obtained at the offering on Oct. 22 of \$20,000 6% refunding bonds, dated Dec. 1 1934 and due \$2,000 on Oct. 1 from 1938 to 1947, incl.—V. 139, p. 2398.

JACKSON, Jackson County, Mich.—REPORTS PROGRESS ON BOND REFUNDING—The Jackson City Bank & Trust Co., Jackson, acting as the city's fiscal agent, in the program providing for the exchange of \$680,000 refunding bonds for a similar amount of outstanding principal maturities, announced on Oct. 2 that \$547,000 of the bonds affected have been converted. The refunding of general obligation bonds has proceeded more rapidly than the exchanging of special assessment bonds, according to the trust department's report. The \$680,000 includes \$478,500 in general obligation and \$201,500 in special assessment bonds. The totals refunded are \$396,000, general obligation, and \$151,000, special assessment. The period covered by the refunding program ends on June 30 1935. That means that the city commission will be obliged to make regular provision for bond retirement in the 1935-36 city budget.

JACKSON, Madison County, Tenn.—BONDS TO BE SOLD—We are informed that the Public Works Administration will purchase the \$85,000 of Negro high school construction and incinerator bonds that were approved by the voters on Oct. 4—V. 138, p. 2398.

JENKINS TOWNSHIP (P. O. Pittsburg) Allegheny County, Pa.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The School Board recently adopted a resolution providing for the issuance of \$150,000 5% current indebtedness bonds.

JOHNSON CITY, Broome County, N. Y.—BOND SALE—George D. B. Bonbright & Co. of Rochester were awarded on Oct. 22 an issue of \$16,938.92 street improvement bonds as 2.70s, at a price of 100.025, a basis of about 2.69%. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Due Nov. 1 as follows: \$3,000 from 1935 to 1939 incl. and \$1,938.92 in 1940. Prin. and int. payable at the Workers Trust Co., Johnson City.

KILGORE, Gregg County, Tex.—BOND SALE DETAILS—The \$150,000 (4½, not 4%) street paving bonds that were purchased recently—V. 139, p. 2398—were sold at par to John L. Clark, of Longview. Coupon bonds dated July 1 1934. Due in 10 years. Interest payable J. & J.

KLICKITAT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 71 (P. O. Golden dale), Wash.—PRICE PAID—The \$2,230 school bonds that were purchased by the State of Washington—V. 139, p. 2398—were sold as 5s at par.

KNOXVILLE, Knox County, Tenn.—BOND SALE NOT CONTEMPLATED—It is said by the City Clerk that the \$200,000 school

repair bonds approved by the City Council will not be offered for public sale but will be used as collateral on the allotment of \$406,000, approved by the Public Works Administration in July for the project—V. 139, p. 478.

KNOXVILLE, Knox County, Tenn.—SALE OF UTILITY TO TVA NEARS COMPLETION.—We quote in part as follows from an article appearing in the New York "Herald Tribune" of Oct. 21:

"Completion of arrangements for sale of the electric properties in and around Knoxville, of the Tennessee Public Service Co., subsidiary of National Power & Light, to the Tennessee Valley Authority is expected in the near future. Approximately 91% of Tennessee Public Service bonds have been deposited under the plan whereby holders will receive 96 1/2% of the issuance price. Most of the remaining undeposited bonds are believed to be in the hands of speculators and are expected to be deposited in the near future. The deposit agreement is now running on a day to day basis with Oct. 31, set as the final date.

"States and municipalities will not lose tax revenue now being obtained from private utilities when TVA power enters the territory, Mr. Fry said. TVA will pay to the States and local governments a sum equal to the tax now being paid by the private utility. This payment will not be in the form of a tax, as David E. Lillenthal, TVA director, said before the Tennessee Public Service Commission recently, but "as a matter of policy." However, the TVA will not pay the 3% Federal electricity tax.

"On the above basis the TVA 'yardstick' of expenses will include cost of capital at a figure about 2 1/2% or more less than is the case with private utilities. Also the TVA expenses will not include the 3% Federal electricity tax. This is an advantage to the TVA, not afforded private utilities, in fixing electric rates."

LA FOURCHE PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Thibodaux), La.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by W. S. La Farque, Secretary of the School Board, until Nov. 14, for the purchase of a \$53,000 issue of school bonds. (A loan and grant of \$73,000 has been approved by the Public Works Administration.)

LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Painesville), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—L. J. Spaulding, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on Nov. 5 for the purchase of \$16,500 6% poor relief bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Due as follows: \$5,300 March 1 and \$5,500 Sept. 1 1937 and \$5,700 March 1 1938. Interest is payable in M. & S. Bids for the bonds to bear interest at a rate other than 6%, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%, will also be considered. A certified check for \$1,000, payable to the order of the County Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

Bids will be received at the same time for the purchase of \$119,850 4 1/2% refunding bonds. Dated Oct. 1 1934. Due as follows: \$5,700 April 1 and \$6,150 Oct. 1 1938; \$5,850 April 1 and \$3,150 Oct. 1 from 1939 and 1947 incl. Prin. and int. A. & O. payable at the County Treasurer's office. Bids for the bonds to bear interest at a rate other than 4 1/2%, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%, will also be considered. A certified check for \$2,000, payable to the order of Abel Kimball, County Treasurer, must accompany each proposal. County will pay for printing of the bonds and legal opinion of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey of Cleveland.

LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Polson) Mont.—BOND SALE NOT CONSUMMATED.—It is reported by the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners that the sale of the \$30,000 court house and jail bonds to the State Land Board, at 5 1/2% at par—V. 139, p. 2398—was not consummated. He states that plans have been changed and an issue in the sum of \$32,500 will be passed on soon by the voters.

LE MARS, Plymouth County, Iowa.—BONDS VOTED.—At the election held on Oct. 16—V. 139, p. 2398—the voters approved the issuance of the \$15,000 in park purchase and improvement bonds.

LEXINGTON, Middlesex County, Mass.—BOND SALE.—The \$11,000 sewer bonds offered on Oct. 23—V. 139, p. 2551—were awarded as 1 1/2% to the Lexington Trust Co., at a price of 100.07, a basis of about 1.47%. Dated Nov. 1 1934 and due Dec. 1 as follows: \$3,000 from 1934 to 1936, incl. and \$2,000 in 1937. Other bidders were: Blyth & Co., 100.161 for 1 3/4%; Tyler, Buttrick & Co., 100.18 for 1 3/4% and Whiting, Weeks & Knowles, 100.063 for 2%.

LEWISBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT, Preble County, Ohio.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.—The Board of Education has determined to issue \$8,895.42 4 1/2% bonds for the purpose of funding the floating indebtedness outstanding as of July 1 1934. Although they will be general obligations, payment of the bonds will be predicated first upon the collection of taxes delinquent for the years 1931 to 1934, incl. Dated Nov. 15 1934 and due serially to Nov. 15 1940. Authorized by House Bill No. 11, passed by the Ohio General Assembly at its midsummer general session.

LIBERTY, Sullivan County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—T. S. Kessler, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. on Nov. 5, for the purchase of \$7,000 4% fire department apparatus purchase bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Nov. 1 from 1935 to 1941, inclusive.

LINCOLN COUNTY (P. O. Libby), Mont.—BOND ELECTION.—At the general election in November the voters will pass on the proposed issuance of \$75,000 in court house bonds.

LISBON, Ransom County, N. Dak.—BOND ELECTION.—It is stated that the voters will pass on the proposed issuance of \$40,000 in not to exceed 6% sewage disposal plant bonds at the election on Nov. 6.

LITTLETON, Arapahoe County, Colo.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.—An ordinance is said to have been adopted recently, authorizing the issuance of \$10,000 in 4% water bonds. Denoms. \$500, \$100 and \$20. Dated Oct. 15 1934. Due \$600 from 1935 to 1943, and \$920 from 1944 to 1948.

LIVINGSTON TOWNSHIP, Essex County, N. J.—PROPOSED BOND SALE.—Preparation for bond issue to take up \$245,460.67 tax revenue and tax anticipation notes are being made by a group appointed by the Township Committee and consisting of Committeeman Harrison, Chairman of the Finance Committee; Robert W. Kean, President of the Livingston National Bank, and Township Attorney Grosso. At a meeting of the committee on Oct. 15 Chairman MacQuaide took occasion to condemn reports regarding the alleged adverse status of the municipality's financial condition. He declared that the community is in better shape than some other municipalities in the section, quoting Norman S. Taber & Co., specialists in municipal finance, as his authority, it is said.

LOGAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 12 (P. O. Sterling), Colo.—BOND ELECTION.—An election is said to be scheduled for Nov. 2 to pass on the issuance of the \$170,000 4 1/4% coupon refunding bonds that were sold recently—V. 139, p. 2398.

LOGOOTE, Martin County, Ind.—PROPOSED BOND SALE.—The City Council has voted to issue \$4,500 bonds for the purpose of purchasing material to be used in construction of a sewer project.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT (P. O. Los Angeles), Calif.—BOND ELECTION.—At the general election on Nov. 6 it is reported that the voters will be asked to pass on the proposed issuance of \$26,332,500 in flood control bonds.

LOUISVILLE, Jefferson County, Ky.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—The First National Bank of Louisville is reported to have purchased a temporary loan of \$200,000.

LOVELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Loveland), Tillman County, Okla.—BONDS VOTED.—At an election on Oct. 8 the voters are said to have approved the issuance of \$11,500 in school building bonds.

LOVELOCK, Pershing County, Nev.—BONDS SOLD.—We are now informed by the City Clerk that the \$85,500 4% coupon semi-annual water bonds offered on July 9, the award of which was deferred—V. 139, p. 313—have been purchased at par by the Federal Government. Due from 1936 to 1954.

LUCAS COUNTY (P. O. Chariton), Iowa.—BOND SALE.—It is reported that the White-Phillips Co. of Davenport has purchased \$20,000 of refunding bonds.

MACOMB COUNTY (P. O. Mount Clemens), Mich.—REFUNDING PLAN ADOPTED.—It was officially announced recently that a plan for refunding all county highway improvement bonds (Covert road bonds) has been adopted and approved and bondholders are requested to communicate with the County Road Commission for full details. The notice states that prompt compliance with the request will materially aid in putting the plan into operation and the placing of the bonds in good standing. The plan provides for refunding the bonded indebtedness of 43 separate road assessment districts. The new bonds will be dated May 1 1934, bear the same coupon rates as carried on the original issues, and will repre-

sent an extension of maturity date of from 5 to 25 years, according to the individual district. They will be approved as to legality by Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone of Detroit.

The Macomb County Trust Co., Mt. Clemens, will act as depository. Notice will be given to bond holders as to the date when bonds are to be deposited for refunding. It is planned to pay all back interest on bonds that matured May 1 1932 to May 1 1934, inclusive, with the exception of 11 districts. On these districts it was originally planned to refund all defaulted interest to Nov. 1 1933. Funds are available for the payment of Nov. 1 1932 interest on those districts and May 1 1933 on four of them. The remaining interest is to be refunded and payable May 1 1939. If funds are available the interest certificates will be paid prior to this date.

All of said bonds and certificates are redeemable at par at the option of the Board of County Road Commissioners on any interest date, on 30 days' notice. The refunding plan provides for a redemption fund for each district into which will be paid all money raised by general taxation or special assessment for the improvement of the highway in that particular district, and such fund will be kept solely for the purpose of taking care of the principal and interest on the bonds for that district. The plan further provides that whenever the amount in such funds shall warrant, the Board of County Road Commissioners shall advertise for sealed tenders of bonds or certificates, and shall accept the tenders stipulating the lowest price or prices at which owners of such bonds or certificates will sell same to the proper redemption fund; it being provided, however, that no tender shall be accepted in excess of par and accrued interest.

McCOOK, Redwillow County, Neb.—BOND ELECTION NOT CONTEMPLATED.—We are informed by the City Engineer that there is no election scheduled on the issuance of light plant construction bonds, contrary to recent news reports.

MADISON HEIGHTS SANITARY DISTRICT (P. O. Amherst), Amherst County, Va.—RFC LOAN APPLICATION MADE.—The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors reports that the \$62,500 water system bonds approved by the voters on Oct. 28 1933 have been held in abeyance pending action on an application to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for these funds. It is said that if the application should be rejected the bonds will be placed on the market for sale.

MAHONING COUNTY (P. O. Youngstown), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$125,000 poor relief bonds offered on Oct. 24—V. 139, p. 2399—were awarded as 3% to Otis & Co. of Cleveland at par plus a premium of \$688, equal to 100.55, a basis of about 2.80%. Dated Oct. 1 1934 and due as follows: \$41,000 March 1 and \$42,000 Sept. 1 1937 and \$42,000 March 1 1938. Other bids were as follows:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Premium
Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co.	3%	\$505.00
Mitchell, Herrick & Co., Merrill, Hawley & Co., Johnson, Kase & Co., and Van Lahr, Doll & Isphording, Inc.	3%	417.60
Seasongood & Mayer	3%	381.75
Fox, Elnhorn & Co., Grau & Co., Edward Brockhaus & Co. and Widmann, Holzman & Katz.	3%	203.30
Hayden, Miller & Co.	3%	201.00
Weil, Roth & Irving Co.	3%	184.00

MANCHESTER, Hillsboro County, N. H.—BOND SALE.—The \$87,500 coupon bonds offered on Oct. 23—V. 139, p. 2550—were awarded to Burr, Gannett & Co., of Boston, at a price of 104.31, a basis of about 2.84%. Included in the sale were:

\$50,000 3 1/4% permanent improvement bonds. Due Sept. 1 as follows: \$3,000 from 1935 to 1944 incl. and \$2,000 from 1945 to 1954 incl. 37,500 4% highway equipment bonds. Due \$7,500 on Sept. 1 from 1935 to 1939 incl.

Each issue is dated Sept. 1 1934. Other bids were as follows: F. L. Putnam & Co., 103.7699; E. H. Rollins & Sons, 103.534; Arthur Perry & Co., 103.597; Newton, Abbe & Co., 103.31; First Boston Corporation, 102.83; Halsey Stuart & Co., 102.822; Paine, Webber & Co., 101.701; Brown Harriman & Co., 101.595; Ballou, Adams & Whittemore, 101.354; Hornblower & Weeks, 104.0437 for \$37,500 issue and 101.0467 for \$50,000; Tift Bros., 103.97 for \$37,500 and 102.058 for \$50,000.

MANSFIELD, Richland County, Ohio.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.—The City Council has passed an ordinance providing for the issuance of \$20,000 bonds to pay the city's share of the cost of constructing a storm water sewer. The balance will be paid out of a 30% Federal grant. The bonds will be dated Sept. 1 1934 and mature Sept. 1 as follows: \$1,000 from 1936 to 1938 incl. and \$2,000 from 1939 to 1947 incl. Principal and interest (M. & S.) payable at the City Treasurer's office.

MARIETTA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Washington County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The Board of Education announced on Oct. 11 that an issue of 4 1/2% refunding bonds had been sold to the State Teachers' Retirement System. The refunding was caused by delinquencies in tax collections and the impounding of district funds in the old First National Bank.

MEMPHIS, Shelby County, Tenn.—BOND ISSUANCE HELD INVALID.—On Oct. 21 the State Supreme Court reversed a ruling of a lower court, holding that the city and county at present have not the authority to issue bonds for the purpose of constructing a proposed abattoir and reduction plant. (A \$75,000 bond issue for this purpose was approved by the voters on Jan. 18—V. 138, p. 716.)

MERCER COUNTY (P. O. Celina), Ohio.—BOND ELECTION.—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will be asked to authorize the issuance of \$40,000 bonds for the purpose of purchasing a suitable site and constructing a new jail building. Previous notice regarding the proposed issue appeared in V. 139, p. 2238.

MESA COUNTY (P. O. Grand Junction), Colo.—WARRANT CALL.—The County Treasurer is said to be calling the following warrants for payment at his office: On Oct. 30—various special school fund and general school warrants; On Nov. 4—various county, special school fund and general school fund warrants.

MIAMISBURG, Montgomery County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The City Retirement Fund purchased an issue of \$11,000 fire department apparatus purchase bonds.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY (P. O. New Brunswick), N. J.—AMENDS BOND RESOLUTION.—The Board of Freeholders on Oct. 11 approved an amended resolution providing for the issuance of \$444,000 tuberculosis hospital construction bonds as part of a proposed loan and grant of \$575,000 to be provided by the Public Works Administration—V. 139, p. 1582.

MILLBURN TOWNSHIP, N. J.—TAX COLLECTIONS HEAVIER THAN ANTICIPATED.—Stephen Barker, Township Committee Chairman, reported on Oct. 15 more 1932 and 1931 taxes were collected than were advertised to be sold. He explained the unusual result was probably caused by payment of taxes on properties not listed in the sale. Mr. Barker said \$23,328.45 taxes were collected, although the total of taxes on properties listed in the sale was only \$21,921.98. Of that amount, he pointed out, \$7,662.23 was in tax liens, so that the difference was even more surprising.

MILWAUKEE COUNTY (P. O. Milwaukee), Wis.—BOND ISSUANCE DEFERRED.—The County Auditor reports that the \$30,000 sewer construction bonds mentioned in V. 139, p. 2238, requested to be issued for the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission, will probably be sold next April or May. It is thought that the bonds will be taken over for the account of certain sinking funds held by the County Treasurer.

MONROE SCHOOL TOWNSHIP, Carroll County, Ind.—PRICE PAID.—Bartlett, Knight & Co. of Chicago paid a price of 101.16 for the issue of \$49,000 5% school bonds awarded to them on Oct. 8—V. 139, p. 2551. Interest cost basis to township about 4.83%. Issue is dated Oct. 8 1934 and due as follows: \$1,500 July 1 1936; \$2,000 Jan. 1 and \$1,500 July 1 from 1937 to 1947, incl.; \$2,500 Jan. 1 and \$2,000 July 1 in 1948 and 1949.

MINNEAPOLIS, Hennepin County, Minn.—LIST OF BIDS.—The following is an official list of the other bids received for the two issues of bonds, aggregating \$1,287,000, that were awarded on Oct. 18 to a syndicate headed by the Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago as 3.40s at 100.369, a basis of about 3.37%—V. 139, p. 2551:

Other Bidders	Int. Rate	Premium
The First Boston Corp. and associates	3 1/4%	\$6,500
First National Bank & Trust Co. and associates	3 3/4%	7,500
Wells Dickey Co. and associates	3.40%	2,300
Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood and associates	3.40%	1,400
Northwestern National Bank and associates	3.40%	4,700
Harris Trust & Savings Bank and associates	3.40%	4,750

The following statement accompanies the official public offering of the above bonds:

Financial Statement (Officially Reported as of Sept. 29 1934)

Full and true valuation for purposes of taxation	\$1,000,159,297
Assessed valuation 1933	506,608,351
Total bonded debt, including this issue	65,567,372
Less: Water bonds	\$3,347,000
Sinking funds	5,192,977
Net bonded debt	57,027,395

Population, 1930 U. S. Census, 464,753; Census Bureau estimate July 1 1933, 489,400.

The above financial statement does not include the debt of other political subdivisions which have power to levy taxes upon the property within the City.

Year—	Tax Levies and Collections			
	1931	1932	1933	1934
Total levy not including special assessments	\$20,557,984	\$19,864,452	\$18,996,665	\$18,788,721
Collections of curr. taxes within year of levy	19,108,349	17,055,549	14,869,865	8,886,814
Percentage	92.95	85.86	78.25	47.30
Collections of tax arrears within each year	1,029,766	933,871	840,360	a1,965,744
Percentage	5.01	4.70	4.42	10.46
Total collections	20,138,116	17,989,420	15,710,225	a10,852,559
* Percentage	97.96	90.56	82.70	57.76
* Percentages based on relation to current levy.	a Collections to Aug. 1 1934.			

MONROE, Monroe County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING—John H. Eber, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 7.30 p.m. on Oct. 29 for the purchase of \$409,000 4% self-liquidating revenue bonds, issued under authority of Act 94, Public Acts of Michigan of 1933. Dated Aug. 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due Aug. 1 as follows: \$10,000, 1938 and 1939; \$11,000, 1940; \$12,000, 1941; \$13,000, 1942 and 1943; \$14,000, 1944; \$15,000, 1945; \$16,000, 1946; \$17,000, 1947; \$19,000, 1948; \$21,000, 1949; \$22,000, 1950; \$23,000, 1951 to 1954 incl.; \$24,000, 1955 and \$25,000 from 1956 to 1959 incl. Principal and interest (B & A) payable at the City Treasurer's office or at the Irving Trust Co., New York, at holder's option. A certified check for 2% of the bid must accompany each proposal. These bonds are being issued to provide for the City's portion of the cost of constructing a sewage disposal plant and intercepting sewer system. The Public Works Administration has agreed to furnish a loan and grant of \$533,000 for the project—V. 139, p. 2238.

MONTANA, State of (P. O. Helena)—REPORT ON CAPITOL BUILDING BONDS—We quote in part as follows from a recent issue of the Butte "Post" regarding the State Capitol bonds:

"All outstanding capitol building bonds, totaling \$579,804.75, are now held by the Montana Department of State Lands and Investments, I. M. Brandford, Commissioner of State Lands and Investments, announced yesterday.

"The Commissioner has compiled a list of the bonds, in which is read the history of the construction of the Montana statehouse, its wings and annex, since 1898, when Col. Thomas Cruse, Helena, eliminated entanglements involving the sale of the initial issue of \$350,000 by buying the bonds himself.

"The total amount of issue was \$1,075,000 of which \$579,804.75 is outstanding at present. The Cruse issue has been paid in full, the report shows.

"The following shows the dates in the construction of the capitol, and the amounts still owing from the various bond issues:

"Erection of original capitol, 1898, \$350,000, outstanding nothing; building of two wings, 1909, \$500,000, outstanding, \$418,000; completion of wings, 1911, \$150,000, outstanding, \$100,000; board of health building, 1919, \$50,000, outstanding, \$50,000; and building of vault, 1925, \$25,000, outstanding, \$11,804.75."

MONTCLAIR, Essex County, N. J.—TOWN MANAGER PLAN DEFEATED—The proposal to change from the present commission form of government to the town manager plan was defeated at a special election held on Oct. 23. The total vote of 13,229 was the largest cast on any question in the history of the town. Of the votes cast, 6,715 were opposed to the proposed change in government, while 6,514 favored the movement.

BONDED DEBT—Finance Director Adams made public on Oct. 18 a detailed statement of the bonded indebtedness of the town. His statement disclosed that bonds outstanding aggregate \$12,802,620, of which \$3,126,000 are water bonds. The latter item, together with \$1,002,693 in the sinking fund, reduces the net bonded debt to \$8,691,927.

RECOUNT POSSIBLE—Sponsors of the change in the fiscal government announced on Oct. 24 that they are considering the possibility of demanding a recount of the votes cast at the election, in view of the narrow margin by which the result was determined.

MOUNTAIN LAKES, Morris County, N. J.—REJECTS PWA ALLOTMENT—The proposal to accept a loan and grant allotment of \$254,000 from the Public Works Administration for construction of a new school building was defeated by a vote of 467 to 430 at an election held on Oct. 23. The question has been the subject of bitter contention since early in October.—V. 139, p. 2238.

NASHVILLE, Davidson County, Tenn.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. on Nov. 9 by S. H. McKay, City Clerk, for the purchase of five issues of coupon bonds, aggregating \$3,220,000, divided as follows:

- \$145,000 fire hall improvement of 1933 bonds. Due \$5,000 from Dec. 1 1935 to 1963, inclusive.
- 417,000 permanent improvement and construction of 1933 bonds. Due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$40,000, 1935 and 1936; \$37,000, 1937, and \$50,000 in 1938 to 1943.
- 435,000 sewer extension of 1933 bonds. Due \$15,000 from Dec. 1 1935 to 1963, inclusive.
- 290,000 water works extension of 1933 bonds. Due \$10,000 from Dec. 1 1935 to 1963, inclusive.
- 1,933,000 school building and improvement of 1933 bonds. Due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$67,000, 1935; \$66,000, 1936; \$67,000, 1937 and 1938; \$66,000, 1939; \$67,000, 1940 and 1941; \$66,000, 1942; \$67,000, 1943 and 1944; \$66,000, 1945; \$67,000, 1946 and 1947, &c. up to the final \$66,000 in 1963.

Dated Dec. 1 1933. Interest rate is not to exceed 4%, payable J. & D. Bidders are requested to name the rate in multiples of 1/4 of 1%, and any rate of interest bid to apply to the entire issue bid for. Comparison of bids will be by taking the aggregate of interest on all issues at the rate named in the respective bids and deducting therefrom the premium bid; and the award will be made upon the lowest net interest cost to the city. Prin. and int., payable at the City Treasurer's office, the Nashville Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta or at the Chase National Bank in New York City. No bid at less than par and accrued interest will be considered. Bids must be upon blank forms furnished upon application by the City Clerk. The approving opinion of Caldwell & Raymond of New York, will be furnished. Bonds are registerable as to principal only at the Continental Bank & Trust Co. in New York City. A certified check for 2% of the face value of the bonds bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, is required.

NASHVILLE, Davidson County, Tenn.—BOND ELECTION CONTINGENT—According to the Nashville "Banner" of Oct. 17, an ordinance had been introduced in the City Council on the previous day calling for an election to be held on Dec. 27 for the proposed issuance of \$400,000 in market house construction bonds. (This election was mentioned in V. 139, p. 2400.)

NASSAU COUNTY (P. O. Mineola), N. Y.—REPORT ON FINANCIAL CONDITION—The Municipal Consultant Service of the National Municipal League, through its director, Dr. Thomas H. Reed, released, under date of Oct. 27, with the approval of the board of supervisors, portions of its forthcoming report on Nassau County. These portions relate to the financial position of the County, which is receiving bids on an issue of \$1,500,000 refunding bonds on Oct. 29. ("Chronicle" of Oct. 20, page 2552.)

"The immediate financial situation of Nassau County," says the report, "which because of unprecedented demands for work and home relief had become somewhat disturbing at the end of 1933, has now taken a definite turn for the better." The report points out that outstanding floating debt was reduced from \$4,504,984 on Dec. 21 1933, to \$1,723,000 on June 28 1934. "This accomplishment in the reduction of floating debt," it says, "has been made possible in part by the sale of tax revenue bonds and relief bonds and in part by the unexpected volume of delinquent tax collections." The net result of the first six months of 1934 on the total indebtedness of

the County has been a net decrease (including both funded and floating debt), of \$1,119,496."

NEW BEDFORD, Bristol County, Mass.—TEMPORARY FINANCING—Revenue anticipation notes in amount of \$300,000 have been sold at 1.99% discount basis, as follows: \$200,000, due Sept. 20 1935, to W. O. Gay & Co. of Boston, and \$100,000, dated Oct. 26 1934 and due Oct. 15 1935, to the National Shawmut Bank of Boston.

NEW BRITAIN, Hartford County, Conn.—BOND SALE—The \$50,000 3% coupon sewer fund bonds, 14th series, 4th issue, offered on Oct. 26—V. 139, p. 2552—were awarded to F. S. Moseley & Co. of Boston, at a price of 102.144, a basis of about 2.62%. Dated Aug. 1 1934 and due \$5,000 on Aug. 1 from 1936 to 1945 incl. Other bids were as follows:

Bidder—	Rate Bid
Estabrook & Co.	101.659
R. L. Day & Co.	101.559
Charles W. Scranton & Co.	101.551
Bancamerica-Blair Corp.	101.413
Roy T. H. Barnes & Co.	101.03
Halsey, Stuart & Co.	100.65
Putnam & Co.	100.52
Kean, Taylor & Co.	100.339

NEWBURGH, Orange County, N. Y.—BOND SALE—The \$150,000 coupon or registered general bonds of 1934 offered on Oct. 25—V. 139, p. 2552—were awarded as 2.40s to Barr, Bross & Co., Inc. of New York, at par plus a premium of \$40.50, equal to 100.027, a basis of about 2.39%. The sale consisted of:

- \$85,000 series B material and supply purchase bonds. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$8,000 from 1935 to 1939 incl. and \$9,000 from 1940 to 1944 incl.
- 65,000 series A work relief bonds. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$6,000 from 1935 to 1939 incl. and \$7,000 from 1940 to 1944 incl.

Each issue is dated Oct. 1 1934. The following is an official list of the other bids submitted at the sale:

Bidder—	Rate of Int.	Premium
Brown Harriman & Co., Newburgh Savings Bank	2.50%	\$463.50
Blyth & Co., Inc.	2.50%	261.00
Salomon Bros. & Hutzler	2.50%	210.00
Roosevelt & Weigold, Inc.	2.60%	357.00
Halsey, Stuart & Co.	2.60%	277.50
Graham, Parsons & Co. with A. C. Allyn & Co., Inc.	2.60%	223.50
Harris Trust & Savings Co.	2.60%	085.05
Adams, McEntee & Co., Inc. with Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. of Buffalo	2.70%	150.00
Gertler & Co., E. Lower, Stokes & Co., Charles H. Drew & Co.	2.70%	052.00
Highland-Quassaick National Bank & Trust Co. as Agents for Edward B. Smith & Co.	2.75%	208.50
Kelley, Richardson & Co., Inc.	2.80%	117.00
Marine Trust Co. of Buffalo	3.00%	415.50
George B. Gibbons & Co., Inc.	3.20%	465.00

Financial Statement

Assessed valuations, real prop., incl. spec'l franchises, 1934 \$40,990,000.00
Total bonded debt, incl. this issue 2,919,168.90
(The above statement of bonded debt does not include the debt of any other subdivision having power to levy taxes upon any or all of the property subject to the taxing power of the City.)
Population, 1930 Federal census, 31,240.

Year—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Amt. of last four preceding tax levies for City taxes	\$633,795.00	\$542,586.00	\$550,335.32	\$548,081.44
Amt. of such taxes uncollected at end of fiscal year	79,862.38	66,209.09	59,647.09	
Amt. of such taxes uncollected as of Oct. 1 1934	101,888.68	51,955.56	28,890.20	19,420.76
Properties purchased at tax sales this year by the City to protect its equity:				
Purchase price				\$57,231.62
Redemptions or transfers				4,436.39
Total unredeemed				\$52,795.23

There has also been collected as of Oct. 1 1934 the amount of \$178,405.20 under an installment collection plan no part of which amount has been credited to the tax accounts. This amount includes 1-10 payments on city taxes, school taxes, water taxes, assessments and fees and interest.

NEW ROCHELLE, Westchester County, N. Y.—BOND SALE—The \$200,000 coupon or registered home and (or) work relief bonds offered on Oct. 24—V. 139, p. 2552—were awarded as 4.20s, jointly to Phelps, Fenn & Co. and Bacon, Stevenson & Co., both of New York, at a price of 100.15, a basis of about 4.17%. Dated Oct. 15 1934 and due \$25,000 annually on Oct. 15 from 1937 to 1944, incl. A. C. Allyn & Co., Inc., and E. H. Rollins & Sons, Inc., offered the second highest bid at 100.22 for 4 1/8s. B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Inc., was third with a bid of 100.1095 for 4.40s. Bancamerica-Blair Corp. and George B. Gibbons & Co. offered 100.30 for 4.60s, while Adams, McEntee & Co., Inc., and Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. of Buffalo bid 100.139 for 4.80s.

Official Financial Statement (as of Oct. 15 1934)

Assessed Valuation:		
Real property	\$195,274,220.00	
Franchise	5,677,781.00	
Total as base for debt limit		\$200,952,001.00
Debt limit, 10% of \$200,952,001		20,095,200.10
Amount of Debt applicable to Debt Limit:		
City bonds	\$8,295,700.00	
School bonds	6,247,176.00	
Relief bonds	428,000.00	
Construction certificates	5,000.00	
Less: Reserve for redemption of bonds	\$14,975,876.00	14,825,876.00
Margin for future indebtedness		\$5,269,324.10
Floating Indebtedness:		
1934 tax certificates	\$600,000.00	
Assessment certificates	108,302.80	
Temporary certificates	10,400.00	
Total		\$716,702.80

Tax Collections as of Oct. 15 1934

	Tax Levy	Uncollected	%
1931	\$5,568,668.00	\$105,195.52	1.89
1932	6,000,441.98	204,251.89	3.40
1933	4,910,470.86	632,713.15	12.88
1934	6,384,863.78	2,469,229.85	38.67

Payable quarterly, January, April, July and October.
Population according to 1930 census, 54,055.
The bonded debt as stated above does not include the debt of any other subdivision having power to levy taxes upon any or all of the property subject to the taxing power of the city.

NEWTON TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DIST. (P. O. Pleasant Hill), Miami County, Ohio—BONDS NOT SOLD—The issue of \$9,000 6% refunding bonds offered on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2239—was not sold, as the one bid submitted was rejected. This offer was conditioned upon proof being furnished that the District would be able to service the indebtedness. The bonds are dated Oct. 1 1934 and due \$1,000 on Oct. 1 from 1940 to 1948 incl.

NEWTONSVILLE RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Clermont County, Ohio—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will be asked to approve an issue of \$10,000 auditorium building bonds, due in 20 years.

NOCONA, Montague County, Texas—BONDS APPROVED—The Attorney-General is said to have approved an issue of \$126,500 in 6% refunding bonds. Dated Jan. 17 1934. Due from 1935 to 1960. Interest payable at the City Treasurer's office or at the Chemical Bank & Trust Co. in New York City.

NOME, Alaska—FEDERAL FUND ALLOTMENT—The following announcement was made public by the Public Works Administration on Oct. 20:

Release No. 1033

Public works allotments for the repair and reconditioning of public buildings damaged by the recent fire at Nome, Alaska, were announced to-day by Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes.

An allotment of \$5,500 was made to the Department of Justice for the repair and reconditioning of buildings occupied by the Federal Courts, United States Attorney and United States Marshal.

Another allotment of \$1,500 for repairs to an office building and installation of a heating plant, made necessary by reason of the fire, was made at the request of the Office of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior.

NORFOLK, Litchfield County, Conn.—ADDITIONAL INFIRMATION—The \$85,000 3 1/4% highway bonds awarded on Oct. 17 to Coburn & Middlebrook of Hartford, at 102.66, a basis of about 2.93%—V. 139, p. 2552—are payable as to principal and semi-annual interest at the Hurlbut National Bank, Winsted, and will be approved as to legality by Day, Berry & Howard of Hartford.

Financial Statement (Oct. 8 1934)

1933 grand list taxable property	\$4,529,139
Tax exempt property	283,300
Bonded indebtedness	None
Floating debt	31,721
Tax collections, 1932 list	98.85%
1933 list payable April 1934	93.85%

NORTH HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6 (P. O. Manhasset, Nassau County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING—George H. Oestreich, District Clerk, announces that sealed bids will be received until 3.30 p. m. on Nov. 1 for the purchase of (a) \$490,000 bonds, comprising issues of \$380,000 and \$110,000, and (b) an issue of \$110,000 bonds. Bids must be made only for either \$490,000 or \$110,000 bonds and award will be made of such amount as may be determined to be in the best interest of the district. The bonds will mature as follows:

\$380,000 school impt. bonds. Due Nov. 1 as follows: \$11,000 from 1936 to 1940 incl.; \$12,000, 1941 to 1945 incl.; \$13,000, 1946 to 1950 incl.; \$14,000, 1951 to 1960 incl., and \$15,000 from 1961 to 1964 incl.

110,000 school district bonds. Due Nov. 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1937 to 1942 incl.; \$4,000, 1943 to 1960 incl., and \$5,000 from 1961 to 1964 incl.

The bonds will be dated Nov. 1 1934 and bear interest of not more than 6%. Bidder to name a single interest rate on all of the bonds bid for, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 or 1-10th of 1%. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable in lawful money of the United States at the First National Bank & Trust Co., Manhasset. A certified check for \$7,600 and/or \$2,200 (depending on the amount of bonds bid for), payable to the order of the Board of Education, must accompany each proposal. The bonds will be valid and legally binding obligations of the district, and all taxable property therein will be subject to the levy of ad valorem taxes, without limitation of rate or amount, in order to service the indebtedness. Legal opinion of Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York will be furnished the successful bidder.

OAK HILL, Jackson County, Ohio—PROPOSED BOND SALE—The Village Council has voted to offer for sale on Oct. 31 an issue of \$73,000 water works plant construction bonds. The Public Works Administration will be asked to furnish \$27,000 toward the cost of the project.

OAKLAND COUNTY (P. O. Pontiac), Mich.—FEDERAL COURT MASTER UPHOLDS VALIDITY OF COVERT ROAD BONDS—The Detroit "Free Press" of Oct. 19 reported as follows: "A bondholders' protective committee won a round Wednesday in its fight against Oakland County officials when \$3,790,000 in Covert road bonds were held valid by William S. Sayres, special master in chancery.

"A report of the master's findings will be turned over to Federal Judge Edward J. Moinet for review and final disposition. "Oakland County Road Commissioners, the Board of Supervisors and the Board of Auditors were named defendants by the bondholders' committee, which held \$540,000 of the bonds. This committee included Benjamin T. Batsch of Toledo; Sterling E. Johanson of Milwaukee and John A. Nordman of St. Louis.

"In 1932 signers of petitions asking for the bond issue brought suit to invalidate the bonds, charging that the petitions did not contain sufficient names and that some were forged. In a previous ruling Mr. Sayres found the signatures genuine."

OKEMAH, Okfuskee County, Okla.—BOND SALE DETAIL—It is stated that the \$25,000 water works bonds sold recently to local banks as 5s—V. 139, p. 2239—were purchased by the syndicate composed of the Okemah National Bank, the Citizens State Bank, and the First National Bank, all of Okemah. Due from 1937 to 1948, inclusive.

ONEIDA COUNTY (P. O. Utica), N. Y.—BOND SALE—The Bankers Trust Co. of New York was awarded on Oct. 25 an issue of \$190,000 coupon or registered tuberculosis hospital bonds as 2.70s, at a price of 100.419, a basis of about 2.65%. Dated Sept. 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due Sept. 1 as follows: \$13,000 from 1938 to 1947, incl. and \$12,000 from 1948 to 1952, incl. Principal and interest (M. & S.) payable in lawful money of the United States at the County Treasurer's office, or at holder's option, at the Chase National Bank, New York. Legality approved by Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York. Other bids were as follows: Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. of Buffalo offered a premium of \$279.30 for 2.70s. E. B. Smith & Co. bid 100.039 for 2.70s. Brown, Harriman & Co. entered a bid of 100.1799 for 2.90s, and George B. Gibbons & Co., heading a syndicate composed of Dick & Merle-Smith and Roosevelt & Weigold, offered 100.17 for 2.90s.

Financial Statement

The assessed valuation of property subject to taxation in the County of Oneida, is \$221,385,948. The total bonded debt of the county, including this issue, is \$1,386,000. There are also outstanding \$128,333 certificates of indebtedness. The total debt above stated does not include the debt of any other subdivision having power to levy taxes upon any or all property subject to the taxing power of the county.

The population of the county (1930 census was 198,763.

Tax Data				
The total amount of taxes levied for the preceding three fiscal years:				
Year	Amount of Levy	Uncollected End of Year	Amount Now Outstanding	
1930	\$2,293,987.31	\$5,421.21	\$4,445.07	
1931	2,476,628.75	10,098.83	7,523.57	
1932	2,085,341.87	77,901.55	54,224.07	
1933			131,796.02	

The amount of county taxes levied for the current fiscal year commencing Dec. 1 1933, is \$2,413,325.66, of which amount there has been collected to date \$2,109,529.64.

OTERO COUNTY (P. O. La Junta), Colo.—WARRANT CALL—The County Treasurer is said to be calling for payment at his office various school and county warrants. Interest ceased on the school warrants Oct. 3 and it shall cease on the county warrants Nov. 2.

OZAUKEE COUNTY (P. O. Port Washington), Wis.—BOND SALE—The \$50,000 highway construction bonds that were authorized in September by the County Board—V. 139, p. 1903—were sold to the Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, for a premium of \$2,204, equal to 104.40.

PASSAIC, Passaic County, N. J.—BOND SALE—A syndicate composed of Blyth & Co., Inc., Stone & Webster and Blodgett, Inc., Phelps, Penn & Co., E. H. Rollins & Sons, Graham, Parsons & Co., Roosevelt & Weigold, Inc., Minsch, Monell & Co., Inc., and Burr & Co., Inc., all of New York; J. S. Rippel & Co., Newark; H. L. Allen & Co., New York; also Adams & Mueller and Van Deventer, Spear & Co., Inc., both of Newark, was the successful bidder at the offering on Oct. 23 of \$2,100,000 coupon or registered water bonds—V. 139, p. 2400. The group bid for \$2,050,000 bonds as 4 1/4s, at a price of 102.45, a basis of about 4.09%. The bonds are dated Nov. 1 1934 and mature on Nov. 1 as follows: \$15,000 in 1935 and 1936; \$20,000 in 1937 to 1942; \$25,000 in 1943 to 1947; \$30,000 in 1948 to 1951; \$35,000 in 1952 to 1955; \$40,000 in 1956 to 1958; \$45,000 in 1959 and 1960; \$50,000 in 1961 to 1963; \$55,000 in 1964 and 1965; \$60,000 in 1966 and 1967; \$65,000 in 1968 and 1969; \$70,000 in 1970; \$75,000 in 1971 and 1972; \$80,000 in 1973 and 1974; \$85,000 in 1975; \$90,000 in 1976; \$95,000 in 1977 and 1978, and \$50,000 in 1979.

BONDS PUBLICLY OFFERED—Members of the purchasing group made public offering of the bonds on Oct. 24 at prices to yield, according to maturities, as follows: 1935, 2.50%; 1936, 3%; 1937, 3.50%; 1938, 3.75%;

1939 to 1944, incl., 3.90%; 1945 to 1952, incl., 3.95%; 1953 to 1979, incl., 4%. The bonds are stated to be legal investment for savings banks and trust funds in the States of New York and New Jersey, and, according to the bankers, are secured as follows:

"These bonds constitute, in the opinion of counsel, valid and legally binding obligations of the City of Passaic, N. J., payable as to both principal and interest from ad valorem taxes levied on all of the taxable property therein without limitation as to rate or amount. In addition, the payment of both principal and interest on these bonds has been assumed, in the opinion of counsel, by the Passaic Valley Water Commission without in any way relieving the city of its obligation. Under the Act creating the Commission, water rates must be maintained so that earnings will be adequate to cover all operating expenses and debt service, and this requirement is made a part of the contract with the bondholders."

The bonds have been issued to place in permanent form temporary bonds issued several years ago to finance Passaic's proportionate share of the cost of properties acquired by the Commission.

Three syndicates bid for the issue, the two other offers having been as follows: Edward B. Smith & Co. headed a second syndicate, which bid 102.33 for \$2,053,000 of 4 1/4s. In the Smith syndicate were First Boston Corp., Brown, Harriman & Co., Inc., Stranahan, Harris & Co., Inc., and McBride, Mer & Co. The third syndicate, headed by Lehman Bros., bid 100.81 for \$2,083,000 of 4 1/4s. This syndicate included Bancamerica-Blair Corp., Bacon, Stevenson & Co., Geo. B. Gibbons & Co., Inc., B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Inc., R. H. Moulton & Co., Inc., Hannahs, Ballin & Lee and Kean, Taylor & Co.

PARMA, Ohio—SUIT ON REFUNDING PLAN DROPPED—It is reported that the suit filed in Common Pleas Court in September by a holder of \$31,000 bonds which matured Sept. 1 1932—V. 139, p. 2085—to compel payment of the obligations in cash, instead of on the basis offered by the city, has been withdrawn and the bonds turned over to the city in acceptance of its offer. This provides for payment of 11% in cash and 89% in refunding bonds. Of the \$469,000 special assessment bonds affected by the proposal, all but \$113,000 have been surrendered for payment. This amount includes \$68,000 held by two State institutions which have not agreed to the proposal because the Attorney General has found a technical defect in the proceedings, it is said. The city has not prepared any plan for refunding either 1933 or 1934 special assessment maturities.

PAYSON, Utah County, Utah—BONDS VOTED—At the special election held on Oct. 9—V. 139, p. 2085—the voters approved the issuance of the \$25,000 in water works bonds.

PENN SCHOOL DISTRICT, Allegheny County, Pa.—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will be asked to approve an issue of \$25,000 school bonds.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—\$3,000,000 NEEDED FOR PAYROLLS—In connection with the recent report that the city will be obliged to borrow funds in order to meet November and December payroll requirements—V. 139, p. 2553—Mayor J. Hampton Moore and City Auditor S. Davis Wilson later placed the amount of the impending loan at \$3,000,000, adding that the money will be obtained from the Sinking Fund Commission. This body has \$4,017,000 in cash on hand, representing re-payment of funds by the Delaware River Joint Commission. The above-mentioned city officials are not in agreement, however, regarding the current budget, with the Mayor predicting an \$8,000,000 deficit and the Auditor a \$2,000,000 surplus at the end of the year.

PINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 21 (P. O. Willow River) Minn.—BONDS OFFERED—Sealed bids were received until 8 p. m. on Oct. 26, by Herman Nortrup, District Clerk, for the purchase of a \$26,000 issue of refunding, series B bonds. Dated Oct. 1 1934. Due serially in from 3 to 20 years.

PINEDALE, Sublette County, Wyo.—BOND SALE—The two issues of 4 1/4% semi-annual bonds, aggregating \$30,000, offered for sale on Oct. 20—V. 139, p. 2400—were purchased by the State of Wyoming. The bonds are divided as follows: \$25,000 water works, and \$5,000 sewer bonds. Dated Oct. 2 1934. Due on Oct. 1 1954, optional in 1944. No other bid was received.

PITTSBURG, Crawford County, Kan.—BOND ELECTION—The issuance of \$50,000 in municipal swimming pool bonds will be up for approval at the Nov. 6 election, according to report.

POCAHONTAS COUNTY (P. O. Pocahontas), Iowa—BOND SALE—A \$10,000 issue of refunding bonds is said to have been purchased recently by Shaw, McDermott & Sparks, of Des Moines.

PORTAGE COUNTY (P. O. Ravenna), Ohio—BOND OFFERING—R. L. Hendee, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 12 M. on Nov. 13 for the purchase of \$19,500 6% poor relief bonds. Dated Oct. 1 1934. In the following: \$350, March 1 and Sept. 1 1935; \$400, March 1 and Sept. 1 1936; \$5,800, March 1 and \$6,000, Sept. 1 1937, and \$6,200, March 1 1938. Prin. and int. (M. & S.) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Bids for the bonds to bear interest at a rate other than 6%, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%, will also be considered. A certified check for 5% of the bonds bid for, payable to the order of the County Treasurer, must accompany each proposal. Cost of opinion relative to the legality of the issue must be borne by the successful bidder.

PORTAGE COUNTY (P. O. Stevens Point), Wis.—NOTE ISSUANCE CONTEMPLATED—It is reported that \$20,000 in 6% temporary notes will be issued by the county, to retire highway bonds which came due on June 1. Denom. \$1,000. Due on Dec. 1 1934.

PORTLAND, Multnomah County, Ore.—BOND CALL—It is reported that the City Treasurer is calling for payment at his office on Nov. 1 bonds numbered from 45,724 to 45,798 of the 6% improvement series, dated Feb. 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000.

PRICE RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT (P. O. Price), Carbon County, Utah—BOND RETIREMENT CONTEMPLATED—It is reported that the officials of this district are considering the retirement of \$1,000,000 in outstanding bonds.

PUTNAM VALLEY, PHILIPSBURG AND FISHKILL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Fishkill), Dutchess County, N. Y.—BONDS VOTED—At an election held on Oct. 13 the voters authorized the issuance of \$200,000 school building construction bonds. An allotment of \$370,000 has been approved by the Public Works Administration.

QUINCY, Norfolk County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN—The National Shawmut Bank of Boston was awarded on Oct. 23 a \$100,000 revenue anticipation loan at 0.74% discount basis. Due June 28 1935. Other bidders were: Merchants' National Bank, 0.76%; Whiting, Weeks & Knowles, 0.77%; Newton, Abbe & Co., 0.77%; Halsey, Stuart & Co., 0.81%; Bankers Trust Co., 0.79% plus \$11 for June maturity, and 0.89% plus \$11 for July; W. O. Gay & Co., 0.99%; First National Bank, 1.14%; United States Trust Co., 1.42%; and Faxon, Gade & Co., 1.53%.

RALEIGH, Wake County, N. C.—APPLICATION MADE FOR BOND ISSUANCE—We quote in part as follows from the Raleigh "News and Observer" of Oct. 15 regarding the proposed issuance of sewage disposal system bonds:

"Application will be made by the City of Raleigh to the Local Government Commission for permission to issue \$382,000 in bonds for its share in the construction of a sewage disposal system with Public Works Administration funds, said City Commissioner Ed M. Barton yesterday.

"The Executive Committee of the Commission, which has authority to pass upon such applications, will be in session Tuesday. A resolution requesting permission for the bond issue will be drafted by to-day, said City Clerk J. E. Sawyer yesterday.

"Acceptance of a PWA loan and grant for \$500,000 for the construction of two sewage disposal plants has been voted by two of the three City Commissioners. Issuance of the bonds is required to secure the city's 70% obligation in the loan and grant.

"Securing the permission for the bond issue from the Local Government Commission, which has broad discretionary powers to regulate municipal finances, is the next step towards assuring the project, which Commissioners Barton and J. H. Brown favor."

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION—REPORT ON LOANS MADE TO DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION DISTRICTS—The following announcement was made public by the above Corporation on Oct. 23:

"Loans for refinancing a drainage district in Arkansas; a drainage district in Colorado; two drainage districts in Mississippi; and one improvement district in Texas, a total of \$248,500, have been authorized by the Recon-

struction Finance Corporation. This makes a total to date of \$75,000,208 authorized under the provisions of Section 36 of the Emergency Farm Mortgage Act of 1933, as amended."

The districts are: Keo-England Drainage Dist. No. 4, of Lonoke County, Ark. \$24,000 Extension Drainage Dist., Las Animas, Bent County, Colo. 18,500 Yoknapatawpha No. 2 Drainage Dist., Oxford, Lafayette county, Oxford, Miss. 15,000 Broad Slough Drainage Dist., Greenville, Miss. 41,000 Kaufman County Improvement Dist. No. 1, Ennis, Texas. 150,000

RHODE ISLAND (State of)—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will be asked to approve the issuance of \$1,000,000 unemployment relief bonds.

RICHMOND, Madison County, Ky.—PERMISSION SOUGHT FOR ISSUANCE OF FUNDING BONDS—We quote in part as follows from the Lexington "Herald" of Oct. 9 regarding the \$70,000 bonds that were authorized in September by the City Council—V. 139, p. 1904:

"Suit was filed in Madison Circuit Court to-day by the City of Richmond under an Act of the 1932 General Assembly, in which permission is sought to issue \$70,000 in bonds to fund a floating debt of the city. "The action was filed by John Nolan, Richmond attorney, and names W. D. Durham, a citizen and taxpayer of Richmond, as defendant on behalf of himself and all citizens and taxpayers of the City of Richmond.

"Accompanying the suit, Mr. Nolan filed a motion permitting Mr. Durham to act as defendant on behalf of himself and all citizens and taxpayers of the City of Richmond, and offered an orer sustaining his motion.

"Judge W. Rodes Shackelford of Madison Circuit Court declined to pass on the motion to-day, saying that he wished to read the petition and the statute under which the suit is being brought. A similar action is pending in Jassamine Circuit Court, of which Judge Shackelford is also Presiding Judge, wherein Jessamine County seeks to fund a floating indebtedness of approximately \$50,000."

RIPON, Fond du Lac County, Wis.—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will pass on the proposed issuance of \$40,000 in 4% coupon semi-ann. municipal hospital construction bonds. Denom. \$500. Dated March 15 1935. Due from March 15 1936 to 1955 incl. (A grant of \$17,000 has been approved by the Public Works Administration on this project.)

ROBERTSON COUNTY (P. O. Springfield), Tenn.—BOND CALL—It is announced by Byron Johnson, County Judge, that \$239,000 of 4 1/2% road bonds will be paid at the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co. in New York City, together with interest due on Nov. 1, the interest to cease after that date. Dated May 1 1912. Due on May 1 1942, redeemable on Nov. 1 in any year after 20 years from date of issue. (The bonds refunding this issue were sold recently.—V. 139, p. 2554.)

ROCHESTER, Monroe County, N. Y.—BOND SALE—The \$1,000,000 series of 1934 public welfare bonds offered on Oct. 24—V. 139, p. 2554—were awarded as 2 1/4s to a syndicate composed of Halsey, Stuart & Co., Jackson & Curtis, Stranahan, Harris & Co., Inc. and Otis & Co., all of New York, at a price of 100.40 on a basis of about 2.11%. Dated Nov. 1 1934 and due \$200,000 annually from 1935 to 1939, incl. The bankers are re-offering the bonds for public investment at prices to yield from 0.75% to 2.15%, according to maturity. They are declared to be legal investment for savings banks and trust funds in New York and other States. The following other bids were submitted for the issue:

The second high bid, 100.387, for 2 1/4s, was made by a syndicate headed by Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago and including Northern Trust Co. of that city, Graham, Parsons & Co., and Elreige & Co. Edward B. Smith & Co. headed a syndicate which offered 100.144 for 2 1/4s. The Smith syndicate included First Boston Corp. and Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. of Buffalo. Speyer & Co. bid 100.1224 for 2 1/4s; and Salomon Bros. & Hutzler headed a syndicate which included R. W. Pressprich & Co. and Adams, McEntee & Co., bidding 100.033 for 2 1/4s.

Bankers Trust, Chase National Bank & Marine Trust Co. bid 100.559 for 2 1/4s. Chemical Bank, F. S. Moseley & Co., Kean, Taylor & Co., Hemphill, Noyes & Co. and George D. B. Bonbright offered 100.339 for 2 1/4s. First National Bank headed a syndicate composed of Lazard Freres & Co., Inc. and Starkweather & Co., Inc., bidding 100.0396 for 2 1/4s. Brown Harriman & Co., Inc., L. F. Rothschild & Co. and Kelley, Richardson & Co. bid 100.4799 for 2 1/4s. Lehman Bros. and their associates, Bancamerica-Blair Corp., Blyth & Co., Phelps, Fenn & Co. and Sage, Rutty & Steele, bid 100.40 for 2 1/4s. Hallgarten & Co., J. & W. Seligman & Co. and Mercantile Commerce Bank & Trust of St. Louis bid 100.17 for 2 1/4s. National City Bank, heading a syndicate which included R. H. Moulton & Co., First of Michigan Corp., Hannahs, Ballin & Lee and Schaumburg, Rebhann & Osborne, bid 100.457 for 2 1/4s.

ROCHESTER, Oakland County, Mich.—APPROVES PWA AGREEMENT—The Village Council has approved the agreement whereby \$67,000 is to be furnished by the Public Works Administration to be used in the construction of a sewage disposal plant. The agreement provides for the purchase by the PWA of \$52,000 4% coupon bonds, dated Sept. 1 1934 and due Sept. 1 as follows: \$1,000 from 1936 to 1939 incl. and \$2,000 from 1940 to 1943 incl. The balance of the total cost of the project will be furnished as an outright grant by the Federal agency. The bonds will be payable from the gross revenues of the disposal system and will be secured by a statutory first lien thereon.

ROGERS COUNTY (P. O. Claremore), Okla.—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will pass on the proposed issuance of \$71,000 in court house and jail construction bonds. Interest rate not to exceed 4%, payable semi-annually. Denomination to be a multiple of \$100, not to exceed \$1,000. Coupon bonds to mature in from 3 to 25 years after date of issue.

ROLLA SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Rolla), Phelps County, Mo.—BOND OFFERING—It is reported that sealed bids will be received until Oct. 30, by the Clerk of the Board of Education, for the purchase of a \$50,000 issue of school bonds. Interest rate to be named by the bidder. Due from 1947 to 1953. (A loan and grant of \$70,000 has been approved by the Public Works Administration.)

ROSEVILLE, Macomb County, Mich.—TAXES PAYABLE WITH BONDS—The Village Commission recently adopted a resolution to accept bonds at par value in payment of special assessment taxes.

ROSWELL, Chaves County, N. Mex.—BOND INTEREST PAYMENTS SUSPENDED—J. H. Dekker, City Clerk, writes under date of Oct. 13: "Payment of interest on bonds still suspended pending outcome of a test case in the courts to determine how fund available and those to be collected in the future shall be applied. This suit was brought by an interested bondholder versus city of Carlsbad and is still to be taken to Supreme Court. Decision in case will also govern city of Roswell. Will take some time before this is finally settled and in the meantime all payments are tied up."

ROUTT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Hayden) Colo.—MATURITY—The \$75,000 4 1/2% refunding bonds that were purchased recently by a group headed by Brown, Schlessman, Owen & Co. of Denver—V. 139, p. 2240—and approved by the voters after the sale—V. 139, p. 2401—are due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1935 to 1937; \$2,000, 1938 to 1941; \$2,500, 1942 and 1943; \$3,000, 1944 and 1945; \$3,500, 1946 to 1953; \$4,000, 1954 to 1958, and \$5,000 in 1959.

ROYAL, Clay County, Iowa.—BONDS NOT SOLD—The \$13,500 issue of water works bonds offered on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2554—was not sold as no bids were received, according to the Town Clerk. Dated Oct. 1 1934. Due from Nov. 1 1937 to 1953.

RUSHVILLE TOWNSHIP (P. O. Rushville City), Rush County, Ind.—BOND SALE—The \$11,221.88 5% coupon funding bonds offered on Oct. 18—V. 139, p. 2240—were awarded to the Farmers Trust Co., Rushville, at par plus a premium of \$385.87, equal to 103.43, a basis of about 3.75%. Dated Oct. 18 1934. One bond for \$721.88, others for \$750. Due one bond on Jan. 1 from 1936 to 1951 incl. Other bids were as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Premium. Carthage State Bank \$25.00, Bartlett, Knight & Co. 141.00, Bankers Security Co. 289.90, Rushville National Bank 308.75.

ST. LOUIS COUNTY (P. O. Duluth) Minn.—BOND SALE—The \$100,000 4% semi-ann. road bonds offered for sale on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2402—was awarded to a syndicate headed by the First & American National Bank of Duluth, for a premium of \$1,785, equal to 101.785, a basis of about 3.74%. Dated Aug. 1 1934. Due on Aug. 1 1942.

SALEM, Essex County, Mass.—BOND SALE—Charles G. F. Coker, City Treasurer, made a ward on Oct. 24 of \$200,000 coupon water loan bonds of 1934 to Tyler, Buttrick & Co. of Boston as 2 1/4s at a price of 100.65, a basis of about 2.13%. Dated Sept. 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$20,000 on Sept. 1 from 1935 to 1944 incl. Principal and interest (M. & S.) payable at the National Shawmut Bank, Boston, or at the City Treasurer's office. Legality approved by Storey, Thronrdike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston. Other bids were as follows: For 2 1/4s: E. B. Smith & Co., 100.523; Naumkeag Trust Co., 100.481; Merchants National Bank of Boston, 100.47; Blyth & Co., 100.272; Whiting, Weeks & Knowles and Lee Higginson Corp., jointly, 100.21; Preston, Moss & Co., 100.176; Merchants National Bank Salem, 100.10, and Halsey, Stuart & Co., 100.078. For 2 3/8s: Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, 100.779; F. S. Moseley & Co., 100.753; Jackson & Curtis, 100.72, and Estabrook & Co., 100.659.

SALEM, Columbiana County, Ohio.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The City Council has passed an ordinance providing for the issuance of \$78,369.35 5% refunding bonds. Dated Oct. 1 1934. One bond for \$1,369.35, others for \$1,000. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$6,369.35, 1938; \$10,000, 1939 and 1940; \$12,000, 1941 and 1942, and \$14,000 in 1943 and 1944. Principal and interest (A. & O.) payable at the State Treasurer's office, Columbus.

SALISBURY, Litchfield County, Conn.—BOND OFFERING—Grace E. Harding, Town Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. on Oct. 29 for the purchase of \$75,000 3 3/4% highway bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$5,000 on Nov. 1 from 1935 to 1949, incl. Principal and interest (M. & N.) payable at the Salisbury Bank & Trust Co., Lakeville, or at the Chase National Bank, New York. The bonds will be certified by the Salisbury Bank & Trust Co., Lakeville, and approved as to legality by Day, Berry & Howard of Hartford.

SALT LAKE CITY, Salt Lake County, Utah.—NOTE SALE AUTHORIZED—The proposed sale of \$200,000 in tax anticipation notes is said to have been authorized recently by the City Commission. These notes to be part of the \$1,500,000 issue authorized in January.

SALT LAKE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Salt Lake City) Utah.—NOTE SALE—A \$250,000 issue of tax anticipation notes is reported to have been purchased by the Walker Bank & Trust Co. of Salt Lake City, at 1%. Dated Oct. 15 1934. Due on Dec. 15 1934.

RULING LIMITS SCHOOL SALES OF TAX NOTES—In connection with the above report we quote in part as follows from the Salt Lake City "Tribune" of Oct. 1:

"It would be illegal for district boards of education to issue tax anticipation notes in excess of the bona fide anticipated revenues which will be received from current taxes. Charles H. Skidmore, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, was told by Attorney-General Joseph Chez in an official opinion.

"The question from the Superintendent came in this form: 'Would it be an illegal procedure for a board of education of a Utah school district to borrow money on tax anticipation notes and, when due, refund the notes by transferring them into long-time bonds?' The matter was referred to Zolph S. Calder, Assistant Attorney-General, for investigation.

Cites Provision

"The formal opinion of the Attorney-General cites the constitutional provision which prohibits any school district or other governmental subdivision of the State from creating any debt in excess of the taxes for the current year, unless the proposition to create such debt shall have been approved 'by a vote of such qualified electors as shall have paid a property tax therein in the year preceding such election.'"

SAN DIEGO, San Diego County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION—A special election will be held in this city on Nov. 6 in order to vote on the proposed issuance of the \$350,000 in 4% semi-ann. bonds for the El Capitan Dam pipeline and reservoir road, mentioned in V. 139, p. 2402.

It is also stated by the City Clerk that in addition to the above the voters will pass on the issuance of \$90,000 in Hodges Dam bonds.

SANDUSKY, Erie County, Ohio.—BOND SALE—The \$12,500 coupon or registered Big Island land purchase bonds offered on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2240—were awarded as 3 1/2s to Fox, Einhorn & Co., Inc., of Cincinnati at a price of 100.03, a basis of about 3.74%. Dated Oct. 1 1934 and due Oct. 1 as follows: \$1,000 from 1936 to 1946, incl., and \$1,500 in 1947. Other bids were as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Bidder, Int. Rate, Premium. Seasongood & Mayer 4% \$51.85, Hayden, Miller & Co. 4% 31.25, BancOhio Securities 4 1/2% 75.00, Cool, Stiver & Co. 4 1/2% 67.50, Chas. A. Hirsch & Co. 4 1/2% 45.66, Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co. 4 1/2% 28.75, Ryan, Sutherland & Co. 4 1/2% 24.50, Mitchell, Herrick & Co. 4 1/2% 10.60, Johnson, Kase & Co. 4 1/2% 65.00, Ohio State Teachers' Retirement System 4 1/2% 25.00.

SANDUSKY COUNTY (P. O. Fremont), Ohio.—BOND SALE—The \$14,000 poor relief bonds offered on Oct. 18—V. 139, p. 2240—were awarded as 3s to the Fremont Savings Bank Co., Fremont, at par plus a premium of \$75, equal to 100.53, a basis of about 2.81%. Dated Oct. 1 1934 and due as follows: \$4,500 March 1 and \$4,700 Sept. 1 1937 and \$4,800 March 1 1938. Other bids were as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Bidder, Int. Rate, Premium. Widmann, Holzman & Katz 3 1/4% \$28.28, Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co. 3% 44.80, Fox, Einhorn & Co. 3 1/4% 33.71, Seasongood & Mayer 3% 15.85, BancOhio Securities Co. 3 1/4% 39.20, G. Parr Ayers & Co. 3 1/4% 51.08, Union Bank & Savings Co. 4% ---, Hayden, Miller & Co. 3% 32.20, Johnson, Kase & Co. 3% 57.00, Colonial Savings Bank, Fremont 3 1/2% 740.00, Mitchell, Herrick & Co. 3 1/2% 53.30, Otis & Co. 3% 51.20.

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico.—FEDERAL FUND ALLOTMENT—The following announcement was made public by the Public Works Administration on Oct. 20:

Release No. 1030

An allotment of \$443,000 for the dredging and deepening of the harbor at San Juan, Puerto Rico, was announced to-day by Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes.

The existing entrance channel will be deepened to 38 feet at mean low water. Other improvements will be enlargement of the inner harbor anchorage area and easing of the dangerous turn at the entrance.

The allotment was made to the Corps of the Engineers of the Army which will have supervision of the work.

SAN LEANDRO, Alameda County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will pass on the issuance of \$24,000 in city hall bonds.

SAN MATEO, San Mateo County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION—It is reported that at the general election the voters will pass on the issuance of the \$85,000 in sewer outlet bonds that were rejected at the election on Aug. 30—V. 139, p. 1585.

SAN MATEO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS (P. O. Redwood City), Calif.—BOND ELECTION—It is reported that the following elections will be held to vote on \$455,000 in bonds: On Oct. 26, \$375,000 Pescadero High School District and on Nov. 2 \$80,000 Daly City School District bonds.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY (P. O. San Jose), Calif.—BOND ELECTION—At the general election the voters will pass on the proposed issuance of \$250,000 in bonds for hospital construction, it is said.

SAYRE, Beckham County, Okla.—BONDS VOTED—At an election held recently the voters are said to have approved the issuance of \$48,000 in sewage disposal plant bonds.

SCOTTDAL, Westmoreland County, Pa.—BOND SALE—T. B. Gibson, Borough Manager, states that the issue of \$20,000 refunding bonds approved in July—V. 139, p. 807—was sold through the Colonial National Bank of Pittsburg to the Estate of J. G. McCaskey.

SCOTT RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Brown County, Ohio—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will be asked to approve the issuance of \$20,000 school building construction bonds, due in 24 years.

SCOTT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Grafton, R. D. No. 8), Allegheny County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING—Walter H. Book, District Secretary will receive sealed bids until 8 p.m. on Nov. 5 for the purchase of \$190,000 4 3/4, 4 1/2, 4 1/4, 3 3/4 or 3 1/2% coupon bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due Nov. 1 as follows: \$10,000 from 1949 to 1952 incl. and \$15,000 from 1953 to 1962 incl. Bidder to name a single interest rate for all of the bonds. Interest is payable in M. & N. The bonds will be issued free of State tax, except succession and inheritance taxes, and will be sold subject to the approval of the Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs. A certified check for \$2,000, payable to the order of the Township Treasurer, must accompany each proposal. The successful bidder is to furnish and pay for the printing of the bonds.

SEATTLE, King County, Wash.—BONDS CALLED—H. L. Collier, City Treasurer, is reported to have called for payment at his office from Oct. 11 to Oct. 24 various local improvement district bonds and coupons.

SEYMOUR, Outagamie County, Wis.—BOND SALE—A \$45,000 issue of 4% sewer bonds was purchased by the Channer Securities Co. of Chicago. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1934. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable at the office of the City Treasurer. Legality to be approved by Chapman & Cutler of Chicago.

SHALERSVILLE RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Portage County, Ohio—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will be asked to approve an issue of \$30,000 school building bonds, due in 16 years.

SHELBY COUNTY (P. O. Memphis), Tenn.—BOND SALE AUTHORIZED—The sale of \$103,000 in bonds, the remainder of the original issue of \$500,000 for improvements at the penal farm, was ordered on Oct. 15 by the Shelby County Court, according to Memphis dispatches of that date.

SHIPPENSBURG, Cumberland County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING—W. Bruce Weaver, Borough Secretary, will receive sealed bids until 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 5 for the purchase of \$30,000 3 3/4, 3 1/2, 3 3/4 or 4% coupon water bonds. Dated Nov. 15 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Nov. 15 from 1935 to 1964 incl. Registerable as to principal only. Interest payable M. & N. 15. Bidder to name a single interest rate for all of the bonds. The bonds were voted on June 27 1933 and are being issued subject to approval of the Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs and legal approving opinion of Townsend, Elliott & Munson of Philadelphia. A certified check for 2% of the bonds bid for, payable to the order of the borough, must accompany each proposal.

SLIPPERY ROCK, Butler County, Pa.—BOND SALE—The \$7,500 4% coupon (registerable as to principal) bonds offered on Oct. 20—V. 139, p. 2402—were awarded to the First National Bank of Slippery Rock, at par and accrued interest. Dated Oct. 1 1934. Due \$500 annually.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY (P. O. Everett), Wash.—BOND SALE—The \$250,000 issue of coupon warrant redemption bonds offered for sale on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2402—was awarded jointly to Ferris & Hardgrove of Spokane, and Wm. P. Harper & Sons & Co. of Seattle, at a price of 100.035, a net interest cost of about 3.69%, on the bonds divided as follows: \$73,000 as 3 1/2%, maturing in 1936 to 1938, the remaining \$177,000 as 3 3/4%, maturing from 1939 to 1944.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY (P. O. Everett), Wash.—WARRANTS CALLED—It is reported that the County Treasurer called for payment at his office on Oct. 10, various school district, dyke district, drain district and soldiers' relief fund warrants.

SONOMA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Santa Rosa), Calif.—BOND SALE—The three issues of bonds, aggregating \$284,000, offered for sale on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2402—were purchased by the Anglo California National Bank of San Francisco. The issues are divided as follows: \$160,000 Analy Union High School District; \$60,000 Healdsburg High School District, and \$64,000 Healdsburg Grammar School District bonds.

In connection with the above report we quote in part as follows from an account of the sale given in the "Wall Street Journal" of Oct. 23:

"Anglo-California National Bank of San Francisco and Blyth & Co., Inc., were awarded three school district bond issues aggregating \$314,000. All of the districts are located in Sonoma County and comprise issues of \$190,000 Analy Union High School District bonds due 1938 to 1959; \$60,000 Healdsburg High School district, due 1936 to 1947 and \$64,000 Healdsburg Elementary School District, due 1939-52.

"The Analy bonds were awarded on a bid of \$109 premium for the first \$140,000 of maturities as 4s and the remainder to carry a 3 3/4% coupon. For the Healdsburg high schools the Anglo-Blyth bid named a premium of \$279 for straight 3 3/4s which for the \$64,000 Healdsburg elementary school bonds they offered a premium of \$1 for the first, \$28,000 as 4s and the remainder as 3 3/4s.

"There were four bids received for the Analy bonds; six each for the Healdsburg issues."

SOUTH CAROLINA, State of (P. O. Columbia)—BOND ISSUANCE CONTEMPLATED—The State Highway Commission is said to be considering the issuance of about \$2,500,000 in road bonds.

SOUTH VIENNA, Clark County, Ohio—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will be asked to approve an issue of \$11,000 Town Hall building construction bonds.

SOUTH WEST CITY, McDonald County, Mo.—BONDS VOTED—At an election on Oct. 16 the voters are stated to have approved the issuance of \$20,000 in 4% water works system bonds by a very wide margin. It is said that these bonds will soon be offered for sale.

SPOKANE, Spokane County, Wash.—BOND CALL—The City Treasurer is said to be calling for payment at his office on Nov. 1, various local improvement district bonds.

SPRINGFIELD, Hampden County, Mass.—BORROWS \$500,000—City Treasurer George W. Rice announced that a loan of \$500,000 in anticipation of revenue was obtained on Oct. 16 from a Boston banking institution at 0.45% discount basis. This rate compares with that of 0.55% paid on the last previous loan sold a month ago. The current loan is payable \$300,000 April 18 and \$200,000 May 16 1935. Borrowings in anticipation of tax collections so far during 1934 have amounted to \$7,000,000, including the above \$500,000, compared with \$8,720,000 in 1933, \$9,000,000 in 1932 and \$7,900,000 in 1931. Moreover, although a loan was negotiated this past summer at a rate of 0.19%, the lowest rate obtained in 1933 was 0.77%. It is said. High and low discount rates for the past four years were as follows:

	High	Low		High	Low
1931	4.50%	1.14%	1933	5.00%	0.77%
1932	5.75%	0.95%	1934	2.85%	0.19%

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP (P. O. Swarthmore), Delaware County, Pa.—BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT—M. M. Freeman & Co., Inc. of Philadelphia, made public offering on Oct. 18 of \$40,000 3 3/4% building and equipment bonds at prices to yield, according to maturities, as follows: 1935 to 1939, 2.80%; 1940 to 1944, 2.90%, and from 1945 to 1954, 3%. The bonds are dated Oct. 1 1934 and due \$2,000 annually on Oct. 1. They were awarded to the bankers on Oct. 2 at a price of 101.11, a basis of about 3.12%.—V. 139, p. 2241.

STAMFORD, Fairfield County, Conn.—LOAN OFFERING—Joseph P. Zone, Town Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. on Oct. 30 for the purchase of \$500,000 fiscal year 1934-1935 tax anticipation notes. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Bidder to indicate denoms. desired. Notes will mature June 18 1935. They will be authenticated as to genuineness and validity by the First National Bank of Boston under advice of Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins of Boston.

In connection with the above offering, the Town Treasurer has issued the following information: Bonded debt as of Oct. 1 1934 was \$4,453,500. With total of \$423,286 in the sinking fund, the net debt amounts to \$4,030,213. Budget appropriations for 1934-35 fiscal year (Oct. 1 to Sept. 30) are \$2,347,446 compared with \$2,467,791 of budget expenditures in the preceding fiscal year and \$2,432,064 two years ago.

The 1933 tax levy totals \$2,179,434 and balance of uncollected taxes on Oct. 20 1934 was \$542,627. The comparative figures for the three preceding years were \$2,157,374 levied, \$330,220 uncollected; 1931 levied \$2,359,929, uncollected \$187,814; 1930 levied \$2,392,719, uncollected \$81,725.

There are outstanding \$500,000 of anticipation notes due Nov. 15 against the 1933 tax list. The Town of Stamford, the Treasurer reports, has never failed to meet maturities on due dates.

STARK COUNTY (P. O. Canton), Ohio—BOND SALE—The \$156,000 poor relief bonds offered on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2241—were awarded as 2 3/4% to the McDonald-Callahan-Richards Co. of Cleveland, at par plus a premium of \$173, equal to 100.11, a basis of about 2.72%. Dated Oct. 1 1934 and due as follows: \$50,500, March 1 and \$52,000, Sept. 1 1937, and \$53,500, March 1 1938.

STONEWALL COUNTY (P. O. Apermont), Tex.—BOND ELECTION—It is stated that an election is scheduled for Nov. 10 to vote on the issuance of \$50,000 in right-of-way bonds.

STOUGHTON, Dane County, Wis.—POWER PLANT PLAN HALTED—In connection with the approval of the \$80,000 in 4% electric light plant bonds at the election on Aug. 9—V. 139, p. 1277—and the sale of these bonds, we quote in part as follows from the Milwaukee "Sentinel" of Oct. 17:

"At a special meeting of the council to-night it was voted to drop plans for construction of a municipally owned Diesel engine plant as an auxiliary power source, although the proposal had carried in a referendum and bonds totaling \$80,000 to finance the venture had been sold.

"To-night's action was prompted by a suit brought by the Stoughton taxpayer's association, seeking to restrain the city. From the first the plan has been hotly contested. In the referendum Aug. 9 the bond issue carried, 712 to 528.

"The taxpayer's association which fought the proposal contended that the new bond issue would exceed the constitutional debt limit. To-night's resolution, which was adopted almost unanimously by the council, provides the bonds will be called back if the suit is withdrawn. The bonds were sold to T. E. Joiner & Co., Chicago."

STREETMAN, Freestone County, Tex.—BONDS VOTED—At the election on Oct. 15—V. 139, p. 2086—the voters approved the issuance of the \$14,000 in 4% water works construction bonds by a wide margin. (A loan and grant of \$36,000 has been approved by the Public Works Administration.)

SUFFOLK COUNTY (P. O. Riverhead), N. Y.—SUED FOR \$100,000 IN LOT DEAL—Decision in an action brought by the Lindlots Realty Corp., Manhattan, against the County to recover over \$100,000, representing the sale price and subsequent taxes paid on about 5,000 lots in Lindenhurst, L. I., purchased from the County, was reserved by Supreme Court Justice Peter P. Smith in Riverhead on Oct. 25. The corporation contends that the County had not passed a valid title to the lots, which it acquired through tax sales from 1914 to 1922 incl. About a year ago, it is said, the County seized a number of the lots as part of the right-of-way of Sunrise Highway and the corporation contends it has been unable to obtain redress from the County.

SUMMIT COUNTY (P. O. Akron), Ohio—BOND SALE—The \$173,200 poor relief bonds offered on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2241—were awarded as 3s to Otis & Co. of Cleveland, at par plus a premium of \$248, equal to 100.25, a basis of about 2.91%. Dated Oct. 1 1934 and due as follows: \$56,000, March 1 and \$57,700 Sept. 1 1937 and \$59,500 March 1 1938. Award of the \$500,000 issue of refunding bonds offered at the same time was deferred until Friday, Oct. 26.

TALMADGE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 91 (P. O. Talmadge), Otose County, Neb.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until Nov. 5 by the Clerk of the Board of Education for the purchase of the \$23,000 4 1/2% school building bonds that were voted on Jan. 30—V. 138, p. 1086. Due \$1,000 from 1939 to 1961, inclusive.

TAMA COUNTY (P. O. Toledo), Iowa—BOND SALE—The \$105,000 issue of 3 1/2% semi-ann. refunding bonds offered for sale on Oct. 2—V. 139 p. 2086—was purchased by the White-Phillips Co. of Davenport.

TARRANT COUNTY (P. O. Fort Worth), Texas—CONFIRMATION—The report given in V. 139, p. 2555, that at the general election on Nov. 6 the voters will pass on the proposed cancellation of \$780,000 of unissued road bonds is confirmed by the Assistant County Auditor.

TEXAS, State of (P. O. Austin)—BOND OFFERING—It is announced by James V. Alford, Chairman of the State Bond Commission, that the said Bond Commission will receive sealed bids filed with George H. Sheppard, Secretary, until 10 a. m. on Nov. 2, for the purchase of \$1,000,000 relief, Third Series, Second Installment bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 4 1/2%, payable A. & O. Bids may be filed for a portion of said bonds upon one rate of interest and upon another portion or portions thereof at different rates of interest, or upon the whole offering of bonds at a certain rate of interest not to exceed 4 1/2%. The Bond Commission reserves the right to accept any item in any bid for a portion of said bonds and to reject the remaining items in such bid. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Oct. 15 1934. Due on Oct. 15 as follows: \$131,000 in 1935; \$93,000, 1936; \$97,000, 1937; \$103,000, 1938; \$105,000, 1939; \$110,000, 1940; \$115,000, 1941; \$120,000, 1942, and \$126,000 in 1943. These bonds are part of an authorized issue of \$6,000,000. They are issued in conformity with Art. 3, Section 51-A of the State Constitution, and the enabling act, designated H. B. No. 1, passed by the 43rd Legislature at its Third Called Session. They are offered subject to the final and unqualified approving opinions of John D. McCall, State's Attorney General, and Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York, whose opinions are to be furnished at the expense of the State. The bonds cannot be sold for less than par and accrued interest and no form of commission shall be allowed or paid in any transaction involving their sale. Bids will be considered for all or any portion of the bonds. The law provides in effect, that if at this sale, bids are accepted in an amount aggregating less than \$1,000,000, then the Bond Commission is required to deliver bonds maturing from 1935 to 1943. A certified check for 1% of the par value of the bonds for which any bid may be submitted, payable to the State Treasurer, is required.

WICHITA, Sedgwick County, Kan.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until Nov. 5, according to report, by the City Clerk, for the purchase of an issue of \$120,129 3 3/4% semi-ann. internal improvement and refunding bonds. Due in from 1 to 10 years.

THREE OAKS, Berrien County, Mich.—BONDS DEFEATED—At an election held on Oct. 9 the voters approved the construction of a school auditorium, but refused to sanction a \$15,000 bond issue to finance the project. Another election is expected to be held.

THOR, Humboldt County, Iowa—CORRECTION—The Town Clerk states that at an election on Oct. 29 the voters will pass on the issuance of not to exceed \$8,000 in bonds, not \$10,000, as reported in V. 139, p. 2555.

TILDEN, Madison County, Neb.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The City Council is reported to have adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance of \$17,278.27 in refunding bonds.

TILLMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 (P. O. Loveland), Okla.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 29 by T. P. Paden, District Clerk, for the purchase of an \$11,500 issue of school bonds. Interest rate to be named by bidder. Due as follows: \$2,000 in 1937; \$1,357, 1938 to 1943, and \$1,358, in 1944. A certified check for 2% of the amount bid is required.

TOLEDO, Lucas County, Ohio—BABY BOND ISSUE PLAN DEFERRED—Acting on the suggestion of Ralph Doty, Law Director, the City Council on Oct. 15 deferred action on a proposal providing for the passage of preliminary legislation covering the issuance of \$2,461,776 baby bonds. The plan was offered as a means of avoiding delay in payment of the City's floating indebtedness in the event that the voters refuse to authorize the \$1,965,000 deficiency bond issue at the Nov. 6 general election—V. 139, p. 2241.

TORONTO, Jefferson County, Ohio—BOND DESCRIPTION—The \$18,000 refunding bonds mentioned in—V. 139, p. 2086—have been authorized by the City Council to be issued as follows: Dated Sept. 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Int. rate of 6%, payable semi-annually in M. & S. Due Sept. 1 as follows: \$2,000 in 1938 and \$4,000 from 1939 to 1942 incl. If the bonds are sold to the Industrial Commission of Ohio or the State Teachers Retirement System, they will be payable as to prin. and int. at the State Treasurer's office; otherwise payment will be made at the City Treasurer's office or at the Union Savings Bank, Toronto.

TRIPP, Hutchinson County, N. Dak.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p.m. on Nov. 5 by P. J. Hofer, City Auditor,

for the purchase of a \$7,500 issue of 5% water works bonds. Denom. \$500. Dated Dec. 1 1934. Due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$500 in 1939, 1941, 1943 to 1953 and \$1,000 in 1954. Redeemable at the option of the city any time after Dec. 1 1942. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) to be payable at a place to be agreed upon between the purchaser and the City Council. The bonds to be sold at not less than par value, with accrued int. A certified check for 5% of the bid, payable to the City Treasurer, is required. (This report supplements the offering notice given in V. 139, p. 2555.)

TRUCKEE UTILITY DISTRICT (P. O. Truckee) Nevada County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION—At the general election on Nov. 6 it is reported that the issuance of \$45,000 in district bonds will be passed on by the voters.

TUCKERTON, Ocean County, N. J.—PROPOSED BOND ISSUE—An ordinance was introduced at a recent meeting of the Borough Council providing for the issuance of \$120,000 6% refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$3,000 annually on Nov. 1 from 1935 to 1974, incl. Optional on and after Nov. 1 1944.

UNION COUNTY (P. O. Marysville), Ohio—BOND SALE—The \$10,000 poor relief bonds offered on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2403—were awarded as 3s to Otis & Co., of Cleveland, at par plus a premium of \$38, equal to 100.38, a basis of about 2.87%. Dated Oct. 1 1934 and due as follows: \$3,500, March 1 and Sept. 1 1937 and \$3,000, March 1 1938.

The following is an official list of the other bids received at the sale:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Premium
Seasongood & Mayer, Cincinnati	3 1/4 %	\$11.85
Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co., Cincinnati	3 1/4 %	28.00
Fox, Einhorn & Co., Cincinnati	3 1/4 %	34.68
G. Parr Ayers & Co., Columbus	3 1/4 %	26.10
Otis & Co., Cleveland	3 %	38.00
Johnson, Kase & Co., Cleveland	3 %	30.10

UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO (P. O. Santa Fe)—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The State Board of Finance is said to have authorized the Board of Regents of the above university to issue \$190,000 in bonds to cooperate with the Public Works Administration.

URBANA, Champaign County, Ill.—BOND ISSUE CONTESTED—The election held on Sept. 29 at which an issue of \$149,000 Leal School building bonds was approved—V. 139, p. 2555—is being contested on the ground that poll books and tally sheets were incorrect. The Public Works Administration has approved a loan and grant of \$195,000 for the project.

UTICA, Oneida County, N. Y.—PROPOSED BOND ISSUE—Favorable action on a proposal to issue \$100,000 welfare bonds is expected to be taken by the Common Council.

VALPARAISO, Porter County, Ind.—BOND SALE—The Indianapolis Bond & Share Corp. of Indianapolis recently obtained the award of \$25,000 5% water works system bonds at par plus a premium of \$383.50, equal to 101.534.

VAN WERT COUNTY (P. O. Van Wert), Ohio—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The State Relief Commission has authorized the County to issue \$17,685 poor relief bonds.

VILLA GROVE, Douglas County, Ill.—PROPOSED BOND FINANCING—The city plans to issue \$20,000 general obligation and \$16,000 revenue bonds, the total proceeds of \$36,000 to be used for water supply purposes.

WASCO, Kern County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until Nov. 5, by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, for the purchase of a \$42,000 issue of 4 1/2 % annual school building bonds. Due from 1936 to 1949, inclusive.

WASHBURN, Rayfield County, Wis.—BOND SALE—It is reported that the \$67,500 5% water plant purchase bonds approved by the voters on April 3—V. 138, p. 3484—have been sold. Dated June 1 1934. Due on June 1 1954.

WASHINGTON, McClain County, Okla.—BOND SALE—The \$10,500 issue of 4% coupon semi-ann. water works system bonds offered for sale on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2242—was purchased at par by the Public Works Administration. Dated Sept. 1 1934. Due \$500 from Sept. 1 1937 to 1957 incl. No other bid was received.

WAVERLY, Bremer County, Iowa.—PWA LOAN OFFER TENTATIVELY ACCEPTED—It is said that an offer from the Public Works Administration of a loan to assist in financing a sewage disposal plant, with the condition that the city can later reject this loan if a favorable public market is found for its bonds, has been accepted tentatively by the City Council.

WEBER CO. (P. O. Ogden), Utah—BOND ELECTION PLANNED—The holding of an election on Nov. 22 to vote on the issuance of \$200,000 in school improvement bonds is reported to have been approved tentatively by the County Board of Education.

WELLSVILLE, Allegany County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING—Otto P. Engelder, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. on Nov. 2 for the purchase of \$85,000 4% municipal water and light plant improvement bonds. The issue was approved by the voters on Sept. 4. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Denom. \$500. Due Nov. 1 as follows: \$5,000 from 1936 to 1945, incl. and \$7,000 from 1946 to 1950, incl. Interest is payable in M. & N. A certified check for \$1,000, payable to the order of George B. Rooth Jr., Treasurer, must accompany each proposal. "The assessed valuation of the property subject to the taxing power of the issuer is \$7-142,098; the total bonded debt of the issuer including the amount of the proposed issue is \$372,977 of which \$221,000 is for municipal water and light indebtedness leaving the net bonded indebtedness of the issuer including this issue \$151,977; the population of the issuer according to the most recent United States census is 5,674; the bonded debt of such issuer does not include the debt of the Township of Wellsville nor of School District No. 1 having power to levy taxes upon any or all of the property within the Village of Wellsville, N. Y.; the tax collection record of the issuer as of the date hereof for 1931 taxes collected 99%; 1932, 98%; 1933, 97%."

WESTERN COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4 (P. O. Rome), Oneida County, N. Y.—BOND SALE—The \$10,000 coupon or registered school bonds offered on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2404—were awarded as 4 1/4 s to the Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. of Buffalo, at a price of 100.426, a basis of about 4.45%. Dated Oct. 15 1934 and due \$500 on Jan. 1 from 1936 to 1955, inclusive.

WHITAKER, Allegheny County, Pa.—PRICE PAID—The \$8,000 5% sanitary sewer bonds purchased by McLaughlin, MacAfee & Co. of Pittsburgh—V. 139, p. 2556—were purchased by the bankers at a price of 101.25 a basis of about 4.88%. Dated April 1 1934 and due May 1 1949.

WHITEDER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Whiteder), Union County, Pa.—BOND ISSUE APPROVED—The Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs on Oct. 16 approved an issue of \$5,000 operating expense bonds.

WILLACY COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Raymondville), Texas—BONDS APPROVED—The Attorney-General is said to have approved an issue of \$1,504,000 in 4% refunding bonds. Dated April 15 1934. Due from 1944 to 1968. Interest payable at the district office or at the Chase National Bank in New York City.

WILLARD, Huron County, Ohio—BOND ISSUE NOT ON BALLOT—Because the petition asking for the vote was filed one day too late, a proposal to issue \$75,000 sewer bonds will not be included on the ballot at the general election on Nov. 6, as originally intended.—V. 139, p. 2556. A special election may be called later on the question.

WINSTON-SALEM, Forsyth County, N. C.—BOND SALE—The \$300,000 issue of coupon refunding bonds offered for sale on Oct. 23—V. 139, p. 2556—was awarded to a syndicate composed of R. S. Dickson & Co. of Charlotte, the First of Michigan Corp. of Detroit, the Equitable Securities Corp. of Nashville, and Justus F. Lowe & Co. of Minneapolis, paying a premium of \$16, equal to 100.005, a basis of about 4.43%, on the bonds divided as follows: \$240,000 as 4 1/4 s, maturing on March 1 as follows: \$6,000, 1936 and 1937; \$13,000, 1938 to 1943, and \$30,000, 1944 to 1948, the remaining \$60,000 as 4 1/4 s, due \$30,000 on March 1 1949 and 1950.

BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT—The successful bidders received the above bonds on Oct. 25 for public subscription, priced as follows: the 4 1/4 s to yield 4.25%, and the 4 1/2 s will yield from 2.75% to 4.25%, according to maturity.

The following bids were also received for the bonds:

Name of Bidder	Rate	Price Bid
Blyth & Co.; Oscar Burnett & Co.; Lewis & Hall	4 1/4 %	\$300,413.10
Kirchofer & Arnold, Inc.; Branch Banking & Trust Co.; McAllister, Smith & Pate	4 %	300,114.10
Maturities 1936-37	4 1/2 %	12,000
Maturities 1938-1950	4 %	288,000
Wachovia Bank & Trust Co.	4 1/2 %	300,302.00

WOOD COUNTY (P. O. Bowling Green), Ohio—BOND OFFERING—C. O. Cummings, County Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. on Nov. 8 for the purchase of \$50,000 6% poor relief bonds. Dated Oct. 1 1934. Due as follows: \$3,200 March 1 and Sept. 1 1935; \$3,400 March 1 and Sept. 1 1936; \$11,900, March 1 and \$12,300 Sept. 1 1937; \$12,000, March 1 and \$600 Sept. 1 1938. Principal and interest (M. & S.) payable at the State Treasurer's office. Bids for the bonds to bear interest at a rate other than 6%, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%, will also be considered. A certified check for \$1,000, payable to the order of the County Treasurer, must accompany each proposal. Conditional bids, other than for legal opinion of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey of Cleveland and the optional interest rate, will not be accepted.

WOOD COUNTY (P. O. Wisconsin Rapids), Wis.—BOND SALE—A \$50,000 issue of 4 1/4 % corporate purpose bonds was purchased recently by the Securities Co. of Milwaukee, Inc. Dated Oct. 1 1934. Due \$20,000 on Oct. 1 1943 and \$30,000 Oct. 1 1944.

YAKIMA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS (P. O. Yakima), Wash.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until Nov. 10, at 1 p. m., by C. D. Stephens, County Treasurer, for the purchase of two issues of coupon bonds aggregating \$16,000, divided as follows: \$11,000 School District No. 100, and \$5,000 School District No. 89 bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 6%. Dated Dec. 1 1934. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. A certified check for 5% of each issue bid for, is required.

YOUNGSTOWN, Mahoning County, Ohio—PROPOSED BOND ISSUE—The Council's Finance Committee on Oct. 1 recommended passage of an ordinance providing for the issuance of \$100,000 park and playground improvement bonds. Hugh D. Hindman, Director of Finance, announced on Oct. 11 that the sinking fund will have a cash balance of \$261,000 at the close of the current year. The amount now consists of scrip, but will be changed into cash as soon as possible, he said.

YONKERS, Westchester County, N. Y.—\$6,000,000 REFUNDING BONDS APPROVED—It is reported that the city recently voted to refund \$6,000,000 bonds maturing soon. The new bonds are to bear 5% interest and mature over a period of eight years, it is said.

ZANESVILLE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Muskingum County, Ohio—PROPOSED BOND ISSUE—The Board of Education plans to issue \$14,517.55 bonds for the purpose of funding its floating indebtedness.

CANADA, Its Provinces and Municipalities.

CANADA (Dominion of)—BASIS OF ALLOTMENT OF BONDS—In connection with the recent over-subscription of \$250,000,000 bonds—V. 139, p. 2556—the "Monetary Times" of Toronto of Oct. 20 reported as follows on the basis of allotment of bonds according to subscriptions:

"Referring to the over-subscription of the new Dominion loan E. N. Rhodes, Minister of Finance, stated that all cash subscriptions in amounts up to \$25,000 in all four maturities are allotted in full. In the two-year 2% bonds and the five-year 2 1/2 % bonds, cash subscriptions in excess of \$25,000 will be allotted only 50%. In the eight-year 3% bonds and the 15-year 3 1/2 % bonds, cash subscriptions of \$25,000 and up to \$500,000 will receive an allotment of 70%, and subscriptions over \$500,000 an allotment of 50%."

PLANS ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL CURRENCY—According to information obtained by the "Financial Post" of Toronto and published in its issue of Oct. 20:

"The Dominion Government's financial program for the remainder of this year will consist largely of issuing more Dominion currency and sustaining the large volume of notes already issued."

"The \$35,000,000 of advances to banks under the Finance Act which mature Nov. 1 will be renewed so that this block of Dominion currency will be kept outstanding at least until the commencement of operations of the Bank of Canada, it is understood. Meanwhile, the Government is expected to continue to issue more currency up to the full amount possible under legislation passed late in June."

"These measures are designed to maintain the commercial banks' cash reserves at a high level and to keep credit easy in the Dominion in the period prior to opening of the new Central Bank. By initiating this 'anti-deflationary' policy as Ottawa calls it, the Dominion is virtually acting the part of a central bank while that institution is in process of formation."

"Bankers appear to view the increasing issues of Dominion notes as an easy way for the Government to get money without interest. At the same time the view is held that there are dangers in the probable resultant expansion of credit to the amount of several times the increased note issues."

Dominion Note Issues and Gold Holdings of Minister of Finance 1934

Note Issues:	Sept. 30	Aug. 31	July 31	June 30	May 31
Chap. 4 1915	26,000,000	26,000,000	26,000,000	26,000,000	26,000,000
Finance Act	37,697,000	40,544,000	40,444,000	37,944,000	38,444,000
Dom. Notes Act	143,306,548	131,784,888	124,759,155	108,713,593	106,666,949
Total	207,003,548	193,328,888	191,203,155	172,657,593	171,110,949
Gold holdings:					
Against—					
P. O. savings	2,243,298	2,253,823	2,266,190	2,279,765	2,294,959
Dominion notes	53,306,548	41,784,888	34,759,155	27,178,398	69,166,949
Excess gold	16,807,430	28,350,743	36,181,225	43,515,760	371,003
Total	72,357,276	72,389,454	73,206,570	72,973,923	71,832,911

HAMILTON, Ont.—BOND ISSUE REFUSED—The City's Ontario Railway and Municipal Board has refused the City's application for permission to issue \$249,000 cemetery bonds.

MONTMORENCY, Que.—BOND SALE—The \$45,000 5% school bonds offered on Oct. 22—V. 139, p. 2556—were awarded to Dube, Leblond & Co., Inc. of Quebec, the only bidders. Due serially in 20 years.

MONTREAL, Que.—FINANCIAL REPORT—The following report dealing with the financial condition of the City appeared in the "Wall Street Journal" of recent date: "Montreal's debt increased by \$20,234,487 to a new high of \$255,789,284 during the 16-month period Jan. 1 1933—April 30 1934, according to report of L. P. Philie, Director of Finance, approved by executive committee. Property owners were assessed during the period an additional \$7,274,104 of paving, sewer, sidewalk and expropriation costs. Revenue deficit of the city for the period was \$6,973,143. Tax arrears declined by \$2,059,542 to \$17,515,540. Borrowing power of the city as of April 30 was only \$1,015,338, equivalent to 0.106% of the assessed value of real estate as then given. This is the statutory borrowing power of 12% of the annual assessment increase. During the period, loans made under regular and special authority totaled \$33,291,400 and \$13,056,912 were redeemed, making net increase in funded debt of \$20,234,487."

"Uncollected taxes as of end of the fiscal year totaled \$17,515,540, including reserves set up for estimated loss in collection. Accrued interest on outstanding taxes considered collectible was \$4,884,640. Dole and relief works to end of the fiscal period under review had cost the city \$16,623,164—\$9,013,987 for the dole, \$5,050,417 for relief works and \$2,558,760 for expropriations attached to relief work."

REVELSTOKE, B. C.—FINANCIAL STATEMENT—Net debenture debt including an issue of \$16,000 of bonds on which tenders were called last summer, will be \$327,000 at Dec. 31 1934, according to W. A. Gordon, City Treasurer. The \$16,000 issue was not sold, tenders being considered unsatisfactory. Mr. Gordon points out that all debentures have been met when due, that there is a surplus in sinking fund and that the ordinary budget showed a surplus of \$8,455 in 1933. The 1934 tax levy is \$59,304 at 40 mills. Total uncollected taxes at Dec. 31 1933, were \$20,720.

STRATFORD, Ont.—BOND SALE—An issue of \$100,000 4 1/2 % bonds, due serially in from 1 to 10 years, has been sold privately to A. E. Ames & Co. of Toronto. Half the issue is being re-sold to the city for sale over the counter and for sinking fund, it is understood, and \$50,000 of bonds are being offered publicly by the underwriters to yield about 4.30%.