

# The Financial Situation

THE situation in Washington has now become more confused and unpredictable than it has been at any time since the present Administration came into office. Both Administration leaders in Congress and representatives of the press in attendance at the White House understood the President to take the position early in the week that it was his earnest desire to have his most recent plan for laying greatly increased taxation upon the very wealthy attached to the tax measure already before Congress and driven through with whip and spur before the close of this week. Naturally enough there arose an outcry of protest not only from the general public but from the President's most ardent supporters in and out of Congress. About the middle of the week, the President then somewhat vehemently denied that he had ever insisted or desired that action on the matter be taken in the manner described. At the moment of this writing ill feeling and utter inability to be certain just what the President does desire appear to prevail in Washington, although the general impression seems to be that both the President and his party have now permitted themselves to be placed in a position from which they find it difficult, politically speaking, to retreat, and that probably Congress will feel obliged to stay in Washington for a considerably longer period than intended, during which it will undertake to work out some sort of new tax program of the general nature described by the President and place it upon the statute book this summer if it can.

## Rates and Estimates, but Whose?

Meantime, a list of rates proposed for levy upon individual income, inheritances and gifts and upon the net income of corporations has made its appearance. It was at first supposed that the rates thus presented had more or less official backing, but the President has now let it be known that he does not sponsor them. Whose ideas they represent remains one of the many mysteries of the week. An estimate of the revenue these levies would presumably produce per annum has likewise made its appearance, but no one appears to know who compiled it or upon what basis it was computed. It would require considerable credulity to have much faith in these fig-

ures. It is difficult not to believe that they have some semblance of official sanction. If such is the case they very substantially add to the impression previously given that this whole new tax program is to be regarded as purely a product of political jockeying, hastily conceived and amateurishly formulated. No statesman really concerned with budgetary improvement would, with deficits running \$3,500,000,000 or more, bring forth any plan with so much pomp and circumstance for which he could claim no more than \$350,000,000 per year in revenue, as is the case with the present one. The rate schedules likewise reveal little or no understanding

of the problems involved—and if the truth must be told little relationship to the grandiose words of the President in his recent message to Congress on the subject.

All this has inevitably rendered more obscure the status of the previously formulated New Deal measures pending in Congress. Indeed it has in very substantial measure thrown them into the background. If Congress is really as deeply incensed as it is reputed to be as a result of the President's recent tactics, one would suppose the result would be that some of the Administration legislative measures now in a critical stage in Congress would suffer—a consummation devoutly to be wished. Some evidence of such a development is at hand. Senator Glass is obviously having greater success in his vigorous efforts to save the country from the proposed Banking Act of 1935 than seemed probable or even possible a short time ago. The public utility holding company measure is, according to the press, finding the going increasingly

## "Labor" and the Rest of Us

"If labor's rights are defined by Government, then certain obligations will of course be expected of wage earners, and it is for the public interest that those obligations should be defined by labor itself and that such discipline as is necessary should be self-imposed and not imposed from without."

This remarkable idea is extracted from the annual report of the Secretary of Labor, made public in the course of the past week. State it simply, and we have:

"Government should determine the rights of labor, but labor should be given the privilege of determining the rights of the rest of the community so far as its relations, direct and indirect, with labor are concerned, and be granted the additional privilege of determining whether, to what extent and how these rights are protected."

Merely to state the notion in understandable language is to demonstrate its absurdity. Every school child knows that under our system of government the laws of the land are supposed to state the rights of all groups in the community, that it is the duty of the Government to see that the laws are enforced, and that it is the function of the courts to interpret the laws.

In ordinary circumstances we could perhaps afford to pass lightly over the curious doctrines now formulated by the Secretary of Labor as a mere play to the galleries. Such is not the case to-day. The policies of both the National and many of the State governments in recent years bear all too plainly the mark of just such notions about labor, as though the mere fact that a man is in the habit of doing manual work for wages somehow sets him aside in a class by himself and entitles him to rights, privileges and immunities denied to the rest of us.

This and its companion piece, the notion that the Government, business or what is sometimes vaguely termed "society" owes almost everybody, particularly those who do not choose to work, a good living quite regardless of individual effort to produce the means of such a livelihood, must somehow be expunged from our minds where to-day it is fast gaining a tenacious hold. Otherwise disaster will follow.

hard in the House. On the other hand, the pernicious Wagner bill is about to become law. It is very difficult to tell what is really going on in connection with the other pending measures. Late in the week certain advocates of the proposed Banking Act of 1935 raised a hue and cry about what is termed a bankers' lobby in Washington, but it is hardly likely that the fact that the Senate committee at work on the measure has taken counsel of a leading banker in New York on certain technical aspects of the bill will have the effect that those who are making much of the matter evidently hope. About all that can be said with certainty

at present is that confusion in Washington has now grown worse confounded and that prevailing uncertainty will continue much longer than had been anticipated prior to the most recent proposals of the President in the matter of "soaking the rich."

### The Budgetary Situation

THOSE really interested in the fiscal welfare of the country are meanwhile finding wholesome food for thought in the daily Treasury statement which now shows figures that closely approximate those for the fiscal year coming to a close to-day. If anything were needed to stimulate interest in these statistics the frequent recent reports of plans for the expenditure of some \$4,000,000,000 during the coming fiscal year in providing "work relief" would serve that purpose. For some reason unknown to us the headline writers seem to suppose that the fact that the total outlays for the present fiscal year are substantially below those the President had predicted would be the case is far more important than the fact that the Federal Government has cost us more during the past year than ever before in our peace time history. Total expenditures during the current fiscal year, as shown on the daily Treasury statement a week before the close of the year, amount to about \$7,200,000,000 as compared with about \$6,900,000,000 for the corresponding period of the previous fiscal year. This, not the prediction of the President of an even larger sum, is the important and distressing fact. It is an extraordinary record for an Administration that was swept into office preaching the gospel of a balanced budget. Coupled with the prospect of unabated extravagance, it is likewise a strange commentary upon a Government that even after it had launched upon the most astonishing program of expenditures known to history, advised the country to look forward to a definitely balanced budget during the fiscal year about to begin. Of course it is a record of hopeless waste, reckless financial management and total disregard for the tested principles of sound public finance.

But even so it does not tell the whole story. On August 28, 1934, the Secretary of the Treasury in a radio address to the people of the country offered some very interesting figures to substantiate the claim that the deficit of the Administration since it took office in March 1933, which at that time had reached \$4,400,000,000, was not to be considered a true deficit in any such amount. Among other things he asserted that for moneys expended during the period in question the Federal Government had acquired assets valued at some \$1,850,000,000. Upon the occasion of this address he presented the press with an elaborate table showing the assets of the various agencies of the Federal Government, some of them owned in their entirety by the Government and some of them partly so owned. The figures presented were as of June 30 1934. They have been appearing at monthly intervals ever since. The latest such statement is as of April 30 1935. A comparison of the figures presented in this last "consolidated balance sheet" with those of June 30 last year is instructive.

At the beginning of the current fiscal year the proprietary interests of the Government in all these assets amounted to approximately \$4,170,000,000. On April 30 this year, these interests (after eliminating certain agencies which were not included in the earlier statement and whose assets have not ma-

terially changed) amounted to about \$3,970,000,000, a decline of nearly \$200,000,000. It is certainly reasonable to expect that the assets of the Government thus listed have declined still further during the two months that have elapsed since the last official statement of them. If we adopt the reasoning of the Secretary of the Treasury as embodied in his address of last summer, we must add at least \$200,000,000 to the outlays of the Federal Government during the current fiscal year, making the deficit for the period not the \$3,500,000,000 indicated in the daily Treasury statement, but \$3,700,000,000, compared with \$4,400,000,000 less \$1,850,000,000 or \$2,550,000,000 for the first sixteen months of the term of office of the present Administration.

### Further Evidence

That such an interpretation of the facts is not in the least fantastic may be easily seen from an inspection of the figures published on the fifteenth of each month by the Treasury Department. The latest of these is as of May 31 1935, but the essential facts of the current fiscal year are clearly presented in the eleven months shown. First take the situation as it worked itself out during the previous fiscal year. During that period, it will be noted, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation was rapidly acquiring evidences of debt from banks and trust companies and various other types of enterprises. It was likewise acquiring preferred stock of banks. During the first eleven months of the fiscal year ended June 30 1934 the Corporation acquired such assets valued, according to Treasury figures, at some \$820,000,000. During the corresponding period this year, it collected from these borrowers some \$137,000,000 net in cash. During the earlier period, it allocated funds to the Commodity Credit Corporation for which assets were acquired in the amount of some \$160,000,000; this year it collected some \$117,000,000 of these advances net in cash. In the earlier period it advanced about \$114,000,000 for farm mortgage relief; this year the net results of such operations show a small return of cash to the Corporation. A number of other items of a similar nature are to be found in the Treasury statement of the operations of the Corporation. What did the Corporation do with these huge funds, which under any ordinary system of accounts ought to have been credited to capital account if not again employed in the business, and in this instance returned to the Treasury? The largest single item many times over in the list of outlays of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for the current fiscal year is found in its advances to the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, amounting for the first eleven months to some \$488,000,000. This latter agency is not even listed in the consolidated balance sheet of governmental bodies holding assets.

### A Disheartening Picture

This all combines of course to paint a disheartening picture of the state of our national finances. Nor are the hues brightened at all by the "projects," such for example as the National Youth Administration created by the President on Wednesday last, that are now being brought forward almost daily for spending the \$4,000,000,000 which, so far as can be gathered from the tangled accounts of the Treasury, still remains unspent, at least in large part, from the appropriations authorized by Congress under pressure from the White House early in April. We are

in serious danger of accepting as valid the constantly reiterated statements of public men that relief outlays of this sort must remain a permanent fixture in this country. The so-called Governor's Committee Commission on Unemployment Relief in its report to Governor Lehman made public at the beginning of the week is deeply tainted with this idea. It ought to serve as a warning. Nothing is likely to be more costly or more damaging to our vigor as a people than for such ideas as this to be widely accepted as a matter of course. Their acceptance is the one thing that is more or less certain to fasten such a necessity upon us almost indefinitely.

#### Federal Reserve Bank Statement

**B**ANKING statistics, as reflected in the current condition statement of the twelve Federal Reserve banks, combined, show a further tendency toward expansion of credit resources. The monetary gold stock of the country and the gold certificate holdings of the Reserve system both moved to new high records. Member bank deposits with the system on reserve account also increased, and although a record was not established in excess reserves over requirements, such excess reserves again are close to \$2,500,000,000. The dangers inherent in that swollen figure apparently are receiving some belated recognition even in the Treasury Department at Washington, for measures are being taken to prevent a sharp further increase at this time. Preparations by national banks for retirement of national bank notes, as required by the redemption call applicable to \$675,000,000 old circulation bonds, have prevented in recent months a rise in excess reserves even beyond the present exaggerated total. The Treasury announced, when the redemption call was issued, that part of the gold "profit" from dollar devaluation would be applied in retiring the 2% consols and Panama Canal bonds on July 1 and Aug. 1. Since national bank notes were outstanding against virtually all the bonds, this meant that the banking institutions concerned would have to deposit lawful currency in discharge of their obligations on the currency. It was foreseen that the Treasury deposit of gold certificates would be counterbalanced by the retirement of the national bank notes, and no effect on the credit structure was anticipated.

In actual practice, however, national banks were forehanded in discharging their obligations, largely in order to avoid the tax on national bank notes. Against the \$600,000,000 consols due for retirement on July 1, it is estimated that the banks concerned have made preliminary provision for retirement of \$380,000,000 national bank notes. This means, in effect, that a deposit of \$600,000,000 gold certificates by the Treasury next Monday would result in a sudden increase in excess reserves, comparable to the amount by which that increase has been restrained through the early discharge of the liability of the banks on their currency notes. In order to offset such factors, it now appears that the Treasury will use gold certificates for redemption of the consols only to the extent that preliminary provision for retirement of the liability on currency notes has not been made. Moneys in the general fund of the Treasury will be used to retire the remainder of the bonds on July 1, and as the national bank notes actually are retired from circulation, gold certificates will be deposited in corresponding amounts. Indicative of the change in plans is a call issued by the Treasury

last Thursday for repayment by the banks of \$352,869,100 from the so-called war loan deposits. It is to be expected, of course, that a similar procedure, on a modified scale, will follow on Aug. 1, when \$75,000,000 Panama Canal bonds are to be redeemed. When the related national bank notes wear out and are sent to the Treasury, deposits of gold certificates will follow and the postponed increase of excess reserves also will be noted, unless some measures are taken to prevent the increase.

In the Federal Reserve condition statement as of June 26, gold certificate holdings are reported at \$6,126,491,000, against \$6,119,488,000 on June 19. The increase of the monetary gold stocks in the same period was \$20,000,000. Total reserves of the system advanced to \$6,388,688,000 from \$6,375,363,000. Member bank deposits on reserve account showed a modest gain to \$5,029,492,000 from \$4,995,666,000, but Treasury deposits on general account were lower. A small decline in foreign bank deposits with the system may be accepted as an indication that further defensive measures were found necessary by European central banks in order to protect gold currencies. The net result of these and other changes was that total deposits decreased slightly to \$5,415,393,000 on June 26, from \$5,423,043,000 on June 19. Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation rose to \$3,197,898,000 from \$3,188,278,000. With liabilities not much changed and total reserves a little higher, the reserve ratio increased in the period to 74.2% from 74.0%. Discounts by the system improved to \$7,137,000 on June 26 from \$6,881,000 on June 19, while industrial advances were marked up to \$27,518,000 from \$27,386,000. Open market bill holdings fell \$33,000 to \$4,690,000, and United States Government security holdings dropped \$14,000 to \$2,430,227,000.

#### Corporate Dividend Declarations

**D**IVIDEND actions the present week were mostly favorable. Those of a more noteworthy nature included Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry, which declared an annual dividend of \$2 a share, payable Sept. 3; a similar amount was paid a year previous, prior to which no dividends had been paid since June 1 1932 when \$1 was disbursed. United States Smelting & Refining Co. declared a dividend of \$2 a share, payable July 15, which follows payments of \$1 last April 15 and \$3 Jan. 15 1935. Fairbanks Morse & Co. declared a dividend of \$3.50 a share on account of accumulations on the 7% cumulative preferred stock, payable July 15; the last previous payment was a regular quarterly of \$1.75 paid Dec. 1, 1931.

#### The New York Stock Market

**D**ECLINING prices of stocks in most sessions of the current week reflected the unsettlement felt in business circles regarding political developments at Washington. Such measures as the enormously increased taxation proposal, the utility holding company bill and the bank bill all came in for due consideration. The apparent determination of the Administration to force action on these and other legislative enactments was the chief factor in the market for securities, and lower levels appeared in all sessions until yesterday, when a modest rally occurred. The volume of trading on the New York Stock Exchange fell from well over 1,000,000 shares in the early sessions of the week to considerably less than 1,000,000 in the later periods. When trading

started, on Monday, industrial stocks sold off rather sharply, as it appeared over the last week-end that higher taxation of corporate profits as well as personal incomes would remain in the Administration program despite the clamor of protest aroused by the message on taxation. Metal stocks also fell, partly in response to lowered silver quotations. Rails were steady, while utility stocks in some instances managed to make small gains. Liquidation was pronounced in almost all groups in Tuesday's dealings, owing to new evidence that the taxation program would be forced through Congress at this session. Initial losses were sizable, with utility and rail stocks the greatest sufferers. Some of the losses were regained in a late rally and the closing was steady. Movements on Wednesday again were downward, and many leading stocks showed losses of a point or more. Steel, railroad and oil stocks dropped sharply, and most specialty issues likewise receded. The tone was somewhat better on Thursday in most groups, but railroad stocks were unsettled in that session by the news that the Chicago & North Western and St. Paul systems both would avail themselves of the Section 77 provisions of the amended bankruptcy act to effect reorganizations. Railway and equipment issues fell sharply, and oil stocks also were lower. Liquor stocks and some of the metal shares improved, while the rest of the market marked time. In quiet dealings yesterday, prices of most issues tended to improve. The gains were fractional in most cases, but a few specialties again forged ahead more rapidly.

In the listed bond market tendencies were diverse. United States Government securities advanced, despite the uncertainty occasioned by a further competitive sale of \$100,000,000 bonds. Highly rated corporate bonds were well maintained, although attention was diverted to various important refunding issues which were placed on the market. Speculative railroad and other bonds declined rather sharply in most periods, but they regained small parts of their losses yesterday. Commodity price movements were uncertain, with the trend lower in most sessions of that market, and the recessions affected stocks to some degree. A sharp recovery in grains yesterday wiped out the losses and contributed to the better feeling in the securities markets. Silver and copper fell and disturbed related stocks. Foreign exchange markets revealed nothing new and exercised no particular influence on stocks. The gold currencies and the units of the sterling group all held rather well.

On the New York Stock Exchange 133 stocks touched new high levels for the year and 24 stocks touched new low levels. On the New York Curb Exchange 100 stocks touched new high levels and 16 stocks touched new low levels. Call loans on the New York Stock Exchange remained unchanged at  $\frac{1}{4}\%$ , the same as on Friday of last week.

On the New York Stock Exchange the sales at the half-day session on Saturday last were 787,070 shares; on Monday they were 1,116,670 shares; on Tuesday, 1,144,060 shares; on Wednesday, 957,310 shares; on Thursday, 736,838 shares, and on Friday, 755,630 shares. On the New York Curb Exchange the sales last Saturday were 134,945 shares; on Monday, 223,275 shares; on Tuesday, 191,575 shares; on Wednesday, 175,680 shares; on Thursday, 171,385 shares, and on Friday, 162,820 shares.

The stock market was dull and irregular this

week, with modest recessions quite general throughout the list. The proposed tax and bank legislation now under discussion was not encouraging news and had an adverse effect upon trading. Yesterday prices showed improvement, but closed somewhat lower than on Friday a week ago. General Electric closed yesterday at  $25\frac{7}{8}$  against  $26\frac{3}{8}$  on Friday of last week; Consolidated Gas of N. Y. at 26 against  $25\frac{3}{4}$ ; Columbia Gas & Elec. at  $7\frac{3}{8}$  against  $7\frac{1}{8}$ ; Public Service of N. J. at  $37\frac{3}{4}$  against  $38\frac{3}{4}$ ; J. I. Case Threshing Machine at 56 against 56; International Harvester at  $45\frac{1}{2}$  against  $45\frac{1}{4}$ ; Sears, Roebuck & Co. at  $42\frac{1}{2}$  against 42; Montgomery Ward & Co. at  $27\frac{1}{2}$  against  $27\frac{1}{2}$ ; Woolworth at  $61\frac{7}{8}$  against  $63\frac{7}{8}$ ; American Tel. & Tel. at  $125\frac{1}{4}$  against  $127\frac{7}{8}$ , and American Can at 137 against  $140\frac{7}{8}$ .

Allied Chemical & Dye closed yesterday at  $153\frac{1}{2}$  against 153 on Friday of last week; E. I. du Pont de Nemours at  $101\frac{1}{4}$  against 104; National Cash Register A at  $17\frac{1}{2}$  against  $16\frac{3}{8}$ ; International Nickel at  $27\frac{3}{4}$  against  $27\frac{7}{8}$ ; National Dairy Products at  $16\frac{1}{4}$  against  $16\frac{3}{4}$ ; Texas Gulf Sulphur at  $33\frac{3}{4}$  against  $34\frac{5}{8}$ ; National Biscuit at  $29\frac{7}{8}$  against  $30\frac{1}{4}$ ; Continental Can at  $81\frac{3}{4}$  against  $84\frac{3}{4}$ ; Eastman Kodak at  $145\frac{3}{4}$  against  $147\frac{5}{8}$ ; Standard Brands at  $15\frac{5}{8}$  against 16; Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg. at  $52\frac{3}{8}$  against  $52\frac{1}{4}$ ; Columbian Carbon at 90 against 91; Lorillard at  $21\frac{1}{8}$  against  $20\frac{7}{8}$ ; United States Industrial Alcohol at 43 against 43; Canada Dry at  $10\frac{1}{2}$  ex-dividend against  $10\frac{1}{8}$ ; Schenley Distillers at  $29\frac{5}{8}$  against  $26\frac{7}{8}$ , and National Distillers at  $26\frac{3}{4}$  against  $25\frac{5}{8}$ .

The steel stocks show little change in prices over those of a week ago. United States Steel closed yesterday at  $33\frac{7}{8}$  against  $33\frac{3}{4}$  on Friday of last week; Bethlehem Steel at  $26\frac{3}{4}$  against  $26\frac{3}{4}$ ; Republic Steel at  $13\frac{1}{4}$  against  $13\frac{1}{2}$ , and Youngstown Sheet & Tube at  $17\frac{3}{4}$  against  $17\frac{1}{8}$ . In the motor group, Auburn Auto closed yesterday at 24 against  $23\frac{1}{4}$  on Friday of last week; General Motors at  $32\frac{5}{8}$  against  $32\frac{5}{8}$ ; Chrysler at  $48\frac{1}{2}$  against  $49\frac{5}{8}$ , and Hupp Motors at  $1\frac{3}{8}$  against  $1\frac{1}{4}$ . In the rubber group, Goodyear Tire & Rubber closed yesterday at  $18\frac{5}{8}$  against  $18\frac{3}{8}$  on Friday of last week; B. F. Goodrich at  $8\frac{1}{2}$  against  $8\frac{5}{8}$ , and United States Rubber at  $12\frac{3}{8}$  against  $12\frac{3}{4}$ . The railroad shares are lower for the week. Pennsylvania RR. closed yesterday at  $22\frac{3}{4}$  against  $23\frac{1}{2}$  on Friday of last week; Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe at  $47\frac{7}{8}$  against 47; New York Central at  $17\frac{1}{2}$  against 18; Union Pacific at  $104\frac{1}{2}$  against  $105\frac{1}{4}$ ; Southern Pacific at  $18\frac{3}{8}$  against  $18\frac{7}{8}$ ; Southern Railway at  $9\frac{7}{8}$  against  $10\frac{3}{4}$ , and Northern Pacific at  $19\frac{3}{4}$  against 20. Among the oil stocks, Standard Oil of N. J. closed yesterday at  $46\frac{5}{8}$  against  $48\frac{3}{8}$  on Friday of last week; Shell Union Oil at  $10\frac{1}{8}$  against  $10\frac{3}{8}$ , and Atlantic Refining at  $26\frac{3}{8}$  against  $26\frac{1}{2}$ . In the copper group, Anaconda Copper closed yesterday at  $13\frac{7}{8}$  against  $14\frac{3}{4}$  on Friday of last week; Kennecott Copper at 17 against 18; American Smelting & Refining at  $42\frac{1}{2}$  against  $41\frac{5}{8}$ , and Phelps Dodge at  $16\frac{1}{4}$  against 17.

Trade and industrial statistics remain uncertain, some indices showing improvement while others reflect a downward trend. Steel-making in the United States was estimated this week at 37.7% of capacity by the American Iron and Steel Institute, against 38.3% last week, 42.3% one month ago, and 44.7% one year ago. This represents a decrease of 0.6 points, or 1.67% from the preceding week. The

current rate of steel operations is the lowest of the year. Production of electrical energy is increasing, according to the Edison Electric Institute. The output in the week ended June 22 was 1,774,654,000 kilowatt hours against 1,742,506,000 kilowatt hours in the preceding week. Car loadings of revenue freight in the week ended June 22 were 567,847 cars against 653,092 cars in the preceding week, the American Railway Association reports.

As indicating the course of the commodity markets, the July option for wheat in Chicago closed yesterday at 84 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. as against 81 $\frac{1}{8}$ c. the close on Friday of last week. July corn at Chicago closed yesterday at 82c. as against 81 $\frac{3}{8}$ c. the close on Friday of last week. July oats at Chicago closed yesterday at 37 $\frac{5}{8}$ c. as against 35 $\frac{3}{8}$ c. the close on Friday of last week.

The spot price for cotton here in New York closed yesterday at 12.20c. as against 11.85c. the close on Friday of last week. The spot price for rubber yesterday was 12.43c. as against 12.66c. the close on Friday of last week. Domestic copper closed yesterday at 8c., a decline of 1c. from Friday of last week.

In London the price of bar silver yesterday was 31 pence per ounce as against 32 $\frac{1}{8}$  pence per ounce on Friday of last week, and spot silver in New York closed yesterday at 69 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. as against 72c. on Friday of last week. In the matter of the foreign exchanges, cable transfers on London closed yesterday at \$4.94 $\frac{1}{4}$  as against \$4.94 the close on Friday of last week, while cable transfers on Paris closed yesterday at 6.64c. as against 6.62c. the close on Friday of last week.

### European Stock Markets

**T**ENDENCIES were mostly favorable this week on stock exchanges in the leading European financial centers. The threat of immediate currency complications no longer hovered over the markets, and activities were on a more nearly normal scale. Prices on the London Stock Exchange were marked steadily higher, with business active, until Thursday, when the fortnightly settlements caused a little uncertainty. The Paris Bourse again was dominated by political problems, since Premier Laval still has failed to make known his plans for dealing with the difficult problem of balancing the French budget. But the tone was steady at Paris, and some sections of the Bourse enjoyed good advances. Little business was done on the Berlin Boerse, but most movements on that market also favored the holders of securities. Although international currency difficulties are not anticipated at the moment, this problem looms constantly in the background, and to some degree it affected trading this week. There is said to be persistent doubt, even in France, regarding maintenance of the franc without impairment after M. Laval's powers to govern by decree lapse next autumn. Of more immediate interest to the European markets, however, is the course of trade, which seems to show little current change. The London market is now reported to be more optimistic regarding the British business trend, while Berlin likewise looks for improvement. French indices begin to reflect a halt in the downward trend recently in evidence there.

A fair degree of activity was noted on the London Stock Exchange in the initial trading session of the

week. British funds were firm, while numerous good features appeared among the industrial stocks. African and Australian gold mining issues reflected demand, and the international group was steady. The session on Tuesday also was cheerful, with British funds slightly higher on quiet investment buying. Several new trustee issues were absorbed readily and were quoted at premiums. Motor stocks featured the industrial section, which was generally improved. The gold mining issues continued their advance, and most foreign securities also were better in this session. Activity increased on Wednesday, largely as a result of persistent demand for industrial stocks. Many issues in this section attained new high levels on a spirited advance. British funds were quiet and steady, while activity in the gold mining stocks was restrained, with prices firm. Anglo-American trading favorites were heavy in the international section, but other foreign securities showed gains. Some profit-taking was noted on the London market, Thursday, partly because of impending settlements. British funds again improved, but most industrial stocks suffered reactions and home rail stocks also were marked lower. International securities were steady. British funds improved in a quiet market yesterday, and international securities also were firm, but industrial stocks were irregular.

Movements on the Paris Bourse were small, Monday, with the trend somewhat uncertain. Rentes once again reflected nervousness regarding the franc, but the decline in such issues was small. French industrial stocks improved slightly, while international securities also were marked higher. Transactions on the Bourse on Tuesday were very modest. The few small sales resulted in fractional declines, both in rentes and in French and international equities. Rumors of political dissension were current and the general tendency of traders and investors in these circumstances was to remain aloof. A better tone made its appearance on Wednesday, when it became known that Premier Laval was firmly opposed to any Fascist tendencies. Rentes regained their losses of the previous session, and small advances also were common among the French utility, bank and industrial stocks. In a quiet session on Thursday, rentes again moved higher, despite the lack of any indication of Premier Laval's financial intentions. Demand for industrial stocks improved and sizable gains were recorded in some of these issues, while international stocks also showed gains. The trend was uncertain at Paris yesterday, and most issues showed losses at the close.

The Berlin Boerse witnessed a resumption of speculative interest in various specialties on Monday, despite the efforts of the authorities to restrain such activities. Gains of 3 to 4 points were registered in a number of stocks, while fractional advances appeared in most others. Little attention was paid to fixed-interest issues, which were mostly unchanged. The tendency was reversed on Tuesday, when the authorities again resorted to "regulatory" measures. Small recessions were general among the industrial stocks, while larger declines appeared in the speculative specialties. Fixed-interest issues reflected more activity. Business tapered off on Wednesday, and changes in that session were quite unimportant. Gains and losses were about equally

numerous among the equities, while bonds relapsed into their former somnolent state. A lively session followed on Thursday, with speculative dealings again pronounced. Advances of 2 to 3 points were usual among the specialties, but most of the industrial stocks were only a little higher. Fixed-income issues were neglected. The gains were extended in another active session yesterday, and closing prices represented sharp increases.

#### Panama to Receive Gold Equivalent

ON APRIL 24 the Panamanian Minister to Washington, Dr. Ricardo J. Alfaro, made a direct appeal to President Roosevelt for gold equivalent payments to the Panamanian Government under the treaty of 1904 covering rights and privileges conveyed to the United States for an immediate consideration of \$10,000,000 and annual payments thereafter of \$250,000 in gold of the then current standard of weight and fineness. In a Panama City dispatch of Wednesday to the Chicago "Tribune" it is now indicated that the appeal was successful and that the United States Government will observe its treaty engagements to Panama, even though the contractual obligation to American holders of Treasury gold bonds has been repudiated. The Panamanian insistence in this matter is to be commended, for two checks were returned to the Treasury with demands for proper observance of the treaty terms. Washington dispatches have suggested at various times that a larger amount of depreciated dollars would be made available to Panama after adjustment of some points under dispute in negotiations for a new treaty. These reports never were denied, and the current dispatch from Panama City is no cause for surprise. It was again indicated in Washington, on Thursday, that a definite announcement on the matter probably would be delayed until a complete treaty between the two countries is ready for signature. The apparent willingness of the Administration to keep faith with Panama stands in the sharpest possible contrast to its attitude toward American holders of Treasury gold obligations, for a Presidential message was sent to Congress on Thursday suggesting legislation making suits against the Government impossible on this score.

#### International Chamber of Commerce

PROBLEMS of business men in all parts of the world were debated this week in the eighth biennial congress of the International Chamber of Commerce. Delegates from all countries gathered in Paris for the meeting, which was devoted very largely to discussion of the currency stabilization question. As might be expected, virtually all groups earnestly urged early stabilization of the floating units, and in some instances governments were sharply criticized for refusing to take active steps toward that desirable end. Representatives of the few remaining gold standard countries of Europe were especially anxious to bring about stability. Thomas J. Watson, President of the International Business Machines Corp., urged in an address on Thursday that stabilization should be effected, but he warned against "hasty action." Trade barriers should be lowered and international debts settled in order to stimulate world recovery, Mr. Watson declared. Lord Luke of Pavenham, head of the

British delegation, made it plain that English business men were content with the "wait and see" policy of their Government on currency matters. The British representatives admitted the necessity for the earliest possible fixation of monetary relationships, it is said, but maintained that the London Government will be in no position to act until after national elections have been held, probably this autumn.

#### German Moratorium

IN A FORMAL announcement at Berlin, last Monday, the German foreign exchange authorities extended for one year the moratorium on external long-term debt service payments declared effective at this time last year. No surprise whatever was caused by the announcement, since the German holdings of gold and foreign exchange have not visibly improved over the situation current when this unfortunate financial and political expedient first was held necessary. Technically, the moratorium was due to expire to-morrow, but an arrangement whereby British holders of German non-governmental long-term bonds are to receive funding bonds for a two-year period was sufficient notice of the real intentions of the Reich authorities. Berlin reports early this month suggested that Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, Minister of Economics and President of the Reichsbank, was seeking a means for extension of the moratorium by agreement with the creditors. His own words, however, were such as to occasion some doubt regarding the advisability of any voluntary relinquishment of rights by the creditor groups, and it appears that unilateral action again was found necessary. At a conference of industrialists, some weeks ago, Dr. Schacht referred to the German external indebtedness as "political," and added that the "international political debt structure must be removed before international trade can be restored."

As on former occasions, Dr. Schacht pointed to the paucity of German gold and foreign exchange resources, when the extension of the moratorium was made known on June 24. The extension was said to be "in agreement with the basic principles of the communication issued by the Berlin transfer conference on May 29 1934." Funding bonds with 3% coupons, payable in 1946, are to be provided in lieu of interest payments during the further year of the moratorium, but no arrangements whatever are in effect for the time being on amortization payments. Originally the Reich offered to pay 40% of coupons due in foreign currencies, as an alternative to the funding bonds, but that offer was withdrawn last October. Of particular interest in the present announcement is a statement that the special clearing and trade arrangements made during the last 12 months are not affected by the extension. This means that British and other holders of German Government bonds will continue to receive full payment in their own currencies, owing to the special agreements. The United States is the only country with which no special arrangement was made, and investors here, for that reason, will be the sole sufferers under the moratorium, so far as German Government obligations are concerned. The discrimination exercised by the German authorities against American investors has been the subject of a number of acid protests by the State Department and the investment bankers concerned, but the situation remains unchanged.

## European Diplomacy

TENDENCIES in the European diplomatic maneuvers which followed the German rearmament announcement of last March have been clarified to some degree by the new naval treaty completed last week between Great Britain and the Reich. It is now evident that the united front apparently adopted at Stresa by Great Britain, France and Italy, in opposition to the German aims, was much overrated at the time. In concluding a new naval treaty with Germany, whereby that country is accorded the right to build far in excess of the Versailles treaty limitations, the British Government unquestionably adopted a highly realistic stand. The German declaration on land and air armaments shows that the Reich is in a mood to brave even the dangers of warfare, rather than abide by the Versailles treaty restrictions. But the British action was demonstrated this week to be most unpopular at Paris and Rome. Captain Anthony Eden, who now enjoys full Ministerial rank in the British Cabinet, attempted to adjust all differences in visits to the French and Italian capitals, but he made no progress. French opposition to the German naval increases remains especially pronounced. The position as regards Italy is obscured by the Anglo-Italian differences over Ethiopia, but Rome also appears to be antagonistic. In Russia, meanwhile, the opinion seems to be spreading that the episode involves peculiar dangers for the Soviet Government, since the enlarged German fleet might conceivably be employed at a future date in operations against the Communists.

Captain Eden concluded his conversations with French governmental heads last Saturday, and it was immediately made apparent that little had been accomplished in the meeting. The British Minister explained to Premier Pierre Laval, it is said, that the special naval treaty with Germany was concluded only after mature consideration, and he also pointed out that full popular support was accorded the step in England. Premier Laval, in reply, is understood to have declared that in the French view the organization of collective security must precede any legalization of German rearmament. "If France were internally strong, this break away by Great Britain from the treaty of Versailles would have serious consequences," a Paris dispatch to the New York "Times" remarked. "But she is not. M. Laval's Government is only a compromise and a somewhat precarious compromise Government. At best, M. Laval can only cling to the British promise of last February to create collective security, a promise which has resulted only in the Franco-Russian treaty and long-delayed preparations for a Danubian conference." In a formal statement issued by the French Premier after the conversations, it was indicated merely that further talks are to follow, while assurances were given that France and England will "remain faithful to the common duty to work in the closest manner for the organization of peace and collective security."

In his conversations at Rome, early this week, Captain Eden's efforts in behalf of the naval treaty with the Reich were overshadowed by the new developments relating to the Italo-Ethiopian conflict. Premier Mussolini is said to have objected to the arrangement, however, on the ground principally

that it conflicts with the aim of co-operation expounded in the Anglo-French statement of Feb. 3. Italy, Signor Mussolini added, was one of the first countries to realize the futility of expecting Germany forever to accept an inferior position in armaments, but he pointed out that the British action threatens to destroy the Anglo-Franco-Italian front achieved at Stresa. A brief statement, issued at Rome, Tuesday, indicated only that the British and Italian negotiators were agreed that the policy outlined in the London declaration of Feb. 3 and at Stresa was capable of development in the interest of European stability. This was accepted at Rome to mean that the British Government, having adjusted the naval problem so far as Germany is concerned, now is ready to resume collaboration with France and Italy.

Additional details of the Anglo-German agreement were made available in London soon after discussions of technical details were concluded at London last Saturday. The German delegation promised to observe the ratio of 35% of the British fleet agreed upon, while British efforts were directed toward concessions by the Reich that building will take place slowly, it is indicated. A statement by the British Foreign Office, on Sunday, pointed out that further exchanges of views between the British and German representatives "necessarily are tentative, since ultimate decisions at the future international naval conference are dependent on the attitude adopted by the other naval powers." Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the special German Ambassador, issued a statement of his own in which he referred to the Anglo-German agreement as the "first real step toward limitation of armaments." Sir Bolton Eyres-Monsell, First Lord of the British Admiralty, was questioned in the House of Commons, Tuesday, regarding a report that Germany had agreed not to resort to unrestricted submarine warfare. He confirmed the report, but the Members of Parliament appeared to be skeptical as to whether the Reich really would live up to that agreement in the event of warfare. Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin revealed that the British Government intends to invite the French, Italian and Russian Governments to send delegations to London for further naval discussions. This statement confirmed a Moscow report that the Soviet Government already had been approached on the matter. Russian officials were said to view the invitation rather coolly, since the impression prevails there that the naval agreement between Great Britain and Germany will not contribute toward peace.

The world tendency in armaments, meanwhile, is amply indicated by the Armaments Year Book for 1935, issued last Monday by the League of Nations. Although this document admittedly is incomplete, because many governments are unwilling to disclose exact information on their war preparations, startling increases in expenditures for armaments are recorded. What is called in the year book the "minimum figure" for the world's military expenditure in 1934 was the equivalent of 4,900,000,000 pre-devaluation dollars. In 1925 the total was only 3,500,000,000 old gold dollars, and the increase since then has been almost uninterrupted, despite the difficulties of the depression. A Geneva dispatch to the New York "Times" notes that Russia and Japan show the greatest increases in military expenditures.

### Italo-Ethiopian Dispute

THE threat of a war between Italy and Ethiopia this autumn, after the rains cease, has stirred some of the leading European nations to unusual diplomatic endeavors in behalf of peace, but the efforts have not been successful. Captain Anthony Eden, who holds the post of Minister for League of Nations Affairs in the British Cabinet, attempted to persuade Premier Benito Mussolini to alter his plans for an Italian campaign. Long conversations were held at Rome, from Monday to Wednesday, but the concessions suggested by Captain Eden were brushed aside by the Italian dictator, who is said to desire a protectorate over the whole Abyssinian Empire. The French Government also is said to have attempted to mediate in this matter, but Paris seems to have been no more successful than London. In a Rome dispatch of Monday to the Associated Press, it was stated that Premier Mussolini would insist upon a "complete solution" of the quarrel with Ethiopia, regardless of the British stand. The solution desired, the dispatch added, is an Italian "protectorate, backed by military occupation, and Ethiopia's expulsion from Geneva."

In the course of the conversations at Rome, Captain Eden is reported to have suggested territorial grants, economic concessions and the right to trade routes and a railway line for Italy through the Ethiopian territory. But all these concessions failed to satisfy the Italian views of prestige. French spokesmen took the matter of prestige into more serious consideration, it appears, and suggested that Italy might obtain a territorial concession including the town of Adowa, where an Italian army suffered a terrible defeat in 1896. The insufficiency of all proposed concessions, from the viewpoint of Signor Mussolini, is best illustrated by a Rome report of Wednesday to the Associated Press, in which it was remarked that the only recourse left to Captain Eden is to find some way for Italy to remain a member of the League of Nations, should war with Ethiopia break out. In Italian diplomatic circles it was suggested that this might be done by accusing Ethiopia of failing to fulfill conditions under which she entered the League. The Italo-Ethiopian arbitration and conciliation commission, appointed to consider the various claims on recent border incidents, resumed its activities on Tuesday at Scheveningen, The Netherlands. The work of the commission is expected to continue until late in August, when a report must be submitted to the League of Nations.

### Cabinet Changes in Yugoslavia

POLITICAL discontent in Yugoslavia forced another change in the Cabinet of that country over the last week-end, and there appears now to be some prospect of a modest move toward genuinely democratic government at Belgrade. Elections held earlier this year were not conducted in a manner that inspired confidence. The small number of Opposition Deputies declared elected in the oral and closely controlled election proceeded to boycott the Parliamentary sessions. Leaders of the Croats and Slovenes made political capital out of the election itself, and the position of Premier Boguljub Jeffitch was thus a decidedly uncomfortable one. A number of Cabinet Ministers resigned early last week, and Premier Jeffitch finally handed his own resignation to Prince Regent Paul on June 21. The

Prince Regent, educated at Oxford and with at least some democratic leanings, was expected to take some definite steps for terminating the dictatorship which the late King Alexander maintained until he was assassinated at Marseilles last autumn. It was assumed that a new Cabinet would be formed with a view to free Parliamentary elections later this year. Perhaps that program actually will be followed, but as yet a spirit of extreme caution seems to prevail and the Opposition is reported to be not optimistic.

After extensive negotiations with political leaders, Prince Paul invited former Finance Minister Milan Stoyadinovitch to form a new Cabinet last Monday, and this task quickly was accomplished. The new Government includes a Slovene and a Moslem, and it will be somewhat more representative than was the former regime. But the Croats refused to participate, after their demands for early free elections were denied by the Prince Regent. Dr. Vladimir Matchek, leader of the Croat group, was informed that early elections are technically impossible of fulfillment, a Belgrade dispatch to the New York "Times" states. Charges that he is fomenting separatism were staunchly denied by Dr. Matchek, who declared that the Croats strongly favor a united Yugoslavian State and the present dynasty. Although Dr. Matchek's demands were not met, there is some hope that laws restricting personal and political liberties now will be repealed and progress made toward truly representative government in Yugoslavia. Immediately after the new Cabinet was formed, newspapers appeared in Belgrade without censorship for the first time in seven years, and this was held a most hopeful sign. The new Premier, moreover, is said to be personally antagonistic to the dictatorial form of government. The personnel of the regime follows:

MILAN STOYADINOVITCH—Premier and Foreign.  
The Rev. ANTON KOROSCHETZ—Interior.  
AECHMED SPAHO—Communications.  
Gen. PERA ZHIVKOVITCH—Defense.  
BOGDAN LETIZA—Finance.  
LYUDEVIT AUEY—Justice.  
MILAN VRBANITCH—Commerce.  
NIKOLA PREKA—Welfare.  
MILOSH BOBITCH—Public Works.  
MIRKO KOMNENOVITCH—Physical Training.  
SVETOSAV STANKOVITCH—Agriculture.  
GYURO YANKOVITCH—No portfolio.

### Cuban Politics

ALTHOUGH the political situation in Cuba remains highly confused and somewhat dangerous, signs of progress toward stability are not lacking. The discontent that raged for several years in the Island when economic conditions were at their worst seems to be ameliorating, now that sugar prices have improved and a measure of prosperity has returned. President Carlos Mendieta issued a statement at Havana, last Saturday, in which Dec. 15 was named as the date for Cuban general elections. If a stable and well-supported regime can be selected at that time, much will have been accomplished. The decision to hold the general elections late this year was reached at a joint meeting of the entire Cabinet and the Council of State, and it appears that a reduction in the intervals between elections will be considered. Most political groups desired the elections to be held early in 1936, a report to the New York "Times" states, but they could not agree on an actual date, and President Mendieta thereupon named the time. The old political parties in some instances still are disorganized,



while new ones have sprung up, and the prevailing situation is confusion itself. Intense personal partisanship appears to be the rule, as an attempt to form a coalition of two groups brought a storm of protests from members of the two parties concerned. Most parties have been unable to select a Presidential candidate, as yet, and there will probably be some delay in getting the campaign under way.

**Discount Rates of Foreign Central Banks**

THE Bank of The Netherlands on June 26 reduced its discount rate from 5% to 4% effective June 27. The 5% rate had been in effect since June 1 1935, at which time it was raised from 4%. Present rates at the leading centers are shown in the table which follows:

DISCOUNT RATES OF FOREIGN CENTRAL BANKS

Country	Rate in Effect J'ne 28	Date Established	Pre-vious Rate	Country	Rate in Effect J'ne 28	Date Established	Pre-vious Rate
Austria	4	Feb. 23 1935	4½	Hungary	4½	Oct. 17 1932	5
Belgium	2	May 15 1935	2½	India	3½	Feb. 16 1934	4
Bulgaria	7	Jan. 3 1934	8	Ireland	3	June 30 1932	3½
Canada	2½	Mar. 11 1935	—	Italy	3½	Mar. 25 1935	4
Chile	4	Jan. 24 1935	4½	Japan	3.65	July 3 1933	3
Colombia	4	July 18 1933	5	Java	4½	June 2 1935	3½
Czechoslovakia	3½	Jan. 25 1933	4½	Jugoslavia	5	Feb. 1 1935	6½
Danzig	6	May 3 1935	4	Lithuania	6	Jan. 2 1934	7
Denmark	2½	Nov. 29 1933	3	Morocco	6½	May 28 1935	4½
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	4	Dec. 4 1934	4½	Portugal	5	Dec. 13 1934	5½
France	5	June 20 1935	6	Rumania	4½	Dec. 7 1934	6
Germany	4	Sept. 30 1932	5	South Africa	4	Feb. 21 1933	5
Greece	7	Oct. 13 1933	7½	Spain	6	Oct. 22 1932	6
Holland	4	June 27 1935	5	Sweden	2½	Dec. 1 1933	3
				Switzerland	2½	May 2 1935	2

**Foreign Money Rates**

IN LONDON open market discounts for short bills on Friday were 13-16% as against 13-16% on Friday of last week, and 13-16% for three-months' bills as against 13-16% on Friday of last week. Money on call in London on Friday was ½%... At Paris the open market rate remains at 6¼% but at Switzerland the rate was raised on Thursday from 2¾% to 3%.

**Bank of England Statement**

FOR the week ended June 26 the Bank reports a loss of £88,487 in gold holdings, but as this was attended by an expansion of £1,130,000 in circulation, reserves fell off £1,218,000. Bullion held aggregates £193,322,457, as compared with £192,143,913 a year ago. Public deposits rose £2,569,000 and other deposits £85,143. The latter consist of bankers' accounts, which fell off £1,664,862, and other accounts which increased £1,750,005. The reserve ratio dropped to 35.89% from 37.30% the previous week and 46.82% a year ago. Loans on Government securities increased £1,245,000 and on other securities £2,668,668. Other securities include discounts and advances, which rose £4,370,307, and securities, which decreased £1,701,639. The discount rate remains 2%. Below we show the different items with comparisons of other years:

BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	June 26 1935	June 27 1934	June 28 1933	June 29 1932	July 1 1931
	£	£	£	£	£
Circulation	396,860,000	381,689,890	375,124,634	363,083,121	357,429,453
Public deposits	16,162,000	17,630,254	14,061,645	17,982,394	11,490,117
Other deposits	141,115,909	132,826,197	147,285,248	121,301,611	133,493,071
Other accounts	102,360,761	96,309,104	105,120,626	86,565,354	99,401,807
Govt. securities	38,755,148	36,517,093	42,164,622	34,736,257	34,091,264
Other securities	96,187,044	81,006,071	75,373,033	67,169,656	32,930,906
Disc't. & advances	22,590,881	16,983,605	28,509,132	41,241,181	63,065,472
Reserve notes & coin	10,165,226	6,079,604	16,642,593	14,889,401	34,319,300
Proportion of reserve to liabilities	35.89%	46.82%	46.76%	35.08%	46.20%
Bank rate	2%	2%	2%	2%	2½%

**Bank of France Statement**

THE weekly statement dated June 21 shows an increase in gold holdings of 17,010,034 francs. The total of gold which is now 70,770,121,655 francs

compares with 79,200,553,976 francs last year and 81,244,456,536 francs the previous year. French commercial bills discounted record a decline of 450,000,000 francs and advances against securities of 62,000,000 francs. The Bank's ratio is now 74.72%, compared with 79.34% a year ago and 78.06% two years ago. Notes in circulation reveal a contraction of 671,000,000 francs, bringing the total of notes outstanding down to 80,701,919,980 francs. Circulation a year ago aggregated 79,969,654,695 francs and two years ago 82,590,987,235 francs. An increase appears in credit balances abroad of 1,000,000 francs, bills bought abroad of 1,000,000 francs and in creditor current accounts of 128,000,000 francs. A comparison of the various items for three years appears below:

BANK OF FRANCE'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	Changes for Week	June 21 1935	June 22 1934	June 23 1933
	Francs	Francs	Francs	Francs
Gold holdings	+17,010,034	70,770,121,655	79,200,553,976	81,244,456,536
Credit bals. abroad	+1,000,000	3,893,122	18,559,559	2,535,766,308
a French commercial bills discounted	-450,000,000	7,113,410,997	4,300,880,900	3,419,939,042
b Bills bought abr'd	+1,000,000	1,174,318,169	1,112,364,671	1,404,168,232
Adv. against secur.	-62,000,000	3,269,933,431	3,067,569,101	2,667,330,908
Note circulation	-671,000,000	80,701,919,980	79,969,654,695	82,590,987,235
Credit current accts.	+128,000,000	14,013,246,991	19,848,834,342	21,489,965,183
Proport'n of gold on hand to sight liab.	+0.45%	74.72%	79.34%	78.06%

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

**Bank of Germany Statement**

THE quarterly statement dated June 22 shows another advance in gold and bullion, this time of 706,000 marks. The total of gold is now at 84,741,000 marks, as compared with 72,487,000 marks a year ago and 222,661,000 marks two years ago. An increase also appears in reserve in foreign currency of 21,000 marks, in silver and coin of 41,814,000 marks, in notes on other German banks of 84,000 marks, in other assets of 6,770,000 marks, and in other liabilities of 2,024,000 marks. The proportion of gold and foreign currency to note circulation stands at 2.53%; a year ago it was 2.3%. Notes in circulation reveal a contraction of 92,288,000 marks, bringing the total of the item down to 3,502,279,000 marks. Circulation last year aggregated 3,987,778,000 marks and the previous year 3,199,811,000 marks. Bills of exchange and checks, advances, investments and other daily maturing obligations register decreases of 153,983,000 marks, 2,971,000 marks, 337,000 marks and 17,632,000 marks respectively. Below we show the figures with comparisons for three years:

REICHSBANK'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	Changes for Week	June 22 1935	June 23 1934	June 23 1933
	Reichsmarks	Reichsmarks	Reichsmarks	Reichsmarks
Assets—				
Gold and bullion	+706,000	84,741,000	72,487,000	222,661,000
Of which depos. abroad	No change	22,028,000	24,127,000	30,012,000
Reserve in foreign curr.	+21,000	4,001,000	4,005,000	81,052,000
Bills of exch. and checks	-153,983,000	3,396,764,000	2,982,352,000	2,977,264,000
Silver and other coin	+41,814,000	229,513,000	284,124,000	336,173,000
Notes on other Ger. bks.	+84,000	13,872,000	14,916,000	14,262,000
Advances	-2,971,000	35,274,000	80,701,000	69,834,000
Investments	-337,000	660,908,000	669,394,000	320,190,000
Other assets	+6,770,000	666,066,000	565,479,000	405,391,000
Liabilities—				
Notes in circulation	-92,288,000	3,502,279,000	3,987,778,000	3,199,811,000
Other daily matur. oblig	-17,632,000	754,302,000	512,094,000	427,711,000
Other liabilities	+2,024,000	213,376,000	140,789,000	176,154,000
Proport. of gold & for'n curr. to note circula'n	+0.09%	2.53%	2.3%	9.0%

**New York Money Market**

OF CHIEF interest in the money market this week is the ruling issued by the New York State Banking Board, Tuesday, whereunder the maximum interest rate to be paid by banking institutions chartered in the State will be 2% annually, effective next Oct. 1. This rate, which will be effective as to savings bank deposits as well as other classes of deposits, supersedes the rate of

2½% in effect since Jan. 1. The ruling will be of importance mainly to savings banks, since other institutions are generally paying 2% or less already on time deposits. It applies, of course, only to time and savings deposits, since interest on demand deposits was abolished two years ago. This measure by the State Board reflects the general tendency toward ever lower rates of return on money, induced initially by the official easy money policy of the Federal authorities.

Other developments in the New York money market were entirely routine. The United States Treasury sold on Monday two series of discount bills aggregating \$100,000,000. One series of \$50,000,000, due in 133 days, was awarded at an average discount of 0.07%, computed on an annual bank discount basis. The second series of \$50,000,000, due in 273 days, was awarded at an average discount of 0.123%. Call loans on the New York Stock Exchange were ¼% for all transactions, whether renewals or new loans. Time loans also were at that figure for all maturities up to six months. Changes were lacking in commercial paper and bankers' bill rates.

**New York Money Rates**

**D**EALING in detail with call loan rates on the Stock Exchange from day to day, ¼ of 1% remained the ruling quotation all through the week for both new loans and renewals. The market for time money shows no change this week, no transactions having been reported. Rates are ¼% on all maturities. The market for prime commercial paper has shown slightly more activity this week. The demand has been good and paper has been in moderate supply. Rates are ¾% for extra choice names running from four to six months and 1% for names less known.

**Bankers' Acceptances**

**T**HERE has been little or no change in the market for prime bankers' acceptances this week. Bills have been scarce and the demand has been comparatively light. Quotations of the American Acceptance Council for bills up to and including 90 days are 3-16% bid and ⅛% asked; for four months, ¼% bid and 3-16% asked; for five and six months, ⅜% bid and 5-16% asked. The bill buying rate of the New York Reserve Bank is ½% for bills running from 1 to 90 days, ¾% for 91- to 120-day bills, and 1% for 121- to 180-day bills. The Federal Reserve banks' holdings of acceptances decreased from \$4,723,000 to \$4,690,000. Their holdings of acceptances for foreign correspondents, which stood at \$2,000 on May 22, has been eliminated entirely the past five weeks. 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	¾	⅞	¾	⅞	¾	⅞
-90 Days-		-60 Days-		-30 Days-		
Bid	Asked	Bid	Asked	Bid	Asked	
Prime eligible bills	¾	⅞	¾	¾	¾	
FOR DELIVERY WITHIN THIRTY DAYS						
Eligible member banks						¾% bid
Eligible non-member banks						¾% bid

**Discount Rates of the Federal Reserve Banks**

**T**HERE 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 June 28	Date Established	Previous Rate
Boston	2	Feb. 8 1934	2½
New York	1½	Feb. 2 1934	2
Philadelphia	2	Jan. 17 1935	2½
Cleveland	1½	May 11 1935	2
Richmond	2	May 9 1935	2½
Atlanta	2	Jan. 14 1935	2½
Chicago	2	Jan. 19 1935	2½
St. Louis	2	Jan. 3 1935	2½
Minneapolis	2	May 14 1935	2½
Kansas City	2	May 10 1935	2½
Dallas	2	May 8 1935	2½
San Francisco	2	Feb. 16 1934	2½

**Course of Sterling Exchange**

**S**TERLING exchange is firm in terms of the dollar. Day-to-day fluctuations continue comparatively narrow in view of the generally demoralized situation of the foreign exchanges. Though the market is quiet sterling frequently touched higher points than at any time in the past three weeks. French francs and the other gold currencies are also ruling firm in relation to the dollar, but the franc shows little change from last week in terms of sterling, as the London check rate on Paris is kept at an artificial level around 74.60 doubtless through the operations of the British exchange equalization fund. The range for sterling this week has been between \$4.93½ and \$4.95½ for bankers' sight bills, compared with a range of between \$4.92¼ and \$4.94 last week. The range for cable transfers has been between \$4.93¾ and \$4.95¾, compared with a range of between \$4.92⅝ and \$4.94¼ a week ago.

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, June 22	74.625	Wednesday, June 26	74.546
Monday, June 24	74.606	Thursday, June 27	74.557
Tuesday, June 25	74.562	Friday, June 28	74.518

LONDON OPEN MARKET GOLD PRICE

Saturday, June 22	141s. 1d.	Wednesday, June 26	141s. 2d.
Monday, June 24	140s. 11½d.	Thursday, June 27	141s. 3½d.
Tuesday, June 25	141s. ½d.	Friday, June 28	141s. 3½d.

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

Saturday, June 22	\$35.00	Wednesday, June 26	\$35.00
Monday, June 24	35.00	Thursday, June 27	35.00
Tuesday, June 25	35.00	Friday, June 28	35.00

The most important factor affecting foreign exchange at this time is the sharp upturn in quotations for the French franc, the Holland guilder and the Swiss franc, all three of which ruled throughout the week slightly above new dollar parity and were also relatively firm in London. Over 4,000,000 guilders gold were shipped from London to Amsterdam. The improved position of these currencies with respect to the dollar and the pound was reflected in the reduction in the Bank of The Netherlands rediscount rate from 5% to 4% on Wednesday and the belief entertained by foreign exchange operators abroad amounting to a conviction that the Bank of France would shortly make another reduction in its rate of rediscount.

The firmness in sterling and in the Continental units is partly seasonal and is derived largely from heavy tourist requirements. It is also due to a certain return of confidence abroad that there is no immediate danger of further devaluation of the currencies. Another factor making for steadiness and firmness in the foreign exchanges is the virtual elimination, for the present at least, of bear speculation against any of the major currencies, due to a realization on the part of large operators in exchange that the Continental central banks will receive active co-operation from the United States Treasury Depart-

ment and the London authorities in curbing bear raids on the gold currencies.

Banking circles find at most only a passing interest in the proposals made by the various delegates to the International Chamber of Commerce Congress, which met this week in Paris, directed toward the stabilization of currencies on the gold basis. However prominent these delegates may be in the business affairs of their respective countries, their utterances provide no basis for prognosticating the course of official policy. In the opinion of most conservative and sound international bankers, currency stabilization, whether effected through international agreement or otherwise, is not in immediate prospect. The economic conditions agreed by the British Treasury and its banking advisers to be an essential preliminary to effective stabilization are not likely to prevail for a very considerable period.

London markets reflect a sentiment of optimism. Trade conditions are reported to be good and volume is expanding. Overseas commerce is increasing steadily. New capital issues are numerous and a number of new municipal loans are being offered on terms showing a slight decline in interest rates, thus confirming the view that no definite rise is yet in prospect. All recent high-class security offerings met with pronounced success. Before long, it is felt, summer slackness will develop but the longer trend of British business, both internal and overseas, is highly promising. There is a possibility that general elections will be held in the autumn, but this prospect offers less than the usual concern for such an event. The consensus of London market opinion seems to be that the present Government will be returned to power, with possibly a slight reduction in its majority.

Money continues abundant in Lombard Street and rates show a slight hardening because of the approach of mid-year settlements. Two-, three-, four- and six-months' bills are quoted at 13-16%, against 3/4% last week. It is probable that with the passing of the half-yearly settlements date there may be a fractional recession in open market rates.

All of the gold available in the London open market this week was again taken for unknown destinations, generally understood to mean for account of private hoarders. On Saturday last there seems to have been no gold taken in the open market, but the price at fixing was 141s. 1d. On Monday there was available £654,000, on Tuesday £840,000, on Wednesday £454,000, on Thursday £486,000 and on Friday £505,000.

The gold movement at the Port of New York for the week ended June 26, as reported by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, was as follows:

GOLD MOVEMENT AT NEW YORK, JUNE 20-26, INCLUSIVE

<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>
\$8,384,000 for France	
2,213,000 from Holland	
1,701,000 from Canada	
565,000 from England	None
10,000 from Guatemala	

\$12,873,000 total

Net Change in Gold Earmarked for Foreign Account  
Decrease \$340,000

Note—Approximately \$229,000 of gold was received from China and San Francisco.

The figures above are for the week ended Wednesday. On Thursday \$1,698,500 of gold 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 the metal or change in gold held earmarked for foreign

account. On Friday it was reported that \$88,000 of gold was received at San Francisco from China.

Montreal funds during the week in terms of the dollar were quoted at a discount of 3-32% to par.

Referring to day-to-day rates sterling exchange on Saturday last was steady. Bankers' sight was \$4.93 5/8 @ \$4.94, cable transfers \$4.93 7/8 @ \$4.94 1/4. On Monday the pound was firm in more active trading. The range was \$4.93 3/4 @ \$4.95 for bankers' sight bills and \$4.94 @ \$4.95 1/4 for cable transfers. On Tuesday the market was quiet and rates were steady. Bankers' sight was \$4.94 3/8 @ \$4.95 1/8, cable transfers \$4.94 1/2 @ \$4.95 3/8. On Wednesday sterling was steady in fairly active trading. The range was \$4.93 1/2 @ \$4.94 1/8 for bankers' sight bills and \$4.93 3/4 @ \$4.94 3/8 for cable transfers. On Thursday the pound was firm. Bankers' sight was \$4.94 @ \$4.94 5/8; cable transfers \$4.94 1/4 @ \$4.94 7/8. On Friday sterling was steady. The range was \$4.93 7/8 @ \$4.94 5/8 for bankers' sight and \$4.94 @ \$4.94 7/8 for cable transfers. Closing quotations on Friday were \$4.94 for demand and \$4.94 1/4 for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at \$4.93 5/8; 60-day bills at \$4.92 1/4; 90-day bills at \$4.91 3/4; documents for payment (60 days) at \$4.92 1/4, and seven-day grain bills at \$4.93 3/4. Cotton and grain for payment closed at \$4.93 5/8.

Continental and Other Foreign Exchange

EXCHANGE on the Continental countries is showing greater firmness than in the past three weeks, due chiefly to the temporarily improved situation of the French franc. It may be recalled that on Thursday of last week the Bank of France reduced its rediscount rate from 6% to 5%. The market felt confident that a further reduction would be made this week but no announcement was made on Thursday. In all probability the rate will soon be reduced to 4% and possibly lower, as for the time being at least the franc seems relieved from serious assault and a high rediscount rate for the Bank of France is hardly conducive to the promotion of general business in the face of the great abundance of funds seeking employment in all major markets.

The Bank of France reported an increase in gold holdings this week of 17,010,034 francs, following an increase last week of 27,928,924 francs. Throughout the week the franc ruled close to new dollar parity of 6.63 and on numerous occasions went above par, moving as high as 6.64 1/2. However, it is plain that there is still much doubt in Paris as to the future of the franc and the other gold bloc currencies. This uncertainty is reflected in the premium on forward sterling and dollars and it is evident that there is still a heavy short position in the European markets, as bears on francs are not covering. For the present the French public is tranquil. They have been made to feel that the recent critical situation of the franc was brought about by attacks on the unit by foreign speculators. While there can be no doubt that such drives have been severe since March, the greater depression in French franc quotations arose from the fears of French nationals who were actively drawing down gold from the Bank of France and accumulating funds in other markets, especially in London and Brussels.

Only the active selling of sterling in Paris during the past few weeks by the British exchange fund and the selling of dollars for account of the United States Treasury have succeeded in offsetting the outward movement of funds of French nationals to other

markets. The activities of the London and Washington authorities resulted in earmarking for their account large quantities of gold in the Bank of France in payment for the sterling and dollars sold. Despite the recent assertions in high places in Paris and Washington of the altruistic objectives of these transactions, the real motive was not so much to support the franc as to prevent too rapid a rise in sterling and the dollar in terms of French francs and so in terms of other leading Continental units.

The German mark situation continues as enigmatic as ever. The so-called free or gold mark continues to be quoted at premiums in all markets. New dollar parity of the mark is 40.33, while the free mark had a quotable range this week in New York of between 40.37 and 40.50. The higher quotations for the gold mark, as frequently pointed out, are due to the enforced scarcity of the free mark by the Reichsbank regulations. This artificial restriction of so-called free marks, together with the six or seven other classes of greatly depreciated blocked marks, is the cause of whatever accession the Reichsbank is able to make to its actual gold holdings.

Italian exchange does not share in the firmness which has recently characterized the French franc, the Holland guilder, and the Swiss unit. From the traders' standpoint the Italian foreign exchange situation is one of extreme difficulty. The lira is now only nominally a gold currency. Now that all silver has been withdrawn from circulation in Italy, as it is required by the troops in Africa, where silver alone possesses purchasing power, bankers fear that Italy cannot escape a serious inflation. Par of the lira is 8.91. The quotable rates in New York this week ranged between 8.25½ and 8.31.

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
Franc (franc)-----	3.92	6.63	6.61½ to 6.64½
Belgium (belga)-----	13.90	16.95	16.88 to 16.95
Italy (lira)-----	5.26	8.91	8.25½ to 8.31
Switzerland (franc)-----	19.30	32.67	32.73 to 32.90½
Holland (guilder)-----	40.20	68.06	68.05 to 68.40

The London check rate on Paris closed on Friday at 74.51, against 74.60 on Friday of last week. In New York sight bills on the French center finished on Friday at 6.63, against 6.61½; cable transfers at 6.64, against 6.62, and commercial sight bills at 6.61, against 6.59¼. Antwerp belgas finished at 16.94 for bankers' sight bills and at 16.95 for cable transfers, against 16.94 and 16.95. Final quotations for Berlin marks were 40.49 for bankers' sight bills and 40.50 for cable transfers, against 40.37 and 40.38. Italian lire closed at 8.29½ for bankers' sight bills and at 8.30½ for cable transfers, against 8.25½ and 8.26½. Austrian schillings closed at 19.02, against 18.97½; exchange on Czechoslovakia at 4.20, against 4.19; on Bucharest at 1.01¼, against 1.01¼; on Poland at 19.00, against 18.95; and on Finland at 2.18½, against 2.18¾. Greek exchange closed at 0.94½ for bankers' sight bills and at 0.95 for cable transfers, against 0.94¼ and 0.94¾.

**E**XCHANGE on the countries neutral during the war shows firmness and more than ordinary activity. The firmness in guilders and Swiss francs is noticeable and results from subsidence of fears that either currency will be devalued in the immediate future. The Dutch situation has so far improved that the Bank of The Netherlands reduced its redis-

count rate on Wednesday from 5% to 4%, effective June 27. The 5% rate had been in effect since June 1, when it was increased from 4%. Par of the guilder is 68.06. Throughout the greater part of this week the guilder ruled well above par, the range having been between 68.05 and 68.40. Swiss francs are exceptionally firm. Par of the unit is 32.67 and the range in New York this week was between 32.73 and 32.90½. Funds are again moving into Switzerland. The Scandinavian currencies are firm, moving in sympathy with sterling exchange, with which they are closely allied.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam finished on Friday at 68.35, against 68.08 on Friday of last week; cable transfers at 68.36, against 68.09, and commercial sight bills at 68.33, against 68.06. Swiss francs closed at 32.84 for checks and at 32.85 for cable transfers, against 32.74 and 32.75. Copenhagen checks finished at 22.05 and cable transfers at 22.06, against 22.04 and 22.05. Checks on Sweden closed at 25.47 and cable transfers at 25.48, against 25.47 and 25.48, while checks on Norway finished at 24.82 and cable transfers at 24.83, against 24.82 and 24.83. Spanish pesetas closed at 13.75 for bankers' sight bills and at 13.76 for cable transfers, against 13.71 and 13.72.

**E**XCHANGE on the South American countries presents mixed trends. For the most part these units are steady, tending toward greater activity and moving largely in sympathy with sterling exchange. The Brazilian milrei seems to be an exception. The undertone of the milrei is decidedly weak and is causing considerable anxiety in official quarters in Rio de Janeiro. The official rates show practically no change from week to week and the greater part of the softness is reflected only in the unofficial or free market. The laws against exchange speculation are now being more strictly enforced, so that the exchange control has been practically re-established.

Argentine paper pesos are more active. The firmness in Argentine exchange is due largely to the steady improvement in economic and financial conditions, as reflected in active buying of Argentine Government dollar loans and in the activity in Argentine bonds in London and New York. In 1933 Argentina completed refunding of its internal national debt and mortgage bank debt into 5% obligations from 6½% to 5½% rates, and last year turned to its sterling indebtedness, which it converted with marked success at a 4½% level, virtually all British holders electing to take the lower rate bonds in preference to cash. It is now expected that Argentina will convert its dollar bonds, the bulk of which carry 6% coupons. These amount to roundly \$250,000,000 outstanding, approximately one-half of which is held in London or for London account. The improvement in the Argentine situation is also reflected in the reduction in the budgetary deficit, as compared with that of a few years ago. Last year closed with a deficit of only 1,000,000 pesos, contrasted with a deficit of 19,500,000 pesos in 1933 and of 329,000,000 in 1930. The Argentine central bank, which recently began operations as the country's bank of issue, pointed out that Argentina's public debt has been lowered by more than 500,000,000 in the past year and the floating debt has been cut roundly by a billion pesos to approximately 192,000,000 pesos in the past three years, the lowest level in modern times.

Argentine paper pesos closed on Friday, official quotations, at 32.95 for bankers' sight bills, against 32.91 on Friday of last week; cable transfers at 33 1/8, against 33. The unofficial or free market close was 26.45@26 5/8, against 26.40@26 1/2. Brazilian milreis, official rates, are 8.20 for bankers' sight bills and 8 3/8 for cable transfers, against 8.20 and 8 1/4. The unofficial or free market close was 5 1/2, against 5 1/2. Chilean exchange was nominally quoted on the new basis of 5.20, against 5.20. Peru is nominal at 23.71, against 23.76.

**EXCHANGE** on the Far Eastern countries presents no new features of importance. The Indian rupee fluctuates as always with the pound, to which it is legally attached. The Shanghai position continues to be disturbed on account of the great scarcity of silver stocks in China, and while currently silver prices are ruling considerably lower than they were a few weeks ago, only moderate relief is thereby afforded in the Shanghai situation. Japanese yen through the policy of the Bank of Japan control move in close relation to sterling exchange. The Japanese Finance Minister, Mr. Korekiyo Takahashi, on June 25 issued a warning that dire consequences would follow a further excess of bond issues. This warning was directed especially against the heavy borrowings to meet the budget of the Japanese Army and Navy. Mr. Takahashi's statement declared that the various Governmental departments had acquired a habit of framing astronomical demands on the budget, with the result that in the last ten years the national debt had been increased by 2,900,000,000 yen. To maintain the public credit and avert the danger of inflation, he warned, it is necessary that the bond issue be reduced. He also took a stand refusing to increase taxes because an increase would strike at the nation's industrial future.

Closing quotations for yen checks yesterday were 29.09, against 29.07 on Friday of last week. Hong Kong closed at 55 1-16@55 1/8, against 57 5/8@57 13-16; Shanghai at 39 5/8@39 3/4, against 40 1/2@40 9-16 Manila at 49.85, against 49.75; Singapore at 57 3/4, against 57.65; Bombay at 37.35, against 37.33, and Calcutta at 37.35, against 37.33.

**Gold Bullion in European Banks**

**T**HE following table indicates the amount of gold bullion (converted into pounds sterling at par of exchange) in the principal European banks as of June 27 1935, together with comparisons as of the corresponding dates in the previous four years:

Banks of—	1935	1934	1933	1932	1931
England...	£ 193,322,457	£ 162,143,913	£ 190,584,121	£ 136,953,579	£ 164,421,108
France a...	566,160,983	633,604,432	649,955,652	656,797,065	451,404,987
Germany b...	3,135,650	1,964,600	8,553,900	37,156,700	61,143,150
Spain.....	90,870,000	90,525,000	90,379,000	90,212,000	96,985,000
Italy.....	63,043,000	72,108,000	72,073,000	60,960,000	50,483,000
Neth'lands..	51,654,000	68,928,000	67,576,000	81,496,000	39,873,000
Nat. Belg'm	103,068,000	76,500,000	76,343,000	72,906,000	40,947,000
Switz'land..	44,541,000	51,209,000	66,703,000	87,919,000	23,411,000
Sweden....	19,670,000	15,205,000	12,023,000	11,444,000	13,270,000
Denmark....	7,394,000	7,397,000	7,397,000	8,031,000	9,551,000
Norway....	6,602,000	6,577,000	6,589,000	6,561,000	8,132,000
<b>Total week</b>	<b>1,149,371,090</b>	<b>1,226,161,945</b>	<b>1,248,156,673</b>	<b>1,250,406,344</b>	<b>965,633,245</b>
<b>Prev. week</b>	<b>1,146,822,937</b>	<b>1,226,720,215</b>	<b>1,252,582,293</b>	<b>1,242,875,341</b>	<b>963,312,714</b>

a These are the gold holdings of the Bank of France as reported in the new form of statement. b Gold holdings of the Bank of Germany are exclusive of gold held abroad, the amount of which the present year is £1,101,400.

**Foreign Exchange Rates**

**P**URSUANT to the requirements of Section 522 of the Tariff Act of 1922, the Federal Reserve Bank is now certifying daily to the Secretary of the Treasury the buying rate for cable transfers in the

different countries of the world. We give below a record for the week just passed:

**FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES CERTIFIED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS TO TREASURY UNDER TARIFF ACT OF 1922**  
JUNE 22 1935 TO JUNE 28 1935, INCLUSIVE

Country and Monetary Unit	Noon Buying Rate for Cable Transfers in New York Value in United States Money					
	June 22	June 24	June 25	June 26	June 27	June 28
<b>Europe—</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Austria, schilling.....	.188941*	.188991*	.189258*	.188925*	.189108*	.189308*
Belgium, belga.....	.169246	.168753	.168992	.169023	.168984	.169353
Bulgaria, lev.....	.013200*	.013250*	.013375*	.013250*	.013275	.013275*
Czechoslovakia, krone.....	.041862	.041878	.041956	.041903	.041928	.041975
Denmark, krone.....	.220458	.220536	.220991	.220516	.220566	.220708
England, pound sterl'g.....	4.938500	4.941964	4.949500	4.938166	4.940833	4.944083
Finland, marka.....	.021780	.021790	.021850	.021805	.021825	.021810
France, franc.....	.066169	.066222	.066340	.066273	.066300	.066388
Germany, reichsmark.....	.403458	.403530	.404223	.403900	.404171	.404600
Greece, drachma.....	.009375	.009415	.009470	.009435	.009440	.009430
Holland, guilder.....	.680471	.681164	.682385	.682028	.682335	.683250
Hungary, pengo.....	.294875*	.294950*	.295230*	.297000*	.296950*	.297075*
Italy, lira.....	.082582	.082626	.082835	.082835	.082835	.082913
Norway, krone.....	.248125	.248200	.248718	.248183	.248225	.248363
Poland, zloty.....	.189120	.189440	.189440	.189420	.189560	.189820
Portugal, escudo.....	.010085	.010055	.010080	.010050	.010070	.010070
Rumania, lei.....	.137091	.137185	.137450	.137332	.137353	.137515
Spain, peseta.....	.254586	.254733	.255233	.254709	.254736	.254890
Switzerland, franc.....	.327264	.327407	.327967	.327596	.327903	.328373
Yugoslavia, dinar.....	.022870	.022930	.022970	.023020	.022950	.022990
<b>Asia—</b>						
<b>China—</b>						
Chefoo (yuan) dol'r.....	.401666	.400525	.392500	.396666	.397083	.393333
Hankow (yuan) dol'r.....	.402083	.401041	.392916	.397083	.397500	.393750
Shanghai (yuan) dol.....	.401250	.400312	.391875	.395625	.396562	.393125
Tientsin (yuan) dol'r.....	.402083	.401041	.392916	.397083	.397500	.393750
Hongkong, dollar.....	.571250	.568437	.552812	.557500	.556875	.545625
India, rupee.....	.371975	.371995	.373075	.372250	.372250	.373540
Japan, yen.....	.290060	.290080	.290810	.290140	.290200	.290360
Singapore (S. S.) dol'r.....	.575312	.574375	.574375	.573125	.574062	.573750
<b>Australasia—</b>						
Australia, pound.....	3.918437*	3.916875*	3.924687*	3.915937*	3.916250*	3.918281*
New Zealand, pound.....	3.938750*	3.940000*	3.948125*	3.939375*	3.940000*	3.941718*
<b>Africa—</b>						
South Africa, pound.....	4.898000*	4.889750*	4.894500*	4.884500*	4.889500*	4.868250*
<b>North America—</b>						
Canada, dollar.....	.999270	.999322	.999545	.999088	.999147	.999114
Cuba, peso.....	.999200	.999150	.999200	.999200	.999200	.999200
Mexico, peso (silver).....	.277375	.277550	.277675	.277550	.277550	.277550
Newfoundland, dollar.....	.996750	.996750	.996937	.996625	.996718	.996562
<b>South America—</b>						
Argentina, peso.....	.328850*	.327000*	.329375*	.328800*	.328850*	.329050*
Brazil, milreis.....	.082700*	.083102*	.083177*	.083183*	.083177*	.083083*
Chile, peso.....	.050950*	.051000*	.051000*	.051000*	.051000*	.051000*
Uruguay, peso.....	.802850*	.804750*	.805500*	.805000*	.805000*	.805500*
Colombia, peso.....	.543500*	.543500*	.543500*	.543500*	.543500*	.543500*

\* Nominal rates; firm rates not available.

**The Campaign Against Private Property and Private Rights**

It will be a great misfortune if the widespread expressions of surprise and resentment which have greeted President Roosevelt's demand for increased taxation of corporations and inheritances are allowed to obscure the underlying policy which the announcement graphically illustrates. The announcement was certainly sudden and, by most people at least, wholly unexpected, while the first insistence upon immediate action, since happily modified somewhat in response to vigorous protest, came as a rude shock to those who still believe that the common deficiencies of legislative procedure are worth preserving. In principle, however, what Mr. Roosevelt called for had only the novelty of another incident. The demand for increased taxes on the income of large corporations, and of virtually confiscatory taxes on large inheritances, represents only the latest and most startling development of a campaign against private property and private rights which has been carried on, directly or indirectly, ever since the present Administration took office, and which, in spite of official disclaimers, is part and parcel of the New Deal philosophy.

A review of events during the past two years shows a progressive encroachment of the Federal Government upon property rights. The process began when the Emergency Banking Act of March, 1933, brought all banking institutions under the control of the President for such period of national "emergency" as he might declare, and required all gold and gold certificates to be turned over to the Treasury in exchange for "any other form of coin or currency coined or issued" under Federal authority. Since that time, private property in gold has for most purposes ceased to exist, and private possession of gold

subjects the holder to heavy penalties. A further step in the same general direction was taken when 40% or so was knocked off the value of the dollar, and the obligation of contracts was openly set aside in the case of bonds or other securities which, when issued, were made payable in gold.

The Agricultural Adjustment Act was a long step in the direction of depriving the farmer, not, indeed, of the title to his property and the right to sell or mortgage it, but of the right to use his property as seemed to him best. To this end, stringent restrictions were imposed upon acreage and production of staple crops, while as a part of the scheme the incomes of consumers were levied upon by processing taxes which raised the prices of food, and in the case of cotton by price pegging which raised the cost of textile manufacture. The clear purpose of the Act, and the avowed purpose of its administrators, was to set up in agriculture a planned economy under which production and distribution would be virtually removed from private control and subjected to Government regulation, with profits dependent upon the volume of production which the Government chose to permit and the marketing conditions which the Government elected to establish.

What was done to agriculture through the Agricultural Adjustment Act was done for industry and business, *mutantis mutandis*, through the Industrial Recovery Act. The use of private property in business and industry was limited by wholesale restrictions of hours and the establishment of minimum wages, by minute regulation of employment and working conditions, and by prohibitions of expansion of plant and the introduction of new processes or new machinery except with Government sanction given through code authorities which the Government set up and controlled. Further steps were taken when direct Government competition with private industry in the utilities field was inaugurated through the Tennessee Valley Authority, and similar competition with the distribution of electrical appliances was entered upon through a subsidiary of that organization, the Electrical Home and Farm Authority, and with some 200 lines of business or industry through the establishment of competing Government enterprises undertaken in the name of unemployment relief. Private utility companies have been further threatened by Federal grants in aid of the construction of municipal plants for which there is no need, and the Utilities Control Bill now before Congress, if passed in accordance with the demand of the President, will either wipe out utility holding companies after a few years or permit a Federal commission to extinguish them in its discretion, with a resulting heavy or total loss of property to millions of holders of utility companies' securities.

In still other directions the Government pressure upon private property and its independent use has been continuous and insistent. The passage of the Eccles Banking bill, unless some of its original provisions are radically changed, will practically end banking as a private enterprise and subject all banks and their credit operations to political Federal control. The Federal housing program is based upon the assumption that housing, including so-called slum clearance, is a Government function from which private capital may properly be crowded out, while the right of employers and workers to bargain freely regarding wages, hours and working conditions will, under the Wagner Labor bill, be re-

placed by a system of collective bargaining ordained by the Federal Government and enforced by the Federal courts. If the pending social security legislation becomes law, business and industry will be levied upon to support a system of old age pensions and unemployment insurance, the hard-pressed railroads are threatened with a pension system adroitly contrived to take the place of one which the Supreme Court held unconstitutional, and the pending Guffey bill goes far in driving the entering wedge of Government ownership of the coal industry. The entire administration of public unemployment relief has been taken under Federal supervision, and the public works are few indeed in which Federal money is not the main support and Federal direction the indispensable and final word.

What is happening, in short, is the systematic restriction of the activities of private capital and the opportunities for profit through private initiative and enterprise, and the substitution of Federal control embodied in detailed regulations and reinforced by huge undertakings set up and in large part supported by the Government. The most obvious impetus to this transformation has been given, of course, by the unprecedented financial grants which Congress, at the command of the President, has poured out to start the undertakings and keep them going. Never before in history have such lavish sums been used to revolutionize a social order by enabling Government to do for individuals, businesses or industries things which, in a more rational society, they would be expected to do for themselves. The latest of these extraordinary developments is the Bankhead Bill, passed by the Senate on Monday, and apparently assured of strong support in the House, authorizing a bond issue of \$1,000,000,000, guaranteed by the Government, to be used by a Farmers Home Corporation in loans in aid of the purchase by tenant farmers of farms and buildings, livestock and equipment, machinery, supplies and furnishings, and the creation on Wednesday of a National Youth Administration, with a \$50,000,000 Federal allotment, which in addition to finding employment for the unemployed is to "train and re-train" youth "for industrial, technical and professional employment opportunities" and "provide for continuing attendance at high school and college."

When, accordingly, Mr. Roosevelt calls upon Congress to increase the levies upon corporations and inheritances, he takes a further step which is entirely true to form. Nominally, the new taxes are expected to produce additional revenue which will somewhat cut down the Treasury deficit, but the very existence of a continuing deficit, joined to unbridled Federal appropriations for one large project after another, threatens the existence of profits by the increasing burden of taxation which it entails, at the same time that increasing debt jeopardizes the future borrowing power of the Government. The surest way to undermine the capitalist structure is to make profits precarious. By striking at the net earnings of large corporations and receipts from large inheritances, Mr. Roosevelt makes a popular appeal to the radicals whose economic creed is summed up in "soak the rich," but it should be clear that the imposition of corporation taxes of such glaring inequity as is now proposed would imperil returns in dividends from all classes of corporation securities and discourage investment in any large corporate enterprise, and that drastic inroads upon inheritances would

amount to a Government confiscation of capital. Instead of the popular "distribution" of wealth we should have eventually the destruction of wealth.

Mr. Roosevelt's radio speeches have sometimes given the impression that his chief and fundamental aim has been to rid American capitalism of some of its more obvious defects and injustices by temporary and judicious Government regulation, to tide business and industry over a depression by means of Government aid, and so to prepare for the day when, with needed purification and strengthening, the normal course of national life might be resumed. There is abundant reason, however, for thinking that he has all along planned something radically different. By injecting Government authority into economic life in all directions, subsidizing Government competition with private business and industry, and piling up Federal debts which only long years of heavy taxation can hope to pay, he has prepared the way for the establishment of a collectivist system under which capital would more and more be furnished by the Government, credit extended only at Government discretion, profits cut down to a point where inducements to investment and saving would be greatly weakened, and labor of all kinds become increasingly dependent upon the Government for a chance to work. It is not a long step from such a condition to one in which private capital, no longer permitted to earn enough over and above taxes to make its employment an object of individual ambition, with all important details of industrial or business operation dependent upon Government permission and watched by Government spies, and with Government competition multiplying, will see no reason for continuing the unequal struggle. The collectivist State which is now forming would then blossom into full bloom.

The saving grace of the moment is the evidences of widespread resentment which the efforts of the Administration to circumvent the restrictions of the Constitution and hamstring the Supreme Court have aroused, and the vigorous opposition which is being shown to the revolutionary proposals which Congress is being belabored to adopt. It is high time that resistance was mobilized, for private property and private rights are now gravely endangered and in urgent need of stout and unqualified defense.

### ***New Political Alignments in Europe***

The announcement, on June 18, of the signature at London of an Anglo-German naval agreement appears to have brought considerable confusion to the minds of political moralists. When the Hitler Government, tired of seeing Germany the under dog in European political controversy, gave notice that the armament restrictions of the Treaty of Versailles would no longer be observed, accusations of bad faith and aggressive ulterior purposes were freely hurled across the German frontiers, and some outspoken essays were written about the sanctity of treaties and the immorality of infracting solemn international obligations by unilateral action. When Great Britain, true to its realistic temper in such matters, frankly recognized that the armament restrictions were dead and hastened to conclude an agreement to insure its own safety, accusations of bad faith, save in France, were curiously tempered, and the sanctity of treaties was displaced by anxious questions as to what the unexpected shift of policy

might mean. A Machiavelli, had he been living, would doubtless have remarked that in international relations, as in domestic affairs, there are matters of State to which the ordinary rules of personal ethics imperfectly apply, that treaties, like laws, may be outgrown and hence be no longer morally binding, and that in any case Great Britain, having satisfied itself that German policy would not be changed, had no practical option save to recognize an accomplished fact and adapt its course to the new situation. That would have satisfied all the interested parties except the French, but the French, in political concerns, are likely to be doctrinaires, and French resentment must accordingly be set over against British realism in appraising the new situation.

There can be no doubt that the British Government was seriously disturbed by the prospect of German rearmament. The increase in the German army could, perhaps, be ignored as primarily of interest to the Continental Powers, but the prospect of German naval craft in the Channel and of a German air force within striking distance of the British Isles could not be treated lightly. With characteristic promptness and decision negotiations were begun, and on June 18 an agreement was reached. As set out in a British White Paper, it was agreed that "the future strength of the German navy in relation to the aggregate naval strength of the members of the British Commonwealth of Nations should be in the proportion of 35 to 100," that this ratio should constitute a "permanent relationship" to be adhered to "in all circumstances," without regard to construction by other Powers, but with the proviso that "if the general equilibrium of naval armaments, as normally maintained in the past, should be violently upset by any abnormal and exceptional construction by other Powers," the German Government may ask for reconsideration in the light of the new conditions. The German Government further agreed to apply the ratio to the various categories of vessels, subject, however, to such adjustments as will allow the utilization of the agreed tonnage "to the full" and to such other limitations as may result from a general international agreement.

In respect to submarines, the agreement guarantees to Germany the right to possess submarines equal in tonnage to the total of such tonnage possessed by the British Commonwealth. It was agreed, however, that the total German submarine tonnage should not in fact exceed 45% of the similar tonnage of the British Commonwealth, except in the event of a situation which, in the opinion of the German Government, makes necessary a higher percentage, in which case notice is to be given and the matter discussed in a friendly way. On Tuesday the House of Commons was told that Germany had also indicated its willingness to adhere to the rules laid down in the London Naval Treaty regarding submarine warfare—rules which ban indiscriminate attacks upon merchant vessels—and also to abandon submarines altogether. The latter assurance is, of course, dependent upon similar action by other Powers, and of that there is no present likelihood.

The reactions to the agreement have been, thus far, about such as were to be expected. British public opinion has been disposed to accept the agreement as the only practical course under the circumstances, and as removing one obstacle to friendly relations between the two countries. Government

spokesmen have insisted that the agreement, instead of inviting an armament race, has actually brought nearer a general agreement for armament limitation, but that it was nevertheless necessary to act without waiting to consult other Powers if the opportunity to advance peace by a two-Power pact was not to be lost. The most outspoken attack came on Wednesday, when the agreement was sharply criticized in the House of Lords, although less, apparently, for what it accomplished than for the way in which the thing was done.

The Reich, naturally, was overjoyed at the recognition of its escape from the restrictions of the Versailles treaty, and the reputation of Chancellor Hitler as a diplomatist has risen appreciably in the European scale. France, on the contrary, is both aggrieved and resentful. It feels that the unity of the Powers which alone can hold Germany in check and preserve the fruits of Versailles has been shattered by the desertion of Great Britain, and that an arms race, which among other things will wreck the Washington Naval Treaty, is now inevitable. While still professing a willingness to negotiate with Germany for a modification of the Versailles restrictions, it is not inclined to act alone, and the efforts of Captain Anthony Eden, British Minister without portfolio, to arrange a conference between Great Britain, France, Italy and Russia are reported to have failed completely. Italy, too, is reported to have shown no special concern over the agreement, and to be ready to enter any naval race that France may start, while the League of Nations has been further weakened by the conclusion of the Anglo-German agreement wholly without its advice or participation, and by the likelihood that the Reich will be less inclined now than before to consider a resumption of League membership.

One does not need to look far beneath the surface to perceive that the Anglo-German agreement has raised more questions than it has answered. Whether the British were altogether fair in their negotiations is one of the ethical aspects of the controversy which is open to debate. It is admitted that the German naval plans, which had not previously been disclosed, were communicated to the British at the outset of the negotiations on a promise that they would not be revealed to France unless the French also disclosed their program. Great Britain thus deserted its French neighbor in order to make a separate and advantageous agreement with Germany. It has since alleged, in justification, that consultation with France would have involved the customary delay and that the case was urgent. The discovery that it had been passed over has given deep offence to France, and seems likely to embarrass Anglo-French relations for some time to come, but neutral observers will probably feel that Great Britain, in view of the persistent opposition which France has shown for years to reconciliation with Germany, was justified in cutting loose and concluding an independent agreement.

With the Versailles Treaty still further discarded and the Anglo-French entente considerably impaired, the outlook for a continuance of anything resembling the former "united front" against Germany seems greatly dimmed. It has been a cardinal principle of French policy to maintain as far as possible, through the formal medium of the League of Nations although actually without much reference to it, a common policy with Great Britain and Italy

in all matters in which Germany and the former Central Powers were concerned, but the League was never less important than it is to-day, Great Britain has gone its own way in arranging a naval policy with Germany, and Italy, with its eyes on Ethiopia and enthusiastic for an African conquest, feels no need of co-operating if co-operation involves concessions. It is with some anxiety that France, faced with an unwonted measure of political isolation in Western Europe, finds itself in a position where it must lean hard upon its recent accord with Soviet Russia and depend for "security" upon the development, at arm's length, of understandings with the small States of Eastern Europe.

The gain in prestige which the Anglo-German agreement has unquestionably won for Hitler is being matched by the increased influence which has accrued to Mussolini from his Ethiopian project. All signs now point to the existence of a tacit understanding that no obstacle will be placed in the way of the Ethiopian campaign, and that active operations may be looked for in a few months, when the rainy season is over. To British remonstrance against an imperialist movement in Africa, Mussolini is reported to have replied by citing the history of the British Empire and the huge territorial gains of the former Allies at the expense of Germany as a result of the World War. It is still possible that the mediators appointed through the agency of the League of Nations, who are examining the issues in dispute, may be able to propose a settlement which will avert war, but with the war fever running high in both countries the outlook for a peaceable adjustment cannot be regarded as bright.

On the whole, therefore, the Anglo-German agreement does not appear to have done much to assure European peace. The establishment of a tonnage ratio does not prevent either party from increasing its navy. France has just planned for another battleship, Italy insists that its fleet shall equal that of France, and there are no agreed restrictions on the expansion of air armaments. The Anglo-German agreement has disrupted the old political alignments, placed France at a disadvantage and given Italy a freer hand. That Great Britain has lost as well as gained is apparent from the rather dismal failure of Captain Eden's visits to Paris and Rome—the first serious reverse, it should be noted, that that accomplished diplomat has encountered. The next few months should show whether the breaking up of an international pattern which has served, with many irritations and some conspicuous failures, for a number of years is to be followed by other bilateral pacts which will make a general explosion less likely than it has for some time been.

#### BOOK REVIEWS

##### *Federal Securities Act Procedure*

By J. K. Lasser and J. A. Gerardi. 388 pages. New York: McGraw-Hill Publishing Co., Inc. \$4.00.

Any book which undertakes to explain in detail the procedure under the Federal Securities Act is subject to some correction almost from the date of its publication, since hardly a week passes without some new regulation, instruction or interpretation being put out by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Our notice of the above volume has unfortunately been delayed, but the changes which have appeared in the interval do not affect the solid substance of the book or detract from its high value as a thoroughgoing and comprehensive analysis of the Securities Act, including its amendments, and an admirable exposition of the procedure which observance of the requirements of the Act calls for. In both these respects the book is indis-



pensable to anyone, whether issuer, dealer or buyer, who has to do with securities.

A summary of the principal contents will show the scope of the work. Beginning with a history of the Act of 1933 and an analysis of the amendments made in 1934, the authors go on to define and analyze the important terms used in the Act, and indicate in detail the kinds of securities and transactions which are exempted from registration. These chapters are followed by a minute examination of the registration requirements, including the form and contents of registration statements, the preparation of financial statements by accountants, the specifications and obligations of the prospectus, and related formal matters. The remainder of the expository text is devoted to discussions of the powers of the Commission and their review by the courts, a general analysis of the rights of purchasers and their civil liabilities, the civil liabilities of issuers, controlling persons, directors, officers, experts and others, and unlawful practices or violations and criminal liability.

Appendices contain the text of the Securities Act as amended, the amended parts being shown in italics, together with the text of the Act of 1933 creating the Corporation of Foreign Bondholders, and Form A-1 of the prescribed registration statement.

While the authors confine themselves for the most part to the provisions of the Act and the details of procedure, they also call attention to various limitations or defects in the system and to questions which are still open. Commenting, for example, on the amendment which limits the liability of an underwriter in damages, they point out that although the change is "a substantial improvement" over the original Act, it is "still far short of the English avoidance of liability for bankers" who act as underwriters for an issuing company, since "each underwriter may still be liable to the extent of the total underwriting." The test of what constitutes a "public offering" of securities, they conclude, "appears to be one relating to the quantity of people solicited," "a group of not more than 25 persons sought as purchasers," the Commission has intimated, being sufficient to dispense with registration if the securities are not to be redistributed.

Of special interest and importance is the authors' examination of the inferential responsibilities of an accountant or auditor. The accountant is "probably charged" with an exhaustive investigation of assets if there are no qualifications regarding the property, and with the determination of the adequacy of rates of depreciation and of the reserve in the aggregate and in detail; and he must satisfy himself "by active inspection through his own staff or counsel" that franchises, patents, &c., have been legally assigned and registered, and "thoroughly investigate the status" of pending or possible actions for infringement or denial of ownership, make himself responsible for ascertaining a fair market value of securities of subsidiary or affiliated companies "unless it is possible to qualify the certificate," and "adequately examine" the records of such companies, and assure himself that inventories have been "properly taken and priced."

Regarding newspaper "news items" representing publicity offered to purchasers of advertising space, the authors think it "probable" that such items would not fall under the prohibition of paid "puffs" if they are news, if they "contain the same factual material" that the paper might have obtained through its own reporter, and if they are believed by the publisher to be "as truthful and accurate" as they would be if the story had been obtained by a reporter "direct from the original." In the important matter of the responsibility of officers of a corporation for the truth or absence of omission in a registration statement after reasonable investigation by them, the authors see the likelihood of "much controversy" over "the determination of the yardstick by which the standard of reasonableness of investigation demanded by the Act may be measured," but in regard to large corporations they conclude that "it is difficult to see how a judge or jury charged with the responsibility of deciding this question can avoid the consideration that a director or officer of a large corporation, in placing reliance for the statements made in the registration statement upon subordinates and conducting his investigation through them, is doing what is required of a prudent man in the management of his business." They see no reason, further, why an expert may not insure himself against liability "through an indemnification agreement with the issuer" if "our best physicians may insure themselves against liabilities arising out of malpractice."

### **Hospital Accounting and Statistics. A Manual for American Hospitals**

85 pages. Chicago: American Hospital Association. \$1.00.

This manual, prepared by an Advisory Committee on Accounting of the Council on Community Relations and

Administrative Practice of the American Hospital Association, merits the attention not only of all persons engaged in hospital administration but also of all business or professional men or women who contribute to the support of such institutions through their membership on boards or committees. Without undertaking to provide either a treatise on accounting or a collection of accounting forms, it discusses in a non-technical way the special accounting problems of hospitals, and outlines, for an average hospital, suitable methods of classifying and combining the various elements of receipts and costs, distributing and recording the outlays for different forms of service, separating non-operating and operating expenses, controlling cash receipts and outlays, making an inventory, and similar matters. The various topics are illustrated, where practicable, by specimen financial exhibits, and an elaborate check list of hospital supplies, building structure, fixtures and equipment is also added. No attempt is made to standardize accounting methods, the varying requirements of institutions being frankly recognized, but the largest general institutions, as well as the smallest or most highly specialized, will be likely to find in the practical suggestions of the committee much that can be adapted to their needs.

### **New York Laws Affecting Business Corporations Annotated**

Sixteenth edition, revised to May 17 1935. J. B. R. Smith, Editor. New York: United States Corporation Co.

In addition to a synoptic analysis of contents, this latest edition of Mr. Smith's well-known manual contains sections relating to business, general, stock and membership corporations, provisions of the tax laws and the Uniform Stock Transfer Act, monopoly and "blue sky" provisions and those of a general business and penal character, corporate acknowledgment, general associations law, decedent estate law provisions, and executive and civil practice fees. Statutory amendments are noted, and references are made to judicial decisions affecting various corporate enactments. The General Index is full and well contrived.

### **Control of the Retail Units of Chain Stores**

By Edgar H. Gault. Michigan Business Studies, Vol. VII, No. 1. 99 pages. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan. \$1.00.

This latest publication of the Bureau of Business Research of the University of Michigan School of Business Administration is described as "a study based on the analysis of control methods employed by the central offices of 62 different chain store organizations handling 16 different types of merchandise." The larger number of the organizations have their headquarters in Michigan or nearby States. The purpose of the study, which is not primarily statistical, was to determine the kinds of control methods used and the operating conditions that influenced their adoption.

The types of chains represented include restaurant and confectionery, men's clothing, department store, drug, dry goods, furniture, grocery, hosiery, men's furnishings, millinery, music, office supply, shoe, variety and women's ready-to-wear. The study deals with control methods as applied to merchandise, inventory, finances and personnel. Investigation showed that the retail outlets of chain stores offered "nothing unique in the technique of control," all the devices employed by chain stores being found in other types of retail stores, and department stores in particular using the same methods. The author concludes that "there is no magic in the control of chain stores," and that "we must look elsewhere to find an explanation of the amazing growth" of that method of merchandise distribution. He notes, however, that "the nature of overhead costs and the mirage of a large net profit have led many department store managers to increase sales volume far beyond the point of most economical operation."

The report comments informingly on the relative size of chains in relation to profitable operation, the importance of the size and location of outlets, the dependence of inventory and merchandising control upon the kind of merchandise handled, and the typical characteristics of a chain store organization. An interesting development is the encouragement by central offices of managerial ability in store managers, with the result of additional freedom for the local manager and more individualized operation as increased ability is shown.

### **Behind the Scenes of Business**

By Roy A. Foulke. 159 pages. New York: Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.

All but the first of the six chapters of Mr. Foulke's pamphlet appeared in the first instances as separate studies in the Dun & Bradstreet "Monthly Review," and were subsequently re-edited for issuance separately in pamphlet form. For the present publication they have been further edited, revised and enlarged, and an introductory chapter has been added. Chapter I is a practical study of the elements of prosperity in a business enterprise, with special attention to inventory, turnover and planning, and a plea for the use of "tangible net worth" instead of "gross assets" as "the one and only figure which represents the exact measurable wealth of a corporation." The next four chapters, the substance of which is presumably familiar to readers of the

"Monthly Review," are studies of industries from the point of view of capital, inventory, sales and net profit ratios, three ratios being considered in each case and the details for 1931-1933 set out in statistical tables. The final chapter is a study of the wholesale grocery trade. The discussions are enriched by apt illustrations drawn from Mr. Foulke's long experience as manager of the analytical report department of Dun & Bradstreet, and enlivened by acute comments and trenchant criticisms of defective business methods.

The Adventure of Progress

By Hartley W. Barclay. New York: Privately Printed by the Author, 205 East 42nd Street. \$1.00

An interesting and vigorous exposition of the thesis that "mechanization of industry is an irresistible evolutionary force," that "artificial methods of interfering with mechanization have failed" because they "provided a false security and were fundamentally uneconomic in their conception," that research and invention are "two modern forces which are stronger than codes or any other trade pacts" and "must form the basis of any conceptions of social security which are to be ultimately successful," and that "a back-log of over \$18,000,000,000 in industrial supply and machinery" to-day "is creating a growing demand for skilled labor which may eventually bring back prosperity." The text is accompanied by six well-constructed diagrams showing the "contemporary pattern" of American capitalism.

The Course of the Bond Market

All classes of bonds have held up relatively well, some advancing to new top prices, this week, with the exception of lower-grade railroad issues, which lost considerable ground on Thursday upon announcement that the Chicago & North Western and the Chicago Milwaukee St. Paul & Pacific proposed to file reorganization petitions under the Bankruptcy Act. Subsequent weakness in a number of lower-grade rail issues carried the Baa railroad group average down 3.41 points from the high level for the recent upturn attained on Monday. High-grade rail issues have not been affected. Utility bonds have been strong.

United States Government obligations averaged higher and are now close to the year's top level, reached on May 1. The Treasury announced another successful offering of 3% bonds, allotted to the highest bidders, at an average price of 103 18/32, to yield 2.62% to the nearest maturity, in 1944.

Prices for the better railroad bonds have moved very

little in either direction. Pennsylvania 4s, 1948, closed at 112 5/8, down 1 1/8 since a week ago. Illinois Central 5s, 1955, at 87 were up 1 1/2 points. Lower-grade rail issues showed losses. Allegheny coll. 5s, 1944, closed at 72 1/2, unchanged; Erie 5s, 1967, declined 1 3/4 points to 64 3/4; Chicago and North Western 4s, 1987, declined 1 5/8 points to 45, and St. Paul 4 1/2s, 1989 "C," lost 3 3/4 points, closing at 53 1/4.

In a fairly quiet week utility bonds have displayed fluctuations within a narrow range, with some evidence of strength. High grades have been quite firm, many reaching new tops. Issues of lower grade tended upward, those making new highs for the year including Milwaukee Electric Railway & Light 5s, 1971, which advanced 1 1/4 points to 99 1/4; Western Union Telegraph 5s, 1951, which at 95 1/4 were up 2 3/4 for the week, and Kentucky Utilities 5 1/2s, 1955, which gained 3 3/4 points to close at 93 3/4. New financing became prominent once again with \$18,594,000 Consumers Power 3 3/4s, 1965, at par, and \$30,000,000 Pacific Gas & Electric 4s, 1964, at 104, the principal public offerings.

Prices have been more erratic in the industrial classification this week, with numerous declines. Vanadium 5s, 1941, lost 3 1/4 points for the week, closing at 78; General Cable 5 1/2s, 1947, declined 2 1/4 points to 88 3/4; Certainteed 5 1/2s, 1948, lost 1 1/2 points, closing at 74, and Otis Steel 6s, 1941, at 90 were off 3 1/2. Declines have not been uniform, however, for the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron 6s, 1949, advanced 1 1/2 points to 38 1/2, and the International Paper 5s, 1947, gained 2 points, closing at 74 3/8. Numerous issues gained fractionally. There have been no well-defined price movements by industrial groups.

Foreign bonds have been fairly strong, with the majority of issues showing gains. Among the more noticeable increases have been the 6 to 9 points appreciation of the Republic of Panama issues following indications that the annuity payments made by the United States Treasury to the Republic would be effected on a gold-equivalent basis in the future. Chile bonds advanced fractionally, while Peruvian issues gained up to 2 points. Other South Americans have been fairly steady. Austrian, Danish and German bonds have been somewhat higher, although the latter showed losses in the corporate group.

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 for 1935 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 June 28 to June 28 '33, with weekly and monthly averages.

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

Table with columns for 1935 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 June 28 to June 28 '33, with weekly and monthly averages.

\* These prices are computed from average yields on the basis of one "ideal" bond (4 3/4% 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 1928, 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 May 18 1935, page 3291. ‡ 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, June 28 1935.

Business activity receded rather sharply owing largely to a decline in the bituminous coal output to nearly one-half of the previous week's total. There was also a falling off in steel operations and railroad loadings. Yet increased charge accounts and the extension of deferred payment buying indicates a feeling of confidence in the future. Furthermore, there was an increase in the production of electric light of 1.8% to 1,775,000,000 kilowatt hours, which is close to the high weekly total for the year to date, reached in January, and larger than in any other June week on record. Then, too, there was a more than seasonal expansion in lumber output and shipments, and orders were larger than in the preceding week. Retail sales exceeded those of the same week in 1934 by 5 to 20%. Crude oil production increased slightly, and ran 77,300 barrels above the Federal allowable. Grain prices were higher on bullish crop and weather reports. Black rust was reported in some sections of the belt. Cotton also showed advancing tendencies on buying stimulated by unfavorable weather and crop reports and the tightness of the July position. Lower crop and acreage estimates are expected. Trading has been restricted by the uncertainties over Washington developments in connection with the Agricultural Adjustment Administration and the loan on the new crop. Other commodities were generally firm of late, but there was not much activity. The Arkansas River was reported five feet above flood stage on the 23rd inst. and swept over farm land and poured into homes as it passed through a dozen major levee breaks. Flood waters in Kentucky were receding rapidly after a let-up in the heavy rains of last week. Torrential rain in the Middle West on the 26th inst. caused the death of three persons and did considerable property damage. Generally clear and warm weather prevailed in New York during the week. A heavy thunderstorm brought relief to the city on the 27th inst. after the temperature had reached a peak of 81 degrees. The storm broke over Nyack and caused a break in the dam there. To-day it was fair and warm here, with temperatures ranging from 68 to 85 degrees. The forecast was for partly cloudy, continued warm to-night and Saturday; possibly local thundershowers Saturday afternoon. Overnight at Boston it was 66 to 82 degrees; Baltimore, 72 to 94; Pittsburgh, 62 to 86; Portland, Me., 60 to 74; Chicago, 66 to 82; Cincinnati, 60 to 88; Cleveland, 68 to 72; Detroit, 66 to 80; Charleston, 78 to 84; Milwaukee, 66 to 82; Dallas, 74 to 94; Savannah, 76 to 88; Kansas City, 68 to 90; Springfield, Mo., 68 to 84; Oklahoma City, 72 to 88; Denver, 54 to 84; Salt Lake City, 64 to 94; Los Angeles, 60 to 74; San Francisco, 54 to 64; Seattle, 58 to 84; Montreal, 62 to 74, and Winnipeg, 50 to 70.

### Number of Freight Cars in Good Repair Declines

Class I railroads on May 31 had 305,218 surplus freight cars in good repair and immediately available for service, the Association of American Railroads announced on June 24. This was a decrease of 31,262 cars compared with May 14, at which time there were 336,480 surplus freight cars.

Surplus coal cars on May 31 total 58,216, a decrease of 35,498 cars below the previous period, while surplus box cars totaled 188,683, an increase of 3,718 cars compared with May 14.

Reports also showed 28,493 surplus stock cars, an increase of 1,098 compared with May 14, while surplus refrigerator cars totaled 8,657, a decrease of 140 for the same period.

### Number of Freight Cars in Need of Repairs on June 1 Declines

Class I railroads on June 1 had 283,310 freight cars in need of repair, or 15.4% of the number on line, the Association of American Railroads announced on June 27. This was a decrease of 1,418 cars compared with the number in need of such repairs on May 1, at which time there were 284,728, or 15.4%.

Freight cars in need of heavy repairs on June 1 totaled 219,008, or 11.9%, a decrease of 453 cars compared with the number in need of such repairs on May 1, while freight cars in need of light repairs totaled 64,302, or 3.5%, a decrease of 965 compared with May 1.

Locomotives in need of classified repairs on June 1 totaled 10,582, or 23.0% of the number on line. This was an increase of 45 compared with the number in need of such repairs on May 1, at which time there were 10,537, or 22.8%.

Class I railroads on June 1 had 4,124 serviceable locomotives in storage compared with 4,115 on May 1.

### New Freight Cars and Locomotives Placed in Service During Past Five Months

Class I railroads of the United States in the first five months of 1935 installed 1,294 new freight cars, according to reports received by the Association of American Railroads and made public June 26. In the same period last year, 2,327 new freight cars were placed in service, and

in the same period two years ago, there were 1,249. The Association's reports further showed:

Twenty new steam locomotives and 55 new electric locomotives were placed in service in the first five months of this year. The railroads, in the first five months of 1934, installed one new steam locomotive and six new electric locomotives.

New freight cars on order on June 1 totaled 1,479 compared with 20,011 on the same day in 1934 and 1,205 on the same day in 1933.

The railroads on June 1 this year had on order 10 new steam locomotives and 37 new electric locomotives. New steam locomotives on order on June 1 1934 totaled 40, and on the same date in 1933 there was one. New electric locomotives on order on June 1 1934 totaled 107. No reports are available as to the number on order on June 1 1933.

Freight cars and locomotives leased or otherwise acquired are not included in the above figures.

### Moody's Daily Commodity Index Rises Moderately

Largely because of a sharp advance in grain prices on Friday, Moody's Daily Index of Spot Commodity prices was enabled to close the week at moderately higher levels. The Index closed on Friday at 157.9 compared with 156.8 a week ago.

The week has been featured by pronounced strength in wheat, hides, cotton and wool, while cocoa also rose slightly. On the other hand, copper declined to 8c from 9c, where it had remained for over a year. Top hogs, silver, coffee and rubber likewise closed the week at lower levels. Silk, corn, scrap steel, lead and sugar remained unchanged.

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

Fri., June 21	156.8	2 Weeks Ago, June 14	155.7
Sat., June 22	Not compiled	Month Ago, May 31	156.7
Mon., June 24	156.5	Year Ago, June 29	140.1
Tues., June 25	155.7	1934 High, Aug. 29	156.2
Wed., June 26	156.3	Low, Jan. 2	126.0
Thurs., June 27	155.7	1935 High, May 23	162.1
Fri., June 28	157.9	Low, Mar. 18	148.4

### Revenue Freight Car Loadings Drop Sharply

Loadings of revenue freight for the week ended June 22, 1935 totaled 567,847 cars. This is a loss of 85,245 cars or 13.1% from the preceding week, a drop of 55,475 cars or 8.9% from the total for the like week of 1934 and a decline of 41,780 cars or 6.9% from the total loadings for the corresponding week of 1933. For the week ended June 15, loadings were 5.5% above the corresponding week of 1934 and 10.2% above those for the like week of 1933. Loadings for the week ended June 8 showed a gain of 2.3% when compared with 1934 and an increase of 10.8% when the comparison is with the same week of 1933.

The first 18 major railroads to report for the week ended June 22 1935 loaded a total of 263,130 cars of revenue freight on their own lines, compared with 308,482 cars in the preceding week and 301,253 cars in the seven days ended June 23 1934. A comparative table follows:

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

	Loaded on Own Lines Weeks Ended—			Received from Connections Weeks Ended—		
	June 22 1935	June 15 1935	June 23 1934	June 22 1935	June 15 1935	June 23 1934
Atchafalaya Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.	17,813	19,165	23,966	4,363	4,597	4,319
Baltimore & Ohio RR.	23,543	30,811	29,110	13,819	14,912	13,183
Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.	17,315	25,685	21,020	8,998	10,688	9,437
Chicago Burl & Quincy RR.	12,012	13,586	13,578	5,904	6,194	6,203
Chicago Milw. St. Paul & Pac. Ry.	15,215	17,105	17,613	7,230	6,950	6,414
y Chicago & North Western Ry.	12,961	14,148	15,938	8,592	9,028	8,151
Gulf Coast Lines	1,965	1,822	1,735	1,148	1,133	1,157
Internat. Great Northern RR.	1,935	1,982	2,940	1,669	1,622	1,731
Missouri-Kansas-Texas RR.	3,862	4,074	4,754	2,248	2,441	3,013
Missouri Pacific RR.	11,608	13,236	14,100	7,183	7,507	7,597
z New York Central Lines	33,900	39,145	35,849	32,649	39,857	33,896
N. Y. Chicago & St. Louis Ry.	4,165	4,335	4,540	8,115	8,543	8,037
Norfolk & Western Ry.	15,453	22,132	17,294	4,022	4,472	4,385
Pennsylvania RR.	54,976	63,259	58,117	37,825	45,148	36,487
Pere Marquette Ry.	5,180	5,357	5,146	4,447	4,819	4,023
Pittsburgh & Lake Erie RR.	4,488	5,225	6,010	4,131	6,220	5,508
Southern Pacific Lines	22,099	22,301	24,683	x	x	x
Wabash Ry.	4,640	5,114	4,860	7,536	7,829	7,244
<b>Total</b>	<b>263,130</b>	<b>308,482</b>	<b>301,253</b>	<b>159,869</b>	<b>181,960</b>	<b>160,785</b>

x Not reported. y Excluding ore. z Includes cars loaded at stations and received from connections by the Boston & Albany, New York Central, Michigan Central, Big Four and Peoria & Eastern railroads as a unit. The interchange of traffic as between these lines, which formerly was included in the report as cars received from connections, has been eliminated. Reports of past periods are revised to the same basis in order to provide proper comparisons.

TOTAL LOADINGS AND RECEIPTS FROM CONNECTIONS  
(Number of Cars)

	Weeks Ended—		
	June 22 1935	June 15 1935	June 23 1934
Illinois Central System	24,151	28,002	24,321
St. Louis-San Francisco Ry.	10,799	12,487	12,877
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,950</b>	<b>40,489</b>	<b>37,198</b>

The Association of American Railroads, in reviewing the week ended June 15 1935, reported as follows:

Loading of revenue freight for the week ended June 15 totaled 653,092 cars. This was an increase of 22,256 cars above the preceding week, 34,211 cars above the corresponding week in 1934, and 60,333 cars above the corresponding week in 1933.

Miscellaneous freight loading for the week ended June 15 totaled 237,129 cars, an increase of 4,451 cars above the preceding week, but a decrease

of 10,465 cars below the corresponding week in 1934. It was, however, an increase of 5,452 cars above the corresponding week in 1933.

Loading of merchandise less-than-carload-lot freight totaled 156,970 cars, a decrease of 663 cars below the preceding week, 4,483 cars below the corresponding week in 1934, and 11,862 cars below the same week in 1933.

Coal loading amounted to 157,245 cars, an increase of 16,204 cars above the preceding week, due to the anticipated strike of bituminous miners. It also was an increase of 59,893 cars above the corresponding week in 1934, and 62,353 cars above the same week in 1933.

Grain and grain products loading totaled 25,843 cars, an increase of 1,328 cars above the preceding week, but reductions of 7,963 cars below the corresponding week in 1934, and 12,408 cars below the same week in 1933. In the Western districts alone grain and grain products loading for the week ended June 15 totaled 15,888 cars, a decrease of 7,263 cars below the same week in 1934.

Livestock loading amounted to 10,346 cars, decreases of 565 cars below the preceding week, 2,466 cars below the same week in 1934 and 5,122 cars below the same week in 1933. In the Western districts alone loading of livestock for the week ended June 15 totaled 7,504 cars, a decrease of 2,274 cars below the same week in 1934.

Forest products loading totaled 26,455 cars, an increase of 637 cars above the preceding week, 1,337 cars above the same week in 1934, and 693 cars above the same week in 1933.

Ore loading amounted to 32,632 cars, an increase of 255 cars above the preceding week, but a reduction of 1,292 cars below the corresponding week in 1934. It was, however, an increase of 19,695 cars above the corresponding week in 1933.

Coke loading amounted to 6,472 cars, an increase of 609 cars above the preceding week, but a decrease of 355 cars below the same week in 1934. It was, however, an increase of 1,532 cars above the same week in 1933.

The Eastern, Allegheny, Pocahontas and Southern districts reported increases in the number of cars loaded with revenue freight for the week of June 15, compared with the corresponding week in 1934, but the North-western, Central Western, and Southwestern districts reported reductions. All districts, except the Southwestern, reported increases compared with the corresponding week in 1933.

Loading of revenue freight in 1935 compared with the two previous years follows:

Table comparing revenue freight in 1935, 1934, and 1933 across various weeks and totals.

In the following table we undertake to show also the loadings for separate roads and systems for the week ended June 15 1935. During this period a total of 91 roads showed increases when compared with the corresponding week last year. The most important of these roads which showed increases were the Erie RR., the Reading Co., the Southern System, the Illinois Central System, the New York Central RR., the Baltimore & Ohio RR., the Pennsylvania System, the Chesapeake & Ohio RR., the Norfolk & Western RR., and the Louisville & Nashville RR.

REVENUE FREIGHT LOADED AND RECEIVED FROM CONNECTIONS (NUMBER OF CARS)—WEEK ENDED JUNE 15

Main table showing revenue freight loaded and received from connections for various railroads in 1935, 1934, and 1933, categorized into Eastern, Southern, Northwestern, and Southwestern districts.

Note—Figures for 1934 revised. \* Previous figures. a Not available. b Included in New York Central figures. c Includes figures for the Boston & Albany RR., the C. C. C. & St. Louis RR., and the Michigan Central RR.





DATA FOR RECENT WEEKS

Table with columns: Week of, 1935, 1934, P. C. Ch'ge, and Weekly Data for Previous Years (1933-1929) in Millions of Kilowatt-Hours.

DATA FOR RECENT MONTHS (THOUSANDS OF KWH.)

Table with columns: Month of, 1935, 1934, P. C. Ch'ge, and years 1933-1930.

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%.

Monthly Indexes of Federal Reserve Board for May

The Federal Reserve Board, under date of June 25, issued as follows its monthly indexes of industrial production, factory employment, &c.:

BUSINESS INDEXES (Index Numbers of the Federal Reserve Board, 1923-25=100) a

Table of Business Indexes with columns: General Indexes, Adjusted for Seasonal Variation (May 1935, April 1935, May 1934), Without Seasonal Variation (May 1935, April 1935, May 1934).

p Preliminary. r Revised. a Indexes of production, car loadings, and department store sales based on daily averages. b Based on three-month moving average of F. W. Dodge data centered at second month. c Indexes of factory employment and payrolls without seasonal adjustment compiled by Bureau of Labor Statistics.

FACTORY EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLLS—INDEXES BY GROUPS AND INDUSTRIES. (1923-25=100) a

Table of Factory Employment and Payrolls with columns: Group and Industry, Employment (Adjusted/Without seasonal adjustment), Payrolls (Without seasonal adjustment).

a Indexes of factory employment and payrolls without seasonal adjustment compiled by Bureau of Labor Statistics. Index of factory employment adjusted for seasonal variation compiled by Federal Reserve Board.

New York Federal Reserve Bank Reports Increase of Approximately 1% in Sales of Wholesale Firms During May as Compared with May 1934

Sales during May of the reporting wholesale firms in the Second (New York) District, states the New York Federal Reserve Bank, "were about 1% ahead of last year, following a more substantial increase in the previous month."

Sales of the drug, shoe, paper, men's clothing, and jewelry concerns registered small advances over the level of a year ago, but in no case was the gain as large as was shown in April.

The amount of stock held by the grocery, hardware, and diamond firms was higher this year than last, while the drug and jewelry concerns again reported stocks below the level of a year ago.

Table with columns: Commodity, Percentage Change May 1935 Compared with May 1934, P. C. of Accts. Outstanding April 30 Collected in May (1934, 1935).

\*Quantity figures reported by the National Federation of Textiles, Incorporated, not yet available.

Sales of Chain Stores During May in New York Federal Reserve District Reported 4% Below May Last Year

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York reports that "total May sales of the reporting chain store systems were 4% below last year, which, except for the March reduction caused by the late Easter, was the largest decline in two years."

The shoe and candy chains showed substantial reductions in sales from last year, and the grocery and 10-cent chain store systems also reported declines.

The number of new stores opened between May 1934 and May 1935 by the 10-cent, drug, variety, and candy chains was less than the number of stores closed by the grocery and shoe chains during the period.

PERCENTAGE CHANGE MAY 1935 COMPARED WITH MAY 1934

Table with columns: Type of Store, Number of Stores, Total Sales, Sales per Store.

Bank of Montreal Reports Continued Improvement in Canadian Business During June

"The business improvement noted in May has continued into June," said the Bank of Montreal, in reporting on business in Canada.

An interesting comparison with the progress of business recovery in the United States is afforded by an analysis based on 17 important production factors for which parallel statistics exist.

Returns of industrial production for May over April were mostly of a favorable nature, and the output of central electric stations continued on a high level.

The employment index of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics was higher for May than in any year since 1931, and was also higher than in any of the years from 1921 to 1925.

Decrease of 3% From Year Ago Noted in May Sales of Department Stores in New York Federal Reserve District—Sales in Metropolitan Area of New York During First Half of June 0.3% Above Similar Period of 1934

"In the month of May, total sales of the reporting department stores in the Second (New York) District were 3% below last year, which, however, was a smaller decrease than that reported for the months of March and April combined."

Sales of the New York City stores showed a smaller decline in May than the average for March and April, while larger decreases were reported by the Rochester, Buffalo, Northern New Jersey, Northern New York State, Southern New York State, and Westchester and Stamford stores. The Hudson River Valley and Capital District department stores showed sales below the level of a year ago, following decreases both in April and in March. On the other hand, reporting stores in Syracuse and Bridgeport reported advances in sales from a year ago, compared with a slight decline for the average of March and April. Sales of the leading apparel stores in this district were 3% below a year ago, or about the same as the average decline for the previous two months.

Department store stocks of merchandise on hand, at retail valuation, continued to show reductions from last year's level, which in some departments were quite substantial, but apparel store stocks remained slightly larger than a year ago. The rate of collections in May of accounts outstanding at the end of April averaged higher in 1935 than in 1934 for the department stores and also for the apparel stores.

Locality	Percentage Change from a Year Ago			P. C. of Accounts Outstanding April 30 Collected in May	
	Net Sales		Stock on Hand End of Month	1934	1935
	May	Feb. to May			
New York	-2.9	-3.6	-3.2	50.1	50.4
Buffalo	-1.8	-0.8	-8.6	46.3	48.4
Rochester	-3.0	-1.3	-6.7	43.9	46.6
Syracuse	+0.8	-0.4	-5.9	34.9	38.6
Northern New Jersey	-4.0	-1.6	-4.9	42.3	43.7
Bridgeport	+3.1	+1.7	+4.2	35.2	39.8
Elsewhere	-9.1	-3.7	-12.6	31.4	35.3
Northern New York State	-11.4	-7.9	---	---	---
Southern New York State	-6.6	-2.6	---	---	---
Hudson River Valley District	-11.7	-8.5	---	---	---
Capital District	-6.6	-1.9	---	---	---
Westchester and Stamford	-14.1	-3.9	---	---	---
All department stores	-3.1	-3.0	-4.1	46.1	47.3
Apparel stores	-3.1	-1.8	+2.9	47.2	48.9

May sales and stocks in the principal departments are compared with those of a year previous in the following table:

	Net Sales Percentage Change May 1935 Compared with May 1934	Stock on Hand Percentage Change May 31 1935 Compared with May 31 1934
Musical instruments and radio	+27.8	-24.6
Hosiery	+6.4	-9.9
Women's and misses' ready-to-wear	+2.0	-6.9
Linens and handkerchiefs	+1.3	-15.1
Luggage and other leather goods	-0.2	-3.3
Silverware and jewelry	-1.4	-6.1
Furniture	-1.8	-12.7
Cotton goods	-2.1	-21.0
Books and stationery	-2.1	-4.0
Men's furnishings	-2.7	-1.7
Woolen goods	-3.3	-10.8
Toys and sporting goods	-3.6	+2.4
Women's ready-to-wear accessories	-3.6	+2.7
Home furnishings	-5.1	-9.0
Toilet articles and drugs	-7.5	-7.0
Shoes	-11.0	+2.7
Silks and velvets	-11.8	+2.2
Men's and boys' wear	-14.5	+12.4
Miscellaneous	-5.0	+0.1

As to sales in the Metropolitan area of New York during the first half of June, the Bank, in its "Review," has the following to say:

For the first half of June, sales of the reporting department stores in the Metropolitan area of New York were 0.3% above those of the corresponding period a year ago, but did not show the usual seasonal advance over May.

#### Improvement in Industrial Activity During First Half of June Noted by National Industrial Conference Board—Follows Recession from April to May

Industrial activity in May was lower than in April, but in the first half of June a slight improvement was registered in volume of output, according to the monthly "Business Survey" of the National Industrial Conference Board. As made available on June 21, the monthly survey of the Conference Board said:

Automobile production was curtailed in the first half of May by labor troubles, but the total for the month was almost 8% above that for May 1934. Production of petroleum and steel in May declined by more than the usual seasonal amounts; electric power production was only slightly less than seasonally lower.

Indexes of activity in the fields of distribution and trade declined rather sharply in May. Distribution of manufactured goods, as indicated by miscellaneous car loadings, declined counter-seasonally. In trade, the actual value of retail sales was lower in May than in April, although after adjusting for the Easter holiday, the decline was less than seasonal.

The brightest spot in the industrial situation is in the building industry. Both total and residential construction advanced from April to May. While total construction was 5.7% lower than a year ago, this decline was due entirely to the reduction in publicly-financed work during the past year. Privately-financed contracts advanced 27% over those for a year ago and are now higher than at any time since 1931. The advance in residential construction has been particularly impressive; awards for this class of building were 80.8% above those for a year ago.

Wholesale commodity prices advanced during the first three weeks of May, reaching new high levels for 1935. Toward the end of May, however, a sharp recession in prices occurred, bringing the average for the entire month down to that for April. In the first week of June prices advanced somewhat, but in the second week of the month recessions again took place. Thus, at the moment, there appears to be no well-defined trend in wholesale commodity prices. Retail prices and the cost of living averaged slightly lower in May than during the preceding month. Security prices were generally higher in May than in April. During the first half of June common stock prices rose to within striking distance of the 1933-1934 highs.

Textile production in May continued the receding tendency evident in recent months. The composite index of textile output declined to a new low level for 1935 after seasonal adjustment. The decline in the cotton

industry was largely responsible for the recent low levels. Activity for June suggests a further decline, although less than for previous months.

Wholesale sales of textiles have been very small since the voiding of the National Industrial Recovery Act, and the total volume has been considerably below production. However, the woolen and worsted industries still have large unfilled orders on the books, so there is no accumulation in this direction. Stocks in silk and rayon are also tending lower. While some easing of textile finished goods prices has been evident, considerable resistance is being shown to lower levels.

#### Increase of 0.9% in Number of Unemployed Workers from April to May Reported by National Industrial Conference Board

The total number of unemployed workers in May 1935 was 9,711,000, according to the regular monthly estimate of the National Industrial Conference Board, made public June 26. This is an increase of 90,000, or 0.9%, from the preceding month, and an increase of 510,000, or 5.5%, over May 1934. The Conference Board also announced:

From April to May 1935 the increases in unemployment, by industrial groups, were: Trade, 64,000; manufacturing and mechanical industries, 42,000; domestic and personal service, 7,000; miscellaneous industries, 2,000. Unemployment in transportation showed a decrease of 47,000 and in mining, 4,000.

Compared with May 1934, unemployment in May 1935 increased 4.7% in domestic and personal service; 3.6% in transportation; 3.2% in trade; 2.7% in mining; 1.5% in manufacturing, and 1.7% in miscellaneous industries. The Conference Board's allowance of 320,000 for the net annual increase of gainful workers available for employment brought the estimate of total unemployment above the figure for May 1934.

The following table prepared by the Conference Board shows the number of unemployed workers in the various industrial groups in May 1934, April 1935, and May 1935:

Industrial Group	NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED		
	May 1934	Apr. 1935 c	May 1935
Mining	442,000	457,000	454,000
Manufacturing and mechanical	3,404,000	3,412,000	3,454,000
Transportation	1,273,000	1,366,000	1,319,000
Trade	994,000	963,000	1,026,000
Domestic and personal service	894,000	927,000	934,000
Industry not specified	473,000	480,000	481,000
Other industries a	296,000	296,000	296,000
All industries b	7,773,000	7,900,000	7,963,000
Allowance for new workers since 1930 census	1,428,000	1,721,000	1,748,000
Total unemployed	9,201,000	9,621,000	9,711,000

a This group includes agriculture, forestry and fishing, public service, and professional service. The numbers given are the unemployed workers in 1930, satisfactory data being unavailable from which later changes in unemployment can be computed. b Industrial classification include 3,188,000 listed as unemployed in census of April 1930. c Revised.

#### Lumber Production Exceeds Shipments and New Business for First Week Since Last November

The week ended June 15 1935 was the first since last November in which either lumber shipments from the mills or new business booked at the mills were below production. During this week shipments were 4% below output; new business was 0.5% below. All items were slightly lower than during the preceding week, but revised figures will bring them up to at least an even volume. Total production gained 3% over that of the corresponding week of 1934; shipments were 20% greater, and new business was 31% heavier than during the 1934 week. These comparisons are based upon telegraphic reports to the National Lumber Manufacturers Association from regional associations covering the operations of 921 leading hardwood and softwood mills. In the week ended June 15 these produced 155,264,000 feet; shipped 148,280,000 feet; booked orders of 154,607,000 feet. Revised figures for the preceding week were: Mills, 944; production, 156,990,000 feet; shipments, 155,786,000 feet; orders received, 159,256,000 feet. The Association's report further said:

Of reporting softwood regions, only West Coast and Southern pine reported orders above production during the week ended June 15. Total softwood orders were 1% below production; hardwood orders 8% above hardwood output. Softwood shipments were 5% below production. All regions but California redwood and Northern pine reported orders above those of corresponding week of 1934.

Unfilled orders on June 15, as reported by 1,176 mills, were 944,765,000 feet and gross stocks, 4,359,095,000 feet. Identical softwood mills reported unfilled orders on June 15 as the equivalent of 33 days' average production and stocks of 132 days' production, compared with 29 days' and 155 days' on similar date of last year.

Forest products car loadings totaled 26,455 cars during the week ended June 15 1935. This was 637 cars above those loaded during the preceding week; 1,337 cars above those of corresponding week of 1934, and 693 cars above similar week of 1933.

Lumber orders reported for the week ended June 15 1935 by 830 softwood mills totaled 143,453,000 feet, or 1% below the production of the same mills. Shipments as reported for the same week were 138,007,000 feet, or 5% below production. Production was 144,946,000 feet.

Reports from 114 hardwood mills give new business as 11,154,000 feet, or 8% above production. Shipments as reported for the same week were 10,273,000 feet, or 0.4% below production. Production was 10,318,000 feet.

#### Unfilled Orders and Stocks

Reports from 1,176 mills on June 15 1935 give unfilled orders of 944,765,000 feet and gross stocks of 4,359,095,000 feet. The 721 identical softwood mills report unfilled orders as 766,179,000 feet on June 15 1935, or the equivalent of 33 days' average production, compared with 686,041,000 feet, or the equivalent of 29 days' average production on similar date a year ago.

#### Identical Mill Reports

Last week's production of 726 identical softwood mills was 140,362,000 feet, and a year ago it was 136,327,000 feet; shipments were, respectively, 134,673,000 feet and 113,558,000; and orders received 140,934,000 feet



and 109,164,000 feet. In the case of hardwoods, 112 identical mills reported production last week and a year ago, 10,318,000 feet and 10,496,000 feet; shipments, 10,265,000 feet and 7,572,000 feet, and orders, 11,154,000 feet and 6,575,000 feet.

#### Summary of Canadian Crop Situation by Dominion Bureau of Statistics—Outlook Continues Favorable in Manitoba and Saskatchewan

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa, Canada, issued on June 25 the fifth of a series of 15 weekly telegraphic reports covering crop conditions in the three Prairie Provinces. Forty correspondents distributed over the agricultural area supply the information on which the reports are based, the Bureau said. The following is a summary of the report issued June 25:

During the past week, light showers were received in many parts of Western Canada, while heavy rains were concentrated in a relatively few districts. In general, it may be stated that the outlook continues favorable in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, while prospects in Alberta are not quite as favorable as a week ago. Rain is needed in parts of southwestern Saskatchewan and is needed urgently in southeastern Alberta and in local areas in southern Alberta. Definite crop damage due to drought is reported from southeastern Alberta. In northern Alberta, where crops are decidedly late, further rains were received last week. Warm weather is urgently needed to stimulate growth. In the Peace River area crops are late and some parts need rain. Grasshoppers are hatching in all three Provinces and control measures are being put into effect. The grasshopper situation has not resulted in material damage to date but remains a potential menace in some areas. Pastures are in a satisfactory condition, especially Manitoba, and livestock are benefiting. Hail storms were reported last week in Saskatchewan and Alberta but damage was light.

#### Crop Report of Bank of Montreal—Conditions Mainly Favorable

"The crop outlook in the Prairie Provinces of Canada continues favorable except in southeastern Alberta and southwestern Saskatchewan, where moisture is lacking," according to the latest crop report of the Bank of Montreal. "Some early sown wheat is in short blade. In all three Provinces warmer weather is required to stimulate growth. Pastures are in good condition." In its report, issued June 27, the bank added:

In Quebec, the hay crop is in excellent condition but other crops generally have been retarded by too much rain, and warm, dry weather is needed. In Ontario, crops continue to make excellent progress, ideal growing weather having prevailed. In the Maritime Provinces, conditions generally are promising but warm, dry weather is needed. In British Columbia, the season is still backward and more rain would be beneficial.

#### Petroleum and Its Products—Trade Awaits Results of Washington Meeting—California Output Reduced—Representative Disney Talks with President on New Oil Bill—Pennsylvania Crude Oil Reduced—Crude Production Up Slightly in Week

Trade attention was centered during the week upon the group conferences held in Washington under the joint auspices of the American Petroleum Institute and the Planning and Co-ordination Committee to determine what action should be taken to maintain stability in the industry following the ending of the National Recovery Administration oil code.

Further developments are expected Monday when a group, representative of those factors attending the Washington conference, will meet in New York with legal advisers to consider the necessary legal steps needed to establish a set of rules in accordance with the conclusions reached at the original meeting.

The meeting in Washington, presided over by C. E. Arnott, of the Socony-Vacuum Oil Corp., devoted its attention to studying the trade practice rules of the oil code and the trade practice rules set up by the Federal Trade Commission in 1931 in an effort to see if it was possible to combine the best features of each set of rules.

Monday's meeting brought about the appointment of several subcommittees assigned to investigate various phases of the problems under consideration. The reports of these subcommittees resulted in a fairly complete coverage of the situation and brought the following rules under the consideration of the meeting:

No lending or giving away of equipment; building of service station facilities purely to get the resultant business; repairing service stations or equipment; painting of stations; prohibitions against delivering substitutes or making cash loans to retailers, or paying retailers' rentals; persuading dealers to break contracts; prizes and premiums; false or malicious advertising claims; improper use of trademarks, and the declaration that a violation of any of the rules when agreed to formed an unfair trade practice.

The meeting also developed alternate plans to cope with the lease and agency problem. The first suggested that lease and agency contracts be abolished by July 1 1936, as a method of gradually eliminating stations operated under this system, and second, a two-year suspension of existing contracts in order that independent jobbers would have a chance to develop this market.

Reports from the West Coast Thursday indicated that the threat of the major companies to reduce crude oil prices has caused a slackening of production, which last week was at a four and one-half year high. Output at the first of the current week was the lowest since June 1 and continued the abrupt decline which started on June 19 when production

reached more than 590,000 barrels daily, or nearly 80,000 barrels above the State's June quota.

Official reports on production on Monday of this week put the level at 532,458 barrels, or sufficiently near the June quota to indicate that producers were paying serious attention to the possibility of a crude oil price cut should the flow of "unneeded" oil continue as heavy as in the first part of the month. West Coast oil men feel that if production can be kept at approximately the quota level, or even slightly above it, there is little danger of a slash in crude oil prices. The difficulty, of course, is that there is no definite assurance that producers will maintain production at the desired level.

Representative Disney disclosed in a press interview in Washington Wednesday that he had discussed oil control legislation with President Roosevelt. The President, Mr. Disney represented, felt that oil legislation was needed at the current session but believed that members of the Congress should "get-together" on a concrete program. Mr. Disney has discussed the situation with other members of Congress, he added, as well as with leading factors in the industry. He may introduce a counterpart measure to the Thomas bill, he added. A substitute for Section 7 of the Thomas bill, which provides power to the Federal Government to go inside of State lines and establish quotas, which would prevent shipments of oil produced in excess of State quotas is under his consideration.

The substitute measure backed by the Administration in place of the original Thomas measure won the support of the Consumers Advisory Board, although certain changes to protect the consumer were suggested in a letter sent by the group to the Senate Mines and Mining Committee handling the measure.

The measure should be revised to provide a complete program for stabilizing the industry, the Board held, adding that it did not specifically protect the consumers. Other weak points included the provision for voluntary agreements, which, as it reads now, would result in "leaving the door open wide for the creation of monopoly," the Board contended, arguing further that the agreements be permitted only when found not to violate the anti-trust laws or to injure the consumer.

Further recommendations offered by the group included a suggestion that the bill should provide for the establishment of a consumer advisory board and that the proposed petroleum board should be more closely under the supervision of the Secretary of the Interior. "The bill's immediate use unless lies in its effort to prevent production which is entirely unrelated to demand and to place the control over production in Federal hands," the Board said in supporting the measure.

J. Howard Marshall, a member of the original Petroleum Administrative Board, has resigned from the Board to re-enter private practice of law, it was disclosed in Washington in mid-week. Mr. Marshall, formerly an assistant dean of the Yale Law School, was drafted into the Federal service by Mr. Ickes and was one of his two chief oil advisers. His first case in practice is handling the legal details for a group of California companies seeking to draft voluntary agreements to replace the agency and production control pacts that existed under the oil code.

The field staff of investigators operating under Louis R. Glavis, director of the divisions of investigation of the Public Works Administration and the Department of the Interior, has been reduced to 88 from 238 members, Secretary Ickes disclosed in Washington Wednesday. The staff, however, probably will be enlarged again should the Thomas bill pass in order to cope with the added regulatory duties, Mr. Ickes added.

Should the industry develop a voluntary agreement to replace the defunct oil code, the Petroleum Administration should be the governing body, Mr. Ickes contended in discussing the current efforts being made to draft fair trade practice rules by the leading factors in the industry. A request for an allotment from the works fund to carry on the Petroleum Administrative Board has been filed by Mr. Ickes.

Overproduction of crude with the resultant weakening of the market structure was the main factor in the reduction of 15 cents a barrel posted in prices of Pennsylvania grade crude oil Wednesday by the South Penn Oil Co., it was indicated. Under the new schedule crude oil in Southwest Penn Pipelines is \$1.77 a barrel; in Eureka Pipe, \$1.72; Buckeye Pipe, \$1.62. The Tidewater Oil Co., Ltd., posted a reduction of 15 cents a barrel in prices of crude in the Bradford and Allegheny areas to \$2.05 a barrel on the same day.

A hearing on the constitutionality of the Texas law authorizing the confiscation of "hot" oil stocks and their sale by the State for its own revenue will be held before a three-judge Federal Court in Houston on Monday. Attorney-General McCraw, however, is continuing with court actions against owners of stores of "hot" oil, and in addition is seeking authority to destroy the earthen storage pits after the oil has been confiscated.

Texas officials, it was learned, have asked the Department of Justice for a formal ruling on whether "hot" oil confiscated by Texas can be moved in inter-State traffic. It was understood that the Department of Interior had unofficially held that such oil could not legally be moved. Should the Department of Justice formally rule this way,

it was indicated, Texas officials will seek an amendment to the Connally law to permit the inter-State movement of such oil and its products under the supervision of the Federal Tender Board.

Rumors that the legislative probe of the "hot" oil situation in Texas had been dropped by the investigating committee because of the danger of implicating high State officials in the probe had become too dangerous to permit its continuation at the present time were denied by members of the investigating committee, but for the time being, at least, the investigation has been stopped, according to reports from Texas oil circles.

Crude oil production in the United States rose 4,250 barrels to a daily average of 2,728,300 barrels during the week ended June 22, the American Petroleum Institute reported. The report, which does not attempt to estimate "hot" oil production, compared with the cancelled Federal quota of 2,651,000 barrels daily for the month.

A substantial decline in Oklahoma offset gains at California and Texas. Dropping 15,200 barrels, Oklahoma production was 517,000 barrels, against a quota of 514,300 barrels. Texas rose 12,150 barrels to 1,058,200 barrels, against an allowable of 1,059,300 barrels. An increase of 4,250 barrels in California lifted the total to 581,000 barrels, against an allowable of 512,700 barrels.

Price changes follow:

June 26—South Penn Oil Co. reduced Pennsylvania grade crude oil 15 cents a barrel to \$1.77 in Southwest Penn Pipelines; \$1.72 in Eureka Pipe, and \$1.62 in Buckeye Pipe. Tidewater Oil Co., Ltd., reduced Bradford and Allegheny grade crudes 15 cents a barrel to \$2.05 a barrel.

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

Bradford, Pa.	\$2.05	Smackover, Ark., 24 and over	\$0.70
Lima (Ohio Oil Co.)	1.15	Eldorado, Ark., 40	1.00
Corning, Pa.	1.37	Rusk, Tex., 40 and over	1.00
Illinois	1.13	Darst Creek	.87
Western Kentucky	1.13	Midland District, Mich.	1.02
Mid-Cont., Okla., 40 and above	1.03	Sunburst, Mont.	1.35
Hutchinson, Tex., 40 and over	.81	Santa Fe Springs, Calif., 40 and over	1.34
Spindletop, Tex., 40 and over	1.03	Huntington, Calif., 26	1.10
Winkler, Tex.	.75	Petrolia, Canada	2.10

**REFINED PRODUCTS—SEASONAL DRAIN PARES GASOLINE STOCKS 1,428,000 BARRELS IN WEEK—LOCAL MARKET STRONG—SCATTERED PRICE WEAKNESS IN UPPER NEW YORK STATE—MONTREAL GAS WAR RAGES**

Despite an increase in refinery operations, and production of gasoline by cracking at a record rate, stocks of motor fuel were slashed 1,428,000 barrels during the week ended June 22 50,125,000 barrels under the increased demand as seasonal factors lifted consumption sharply.

The report, published by the American Petroleum Institute, disclosed that refinery operations had risen 1.9 point to 76.5% of capacity, with daily average runs of crude oil to stills gaining 65,000 barrels to total 2,606,000 barrels. Gas and fuel oil stocks rose 1,531,000 barrels to 101,693,000 barrels. Cracked gasoline rose 12,000 barrels to a record daily average of 534,000 barrels.

A breakdown of the gasoline storage report disclosed that refineries were called up to furnish 839,000 barrels of gasoline from their holdings, piling such stocks to 30,935,000 barrels. Bulk terminals showed a drop of 589,000 barrels in stocks to 19,290,000 barrels, the American Petroleum Institute stated.

The local market continued strong. Prices are well maintained as the seasonal advances in consumption, which this year indicate that 1935 will witness the establishment of a new all-time high for motor fuel consumption, encourage some factors to anticipate further advances in retail levels. It is freely admitted that should the Gulf Coast market, now holding 5¼ to 5½ cents a gallon, with offerings at the lesser figure reported small, show further strength, a markup in wholesale and retail prices of gasoline will follow for the New York-New England marketing area, and probably for the entire Atlantic Seaboard market.

Scattered price changes posted during the week reflecting local competitive conditions included reductions of 1 cent a gallon in Buffalo, 1½ cents a gallon at Niagara Falls and an advance of ½ cent a gallon in retail levels at Binghamton, N. Y. The new Buffalo price of 17 cents a gallon, taxes included, is 1.2 cents a gallon under "normal." The new schedule at Niagara Falls also puts "pump" prices at 17 cents a gallon, taxes included.

The recent weakness in the Boston retail gasoline price structure was extended Monday when a further reduction of 1 cent a gallon pared "pump" levels to 11½ cents. The following day, however, prices staged a sharp recovery, an increase of 2 cents lifting the service station level to 13½ cents a gallon, taxes included. This, it was pointed out, is approximately the same level prevailing before the recent price-cutting started.

The price war in Montreal continued in full sway during the week, prices suffering from severe slashing as major companies met the competitive levels established by the St. Lawrence Oil Co., Ltd., a new independent company which immediately slashed prices 6 cents a gallon below the current level when it started operations late last week.

The major companies were not slow in taking up the challenge and quickly re-established their price schedules to conform with the lower levels in the areas served by the St. Lawrence Oil Co., Ltd. All grades of gasoline were affected by the struggle in the "war" areas and as the week closed, prices were more than 7 cents a gallon under

the level prevailing before the gallonage battle broke forth. Representative price changes follow:

June 22—A reduction of 6 cents a gallon was posted by major oil companies on all grades of gasoline in Montreal, making the new scale 17 cents for first grade, 15 cents for second and 14 cents for third grade, taxes not included.

June 24—Independent companies posted a reduction of 1 cent an imperial gallon in service station prices of gasoline in Montreal to 12¼ cents, taxes not included.

June 24—Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. posted a reduction of ½-cent a gallon in service station prices of gasoline at Buffalo, making the new price 17 cents a gallon, taxes included.

June 24—Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. posted a reduction of 1½ cents a gallon in service station prices of gasoline at Niagara Falls, making the new price 17 cents a gallon, taxes included.

June 24—A reduction of 1 cent a gallon in Boston service station prices of gasoline pared the retail level to 11½ cents a gallon, taxes included.

June 25—An increase of 2 cents a gallon in Boston service station price of gasoline lifted the retail level to 13½ cents a gallon, taxes included.

June 26—Gasoline prices were lifted ½-cent a gallon at service stations in Binghamton, N. Y. by all companies.

June 25—A reduction of 1 to 1½ cents a gallon in all grades of gasoline in Montreal was posted by all major companies. The new scale puts first grade at 16 cents, second grade at 14½ cents with "white" at 13½ cents, taxes not included.

**Kerosene, 41-43 Water White, Tank Car, F.O.B. Refinery**

New York (Bayonne)	\$.05	North Texas	\$.03¼-.03¼	New Orleans	\$.04	-.04¼
		Los Angeles	.04¼-.05	Tulsa	.03¼	-.04

**Fuel Oil, F.O.B. Refinery or Terminal**

N. Y. (Bayonne)		California 27 plus D		Phila., bunke C	\$.15
Bunker 28-30 D	\$.15	New Orleans C	1.00		
Diesel 28-30 D	1.89				

**Gas Oil, F.O.B. Refinery or Terminal**

Y. (Bayonne), plus	\$.04	-.04¼	Chicago, 32-36 GO	\$.02¼-.02¼	Tulsa	\$.02¼-.02¼
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**S. Gasoline, (Above 65 Octane), Tank Car Lots, F.O.B. Refinery**

Standard Oil N. J.	\$.06¼	New York		Chicago	\$.05¼-.05¼
Socony-Vacuum	.06¼	Colonial-Beacon	\$.06¼	New Orleans	.05¼-.05¼
Tide Water Oil Co.	.06¼	Texas	.06¼	Los Ang., ex.	.04¼-.04¼
Richfield Oil (Calif.)	.06¼	Gulf	.06¼	Gulf ports	.05¼
Warner-Quinlan Co.	.06¼	Republic Oil	.06¼	Tulsa	.05¼-.05¼
		Shell East'n Pet.	.06¼		

**Gasoline, Service Station, Tax Included**

zNew York	\$.183	Cincinnati	\$.185	Minneapolis	\$.176
zBrooklyn	.178	Cleveland	.185	New Orleans	.18-195
Newark	.168	Denver	.20	Philadelphia	.17
Camden	.168	Detroit	.18	Pittsburgh	.18
Boston	.135	Jacksonville	.205	San Francisco	.165
Buffalo	.17	Houston	.17	St. Louis	.169
Chicago	.175	Los Angeles	.145		

z Not including 2% city sales tax.

**Change Likely in Prospecting Rules**

A broad policy change in regard (to oil and gas prospecting on the public domain is in sight, under companion bills now pending before Congress to alter the 1920 oil and gas leasing Act, according to an Associated Press dispatch from Washington in the June 27 issue of the New York "World-Telegram." The dispatch continues:

Oil and gas prospectors now operate under a permit system which would be discarded for a leasing plan if measures introduced jointly by Senator O'Mahoney (Dem., Wyo.) and Representative Greever (Dem., Wyo.) are adopted.

Authors of the bills assert some misunderstanding has arisen over the proposed legislation. Fear was expressed in some quarters that the Interior Department seeks to set up bureaucratic control of the oil development industry. The Wyomingites and Representative Stubbs (Dem., Calif.), among others, have declared these fears groundless.

The O'Mahoney-Greever bill provides that all outstanding permits effective on the date of passage of the Act which are not subject to cancellation for law violations shall be extended until Dec. 31 1936, and may be extended an additional year if the permittee exercises diligence.

R. G. Poole, Assistant Solicitor for the Department, said the purpose of this amendment "is to afford full and adequate protection to equities that have been earned on outstanding permits."

**Competition in Trade Held "Ruthless Warfare"**

The competition between major integrated oil companies of the country is a ruthless "warfare," J. J. Theisen, St. Joseph, operator of the Theisen-Clemens Oil Co., and a director of the Mid-Continent Co., told a legislative investigating committee, according to a United Press dispatch from Lansing, Mich., printed in the June 26 issue of the New York "World-Telegram."

The dispatch continued:

Standard Oil, he said, no longer controls the oil market, and in recent years has lost two-thirds of its power. Standard Oil, he added, now controls but 30% of the oil business.

"Standard is up against the wall most of the time," he told the Committee, "and the independents know that Standard is not the market fixer any more than any other major is."

Mr. Theisen (CQ) claimed that if Pure Oil or Mid-Continent or any other major dropped the price one-eighth of a cent Standard would have to follow. He said Standard tried unsuccessfully recently to raise its prices because the other majors refused to follow.

**Daily Average Crude Production Rose 4,250 Barrels in Past Week**

The American Petroleum Institute estimates that the daily average gross crude oil production for the week ended June 22 1935 was 2,728,300 barrels. This was a gain of 4,250 barrels from the output of the previous week, and also exceeded the Federal allowable figure of 2,651,000 barrels which became effective June 1. Daily average production for the four weeks ended June 22 1935 is estimated at 2,667,900 barrels. The daily average output for the week ended



**Domestic Copper Sold During Week by First Hands for Less Than 9 Cents**

"Metal and Mineral Markets," in its issue of June 27, stated that though producers of copper, with few exceptions, continued to hold out for 9 cents, Valley, throughout the week, pending further developments in connections with a possible scheme to regulate the market, the fact that business was done through first hands involving a fair tonnage as low as 8 cents, and as early as last Friday (June 21) upset the entire industry as the news trickled out into regular trade channels. The unsettlement in copper was transmitted to other non-ferrous metals, in that consumers held back purchases until the market weather shows signs of clearing. Prices for both lead and zinc held steady up to the close. "M. & M. M." further states:

*Copper Price Nominal*

Copper sales for the week in the domestic market were larger than expected, amounting to 4,549 tons. With the purchasing agreement not functioning, some producers became nervous early in the week and sold copper below the 9 cents Valley basis that has ruled in the domestic market since the middle of last June. The first transaction below the 9 cent level was closed last Friday, June 21, a fairly large lot moving at 8 cents, or a full cent below what was generally accepted as the standard quotation. Our average price for the day, however, was 8.725 cents, Valley, or 8.500 cents, f.o.b. refinery, as even larger quantities were moved at 9 cents in quarters where the tentative buying agreement was still maintained. Additional business was booked at 8 cents on June 25. All sales reported to us on June 26 were booked on the old 9 cent basis, but it was stated that, in certain directions, 8 1/4 cents could be done. As the market closed, opinion seemed sharply divided as to whether it would be for the good of the industry to permit copper to seek a natural level. The movement of copper products into consumption has not suffered greatly since the demise of National Recovery Administration and, with production evidently under full control, buyers would soon re-enter the market, some contend.

An unofficial summary of the Copper Institute's figures for the months of April and May, in short tons, follows:

	April	May		April	May
Production:			Shipments, refined:		
U. S. mine-----	25,500	26,500	United States-----	42,500	39,000
U. S. scrap-----	11,900	13,000	Foreign-----	90,000	90,000
Foreign mine-----	97,000	72,500	Totals-----	132,500	129,000
Foreign scrap-----	7,100	12,500	Stocks, refined:		
Totals-----	141,500	124,500	United States-----	282,000	279,000
			Foreign-----	303,500	303,000
			Totals-----	585,500	582,000

World production of refined copper totaled 125,500 tons during May, of which quantity 48,000 tons were produced in the United States and 77,500 tons abroad. Total output of refined in April was estimated at 132,900 tons.

The foreign market also was unsettled and lower on uncertainty over developments in this country. Yesterday (June 26) business was reported abroad at prices ranging from 7.275 cents to 7.45 cents, c.i.f. usual ports.

The United States Copper Association was reorganized during the week to permit the group to function as a fact-finding agency.

*Lead Firm at 4 Cents., New York*

Demand for lead was moderate last week, but enough business was booked to hold prices on what producers described as a firm basis. The refined-lead statistics for the month of May, issued during the week, showed a gain in stocks of slightly more than 5,000 tons. Producers were not disturbed over this increase, claiming that certain refineries worked up a larger quantity of material on hand than originally scheduled and that the total supply of metal above ground remained substantially unchanged. In other words, nothing occurred during the month to alter the outlook. The feeling still prevails that the trend in total stocks will be downward over the summer period, which accounts for the firm attitude of nearly all sellers.

Quotations held at 4 cents, New York, the contract settling basis of the American Smelting & Refining Co., and at 3.85 cents, St. Louis. All business reported during the week, involving about 3,000 tons, was put through at these levels. Battery makers were the principal buyers.

*Zinc Continues Quiet*

Not much business was placed in Prime Western zinc last week, but all transactions reported were closed on the basis of 4.30 cents, St. Louis. Sales during the calendar week ended June 22 totaled 1,585 tons. Unfilled orders at the end of the week totaled around 26,000 tons. Consumption of the metal is holding at a fair rate. Production of concentrate has been resumed on a larger scale in the Tri-State district, but the price structure for ore is regarded as firm. The unsettlement in copper, some producers hold, should have little influence on zinc.

*Fair Trade in Tin*

Buying of tin was on a fair scale, particularly on June 26, and the price moved slightly higher. Consumers find themselves rather short of spot material, and some of them were forced to take on metal. Late yesterday (June 26) the price advanced to 51 1/2 cents, with the average for the day 51 1/2 cents.

Chinese tin, 99%, was quoted nominally as follows: June 20th, 50.25 cents; 21st, 50.25 cents; 22d, 50.20 cents; 24th, 50.45 cents; 26th, 50.75 cents.

**Steel Production Holds at 38% and Scrap Prices Remain Unchanged**

The "Iron Age" of June 27 stated that steel production is holding at 38% of capacity, unaltered from a week ago, and scrap prices, as measured by the "Iron Age" composite for heavy melting steel, are unchanged at \$10.71 a ton for the third consecutive week. The "Age" further stated:

Seasonal forces are at work, but demand for iron and steel is manifesting staying powers which suggest that minimum levels for the summer are being approached. Caution continues to cause many buyers to allow their stocks to dwindle rather than purchase their current requirements, and it is possible, therefore, that the current rate of production is not fully abreast of consumption. But doubts as to the stability of prices are diminishing with every day that is added to the post-code period, and in certain centers, especially in the Chicago district, mill bookings have taken a contra-

seasonal turn, moving upward at a time when a further decline was expected.

The automotive industry continues to be the principal threat to price maintenance. Though motor car makers are careful to make it clear that they have no desire to precipitate a wide-open break in the market structure, they argue that their position as large tonnage buyers of flat-rolled products entitles them to adjustments of both prices and extras, which they contend can be made in an orderly way without disastrous consequences. Initial steel orders for 1936 models will be placed by automotive interests within the next fortnight, but heavy buying is not looked for before August.

Tests of mill prices to date have failed to disclose convincing evidence of weakness. An eastern maker of automobile frames has contracted for 40,000 tons of hot rolled sheets at the present price for the third quarter, with the proviso that deliveries during the fourth quarter will be at the market prevailing at that time. The opening of bids on 990 tons of plates for the Navy Department at Washington revealed several variations in delivered prices, ranging from \$4 to \$8 a ton, but these discrepancies are attributed to errors. The State of New York, failing to obtain lower than prevailing prices on bids for 700 tons of steel for license tags, has asked that new tenders be submitted on a strip basis instead of a pound basis.

With the flow of steel to the motor car industry diminishing, mills will soon benefit from some offsetting tonnage as the result of the purchase of 5,125 freight cars by the Chesapeake & Ohio. Close to 65,000 tons of steel will be needed, and some of the first releases are expected to reach producers in the second week of July. The Wabash has bought 5,000 tons of rails for July and August delivery, and the Norfolk & Southern will soon require material for 500 box cars which it will build in its own shops.

The mills will also get a lift from construction orders. Though considerable uncertainty prevails as to proposed grade separation projects because of restrictions imposed on expenditures of materials for work relief projects, there has been an encouraging increase in the number of pending public projects that are reaching the contracting stage.

Structural steel awards of the week, at 27,000 tons, are the third largest for the year. New projects of 56,675 tons are the heaviest since the third week in February, and include 20,000 tons for an addition to the Department of Interior Building, Washington, 15,000 tons for five locks and four dams in the Mississippi River, and 6,500 tons for transmission lines for the Los Angeles water district. Sheet piling inquiries total 25,000 tons, including 14,000 tons for Mississippi River locks and dams, 6,000 tons for the second section of a levee wall at Monroe, La., and 5,000 tons for a TVA dam in Tennessee.

The general contract for 6,500 tons of 26-inch steel pipe for the Fort Smith, Ark., waterworks has been let to Williams Brothers, Tulsa, Okla., and the purchase of the steel is expected to follow shortly.

Total reported awards since Jan. 1 of construction steel, including structural steel, plate work, steel piling and reinforcing are 541,969 tons, as compared with 632,942 tons in the corresponding period in 1934.

Tin plate stocks at mill warehouses are beginning to move more freely, but mill operations have receded slightly to 65%. Sheet production is holding at about 50%, while hot strip output is unchanged at 30%. Wire mill operations average 45% as compared with 60% in May.

Ingot output is off two points to 32% at Pittsburgh and one point to 30% in the Philadelphia district. The Chicago rate is up 1 1/2 points to 41%, while in the Valleys, where some steel is being made in anticipation of the Independence Day shutdown, operations are up one point to 43%. Elsewhere production is substantially unchanged, with conspicuously high rates of 95 and 48% being maintained in the Detroit and Wheeling districts.

The "Iron Age" composite prices for pig iron and finished steel are unchanged at \$17.84 a ton and 2.124c. a lb. respectively. A Chicago district mill has announced Gary base prices on enameling sheets which are 10c. a 100 lb. higher than current Pittsburgh base quotations for the same product. The mill's action followed its entry into the enameling sheet field.

**THE "IRON AGE" COMPOSITE PRICES:**

June 25 1935, 2.124c. a lb.		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.	
One week ago-----	2.124c.	High	Low
One month ago-----	2.124c.		
One year ago-----	2.199c.		
1935-----	2.124c.	Jan. 8	2.124c. Jan. 8
1934-----	2.199c.	Apr. 24	2.008c. Jan. 2
1933-----	2.015c.	Oct. 3	1.867c. Apr. 18
1932-----	1.977c.	Oct. 4	1.926c. Feb. 2
1931-----	2.037c.	Jan. 13	1.945c. Dec. 29
1930-----	2.273c.	Jan. 7	2.018c. Dec. 9
1929-----	2.317c.	Apr. 2	2.273c. Oct. 29
1928-----	2.286c.	Dec. 11	2.217c. July 17
1927-----	2.402c.	Jan. 4	2.212c. Nov. 1

June 25 1935, \$17.84 a Gross Ton		Based on average of basic iron at Valley furnace and foundry irons at Chicago, Philadelphia, Buffalo, Valley and Birmingham.	
One week ago-----	\$17.84	High	Low
One month ago-----	17.83		
One year ago-----	17.90		
1935-----	\$17.90	Jan. 8	\$17.83 May 14
1934-----	17.90	May 1	16.90 Jan. 27
1933-----	16.90	Dec. 5	13.56 Jan. 3
1932-----	14.81	Jan. 5	13.56 Dec. 6
1931-----	15.90	Jan. 6	14.79 Dec. 15
1930-----	18.21	Jan. 7	15.90 Dec. 61
1929-----	18.71	May 14	18.21 Dec. 71
1928-----	18.59	Nov. 27	17.04 July 24
1927-----	19.71	Jan. 4	17.54 Nov. 1

June 25 1935, \$10.71 a Gross Ton		Based on No. 1 heavy melting steel quotations at Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and Chicago.	
One week ago-----	\$10.71	High	Low
One month ago-----	10.83		
One year ago-----	10.67		
1935-----	\$12.33	Jan. 8	\$10.33 Apr. 23
1934-----	13.00	Mar. 13	9.50 Sept. 25
1933-----	12.25	Aug. 8	6.75 Jan. 3
1932-----	8.50	Jan. 12	6.42 July 5
1931-----	11.33	Jan. 6	8.50 Dec. 29
1930-----	15.00	Feb. 18	11.25 Dec. 9
1929-----	17.58	Jan. 29	14.08 Dec. 3
1928-----	16.50	Dec. 31	13.08 July 2
1927-----	15.25	Jan. 11	13.08 Nov. 22

The American Iron and Steel Institute on June 24 announced that telegraphic reports which it had received indicated that the operating rate of steel companies having 98.7% of the steel capacity of the industry will be 37.7% of the capacity for the current week, compared with 38.3% last week, 42.3% one month ago, and 44.7% one year ago. This represents a decrease of 0.6 points, or 1.6%, from the estimate for the week of June 17. Weekly indicated rates of steel operations since June 4 1934 follow:

1934—	1934—	1934—	1935—
June 4.....57.4%	Sept. 17.....22.3%	Dec. 31.....39.2%	Apr. 8.....43.8%
June 11.....56.9%	Sept. 24.....24.2%	1935—	Apr. 15.....44.0%
June 18.....56.1%	Oct. 1.....23.2%	Jan. 7.....43.4%	Apr. 22.....44.6%
June 25.....44.7%	Oct. 8.....23.6%	Jan. 14.....47.5%	Apr. 29.....43.1%
July 2.....23.0%	Oct. 15.....22.8%	Jan. 21.....49.5%	May 6.....42.2%
July 9.....27.5%	Oct. 22.....23.9%	Jan. 28.....52.5%	May 13.....43.4%
July 16.....28.8%	Oct. 29.....25.0%	Feb. 4.....52.8%	May 20.....42.8%
July 23.....27.7%	Nov. 5.....26.3%	Feb. 11.....50.8%	May 27.....42.3%
July 30.....26.1%	Nov. 12.....27.3%	Feb. 18.....49.1%	June 3.....39.5%
Aug. 6.....25.8%	Nov. 19.....27.6%	Feb. 25.....47.9%	June 10.....39.0%
Aug. 13.....22.3%	Nov. 26.....28.1%	Mar. 4.....48.2%	June 17.....38.3%
Aug. 20.....21.3%	Dec. 3.....28.8%	Mar. 11.....47.1%	June 24.....37.7%
Aug. 27.....19.1%	Dec. 10.....32.7%	Mar. 18.....46.8%	
Sept. 4.....18.4%	Dec. 17.....34.6%	Mar. 25.....46.1%	
Sept. 10.....20.9%	Dec. 24.....35.2%	Apr. 1.....44.4%	

"Steel" of Cleveland, in its summary of the iron and steel markets, on June 24 stated:

A sharp reduction in demand for the majority of finished steel products last week was offset to some extent by a substantial increase in structural shape awards, 32,000 tons, largest since March, and purchase of 35,000 tons of sheets for Chevrolet car frames.

The net result was a decline of 3½ points to 35½% in steelworks operations but notwithstanding this, sentiment in the market continues moderately strong. While a further reduction is anticipated by leading steelmakers, the transition from June to July apparently will not be accompanied by any such precipitate drop as developed last year when the rate fell from 53 to 26%.

Automobile assemblies last week, 90,000, were only a few hundred units less than in the preceding week, and the appearance of material specifications from partsmakers for fall models leads steelmakers to believe the plan to eliminate the mid-summer slump in the motor car industry will be at least partially successful.

The Government has ascertained in connection with its public works program that an average of 84 man-hours of labor—from extracting raw materials to erecting finished product—is involved in one gross ton of structural shapes, a high labor factor which should tend to expedite action on many projects. Its awards last week included 9,000 tons for an addition to Library of Congress. Bids will be taken July 16 on 20,000 tons for a department of the interior building, Washington.

Chesapeake & Ohio this week has scheduled the award of 5,125 freight cars, requiring 65,000 tons of steel. A Public Works Administration loan has been granted to Norfolk Southern to build 500 steel box cars, and Missouri Pacific has been granted court permission to buy 10,000 tons of steel rails. Wabash is taking bids on 5,000 tons of rails; Grand Trunk Western on 150 gondola cars. Inquiries are active for river barges and towboats which will require 8,600 tons of plates.

With few exceptions prices are stable, and there is little pressure against them except in construction work, where lump sum bids permit considerable

flexibility. On plates for the Pennsylvania railroad and substantial tonnages of steel for automobile manufacturers full market prices have been quoted. On a tonnage of plates for the Philadelphia navy yard, however, a bid \$2 a ton under the market was submitted, but withdrawn.

A Chicago district mill has named prices on enameling sheets on a Gary, Ind., base, \$2 a ton over the Pittsburgh base, in line with other grades of sheets there. Although the prices were filed with the Steel Institute, as under the code, this was considered exceptional, and not likely to be generally followed.

Labor legislation, passed and pending, at Washington, has far less disturbing influence on the markets than would have been true before the Supreme Court's NRA decision. The effect of the Wagner bill's passage is minimized by doubts as to its constitutionality. The majority of steel producers now have pension plans, and so are exempt from the social securities legislation. The proposed tax program means an increase of 22% for most steelmakers, as they fall in the higher bracket, but the proposal for the use of taxing power against corporate surpluses appears too indefinite at this time to be of any immediate market significance.

Detroit steelworks operations last week declined 24 points to 70%; Pittsburgh, 2 to 30; Chicago, 2 to 39; Cleveland, 3 to 48; Buffalo, 3 to 32; eastern Pennsylvania, 1 to 29; New Eng. 4 to 56; Birmingham, ½-point to 30; Youngstown, 1 to 41. Wheeling was unchanged at 48%.

"Steel's" iron and steel price composite is down 1 cent to \$32.40; the finished steel index holds at \$54, while the scrap composite is off 8 cents to \$10.38.

Steel ingot production for the week ended June 24 is placed at 38% of capacity in the compilation by Dow, Jones & Co., Inc. This compares with 39% in the previous week and 40% two weeks ago.

U. S. Steel is estimated at 35%, against 35½% in the week before and 37% two weeks ago. Leading independents are credited with 40%, compared with 41½% in the preceding week and 42% two weeks ago.

The following table gives a comparison of the percentage of production with the nearest corresponding week of previous years, together with the changes, in points, from the week immediately preceding:

	Industry	U. S. Steel	Independents
1935-----	38 —1	35 —½	40 —1½
1934-----	57 —3	48 —1	64 —4
1933-----	50 +2½	40 +2	58 +3
x 1932-----	-----	-----	-----
1931-----	35 —2½	35 —4	35 —2
1930-----	66 —2	71 —1	61 —3
1929-----	95 —1	99 —1	92 —2
1928-----	72½ —½	76	69½ —1
1927-----	71	74	68

x Not available.

## 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 June 26 as reported by the Federal Reserve banks, was \$2,477,000,000, a decrease of \$9,000,000 compared with the preceding week and an increase of \$9,000,000 compared with the corresponding week in 1934. After noting these facts, the Federal Reserve Board proceeds as follows:

On June 26 total Reserve bank credit amounted to \$2,472,000,000, a decrease of \$10,000,000 for the week. This decrease corresponds with a decrease of \$32,000,000 in Treasury cash and deposits with Federal Reserve banks, and an increase of \$20,000,000 in monetary gold stock, offset in part by increases of \$33,000,000 in member bank reserve balances and \$4,000,000 in non-member deposits and other Federal Reserve accounts and a decrease of \$2,000,000 in Treasury and National bank currency.

Relatively small changes were reported in holdings of discounted and purchased bills and industrial advances. An increase of \$5,000,000 in holdings of United States Treasury bills was offset by a decrease of like amount in holdings of United States Treasury notes.

Beginning with the week ended Oct. 31 1934, the Secretary of the Treasury made payments to three Federal Reserve banks in accordance with the provisions of Treasury regulation issued pursuant to sub-section (3) of Section 13-B of the Federal Reserve Act, for the purpose of enabling such banks to make industrial advances. Similar payments have been made to other Federal Reserve banks upon receipt of their requests by the Secretary of the Treasury. The amount of the payments so made to the Federal Reserve banks is shown in the weekly statement against the caption "Surplus (Section 13-B)," to distinguish such surplus from surplus derived from earnings, which is shown against the caption "Surplus (Section 7)."

The statement in full for the week ended June 26, in comparison with the preceding week and with the corresponding date last year, will be found on pages 4348 and 4349.

Changes in the amount of Reserve bank credit outstanding and in related items during the week and the year ended June 26 1935, were as follows:

	Increase (+) or Decrease (—) Since		
	June 26 1935	June 19 1935	June 27 1934
	\$	\$	\$
Bills discounted.....	7,000,000	-----	—20,000,000
Bills bought.....	5,000,000	-----	-----
U. S. Government securities.....	2,430,000,000	-----	-----
Industrial advances (not including 21,000 commitments—June 26)	28,000,000	+1,000,000	+28,000,000
Other Reserve bank credit.....	2,000,000	—11,000,000	—1,000,000
<b>Total Reserve bank credit.....</b>	<b>2,472,000,000</b>	<b>—10,000,000</b>	<b>+7,000,000</b>
Monetary gold stock.....	9,109,000,000	+20,000,000	+1,263,000,000
Treasury and National bank currency.....	2,508,000,000	—2,000,000	+144,000,000
Money in circulation.....	5,498,000,000	-----	+197,000,000
Member bank reserve balances.....	5,029,000,000	+33,000,000	+1,192,000,000
Treasury cash and deposits with Federal Reserve banks.....	2,991,600,000	—32,000,000	—86,000,000
Non-member deposits and other Federal Reserve accounts.....	569,000,000	+4,000,000	+108,000,000

### 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 also for the Chicago member banks for the current week, issued in advance of full statements 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 account of others." On Oct. 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. This new style, however, now shows only 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 \$904,000,000 on June 26 1935, an increase of \$46,000,000.

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

	New York		
	June 26 1935	June 19 1935	June 27 1934
	\$	\$	\$
Loans and investments—total.....	7,700,000,000	7,730,000,000	7,265,000,000
Loans on securities—total.....	1,655,000,000	1,609,000,000	1,711,000,000
To brokers and dealers:			
In New York.....	844,000,000	798,000,000	793,000,000
Outside New York.....	60,000,000	60,000,000	54,000,000
To others.....	751,000,000	751,000,000	864,000,000
Accepts. and commercial paper bought.....	153,000,000	160,000,000	-----
Loans on real estate.....	126,000,000	127,000,000	1,525,000,000
Other loans.....	1,202,000,000	1,208,000,000	-----
U. S. Government direct obligations.....	3,324,000,000	3,314,000,000	2,926,000,000
Obligations fully guaranteed by United States Government.....	316,000,000	329,000,000	1,103,000,000
Other securities.....	994,000,000	983,000,000	-----
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.....	1,885,000,000	1,889,000,000	1,376,000,000
Cash in vault.....	46,000,000	43,000,000	41,000,000
Net demand deposits.....	7,578,000,000	7,558,000,000	6,161,000,000
Time deposits.....	559,000,000	559,000,000	692,000,000
Government deposits.....	361,000,000	362,000,000	733,000,000
Due from banks.....	103,000,000	71,000,000	82,000,000
Due to banks.....	1,914,000,000	1,893,000,000	1,581,000,000
Borrowings from Federal Reserve Bank.....	-----	-----	-----

	Chicago		
	June 26 1935	June 19 1935	June 27 1934
Loans on investments—total	1,589,000,000	1,584,000,000	1,453,000,000
Loans on securities—total	196,000,000	201,000,000	235,000,000
To brokers and dealers:			
In New York	1,000,000	2,000,000	19,000,000
Outside New York	26,000,000	30,000,000	45,000,000
To others	169,000,000	169,000,000	221,000,000
Accepts. and commercial paper bought	20,000,000	21,000,000	
Loans on real estate	16,000,000	16,000,000	281,000,000
Other loans	244,000,000	248,000,000	
U. S. Government direct obligations	777,000,000	761,000,000	584,000,000
Obligations fully guaranteed by United States Government	80,000,000	80,000,000	303,000,000
Other securities	256,000,000	257,000,000	
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	703,000,000	703,000,000	441,000,000
Cash in vault	36,000,000	35,000,000	41,000,000
Net demand deposits	1,672,000,000	1,674,000,000	1,319,000,000
Time deposits	470,000,000	471,000,000	367,000,000
Government deposits	22,000,000	22,000,000	47,000,000
Due from banks	227,000,000	206,000,000	173,000,000
Due to banks	503,000,000	503,000,000	386,000,000
Borrowings from Federal Reserve Bank			

### 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 compiled.

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 June 19:

The Federal Reserve Board's condition statement of weekly reporting member banks in 91 leading cities on June 19 shows increases for the week of \$120,000,000 in total loans and investments, and \$36,000,000 in time deposits, and decreases of \$21,000,000 in net demand deposits, \$53,000,000 in Government deposits, and \$63,000,000 in reserve balances with Federal Reserve banks.

Loans on securities to brokers and dealers in New York decreased \$4,000,000 at reporting member banks in New York and \$5,000,000 at all reporting member banks; loans to brokers and dealers outside New York decreased \$3,000,000 at all reporting member banks, and loans on securities to others decreased \$5,000,000 in the New York district and \$12,000,000 at all reporting member banks. Holdings of acceptances and commercial paper bought in open market declined \$9,000,000 at all reporting member banks; real estate loans showed little change for the week; and "other loans" decreased \$11,000,000 at all reporting member banks.

Holdings of United States Government direct obligations increased \$58,000,000 in the Chicago district, \$39,000,000 in the New York district and declined \$8,000,000 in the St. Louis district, all reporting member banks showing an increase of \$94,000,000. Holdings of obligations fully guaranteed by the United States Government increased \$28,000,000 in the New York district and \$41,000,000 at all reporting member banks and holdings of other securities increased \$11,000,000 in the New York district, \$8,000,000 in the Chicago district and \$25,000,000 at all reporting member banks.

Licensed member banks formerly included in the condition statement of member banks in 101 leading cities, but not now included in the weekly statement, had total loans and investments of \$1,296,000,000 and net demand, time and Government deposits of \$1,490,000,000 on June 19, compared with \$1,298,000,000 and \$1,516,000,000, respectively, on June 12.

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 June 19 1935, follows:

	June 19 1935	Increase (+) or Decrease (-)	
		Since June 12 1935	Since June 20 1934
Loans and investments—total	18,620,000,000	+120,000,000	+957,000,000
Loans and securities—total	3,020,000,000	-20,000,000	-551,000,000
To brokers and dealers:			
In New York	838,000,000	-5,000,000	-117,000,000
Outside New York	167,000,000	-3,000,000	-16,000,000
To others	2,015,000,000	-12,000,000	-418,000,000
Accepts. and com'l paper bought	328,000,000	-9,000,000	
Loans on real estate	960,000,000		+23,000,000
Other loans	3,219,000,000	-11,000,000	
U. S. Govt. direct obligations	7,388,000,000	+94,000,000	+806,000,000
Obligations fully guaranteed by the United States Government	846,000,000	+41,000,000	+679,000,000
Other securities	2,859,000,000	+25,000,000	
Reserve with Fed. Res. banks	3,853,000,000	-63,000,000	+1,029,000,000
Cash in vault	290,000,000	-3,000,000	+54,000,000
Net demand deposits	15,311,000,000	-21,000,000	+2,936,000,000
Time deposits	4,434,000,000	+36,000,000	-58,000,000
Government deposits	675,000,000	-53,000,000	-679,000,000
Due from banks	1,799,000,000	-27,000,000	+225,000,000
Due to banks	4,384,000,000	-4,000,000	+761,000,000
Borrowings from F. R. banks			-6,000,000

### Dr. Schacht Extends German Moratorium—Prolongs for a Year Default on Obligations, Including the Dawes and Young Loans

Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, President of the Reichsbank, extended on June 24 for another year the existing complete moratorium on German long-term and medium-term indebtedness, including the Dawes and the Young loans. Berlin advices June 24 to the New York "Times" continued:

The Reichsbank's declaration said that the new default was "in agreement with the basic principle of the communique issued by the Berlin transfer conference on the 29th of May, 1934." It asserted that the action

was made necessary by a worsening instead of an improvement of the German exchange situation.

None of the existing special arrangements made with countries with which Germany has favorable trade balances is affected by the extension, however, so in the future as in the past American investors in German obligations will be the chief sufferers. Funding bonds payable in 1946 and drawing 3% interest will be provided in place of interest payments. Amortization payments are not affected by the present Reichsbank ruling and will be treated in a later one.

The funding bonds are protected against priority claims of other creditors by the ruling.

"Funding bond creditors," it says, "have equal rights with interest creditors or creditors to whom dividend or other regularly recurring payments are due and which are payable under the law of the 9th of June, 1933, to the Conversion Office for the German Foreign Debt."

The present ruling covers payments due from the expiration date of the existing moratorium—July 1—to June 30 1936. The Reichsbank's original offer to pay 40% of the sums affected by the moratorium after its expiration to creditors refusing to accept funding bonds was formally withdrawn last October.

### Report That U. S. Will Pay Panama Canal Annuities in Gold

In Associated Press accounts from Washington June 27 it was stated that Panama's insistence on receiving gold from the United States for the \$250,000 annual rental for the Canal Zone was said in official circles to have produced a tentative agreement by which remittances would be made in dollars equivalent to the old gold value. These Washington advices, as given in the New York "Sun" went on to say:

As a result, it was understood this Government would pay Panama a yearly sum of about \$370,000 in devalued currency, representing the 1903 treaty payment plus the difference resulting from dropping the dollar gold value to 59 cents.

Panama's New York fiscal agent in February, 1934, and February, 1935, returned Treasury checks offered for payment of the rental. Gold was insisted upon, and Dr. Ricardo Alfaro, the Minister, cited the language of the 1903 treaty by which the United States acquired exclusive right to construct and operate the canal. Gold was stipulated in the clause fixing payments to Panama.

The administration's gold policy prohibited disbursement of the metal. At the State Department it was said progress was being made toward a settlement, but no definite announcement could be given until a complete treaty between the two countries is ready for signature.

Reference to Panama's insistence that payment be made in gold was made in these columns Jan. 19, page 401 and March 2, page 1397.

### Buenos Aires (Argentina) to Pay July 1 Coupons on External 6½% Sinking Fund Gold Bonds of 1924

Kidder, Peabody & Co., fiscal agent for City of Buenos Aires (Argentina) external 3½-year 6½% sinking fund gold bonds of 1924, series 2-B, announces that the July 1 coupons on this issue will be paid on and after that date in current funds at the dollar face amount.

### Formation of Bondholders Committees for Bonds of Republic of Chile and Mortgage Bank of Chile—Formed at Instance of Foreign Bondholders' Protective Council

At the request of the Foreign Bondholders' Protective Council, Inc., holders of bonds of the Republic of Chile and of the Mortgage Bank of Chile have organized bondholders committees. The formation of the committees was made known on June 26 by the Protective Council which stated that the two committees, directly representing the bondholders themselves, "could co-operate with the Council in whatever measures it should seem necessary or desirable to take for the protection of the interests of the bondholders against any action of the Chilean Government." The Protective Council in alluding in its announcement to the Special Financial Commission of Chile which visited the United States last April, said:

The Chilean Government recently sent a Special Financial Commission to this country to negotiate with Foreign Bondholders' Protective Council, Inc. regarding the resumption of payment on Chilean foreign bonds now in default. This Commission is now in Europe on a similar mission; it will presently return to Chile to report after which, the Council is advised, the Chilean authorities will have further conversations with the Council.

It was stated that the Protective Council requested the formation of the two bondholders committees in furtherance of a desire to obtain the assistance and counsel of the actual owners of the bonds themselves in future conferences to be held. The committee set up by the owners of the Republic of Chile bonds follows:

John W. Greenman, Chairman.  
F. W. Leamy, Vice-President, The Delaware and Hudson Co., New York, N. Y.  
Bentley G. McCloud, Vice-President, First National Bank of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.

The following comprise the committee set up by the owners of the bonds of the Mortgage Bank of Chile:

Cesar J. Bertheau, Vice-President, The Marine Midland Trust Co. of New York, Chairman.  
John W. Greenman.  
Dana G. Munro, Princeton University, Princeton, N. J.

A. H. Wylie has been elected Secretary of both committees which have offices in New York City at 90 Broad Street. In its announcement of June 26 the Foreign Bondholders' Protective Council said:

These two Committees, in accordance with the principles of Foreign Bondholders' Protective Council, Inc., are strictly non-profit committees.

though it is understood that holders of bonds will later be asked to join in meeting the moderate actual expenses of the Committees.

The Council will co-operate with these Committees and will seek their complete co-operation, in an effort to secure the early restoration of service—interest and sinking fund—upon the Bonds of the Republic of Chile and the Mortgage Bank of Chile.

The Council will shortly make a further announcement regarding a Committee for Chilean Municipal Bonds which it is organizing.

Foreign Bondholders Protective Council, Inc. itself invariably makes announcement of all committees formed by it. These committees, one for the Republic of Chile bonds and the other for the Chilean Mortgage Bank bonds, and the Committee for Republic of Cuba Public Works Bonds, announced by the Council in its statement of Oct. 10, 1934, are the only committees so far formed by the Foreign Bondholders' Protective Council, Inc. Other Committees may be formed by it in the future for the bonds of other countries as the protection of the rights of the holders of such bonds may seem to require.

The two committees announced that they "will, for the present, call for no deposit of bonds in the belief that bondholders should lose neither custody nor control of their bonds until some procedure incident to the actual service of the bonds requires it.

In the "Chronicle" of June 22, page 4145, we referred to a protective committee formed for American holders of Chilean Government dollar bonds.

**Vienna (Austria) Remits Funds for Payment of Interest Past Due on External Loan Sinking Fund 6% Gold Bonds Due Nov. 1, 1952**

The National City Bank of New York, fiscal agent, is notifying holders of City of Vienna (Austria) external loan sinking fund 6% gold bonds due Nov. 1, 1952, that funds have been received with which to pay in dollars at their face amount any of the interest coupons which matured Nov. 1, 1932, May 1, 1933, Nov. 1, 1933, May 1, 1934, and Nov. 1, 1934, which remain outstanding. Such coupons may be presented for payment at the office of the bank on and after June 26, 1935.

**SEC Extends Final Day for Permanent Registration from June 30 to July 15—Certain Foreign Government Securities Exempt Until Dec. 31**

The Securities and Exchange Commission announced on June 24 the adoption of a rule exempting from the necessity of registration until July 15 1935, under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, all securities the temporary registration of which expires on June 30 and which have not been permanently registered. The purpose of the rule, the Commission said, is to obviate the uncertainty, and resulting confusion, that might otherwise occur upon the termination of temporary registration, by permitting the continuance of business as before until such time as persons interested may be exactly informed concerning the status of registration as to the various securities. The Commission added:

The effect of the rule is that trading, as to all securities listed, may continue without break after July 1. Before July 15 there will be published a list setting forth the status, as to registration or exemption, of the various securities, so that, at that time, brokers and others interested will know what securities can no longer be bought and sold on the respective exchanges. In the meantime, by virtue of the rule, all securities listed will continue to have the same loan value and the prohibitions against manipulation will be applicable.

The SEC also announced the adoption of further rules exempting for particular periods several classes of securities, notably certain foreigners. These rules were adopted pursuant to the assurance given in Release No. 222, the Commission stated, and are complementary to the general one mentioned above. The following is the text of the general rule:

*Rule AN-6*

(a) All securities as to which temporary registration pursuant to Section 12(e) shall expire on June 30 1935, and as to which a registration application pursuant to Section 12(b), (c) and (d) of the Act shall not then be or become effective, shall be exempt from the operation of Section 12(a) of the Act to and including July 15 1935.

(b) Any security exempted by paragraph (a) of this rule from the operation of Section 12(a) of the Act shall be exempt from the operation of Section 7(c) (2) of the Act for the period referred to in said paragraph (a) above to the extent necessary to render lawful any direct or indirect extension or maintenance of credit on such security or any direct or indirect arrangement therefor which would not have been unlawful if such security had been a security (other than an exempted security) registered on a national securities exchange.

(c) The term manipulative or deceptive device or contrivance, as used in Section 10(b) of the Act, is hereby defined to include any act or omission to act with respect to any security exempted by paragraph (a) of this rule from the operation of Section 12(a) of the Act, which would have been unlawful under Section 9(a) of the Act, or any rule or regulation heretofore or hereafter prescribed thereunder, if done or omitted to be done with respect to a security registered on a national securities exchange, and the use of any means or instrumentality of inter-State commerce or of the mails or of any facility of any national securities exchange to use or employ any such device or contrivance in connection with the purchase or sale of any security exempted by paragraph (a) of this rule from the operation of Section 12(a) of the Act is hereby prohibited.

The other rulings of the Commission follow:

*Rule AN-7*

(a) To and including Dec. 31 1935, the following securities shall be exempt from the operation of Section 12(a) of the Act: securities as to which temporary registration shall expire on June 30 1935, and which are (1) obligations of any foreign government or of any political sub-division thereof, or (2) securities issued by a national of a foreign country other than a North American country or Cuba, or (3) bonds issued by a national of a North American country or Cuba, which are guaranteed by any foreign

government, or (4) bonds or shares issued by any corporation or unincorporated association, foreign or domestic, which is directly or indirectly owned or controlled by any foreign government or (5) American certificates issued against securities of foreign issuers deposited with an American depository.

(b) To and including Dec. 31 1935, any security exempted by paragraph (a) of this rule from the operation of Section 12(a) of the Act shall be exempt from the operation of Section 7(c) (2) of the Act, to the extent necessary to render lawful any direct or indirect extension or maintenance of credit on such security or any direct or indirect arrangement therefor which would not have been unlawful if such security had been a security (other than an exempted security) registered on a national securities exchange.

(c) The term manipulative or deceptive device or contrivance, as used in Section 10(b) of the Act, is hereby defined to include any act or omission to act with respect to any security exempted by paragraph (a) of this rule from the operation of Section 12(a) of the Act which would have been unlawful under Section 9(a) of the Act, or any rule or regulation heretofore or hereafter prescribed thereunder, if done or omitted to be done with respect to a security registered on a national securities exchange, and the use of any means or instrumentality of inter-State commerce or of the mails or of any facility of any national securities exchange to use or employ any such device or contrivance in connection with the purchase or sale of any security exempted by paragraph (a) of this rule from the operation of Section 12(a) of the Act is hereby prohibited.

*Rule AN-8*

(a) Securities as to which temporary registration shall expire on June 30 1935, and for which the filing of applications on the following forms is authorized pursuant to Rule JB-1, shall be exempt from the operation of Section 12(a) of the Act to and including the respective dates set forth below:

Form	Date
14	Sept. 10 1935
15	Sept. 13 1935
16	Sept. 16 1935
17	Oct. 1 1935
12-A	Oct. 16 1935

(b) The following securities shall be exempt from the operation of Section 12(a) of the Act to and including the 120th day after the filing of applications on the form appropriate for such security shall be authorized:

Securities as to which temporary registration shall expire on June 30 1935, and which are (1) securities of issuers in bankruptcy or receivership or in the process of reorganization pursuant to Section 77 or 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act (other than securities for which the filing of applications on Form 12-A is authorized) or (2) securities of banks or bank holding companies.

(c) Any security exempted from Section 12(a) of the Act by paragraph (a) or (b) of this rule shall be exempt from the operation of Section 7(c) (2) of the Act until the respective date set forth in said paragraphs to the extent necessary to render lawful any direct or indirect extension or maintenance of credit on such security or any direct or indirect arrangement therefor which would not have been unlawful if such security had been a security (other than an exempted security) registered on a national securities exchange.

(b) The term manipulative or deceptive device or contrivance, as used in Section 10(b) of the Act, is hereby defined to include any act or omission to act with respect to any security referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) of this rule which would have been unlawful under Section 9(a) of the Act, or any rule or regulation heretofore or hereafter prescribed thereunder, if done or omitted to be done with respect to a security registered on a national securities exchange, and the use of any means or instrumentality of inter-State commerce or of the mails or of any facility of any national securities exchange to use or employ any such device or contrivance in connection with the purchase or sale of any security exempted by paragraph (a) or (b) of this rule from the operation of Section 12(a) of the Act hereby prohibited.

The SEC said that all of the new rules were effective June 24.

**Rule Adopted by SEC Affecting Certification by Accountants of Certain Reports and Documents in Registration Applications**

The Securities and Exchange Commission announced June 22 that it has adopted a rule concerning the certification by accountants of certain reports and documents in applications for registration on a securities exchange under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The rule, known as Rule JB-6, applies to situations where one company, in its registration statement, is required to furnish reports relating to another company, such as a subsidiary. Under the rule, these reports need not be certified if certification would not be required in a registration statement filed by the company to which the reports relate. The new rule follows:

**Rule JB-6. Certification of reports of other persons**—In any case where an issuer is required to furnish, as a part of its application for the registration of any of its securities pursuant to Section 12(b) and (c) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, reports or other documents with respect to any other person, such reports or other documents need not be certified by independent public or independent certified public accountants if such certification of such reports or other documents would not be required if the person with respect to which they are required to be furnished were itself the registrant, any other rule or regulation to the contrary notwithstanding.

**SEC Adopts Special Rule Permitting Investment Trusts to Use Form A-1 for Filing of Additional Block of Same Securities Previously Filed**

The Securities and Exchange Commission has adopted a special rule for the use of Form A-1 providing that any incorporated investment trust that has previously registered securities under the Securities Act of 1933 on Form A-1 may use the same form for registration of an additional block of the same securities, even though Form A-2 would otherwise be the required form for registering the additional block. In announcing the adoption of this special rule, the SEC on June 26 said:

The Commission is preparing a special form for the use of incorporated investment companies, and considers that, pending the publication of that form, A-1 may properly continue to be used by such issuers which had previously filed on A-1.

The new rule, effective June 26, follows:

*Special Rule as to the Use of Form A-1*

Notwithstanding the Rules for the Use of Form A-2 for Corporations, Form A-1 may be used by any incorporated investment trust for registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, of securities comprising an additional block of securities of a class part of which has previously been registered on Form A-1.

**Trading on National Securities Exchanges During May Reported by SEC 29.7% Above April**

Total value of stock and bond trading on National securities exchanges during May was \$1,550,411,637, an increase of 29.7% as compared with the April total of \$1,195,232,259, the Securities and Exchange Commission announced June 26. The Commission stated:

Stock trading in May had a value of \$1,214,893,078, an increase of 38.8%. Bond trading was valued at \$335,518,559 (including \$53,634 of pass books traded in Cleveland), an increase of 4.9%.

Total stock turnover in May was 53,463,881 shares, or 28.3% higher than in April. Total bond turnover was \$429,924,123 par value, an increase of 6.3%.

The two leading New York exchanges accounted for 95.8% of the value of all stock and bond trading.—94.6% of the value of total stock trading, and 99.9% of the value of total bond trading. Measured in terms of volume, the stock trading of these two exchanges was 87.3% of the total, while their bond trading was 99.8% of total par value traded.

**Amendments to Securities Act of 1933 Suggested in Report of Committee of American Bar Association**

Expressing "grave doubts as to the constitutionality of many of the provisions" of the Securities Act of 1933, a special committee of the American Bar Association, in suggesting various amendments, declares that the legislation is, within constitutional limits, required and desirable, said the Chicago "Journal of Commerce" of June 20, which added that the suggestions for amendments are made with a view to rendering the Act more definite so that industry and securities distributors may be surer of their responsibilities and liabilities and lawyers may advise their clients with a greater degree of certainty. According to the report of the special committee the major fault in the structure of the Securities Act lies in its general language. This was noted in the Chicago "Tribune," which gave, as follows, brief summaries of the more important amendments to the Act proposed in the report:

1. "True" underwriters, that is, persons who have no dealings with the public in distributing securities and who merely undertake to purchase unsold portions of security issues, should not be deemed "underwriters." They should be required, however, to hold the securities underwritten and purchased for a substantial period.

2. Reference to actions taken "directly or indirectly" should be eliminated and the matters intended to be covered should be specifically described.

3. The character of an offering as "public" or "not public" should depend not primarily on the number of persons to whom offers are made, as under the present rule, but on the purchaser's opportunity or lack of opportunity for information and his relation to the issuer. Thus, employees, security holders and creditors of issuers would not be part of the "public."

*Must Prove Damage*

4. Civil liability under Sections 11 and 12 of the Act should not accrue unless a plaintiff can first show that he relied upon an unintentionally false or misleading statement and, further, that damages claimed were caused by the statement.

5. Persons should obtain the same protection from opinions of counsel for the Commission as from rules or regulations of the Commission. Rules, regulations and opinions should be published periodically.

6. There should be the same right of removal of suits from State courts to Federal courts as now exists in connection with other civil controversies.

The report said that the Commission's recently adopted revised form of registration statement is much more workable and less burdensome than the one formerly required and represents a distinct step forward in administration of the Act. It recommended further steps in that direction.

The Committee was composed of Herbert A. Friedlich (Chairman) of the firm of Mayer, Meyer, Austrian & Platt; Robert Stone of Topeka, Kan.; R. E. Lee Marshall of Baltimore, Md.; Vernon B. Lowery of Washington, D. C., and Grandin T. Vought of New York City.

**More Stringent Regulations Affecting Dealers Embodied in Amendments to Illinois Securities Act**

The passage by the State Legislature of a series of amendments to the Illinois Securities Act, making more stringent the liabilities of persons connected with the sale of securities, broadening the control of the Secretary of State over dealers, and defining and modifying a number of sections of the Act, was noted in the Chicago "Journal of Commerce" of June 17. These amendments became law on June 8, said the paper indicated, which went on to say:

The amendments provide that any officer, director, distributor or accountant who signs or circulates any data contained in the qualification statement, knowing that data to be false, shall be liable to purchasers of the security for the purchase price.

The Secretary of State is also empowered to examine the records of dealers in securities to the same extent that the auditor of public accounts has with respect to banks. Information obtained from such examinations is to be treated confidentially, however.

Additional powers are also given the Secretary to revoke dealers' and agents' licenses, and the amendments give him authority to halt the resale of securities where it would tend to work a fraud even though they have once been qualified.

Certain additional exemptions from qualification of securities are granted by the amendments, namely, in the case of religious bodies and where the amount involved does not exceed \$10,000. Changes are also made regard-

ing the use of the fact that securities have been qualified by the State in their sale.

**Registration Statement Covering \$40,000,000 General Mortgage 3¾% Bonds Filed with SEC by Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co.**

The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co. has filed (June 25 1935) with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement (No. 2-1498) covering \$40,000,000 of general mortgage bonds, 3¾% series, due July 1 1965. The bonds are to be called first mortgage 3¾% series due 1965 upon redemption on Oct. 1 1935 of the \$18,000,000 principal amount of first mortgage bonds of the company now outstanding, according to an announcement by the Commission on June 26, which also supplied the following information:

The proceeds from the sale of the new bonds, plus treasury funds, are to be used entirely for the redemption of three issues of outstanding bonds of the company. The underwriters for the issue are listed as follows:

Dillon, Read & Co., N. Y. City  
The First Boston Corp., N. Y. City  
Brown Harriman & Co., Inc., N. Y. City  
Spencer Trask & Co., N. Y. City  
Coffin & Burr, Inc., N. Y. City  
Blyth & Co., Inc., N. Y. City  
Stone & Webster and Blodgett, Inc. N. Y. City  
Goldman, Sachs & Co., N. Y. City  
Hayden, Miller & Co., Cleveland, O.

The company has not yet determined the allotments to each underwriter, nor the price to the public in the sale of the issue, nor the estimated proceeds to the company.

As to the purpose of the issue, the company in its prospectus states:

"The company has agreed to apply the entire net proceeds of the sale of the bonds offered by this prospectus, together with other treasury funds . . . to redeem . . . on Oct. 1 1935 the entire issue of first mortgage gold bonds of the company outstanding in the hands of the public in the principal amount of \$18,500,000, which is to be called for payment on Oct. 1 1935 at the redemption price of 102 and accrued interest to the date of redemption, and on — 1 1935 the entire issue of general mortgage gold bonds, 5%, series A, of the company outstanding in the principal amount of \$11,500,000, which is to be called for payment on — 1 1935 at the redemption price of 105 and accrued interest to the date of redemption; and on Oct. 1 1935 the entire issue of general mortgage gold bonds, 5%, series B, of the company outstanding in the principal amount of \$10,000,000, which is to be called for payment on Oct. 1 1935 at the redemption price of 107½ and accrued interest to the date of redemption. The total redemption price of these three issues, exclusive of accrued interest, is \$41,695,000."

As to the redemption provisions, the prospectus states:

"The bonds will be redeemable, at the election of the company, in whole or in part by lot, on any date prior to maturity, upon four weeks' published notice in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, the first publication to be not less than 30 days before the redemption date, at 107% of the principal amount thereof if redeemed on or before Oct. 1 1936 with successive reductions in the redemption price of ¼ of 1% of the principal amount thereof during each successive 15-months' period after Oct. 1 1936 to and including July 1 1940, and at 105% of the principal amount thereof if redeemed after July 1 1940 and on or before July 1 1941, and thereafter with successive reductions in the redemption price of ¼ of 1% of the principal amount thereof during each successive 12-months' period after July 1 1941 to and including July 1 1960, and thereafter until maturity at the principal amount thereof, together, in each case, with accrued interest to the redemption date."

The registration statement shows that 80.65% of the common stock of the issuer is owned by the North American Edison Co., 60 Broadway, N. Y. City, all the voting stock of which is in turn owned by the North American Co. Eben G. Crawford is President of the Cleveland company.

**Filing of Registration Statements Under Securities Act of 1933**

Announcement was made on June 24 by the Securities and Exchange Commission of the filing of 12 additional registration statements (Nos. 1474 to 1485 inclusive) under the Securities Act of 1933. The total involved is \$62,528,337, of which \$57,070,507 represents new issues. Included in this total, the Commission said, is \$48,000,000 of first mortgage 20-year 4% sinking fund bonds, series B, due Aug. 1 1955, of Armour & Co. of Delaware (Docket 2-1485, Form A-2, included in Release No. 403). The filing of the registration statement for this issue was referred to in our issue of June 22, page 4148. The securities involved in the 12 statements announced by the SEC on June 24 are groups as follows:

No. of Issues	Type of Issue—	Total
8	Commercial and industrial	\$57,070,507
2	Certificates of deposit	3,785,000
1	Securities in reorganization	1,404,310
1	Voting trust certificates	268,520

The securities for which registration is pending follow:

*Edward G. Budd Manufacturing Co.* (2-1474, Form A-2) of Philadelphia, Pa., seeking to register 699,715 shares of no par, non-cumulative common stock and 994,912 warrants to purchase 663,275 shares of such stock. The stock, including 36,440 treasury shares, is to be offered as follows: 233,238 shares at \$5, 233,238 at \$7, and 233,239 at \$9. Edward G. Budd of Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa., is President. Filed June 12 1935.

*Schrader Trust* (2-1475, Form A-1) of Oklahoma City, Okla., seeking to register 5,500 units of beneficial interest to be offered at \$100 per unit. C. F. Alexander of Kansas City, Mo., is President. Filed June 13 1935.

*Rio Grande Valley Gas Co.* (2-1476, Form D-1A) of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, seeking to issue certificates of deposit for \$2,685,200 of first mortgage 7% gold bonds, series A. The market value of the bonds as of May 31 was \$1,141,200. B. E. Hepler of Mt. Vernon is President of the company. Filed June 13 1935.

*Rio Grande Valley Gas Co.* (2-1477, Form E-1) of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, seeking to issue 268,520 shares of \$1 par value common stock, 2,631 shares of \$100 par value 7% cumulative preferred stock, and \$2,685,200 5% first mortgage sinking fund bonds, series A, in a plan of reorganization. The market value of the bonds is \$1,141,210. Filed June 13 1935.

*B. E. Hepler et al, as Voting Trustees* (2-1478, Form F-1), of New York City, seeking to issue voting trust certificates for 268,520 shares of \$1 par value common stock of the Rio Grande Valley Gas Co. Filed June 13 1935.

*Bondholders' Protective Committee for Travis Investment Co. Series A First Mortgage 6% Real Estate Gold Bonds* (2-1479, Form D-1) of St. Louis, Mo., seeking to issue certificates of deposit for \$1,100,000 of first mortgage series A 6% real estate gold bonds. W. O. Collins of St. Louis is Chairman of the committee. Filed June 14 1935.



*Payore Gold Mines, Ltd.* (2-1480, Form A-1) of Toronto, Canada, seeking to issue 1,400,000 shares of \$1 par value common stock, to be offered as follows: 400,000 shares at approximately 40 cents a share or better, but not less than 40 cents, and 1,000,000 shares at approximately 50 cents a share, but not more than 50 cents. John T. Tebutt of Three Rivers, Que., is President. Filed June 15 1935.

*Securities Investment Corp.* (2-1481, Form A-2) of Omaha, Neb., seeking to issue \$500,000 of 4% collateral trust bonds, dated July 15 1935, due serially July 15 1936 to July 15 1940 inclusive. The underwriters of the issue are Boettcher & Co. and Sullivan & Co. of Denver, Colo.; First Trust Co. of Lincoln, Neb., and the National Co. of Omaha. Francis P. Matthews of Omaha is President. Filed June 17 1935.

*Richfield Cariboo Gold Mines, Ltd. (Non-personal Liability)* (2-1482, Form A-1) of Vancouver, B. C., seeking to issue 1,000,000 shares of common stock having a stated value of 22 cents per share, to be offered to the public at prices ranging from 15 cents to 50 cents per share, the total offering to be \$262,500. A. K. McLean of Vancouver is President. Filed June 17 1935.

*Orkem Corp.* (2-1483, Form A-1) of Dover, Del., seeking to issue 750 shares of no-par class A common stock, and 1,250 shares of no-par class B common stock, both to be offered at \$100 a share. Wilhelm A. Merton of New York City is President. Filed June 17 1935.

*Elfun Trust* (2-1484, Form A-1) of New York, seeking to issue trustees' certificates representing 18,000 units to be offered principally to the employees and executives of the General Electric Co. at a price of \$100 per unit until Aug. 8 1935; thereafter at the net asset value per unit, but in no case to exceed a total of \$2,000,000. Filed June 17 1935.

In making available the above list the SEC said:

In no case does the act of filing with the Commission give to any security its approval or indicate that the Commission has passed on the merits of the issue, or that the registration statement itself is correct.

The last previous list of registration statements appeared in the "Chronicle" of June 22, page 4146.

### Inflation as "Ultimate Development" Seems "Very Real Danger," According to Leonard P. Ayres of Cleveland Trust Co.—Remarks Before Graduate School of Banking—Urges Government to Frankly Enter Policy of Issuing Fiat Money to Meet Expenses

Present prospects are not that inflation severe enough to cause further dollar devaluation will come soon in this country, but inflation as an "ultimate development seems to be a very real danger," Leonard P. Ayres, Vice-President, Cleveland Trust Co., said in an address at New Brunswick, N. J. on June 28, before the Graduate School of Banking. He indicated that he believed his statement to be true "unless the Government enters frankly upon a policy of issuing fiat money with which to meet its expenses." At present that does not seem to be in prospect, he said.

The Graduate School is being operated jointly by the American Institute of Banking Section of the American Bankers Association and Rutgers University to offer advanced studies for bank officers. Colonel Ayres spoke on the subject of "The Prospects of Inflation." "We have so enormously increased the capacity of our banking system for credit expansion that it is difficult to see how we could have a vigorous business revival without having it develop into a credit inflation," Colonel Ayres declared. "If inflation does come it will be a slow process," he said, expressing disagreement with those who feel that such a development is likely to take place rapidly or that it may actively be under way within the next 12 months or so. Colonel Ayres further said:

▶ In Germany, France, Belgium and Italy the processes of inflation took about five years to develop from the time when the governments entered upon policies of financing large peace-time deficits by bank credit up to the time when the public generally began to spend money rapidly because of fear that it would still further depreciate in purchasing power. In Germany that period of the incubation of inflation lasted from 1918 to 1922, and in other countries from 1921 to 1926.

If we are to go through such a period here it would seem likely that it might last longer than the corresponding periods did abroad. Its beginning would date from the spring of 1933 when we left the old gold basis for our money and entered upon the policy of financing large governmental deficits by the sale of Federal securities mainly to banks rather than to private investors.

The method that we are following is the one that proved disastrous in Europe for in all those countries including Germany, the increasing issues of money that caused the inflations were not mere printing press issues of fiat currency, but were secured by government bonds and notes discounted at the banks. Nevertheless, the process is inherently a slow one.

One of the clearest of the lessons taught by the European experience, Colonel Ayres asserted, is that there are no good hedges against inflation. He stated further that "the best hedge against inflation in France and Germany was to invest in foreign securities." Continuing he said:

The next best was to buy the stocks of the soundest and most conservatively managed companies and to hold them. Stock speculation during inflation proved to be even more difficult and hazardous than during ordinary times. Investments in durable commodities proved profitable to users of the commodities, but speculation in the commodity markets was as dangerous as in the stock markets.

One of the strange facts about these inflations is that while they destroyed the values of most existing debts, they did not succeed in lightening the debt burdens of either the people as a whole, or of the corporations.

Inflation destroys the value of bonds and mortgages and so confiscates the property of these holders of obligations and hands it over to the shareholders and the equity owners. However, it introduces so many new economic difficulties that these share and equity holders are at once forced to incur new indebtedness so that when stabilization comes the problems of debt are about as troublesome as they were before, or even more so.

Colonel Ayres expressed his belief that when and if inflation does develop it will be ushered in by a business recovery that will be welcomed by all. "It may well be doubted whether any national administration or any Federal Reserve

Board would have the fortitude to check and restrict such a recovery in order to avoid an over-expansion of credit," he said, adding:

The time to take active precautionary steps to safeguard property against such an inflation will be reached when short-time interest rates on commercial paper and call and time loans begin definitely to move upward, accompanied by real advances in the prices of non-agricultural commodities. The time to become alarmed about the situation will be when short-time interest rates have risen so far that they are above the yields of high-grade bonds.

The five requisites of inflation were listed by Colonel Ayres as:

First, a period of sustained active business.

Second, a rising stock market.

Third, real credit expansion.

Fourth, greater out-flow of gold "than we can tolerate which would force us to cut our currency entirely free from gold."

Fifth, continued large budget deficits in Government operation.

### Federal Intermediate Credit Bank Debentures Approved as Security for Postal Savings Funds in Banks

Announcement that Federal Intermediate Credit Bank debentures have been approved as security for deposits of postal savings funds in banks indicates the broadening field of investors to whom these debentures may be sold, according to a statement on June 28 by George M. Brennan, Intermediate Credit Bank Commissioner, Farm Credit Administration. The announcement also authorized acceptance of bonds of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation as security for deposit of postal savings funds, said the FCA, which on June 28 added:

A provision of the recently-enacted Farm Credit Act of 1935 provides that Federal Intermediate Credit Bank debentures shall be lawful investment for all fiduciary and trust funds under the jurisdiction of the United States Government and may be accepted as security for all deposits of public funds.

The new Act thus gives Federal Intermediate Credit Bank debentures the same investment qualifications as Farm Loan bonds of the Federal Land banks and bonds of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation.

In accepting Federal Intermediate Credit Bank debentures as security for deposit of postal savings funds in banks, the securities will be accepted at their market value, but not to exceed par value.

### Banking Reform Laws Among Legislation Passed by Pennsylvania Legislature—Labor Legislation Defeated

Included in the legislation passed by the Pennsylvania Legislature (which adjourned June 21) are a series of banking reform laws (said the Philadelphia "Record" of June 22) advocated by State Secretary of Banking Luther A. Harr. Among them: Establishment of a Banking Board, regulation of private banks by the State Banking Department. In stating that a record-breaking list of achievements was accomplished by the 1935 session of the State Legislature, spurred and directed throughout by the first Democratic administration in 40 years, the "Record" summarized its principal legislative action as follows:

#### Finance

Balanced the budget and provided State funds for relief for one year by providing with these new taxes—70% of them levied on those best able to pay: Increase in State gasoline tax from 3 to 4 cents; cigarette tax (2 cents on pack of 20); removal of age-old exemption of manufacturers from 5 mills capital stock tax; increase of gross receipts tax on utilities; 6% net income tax on corporations; documentary tax—5 cents on each \$100; 1-mill State tax on personal property in addition to present 4-mill tax collected by counties; amusement tax on admissions (4%); reduction to 10 years of escheat period.

Passed a graduated State income tax, beginning at 2%, on incomes over \$5,000; married persons' exemption \$1,500 and single persons \$1,000. Receipts will go for lifting of real estate taxes by eliminating school tax.

#### Reform

Gave voters an opportunity to decide in September whether they want a revision of the State Constitution, and provided for a constitutional convention if referendum favors revision.

Provided for Sunday movies in communities where voters decide at fall elections they want them.

Approved an anti-party raiding law and provided permanent registration for Philadelphia.

#### Recovery

Paved the way for Pennsylvania to get a share of the \$4,000,000,000 Federal works fund by passing three "authority" bills. State Republicans scrapped 16 other bills advocated by the Administration in a more complete program of PWA co-operation.

#### Labor

Passed an improved child labor law restricting employment of children under 16.

Abolished Pennsylvania's notorious "coal and iron police"—an instrument used to battle labor down in the coal fields since Civil War times.

A thorough-going program of labor legislation, proposed by the Administration, was killed by Republican committeemen. It would have added: Improved workmen's compensation laws; guarantee of collective bargaining; minimum wage laws for women; abolition of privately paid deputy sheriffs, coal-miner certification and holding-company control.

#### Miscellaneous

Milk Control—Continued life of the Milk Control Board, put new "teeth" into the control law, and finally confirmed Governor's appointments of board members.

Sales Tax—Democratic forces, by progressive advocacy of special tax program, fought off general sales tax threatened as "last resort" by Republican organization.

### Maximum Rates of Interest on Insured Mortgages Reduced from 5½ to 5% by FHA—New Rules Issued—Loans to Distressed Home Owners by HOLC Ended

Under new administrative rules of the Federal Housing Administration, announced on June 23 by Stewart McDonald, Acting Federal Housing Administrator, interest rates on all Government-insured mortgages were cut to a maximum of 5% and the insurance premium was reduced to a flat ½ of 1% per annum. Previously 5½% interest and a 1% premium charge had been authorized on certain classes of mortgages in the FHA program, it was noted in Washington advices, June 23, to the New York "Herald Tribune" of June 24, which continued:

Meantime the Home Owners' Loan Corporation issued notice to home owners in distress that they had only four days left in which to apply for the relief of Government refinancing. The deadline for filing applications is mid-night June 27. The Department of Commerce also issued a report showing that more than half of owner-occupied dwellings in most American cities have mortgage indebtedness. The great majority of the cities reported that the average ratio of debt to value of the mortgaged property was above 50%.

### Maximum Rate of Interest to Be Paid by Banking Institutions Fixed at 2% Per Annum by New York State Banking Board—Present Rate of 2½% to Remain in Effect Until Oct. 1—Dividend Rate by Savings Banks Also Limited to 2%

At a meeting held on June 21 1935, the New York State Banking Board adopted a regulation fixing 2% per annum as the maximum interest rate to be paid by banks, trust companies and private bankers after Oct. 1 1935. By the same regulation, it was stated, the maximum dividend rate which may be paid by savings banks after Oct. 1 1935, is likewise fixed at 2%, subject to the power of the Board to make exceptions in proper cases. An announcement given out at the office of George W. Egbert, New York State Superintendent of Banks, on June 25 further said:

After consideration of the various factors involved, particularly of current earnings on bank investments, the Board reached the conclusion that a reduction from 2½%, the present authorized maximum rate, to 2% per annum is in the best interests of sound banking throughout the State. The action of the Board assures uniformity as between State chartered institutions and national banks, since under the National Bank Act, National banks are not permitted to pay interest at a rate in excess of the rate permitted to be paid by State institutions under the law of the State in which such National banks are located.

The action of the Board is in accord with similar action which has been taken in some other States and with voluntary reductions which have been announced by numerous banks in this and other States. While the regulation of the Board affects only dividends and interest paid after Oct. 1 1935, the Board, in acting on June 21 1935, had in mind that various institutions are required by contractual provisions to give 60 days advance notice of reductions in interest rates.

### Directors of National City Co. Held Liable to Stockholders for \$1,703,703—New York Supreme Court Confirms Recommendation of Referee

Justice Edward S. Dore in the New York Supreme Court confirmed on June 17 the report of Referee Frank C. Laughlin holding directors of the National City Co. liable to stockholders for \$1,703,703. From the New York "Times" of June 18 we quote:

The liability was in connection with computation of profits as a basis for fixing the amount of the management fund, used for paying bonuses to executives, for 1922, 1927 and 1928, and the liability holds against the men who served in those years as directors of the company, former securities affiliate of the National City Bank.

The ruling by Justice Dore was the final step in the determination of a \$70,000,000 accounting suit brought by minority stockholders headed by Celia Gellin against the National City Bank, the National City Co. and directors of both. The directors were cleared of charges of waste and mismanagement in a ruling by Justice Dore last year and in the referee's report.

The suit went to trial last year before Justice Dore, who cleared the defendants of most of the charges but held the directors liable for \$140,938 paid out of the management fund in 1931. He appointed Mr. Laughlin as referee to inquire into the propriety of the management funds of both the bank and the company. After long hearings Mr. Laughlin reported to Justice Dore in May that the management funds themselves were proper, but that the company directors had erred in computations for the three years and were therefore liable for "overstating" the amount of the fund payments made for those years.

The management fund was made up of one-fifth of the profits above the amount necessary to set aside 8% for stockholders on their invested and employed capital. In failing to deduct certain losses in their computation of profits the directors improperly enlarged the amount of the fund, according to the referee's report as confirmed by Justice Dore. The losses in question were chiefly in connection with Cuban sugar financing.

The sum of \$1,703,703 includes interest at 3% to June 1 1935.

The referee's report was referred to in our issue of June 1, page 3648.

### Union Guardian Trust Co. of Detroit Restrained from Acting in Fiduciary Capacity by Circuit Court of Michigan—Injunction Granted on Petition of Detroit Bar Association—Reported as Applying to All Similar Institutions

A permanent injunction restraining the Union Guardian Trust Co. of Detroit from furnishing legal service as well as fiduciary service to its clients was signed in Circuit Court on June 12 by Judge Allan Campbell, upon petition of the Detroit Bar Association. The foregoing is from the Detroit "Free Press" of June 13, which went on to say:

Although the injunction is addressed only to The Union Guardian Trust Co., its terms will apply to all similar concerns, attorneys said. George E. Brand, Ezra H. Frye and Ben O. Shepherd represented the Bar Association in the litigation.

The injunction restrains the trust company from drafting wills or trust agreements and from obtaining attorneys to draft such documents; from soliciting law business, recommending attorneys for drafting wills and trust agreements or advising clients about attorney fees.

It forbids the trust company to give legal advice to any beneficiary or person interested in any estate or trust for which it is to become a fiduciary, and from performing any act or drawing any paper in connection with the administration of any estate except incidental papers for which no fee is to be charged.

### Illinois Judge Denies Authority to First State Trust & Savings Bank to Invest Estate Funds in United States Government Bonds—Contends We Are on Eve of Inflation and that a Repetition of Experiences of Decade Ago Will Force Price of United States Issues Down

Probate Judge Benjamin S. De Boice of Sangamon County on June 20 refused authority to the First State Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago as conservator in seven estates to invest the estate funds in United States Government securities. Advices to this effect from Springfield, Ill., were contained in a dispatch to the Chicago "Daily Tribune," which further reported:

The Court, in a thousand-word opinion, held that "during this period of business uncertainty and lowering prices the investing public has turned to Government obligations as a cyclone cellar in which to place investments."

#### Says Hold for Realty Mortgages

"This rush for investment in Government obligations," Judge De Boice held, "has produced an ever lowering rate of return until the present net return on such obligations is around 2%."

The Court recommended instead that the bank hold the funds until such time as investments could be made in real estate mortgages. "At the present time the prevailing interest rate upon real estate mortgages is between 5% and 6%, and, although as yet real estate is not moving upon the market fast enough to satisfy the demand for this kind of investment, yet we feel safe in predicting that the day is not far distant when such investment will be plentiful," Judge De Boice's opinion said.

Predicting that "we are upon the eve of a period of inflation," Judge De Boice held that the trend of prices upon most tangible goods was upward and that real estate prices showed a definite gain. "To-day bank reserves are the largest in history, and every bank and insurance company in the country is full to overflowing with cash, awaiting the opportunity for investment."

#### Points to National Debt

"In view of the fact that the national debt is to-day almost 29 billion dollars, the highest point in our history, we may safely say that there is a greater saturation of investments in Government bonds among our people than ever before. Just as soon as the rank and file of our people become convinced that we are on the eve of a period of inflation there will be a wild rush to convert the low-interest-bearing investment in Government obligations into higher-interest-bearing industrials and tangible property, and we will witness a repetition of the experience of the early '20s, when Government bonds sank below 85 under similar conditions.

"This Court does not consider that an investment in Government obligations at this time, when they yield only about 2% return, is a judicious investment for a conservator to make of its ward's funds."

### Pledging of Bank Assets as Security for Deposits Barred in Decision of Illinois Supreme Court—Stockholders as Depositors Held Entitled to Ratable Share in Assets of Closed Institution

The Illinois Supreme Court in two separate decisions, on June 14, declared it to be against public policy to pledge assets of a bank as security for deposits, and that stockholders who are depositors in a closed bank are entitled to share in distributions from a closed bank. As to the Court's conclusions, we quote the following from Springfield (Ill.) advices, June 14, to the Chicago "Daily Tribune":

In the case involving the collateralizing of deposits, Justice Jones wrote the decision. The case was the People against the Wiersema State Bank, which came up from the Superior Court of Cook County. It involved funds of the Fenwood Park District, for which the assets of the banks had been pledged.

"If banks are permitted to pledge their assets to secure deposits, and the occasion arises for the need of a loan," says the opinion, "they will be overwhelmed by certain and swift disaster because of a lack of collateral to secure the loan."

#### Calls Pledges Inconsistent

"To permit such pledges would be inconsistent with many provisions of the banking Act, which are designed to insure, in case of disaster, uniformity in the treatment of depositors, and a ratable distribution of the assets.

"In consonance with the holdings of a majority of the courts of last resort in this country, we are of the opinion that the practice of pledging assets by banks to secure deposits is not only unnecessary, but dangerous to the general welfare and is against public policy."

The other decision was given in a case from Havana, Mason County, where a Marion and Bruce McFadden, stockholders of the closed Havana State Bank were denied a probate share of their deposits. The Supreme Court sent the case back to the Mason County Circuit Court with instructions to include the McFaddens' share in the distribution. The circumstance that they are stockholders, said the Court, does not bar them from receiving their just share of what is due to them as depositors.

### New Offering of Two Series of Treasury Bills in Amount of \$100,000,000—To Be Dated July 3, 1935—\$50,000,000 of 133-Day Bills and \$50,000,000 of 273-Day Bills

Announcement of a new offering of \$100,000,000, or thereabouts, of Treasury bills, in two series, of \$50,000,000,

or thereabouts, each, was made on June 27 by Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury. Both series, which will be dated July 3, 1935, will be sold on a discount basis to the highest bidders. One series will be 133-day bills, maturing Nov. 13, 1935, and the other 273-day bills, maturing April 1 1936. The face amount of the bills of each series will be payable without interest on their respective maturity dates.

Tenders to the offering will be received at the Federal Reserve banks, or the branches thereof, up to 2 p. m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday July 1. Tenders will not be received at the Treasury Department, Washington. In his announcement of the offering Secretary Morgenthau said that "bidders will be required to specify the particular series for which each tender is made." On July 3 there is a maturity of Treasury bills in amount of \$75,150,000. From Secretary Morgenthau's announcement of June 27 we take the following:

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 July 1, 1935, 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 for each series 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. Any tender which does not specifically refer to a particular series will be subject to rejection. 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 July 3, 1935.

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. (Attention is invited to Treasury Decision 4550, ruling that Treasury bills are not exempt from the gift tax). 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.

**Tenders of \$272,908,000 Received to Offering of \$100,000,000 of Treasury Bills Dated June 26 in Two Series—\$50,000,000 Accepted to 133-Day Bills at Rate of 0.070% and \$50,010,000 to 273-Day Bills at Rate of 0.123%**

Tenders totaling \$272,908,000 were received to the offering of \$100,000,000, or thereabouts, of Treasury bills, dated June 26 1935, Henry Morgenthau Jr., Secretary of the Treasury, announce June 24. Of this amount, bids of \$100,010,000 were accepted, the Secretary stated.

The bills, the offering of which was referred to in our issue of June 22, page 4153, were issued in two series of \$50,000,000 each. One series was 133-day bills, maturing Nov. 6 1935, and the other 273-day bills, maturing March 25 1936. The tenders to the offering were received at the Federal Reserve banks and the branches thereof up to 2 p. m., Eastern Standard Time, June 24. Secretary Morgenthau's announcement of June 24 contained the following details of the bids to the offering:

**133-Day Treasury Bills, Maturing Nov. 6 1935**

For this series, which was for \$50,000,000, or thereabouts, the total amount applied for was \$137,543,000, of which \$50,000,000 was accepted. The accepted bids ranged in price from 99.978, equivalent to a rate of about 0.060% per annum, to 99.972, equivalent to a rate of about 0.076% 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 of this series to be issued is 99.974, and the average rate is about 0.070% per annum on a bank discount basis.

**273-Day Treasury Bills, Maturing March 25 1936**

For this series, which was for \$50,000,000, or thereabouts, the total amount applied for was \$135,365,000, of which \$50,010,000 was accepted. The accepted bids ranged in price from 99.911, equivalent to a rate of about 0.117% per annum, to 99.903, equivalent to a rate of about 0.128% 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 of this series to be issued is 99.907, and the average rate is about 0.123% per annum on a bank discount basis.

**Stock of Money in the Country**

The Treasury Department at Washington has issued the customary monthly statement showing the stock of money in the country and the amount in circulation after deducting the moneys held in the United States Treasury and by Federal Reserve banks and agents. The figures this time are for May 31 1935 and show that the money in circulation at that date (including, of course, what is held in bank vaults of member banks of the Federal Reserve System) was \$5,539,536,286, as against \$5,477,960,773 on April 30 1935 and \$5,357,372,048 on May 31 1934, and comparing with \$5,698,214,612 on Oct. 31 1920. Just before the outbreak of the World War, that is, on June 30 1914, the total was only \$3,459,434,174. The following is the full statement:

Kind of Money	Money Held in the Treasury				Money Outside of the Treasury				Population
	Total Amount	Total Held by Federal Reserve Banks and Agents	All Other Money	In Circulation	Total	Held by Federal Reserve Banks and Agents	Per Capita	Confidential United States (Estimated)	
Gold certificates	\$8,558,496,793	\$6,019,307,539	\$2,539,189,254	\$118,759,329	\$789,249,419	\$670,490,090	0.94	127,096,000	
Stand. silver dollars	545,042,265	500,190,358	44,851,907	31,988,143	35,218,009	3,229,926	.25		
Silver bullion	303,999,772	303,999,772			794,978,446	99,717,538	5.47		
Silver certificates	b(794,978,446)				1,811,924	295,922,821	2.33		
Treas. notes of 1890	b(1,181,924)				128,231,799	3,163,421	.98		
Subsidiary silver	313,897,788				7,031,493	695,260,888	5.47		
Minor coin	132,070,539				306,366,295	10,443,474	0.1		
United States notes	346,681,016				343,705,712	280,982,693	2.21		
Federal Res. notes	3,428,526,070				3,414,015,000	3,158,709,140	24.85		
Fed. Res. bank notes	87,970,673				86,097,876	84,709,401	.67		
National bank notes	794,982,175				773,729,984	28,726,475	5.88		
<b>Total, May 31 1935</b>	<b>14,811,767,191</b>	<b>9,724,402,486</b>	<b>6,815,467,909</b>	<b>156,039,431</b>	<b>16,672,774,624</b>	<b>11,133,238,238</b>	<b>43.59</b>	<b>127,096,000</b>	
<b>Comparative totals:</b>	<b>Apr. 30 1935</b>	<b>14,680,036,037</b>	<b>9,564,143,709</b>	<b>6,666,726,248</b>	<b>156,039,431</b>	<b>5,098,832,871</b>	<b>43.12</b>	<b>127,035,000</b>	
	<b>May 31 1934</b>	<b>13,560,051,924</b>	<b>8,334,364,732</b>	<b>5,332,696,297</b>	<b>156,039,431</b>	<b>3,874,257,810</b>	<b>42.40</b>	<b>126,364,000</b>	
	<b>Oct. 31 1920</b>	<b>8,479,620,824</b>	<b>2,436,864,630</b>	<b>718,674,378</b>	<b>152,979,026</b>	<b>1,212,300,791</b>	<b>53.21</b>	<b>107,996,000</b>	
	<b>Mar. 31 1917</b>	<b>5,996,696,677</b>	<b>2,932,020,313</b>	<b>2,681,691,072</b>	<b>152,979,026</b>	<b>953,321,522</b>	<b>53.21</b>	<b>108,716,000</b>	
	<b>June 30 1914</b>	<b>3,797,825,099</b>	<b>1,845,659,804</b>	<b>1,507,178,879</b>	<b>150,000,000</b>	<b>188,390,925</b>	<b>34.93</b>	<b>99,027,000</b>	
	<b>Jan. 1 1879</b>	<b>1,007,084,483</b>	<b>212,420,402</b>	<b>21,602,740</b>	<b>100,000,000</b>	<b>90,817,762</b>	<b>16.92</b>	<b>48,231,000</b>	

\* Revised figures.

- a Does not include gold other than that held by the Treasury.
- b These amounts are not included in the total since the gold or silver held as security against gold and silver certificates and Treasury notes of 1890 is included under gold, standard silver dollars, and silver bullion, respectively.
- c This total includes \$22,248,035 deposited for the redemption of Federal Reserve notes (\$932,000 in process of redemption).
- d Includes \$1,800,000,000 Exchange Stabilization Fund.
- e Includes \$12,153,175 lawful money deposited for the redemption of National bank notes (\$21,184,150 in process of redemption, including notes chargeable to the retirement fund), \$1,350 lawful money deposited for the retirement of additional circulation (Act May 30 1908), and \$60,320,551 lawful money deposited as a reserve for Postal Savings deposits.
- f The amount of gold and silver certificates and Treasury notes of 1890 should be deducted from this amount before combining with total money held in the Treasury to arrive at the total amount of money in the United States.
- g Includes money held by the Cuban agency of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta.
- h The money in circulation includes any paper currency held outside the continental limits of the United States.

Note—Gold certificates are secured dollar for dollar by gold held in the Treasury for their redemption for uses authorized by law; silver certificates are secured dollar for dollar by standard silver dollars held in the Treasury for their redemption (or by silver bullion); United States notes and Treasury notes of 1890 are secured by a gold reserve of \$156,039,431 held in the Treasury. Treasury notes of 1890 are also secured dollar for dollar by standard silver dollars held in the Treasury; these notes are being canceled and retired on receipt. Federal Reserve notes are obligations of the United States and a first lien on all the assets of the issuing Federal Reserve bank. Federal Reserve notes are secured by the deposit with Federal Reserve agents of a like amount of gold certificates or of gold certificates and such discounted or purchased paper as is eligible under the terms of the Federal Reserve Act, or, until March 3 1937, of direct obligations of the United States if so authorized by a majority vote of the Federal Reserve Board. Federal Reserve banks must maintain a reserve in gold certificates of at least 40%, including the redemption fund which must be deposited with the United States Treasurer, against Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation. Federal Reserve bank notes are secured by direct obligations of the United States or commercial paper, except where lawful money has been deposited with the Treasurer of the United States for their retirement. National bank notes are secured by United States bonds except where lawful money has been deposited with the Treasurer of the United States for their retirement. A 5% fund is maintained in lawful money with the Treasurer of the United States for the redemption of National bank notes.

CIRCULATION STATEMENT OF UNITED STATES MONEY—APRIL 30 1935

### Federal Reserve Board Issues Ruling Regarding Margin Requirements Incident to Extension of Time by SEC for Permanent Registration of Securities

The Federal Reserve Board moved on June 25 to prevent unlimited loans on exchange securities during the period from July 1 to July 15, by promulgating a ruling—No. 44—interpreting its margin rules embodied in Regulation T, said Washington advices that day to the New York "Herald Tribune" which added:

The situation arose from the fact that the Securities and Exchange Commission yesterday announced that it had extended the deadline of permanent registration of securities from July 1 to July 15.

To give the extension, the SEC classified securities as "exempted." Unless the Federal Reserve Board had acted this would mean that the Federal margin rules would be suspended for the 15-day period. The Federal Reserve Board has mitigated this effect by declaring that the maximum loan value should be the same as if the securities were registered.

The following is the Federal Reserve Board's ruling of June 25:

#### Ruling No. 44 Interpreting Regulation T

The Securities and Exchange Commission by its Rules AN6, AN7, and AN8 has exempted certain securities for limited periods from the operation of section 7 (c) (2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to the extent and upon the conditions stated in such Rules.

The Federal Reserve Board rules that, as a result of and to the extent specified in the Commission's Rules AN6, AN7, and AN8, the securities mentioned therein are "exempted securities" within the meaning of section 2 (f) of Regulation T. However, the Board points out that the maximum loan value of such securities, instead of being that provided in section 3 (e), is limited by the conditions of the Commission's exemption to the maximum loan value which such securities would have if during the periods prescribed they were registered securities.

### Offering of \$100,000,000 of 3% Treasury Bonds of 1946-48 to Highest Bidders—\$461,341,000 of Tenders Received \$112,669,000 Accepted at Average Price of 103-18/32

The Treasury offered this week an additional issue of \$100,000,000, or thereabouts, of 3% Treasury bonds of 1946-1948 to the highest bidders. Announcement of the offering was made on June 23 by Henry Morgenthau Jr., Secretary of the Treasury, and the tenders were received at the Federal Reserve banks and the branches thereof up to 12 o'clock noon, Eastern Standard Time, June 26. Tenders were not received at the Treasury Department, Washington. Secretary Morgenthau said in his announcement of June 23 that tenders not received by 12 o'clock noon, June 26, would be disregarded, and he pointed out that "tenders at less than par will not be considered." George L. Harrison, Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, in his circular to member banks regarding the new Treasury offering, calls attention to the fact that payment for the Treasury bonds could not be made by credit through the War Loan Deposit Account. Payment was required to be made in cash or other immediately available funds.

Secretary Morgenthau announced on June 27 the result of the offering. He said that tenders for \$461,341,000 face amount of bonds were received, of which \$112,669,000 was accepted at prices ranging from 103-24/32 down to 103-17/32, and accrued interest from June 15 to July 1, 1935. The Secretary continued:

The average price of the bonds to be issued is about 103-18/32, and a total premium of \$4,005,378.13 will be received. Based on the average price at which the bonds are to be issued on July 1, 1935, the yield is about 2.62% to the earliest call date, June 15, 1946, and about 2.67% to maturity, June 15 1948.

The Treasury inaugurated the practice of offering bonds to the highest bidders last month, when, on May 27, it announced an issue of the 3% Treasury bonds of 1946-1948 in amount of \$100,000,000, or thereabouts. Tenders of \$270,077,000 were received to this issue, of which \$98,779,000 were accepted at an average price of 103-4/32. Reference thereto was made in our issue of June 1, page 3650.

The bonds in the offering this week, as in the case of those offered in May, are in addition to and form part of the series of 3% bonds of 1946-1948 offered in June 1934. They are dated June 15 1934 and bear interest from June 15 1935, payable semi-annually. The bonds are due June 15 1948 but are redeemable at the option of the United States at par and accrued interest on and after June 15 1946.

From Washington advices, June 23, to the New York "Herald Tribune" of June 24, we take the following bearing on the new offering:

With the floating of this \$100,000,000 of bonds, the Treasury will end its financing operations this fiscal year and will be immediately faced with raising funds for the \$4,800,000,000 work relief program. It is expected that "small" offerings, such as to-day's, will be continued during the summer, probably under "competitive bidding." Secretary Morgenthau has characterized the system as very efficient. However, a large issue is also expected, as it is thought that such large sums could not be raised expeditiously by small offerings. It is indicated that there will not be "competitive bidding" on the larger offerings.

The following is Secretary Morgenthau's announcement of June 23, made available for publication June 24:

Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau is to-day offering to the people of the United States an additional issue of 3% Treasury bonds of 1946-1948, in the amount of \$100,000,000, or thereabouts, and is inviting tenders therefor at not less than par and accrued interest. The bonds will be sold to the highest bidders. Tenders will be received at the Federal Reserve banks and branches thereof up to 12 o'clock noon, Eastern Standard Time, on June 26 1935. Tenders will not be received at the Treasury Department, Washington.

The bonds for which tenders are now invited will be an addition to and will form a part of the series of 3% Treasury bonds of 1946-1948, issued pursuant to Department Circulars No. 512, dated June 4 1934, and No. 541, dated May 27 1935; they will carry the same tax exemptions and otherwise will be identical in all respects therewith except that interest on the additional bonds issued will accrue only from June 15 1935. The bonds will mature June 15 1948, but may be redeemed at the option of the United States on and after June 15 1946. Interest will be payable semi-annually on June 15 and Dec. 15.

Each tender must state the face amount of bonds bid for, which must be \$1,000 or any even multiple thereof, and the price offered, which must be stated exclusive of accrued interest and must be expressed on the basis of 100, with fractions expressed as 32nds of 1% in accordance with the usual practice—for example, 103 16/32. Tenders at less than par will not be considered, and tenders not received at a Federal Reserve bank or branch before 12 o'clock noon, Eastern Standard Time, June 26 1935, will be disregarded. Tenders will be accepted without deposit from incorporated banks and trust companies and from responsible and recognized dealers in investment securities. Tenders from others must be accompanied in every case by a deposit of 5% of the amount of bonds bid for, except where the tender is accompanied by an express guaranty of payment by an incorporated bank of trust company. If the tender is accepted, in whole or in part, the deposit will be applied toward payment for the bonds, and if the tender is rejected the deposit will be returned to the bidder.

Tenders should be made on the printed forms and forwarded in special envelopes, which will be supplied by the Federal Reserve banks. Incorporated banks and trust companies not located in a city where a Federal Reserve bank or branch is located may, in their discretion, submit tenders by telegram.

Immediately after the closing hour for the receipt of tenders on June 26 1935 all tenders received at the Federal Reserve banks and branches up to the closing hour will be opened, and public announcement of the acceptable prices will follow as soon as possible thereafter. In considering the acceptance of tenders, the highest prices offered will be accepted in full down to the amount required, and if the same price appears in two or more tenders, and it is necessary to accept only a part of the amount offered at such price, tenders for smaller amounts may be accorded preference and tenders for larger amounts prorated to the extent necessary in accordance with the respective amounts bid for. The Secretary of the Treasury expressly reserves the right, however, to reject any or all tenders or parts of tenders and to award less than the amount bid for, and any action he may take in any such respect or respects shall be final.

Payment for any bonds allotted on accepted tenders must be made or completed in cash or other immediately available funds on or before July 1 1935, and must include the face amount, and the premium which the bidder has agreed to pay, together with accrued interest on the face amount from June 15 to July 1 1935.

Details of the offering are contained in the following Treasury circular:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA 3% TREASURY BONDS OF 1946-1948  
Dated June 15 1934 with interest from June 15 1935—Due June 15 1948—  
Redeemable at the option of the United States at par and accrued interest on and after June 15 1946—Interest payable June 15 and Dec. 15.

#### Additional Issue

1935—Department Circular No. 544—Public Debt Service

#### TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Office of the Secretary

Washington, June 24 1935.

The Secretary of the Treasury, pursuant to the authority of the Second Liberty Bond Act, approved Sept. 24 1917, as amended, offers to the people of the United States \$100,000,000, or thereabouts, 3% Treasury bonds of 1946-1948, and invites tenders therefor at not less than par and accrued interest from June 15 1935 to July 1 1935.

#### Description of Bonds

The bonds now offered will be an addition to and will form a part of the series of 3% Treasury bonds of 1946-1948 issued pursuant to Department Circulars No. 512, dated June 4 1934, and No. 541, dated May 27 1935; will be freely interchangeable therewith, and (with the exception that interest on the bonds issued under this circular will accrue from June 15 1935) are identical in all respects therewith and are described in the following quotation from Department Circular No. 512:

The bonds will be dated June 15 1934, and will bear interest from that date at the rate of 3% per annum, payable semi-annually, on Dec. 15 1934, and thereafter on June 15 and Dec. 15 in each year until the principal amount becomes payable. They will mature June 15 1948, but may be redeemed at the option of the United States on and after June 15 1946, in whole or in part, at par and accrued interest, on any interest day or days, on four months' notice of redemption given in such manner as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe. In case of partial redemption the bonds to be redeemed will be determined by such method as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury. From the date of redemption designated in any such notice, interest on the bonds called for redemption shall cease.

The bonds shall be exempt, both as to principal and interest, from all taxation now or hereafter imposed by the United States, any State, or any of the possessions of the United States, or by any local taxing authority, except (a) estate or inheritance taxes,\* and (b) graduated additional income taxes, commonly known as surtaxes, and excess-profits and war-profits taxes, now or hereafter imposed by the United States, upon the income or profits of individuals, partnerships, associations, or corporations. The interest on an amount of bonds authorized by the Second Liberty Bond Act, approved Sept. 24 1917, as amended, the principal of which does not exceed \$5,000, owned by any individual, partnership, association, or corporation, shall be exempt from the taxes provided for in clause (b) above.

The bonds will be acceptable to secure deposits of public moneys, and will bear the circulation privilege only to the extent provided in the Act approved July 22 1932, as amended. They will not be entitled to any privilege of conversion.

Bearer bonds with interest coupons attached, and bonds registered as to principal and interest, will be issued in denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000 and \$100,000. 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 under rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury.

The bonds will be subject to the general regulations of the Treasury Department, now or hereafter prescribed, governing United States bonds.

As interest on the bonds issued under this circular will accrue from June 15 1935, coupon bonds will be delivered hereunder with coupons Nos. 1 and 2, dated Dec. 15 1934 and June 15 1935, respectively, detached.

#### Tenders and Allotments

Tenders will be received at the Federal Reserve banks and branches thereof up to 12 o'clock noon, Eastern Standard Time, June 26 1935, and unless received by that time will be disregarded. Tenders will not be

\* Similarly, the exemption does not apply to the gift tax, see Treasury Decision 4550.

received at the Treasury Department, Washington. Each tender must state the face amount of bonds bid for, which must be \$1,000 or any even multiple thereof, and the price offered. The price offered must be stated exclusively of accrued interest from June 15 1935 to July 1 1935, and must be expressed on the basis of 100, with fractions expressed as 32nds of 1%, in accordance with usual practice, e.g., 103 16/32. Tenders at less than par will not be considered.

Tenders will be received without deposit from incorporated banks and trust companies and from responsible and recognized dealers in investment securities. Tenders from others must be accompanied in every case by a deposit of 5% of the face amount of bonds bid for, except where the tender is accompanied by an express guaranty of payment by an incorporated bank or trust company. If the tender is accepted, in whole or in part, the deposit will be applied toward payment for the bonds, the balance to be paid as hereinafter provided. If the tender is rejected, the deposit will be returned to the bidder.

Tenders must be enclosed in envelopes, securely sealed, addressed to the Federal Reserve bank, or branch, of the district, and plainly marked "Tender for 3% Treasury bonds of 1946-1948." The Federal Reserve banks will supply printed forms and special envelopes for submitting tenders. Incorporated banks and trust companies not located in a city where a Federal Reserve bank or branch is located may, in their discretion, submit tenders by telegram, but such telegrams must be received at the Federal Reserve bank or branch before the time fixed for closing.

Immediately after the closing hour for the receipt of tenders on June 26 1935 all tenders received in writing or by telegraph at the Federal Reserve banks or branches thereof up to the closing hour (12 o'clock noon, Eastern Standard Time) will be opened. The Secretary of the Treasury will determine the acceptable prices offered and will make public announcement thereof as soon as possible after the opening of tenders. Those submitting tenders will be advised by the Federal Reserve banks of the acceptance or rejection thereof, and payment on accepted tenders must be made as hereinafter provided. In considering the acceptance of tenders, the highest prices offered will be accepted in full down to the amount required; and if the same price appears in two or more tenders and it is necessary to accept only a part of the amount offered at such price, tenders for smaller amounts may be accorded preference and tenders for larger amounts prorated to the extent necessary in accordance with the respective amounts bid for. The Secretary of the Treasury expressly reserves the right, however, to reject any or all tenders or parts of tenders, and to award less than the amount bid for, and any action he may take in any such respect or respects shall be final.

Payment

Payment for any bonds allotted on accepted tenders must be made or completed on or before July 1 1935, in cash or other immediately available funds, and must include the face amount, and the premium which the bidder has agreed to pay, together with accrued interest on the face amount from June 15 1935 to July 1 1935.† In every case where payment is not so completed, the 5% deposit with application shall, upon declaration made by the Secretary of the Treasury in his discretion, be forfeited to the United States.

General Provisions

Federal Reserve banks, as fiscal agents of the United States, are authorized and requested to receive tenders, to make allotments as indicated by the Secretary of the Treasury to the Federal Reserve banks of the respective districts, to issue allotment notices, to receive payment for bonds allotted, to make delivery of bonds on full-paid allotments, and to perform such other acts as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this circular. Pending delivery of the definitive bonds, Federal Reserve banks may issue interim receipts.

The Secretary of the Treasury may at any time, or from time to time, prescribe supplemental or amendatory rules and regulations governing the receipt of tenders and the sale of bonds under this circular, which will be communicated promptly to the Federal Reserve banks.

HENRY MORGENTHAU JR., Secretary of the Treasury.

† Accrued interest from June 15 1935 to July 1 1935 on \$1,000 face amount is \$1.311475.

Gold Receipts by Mints and Assay Offices—\$33,462,861 Imported During Week of June 21

Gold in amount of \$36,066,805.22 was received by the mints and assay offices during the week of June 21, it was announced by the Treasury on June 24. The Treasury indicated that of this amount \$33,462,861.20 was imports, \$763,338.16 secondary, and \$1,840,605.86 new domestic. The amount of gold received during the week of June 21 by the various mints and assay offices is shown in the following tabulation issued by the Treasury:

Week Ended June 21 1935—	Imports	Secondary	New Domestic
Philadelphia	—	\$238,263.04	\$676.23
New York	33,401,500.00	323,500.00	87,400.00
San Francisco	26,391.63	88,214.47	879,165.21
Denver	34,510.00	53,096.00	614,536.00
New Orleans	459.57	33,811.66	271.55
Seattle	—	26,952.99	258,556.87
Total for week ended June 21 1935—	\$33,462,861.20	\$763,338.16	\$1,840,605.86

\$340,017 of Hoarded Gold Received During Week of June 19—\$23,117 Coin and \$316,900 Certificates

Receipts of gold coin and gold certificates during the week of June 19 by the Federal Reserve banks and the Treasurer's office, according to figures issued by the Treasury Department on June 24, amounted to \$340,016.90. 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 June 19 amounted to \$125,815,013.17. Of the total received during the week of June 19, the figures show \$23,116.90 was gold coin and \$316,900 gold certificates. The total receipts are shown as follows:

Received by Federal Reserve Banks:	Gold Coin	Gold Certificates
Week ended June 19	\$21,916.90	\$312,500.00
Received previously	30,486,190.27	92,562,700.00
Total to June 19 1935	\$30,508,107.17	\$92,875,200.00
Received by Treasurer's Office:		
Week ended June 19	\$1,200.00	\$4,400.00
Received previously	262,406.00	2,163,700.00
Total to June 19 1935	\$263,606.00	\$2,168,100.00

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

Silver Transferred to United States Under Nationalization Order—26,002 Fine Ounces During Week of June 21

Announcement was made by the Treasury Department on June 24 that 26,002 fine ounces of silver were transferred to the United States during the week of June 21 under the Executive Order of Aug. 9 1934, nationalizing the metal. Total receipts since the order of Aug. 9 (giving in our columns of Aug. 11, page 858) was issued, amount to 112,895,628 fine ounces, the Treasury announced. During the week of June 21 the silver, according to the Treasury's statement, was received as follows by the various mints and assay offices:

	Fine Ounces
Philadelphia	4,898
New York	7,765
San Francisco	11,562
Denver	1,064
New Orleans	292
Seattle	421

Total for week ended June 21 1935— 26,002

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

Week Ended— 1934—	Fine Ozs.	Week Ended— 1934—	Fine Ozs.	Week Ended— 1935—	Fine Ozs.
Aug. 17	33,465,091	Nov. 30	86,662	Mar. 8	57,085
Aug. 24	26,088,019	Dec. 7	292,358	Mar. 15	19,994
Aug. 31	12,301,731	Dec. 14	444,308	Mar. 22	54,822
Sept. 7	4,144,157	Dec. 21	692,795	Mar. 29	7,615
Sept. 14	3,984,363	Dec. 28	63,105	Apr. 5	5,183
Sept. 21	8,435,920	1935—		Apr. 12	8,755
Sept. 28	2,550,303	Jan. 4	309,117	Apr. 19	68,771
Oct. 5	2,474,839	Jan. 11	535,734	Apr. 26	50,259
Oct. 12	2,853,948	Jan. 18	75,797	May 3	7,941
Oct. 19	1,044,127	Jan. 25	62,077	May 10	5,311
Oct. 26	746,469	Feb. 1	134,096	May 17	11,480
Nov. 2	7,157,273	Feb. 8	33,806	May 24	100,197
Nov. 9	3,665,239	Feb. 15	45,803	May 31	5,252
Nov. 16	336,191	Feb. 22	152,331	June 7	9,988
Nov. 23	261,870	Mar. 1	38,135	June 14	9,517
				June 21	26,002

Receipts of Newly Mined Silver by Mints and Assay Offices from Treasury Purchases—Totalled 1,253,628.60 Fine Ounces During Week of June 21

In accordance with the President's proclamation of Dec. 21 1933, which authorized the Treasury Department to absorb at least 24,421,410 fine ounces of newly mined silver annually, the Department during the week of June 21 turned over 1,253,628.60 fine ounces of the metal to the various mints. A statement issued by the Treasury on June 24 showed that of this amount 951,396.24 fine ounces were received at the Philadelphia Mint, 289,662.20 at the San Francisco Mint, and 12,570.16 fine ounces at the Mint at Denver.

The Treasury's statement of June 24 indicated that the total receipts from the time of the issuance of the proclamation and up to June 21 were 38,098,000 fine ounces. Reference to the President's proclamation was made in our issue of Dec. 31 1933, page 4441. The weekly receipts are as follows (we omit the fractional part of the ounce):

Week Ended— 1934—	Ounces	Week Ended— 1934—	Ounces	Week Ended— 1935—	Ounces
Jan. 5	1,157	July 6	*1,218,247	Jan. 4	467,385
Jan. 12	547	July 13	230,491	Jan. 11	504,363
Jan. 19	477	July 20	115,217	Jan. 18	732,210
Jan. 26	94,921	July 27	292,719	Jan. 25	373,305
Feb. 2	117,554	Aug. 3	118,307	Feb. 1	1,167,706
Feb. 9	375,995	Aug. 10	254,458	Feb. 8	1,126,572
Feb. 16	232,630	Aug. 17	649,757	Feb. 15	403,179
Feb. 23	322,627	Aug. 24	376,504	Feb. 22	1,184,819
Mar. 2	271,800	Aug. 31	11,574	Mar. 1	844,528
Mar. 9	126,604	Sept. 7	264,307	Mar. 8	1,555,985
Mar. 16	832,808	Sept. 14	358,004	Mar. 15	554,454
Mar. 23	369,844	Sept. 21	103,041	Mar. 22	695,556
Mar. 30	354,711	Sept. 28	1,054,287	Mar. 29	836,198
Apr. 6	569,274	Oct. 5	620,633	Apr. 5	1,438,681
Apr. 13	10,032	Oct. 12	609,475	Apr. 12	502,258
Apr. 20	753,938	Oct. 19	712,206	Apr. 19	67,704
Apr. 27	436,043	Oct. 26	268,900	Apr. 26	173,900
May 4	647,224	Nov. 2	826,342	May 3	686,320
May 11	600,631	Nov. 9	359,428	May 10	86,907
May 18	503,309	Nov. 16	1,025,955	May 17	363,073
May 25	885,056	Nov. 23	443,531	May 24	247,954
June 1	295,511	Nov. 30	359,296	May 31	203,482
June 8	209,897	Dec. 7	487,693	June 7	462,541
June 15	206,790	Dec. 14	648,729	June 14	1,253,628
June 22	380,532	Dec. 21	797,206		
June 29	64,047	Dec. 28	484,278		

\* Corrected figures.

President Roosevelt Asks Congress to Pass Law Prohibiting Suits by Individuals Incident to Gold Clause Abrogation—Federal Bonds With Gold Clause

President Roosevelt, in a special message to Congress on June 27, urged the enactment of a measure withdrawing the consent of the Federal Government to be sued upon its currency or securities, in order to "eliminate any uncertainty with respect to the rights of gold clause bonds of the Government to sue for payment either in gold or else in legal tender with an additional sum of 69 cents on every dollar." The proposed legislation, the President said, should make it clear that the Government's fixed policy would be to continue to treat the holders of all Government securities equally and uniformly.

The legislation asked by the President would "authorize and direct the Secretary of the Treasury, at the request of the holders of gold clause securities of the United States, to make payment therefor in cash, dollar for dollar, with accrued interest, or at the holder's election, to exchange such securities for non-gold clause securities with the same interest rate and maturity."

In advocating the enactment of the measure, Mr. Roosevelt asserted that there is no public interest "in permitting a handful of private litigants to exploit the general public

in the hope of a wholly speculative profit." We give herewith the President's message:

To the Congress of the United States:

Before the termination of this session of the Congress I believe that it is important that definite action be taken to eliminate any uncertainty with respect to the right of holders of gold clause bonds of the Government to sue for payment either in gold or else in legal tender with an additional sum of 69 cents on every dollar.

To this end, I urge the withdrawal by the United States of its consent to be sued upon its currency or securities. The question of the effect of the so-called gold clause, in the light of the monetary legislation of the Seventy-third Congress, came before the Supreme Court at the term just closed. A suit for additional payment under existing circumstances, the court said, would "constitute not a recoupment of loss in any proper sense, but an unjustified enrichment." Bonds of the United States containing gold clauses—all of them issued, sold and payable wholly within the United States—have been continuously quoted on the exchanges at no higher prices than bonds not containing such clauses. But the continuing possibility of actions by litigious persons leaves open the continuing possibility of speculation. There is no public interest, under these conditions, in permitting a handful of private litigants to exploit the general public in the hope of a wholly speculative private profit.

To Treat All Holders of United States Securities Equally

This conclusion will hold so long as the Congress adheres to its declared policy, now more than a third of a century old, to maintain the equal value of every dollar in the market.

I recommend, therefore, the enactment of legislation which will make clear that it is our fixed policy to continue to treat the bondholders of all our securities equally and uniformly, to afford any holder of any gold clause security who thinks he could by any possibility sustain any loss in the future, an opportunity to put himself immediately in a position to avoid such future loss, and to remove all possibility of any suits designed to hamper the Government in administering the public debt and in financing its ordinary and emergency expenditures.

Recommendations

More specifically, I recommend the immediate enactment of legislation (1) that will authorize and direct the Secretary of the Treasury, at the request of the holders of gold-clause securities of the United States, to make payment therefor in cash, dollar for dollar, with accrued interest, or at the holder's election, to exchange such securities for non-gold-clause securities with the same interest rate and maturity; (2) that will terminate any consent which the United States may have voluntarily given to be sued on its securities, coins or currencies and (3) that will reaffirm the fixed policy of the United States to make payment to all holders of its securities, coins and currencies on an equal and uniform dollar-for-dollar basis and will make appropriations available for payments on this basis and on this basis only.

No Constitutional Right to Sue Government

There is no constitutional or inherent right to sue the Government; on the contrary, the immunity of the sovereign from suit is a principle of universal acceptance, and permission to bring such suits is an act of grace, which, with us, may be granted or withheld by the Congress. The courts, it is hardly necessary for me to add, will always be open to those who seek justice, but they were not established for use by a few to enrich themselves at the expense of the many, nor to enable a few to harass and embarrass sovereign action by the Government when taken for the benefit of all.

Not only justice to the holders of our currency and of our securities who support and rely on our policy of equal and uniform treatment to all, but also the interests of our entire people require that the Government of the United States make it clear that it cannot and will not consent to the use of its courts in aid of efforts to sabotage the operations of government or in aid of private speculation.

This proposal reasserts and makes definite the control of the Congress over the securities and money issued by the United States of America.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

The White House, June 27 1935.

The following, showing the list of outstanding United States Government securities containing the gold clause, is from a Washington dispatch June 27 to the New York "Times":

Type of Security	Amount	Type of Security	Amount
Pre-War Loans, &c.—		Treasury Bonds—	
2% consols, due July 1 1935	\$599,724,050	4 1/4% of 1947-52	\$758,955,800
2% Panama Canal bonds, due Aug. 1 1935	48,954,180	4% of 1944-54	1,036,762,000
2% Panama Canal bonds, due Aug. 1 1935	25,947,400	3% of 1946-56	489,087,100
3% Panama Canal bonds, due June 1 1961	49,800,000	3 3/4% of 1943-47	454,135,200
3% conversion bonds, due Jan. 1 1946-47	28,894,500	3 3/4% of 1940-43	352,993,950
2 1/2% Postal Savings bonds, due on July 1 and Jan. 1 from 1935 to 1953	48,644,960	3 3/4% of 1941-43	544,914,050
		3 3/4% of 1946-49	818,646,000
		3 3/4% of 1951-56	755,477,000
Total	\$801,965,000	Total	\$5,210,971,100
Liberty Bonds—		Treasury Notes—	
Fourth Liberty bonds, due Oct. 15 1935	\$1,246,230,750	3 1/4% due Aug. 1 1936	\$364,138,000
		2 3/4% due Dec. 15 1936	357,921,200
		2 1/2% due April 15 1936	588,483,500
		3 1/4% due Sept. 15 1937	817,483,500
		3% due April 15 1937	502,361,900
		2 3/4% due Feb. 1 1938	276,679,600
		Total	\$2,877,403,400
		Grand total	\$10,136,570,340

Volume of Outstanding Bankers' Acceptances Reduced \$38,617,524 in May—Domestic Credit Situation Held Principally Responsible for Drop—Total May 31 \$374,755,247, Compared with \$413,372,771 April 30

Surplus bank funds, Government interference and business uncertainty in general continue to be responsible for the shrinking volume of bankers' acceptances. On May 31, according to the survey report of the American Acceptance Council, published June 26, acceptances totaled \$374,755,247, which was \$38,617,524 less than the amount reported on April 30.

Robert H. Bean, Executive Secretary of the American Acceptance Council, in his survey further says:

As in recent months the type of acceptance credits to finance the storage of staples in domestic warehouses showed the largest reduction, dropping \$20,020,368 during the month. This brings the total of warehouse acceptance credits down to \$68,162,015, which is compared with \$148,628,923 on May 31 1934.

Acceptances based on exports went off \$14,201,148, which brought the total down to \$99,632,190, against \$149,950,172 on the same date in 1934.

Acceptances to finance imports, on the other hand, increased in volume \$3,728,269, this being the highest total of import acceptance credits for more than a year and is compared with \$100,385,405 on the same date a year ago.

The remaining outstanding change in the acceptance total was in the class of bills based on goods stored in or shipped between foreign countries, which is now reported to be \$90,877,635, against \$98,738,716 at the previous month end and \$151,554,049 in May 1934.

At the time that all types of acceptance credits are declining from domestic causes, notice is made of the steady reduction of what were once known as German credits, and which have been reduced more than \$350,000,000 since the set-up of the German Credit Agreement. In the single year since May 1934 these Standstill Credits have been reduced by \$61,000,000.

It cannot be expected in the immediate future that there will be any great increase in the volume of acceptances created for strictly American commerce. The plethora of funds in the commercial banks becomes a strong incentive to turn acceptance credits into cash advances, particularly when rates as low or even lower can be offered. While banks may thus lose on the volume of their bills, they gain on the volume of their commercial loans and thus keep the equivalent amount of funds employed. Also there is a noticeable disinclination of business to incur large commitments of raw materials or of imported goods. This hesitancy slows up the movement of commodities and reduces the volume of cash or credit outstanding or promised within the next two or three months at least.

There is, however, a backing up of an enormous demand, which when released, will undoubtedly mean the creation of a very large volume of acceptance credits, possibly as early as next fall.

While the volume of bills to-day is \$194,035,267 below that for May 1934, a glance at the above comparisons will show that it is entirely covered in the large drop in warehouse credits, export credits and in the European storage and shipment credits. It should further be noted that of the \$194,000,000 reduction for the year, \$167,000,000 was in the acceptance totals of New York banks and bankers.

At the end of May accepting banks reported own bills on hand amounting to \$162,390,615 and bills of other banks amounting to \$193,368,701, a total of \$355,759,316, or all but \$19,000,000 of all bills.

The following statistics are also supplied by Mr. Bean:

TOTAL OF BANKERS' DOLLAR ACCEPTANCES OUTSTANDING FOR ENTIRE COUNTRY BY FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICTS

Federal Reserve District	May 31 1935	April 30 1935	May 31 1934
1	\$29,134,778	\$29,917,542	\$37,015,280
2	287,065,608	320,033,056	455,042,525
3	12,533,834	12,552,961	13,763,206
4	2,314,883	2,314,604	1,709,621
5	466,641	530,031	615,320
6	2,134,535	3,020,375	5,639,423
7	18,060,893	20,224,178	28,716,321
8	406,246	470,610	1,026,692
9	466,928	664,476	2,263,215
10			
11	2,214,592	2,472,578	402,557
12	19,956,309	21,172,360	22,596,354
Grand total	\$374,755,247	\$413,372,771	\$568,790,514
Decrease for month	\$38,617,524		
Decrease for year			\$194,035,267

CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO NATURE OF CREDIT

	May 31 1935	April 30 1935	May 31 1934
Imports	\$106,604,524	\$102,876,255	\$100,385,405
Exports	99,632,190	113,833,338	149,950,172
Domestic shipments	7,833,939	7,647,566	10,442,119
Domestic warehouse credits	68,162,015	88,182,383	153,109,899
Dollar exchange	1,644,944	2,094,513	3,348,870
Based on goods stored in or shipped between foreign countries	90,877,635	98,738,716	151,554,049

CURRENT MARKET RATES ON PRIME BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES JUNE 25 1935

Days—	Dealers' Buying Rate	Dealers' Selling Rate	Days—	Dealers' Buying Rate	Dealers' Selling Rate
30	3-16	1/4	120	1/4	3-16
60	3-16	1/4	150	3/8	5-16
90	3-16	1/4	180	3/8	5-16

President Roosevelt Asks Congress to Refrain from Authorizing Commemorative Coins—Favors Government Medals Marking Historical Anniversaries

A request by President Roosevelt that Congress discontinue the practice of authorizing coins commemorating historical events because they "jeopardize the integrity of our coins and cause confusion" was contained in letters to the Senate Banking Committee and the House Coinage Committee. The President suggested instead that Government medals be struck to mark anniversaries of historical importance. Since 1933, said the President, Congress authorized nine issues of 50c. pieces totaling 3,000,000 coins, despite opposition of the Treasury. Between 1920 and 1930, 15 issues totaling 13,000,000 were put out. The President added:

These coins do not have a wide circulation as a medium of exchange, and, because of the multiplicity of designs arising from the issuance of such coins, they jeopardize the integrity of our coins and cause confusion.

Accordingly, I think the practice of striking special coins in commemoration of historical events and permitting the sponsoring organizations to sell them at a profit is a misuse of our coinage system which is assuming increasingly dangerous proportions.

Associated Press advices from Washington, June 19, further reported the President as saying that said Government medals could be furnished at cost by the Bureau of the Mint and would provide "more suitable inscriptions and more artistic commemorative designs." A bill drafted by the Treasury to provide for the medals instead of coins accompanied the letters.

**President Roosevelt Vetoes Bill to Extend Time for Refunding of Taxes Erroneously Collected from Building and Loan Associations**

On June 14 President Roosevelt vetoed a bill which intended to extend the time to allow certain tax refunds to a number of building and loan associations which had not submitted their claims within the prescribed time. The President's veto message follows:

To the Senate:

I return herewith, without my approval, S. 279, an Act to extend the time for the refunding of certain taxes erroneously collected from certain building and loan associations.

This bill authorizes the filing of claims for the refund of taxes which were, under the principle laid down by the United States Supreme Court in *United States vs. Cambridge Building & Loan Co.* (278 U. S. 55), erroneously assessed and collected, regardless of the fact that claims for refund thereof were not filed within the prescribed statutory period for filing such claims.

Congress has determined that it is sound policy to include in all the revenue Acts statutes of limitations, by the operation of which, after a certain period of time, it becomes impossible for the Government to collect additional taxes or for the taxpayer to obtain a refund of an overpayment of taxes. This bill selects a small class of taxpayers for special treatment by excepting them from this policy. The whole body of Federal taxpayers is thus discriminated against, and a precedent is established opening the door to relief in all cases in which the statute operates to the prejudice of a particular taxpayer, while leaving the door closed to the Government in those cases in which the statute operates to the disadvantage of the Government.

I know of no circumstances which would justify the exception made by S. 279 to the long-continued policy of Congress, and do not believe that the field of special legislation should be opened to relieve special classes of taxpayers from the consequences of their failure to file claims within the period fixed by law.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

The White House,  
June 14 1935.

**President Roosevelt Approves Bill Broadening Authority of United States Marshals**

President Roosevelt on June 17 signed a Justice Department bill broadening the authority of United States marshals. According to Associated Press advices from Washington, the measure permits these officers or their deputies to make arrests without warrants for offenses committed in their presence or when they think a person has committed or is committing a felony. It also authorizes them to carry firearms.

**President Roosevelt Supports Aid to Get Farm Price Parity**

The following (Associated Press) from Washington, June 26, is from the New York "Times":

President Roosevelt said to-day that he believed government aid was absolutely necessary to obtain parity for farm prices.

He spoke in response to an inquiry at his press conference. He said it had been demonstrated by many sad years that government assistance was necessary.

Parity is regarded as the price which will give major agricultural commodities a buying power equal to that which they had in the pre-war period of 1909 to 1914.

**President Roosevelt's New Tax Program Not to Be Rushed Through Congress—Executive Denies Reports He Sought Speedy Passage—Senate and House Conferees Approve "Nuisance" Tax Extension Resolution—New Levies Designed to Raise \$340,000,000—Hearings Scheduled for July 8**

President Roosevelt's new wealth-sharing tax program will not be rushed through Congress, and ample opportunity will be given for consideration of the plan before a vote is sought in the House and Senate, the President said on June 26 at a press conference, when he denied previously published reports that he had intended or intimated that this measure should be hurried through Congress by to-night (June 29) as an amendment to the so-called "nuisance" tax extension resolution. The "nuisance" taxes, involving about \$500,000,000 in levies and the 3-cent first-class postage, would have expired on June 30 had they not previously been extended by Congress.

The Senate on June 26 unanimously approved the resolution (which passed the House June 17) extending the "nuisance" taxes and sent it to conference with the House to determine whether the extension should be for two years, as proposed by the House, or for one year, as specified by a Senate amendment. Senate and House conferees on June 27 agreed upon a two-year extension of the \$501,991,000 taxes. The House action of June 17 was referred to in our June 22 issue, page 4161.

The message of the President to Congress in which he urged the adoption of a new tax scale designed to penalize large inheritances and to impose a graduated tax on corporation incomes was given on page 4155 of the June 22 issue. Early this week it was reported in the press on the authority of Congressional leaders that the President had decided that his program should be enacted speedily, and that therefore it was planned to attach the new program to the "nuisance" tax resolution in the Senate. On June 25 Senate leaders offered a tentative schedule of rates for imposts on inheritances and incomes, designed to produce \$340,000,000 annually in revenue and to force a partial redistribution of large fortunes. Many members of the House protested at the proposed plan to attach this schedule as an amend-

ment to the "nuisance" tax resolution, and contended that it would represent a violation of the constitutional provision that revenue-producing measures should originate in the House. Senator Robinson on June 24 formally announced to newspaper men that this procedure would be followed.

On June 26, after the President had denied at his press conference that he sponsored the plan for hasty passage of the new tax legislation, Senator Harrison said that the new tax measure would originate in the House Ways and Means Committee, and be acted upon first by the House and then sent to the Senate in the manner prescribed by the Constitution and the rules of Congress. The House Ways and Means Committee announced on June 27 that it would not begin hearings on the new tax bill before July 8, said a dispatch from Washington on that date to the New York "Herald Tribune" from which we also quote:

Earlier Representative Robert L. Doughton, Chairman of the Committee, had indicated that two or three weeks would be required for hearings. Speaker Joseph W. Byrne estimated that at least a month, perhaps two months, would be required to put the tax bill through Congress. He said the House would endeavor to clear all "must" legislation except the new tax bill by July 15.

A Washington dispatch of June 25 to the New York "Times" gave the following tentative scale of rates for the President's proposed new levies on inheritances, individual and corporation incomes, and said that this schedule had been agreed upon by Congressional leaders and Treasury experts:

INHERITANCE TAXES

On net inheritances of less than \$300,000 no tax.

\$300,000 to \$500,000.....	4%	3,000,000 to 4,000,000.....	40%
500,000 to 750,000.....	7%	4,000,000 to 5,000,000.....	50%
750,000 to 1,000,000.....	10%	5,000,000 to 7,000,000.....	60%
1,000,000 to 2,000,000.....	20%	7,000,000 to 10,000,000.....	70%
2,000,000 to 3,000,000.....	30%	Over 10,000,000.....	75%

Gift tax rates would be three-fourths of the foregoing rates.

CORPORATION INCOME TAXES

On net income up to \$2,000, 10 Per Cent.

\$2,000 to \$5,000.....	11%	100,000 to 300,000.....	15%
5,000 to 15,000.....	12%	300,000 to 1,000,000.....	16%
15,000 to 40,000.....	13%	1,000,000 to 20,000,000.....	17%
40,000 to 100,000.....	14%	Over 20,000,000.....	17½%

The foregoing rates would replace the present flat rate of 13¼% on corporation net income.

INDIVIDUAL SURTAXES

On incomes up to \$1,000,000 the rates would be as in the present law, ranging from 4% on net incomes of from \$4,000 to \$6,000 up to 58% on incomes between \$700,000 and \$1,000,000. Then:

\$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000.....	60%	3,000,000 to 5,000,000.....	70%
1,500,000 to 2,000,000.....	63%	5,000,000 to 10,000,000.....	75%
2,000,000 to 3,000,000.....	66%	Over 10,000,000.....	80%

We also quote from another Washington dispatch to the "Times" on June 26, describing President Roosevelt's remarks at his press conference on that date and the subsequent action in the Senate:

The President's exposition of his stand was given at his regular Wednesday press conference. It came as the result of a question as to whether failure to conclude work on the taxation amendments to be attached to the joint resolution on "nuisance taxes" would result in the lapse of the latter on Monday.

He responded by asking what made his questioner or other reporters assume that the new taxation measures would be passed on Saturday. He remarked that there had been intimations in a few newspapers that the plan was to pass the whole bill by Saturday night, but he stated, with some asperity, the record would show that he never had said anything to that effect.

No one had intimated such a plan in any way, shape or form, at the White House, he added. Emphatic was his declaration that at the White House meeting on Monday night, following which Senator Robinson announced the program for attaching the new levies as a rider to the "nuisance tax" resolution, no one had assumed that the measure with its three new features would be passed by Saturday.

Mr. Roosevelt gave the first intimation of the change of plan that resulted later in the separation of the new inheritance and income measures from the resolution, when in response to a question as to whether probable delays would be permitted to cause the lapse of the "nuisance taxes" he told reporters to use their imagination.

"Is the primary purpose of the new taxes to raise revenue" he was asked.

The President replied that he proposed both to raise additional revenue and to help create a better social order with this tax instrument.

When asked if this was only a first step, the reply was that he had sent no message to Congress on the current topic other than that which he sent last week and then remarked that those present could not pin him down.

He replied positively in the affirmative, however, when asked if he wished to have the new taxes enacted by Congress at this session.

Mr. Roosevelt emphasized that he had made only recommendations of policy to the Congress. He had not yet read the rates proposed by the Senate Finance Committee after it had met yesterday afternoon.

He then asserted that he could not talk in more detail about events on Capitol Hill, since they shifted every hour, and reiterated that he wished to make it quite clear that nothing had been said about taxes at the White House since Senator Robinson's brief statement made on the White House portico Monday night.

Opposition to Haste Mounts

Meeting this morning with his Finance Committee and with the announced purpose of preparing amendments on individual and corporation incomes for action in the Senate to-day, Chairman Harrison noted a surge of opposition to the haste inherent in the proposal to attach them to the "nuisance" tax resolution.

Senator Harrison adjourned his committee after an hour, subject to the call of the Chair. He hastened across to the House side of the Capitol for

conferences with Speaker Byrns, Chairman Doughton and other leaders, which resulted in the new strategy.

"It had become obvious," said Senator Harrison later, "that we could not get amendments for these new taxes prepared and have them considered by the Senate in time to attach them to the 'nuisance tax' resolution and prevent a lapse of those taxes. We, therefore, decided to take this course."

Senator Robinson's statement referred to above by the President, was given as follows in Washington advices June 24 to the New York "Herald Tribune":

Seven legislative leaders, including Vice-President John N. Garner, went into conference with the President at the White House at 5 p. m., after a day of much uncertainty. At the end of 2 hours and 35 minutes, the White House conference broke up and on the portico Senator Robinson made this statement:

"At the conference attended by the Vice-President, the Speaker of the House, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Senator Harrison, the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, Representative Doughton, and Senator Robinson, it was decided to press for action on the recommendations of the President as to amendments of the tax law during the present session.

"Senator Harrison will ask his committee to consider the subject with a view to proposing amendments to the joint resolution extending certain taxes and with a view to adding the amendments to the resolution. Good night, gentlemen."

### "National Youth Administration" Created by President Roosevelt—Allots \$50,000,000 from Work Relief Fund to Care for 500,000 Young People—Would Give Them Opportunity for Schooling and Employment

President Roosevelt on June 26 signed an Executive Order allocating \$50,000,000 from work relief funds to provide educational and vocational opportunities for approximately 500,000 young American boys and girls. The Order created a National Youth Administration under the direct supervision of Aubrey Williams, Assistant Federal Emergency Relief Administration Administrator, whose purpose will be to formulate a unified program to school and find employment for those between 16 and 25 years of age. Employment for such persons will be sought in private industry. Meanwhile the organization will train young people for industrial, technical and professional employment opportunities; will provide for continuing attendance at high school and college, and will plan work relief projects designed to meet the needs of youth.

A statement issued by the President at the time of signing the Executive Order said that the program had been designed "because we can ill afford to lose the skill and energy of these young men and women." He added that "this undertaking will need the vigorous co-operation of the citizens of the several States" and that for this end there will be appointed a national advisory board to confer with similar boards throughout the country. Organizations along State lines will be developed, he said. The President's statement concluded that "the yield on this investment should be high."

A Washington dispatch of June 26 to the New York "Times" clarified the President's Executive Order as follows:

With still heavier taxation looming if work is not provided soon for the jobless, the Chief Executive made clear that the primary objective of the new program was to find jobs in private industry for youthful unemployed. The plans for industrial and civic training and high school and college aid were outlined with this goal in view.

At least 150,000 youths should be taken care of under the job training program, 150,000 should receive work relief jobs, 100,000 be aided in attending high school, 120,000 in attending college, and several thousand in taking post-graduate work, it was declared.

On this advisory council, will serve representatives of labor, business, agriculture, education and youth itself. Under the central organization will be forty-eight State Youth Divisions, each with its own advisory committee. Similar committees will be formed in counties and communities.

Available school-shop facilities for basic trade training, as well as private factories and shops, will be used for training youth to hold specialized jobs under the plan. Special afternoon or evening classes will be established in the schools and factory shops will be used after the regular day's work is done.

In both cases instruction will be given "by needy unemployed persons qualified to teach the special field."

In addition, an "apprentice" system will be established.

Job placement, under this plan, will be developed in co-operation with re-employment offices. A service will be developed "in each Youth Centre" for the purpose of guidance, adjustment and job placement.

Included in the "job" program is a plan of training selected youths for Government service, foreshadowing a permanent civil service organization like that of England, and the President stresses that particular efforts must be made to find jobs for college graduates of 1935.

Boys and girls unable to attend high school for want of money for carfare, lunches and incidentals will, if over 16 years of age, receive an average of \$6 a month to permit them to continue their secondary education.

An average of \$15 a month will be given to unemployed high school graduates under 25 to assist them in obtaining college education. No subsidies will be granted institutions under this plan, and students will be expected to pay part of the costs themselves, as in the past.

The present rule that those receiving work-relief aid in colleges shall not exceed 12% of any institution's enrolment was held likely to be changed to permit more work relief students to attend.

Aid for taking graduate courses, to be given to a selected group of those who are unable to find private employment on leaving college, will not be put on any fixed basis.

#### \$15 A Month for Work Relief

It is provided that only "unemployed youths in families that are certified for relief" shall receive outright work relief jobs, and an average wage of \$15 a month will be paid to the young laborers. It is assumed that the heads of their families will hold better paid work relief jobs.

The President's statement at the time of signing the Executive Order follows:

Satisfactory progress in setting up the work program for the unemployed is being made. This program calls for the removal of unemployed from direct relief to jobs and should be well under way during July.

I have determined that we shall do something for the Nation's unemployed youth because we can ill afford to lose the skill and energy of these young men and women. They must have their chance in school, their turn as apprentices and their opportunity for jobs—a chance to work and earn for themselves. In recognition of this great National need, I have established a National Youth Administration, to be under the Works Progress Administration.

This undertaking will need the vigorous co-operation of the citizens of the several States, and to insure that they shall have an important part in this work, a representative group will be appointed to act as a National Advisory Board with similar boards of citizens in the States and municipalities throughout the country. On these boards there shall be representatives of industry, labor, education and youth, because I want the youth of America to have something to say about what is being done for them.

Organizations along State and municipal lines will be developed. The work of these organizations will be to mobilize industrial, commercial, agricultural and educational forces of the States so as to provide employment and to render other practical assistance to unemployed youth.

It is recognized that the final solution of this whole problem of unemployed youth will not be attained until there is a resumption of normal business activities and opportunities for private employment on a wide scale. I believe that the National youth program will serve the most pressing and immediate needs of that portion of unemployed youth most seriously affected at the present time.

It is my sincere hope that all public and private agencies, groups and organizations, as well as educators, recreational leaders, employers and labor leaders will co-operate wholeheartedly with the National and State Youth Administrations in the furtherance of this National youth program.

The yield on this investment should be high.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

The Executive Order and a White House statement outlining the objectives of the National Youth Administration are given elsewhere in these columns to-day.

### White House Statement Outlining Objectives of National Youth Administration

Following the announcement on June 26 by President Roosevelt of plans for the establishment of a National Youth Administration, to be under the Works Progress Administration, the White House issued as follows a statement regarding the plans in behalf of the youth of the Nation:

The objectives of the Youth Administration are outlined as follows:

1. Find employment in private industry for unemployed youth. Work designed to accomplish this shall be set going in every State in order to work out with employers in industry, commerce and business, ways and means of employing additional personnel from unemployed young people.
2. Train and retrain for industrial, technical and professional employment opportunities.
3. Provide for continuing attendance at high school and college.
4. Provide work relief upon projects designed to meet the needs of youth.

#### I. Organization

##### A—National

1. A National Youth Administration shall be established, by Executive Order of the President, under the Works Progress Administration.

(a) The National Youth Administration shall be headed by a national advisory committee, appointed by the President; the committee to consist of representatives of labor, business, agriculture, education and youth.

(b) The administration, which is to be the administrative body, shall be administered by an executive committee and an executive director.

##### B—State

1. State youth divisions shall be established in each State.

(a) The State youth division in every State shall be headed by a State advisory committee, to be appointed by the national advisory committee with the aid and consent of the executive directors of the National Youth Administration. Such State advisory committee shall consist of representatives of labor, business, agriculture, education, youth, and in some cases officials of the State government.

(b) The State division shall be administered by a State director.

1. The principal duty of such director shall be to mobilize the industrial, commercial, agricultural and education forces to provide employment and other practical assistance to the unemployed youth; to develop and carry out a co-ordinated program of work and work opportunities, job training and retraining for unemployed youth in the State, utilizing all existing public and private agencies, industries, schools and various training facilities which can assist in meeting various phases of the problem.

2. The director shall organize local youth committees in counties or communities, and where conditions warrant, county or community advisory committees and directors shall be appointed.

#### II. Scope

This program shall be designed to encompass all persons who are no longer in regular attendance upon full-time school and who are not regularly engaged in remunerative employment, between the ages of 16 and 25 years of age.

#### III. Parts

##### A—Employment and Apprenticeship

Employers in all types of industries, including agriculture, commerce, transportation, building and construction, and utility services shall be asked to accept youths as apprentices under arrangements to be worked out with the State committee on apprentice training. Also, wherever possible, State, local and county clerks, city engineers, city departments of public works and other activities of county, municipal and State governments shall be asked to accept such youths as apprentices. A minimum allowance should be given during the duration of the apprenticeship. Where youth is apprenticed for Government service it shall be regarded as of the nature of field work for classes to be formed to train youth for public service. The opportunity afforded by this type of work should be used to develop a new type of trained public servant rather than merely to add to the immense groups of men and women who now clamor to go into Government service.

##### B—Job Training and Job Placement

1. It shall be the work of the State and local committees to develop job training and job placement for youth. Provision for job training shall be developed in every youth division center after satisfactory arrangements have been worked out with organized labor, by:

(a) Utilizing available school shop facilities for initial or basic trade training, through special late afternoon or evening classes, taught as work relief projects by needy unemployed persons qualified to teach the special field.



(b) Utilizing available private factories, industries or plants, at times when they are not in regular operation, as places to hold training classes, taught as work relief projects by needy unemployed persons qualified to teach the special field.

(c) Public libraries shall be used for training youth to function as librarians and to enable the libraries to be kept open for the public a greater number of hours a day.

2. Job placement for unemployed youth shall be developed in co-operation with the re-employment offices. A service shall be developed in each youth center for counseling, guidance, adjustment and job placement for unemployed youth, making use of all existing public and private agencies which can contribute to the solution of this problem, in order to place them in stable, continuing, private and public employment at as early a date as possible.

3. Efforts shall be made to co-ordinate and co-operate with the existing college and university employment agencies to find employment for college graduates. An immediate program should be developed with the view of finding employment in industry for as many of the graduating class of 1935 as possible. This for its immediate effect upon youth morale, as well as its obvious practical desirability.

#### C—Work Relief

Work relief shall be provided for youths in connection with the various projects of the work program. This shall be limited to unemployed youths in families that are certified for relief. This work shall be adjusted as to hours, rates and wages so as to enable them to earn \$15 a month. This is to be in addition to work given to the head of the relief family.

1. Particular stress should be laid upon the building and the use of recreational and community centers which, depending upon local conditions and the energy, ability and enthusiasm of local youth groups, can be anything from an old-fashioned "swimming hole" to a complete center including all types of athletic facilities, community houses, library, classrooms, &c. In most communities these recreational and community centers can be made self-liquidating. Substantially all of the direct labor in the creation of these centers shall be performed by youths themselves, working as apprentices under the direction of skilled mechanics.

2. Census—A National census of all youths in the United States between the ages of 16 and 25 is to be taken, using competent youth within that age group to carry on the work. This should be co-ordinated with the unemployment census.

#### D—Education

1. High school aid for boys and girls who are unable to attend high schools for want of money for carefare, lunch and incidentals. Authority to be given to provide for the attendance upon public or non-profit-making schools of high school grade, for youth in families which are eligible for any form of State or Federal relief or work relief, who are 16 years of age or over, at \$6 per month average.

2. College aid. Extension of college aid now given to high school graduates who are unemployed and unable to attend college without an opportunity to earn some money through part-time work. Authority to be given to provide for the attendance at college by qualified persons on a work relief basis at \$15 per month average. Allotment of work relief jobs to a college is now based on 12% of the total enrollment of the college as of Oct. 15 1934.

3. Post-graduate aid for college graduates who are unable to find any employment and are unable to continue with graduate work at college unless they are given the opportunity to earn some money through part-time work. Authority is given to provide for post-graduate work by qualified persons on a work-relief basis.

4. Training for public service.

#### IV. Cost Estimate

The job training program which is expected to provide for approximately 150,000 youths; the work-relief program which would provide for approximately the same number; high school aid which would include some 100,000 youths; college aid for needy students which would take in about 120,000 young men and women; the post-graduate program, which is intended to care for a selected group of several thousand, all would cost approximately \$50,000,000 during the next year.

### President Roosevelt's Executive Order Establishing National Youth Administration Within Works Progress Administration

In another item reference is made to the action of President Roosevelt in setting aside \$50,000,000 from the \$4,000,000,000 works relief fund in behalf of the youth of the Nation—for their training, schooling, employment, &c. Under an Executive Order issued by the President, the National Youth Administration is created within the Works Progress Administration. The Executive Order follows:

#### ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH ADMINISTRATION WITHIN THE WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935, approved April 8, 1935 (Public Resolution No. 11, Seventy-fourth Congress), I hereby establish the National Youth Administration, to be within the Works Progress Administration established under Executive Order No. 7034 of May 6 1935.

There shall be a National Advisory Committee and an Executive Committee for the National Youth Administration. The members of said National Advisory Committee shall be representatives of labor, business, agriculture, education and youth, to be appointed by the President. I hereby appoint Josephine Roche as Chairman of said Executive Committee, to serve without additional compensation. The other members of said Executive Committee shall be appointed by the President.

The National Youth Administration shall be under the general supervision of the Administrator of the Works Progress Administration and under the immediate supervision of an Executive Director. I hereby appoint Aubrey W. Williams as Executive Director thereof to serve without additional compensation. The said Executive Director shall also be a member of the Advisory Committee on Allotments, established under said Executive Order No. 7034 of May 6 1935.

I hereby prescribe the following functions and duties of the National Youth Administration:

To initiate and administer a program of approved projects which shall provide relief, work relief and employment for persons between the age of 16 and 25 years who are no longer in regular attendance at a school requiring full time, and who are not regularly engaged in remunerative employment.

In the performance of such duties and functions, expenditures are hereby authorized for necessary supplies and equipment; law books, books of reference, directories, periodicals, newspapers and press clippings; travel expenses, including the expense of attendance at meetings when specifically authorized by the Executive Director; and the Executive Director is hereby authorized to accept and utilize such voluntary and uncompensated services

and, with the consent of the State, the services of such State and local officers and employees, and appoint, without regard to the provisions of civil-service laws, such officers and employees as may be necessary, and prescribe the duties and responsibilities and, without regard to the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, fix the compensation of any officers and employees so appointed; Provided, That, in so far as practicable, the persons employed under the authority of this Executive Order, shall be selected from those receiving relief.

Allocations will be made hereafter for administrative expenses and for authorized projects.

(Signed) FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

The White House, June 26 1935.

### Extension For 60-Days of Temporary Federal Deposit Insurance Plan Provided Under Resolution Passed By Congress and Signed by President—Senator Glass to Report Banking Bill Next Monday

A joint resolution extending for 60-days the present temporary provisions for Federal insurance of bank deposits up to \$5,000, was passed by the House and Senate on June 27 and signed by President Roosevelt yesterday (June 28). Earlier in the week (June 25) the Senate, without a record vote, adopted a joint resolution extending the temporary plan for one year. In reporting the rejection on that day by the Senate Banking and Currency Committee, of a proposal for a 90-day extension, a Washington account June 25 to the New York "Herald Tribune" said:

Senator Glass, opponent of the Eccles banking principles, won his way in the Senate Banking Committee by a vote of 11 to 7, defeating a plan approved by Senator Duncan U. Fletcher, Democrat, of Florida, for an extension of only 90-days. No fight was made on the Glass proposal on the floor after Senator Robert M. La Follette, Jr., had been assured by members of the committee that the resolution did not mean the end of the banking bill at this session.

Senator Glass denied that the resolution would affect passage of the bill itself, but Administration Senators on the Banking Committee said that removal of the "deadline" would place the Virginian in a better position to fight for "compromises" on powers to be given the Federal Reserve Board.

In the Senate Banking Committee the question reached a vote which Senator James F. Byrnes, Democrat, of South Carolina, an Administration leader, proposed an extension for only 90-days. His resolution was defeated 11 to 7, the members voting as follows:

For the resolution: Fletcher, Barkley, Byrnes, Bankhead, Costigan, Norbeck and Radcliffe.

Against: Glass, Wagner, Bulkley, Gore, Reynolds, McAdoo, Adams, Maloney, Townsend, Steiwer and Cary (by proxy).

On June 27 the House Banking and Currency Committee presented the 60-day resolution, which was immediately adopted by the House, with the Senate quickly concurring. From Washington June 28 the Brooklyn "Daily Eagle" reported as follows:

Action on the FDIC resolution came so quickly that many Congressmen were taken by surprise. Had the action not been taken, it would have meant that the provisions of the Banking act of 1933, providing for full insurance on deposits up to \$10,000, would have come into effect.

This permanent plan has met with opposition on the part of banks, which object to being forced to subscribe at the rate of ½ of 1% of their total deposit liabilities.

In its advices from Washington June 27 the "Times" said:

Immediately after the House clerk appeared in the Chamber with the resolution, and it was read at the desk, Senator Glass said:

"When the resolution was drafted the Banking and Currency Committee of the Senate did not know and could not know when consideration of the Banking bill could be completed, if at all. I am now happy to be able to state that the subcommittee has practically agreed on all major points involved in the bill and has already informed the chairman of the full committee that the subcommittee expects to report to the full committee on Monday."

The Virginia Senator expressed hope that the completed bill would be reported to the Senate shortly.

"That being so, there is no reason why the resolution should provide an extension for more than 60-days," he added.

Mr. Glass moved concurrence with the House change from one year to 60-days, to which approval was immediately given in a voice vote.

The same account said:

Meanwhile, the subcommittee discussed Title II affecting the Federal Reserve Board and the proposed open market committee, which would have wide power under the Eccles bill. Striking changes in both these features are understood to have been made from the House bill, but subcommittee members declined to discuss details.

### New Railroad Pension Bill Introduced in Congress—Would Replace Act Invalidated by United States Supreme Court—Additional Bill Calls for Income Tax on Railroad Workers' Compensation

A bill to replace the Railroad Retirement Act, which was held unconstitutional by the United States Supreme Court, was introduced in the House and Senate on June 25 by Representative Crosser (Dem., Ohio) and Senator Wagner (Dem., N. Y.). According to advices, June 25, from Washington to the New York "Journal of Commerce," the measure as introduced is supported by the Railway Labor Executives Association, comprising the 21 standard railroad labor organizations and representing more than 1,000,000 railroad workers, the two legislators said. The advices from which we quote further stated:

#### Affects All Carriers

The Act applies to all carriers, including express companies, sleeping car companies, freight forwarding companies, private car lines or carrier by railroads, subject to the Interstate Commerce Act, together with affiliated companies rendering service in connection with the transportation of passengers or property by railroad other than trucking service.

Annuities are payable out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Employees who become 65 years of age are required to retire from service unless the employee and the carrier, by agreement, a year at a time, extend the retirement for five years.

A second bill was introduced which provides for an income tax of 2% on the compensation of employee in the service as a carrier. That is, an employee whose compensation is less than \$300 a month pays 2% on his whole compensation. An employee whose compensation is more than \$300 pays 2% on \$300. The carrier is to deduct the tax from the wages of the employee and pay the same into the Treasury. The carriers are also required to pay an excise tax of 4% of the total compensation of all their employees not exceeding the sum of \$300 per month for each employee.

Annuities are paid to any person who at the time of the enactment of the Act is in the service or sustains an employment relation to a carrier and who may become 65 years old and who shall have retired and who, at the time of the attainment of such age, may or may not be in the service of a carrier. Annuities are also paid to persons who have completed 30 years of service as an employee and who may hereafter become 51 years old. Such an annuity is reduced by one-fifteenth of the amount thereof for each year such person may be less than 65 years of age at the time of the first annuity payment. Employees who have completed 25 years of service and who are retired by a carrier on account of mental or physical disabilities are paid full annuities.

The Supreme Court decision holding the Railroad Retirement Act unconstitutional was referred to in these columns May 11, pages 3109-3115. On June 6 President Roosevelt made public informal views by United States Attorney-General Cummings in which the latter said that "in view of the sweeping character of the decision it was determined that it would be unwise to attempt to secure new legislation at this session of Congress." Following this expression of view President Roosevelt addressed a letter to Chairman Rayburn of the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee as follows:

In conformity with my telephone conversation with you, I am enclosing herewith a letter to me from the Attorney-General under date of June 4. This letter follows conferences between the Attorney-General, the Coordinator of Transportation and Donald Richberg.

The Attorney-General suggests that in view of the sweeping character of the Supreme Court decision in the railroad retirement case, it would be unwise to attempt to secure new legislation at this session of the Congress. He further suggests the passage of a resolution by the Congress to create a commission to investigate the factual situation and make findings and suggestions for further legislation, if any.

### Congress Concludes Action on Wagner-Connelly Labor Disputes Bill—Conference Report Approved by Senate and House—Permits Collective Bargaining—Provision Guarding Freedom of Speech Dropped

With approval by the House and Senate on June 27 of the conference report on the Wagner-Connelly labor disputes bill, Congressional action on the bill was completed and the measure was sent to the White House for the President's signature. With differences in several particulars, between the bill as passed by the Senate on May 16 and as adopted by the House on June 19, the bill was referred to conference to adjust the differing provisions. As to the conference report and the action thereon we quote the following June 27 from Washington to the New York "Times."

Adoption of the conference report was accomplished swiftly at each end of the Capitol. Senator Walsh and Representative Connelly made brief explanations of the agreement, which was immediately approved by viva voice votes in each instance, and without debate.

The principal controversies had been over House amendments relating to the freedom of speech and of the press, and to the manner in which collective bargaining units should be determined by the board.

When the House passed the bill it inserted a provision reading that nothing in the act should "abridge the freedom of speech, or of the press, as guaranteed in the First Amendment to the Constitution."

But the conference committee refused the amendment as "having no proper place" in the bill.

"There is no reason why the committee should single out this provision of the Constitution for special affirmation," Senator Walsh read from the report. "The amendment could not possibly have had any legal effect, because it was merely a restatement of the First Amendment to the Constitution, which remains the law of the land irrespective of Congressional declarations."

#### The Bargaining Provision

As to collective bargaining, the conference committee agreed upon this provision.

"The board shall decide in each case whether, in order to insure to employees the full benefit of their right to self-organization and to collective bargaining and otherwise to effectuate the policies of this act, the unit appropriate for the purposes of collective bargaining shall be the employer unit, craft unit, plant unit or subdivision thereof."

The House had added the words "or other unit" to the words "plant unit," but the conference committee thought this too broad a construction. The phrase "or other subdivision thereof" was put in, the Committee explained because:

"The National Labor Relations Board has frequently had occasion to order an election in a unit not as broad as 'employer unit' yet not necessarily coincident with the phrases 'craft unit' or 'plant unit'; for example, the 'production and maintenance employees' of a given plant."

Pointing out that the enactment of the bill ends a two-year fight to establish an independent, permanent national labor relations board, designed to promote equality of bargaining power between employers and employees and to diminish the causes of labor disputes, the "Times" in its June 27 dispatch said:

The permanent board will replace the temporary labor board headed by Francis Biddle, which was kept in office by Presidential action following the Supreme Court's recent NRA decision in the expectation that the bill creating a permanent board would be passed in a reasonable time.

Speculation now centres on the make-up and personnel of the members and staff. It is rumored that Chairman Biddle will be reappointed and

with him Edwin S. Smith. The board lacks a third member since the resignation of Dr. H. A. Millis, who returned to the University of Chicago several weeks ago.

Passage of the bill making the board independent was a disappointment to Secretary Perkins, who had urged that the board be placed in the Department of Labor. The previous boards had reported to the President through her department.

With reference to the provision in the bill which would declare certain activities of employers "unfair labor practices," Associated Press advices from Washington June 27 stated:

Briefly, the five unfair practices would be:

To interfere with, restrain, or coerce employees in organizing or bargaining.

To dominate or interfere with the formation of unions.

To discriminate against workers for union membership; to discharge or discriminate against an employee for filing charges against the employer.

To refuse to bargain collectively with representatives of the employees. An independent board composed of three members would administer the law and would have exclusive power to prevent the unfair labor practices by going directly to the courts to enforce its findings.

The bill would set up the "majority rule" for the selection of representatives for collective bargaining, with provision that any individual employee or group of employees have the right to present grievances to the employer.

Power to decide the unit for the purposes of selecting representatives would be vested in the board, which could decide upon an employer unit, a craft unit, or a plant unit.

The Senate and House bills were referred to in these columns May 18, page 3317, and June 22, page 4159.

### Senate Passes Bankhead Bill for Purchase of Farms for Tenants and Share Croppers—Authorizes \$1,000,000,000 Bond Issue and Creates Farmers' Home Corporation With Stock to Be Subscribed by Government

By a vote of 45 to 32 the U. S. Senate on June 24 passed the Bankhead bill calling for the issuance of \$1,000,000,000 in bonds for the purchase of farms for tenants and share-croppers. The bill would create the Farm Home Corporation with \$50,000,000 capital stock, to be subscribed by the Government from relief funds. In reporting the Senate action on the bill, a Washington dispatch June 24 to the New York "Times" said:

Denounced by its foes as a paternalistic and illogical scheme, and praised by its friends as a major move toward rehabilitation of the tenant farmer, the measure was supported by 40 Democrats, three Republicans and the two Senate Independents. Against it were 18 Democrats and 14 Republicans. It had been taken off the floor and recommitted some weeks ago because of violent opposition.

A move by Senator King to cut the \$1,000,000,000 bond issue to \$200,000,000 was shouted down just before the last roll-call. Floor amendments changed the bill so that the Controller-General would supervise financial details. Tenant farmers could lease as well as buy farms, and the interest rates on loans to the purchasers would not exceed 3.5%.

#### \$50,000,000 Capital Provided.

Capitalized at \$50,000,000, and with the authority for the \$1,000,000,000 bond issue, a Farmers Home Corporation would be created under the measure to make loans for buying farms, farmhouses, livestock, equipment, machinery, furnishings and supplies. The original capital, susceptible of increase with Presidential approval, would be drawn from emergency relief, soil erosion and reforestation funds.

In debate on the measure, ardent supporters included Senators Bankhead and Robinson, but others such as Senators Dickinson, King and Adams argued that the measure was socialistic and was doomed for failure. Mr. Adams contended that the Government was assuming an obligation of providing farms for tenants, and entering upon a program that could not be checked. "Either this is a futile gesture or else it is the entering wedge to a program that will literally destroy the ability of the United States to borrow money," Senator Adams asserted. "The money that may be used in the first year, \$50,000,000, will take care of only one-fourth of 1% of the tenants and share-croppers in this country and the \$300,000,000 that may be used in three years will take care of only 2½%."

#### Cost Figures Are Quoted

"To supply all of these tenants and share-croppers with farms of the average size for the United States would cost \$21,000,000,000, and to supply them with farms at \$5,000 each would cost more than \$13,000,000,000."

"It is not the function of the Federal Government to buy farms for anybody. Once we say that it is an obligation of the Government there can be no stopping."

The Farmers Home Corporation may buy farms as well as sell or lease them. The Corporation is authorized to "enter into contracts, make loans or grants or both," and to "acquire by purchase or otherwise real or personal property which it may develop, maintain, sell or lease."

#### Restrictions Put on Bonds

Under a revision made after the bill was sent back to the Agriculture Committee, none of the \$1,000,000,000 bonds provided for could be issued for one year after approval of the proposed law, nor could more than \$300,000,000 of the securities be issued in the first three years of the Corporations' life.

"Any individual farm shall be of such size and so stocked and equipped as to reasonably indicate returns which will permit the occupants to pay any obligations incurred for the purchase and to maintain a decent standard of living," the bill says.

In addition, the Corporation would limit the loan to an amount paid for an average farm in the particular State and to the "cost of property of similar size and value." The Senate approved a committee amendment exempting the Corporation's franchise, capital, reserves, surplus, loans, income and personal property from taxation but authorizing a levy on real estate.

Three directors, named by the President, with \$10,000 salaries, and the Secretary of Agriculture and Governor of the Farm Credit Association<sup>8</sup> as ex-officio members, would constitute the Corporation. All employees<sup>9</sup> with salaries of \$4,000 and more would be subject to Senate confirmation.

A reference to the bill appeared in these columns April 27, page 2790.

### House Passes Copeland-Bland Merchant Marine Ship Subsidy Bill—Gives President Power to Cancel Existing Ocean Mail Contracts

By a vote of 194 to 186 the House passed on June 27 the Bland Merchant Marine Ship Subsidy bill. According to Associated Press advices from Washington June 27 Senator Copeland, co-author of the legislation, withdrew on that day, (following the House action) a motion to bring the measure immediately before the Senate because adverse sentiment, he said, might not permit passage at this time. He added, however, that he thought the Senate would accept the legislation after members had had an opportunity to think it over.

Without the legislation, he argued, "there is a probability that the merchant fleet would be wiped out."

He stated that less than one-twelfth of the vessels on the seas are American, and that 90% of these were more than ten years old.

The Washington Correspondent of the New York "Journal of Commerce" reported on June 27, that party lines were split by the House vote, 55 Republicans joining 139 Democrats in support of the bill, while 136 Democrats deserted Administration forces to vote with 40 Republicans, 7 Progressives and 3 Farmer Laborites against the measure.

The bill, which would subsidize the American Merchant Marine, would substitute direct governmental grants for construction and operation differentials for the ocean mail contracts which have heretofore aided American shipping.

From the Associated Press dispatches from Washington June 27 it was stated:

While the measure did not bear a definite administration tag, it had been framed after two months' work in the House Merchant Marine Committee in response to a special Presidential message to Congress early in the session urging subsidy legislation.

Secretary Roper had endorsed it as well designed to carry out the Presidential recommendations.

The subsidies would provide for government absorption of differences between American and foreign costs of ship construction and operation. Into the bill, too, were written provisions for drastic increases in the liability of ship owners for loss of life or injury to passengers at sea.

House opposition, led by two Democrats, Representatives Wearin and Moran and a group of "liberals," branded the measure as unworkable, vicious and opening the Treasury cash till to the "shipping trust." They said it would be impossible to determine the differential between domestic and foreign costs.

Backers of the legislation retorted the bill would build up a merchant marine with American ownership and personnel that could compete once more with the rest of the world's sea traffic.

We likewise take the following from Washington June 27 (Associated Press):

Supporters of the measure contended that it would foster the development of a merchant marine, owned and manned by Americans, capable of carrying all the domestic and half the foreign water-borne commerce of the nation and providing an adequate auxiliary for wartime.

The central feature of the bill is a provision for Federal subsidies equal to the differences in costs between domestic and foreign ship construction and operation. In addition, it would increase ship owners' liability for death or injury to passengers at sea.

Contending the legislation was vicious and unworkable and tending to perpetuate rather than correct abuses that developed under ocean mail contracts, opponents proposes a torrent of amendments. Most of them were rejected.

The measure was written after President Roosevelt on March 4 sent a special request to Congress for subsidy legislation. The House bill would set up a new maritime authority to perform much the same functions for sea transportation that the Interstate Commerce Commission does for the railways.

The President's message to Congress proposing shipping subsidies and the termination of existing ocean mail contracts was given in these columns March 9, page 1575. Under date of June 27 the "Journal of Commerce" reported the following from Washington:

President Roosevelt made it clear at his semi-weekly press conference that he has not indorsed any specific shipping bill. In response to an inquiry, he said he plans to read the Bland and Copeland bills as well as the Moran bill, the only other measure before Congress proposing a new merchant marine system. He made no mention of his contemplated conference with Congressional leaders on shipping legislation which he previously announced he would hold this week.

### House Committee Reports Compromise TVA Measure Breaking Several Week's Deadlock—Veto of Bill Predicted by A. E. Morgan TVA Director

A compromise bill embodying amendments to the law creating the Tennessee Valley Authority was reported to the House of Representatives on June 27 by the House Military Affairs Committee. The compromise measure was voted by the Committee on June 21, breaking a deadlock of several weeks. The report of the Committee recommending the compromise contained an admonition that "Congress should be exceedingly and scrupulously careful to keep within constitutional limits." On June 27 Associated Press accounts from Washington said:

The bill reported by the Committee alters drastically the TVA amendments that passed the Senate and surrounds the Administration's vast power "yardstick" program in the Tennessee basin with tighter restrictions.

Accompanying the majority report was another signed by the seven Committee Republicans, asserting that "it is our opinion that further legislation is unnecessary."

A separate report by Representative Paul Kvale, Farmer-Labor, of Minnesota, and Henry Maverick, Democrat, of Texas, also condemned the Committee-approved legislation, but on different grounds. They contended it did not go far enough and that the purposes of TVA would be "largely defeated by enactment" of the measure, and the "hoped-for TVA yardstick would be completely destroyed."

A dispatch from Washington to the New York "Times," June 27, said, in part:

Sidetracked for several weeks in the committee room by 13 to 12 division against the original draft, the bill was redrawn to curtail many of the powers granted in the measure the Senate passed.

In the formal report filed to-day, the majority of the Committee favored passage of the milder version, a group of five members favored passage of the Senate bill, another bloc of two members found both the Senate bill and the House proposal inadequate, and the seven Republican members opposed any legislation at all.

The majority report held that since the TVA is a permanent, not an emergency measure, legislation concerning it should be very carefully drawn to insure constitutionality. It said that the recommended bill had been drawn with that object primarily in view, and that "we do not believe that any part of this Act can be held to be unconstitutional."

The TVA rests on the constitutional basis of the Federal power to regulate inter-State commerce and to provide for the national defense, the report held. Improving the navigability of the Tennessee River contributed to both of these objects, and the proposed experimentation in production of fertilizer could be turned to military account in the manufacture of explosives in time of war.

Sale of electric power, the function of the TVA which has caused the greatest controversy with privately-owned utility companies, is merely incidental to these primary operations, the majority said.

The report of the Republican Committee members said: "Without the requisite authority the TVA has exceeded the powers delegated to it, and now seeks by this legislative proposal to validate the illegal acts it has committed, the power it has usurped, and at the same time obtain additional powers to extend its activities beyond anything that Congress ever intended or had power to convey."

The bill in its present form is so objectionable to the Administration that it is a "pretty good guess" that President Roosevelt will veto it if it reaches the White House unchanged, according to Arthur E. Morgan, TVA director, following a talk with the President on June 24, it was reported in "Times" Washington advices that day, which added:

Dr. Morgan described the bill as amended in the House Military Affairs Committee and now awaiting action as "worse than nothing." The Committee changes give the appearance of a deliberate attempt to kill the TVA, he said, but added that when the bill came to the floor efforts would be made to put it in more acceptable form.

The following is from Associated Press advices, June 24, to the New York "Herald Tribune":

President Roosevelt was reported in one high Administration quarter to have based his condemnation of the TVA compromise on three major grounds:

1. He objected to a provision that would force TVA not to sell power below production costs after Jan. 1 1937, because the measure does not define that cost.
2. He frowned on a section that would forbid TVA construction of power lines substantially paralleling existing private lines because it might prevent selling of electricity to communities and thus threaten the agency's plans for development of the Tennessee basin.
3. He maintained that private utilities would be damaged by keeping TVA's bond issuing power at \$50,000,000. The Senate-approved measure would have boosted the total to \$100,000,000 and permitted TVA to acquire private power facilities.

Changes made by the House Committee, according to United Press accounts, June 21, from Washington, include:

The bond issue authorization of the TVA is to be limited to \$50,000,000 instead of \$100,000,000 as passed by the Senate.

TVA funds are not to be used to buy private utility properties for re-sale to municipalities.

Beginning Jan. 1 1936, all of TVA's financial operations must come under the audit of Comptroller-General J. R. McCarl.

TVA is prevented from selling surplus power or chemicals below production costs after July 1 1937.

Parallel lines to transmission lines already operating may not be set up by TVA without first attempting to purchase existing lines at a satisfactory price and going through court condemnation proceedings.

A provision in the Senate bill giving the Federal Power Commission authority to pass on plans of private companies for construction of dams and other projects on the Tennessee River and its tributaries was eliminated.

The approval of the TVA amendments by the Senate was noted in our issue of May 18, page 3327; a further reference to the bill appeared in these columns May 25, page 3479.

### Utility Holding Company Bill Before House—"Death Sentence" Provision Eliminated

Possibility that President Roosevelt might veto the utility holding company bill if it is passed by Congress in the form it was reported to the House on June 25 was considered in Washington late this week, as opponents of the measure as originally drafted refused to withdraw their opposition to the "death sentence" provision which would abolish holding companies within five years. As reported to the House by the Inter-State Commerce Committee the bill was amended to provide for Federal regulation of holding companies, rather than their outright dissolution by 1940, as provided in the measure already passed by the Senate.

Reference to the measure appeared in the "Chronicle" of June 22, page 4158. On June 25 President Roosevelt, who is advocating the elimination of most holding companies, suffered another defeat when the House Rules Committee rejected his demand for a record vote on the elimination question.

The outlook for passage of the bill discussed as follows in a Washington dispatch of June 26 to the New York "Times":

As the measure came before the House to-day leaders expressed the view in private that that body would reject President Roosevelt's demand for outright dissolution of intermediate holding companies by 1940.

In a speech to the House which paved the way for adoption of a rule governing consideration of the bill, Chairman O'Connor of the Rules Committee said it might be assumed that the House would vote down the Senate measure which provided for the 1940 "death sentence."

It was equally clear that the crisis, as far as the administration's "death sentence" plan was concerned, would come when the bill was committed to conference between the House and Senate to iron out differences in the bills as passed. Adoption of the rule brought in by Mr. O'Connor assured that there would be no record vote on the "death sentence" issue.

The House thus upheld the action of its Rules Committee in the face of information imparted by Representative Rankin of Mississippi, who conferred with Mr. Roosevelt yesterday, that the President wanted a record vote on the dissolution of holding companies.

Specifically Mr. Rankin said the President wanted the measure considered under a rule which would permit of two motions to recommit it to committee so that the House would have an opportunity to insist upon inclusion of the "death sentence" provision as voted by the Senate.

An overwhelming vote of 146 to 32 brought adoption of the "wide-open" rule. Against the arguments of Representatives Rankin, and Cox of Georgia, Mr. O'Connor contended:

"Never in the history of this House has there been two motions to recommit in a situation such as this. Why should a majority of three to one have to be protected against itself. To grant the request for two motions to recommit would not only undermine the rules of the House but would unduly favor a political minority.

"We don't have to tear the rules asunder either for the benefit of a majority of the minority or a minority of the majority."

Another dispatch to the "Times" on June 25 noted the reports to the House on the bill as follows:

Representative Eicher of Iowa filed a minority report on the measure purporting to "reflect the views of many members of the committee," which contained a bristling denunciation of the emasculated bill finally reported by the Interstate group.

A majority report by Chairman Rayburn analyzed the modified bill and recommended its passage.

Representative Pettengill of Indiana, chief opponent of outright dissolution among Democratic committee members, served notice of his intention to file a report on his own account, and in a radio speech later reiterated his reasons for opposing the drastic Senate bill.

On June 27 Associated Press advices from Washington said:

The legislation is to be taken up as soon as the pending ship subsidy measure has been disposed of. Eight hours of debate will be allowed on the utility bill, delaying a final vote possibly until the first of next week.

From the Washington account June 27 to the New York "Journal of Commerce" we take the following:

Last minute changes in the plans of the leaders to permit additional debate on the controversial Section II, providing for simplification rather than dissolution of holding company systems and proposals for taxes on inter-company dividends and exemptions of utility securities from the stock transfer taxes, made it impossible for the measure to be disposed of this week.

#### Agree to More Debate

Four hours of additional debate has been agreed upon tentatively by the leaders within which these controversial issues may be discussed. Previously the House Rules Committee had provided for 8 hours of debate on the entire bill and with a total of 12 hours now provided, the leaders feel that ample opportunity is afforded the members to express their views.

Indications that the measure is faced with a bitter attack both from the Republicans and Democrats was evident as soon as it was called up for consideration in the House when two of the members began resorting to filibustering tactics to delay consideration. Representatives Rich (Rep., Pa.) and O'Brien (Dem., Ill.) insisted that the clerk read the entire bill totaling 298 pages before any debate was to be permitted. Their filibuster was short lived, however, when they finally acceded to demands of other members that the usual procedure be followed and the first reading of the bill be dispensed with.

#### Representative Steagall Introduces Bill to Bar Further Gold Clause Actions

Following the request by President Roosevelt, in a message to Congress on June 27 for legislation to prevent actions involving the gold clause in United States securities, Chairman Steagall of the House Banking and Currency Committee yesterday (June 28) introduced in the House an Administration bill to deny holders of Government securities the right to claim damages in court actions as a result of dollar devaluation. From Associated Press accounts last night we quote:

Steagall said the measure would be taken up by the Banking Committee on Monday and reported to the House "after possibly a couple of days' hearings."

His bill would take from holders of bonds, notes, certificates of indebtedness, Treasury bills, and other Government securities which contain the "gold clause" the privilege of suing the Government on the ground that devaluation of the gold dollar had harmed them.

It also would give holders of securities which contain the gold clause until Sept. 1 1935, to exchange them for other securities which do not have the gold clause.

Chairman Fletcher of the Senate Banking Committee said he would call a meeting soon to consider the special message sent to Congress yesterday. Attorney-General Cummings disclosed that a draft of the proposed measure already had been prepared.

#### Delay in Enactment of Guffey Coal Bill—Doubt Expressed that Action Will Be Taken Before July—Bill Regarded Unconstitutional by J. A. Emery

Doubt that the House could take up the Guffey coal control bill before July was expressed by Speaker Byrns on June 20, this, it was pointed out in United Press advices from Washington, raising new uncertainties in the coal labor situation. The press advices from which we quote added:

The United Mine Workers postponed a strike call from June 17 to July 1 on assurances that the bill probably would be passed by then.

If the bill is not passed by July 1, the United Mine Workers' attitude at that time would depend largely on whether action on the measure was imminent, it was believed.

On June 25 James A. Emery, counsel for the National Association of Manufacturers, declared the Guffey coal bill unconstitutional and economically unsound before a House

Ways and Means Sub-committee. United Press advices from Washington June 25 went on to say:

Mr. Emery's testimony was presented as coal operators and union representatives conferred in private sessions regarding a new wage scale.

The wage negotiations and Guffey hearings are both proceeding under threat of a national coal strike July 1, expiration date of the truce.

President John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers attended the hearing, but declined to predict whether the truce would be extended.

Mr. Emery said that manufacturers using bituminous coal opposed the measure as consumers.

William Keck, President of the Progressive Miners' Union—rival of the Lewis organization—said he favored collective bargaining features of the Guffey bill, but belied other provisions nullified that so far as his union is concerned. Mines which are mechanized, he testified, would set wage scales unfair to mines where manual work is necessary.

Action taken by President Roosevelt to avert the coal strike through the enactment of the Guffey coal bill was referred to in these columns June 15, page 3989.

#### Committee for the Nation Urges Upon Chairmen of Senate and House Banking Committees Enactment of Goldborough Amendment to Banking Bill of 1935 with Mandatory Price Level of 1926—Protests Against Proposed International Stabilization Efforts

The Committee for the Nation has declared its belief that it is "unwise and unconstitutional to take the question of what the buying power of our dollar shall be away from Congress and having it decided in secret conference, or by bargaining, with nations or foreign banks, whose objectives and interest are, for the most part, different from and hostile to our own. Control of its money is the most vital and important power that a nation has. It should never be surrendered." The Committee adds:

"We believe that for Congress to surrender this power is highly dangerous and that its exercise by the executive branch, except under Congressional mandate determining what the buying power of our dollar, i.e., the price level, shall be, is, in all probability, unconstitutional. The Congress of the United States should be left absolutely free to set the buying power of its money as may best suit the needs of our own people."

The Committee thus declared itself in a telegram made public June 24, sent to Chairman Duncan U. Fletcher of the Senate Banking and Currency Committee, Chairman Henry B. Steagall of the House Banking and Currency Committee, and all members of Congress. In part the telegram also says:

This week's press dispatches quote Senator Key Pittman as saying that the use of the United States Stabilization Fund to support the gold franc "will result in bringing stabilization a good deal nearer."

The Committee for the Nation, speaking for two thousand industrial executives and associated leaders of organized agriculture, protests emphatically against such international stabilization efforts.

Because of the swollen buying power of the gold in our dollar, farmers must now give a load and a half of everything that they raise to get us many dollars as they formerly got for one load. They are therefore still short five billion dollars of their annual income. If our price of gold were increased to \$41.34, the farmers this year would receive one and a quarter billion dollars more for their products without appreciably increasing the cost of living.

If, as an amendment to the Banking Bill or otherwise, the Goldborough Amendment is enacted, calling for a free gold market like England's, with mandatory 1926 price level, our price of gold would rise to about \$50 per ounce and farmers would have restored their entire five billion dollars of lost annual income—debt-paying and buying power.

Senator Frazier has said, "It is no fault of farmers that the prices they receive for their products are so low that they cannot pay their debts."

The fault is with Congress which fails to regulate the dollar. Because of this failure of Congress, and for no other reason, the farmers of the United States have been deprived since 1929 of twenty-two billion dollars of their normal income—as much as the National debt in 1933.

Nor can Congress make good its continuing failure to regulate the value of our money by passing unconstitutional Frazier-Lemke bills or attempting to restore prices by agricultural scarcity and restriction measures. These merely result in delivering our historic foreign markets to British and sterlingia countries that have a price of gold high enough to undersell us.

Our monetary system is deranged because of the neglect and default of our Congress to perform its plain constitutional duty. With other nations recovering before our eyes, by simply managing their money and price of gold, our Congress neglects this and leaves the way open for international efforts to tie us into a strait jacket of permanent monetary disadvantage by so-called stabilization agreements.

Why should we allow our dollar's buying power which controls our internal economic life be made the object of bargaining with foreign nations? Why should we look to England, our greatest potential competitor, to help us adjust our money to our advantage? . . .

To make an international agreement to stabilize the buying power of our dollar, at any point whatever, is unwise. It strips our Congress of its Constitutional power over money and delivers it to foreign Governments. But to stabilize at the present buying power of the dollar means economic disaster for this country.

It is authoritatively stated that the reason why Governor Eccles recently asked Congress not to exercise its constitutional duty by giving a price level mandate, is to leave the way open for the very international stabilization arrangements that this week's dispatches foreshadow.

Is Congress ready to have itself stripped for the future of the power to correct the monetary maladjustments under which we suffer? . . .

Governor Eccles has stated that the so-called Eccles Mandate in Title Two of the Banking Bill was borrowed textually from the new Canadian Banking Act which was prepared for Canada with the co-operation of representatives of the Bank of England.

If Canada wishes to join the sterlingia group and to allow England to manage its money, the Canadian Parliament must relinquish its right to fix the buying power of the Canadian dollar to the Mother Country under just such an indefinite mandate. Jacob Viner, a former Canadian-British subject, after spending a year in Europe, and assisting in the United States Treasury, is reported more recently to have assisted in drafting the Eccles Banking Bill. Does Congress know all the facts behind the Eccles Mandate?

Is it intended to leave the way open to have the buying power of our dollar determined by international agreement? Why does Mr. Eccles fight so aggressively against the Goldborough Amendment by which Congress itself would regulate the value of our money? Why did he say to the House Banking and Currency Committee that he "would not like to see" Congress itself determine by mandatory legislation the buying power of the dollar? Does he not thus ask Congress to violate its constitutional duty?

If the people of the United States are willing to become an economic dependency, having their money controlled abroad, the failure of the Congress itself to act and the meaningless Eccles Mandate borrowed from Canada will leave the door open for the successful culmination of an international stabilization plan.

If such are the plans, it is high time that Congress, the American farmer and American industry be given full and specific information on the subject.

After six years of deflation more costly than the World War in human and property values, our people have suffered long enough from the failure of Congress to do its constitutional duty to correct the abnormal buying power of the dollar which causes the deflation. This can be made mandatory through the Goldborough Amendment to the Banking Bill or by passage of the Federal Monetary Authority Bill which the House Banking and Currency Committee was ready to vote out last year.

### W. W. Aldrich Issues Statement Anent Reports that He Had Been Advising Senate Subcommittee on Banking Bill

Following reports that he had been advising the Senate subcommittee on pending Banking bill, Winthrop W. Aldrich issued the following statement on June 27:

The ABA committee, of which I am a member, approved the provisions of Title III of the banking bill, covering technical amendments to the banking laws in the form in which it was introduced in the Senate.

"It was reported to me that the Senate subcommittee was planning to change one of the sections of Title III of the bill from the form in which it was originally introduced in a manner which I felt would be inadvisable.

"As a member of the ABA committee, I called on Senator Glass and Senator Townsend to express my views with regard to the matter. I have had no other communication with either Senator Glass or Senator Townsend with regard to the bill."

Mr. Aldrich was one of those who were recently called upon to present his views before the Senate subcommittee on provisions of the bill.

### Banking Bill in Light of 1927-29 Discussed by A. C. Miller of Federal Reserve Board—Holds Responsibilities for National Credit Policies Should Be Lodged in Single Body—Opposes House Bill Requiring Reserve Board to Consult with Open Market Committee—Reviews Policies of New York Reserve Bank in 1927 and Speculative Activity

The pending banking bill, considered in the light of 1927-1929, is the subject of lengthy discussion by A. C. Miller, a member of the Federal Reserve Board, comprised in a 47-page statement made public under date of June 24. In setting out his conclusions, Mr. Miller makes the following statement:

Looking at the record of this period 1927-1929, . . . certain conclusions, I believe, will suggest themselves to anyone who is seriously interested in drawing from this chapter of Federal Reserve experience lessons which are pertinent to the pending discussions with regard to the modification of the Federal Reserve System. More particularly these lessons have a bearing on that phase of the proposed legislation which would provide a more definite concentration of authority over the open market policy of the Federal Reserve System by placing the ultimate responsibility with the Federal Reserve Board in place of the existing system which divides responsibility by vesting the power to initiate policies in the Federal Reserve banks and the power to ratify or veto them in the Federal Reserve Board. The first of these lessons clearly points to the inadvisability of a division of responsibility in a matter of such vital national moment. In its actual working, whatever might be said for the existing system theoretically, it has not produced a satisfactory result, as the 1927-1929 experience appears clearly to demonstrate, and it has not done it, in my opinion, because the responsibility has been divided.

Mr. Miller declares that "the authority to initiate national credit policies should be concentrated in a single body which should have definite responsibility to the public not only for the initiation of policies but also for following them through, watching their effect and initiating changes or modifications when the public interest requires." As to what body such authority and responsibility should be concentrated, he says:

It is my conviction that it should be lodged in a body, no matter how constituted, having a national viewpoint and owing undivided allegiance to the general public interest. Its judgment should not be warped by the viewpoint of any particular section of the country or by the special interests of any particular group. It should be an impartial, independent body with a keen and continuous sense of public duty and a point of view sufficiently detached to avoid having its judgment as to long-time policies swayed by the popular clamor of the moment.

Almost at the beginning of his statement Mr. Miller has the following to say:

Let it be admitted at the outset that as a straight proposition of law, so far as concerns the Federal Reserve Board, it must share the responsibility for any action taken by a Federal Reserve bank, whether mistake or otherwise, with respect to discount rates and open market policies. Under the terms of the Federal Reserve Act, no change in discount rates proposed by the Federal Reserve banks and no open market policy proposed by the Federal Open Market Committee can be put into effect until it has been approved by the Federal Reserve Board; but it is clear that action originates with the Federal Reserve banks. The responsibility for initiative vests in them. The primary responsibility is, therefore, theirs; the secondary and ultimate responsibility is the Board's. This must be borne in mind in any attempt to locate in any other than a formal and legal sense the actual responsibility for errors charged to the Federal Reserve System in the critical period 1927 to 1929.

Incorporated in Mr. Miller's statement is the following summary of his discussion:

1. In view of current discussions and controversies in connection with the banking bill of 1935, it is worthwhile to review the experience of the Federal Reserve System in 1927 to 1929 and see what light it sheds on the desirability of proposed amendments.

2. This is particularly opportune because many commentators, including the New York "Times," in an editorial of June 2 1935, refer to the System's experience in those years as proof that the Federal Reserve Board's judgment is not so good as that of the Federal Reserve banks, and that the mistakes the System committed during that period were due to the Federal Reserve Board.

3. Briefly stated, the facts in the matter are:

(a) As to 1927, that in that year the System adopted a policy of easing credit initiated by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and that the reduction by the Federal Reserve Board of the discount rate of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago was in pursuance of this policy.

(b) As to 1928, that the Federal Reserve banks, after making attempts to curb speculation in the early part of the year, took no action to check speculation from July 1928 until Feb. 14 1929.

(c) As to 1929, that in that year the Federal Reserve Board took the lead in actively intervening in the situation for the purpose of checking speculative expansion, and that it was not until after the Board had taken the lead that the Reserve banks proposed advances in discount rates; and

(d) That differences between the Reserve banks and the Federal Reserve Board in 1929 were as to the best method for checking speculation and not as to the desirability of action.

4. It is admitted that the Board shares the responsibility for any action or inaction during the period under consideration, but under the law and the tradition which has grown up in the Federal Reserve System the initiative in credit policy and, therefore, the primary responsibility rests with the Federal Reserve banks, while the Federal Reserve Board merely approves or disapproves of their recommendations, and its responsibility, therefore, is secondary.

5. The reason for the easing credit policy adopted in 1927 was that there was a recession in business, and that weakness in the foreign exchanges with the approach of the heavy export season in the autumn might have placed a serious burden on those countries which had recently returned to the gold standard, like Great Britain, and other countries which were preparing to do so.

6. The policy adopted in 1927 was successful when judged by the fact that business activity in this country was revived and that the flow of gold was reversed and the pressure on the exchanges relieved.

7. The 1927 policy was conceived and formulated at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York by its late Governor, Benjamin Strong.

8. While the policy was successful in the ways already stated, it had further consequences in that it gave another impetus to speculative activity which by that time had gained an enormous momentum.

9. The policy of ease was reversed late in 1927 and a policy of restraint was carried on through the first half of 1928, first, by permitting gold exports to exert their normal tightening influence on the market; secondly, by the sale by the Federal Reserve System of \$400,000,000 of United States Government securities, and thirdly, by advances in discount rates at the Federal Reserve banks from 3½% to 5% in eight banks and to 4½% in the other four.

10. Speculation, however, had gone so far by that time and the pull for bank and other funds was so great that these measures were not sufficient to check expansion.

11. In the latter half of 1928 nothing further was done to arrest speculation; in fact, the situation was eased by the acquisition of a large volume of acceptances by the Federal Reserve banks which enabled member banks to reduce their indebtedness to the Reserve banks. This was due to unwillingness to tighten credit at a time when crops are marketed. The Federal Reserve banks made no proposals to the Federal Reserve Board for further restraint of speculation during that period, and the Federal Reserve Board did not at that time take the lead in the matter.

12. In February 1929 the Board actively intervened by issuing a statement in which it proposed that member banks which were increasing their loans on securities should not be permitted to receive accommodation from the Federal Reserve banks. This was the policy of "direct action."

13. Subsequent to this intervention by the Board, the Federal Reserve banks proposed discount rate advances as their remedy for the situation. The Board refused to approve these advances on the ground that advances sufficient to have an influence on the existing speculative situation would have to be so high as to disrupt the commercial rate structure of the country, and also because it believed that the policy of direct action was more effective in the circumstances and more flexible.

14. The Board's policy was successful in reducing the volume of brokers' loans, in arresting the advance in security prices, and in checking the growth of speculation.

15. At the approach of the end of the fiscal year heavy demands for financing by leading industrial corporations made it clear that the continuation of the Board's policy of direct action might result in immediate catastrophe. For this reason, and because it recognized that the stock market at that time had entered a phase where its collapse of its own weight was merely a matter of time, the Board decided to suspend direct pressure. It felt that it had become the immediate duty of the Federal Reserve System to prepare itself for meeting the imminent shock to business and credit.

Lessons from this experience and my views regarding pending banking legislation as related to this experience may be summarized as follows:

16. Final authority and continuous responsibility for national credit policies should be concentrated in a single, impartial, disinterested public body having a national viewpoint and owing undivided allegiance to the general public interest.

17. The plan adopted by the House of Representatives, which would concentrate such authority and responsibility in the Federal Reserve Board but would require the Board to consult and advise with an Open Market Committee consisting of five representatives of the Federal Reserve banks, has much to commend it; but it has the following deficiencies:

(a) The representatives of the Reserve banks would have merely an advisory status and, therefore, not the same feeling of responsibility as they would have if they were given more authority.

(b) It provides for only limited representation of the Federal Reserve banks through a membership of only five members.

(c) It offers no safeguard against hasty or ill-advised action by the Federal Reserve Board itself when it acts on its own initiative.

(d) It does nothing to strengthen the position of the Board against the impact of external influence, which has been characterized in current discussions as "political influence" but which may also take the form of special influence by financial interests or groups.

(e) The statement of objectives in the House bill undertakes too much, and, in recognition of this fact, provides for too many excuses for failure to achieve the objective.

18. The plan which I have proposed would correct these deficiencies by the following means:

(a) It would give the Open Market Committee authority and responsibility for the initiation of open market policies subject to review, modification and determination by the Federal Reserve Board; but at the same time it would impose continuous responsibility upon the Federal Reserve Board by giving it also the authority to initiate policies.

(b) It would preserve the existing arrangement under which every Federal Reserve bank is represented on the Open Market Committee, thus assuring consideration of the views of all parts of the country.

(c) It would require that when the Federal Reserve Board acts on its own initiative it should do so only on the affirmative vote of at least one more than a majority of the Board's entire membership, and would require the Board to maintain a contemporaneous record of all actions taken by it and the reasons therefor, and to publish the same in its annual reports.

(d) It would strengthen the independence of the Federal Reserve Board by providing that Board members should be appointed for longer terms; that they should not be removable except by impeachment; that members reaching the age of 70 should be given an allowance on voluntary retirement; that the title of the Federal Reserve Board should be changed to the "Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System," and that the executive head of the Board should be a chairman elected by the Board instead of a Governor appointed by the President.

(e) It would subordinate open market operations to the position of "supporting and re-enforcing the credit and discount policies of the Federal Reserve System when it is necessary to aid in the establishment and maintenance of sound banking, credit, financial and economic conditions."

19. To adopt any of the suggested compromises which would place authority and responsibility for national credit policies in a newly-created, hybrid body consisting of some or all of the members of the Federal Reserve Board and an almost equal number of Reserve bank Governors would be to sow the seeds of discord and impotence, to sacrifice an important principle preserved in the original Federal Reserve Act by President Wilson.

In reviewing conditions in 1927 and the Reserve policies at that time, Mr. Miller said:

In addition to disquieting domestic factors in the economic situation in 1927, the European monetary and financial situation, particularly as it might affect the United States, was far from satisfactory. European currencies, and particularly sterling, were showing weakness. It was feared that this would interfere with sales of our agricultural products in the autumn months. Considerable concern was also felt regarding the position of the gold standard in those European countries which had already restored it and also regarding the prospects of its early and successful restoration in others which had the matter under consideration.

(2) What were the objectives of the policy then developed?

It may be said that the objective of Federal Reserve policy in 1927 was to set in motion such forces as the System could command to counteract the recessionary forces which were in evidence. To this end there was developed and adopted a policy of easing both the domestic and the international financial situation by purchasing securities in the open market and by reducing discount rates, thus cheapening the cost of credit to borrowing member banks.

To relate the sequence of these open market operations and discount rate changes, without going into too much detail, the following summary will suffice:

The policy began in May 1927 with purchases of United States Government securities by Federal Reserve banks, which carried their holdings from \$300,000,000 in May to \$600,000,000 in December. As a result of these operations member banks were able to meet gold withdrawals of \$200,000,000 and to increase their reserve balances by over \$100,000,000 without being under the necessity of increasing their borrowings from the Reserve banks. Discount rates at all the Reserve banks were reduced from 4% to 3½% during the third quarter of the year.

Money rates in the open market soon declined, sterling exchange advanced, and in time there was a considerable outflow of gold from the United States to other countries.

(3) Was the policy successful in achieving its objectives?

It was. The tide of business recession or depression, whichever it was, was arrested toward the end of the year 1927. The production curve turned sharply upward, and except for a halt of short duration in the spring of 1928, maintained a steady ascent until the summer of 1929. Prices of farm and related products showed a marked rise in the latter part of 1927, and in 1928 the general level of wholesale prices was characterized by relative stability. The European currencies, notably sterling, strengthened, and, in general, tension in the European financial situation was considerably relieved.

So far, then, as the policy of midsummer 1927 was instrumental in resisting the forces of business depression, stimulating production, giving stability to the price level and strengthening foreign currencies, it must be pronounced to have been successful.

Unfortunately, the 1927 policy of the Federal Reserve had other effects besides those which were sought and intended. In the light of the longer perspective in which we can now view these other and further effects, they stand out as the larger and more serious consequences of the policy then initiated and pursued. But before leaving the year 1927 there is a further question with reference to it which remains to be considered.

(4) Who proposed the policy pursued?

The policy above outlined was originated by the New York Federal Reserve Bank, or more particularly by its distinguished Governor, the late Benjamin Strong. Brilliant of mind, engaging of personality, fertile of resources, strong of will, ambitious of spirit, he had extraordinary skill in impressing his views and purposes on his associates in the Federal Reserve System. His ideas began to develop in the spring of 1927, but his program was not shaped until after conferences with representatives of the three great European central banks, who visited the United States in the summer of that year. This program was then presented to the Federal Reserve System in informal conferences with Federal Reserve Bank Governors, proposed to the Federal Reserve Board and approved by it, and participated in by the Federal Reserve banks with dissent on the part of only one. The Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago was reluctant to fall in line with the reductions of discount rates that were being made at the other Reserve banks, and its rate was finally reduced by the Federal Reserve Board.

The general policy adopted at the time, therefore, was a System policy, conceived and initiated by the Governor of the New York Reserve Bank, but approved at a meeting in July participated in by the Open Market Committee, which consisted of five Reserve Bank Governors, by members of the Federal Reserve Board, and by two Governors and one Chairman

of Midwestern Reserve banks. It was not, as might be inferred from the "Times" editorial, a policy either developed or imposed by the Board on the Reserve banks against their will. It was distinctly a Reserve bank policy.

Effects of cheap and abundant credit during the autumn of 1927 were not limited to stimulating business and production and to sustaining the price level and the European exchanges. Cheap credit gave a further great and dangerous impetus to an already overexpanded credit situation, notably to the volume of credit used on the stock exchanges, and to a further rapid upward flight of security prices. In consequence, the Federal Reserve System, fronted toward the end of the year 1927 with the problem of getting control of the fund of credit which it had been instrumental in placing in the market and keeping it within the bounds of safety, lest an uncontrollable and disastrous speculative situation should develop. In consequence with this attitude, the Federal Reserve System abandoned the policy it had been pursuing of offsetting exports of gold by the restoration of a similar volume of credit to the money market through the purchase of United States Government securities, and allowed exportations of gold to exert their tightening effect on the money market. The effect, however, in the situation then existing was not very considerable. The stock market expansion had acquired too much momentum. It was evident that its pull was too strong to be counteracted by gold withdrawals.

#### Restrictive Policy in First Half of 1928

In the first half of 1928 the Reserve System took successive measures to check the further expansion of bank credit. Approximately \$400,000,000 of United States Government securities were sold from the System's holdings. Discount rates were raised from 3½% to 4% by all Federal Reserve banks between Jan. 25 and March 1, to 4½% between April 20 and June 7, and to 5% by eight banks in July. Sales of securities by the Reserve banks and further loss of gold, amounting to \$250,000,000, forced member banks to borrow at the Reserve banks. Bills discounted rose to over \$1,000,000,000 for the first time since 1921. Call loan rates rose to over 6% by the middle of the year. The increase in brokers' loans by banks was definitely checked. Those by New York City banks for their own account declined considerably. Brokers' loans by non-banking lenders, however, attracted by high rates, increased more rapidly than before. The rise in stock prices was interrupted early in the year and again in midsummer, but these were but brief interruptions. Thereafter, evidence was accumulating that the speculative boom had become so entrenched and was exercising such a pull that an increase in the cost of bank funds appeared to be no longer sufficient to check it and more extraordinary forms of control had to be considered.

No further measures of restraint were adopted by the Federal Reserve System in the latter half of 1928. This was due in part to the expectation, based on previous experience, that the seasonal demands for funds in themselves would act as a tightening and restraining influence. There was also some fear that with money rates at the prevailing high levels crop-moving and other business activities might be severely handicapped.

As things then were in the second half of 1928 the Board looked for the initiation of further measures of restraint to the Federal Reserve banks, and they, in turn, depended on the leadership of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. And New York's leadership proved to be unequal to the situation.

It is a fact that while the attitude of the Federal Reserve banks was one of tolerance and temporizing, and the Federal Reserve System as a whole was, as I have elsewhere stated, "drifting" in the midst of a perilous situation that called for intervention, the Federal Reserve Board was growing more and more anxious at the course of developments. Ultimately its anxiety reached a point where it felt that it must itself assume the responsibility of intervening in the dangerously expanded and expanding speculative situation menacing the welfare of the country. This it did early in February 1929.

On Feb. 2 the Board directed a letter to the Federal Reserve banks, and on Feb. 7 it issued a statement to the public carrying the substance of the letter previously addressed to the banks, in which, after expressing its anxiety with regard to current developments, it laid down an interpretation of the Federal Reserve Act. . . . This interpretation was the basis of what soon came to be known as the policy of "direct pressure." It was, in brief, a method of exercising restraint upon the speculative credit expansion then in process by restricting the borrowings from the Federal Reserve banks by those member banks which were increasingly disposed to lend funds for speculative purposes. . . . A prompt and energetic stepping up of the discount rate in the earlier stages of a pronounced credit and speculative expansion might have been relied upon to exercise an effective restraining and corrective influence, but when the rate of speculative expansion had attained such speed and the thirst for credit had attained such intensity as was the case at the beginning of the year 1929 and earlier, control through discount rate increase, to put the matter mildly, is at best to be regarded as a frail reliance and a dubious expedient. . . . To put it bluntly, though not elegantly, control by rate action in a speculative gale of such fury as swept the United States in 1929 is a good deal like spitting against the wind.

It is not without significance in current discussions as to the proper distribution of authority between the banks and the Board, that during the tension occasioned by the acute differences over the leadership of the Federal Reserve System in the six months following the Board's declaration of its position of Feb. 2 1929, the five members of the Board who took the responsibility of formulating the attitude and policy for the Federal Reserve System were opposed by a minority of their own membership, including the Secretary of the Treasury, the Governor and the Vice-Governor, by the 12 Federal Reserve banks, and, finally, by the Federal Advisory Council and many, but by no means all, of the largest member banks. This was a formidable opposition. Nevertheless, the Board adhered to its position, firm in its conviction that it was pursuing the only proper and effective course of action, belated though it was, which was open to the Federal Reserve System at the time. That it did not err in its judgment from a public point of view seems sufficiently established by the fact that several of the most important amendments written into the Banking Act of 1933 with regard to the Federal Reserve System were based upon the attitude of the Board as expressed in 1929 and the procedures then developed.

#### State Has Right to Tax Preferred Bank Stock Owned by RFC, According to Ruling of Maryland Court of Appeals—Decision Given in Case of Baltimore National Bank

On June 18 the Maryland Court of Appeals ruled that the State has a right to tax preferred bank stock owned by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. Stating that the de-

cision reversed a ruling of the Baltimore City Circuit Court, a dispatch (Associated Press) from Annapolis to the Baltimore "Sun" continued:

The case was one involving the Baltimore National Bank, which was incorporated Aug. 4 1933 under a reorganization by the stockholders of the Baltimore Trust Co., with the aid of the subscription by the RFC to an issue of preferred stock.

10,000 Shares Outstanding

On March 14 1934 the bank filed a report with the State Tax Commission showing that it had outstanding on Jan. 1 of that year 10,000 shares of preferred stock, all registered in the name of the RFC. The bank contended that stock was not subject to assessment due to its ownership by "an agency of the United States Government."

The Commission assessed the stock, however, and the bank appealed to the Baltimore Circuit Court. Judge Joseph N. Ulman reversed the decision of the Commission and remanded the case with directions to cancel the assessment.

Court's Opinion

The Appellate Court, in an opinion by Chief Judge Carroll T. Bond, said:

"We have been unable to see that taxing these shares as usual may, because of the nature and constitution of the agency owning them, interfere with the governing function of the National sovereignty, or carry any possibility of interference. On the contrary, it seems to us that the particular agency is, in the words of the Supreme Court, engaging in a business which constitutes a departure from usual governmental functions.

Immunity Denied

"After considering the circumstances recited, the activity in which the Finance Corporation is entered by taking the preferred stock, the extent to which it is entered, and the relation to the business of the community, we conclude that no special immunity belongs to this holding of stock such as to require that the stock shall be exempted from the general provision for State taxation, and even if there might be such a special immunity otherwise, to lend support to that consequence, still, inasmuch as Congress, with the general provision before it, did not expressly make an exception, the Court would not be justified in declaring it to exist.

"Our conclusion is contrary to that of two other courts, but we feel constrained to accept that conclusion, with all respect for the opposite one, and set it down with the considerations which have seemed to lead to it."

Pacific Forest Industries Files Papers under Webb-Pomerene Export Trade Act — Inter-American Exporters also File

Pacific Forest Industries has filed papers under the Export Trade Act (Webb-Pomerene law) with the Federal Trade Commission, for exporting plywood and other forest products, according to an announcement issued June 28 by the Commission, which added:

The association will maintain offices at Tacoma, Wash.

Officers of the association are: E. W. Daniels, President; E. E. Westman, Vice-President; N. O. Cruver, Secretary and Treasurer, and Axel H. Oxholm, Managing Director.

Stockholders are: Washington Veneer Co., Olympia, Wash.; Harbor Plywood Corp., Hoquiam, Wash.; Capitol Plywood Co., Olympia, Wash.; Wheeler Osgood Sales Corp., Tacoma, Wash.; Robinson Mfg. Co., Everett, Wash.; Elliott Bay Mill Co., Seattle, Wash.; Aircraft Plywood Corp., Seattle, Wash.; Oregon-Washington Plywood Co., Tacoma, Wash.; Olympia Veneer Co., Olympia, Wash.; Aberdeen Plywood Co., Aberdeen, Wash.; Vancouver Plywood & Veneer Co., Vancouver, Wash.; Plylock Corp., Portland, Ore., and M. & M. Plywood Corp., Portland, Ore.

The Export Trade Act grants exemption from the anti-trust laws to an association entered into and solely engaged in export trade, with the provision that there be no restraint of trade within the United States, or restraint of the export trade of any domestic competitor, and with the further prohibition of any agreement, understanding, conspiracy or act which shall enhance or depress prices or substantially lessen competition within the United States or otherwise restrain trade therein.

The Commission likewise announced on June 28:

Inter-America Exporters, Inc., has filed papers under the Export Trade Act (Webb-Pomerene law) with the Federal Trade Commission, for exporting fruits. The association will maintain offices at 11 Broadway, New York City. Directors of the association are: A. C. Harkness, Milton H. Lehrer, H. Marder and F. Lee.

Maryland Court of Appeals Rules That Stockholders of Baltimore Trust Co. Are Not Released from Statutory Liability Through Reorganization Under State Emergency Banking Act

At Annapolis, on June 18, the Court of Appeals at Annapolis, Md., ruled that stockholders of the Baltimore Trust Co. were not released from their statutory liability by the reorganization of the institution under the State Emergency Banking Act. Associated Press advices from Annapolis to the Baltimore "Sun" had the following to say regarding the decision:

The court, in an opinion by Judge T. Scott Offutt, on six appeals from a decree of Circuit Court No. 2 of Baltimore City, affirmed the ruling of the lower court that the liability was not released and could be assessed before maturity of the certificates of indebtedness if it is assumed that the deficit in the present value of the assets is such as to exceed 100% of the stockholders' liability and that the deficit will remain such until July 1 1938.

Portion of Decree Reversed

To-night's decision reversed a portion of the lower court decree holding that the assessment could not be made before the maturity of the certificates if it is assumed that the deficit in the present value of the assets is such as to exceed 100% of the stockholders' liability, but that by reason of the nature of the assets and a change in business conditions, there will be such an appreciation in the value of the assets by July 1 1938 as would substantially reduce the amount of the required assessment or entirely overcome the need for it.

The case was remanded to the Circuit Court for further proceedings in accordance with the views expressed in the opinion.

Explains Reversal

Dealing with the portion of the Circuit Court opinion which was reversed, the Court of Appeals opinion said:

"The Court announced the principle that an assessment cannot be made if it is assumed that appreciation in the bank's assets by July 1 1938 will either reduce the amount of the assessment or entirely obviate its necessity. We do not agree with that conclusion. The liability becomes fixed and consummate whenever the necessity for it appears. It cannot be made to depend upon conditions which none can foresee and which are wholly beyond the control of the Court or the parties.

Mindful of Hardships

"In reaching these conclusions we are not unmindful of the hardships which must follow the enforcement of the liability. But if it be conceded that the statute which imposes it is economically unsound, harsh and inequitable in its operation and imposes onerous exactions upon wholly innocent persons, nevertheless the final answer to such considerations is that it represents the long and firmly established policy of this State declared not only in its statutes but in its constitution, which, if changed, must be changed by the people themselves and the Legislature, not by the courts."

The case originated in the action of John D. Hospelhorn, Deputy Bank Commissioner and receiver for the trust company, in filing a petition asking the court to authorize him to collect from the stockholders their statutory liability to creditors.

\$10 Per Share Set

This was granted, the lower court ordering that the receiver collect from the stockholders \$10 per share, that being the par value of the stock "and the greatest possible extent of their statutory liability."

As a result of the court order, approximately 200 separate demurrers and answers were filed on behalf of several thousand stockholders, some raising jurisdictional and procedural defenses and others going into the merits of the receiver's right to collect. The court selected certain answers as having sufficient importance to merit consideration in advance of taking testimony.

List of Appellants

Joseph C. France, Alexander Armstrong and J. Purdon Wright were the attorneys for Mr. Hospelhorn. Those who appealed were Clara C. Robinson, Philip L. Poe, Wilmer F. Smith, Robert C. Waters, Mary Washington Thom and Mary Gordon Thom, executrices under the will of DeCourcy W. Thom, and the Safe Deposit & Trust Co. of Baltimore as trustee, executor, guardian or agent of several estates.

No Peace Time Parallel for Volume of Federal Government Expenditures in Past Four Years—Amount at \$25,000,000,000—Approximates Total Expenditures in Period Between 1789 and 1914—New York Trust Co. Sees Financial Stability of Government Threatened

Total expenditures of the Federal Government for the past four fiscal years amount to \$25,000,000,000, the approximate total of all such expenditures between 1789 and 1914, and since 1931 the Government has spent or appropriated more than \$10,000,000,000 in excess of its income, states the New York Trust Co. in the current issue of "The Index." The latter sum, it is further pointed out, amounts to more than one-fifth the estimated national income in 1934 and is equivalent to all Federal Government expenditures for the 16 years prior to our entrance into the World War. "The Index" further declares:

These expenditures, whatever else may be said in regard to them, have now reached proportions for which there is no peace time parallel in the history of this or any other country. The cost of the depression to the American people, as limited to direct emergency expenditures by the Federal Government, brooks comparison with nothing else in the history of the United States except the cost of the last war.

The comprehensive figure of \$6,000,000,000 for emergency expenditures for relief and public works during the past two years alone, to which has just been added the \$4,880,000,000 of the new program, represents a burden whose importance the country cannot afford to overlook. If sound theories of public finance are not to be entirely neglected in the development of future policy, these expenditures must eventually be met by taxation. A basic question raised by the present program is the extent to which present spending can be continued without threatening the financial stability of the Government.

RFC Report for May—Loans of \$50,144,740 Authorized During Month—Statement of Condition as of May 31

Jesse H. Jones, Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, submitted on June 22 to President Roosevelt and Congress a report covering the operations of the Corporation during May. New loans of \$50,144,740 were authorized during the month, according to the report, while actual disbursements on new and previous authorizations totaled \$56,549,562. Repayments during May on loans previously disbursed amounted to \$38,241,690, it is noted. During May the RFC agreed to purchase \$2,242,000 face amount of marketable securities from the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works to be held and collected or sold at a later date. It also disbursed \$1,398 to the Federal Emergency Relief Administrator for expenses and received a refund from the Administrator of expenses previously disbursed amounting to \$142. The Corporation in May withdrew or canceled authorizations for loans made prior to May 1, and which had not been disbursed, in amount of \$28,802,192.

A statement of cash receipts and expenditures, contained in the Corporations report, showed that \$76,115,902 was received during May, against disbursements of \$68,486,338, leaving a cash balance at the close of business May 31 of \$7,629,564.

The following tabulation shows the loans authorized during May:

Loans under Section 5 of RFC Act:	
To banks and trust companies (including receivers).....	\$21,127,119.78
To building and loan associations (including receiver).....	523,000.00
To insurance company.....	65,000.00
To mortgage loan companies.....	528,264.13
To railroad.....	2,300,000.00
To State fund (insurance).....	2,400,000.00
Loans to industry.....	7,365,338.99
Loans on assets of closed banks.....	82,867.05
Under Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 (Section 201 (g) Title I).....	7,000,000.00
Under Emergency Farm Mortgage Act of 1933 (Section 36).....	2,706,000.00
On preferred stock of banks.....	124,650.00
Subscriptions for preferred stock of banks.....	5,225,000.00
Purchases of capital notes or debentures of banks.....	97,500.00
Under Act approved June 19 1934 (Section 14).....	600,000.00
Total.....	\$50,144,739.95

According to the report, actual disbursements during May on the new and earlier authorizations were as follows:

To banks and trust companies (including receivers).....	\$9,946,818.26
To credit unions.....	19,241.58
To building and loan associations.....	8,524.90
To livestock credit corporations.....	120,000.00
To mortgage loan companies.....	921,575.39
To agricultural credit corporations.....	26,760.67
To railroads (including receivers).....	27,031,120.00
To industrial and commercial business.....	3,238,520.55
To mining, milling and smelting business.....	8,000.00
On assets of closed banks—Section 5 (e).....	103,261.78
For self-liquidating projects (par \$3,027,000).....	3,027,000.00
For repair or reconstruction of property damaged by earthquake, &c. Under Section 201 (a), Act of July 21 1932, as amended.....	29,750.00
For financing the carrying and orderly marketing of agricultural commodities and livestock produced in the United States: Commodity Credit Corporation.....	8,620,351.63
Other.....	880,846.93
To drainage, levee and irrigation districts.....	2,307,790.81
Secured by preferred stock—Banks and trust companies.....	260,000.00
Total.....	\$56,549,562.50

Repayments during May on earlier loans, according to the report, were:

To banks and trust companies (including receivers).....	\$25,610,713.29
To credit unions.....	12,620.00
To building and loan associations.....	768,782.13
To insurance companies.....	931,711.05
To Federal Land banks.....	3,922,474.22
To Joint Stock Land banks.....	534,307.97
To livestock credit corporations.....	30,817.50
To mortgage loan companies.....	3,291,496.31
To agricultural credit corporations.....	120.00
To railroads.....	205,133.41
To industrial and commercial business.....	130,685.75
On assets of closed banks—Section 5 (e).....	4,120.37
For self-liquidating projects (par \$1,000).....	1,000.00
For repair or reconstruction of property damaged by earthquake, &c.: Under Section 201 (a), Act of July 21 1932, as amended.....	2,006.69
Under Act of April 13 1934.....	150.00
For financing the carrying and orderly marketing of agricultural commodities and livestock produced in the United States: Commodity Credit Corporation.....	2,243,514.46
Other.....	154,034.78
Secured by preferred stock—Banks and trust companies.....	398,001.65
Total.....	\$38,241,689.62

The Corporation's statement of condition as of May 31 1935 follows:

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF THE CORPORATION AS OF THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, MAY 31 1935

Assets	
Cash on deposit with Treasurer of United States.....	\$7,629,564.37
Funds held in suspense by custodian banks.....	74,552.80
Petty cash funds, travel and other advances.....	20,637.94
Allocated for expenses regional agricultural credit corporations prior to May 27 1933.....	3,107,448.41
Allocated for expenses regional agricultural credit corporations since May 26 1933 (under Farm Credit Administration).....	10,140,000.00
Allocated for Federal Emergency Relief Administration (1933 Relief Act).....	500,000,000.00
Allocated for Federal Emergency Relief Administration (under Emergency Appropriation Act of 1935 (1)).....	500,000,000.00
Allocated under Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935 (2) Allocated to Secretary of Treasury (3).....	500,000,000.00
Allocated to Secretary of Treasury (4).....	124,741,000.00
Allocated to Land Bank Commissioner (5).....	200,000,000.00
Less—Reallocated to Federal Farm Mfg. Corp. 55,000,000.00.....	
Allocated to Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation.....	245,000,000.00
Allocated to Federal Housing Administrator (6).....	55,000,000.00
Allocated to Secretary of Agriculture (7).....	34,000,000.00
Less—Reallocated as capital regional agricultural credit corporations.....	\$44,500,000.00
Reallocated to Governor of Farm Credit Administration 40,500,000.00.....	
Total.....	\$5,000,000.00
Capital regional agricultural credit corporations.....	115,000,000.00
Allocated to Governor Farm Credit Administration.....	44,500,000.00
Relief Authorizations (1932 Act): Advances to Governors of States and Territories: Proceeds disbursed.....	280,025,518.00
Proceeds not yet disbursed.....	1.00
Advances to municipalities and political subdivisions, including Puerto Rico: Proceeds disbursed (less repayments).....	17,664,390.00
Proceeds not yet disbursed.....	15,000.00
Loans under Section 5: Proceeds disbursed (less repayments): Banks and trust companies (8).....	\$502,999,639.59
Credit unions.....	341,125.16
Building and loan associations.....	10,385,168.39
Insurance companies.....	20,059,862.85
Federal Land banks.....	66,549,211.23
Joint Stock Land banks.....	3,166,740.99
Livestock credit corporations.....	1,343,996.47
Mortgage loan companies (8).....	146,426,105.14
Agricultural credit corporations.....	887,380.00
Railroads (including receivers).....	413,438,280.67
Processors or distributors for payment of processing taxes.....	567.68
Borrowers engaged in the fishing industry.....	75,500.00
Total.....	1,165,673,578.17
Proceeds not yet disbursed: Banks and trust companies (8).....	\$112,256,020.17
Credit unions.....	758.42
Building and loan associations (8).....	21,783,069.21
Insurance companies.....	200,359.46
Joint Stock Land banks.....	550,000.00
Mortgage loan companies (8).....	85,598,178.21
Railroads (including receivers).....	2,127,732.00
State funds for insurance of deposits.....	2,400,000.00
Borrowers engaged in the fishing industry.....	37,000.00
Total.....	224,953,117.47
Loans to industrial and commercial business: Proceeds disbursed (less repayments).....	\$17,758,662.03
Proceeds not yet disbursed.....	30,426,500.49
Loans to mining, milling and smelting business: Proceeds disbursed.....	8,000.00
Proceeds not yet disbursed—Section 5 (e).....	4,200,000.00
Loans on assets of closed banks—Section 5 (e): Proceeds disbursed (less repayments).....	331,074.52
Proceeds not yet disbursed.....	268,034.68
Loans and contracts for self-liquidating projects: Proceeds disbursed (less repayments) par \$130,958,000.....	129,264,556.29
Proceeds not yet disbursed (par \$83,458,000).....	82,319,579.98
Loans for repair or reconstruction of property damaged by earthquake, &c.: Proceeds disbursed (less repayments).....	8,295,830.17
Proceeds not yet disbursed.....	3,393,086.86
Loans under Section 201 (c), for financing sale of agricultural surpluses in foreign markets: Proceeds disbursed (less repayments).....	14,926,360.52
Loans for financing the carrying and orderly marketing of agricultural commodities and livestock produced in the U. S.: Proceeds disbursed (less repayments).....	62,757,286.52
Proceeds not yet disbursed.....	355,875,703.39

Loans to drainage, levee and irrigation districts: Proceeds disbursed (less repayments).....	\$25,814,859.36
Proceeds not yet disbursed.....	59,967,949.58
Loans secured by preferred stock (insurance companies): Proceeds disbursed (less repayments).....	29,933,000.00
Loans secured by preferred stock (banks and trust companies): Proceeds disbursed (less repayments).....	20,150,980.16
Proceeds not yet disbursed.....	382,550.00
Stock (the RFC Mortgage Company) purchased.....	10,000,000.00
Preferred stock (banks and trust companies): Purchased (less retirements).....	634,489,500.90
Subscriptions authorized.....	19,464,960.00
Preferred stock (insurance company): Purchased.....	100,000.00
Capital notes and debentures (banks and trust companies): Purchased (less retirements).....	247,717,600.00
Subscriptions authorized.....	62,950,500.00
Purchases of securities and Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works: Purchases consummated (less sales).....	15,753,000.00
Purchases authorized but not yet consummated.....	1,354,000.00
Advances for care and preservation of collateral: Proceeds disbursed (less repayments).....	104,154.18
Proceeds not yet disbursed.....	103,048.94
Collateral purchased (cost less proceeds of liquidation).....	1,484,695.51
Accrued interest and dividends receivable.....	39,523,792.95
Reimbursable expense.....	552,413.80
Furniture and fixtures.....	\$682,167.48
Less allowances for depreciation.....	147,845.83
Miscellaneous disbursements.....	534,321.65
Total.....	\$5,948,331,131.69

Liabilities and Capital

Payable on certificate of Federal Emergency Relief Administration (1933 Relief Act).....	\$1,506.14
Payable under Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935 (2).....	500,000,000.00
Payable to Secretary of the Treasury (3).....	43,095,300.00
Payable to Land Bank Commissioner (5).....	97,400,000.00
Callable by Farm Credit Administration for expenses of regional agricultural credit corporations.....	1,371,213.25
Liability for funds held as cash collateral.....	288,037.27
Liability for funds held for other agencies.....	9,995,500.00
Proceeds not yet disbursed: Relief authorizations (1932 Act).....	15,001.00
Loans under Section 5.....	224,953,117.47
Loans to industrial and commercial business.....	30,426,500.49
Loans to mining, milling and smelting business.....	4,200,000.00
Loans on assets of closed banks—Section 5 (e).....	268,034.68
Loans and contracts for self-liquidating projects.....	82,319,579.98
Loans for repair or reconstruction of property damaged by earthquake, &c.....	3,393,086.86
Loans for financing the carrying and orderly marketing of agricultural commodities and livestock produced in the U. S.....	355,875,703.39
Loans to drainage, levee and irrigation districts.....	59,967,949.58
Loans secured by preferred stock (banks and trust companies).....	382,550.00
Advances for care and preservation of collateral.....	103,048.94
Subscription authorizations: Preferred stock (banks and trust companies).....	19,464,960.00
Capital notes and debentures (banks and trust companies).....	62,950,500.00
Purchases of securities from Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works authorized.....	1,345,000.00
Cash receipts not allocated pending advices.....	5,885,955.73
Miscellaneous liabilities (including suspense).....	10,469,806.80
Liability for funds held pending adjustment.....	424.56
Unearned discount.....	78,881.70
Interest and dividend refunds and rebates payable.....	164,404.47
Interest accrued.....	35,420,056.97
Deferred credits: Income on collateral purchased.....	\$186,672.04
Premium on sale of notes.....	391,350.64
Participation charges.....	8,921.91
Notes—Series "D," "DA," "E," "G" and "H".....	586,944.59
Capital stock.....	3,824,646,666.67
Surplus Dec. 31 1934.....	\$65,050,963.18
Reserve for self-insurance.....	125,000.00
Surplus adjustment.....	65,175,963.18
Interest and dividends earned less interest and expenses (Jan. 1 1935 through May 31 1935).....	29,434.07
Total.....	\$5,948,331,131.69

NOTES

(1) Title II of the "Emergency Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1935," approved June 19 1934, provides:

That not exceeding \$500,000,000 in the aggregate of any savings or unobligated balances in funds of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation may, in the discretion of the President, be transferred and applied to the purposes of the Federal Emergency Relief Act of 1933 and (or) Title II of the National Industrial Recovery Act.

Under the above act the corporation to and including May 31 1935, had transferred \$500,000,000 to the Federal Emergency Relief Administration.

(2) The Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935, approved April 8 1935, provides:

That in order to provide relief, work relief and to increase employment by providing for useful projects, there is hereby appropriated to be used in the discretion and under the direction of the President, to be immediately available and to remain available until June 30 1937 not exceeding \$500,000,000 in the aggregate of any savings or unexpended balances in funds of the RFC.

No disbursements have been made by the Corporation under these provisions of the Act.

(3) Section 2 of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act, as amended by the Federal Home Loan Bank Act, provides that

In order to enable the Secretary of the Treasury to make payments upon stock of Federal Home Loan banks subscribed for by him in accordance with the Federal Home Loan Bank Act, the sum of \$125,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for such purpose, is hereby allocated and made available to the Secretary of the Treasury out of the capital of the Corporation and/or the proceeds of notes, debentures, bonds, and other obligations issued by the Corporation.

The amount of such stock subscribed for by the Secretary of the Treasury is \$124,741,000.

(4) Section 4 (b) of the Home Owners' Loan Act of 1933, provides that the Board (Federal Home Loan Bank Board) shall determine the minimum amount of capital stock of the Corporation (Home Owners' Loan Corporation) and is authorized to increase such capital stock from time to time in such amounts as may be necessary, but not to exceed in the aggregate \$200,000,000. Such stock shall be subscribed for by the Secretary of the Treasury on behalf of the United States, and payments for such subscriptions shall be subject to call in whole or in part by the Board and shall be made at such time or times as the Secretary of the Treasury deems advisable. In order to enable the Secretary of the Treasury to make such payments when called, the RFC is authorized and directed to allocate and make available to the Secretary of the Treasury the sum of \$200,000,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and for such purpose the amount of notes, bonds, debenture, or other such obligations which the RFC is authorized and empowered under Section 9 of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act, as amended, to have outstanding at any time, is hereby increased by such amounts as may be necessary.

The amount of such stock subscribed for by the Secretary of the Treasury is \$200,000,000.

(5) Section 30 (a) of the Emergency Farm Mortgage Act of 1933, made \$100,000,000 available to the Farm Loan (now Land Bank) Commissioner



for loans to Joint Stock Land banks. Section 32 of the same Act made \$200,000,000 available to the Farm Loan (now Land Bank) Commissioner for direct loans to farmers. Of the amount made available under Section 32, \$145,000,000 was paid to the Land Bank Commissioner and the balance \$55,000,000 was reallocated and paid to the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation under Section 3 of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation Act.

(6) Under the provisions of Section 4 of the National Housing Act of 1934, which states that "the RFC shall make available to the Administrator such funds as he may deem necessary." \$34,000,000 has been paid to the Federal Housing Administrator.

(7) Section 2 of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act, as amended, made available to the Secretary of Agriculture \$200,000,000. Of this amount \$135,000,000 was paid to him of which \$20,000,000 was returned to the Corporation. Of the \$85,000,000 difference \$44,500,000 was reallocated and disbursed as capital of the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporations (Section 201 (e) Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932). The remainder, \$40,500,000, was made available and has been paid to the Governor of the Farm Credit Administration, pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 (a) (1) of the Farm Credit Act of 1933.

(8) Loans under Section 5 of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act, as amended, to aid in the reorganization or liquidation of closed institutions have been authorized in the aggregate amount of \$1,114,990,266.36 of which \$167,773,444.95 has been cancelled. After taking into consideration repayments of \$474,622,452.93 items (8) of the balance sheet include the balance of \$336,637,169.70 representing proceeds disbursed (less repayments) and \$135,957,198.78 representing proceeds not yet disbursed, exclusive of \$8,445,000 loans approved in principal upon the performance of specified conditions.

In addition to loans and other authorizations reflected on the statement of condition, the Corporation has approved in principle loans in the amount of \$102,543,975.82 and purchases of preferred stock and debentures in the amount of \$54,841,830.41 upon the performance of specified conditions.

This statement of condition does not take into consideration expenditures incurred but not paid by the Corporation at the close of business, May 31 1935, nor income of Regional Agricultural Credit Corporations whose capital stock was subscribed by the Corporation.

A report of the RFC for April was given in our issue of June 15, page 4006.

#### Associated Gas & Electric Co. Says President Roosevelt was Misinformed Regarding System's Capitalization—Executive's Remarks at Press Conference Held Misleading

The Associated Gas & Electric Co. on June 22 issued a statement in which it referred to President Roosevelt's remarks regarding individual utility companies at his press conference on June 19, when he analyzed the operating units of the Associated Gas and Electric System. The company in its statement said that Mr. Roosevelt's remarks had upheld the soundness of the operating companies comprising the Associated system, but that he had obviously been "misinformed" regarding the capitalization of the system.

A letter accompanying the statement by the company said that "we are trying to conform to what seems to be the fashion of the day in eliminating intervening companies; however the mere existence of those companies is no evidence of any wrong. On the other hand, they have in the past served necessary and useful purposes, from the standpoint of consumers and security holders, and it is fair to say that in the future it is likely that they will be equally desirable."

The statement by the company said, in part:

The President is reported as saying that, assuming Associated subsidiaries earned \$7 on each \$100 of investment, only \$4 of those earnings reach the top holding company, because as earnings flow through, they are "milked" by thirty-three intervening companies, "including management, service, supply and intermediate holding companies."

A mistake in this statement which is immediately obvious is that it disregards the fact that operating subsidiaries must, out of this \$7, provide for their own interest and dividends. We thoroughly appreciate that the President cannot be expected to be fully informed about every industry; however, this oversight is so apparent that we are surprised that he did not notice it. Of the assumed \$7 of earnings on each \$100 of investment mentioned by the President, \$3.23 is necessary for the capitalization of the operating companies themselves, which the President said "were properly capitalized," leaving a balance out of the assumed \$7 of only \$3.77. In this connection, in order to avoid any possible misunderstanding, it should also be made clear that the Associated subsidiaries have not been permitted to earn any \$7 on each \$100 invested in their plant and property. If they had been, Associated Gas and Electric Company would be paying handsome dividends to its security holders.

We particularly regret the President's reference to "milking." This is another indication of the determination of his advisors to proceed upon their preconceived opinions and their unwillingness to pay any attention to testimony, for the most part uncontradicted, filed with Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives, a mere reading of which would have demonstrated that no milking or diversion of earnings away from the Associated Gas and Electric Company has occurred. Annual audits of every company in the Associated System by independent certified public accountants evidence the soundness and integrity of the Associated management. The Associated Gas and Electric Company has been audited annually by independent certified public accountants for more than 30 years.

President Roosevelt's remarks were referred to in our June 22 issue, page 4158.

#### Building and Loan Associations Warned Against Threat of Extinction with Indefinite Activities of HOLC—H. E. Hoagland Points to Advantages of Associations in Membership in Corporation

"Building and loan associations should give serious consideration to the threat of extinction which would be contained in the indefinite extension of activities of Home Owners' Loan Corporation," Dr. H. E. Hoagland, member of the Federal Home Loan Bank, Washington, said on June 21 at Lake Placid, N. Y., at the concluding session of

the annual convention of the New York State Savings and Loan Associations. Lake Placid advices to the New York "Times" further indicated as follows what Dr. Hoagland had to say:

"By the time the Corporation has used the resources already provided by the present Congress," he said, "it will have in its portfolios a greater volume or urban home mortgages than all of the building and loan associations of the country combined; a greater volume than all of the banks in the country combined, including savings and commercial banks, and a volume more than five times as great as all of the life insurance companies combined."

Discussing the advantages for savings and loan associations in membership in the Federal Home Loan Bank System, Dr. Hoagland said that it was their reserve credit system.

"It is intended to do for home financing institutions what the Federal Reserve System does for commercial banks," he said, "unless the accounts are insured, seepage of funds away from them into banks will continue. American investors are demanding and will continue to demand greater safety of their investments and more conspicuous guarantees of safety."

#### Insurance System Urged

"With an initial capital of \$100,000,000 the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation will within a very short time include the majority of insurable institutions of the country, a fact which will give it so large a numerical and so wide a geographical distribution of risk as to make it immune from hazardous effects of unsatisfactory local business conditions."

"What America needs to-day is neither the pessimist nor the blind optimist, but the return of common-sense business judgment, which will see the advantages to be gained by co-operating with and using facilities offered by the Government," Dr. Hoagland added.

"I have no misconception that the FHLBB, even with the tremendous resources at its command, can alone restore prosperity to the American people. I do believe that the co-operation of this Board with home financing institutions will produce highly satisfactory results and that it will help place this business in a much more favorable position than it now occupies."

#### Dr. Warren's Gold Theory Held Invalid in Brookings Institution Report—Charles O. Hardy Says Erstwhile Presidential Adviser and His Associate Overlooked Several Important Factors in Formulating Monetary Doctrine

The monetary theory of George F. Warren, sponsor of the gold purchase and dollar depreciation program and at one time a monetary adviser to President Roosevelt, is "clearly invalid," according to Charles O. Hardy in an analysis published on June 19 by the Brookings Institution which discussed the doctrines of Dr. Warren and his academic associate, Frank A. Pearson. Mr. Hardy said that all available evidence revealed that there was no such close relationship between prices and the supply of monetary gold as claimed by Dr. Warren and Professor Pearson. He added that in formulating their economic program they had overlooked several important factors, including the rise of great central banking systems.

Mr. Hardy was an adviser to Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau in preparing a report in co-operation with Dr. Jacob Viner on the availability of credit to small industries. Extracts from his analysis of the theories of Dr. Warren and Professor Pearson are given below, as contained in a Washington dispatch of June 19 to the New York "Herald Tribune":

"Exchange manipulation," Mr. Hardy concluded, "is a well known form of currency management, and is in no sense a Warren-Pearson discovery. The merits of such manipulation as a way to combat depression constitute a highly controversial question which requires separate treatment. Here we are concerned only with the peculiar Warren-Pearson variant of the managed-currency doctrine which holds that prices are made by a simple comparison of the commodity values of goods and of gold; we conclude that their own evidence gives strong support to the contrary position."

Mr. Hardy disputed the validity of Dr. Warren's charts and figures to prove the Warren theory. He called one such analysis "nothing but a statistical curiosity."

#### Cites Book on Gold

For the period before the war, the Hardy report points out, Messrs. Warren and Pearson in the book "Gold and Prices," supporting their theory, ignore such developments as the adoption of the gold standard by one country after another, beginning in the seventies. Yet their theory sets up a supposed world-wide resurgence of demand for gold on the part of nations returning to the gold standard as the cause of the price collapse of 1929-1933.

On the contrary, the report states, the return to the gold standard had been going on steadily since 1923, and, with the exception of France, the countries which went back to gold had completed the process of rebuilding their reserves before 1929.

#### Explains Inflow to United States

The inflow to the United States came simply because the attempt of the Federal Reserve banks to make money expensive for stock market speculators here made it profitable for foreigners to sell gold to buy dollars for lending in New York. The flow to France took place primarily because the Bank of France believed it had too large an investment in foreign short-term money markets, Mr. Hardy said. Certainly in the case of the United States and probably in that of France, desire to accumulate gold was not a significant factor.

The report denies the Warren-Pearson contention that changes of prices in the United States since the devaluation of the dollar confirm their theory. The study developed that evidence to support this can be found only in the movement of price indexes largely representing commodities moving freely in international trade. Indexes representing largely domestic wholesale prices show no such relationship.

#### Committee of New York Chamber of Commerce Declares No National Emergency Exists to Justify Additional Taxation Proposed in Administration's Program—Without Careful Consideration

Congress is warned of the danger of crippling the work of charitable, religious and educational institutions in framing

the Administration's proposed new tax program, in an interim report made public on June 26 by Thomas I. Parkinson, President of the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York. The report, drawn by the Committee on Taxation of which James T. Lee is chairman, declares that no national emergency or budgetary crisis exists to justify the adoption of such additional tax legislation without the fullest opportunity for thorough discussion and the most careful consideration. The report strongly urges Congress to postpone action on the drastic new tax program until next session. In directing attention to the danger which the proposed tax program may hold for institutions serving the public, the report says:

"The Chamber particularly urges upon Congress that in any new tax legislation, the most careful consideration be given to the grave importance of so framing the law as not to discourage gifts or bequests to charitable, religious, educational and similar institutions, in order that they be not handicapped in rendering the broad and essential public service they now render.

"The direct and indirect effects of new tax legislation are so great that new legislation should not be adopted without the fullest opportunity for consideration and discussion. It is, therefore, strongly urged that the proposed legislation be postponed until the next session of Congress."

A resolution accompanying the report condemns "undue haste in passing drastic increases in Federal taxes" and says that small investors will be the chief sufferers from the proposed graduated tax on net income of corporations. The resolution follows:

*Resolved.* That the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York, while realizing the necessity of additional taxation, is emphatically opposed to undue haste in passing drastic increases in Federal taxes without opportunity for thorough discussion, believing that:

- (1) No National emergency or budgetary crisis exists justifying haste.
- (2) A graduated tax on the net income of corporations, irrespective of the amount of invested capital, will fall heaviest on small investors, for the bulk of the stock of the large corporations represents investments of the thrifty.

Mr. Parkinson explained that the report represents only the opinion of the Committee on Taxation until it is acted upon by the Chamber at its next meeting. In addition to Mr. Lee, the Chairman, the report is signed by Charles K. Etherington, Edwin G. Merrill, Jesse S. Phillips and John Sloane.

#### Repeal of Federal Gasoline Tax Sought in View of President Roosevelt's Proposed New Levies

Representatives of more than 300 organizations representing farmers, motorists, business men, and commercial vehicle operators are calling upon the Senate Finance Committee to eliminate the Federal gasoline tax this year in view of expected large receipts from the new Roosevelt levies and increases in revenue from other tax sources. It has been pointed out to the Committee, which last year itself recommended elimination of the Federal gasoline tax, that there is an estimated increase of \$732,000,000 in all Federal tax revenues as compared with 1934 and an expected additional income of some \$340,000,000 from President Roosevelt's new tax plan. The Federal gasoline tax costs consumers more than \$170,000,000 annually, and duplicates State, county and municipal levies upon motor fuel. Despite the Committee's recommendation for its repeal it has been included among the "nuisance taxes" extended through 1936 by the House.

"Motorists have borne a generous share of the national tax burden through this duplicating levy on gasoline since 1932, and should be the first to benefit by tax reduction now made possible by increased revenues from other sources," it was said by Baird H. Markham, Director of the American Petroleum Industries Committee. He added:

"The Senate Finance Committee, and other Congressional Committees, already have recommended its elimination at the earliest possible date, and that date has arrived.

"In view of the fact that press reports reiterate that the Federal Government's income for the fiscal year ending June 30 next has exceeded by approximately \$732,000,000 the revenues for the last fiscal year, and since the new Roosevelt 'soak-the-rich' levies, if enacted, would produce an estimated \$340,000,000 additional, the chief objection to repeal of the Federal gasoline tax—'necessity'—no longer holds. . . .

"While elimination of this one levy would not greatly reduce Federal revenue, it would mean approximately a 20% cut in gasoline tax rates to the average taxpayer."

#### Business Waits On Stabilization of Monetary System Before Return to Normalcy Can Be Expected Says Leslie G. McDouall, President of New Jersey Bankers Association, at Meeting of Financial Advertisers—Criticizes Tax Trend

"Bankers and their depositors—the public—must come to grips with the questions raised by current thinking in Congress, in the hope of bringing about a more stable economic condition from which business may go forward," Leslie G. McDouall, President of the New Jersey Bankers Association and Trust Officer of the Fidelity Union Trust Co., Newark, declared at the June meeting of the New York Financial Advertisers at the Lawyers Club on June 25. Continued long enough, Mr. McDouall said, present policies mean inflation and further devaluation, with "the Government still borrowing to-morrow's savings for to-day's expense."

Mr. McDouall criticized the tax trend at Washington as threatening further national distress on account of the additional hardships such a policy would work upon industry, business, institutions and the individual. He declared that if this trend continues bankruptcy for the Government would

be the result, and chaos among those owning Government securities. In his address Mr. McDouall said in part:

I plead for the support of the idea that business waits on the stabilization of our monetary system before it can be expected to return to normalcy. Business is following a troubled course and we must fight for sound and constructive action in Congress in the hope of bringing about a more stable economic condition from which business may go forward.

The great problem before the country is governmental spending, the unwillingness of governments, National, State and municipal, to balance their budgets by living within their incomes. Two alternatives are persistently resorted to, the finding of additional sources of taxation and borrowing. Realities are never faced. Economy is rarely attempted because it is unpopular with governmental employees. The end is bankruptcy for Government, and devastating loss for individuals and institutions holding Government bonds.

The situation is as true of New Jersey as it is of other States. Our banking institutions are large holders of the securities of New Jersey and its sub-divisions and they ought to demand discontinuance of all unnecessary expenditures, and an end to ever-increasing taxation.

Leadership should be undertaken by the banks of the country, or such an organization as this and similar groups co-operating with others to bring about a revision in our present taxing and revenue system which are surely leading to chaos and confiscation of property.

But the Federal Government has an alternative not available to its political sub-divisions. It can issue currency or it can sell more bonds—provided it has control of the banking system. That the Government is conscious of this fact is indicated by the political control of banking contemplated in the Banking Act of 1935 now pending in Congress. These political motives are denied. But one may well ask if the intention is not to bend the banking system to the use of the Treasury, which was the provision for that written into the bill.

Mr. McDouall also declared against the tendency of the National Government to discard the theory of State's rights. "Sometimes one wonders if Congress has forgotten what State sovereignty means," he said.

#### Action on Housing Urged by Groups in National Housing Conference in Letter to President Roosevelt—Wagner Housing Bill Reported Shelved

In a letter to President Roosevelt made public at a meeting on June 24 of representatives of 30 National groups under the auspices of the National Public Housing Conference, it is alleged that Federal and local public housing projects have been jeopardized by published reports of their discontinuance. According to the New York "Times" of June 25 the meeting, held at Christodora House, 147 Avenue B, was called to advance a program whereby a larger number of civic, social, religious and labor groups might work in conjunction with the National conference in propagating housing education and consolidating support of such legislation as the Wagner-Wood bill now before Congress. From the same paper we quote:

In the letter to the President the delegates, who yesterday formed a Provisional Council on Housing Education and Legislation, said:

"We urge that the need on which these projects are based, making imperative their earliest possible development, be recognized as the determinant of their completion and that funds for this purpose be given early release.

#### Delay Called Grave Loss

"We affirm our belief that any cessation of the program now under way in the Housing Division of the Public Works Administration—even any temporary delay at this time—must be regarded as a grave loss to the people of our nation, a direct blow to the workers in the building industry and to those communities whose housing projects, so ably begun, are now threatened by withdrawal of funds for their development."

On June 7 it was stated that, on the grounds that it is not considered an urgent measure, in the face of other pressing legislative needs, the Wagner Federal Housing Bill, which would set up a permanent housing division in the Interior Department with an appropriation of \$800,000,000 for slum elimination, will not be reported out by the Senate Committee on Education and Labor at this session of Congress. Senator Walsh, Chairman of the Committee, was reported as having indicated this after hearings on the bill had closed.

The Real Estate Board of New York in voicing its opposition to certain provisions of the bill, had the following to say in part in a letter addressed early in the month to the Chairman of the Senate Committee of Education and Labor:

We are not necessarily opposed to Federal participation in slum clearance, either directly or through loans to municipalities, nor indeed in the creation of new housing at low rentals and for persons of low income, provided that the new housing is limited to the actual needs of the situation and the occupancy is limited to persons of really low income. We are opposed to the use of Federal funds to build unnecessary housing or housing which will be in competition with existing satisfactory housing.

As the Wagner bill is drawn there is no restriction on the amount of new housing to actual requirements nor to any relationship to housing demolished in slum clearance. The two may be entirely separate.

Neither is there definite provision in the bill against the creation of housing in competition with perfectly good existing housing on which the owners at the present time are hard put to it to pay their mortgage interest, taxes and operating costs.

Admittedly private capital cannot build at present costs to rent at figures occupants of slum tenements can afford to pay. Also it is granted that unsanitary and unsafe housing should be demolished. Perhaps it is a proper use of public funds to do those things for our poor and for the public benefit, but there is no reason for the use of public funds to create unnecessary housing in medium price levels for people who can afford to pay such rents. There are plenty of available apartments now vacant for those people on which municipalities expect to collect taxes which can only come from income. . . .

Any measure enacted should provide positive restriction on the creation of new housing to the needs of the local situation and to relationship to unsafe and unsanitary housing demolished. It is not only uneconomic but dangerous to move occupants from slum tenements to new housing

and leave the old buildings standing vacant as an eyesore and an actual menace.

At the hearing before the Senate Committee on June 5 on the Wagner \$800,000,000 public housing bill, Langdon W. Post, Chairman of the New York City Housing Authority, said nearly 1,800,000 were living in the slum areas of New York City, covering about 17 square miles, and that the slums to-day cost the city two or three times as much as the revenue received therefrom. Advices on that date to the New York "Herald Tribune" added:

He strongly indorsed the Wagner bill, intended to establish a permanent long-range program of slum clearance and low-cost housing.

Mr. Post recommended decentralization for any permanent housing program subsidized by the Federal Government, arguing that there was "a definite sentiment for home rule and the Federal Government cannot ignore it without endangering the success of the program."

Mr. Post said a local authority would receive more co-operation from city departments and would avoid "the inevitable red tape of Government departments."

#### 50-Year Amortization

He suggested financing of housing projects by amortization over a 50-year period and remitting interest instead of granting 30% of the local loan outright. He held that other cities should follow the example of New York and remit taxation on low-cost housing projects. The revenue loss, he said, would be made up in savings on hospital, fire protection and police costs due to slum elimination.

#### Farm Sales by Federal Land Banks from Jan. 1 to May 1 Double Those of Year Ago

Sale of farms by the Federal Land banks during the first four months of this year showed an increase of more than 100% over the figure for the corresponding period of 1934. W. I. Myers, Governor of the Farm Credit Administration, announced June 16. The 12 banks sold 2,398 farms from Jan. 1 to May 1 1935 compared to 1,196 during the same period last year. The largest increases in sales were registered in the cotton belt and the Northwest, with the next best report from the Pacific States, Governor Myers said, adding:

Sales of farms by the Federal Land banks have increased steadily for more than a year. The lively and sustained interest in farm land, as shown by reports from the land banks and other sources, furnishes another indication that the refinancing of debt burdens and improvement in commodity prices is providing a basis for real recovery in agriculture.

#### \$115,000,000 Asked for Emergency Relief Allotment in July—500,000 Women to be Aided in Separate Program—General Johnson to Direct Federal Spending in New York City

The Advisory Committee on Allotments of the work relief program on June 24 asked President Roosevelt to allot \$115,000,000 for the Emergency Relief Administration for direct relief needs in July. At the same time the Committee recommended for the President's approval a further list of work relief projects, together with certain administrative, technical and other expenses for some of the major agencies which will expedite the works program. On June 24 it was also reported that President Roosevelt had taken under review the entire billion dollars already approved for the works program, exclusive of relief. Ellen S. Woodward, Director of the women's work relief program, said on June 20 that about 500,000 women between 18 and 65 will be employed under the program on projects selected especially for them. She said that women who are heads of families and self-dependent single women will benefit under this plan.

Harry L. Hopkins, Works Progress Administrator, announced on June 26 that General Hugh S. Johnson, former National Recovery Administrator, will direct the Federal work relief program in New York City without compensation, although he will be allowed \$25 daily for expenses. General Johnson will devote four days of each week to his new duties. As his chief assistant he will have Edward McGrady, Assistant Secretary of Labor. General Johnson said on June 26 that he would have \$5,000,000 to spend weekly in New York City, or a total of \$220,000,000. The New York "Herald Tribune" of June 27 commented on his appointment in part as follows:

General Johnson will have full charge of the Federal work program here, and will be responsible only to Harry L. Hopkins, Works Administrator in Washington. New York City will be represented, however, by John McKenzie, Commissioner of Docks, who was appointed yesterday as liaison officer by Mayor F. H. LaGuardia.

The city's relief administrative agency, the Emergency Relief Bureau, will surrender to General Johnson supervision of all relief work projects, but Oswald W. Knauth, Director of the ERB will be retained as head of the city's home relief activities.

General Johnson lost no time in getting on the job in New York. He came to New York from Washington by airplane, arriving at Newark airport at 6:39 p. m., only a few hours after the announcement was made in the Capital. He said he was completely at sea as to what the duties of his new job would be. He thought the first thing he would do would be to seek a conference with Mayor LaGuardia.

The announcement of Mrs. Woodward with regard to women on work relief is given below, as contained in a Washington dispatch of June 20 to the New York "Times":

"There will be a woman on the staff of each State Administrator," Mrs. Woodward said. "She will be responsible to the State director for the success of the women's program in her State."

While women with special training will be placed in nursing and other projects for which they are fitted, the majority who are to get jobs are unskilled, Mrs. Woodward said. The problem was not one of finding

"useful" projects, but of using available funds in such a way as to put the greatest possible number of women to work, she added.

Women are employed upon almost all types of projects conducted by the Relief Administration throughout the country, she said, and their sphere of action is far more inclusive than it would have been twenty years ago.

Sewing, food preparation, general home making and care of the sick constitute the bulk of the program, Mrs. Woodward said, adding:

"But women play an important role in the art, music and drama projects, in library work, in laboratory research, in statistical surveys, in the translation and copying of old public records, and in a multitude of other activities once considered the exclusive domain of men."

"We can give jobs to unemployed factory workers making clothes and household supplies for people on relief and for tax-supported public institutions."

"We intend to train the women who are given jobs under the work program so that they will be better fitted to get jobs in private industry."

#### Federal Land Banks to Lower Interest Rates from 4 1/4 % to 4 % July 1

A further reduction of interest rates by the Federal Land banks on July 1 will bring the contract rate on new loans through national farm loan associations to the all-time low point of 4% and complete a series of reductions which have cut the interest cost of farm mortgage money a full 1% in the last three months. This was announced June 24 by Governor W. I. Myers of the Farm Credit Administration. On April 1 the banks lowered the rate on new loans from 5% to 4 1/2%, and on April 10 reduced the rate from 4 1/2% to 4 1/4%; the latter reduction was referred to in our issue of April 13, page 2447. The latest reduction of 1/4 of 1%, due July 1, completes the 1% cut in three months. Thus loans will be available at the lowest interest rates ever offered farmers by the Federal Land banks or by any large lending agency. In his announcement of June 24 Governor Myers stated:

This is not an emergency rate. On July 1 this year the banks will begin to make loans which will bear 4% interest during their entire life, with the exception of an emergency rate of 3 1/2% for interest payable in the one-year period beginning July 1 1935. This new low 4% rate is a direct reflection of the lower rate of interest borne by Federal farm loan bonds sold by the Federal Land banks. It is in keeping with the policy of the FCA to lower or raise the interest rates on new loans as the rates on their new bond issues vary.

#### Expansion of Farm Credit Predicted by Governor Myers of FCA in Address Before Graduate School of Banking—220 Bankers Enrolled in New School Conducted by American Institute of Banking and Rutgers University

With marked improvement in agriculture already apparent, and further improvement confidently expected, a greatly expanded volume of farm credit will be required, especially short-term credit, according to a statement made in New Brunswick, N. J., on June 24 by W. I. Myers, Governor of the Farm Credit Administration, Washington, D. C., in an address before the Graduate School of Banking conducted in New Brunswick jointly by the American Institute of Banking Section of the American Bankers Association and Rutgers University. Exercises of the new school were opened on June 17, and the session of the school at the university runs through June 29 (to-day). In his address, June 24, Governor Myers said that "to adequately finance the rapidly unfolding improvement in the farming industry indicates a much greater volume of business for both the production credit associations organized under the supervision of the FCA and for private financing institutions." He added:

As farm commodity prices and farm purchasing power increase the demand for cash loans will continue to grow and there will be less use of time purchases, store credit and other ox-cart methods of financing the farmer's production needs.

Some people have expressed a fear that the co-operative production credit associations are threatening the business of country banks; but these institutions have neither the desire nor the resources to monopolize a field which is still in the infancy of development.

In spite of all the educational work that has been done over the past 10 or 15 years, a large proportion of the crop financing in the United States is still handled through merchants, storekeepers and dealers of various sorts, who are splendid dealers but not very good credit men. Costs of production financing obtained in this way are excessive for the farmer who pays his bills, and expensive for dealers.

The greater part of the short-term field is as yet almost untouched by institutions equipped to sell credit as a commodity. The majority of farmers who get their credit on time or by charge accounts have a basis for cash loans and should be buying their credit like they buy their farm supplies, on a business basis. With great advantage to all concerned, farmers should pay cash for fertilizers, equipment and other supplies and expenses of farm production, obtaining the credit when it is required, from a bank, production credit association or other institutions that sell credit on a business basis.

At the opening exercises of the school, June 17, addresses were made by Harry J. Haas, Vice-President First National Bank, Philadelphia; Dr. Robert C. Clothier, President Rutgers University; R. S. Hecht, President American Bankers Association; Richard W. Hill, Secretary American Institute of Banking and Registrar of the school; Leslie G. McDouall, President New Jersey Bankers Association; Charles F. Ellery, retiring President American Institute of Banking, and Carl K. Withers, Superintendent of Banking for the State of New Jersey. Lewis E. Pierson, Chairman of the Board of the Irving Trust Co., New York and Chairman of the Board of Regents of the school, presided at the exercises.

The new school, admission to which is restricted to bank officers who are graduates of the American Institute of Banking, or to those who have equivalent qualifications, has 220 enrolled students from 35 States and the District of Columbia. The resident session of the graduate school in New Brunswick will be supplemented by extension work for the students at their homes from Aug. 1 to June 1 1936. There will be similar schedules of resident and extension work for 1936 and 1937, with final examinations for diplomas at Rutgers University in June and July of the latter year. Reference to the school appeared in the "Chronicle" of June 15, page 4011.

### H. H. Heimann Sees United States Facing "Glorious" Opportunity—In Behalf of Agriculture Would Ease Tax and Tariff Burdens

Maintaining that the United States faces the most glorious, the most challenging opportunity ever presented to any people, Henry H. Heimann, Executive Manager of the National Association of Credit Men, declared at Pittsburgh on June 17 before 2,000 delegates at the fortieth annual convention of the Association in the William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, that those who see no new frontiers for this country are mere "prophets of doom." Opening the sessions with the keynote address, "The Opportunities Ahead," Mr. Heimann summarized as follows the opportunities for agriculture, industry and labor:

#### *Agriculture's Opportunity*

There is an opportunity in agriculture, for industry and commerce now recognize that without prosperous agriculture, industry and commerce cannot long prosper. Approximately one-fourth of our people are directly dependent upon agriculture. The purchasing power of so vast a number is tremendous. The farmer's problem developed because he was receiving a diminishing ratio of our national income. Whereas before the war agriculture received 15% of our national income, recently it was receiving only 9%.

There are certain burdens that agriculture has which are set and fixed. Taxes constitute one of these items. The system of real property taxation in our nation is archaic. Others nations have been much more progressive than we in taxation policies. There is an opportunity in this taxation field. Our objective should be a taxation system upon real estate determined to a large extent by income rather than by appraised valuation. The adoption of such a system would aid agriculture.

Farm improvement has been consistent though slow. The debt structure against farmers has been generously reduced. Indeed, approximately two-thirds of our American farms are free of debt. About one-sixth of farm mortgages are held by other farmers. The American farmer deserves fair treatment and industry intends he shall secure it. The American farmer produces per capita three times as much food as a European farmer. He is normally a conservative and solid, substantial citizen. The opportunity provided to help him keep his splendid place in American history is great.

In trying to develop agriculture in the period ahead, let us not, in our generosity, destroy it. Business must realize that the tariff protection industry has enjoyed in the more recent years was, in many cases, beyond the objective or purpose of a tariff. The objective of a tariff should aim at protection of the efficient, well-conducted American business. Tariff rates should be such as to permit the efficient, well-managed American business to compete successfully with importations. When a tariff goes beyond that—when it attempts to subsidize inefficiency—it seriously dips into the pocket of agriculture as well as to decrease, rather than increase, the purchasing power of urban dwellers.

The opportunities ahead for agriculture were never greater in this nation of ours, provided miracles are not expected over-night.

#### *Labor's Opportunity*

There was never a time in the history of this country when the opportunity ahead for labor was equal to that which confronts it at the present moment. If labor be not misguided, if it recognize that there are those who would make political capital out of labor rather than try to develop a sound labor program, then labor will come into its own in greater fashion than the history of the world has ever recorded.

Running through the entire fabric of this social evolution—and it is exactly that, although, unfortunately, for many the parade is passing by while they still unconsciously cling to feudal thoughts—there is the realization by the majority of sound-thinking American manufacturers and industrialists that the stabilization of labor prosperity is a necessity. The entire approach to the labor problem should be an attempt to effect such stabilization as is usually found in fixed charge requirements, for it is well known that fixed payments vary less between depression and prosperous years than do other sources of income, be they wages, dividends or other types of return.

Labor and management must recognize that standards of living are not set by the hour, day, or weekly rate, but that these standards are established by the purchasing power derived from the total compensation received. The dollar expressed in an hourly, weekly or monthly rate is merely a common denominator for the purpose of appraising an exchange of labor for goods and services.

Labor must recognize that machine development is here to stay, that it is beneficial to society, that at all times throughout history it has brought about an increased use of capital, higher wages and lower costs, that it has been responsible for our higher standard of living, and furthermore, that over a long-range period of time the machine, more than any other factor, has been responsible for the continuous employment of people.

Labor must recognize that it, too, has a responsibility. The spokesmen who represent it must look toward the economic good of all the people, for in the end that is the only policy that will bring improvement to labor. Such representation is unselfish and loyal. It should be of high character and qualified by economic training and common sense to avoid the pitfalls of unsound doctrines and policies.

We are facing a condition in this country when we must adjust our economic life to the needs of older people, for the average age of the citizenship of this nation will continue to be lengthened. When we think of the aged, we must recognize that it is more humane to provide an aged person a modest provision that can be borne than to indirectly care for him in a poorhouse. Aside from the social effect, the poorhouse is unjustifiable, for it is true economy to maintain the aged in their own houses. I might go further and say that we must recognize that economic

gains demand corresponding gains in social life and that, unless the two parallel each other, we are not building soundly.

#### *Industry's Opportunity*

Industry, too, has its opportunity. The vast decentralization program now in progress will tax industrial ingenuity. Large cities will not find the same reasons for growth as in the past. With power easily transmitted, with transportation and communications so highly developed, almost imperceptibly there is already under way a decentralization.

Sound industry should desire an avoidance of the great danger of unbridled competition, but likewise should recognize that price-fixing monopolies destroy rather than build business. There is a new seed planted in industry with respect to its relationship with the public and labor, but industry has the responsibility to see that this seed, when full grown, still has the strain of the sound elements of the old plant. Excessive profits or unwieldy fixed debts are not desirable. They are the certain forerunner of the decline of capital values. They invite imitation. Reasonable prosperity is a sound objective to be gained through reasonable earnings which are the life-blood of industry.

The opportunities ahead in business for the smaller business concerns are great if a reasonably free competition is allowed and if planned economy is not developed to a point where regimentation will lead to deadened initiative and stagnation. We speak of big business in this nation as though it thoroughly dominated, when as a matter of fact approximately one-half of all of our wage earners are employed by manufacturing industries using 250 men or less.

The fallacy of high prices, as such, spelling prosperity is frequently held by many industrialists. High prices may or may not be productive of prosperity. If prices were raised over-night as much as 100%, and if the increase were made uniform, we would not have bettered our situation. Debts are paid by profits and by higher real wages. They are not paid by high prices.

The future of business earnings will certainly be divided in different fashion. First, business, and by that I mean invested capital, will receive a fair return. Next, labor will be insured a more stabilized and adequate return. The excess beyond these returns will be divided, a portion to management, a portion to labor, and a portion to invested capital, and in this division of the excess, labor will receive more than it has in the past.

### Walsh Bill Giving President Power to Fix Labor Standards in Connection with Government Contracts Regarded as in Conflict with Supreme Court Decision Invalidating NIRA—Views of John C. Gall of National Association of Manufacturers at Senate Committee Hearing—Bill Explained by Solicitor-General Reed

John C. Gall, associate counsel of the National Association of Manufacturers, declared on June 17 before the Senate Committee on Education and Labor that the Walsh bill, giving the President power to fix labor standards in connection with Government contracts, would run squarely afoul of the Supreme Court's decision in the Schechter case. Mr. Gall said:

It would not represent a congressional determination of minimum wages or maximum hours to be observed in the performance of Government contracts, but would represent a delegation of blanket authority to the President to determine in every instance what minimum wages and what maximum hours the contractors should be required to observe.

The measure contains practically the identical defects of the code-making provisions of the National Industrial Recovery Act, which were invalidated in the Schechter decision, since there is no standard whatever to guide the President in the determination of wages and hours to be imposed.

There is no legal distinction between a delegation of authority in the field of Government contract and a delegation generally, as was done in the Recovery Act.

Mr. Gall also pointed out that since this legislation is general in terms and applies to purchases of or contracts for construction, supplies, material, or service by any agencies of the Government, it supersedes all previous legislation inconsistent with its terms and thus may operate to set aside the Bacon-Davis Prevailing Wage Act, and provisions of the recently-enacted Emergency Relief Act dealing with prevailing wages. Mr. Gall also inserted in the record a discussion of the recent Treasury Department letter proposing that until legislation is passed all contracts carry a stipulation that the contractor agrees to abide by whatever minimum wages or maximum hours later are established.

"In our opinion," the bulletin sent to members of the Association said, "the requirement of such an undertaking from bidders is unwarranted in law and violates the fundamental legal principles underlying the granting of Government contracts."

In advices from Washington, June 17, to the New York "Journal of Commerce," E. H. Van Patten, Navy purchasing officer, was reported as asserting that compliance with the proposed requirement would make it "practically impossible to purchase anything with any degree of speed, and the Navy must have a continuous flow of supply." From the same advices we take the following:

#### *Others Critical*

Other officials of the Government are also critical of the proposed law. Blackwell Smith, general counsel of the National Recovery Administration, bore out their contentions in pointing out that the proposal would "extend much further than appears on the surface" because a bidder would find it difficult to change his labor standards for Government contracts which he did not observe as to other operations.

It was indicated that under the bill as introduced by Senator Walsh (Dem., Mass.) it might also be so construed as to require a bidder to observe code labor requirements throughout his plant or factory, irrespective of the extent to which it is employed in filling a Government contract. Grave doubts have been expressed as to the willingness of contractors to enter bids for furnishing Government supplies under such conditions, particularly if the order involved was not a very large one, perhaps fully occupying a plant.

The bill, prepared by the Department of Justice, was explained by Solicitor-General Stanley Reed, who declared it to be valid, relying upon a Supreme Court decision in a case involving the eight-hour requirement. This, however, is questioned, since Congress has not specifically fixed either the hours or the wage provisions of the codes and the codes themselves were outlawed by the Supreme Court.

### Congress Petitioned by New York State Chamber of Commerce to Pass Celler Bill, Designed to End Disorder Resulting from NRA Orders and Regulations Issued by Federal Government

The Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York announced on June 19 that it had petitioned Congress to pass the bill introduced by Representative Emanuel Celler which is designed to end the chaos and disorder resulting from the myriad of proclamations, orders and regulations issued by the Federal Government during the last two years. It is pointed out that New Deal activities have multiplied the normal volume of such documents many times, the National Recovery Administration being one of the largest contributors. The action of the Chamber followed a report from its Special Committee on Law Reform, of which Howard Ayres is Chairman. Mr. Ayres said:

A condition of hopeless confusion, entailing actual danger to citizens of the entire country, has arisen as a result of the tremendous increase in the number and variety of such documents. Many of them impose criminal penalties of fine and imprisonment, but there is utter chaos when it comes to finding out where they are and what they are.

The Celler bill provides for the publication and dissemination of all future rules, regulations, &c., in a Federal Register, to be issued daily and for the codification, classification and indexing of all such existing documents.

The Committee found that there had never been one designated depository for such documents. Investigation disclosed the following facts:

In the first 15 months of President Roosevelt's term 674 Executive Orders were issued, or nearly six times the volume of the 39 years from 1862 through 1900.

In the first year of the NRA, 2,998 administrative orders were issued.

In the same period the NRA adopted regulations which can only be found by searching through 5,991 press releases issued during this time.

The NRA, according to estimate, issued some 10,000 pages of "law"—a volume greater than the total amount of statute laws in the United States Code.

The Agricultural Adjustment Administration, the Veterans' Bureau, the Administration of the Pure Food and Drug Act, Customs and Internal Revenue regulations, Immigration rules and Postal regulations have contributed enormously to the volume of official Government papers. The Federal Communications Commission and the Securities and Exchange Commission will add heavily to the total volume.

In addition to these, a huge number of orders, decrees and notices have been issued by dozens of minor agencies of the Government empowered to publish rules and regulations.

Many of the rules and regulations prescribe penalties, but it is at times difficult to find out what they are, although the property and persons of the citizens may be at stake.

Officials of departments issuing the regulations frequently do not know all of their own regulations.

It is stated that a somewhat similar situation existed in England as far back as the early nineties. In 1893 the Rules Publication Act made provision for the systematic publication of all executive orders, decrees, rules and regulations in what became known as the "London Gazette." Many of the English provinces and most Latin countries also have their official gazettes.

### Business Outlook Clarified by Decision of United States Supreme Court Invalidating NIRA According to Guaranty Trust Co. of New York—Urges Government to Proceed Cautiously

The more cautiously the Government proceeds, the more confidently private business will go ahead, declares the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, in discussing the Supreme Court's National Industrial Recovery Act decision in relation to business recovery, in the issue of the "Guaranty Survey," its monthly review of business and financial conditions in the United States and abroad, published June 24. "The Supreme Court's decision," says "The Survey," has removed some shackles from private trade, and, if this change is regarded as a challenge to business to take the leadership in the move toward recovery, free from political domination, there is every reason to believe that business men are willing and able to assume that role. The passing of the NIRA helps to free business men from the fear of punitive measures and thus promotes the confidence that is the foundation-stone of recovery. Continuing, "The Survey" says:

The attitude of the Government toward business should be one of constructive assistance, not one of restriction. Business in general is not opposed to proper Government regulation; but regulation, in order to inspire confidence and encourage business men to expand their output and increase their payrolls, must be constructive, not destructive. Producers must be free from the involuntary acceptance of the doctrine that the road to recovery lies in the arbitrary raising of costs, the restriction of output, and the destruction of commodities already in existence. It is axiomatic that only by increased production can more goods be made available and higher real wages be distributed to individuals.

To what extent private business initiative will be permitted to play a leading role in the process of recovery depends, of course, on future legislation; and the more cautiously the Government proceeds, the more confidently private business will go ahead. In this connection, it appears that the most significant part of the Supreme Court's NIRA decision has been underemphasized, namely, its refusal to uphold a far-reaching and

loose interpretation of inter-State commerce. It was emphatically stated, and at some length, that transactions only remotely and indirectly affecting inter-State commerce remain within State control. Even though legislation for a new NIRA or some other form of planned economy should be devised constitutionally, under the court's ruling it could be applied only to business that is strictly inter-State, which constitutes such a small fraction of our economic life that the attempt, for all practical purposes, would be impotent in directing and regimenting the economic destinies of the American people.

A most significant commentary on the cessation of compulsory code administration is the fact that it seems to have made business men in general more hopeful regarding the future course of industry and trade. The measure of improvement under the NIRA has been so disappointing that even many who ardently embraced the plan when it was approved by the Administration express no regrets at its passing. It is believed that the Government's future course of action in reference to business will be guided by the trend of trade in the next several months and the public reaction to conditions after industry has been permitted to operate for a reasonable period free from the NIRA restrictions. Certainly the Supreme Court's ruling should discourage any legislation designed to give the Government similar sweeping and drastic powers to interfere with private business. With the knowledge that the major phase of our vast and costly planned-economy experiment has ended, business confidence may revive; business men may now be in a position to consider long-term planning and commitments with more justification than in the last two years; and, most important, unless further restrictive legislation is attempted in defiance of the principles laid down by the Supreme Court, natural recuperative forces may assert themselves with less hindrance than in the recent past.

"The Survey," in its comments on the decision, also says: The passing of the NIRA as an instrumentality by means of which the realm of private business could be invaded by the Government for the purpose of experimental control adds one more instance to the long list of planned-economy failures throughout the world. The idea that the labor of men and the rewards for that labor can be arbitrarily directed by human agencies more wisely and beneficially than by natural economic forces has been entertained since the time of the early Greek philosophers. Yet the wreckage resulting from man's attempt to direct the course of economic affairs is so overwhelmingly indicative of the hazards involved in such tampering that thoughtful observers of business trends are at a loss to understand its continual recurrence.

#### Causes of Failure

The failure of the NIRA to accomplish even a substantial part of the things that were hoped for it may be ascribed to two causes: first, it was based on a false conception of the interrelationship of economic forces; and second, it is hardly conceivable that any group of individuals, and certainly a group small enough to permit co-ordination, can have the foresight, knowledge and energy necessary to direct successfully the elements in an economic system so complex in nature and so vast in scope as ours. It was obvious during the life of the NIRA that the organization necessary to carry out the project was growing so large and unwieldy that frequently those within it were themselves confused, with the various departments working at cross-purposes on more than one occasion.

By increasing costs out of proportion to the rise in prices, the NIRA cut heavily into the already lean profits of business; and industrialists, rather than being encouraged to increase their production schedules, were forced in many instances to struggle to maintain the standards set up by law.

### Abandonment of Plans of Earle Administration to Regulate Pennsylvania Industry Through State NRA Code

It was made known in Harrisburg advices, June 13, to the Philadelphia "Inquirer" that the Earle Administration on that day abandoned its plan to regulate Pennsylvania industry through a State NRA code. The dispatch to the "Inquirer," in part, added:

That was revealed by Representative Samuel Weiss, Allegheny Democrat, after he placed his Administration-sponsored recovery bill on the House postponed calendar.

"Efforts to effect passage of a State Recovery Act at this session of the Legislature have been abandoned," Mr. Weiss declared.

He asserted that at the request of Administration officials and labor leaders the measure has been postponed for at least seven months to give industry an opportunity to work out its own salvation without code restrictions.

"If industry is unable to make progress on its own initiative," Mr. Weiss added, "then I will reintroduce the bill at a special session late this year or early next year."

#### Provisions of Bill

- The discarded Weiss recovery bill provided for:
1. Establishment of an eight-hour day and 48-hour week.
  2. Fixed and minimum wage of 30c. an hour specifically as it applied to learners, watchmen and office boys.
  3. Establishing guards against unfair trade practice modeled upon similar regulations contained in the defunct Federal codes.
  4. Enacting into law the principle of collective bargaining between employers and employees on the same basis as Section 7-A of the outlawed NIRA.

Soon after the Governor submitted his State Recovery Act to the Legislature, protests against it sprang up throughout the State.

### Ohio Recovery Act Held Unconstitutional by State Supreme Court—Governor Davey Had Recently Signed Bill Extending Act

The Ohio Recovery Act was declared unconstitutional on June 12 by the Ohio Supreme Court. The action, it was stated, was the result of the decision of the United States Supreme Court of May 27 against the National Industrial Recovery Act. The decision of the United States court was given in our issue of June 1, page 3621. As to the action of the Ohio court, on June 12, Associated Press advices from Columbus said:

Without giving a formal decision, the court ruled on two cases involving the coal code. The cases arose in Toledo and Cincinnati, one challenging the price-fixing provision of the State law and the other challenging the validity of the law itself.

Governor Davey recently signed a bill passed by the Legislature extending the life of the "ORA" until such time as the National Recovery Act expired, but not longer than April 1936. The Governor approved the measure notwithstanding the United States Supreme Court's ruling on the NIRA.

In the Cincinnati "Enquirer" it was stated that while the Ohio supreme tribunal did not write an opinion setting out its reasons for holding the Ohio Act invalid, in its journal entry it declared the law authorized unlawful delegation of powers, the same point on which the United States Supreme Court held the NIRA unconstitutional.

#### Governor La Follette of Wisconsin Signs New State Recovery Legislation—Provides for Codes of Fair Competition

Governor Philip F. LaFollette on June 22 signed the new Wisconsin Recovery Act authorizing him to impose codes of fair competition upon industries in the State. In advices (United Press) from Madison, Wis., it was further reported:

The Act was passed by the Legislature this week to replace a previous Recovery Act which the Wisconsin Supreme Court held unconstitutional because it delegated the establishment of codes to industrial groups.

Despite the United States Supreme Court's invalidation of the National Industrial Recovery Act, sponsors of the new Wisconsin Recovery Act are confident that it can stand the test of constitutionality.

#### Closing of Offices at Detroit of National Automobile Labor Board—Records Ordered to Washington

With the closing of the offices at Detroit of the National Automobile Labor Board, on June 15, the Board, according to Associated Press advices from Detroit on June 14, apparently passed out of existence with receipt of an order for the closing of its quarters and the shipment of its records to Washington. The advices added:

The order came from Nicholas Kelley, industry's representative on the Board, who is in New York, where the other two members, Dr. Leo Wolman, Chairman and neutral member, and Richard L. Byrd, labor's representative, were reported to be in conference.

The Board, for months the object of bitter attacks by the American Federation of Labor, virtually had completed its work of conducting collective bargaining elections in automobile plants throughout the country, and its end had been widely predicted even before the Supreme Court declared the National Recovery Act invalid.

The Board was created March 25 1934, at a White House conference, by agreement of the Automobile Manufacturers Association and the A. F. of L. The A. F. of L. fight on the Board was based largely on disagreement over the Board's insistence that representation on collective bargaining agencies named in plant elections be proportional to the vote cast by each group, while the A. F. of L. contended that the majority rule principle should apply. A. F. of L. locals polled less than 10% of the vote in elections conducted in 63 automotive plants and participated in by 85% of the 191,000 eligible employees.

#### Baltimore Judge Rules Manufacturers Are Entitled to Higher Prices from Customers to Cover Increased Costs Under NIRA—Court Holds Acceptance Obligates Defendant to Meet Increased Cost

Manufacturers whose costs were increased by the National Industrial Recovery Act are entitled to call upon their customers to pay prices higher than those agreed upon in original contracts, Judge Robert F. Stanton ruled in the City Court on June 18, we learn from the Baltimore "Sun" of June 18, which also had the following to say:

Deciding for the La Salle Hat Co. of Philadelphia, in an action it had brought against the Dor-Sil Hat Co. of Baltimore, Judge Stanton said that the Baltimore concern would have to pay \$399 sought as a "10% differential" to cover increases in costs brought about by NIRA codes.

##### Bound by Acceptance

The judge said that the Dor-Sil Co. could have refused to accept the goods in view of the increased price, but that acceptance, after they had been told that a higher price would be demanded, made it necessary for them to pay the new cost.

The suit started after the Baltimore company paid the price agreed upon when the goods were purchased, but refused to pay the 10% additional the La Salle Co. had added to the price after the NIRA raised its manufacturing cost.

The Philadelphia company sued to recover this 10%.

In deciding the case Judge Stanton overruled a contention of Harry O. Levin, counsel for the Baltimore concern, that the increase could not be collected now because the Supreme Court had declared the NIRA unconstitutional.

#### Rescinding by Georgia Garment Mill of Order Calling Upon Workers to Refund Wage Increase Granted Under NRA Code

The recent order issued by Happ Brothers Co., Macon, Ga., calling upon employees to refund a 10% wage increase received under the National Recovery Administration, was rescinded by the company on June 5, we learn from Macon advices (Associated Press) of June 5. The increase, it was stated, went into effect on Jan. 28 with the understanding that the workers would repay it if the action of the NRA in ordering the raise was held illegal. Following the decision of the United States Supreme Court of May 27 holding unconstitutional the provisions of the National Industrial Recovery Act to fix wages and hours and create codes, the company issued the order under which the workers would have had to return the wage increase.

The Associated Press advices of June 5 from Macon, as given in the Atlanta "Constitution" of June 6 said:

Last week, as a result of the Supreme Court decision against the NIRA, the company announced that the refund would have to be made.

To-day, in a statement saying the repayment would not be required, the Happ Brothers' management outlined the history of the wage increase and praised the employees for their "fairness" in presenting their side of the case to local newspapers.

The company said it had decided not to order the refund "because of our earnest desire to do nothing that would even raise the question as to our being fair, and we are endeavoring to do even more than is required in order to preserve and promote the spirit of the NRA."

An earlier reference to the matter appeared in our June 8 issue, page 3824.

#### NRA Not to Encourage "Actively" Submission of Voluntary Trade Codes—New Legislation on NRA Unlikely at This Session of Congress—Move for Co-operation of NRA and FTC

The revised National Recovery Administration at a meeting on June 25 decided to adopt a cautious policy toward voluntary business and industrial codes and after conferring with the Federal Trade Commission the NRA staff was warned against "actively encouraging" the "submission of codes," although at the same time the NRA submitted methods for offering "simple and inexpensive presentations" of codes. President Roosevelt in the meanwhile has informed Congressional leaders that he will not submit any new legislation covering the NRA at the present session of Congress.

A memorandum issued after the NRA meeting on June 25 said that although the submission of voluntary codes would not be "actively" encouraged, they would nevertheless be accepted. The memorandum read in part as follows:

NRA must avoid premature action which will necessitate retracing steps to conform to a subsequent revised policy. If a structure of voluntary agreements is to be built up, it must be built solidly and without undue burden of time, energy and cost upon industry. Therefore, NRA must have its own program clearly developed before it can encourage industry to proceed along definite lines.

A number of industries may insist that they must enter into voluntary agreements now or not at all, because the forces of disruption in their industry are already at work. While we do not underestimate the seriousness of delay, it would be a much more serious blunder to enter into voluntary agreements before we are reasonably sure of our ground.

The foregoing does not imply that the submission of agreements should be discouraged. Many industries already have drawn up tentative agreements.

When members of an industry desire to submit an agreement for approval, they should be advised (1) that as yet we are not in a position to act on such agreements, (2) that until further notice a simple and inexpensive presentation will be adequate, and (3) that information most useful at this time is an indication as to the problems which industry feels can be treated effectively through voluntary agreements.

Furthermore, we should like to be kept informed as to which industries are considering the use of voluntary agreements.

Following a conference on June 21 between NRA officials and members of the FTC it was stated that it was suggested by President Roosevelt that the two bodies co-operate in an effort to solve the problem presented by the Schechter decision invalidating the NRA. From the advices June 21 from Washington to the New York "Times" we quote:

After the meeting a joint statement was issued by Ewin L. Davis, Chairman of the FTC, and James L. O'Neill, acting NRA Administrator.

The statement declared that the conference had been an "effort to find ways and means of co-operating to the end that business seeking to work out voluntary agreements, including labor, wage and hour provisions and also including fair trade practices, could do so most expeditiously.

"Progress was made and it was decided that the FTC and the NRA would consider the problems further and meet together again at an early date," the statement added.

Those present besides Mr. O'Neill and Mr. Davis were Prentiss L. Coonley, Milton Katz and Dr. Willard L. Thorp of the NRA and Charles H. March and William A. Ayres, Trade Commissioners.

##### Tentative Draft Being Studied

A tentative draft of a new NRA bill to supplement the "skeleton" organization, now being circulated among NRA officials, is said to provide for enlargement of the FTC from the present four commissioners to seven or nine.

The bill is also said to define the area of activity of each of the two bodies.

Further advices June 27 from Washington to the "Times" stated:

James L. O'Neill, Acting NRA Administrator, indicated to-day that the fair-trade practices in voluntary codes of fair competition would be put under the supervision of the FTC, and that the NRA would limit itself to the labor provisions of these codes.

Mr. O'Neill, who with Secretary Perkins, conferred with President Roosevelt on NRA matters, said at a press conference that he hoped to make an announcement in a few days on the decision on voluntary codes. While the submission of such codes was not being discouraged, the NRA was not encouraging industries to go to the expense of holding conventions in order to formulate them, he added.

Emphasizing the harmonious relations between the NRA and the FTC, Mr. O'Neill said they agreed that "business should not have to go to two places for one job." It was in this connection that he indicated the scope of the FTC as probably being limited to fair-trade practices. He was under the impression that this phase of the program could be carried through without legislation.

In reply to a question, Mr. O'Neill remarked that the FTC felt that voluntary codes did not have to contain minimum wage and maximum hour provisions. The NRA opinion, however, was that industries submitting voluntary codes would have to include wage and hour standards.

#### Threatened General Strike of 20,000 Averted in South Bend, Ind.—Terms Accepted by Workers of Oliver Farm Implement Co.

Employees of the Oliver Farm Equipment Co., South Bend, Ind., on June 19 accepted terms of executives of the

company, thereby averting a general strike which would have affected 20,000 workers. The strike had been scheduled to go into effect June 19, it was stated in United Press advices from South Bend, which added:

Company executives and union representatives reached a tentative agreement last night on disputed labor policies.

Union leaders contended members were discriminated against in recent plant layoffs and charged a report of an arbitration committee resulting from the earlier strike was "colored" by company misrepresentations.

#### Striking Employees of Stover Manufacturing Co., Freeport, Ill., Return to Work—Six-Week Walkout Marked by Call for National Guard—5% Wage Increase Granted

Following an agreement reached on June 16 by an arbitration conference in which Governor Henry Horner, of Illinois, was a participant, workers of the Stover Manufacturing Co., Freeport, Ill., who had been on strike about six weeks, returned to their jobs on June 17. On June 14 a riot of the strikers, in which seven persons were injured, resulted in a call for the National Guard. The strikers had demanded restoration of two 10% wage cuts, and the right to bargain collectively. The company manufactures farm machinery. The terms agreed upon at the arbitration conference on June 16 were reported as follows in United Press advices from Freeport, Ill., June 16, to the New York "Journal of Commerce" of June 17:

Union and non-organized employees agreed to a 5% wage increase, effective until May 1 1936, with provision negotiations be resumed Sept. 1 if conditions warrant.

The Machinists and Molders Union, which called the strike, waived its demand for union recognition and agreed to work under an open shop.

The following is also from the same advices:

Governor Horner, who suggested the 5% increase after company officials had rejected a 10% adjustment, said troops would be withdrawn tomorrow.

Four National Guard companies restored order at the plant Friday (June 14) after seven pickets were injured, one severely, in a futile attempt to stop deputies and workmen from entering the plant.

Company officials announced the men were not strike-breakers, but only sought entrance to crate orders already consigned.

The plant was closed six weeks ago when about 400 of the 700 employees walked out.

#### Two-Month Strike of Omaha Street Car Workers Ended—Demands to Be Arbitrated—Martial Law Lifted

The control of Omaha, Neb., which had been under martial law since June 15, was restored to civil authorities on June 21 by gubernatorial proclamation after striking workers of the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway Co. had returned to their jobs that day. The strike, in effect two months, was ended on June 20 by an arbitration board of three formed by Governor R. L. Cochran. All demands of the workers are to be arbitrated. About 270 employees of the company were involved in the strike.

In reporting the ending of the strike by the arbitration committee, Associated Press advices from Omaha, June 20, appearing in the New York "Herald Tribune" of June 21 said:

Ending of the strike came two months to the day after the men had walked out and seven hours before the midnight deadline set by the Governor. Bombings and street battles between police and strike sympathizers had kept the city in an uproar until the Nebraska National Guard combat force of 1,800 men established martial law last Saturday (June 15) after a Friday night riot in which two men were killed. Street car service had been halted from time to time, and the troops arrested several persons, giving short jail sentences to a few.

The strikers will receive pay at the same rate as before the strike, while the arbitration board composed of Sam Reynolds, representing the company; Ernest Bowerman, for the strikers, and John J. Ledwith, of Lincoln, neutral member of the board appointed by the Governor, arbitrate a wage increase asked by the striking organized employees.

Messrs. Reynolds, Ledwith and Bowerman will also arbitrate shorter hours, re-employment of a few ousted men, and the closed shop. Seniority, however, will be arbitrated by another board to be composed of Messrs. Bowerman, Ledwith, and one member named by the present employees of the company.

Under the agreement reached, the company and the organized employees will be bound for one year by the finding of the arbitration boards.

Immediate arrangements were made for the removal of the National Guardsmen. Several companies were to depart to-night, but the city will remain under martial law until all have gone.

#### State Governors in Annual Conference at Biloxi, Miss. Pledge Co-operation with President Roosevelt in Efforts Toward Recovery—Reject Resolution Protesting Against Federal Control of State Expenditures of Works Fund by Federal Administrators

A resolution tendering President Franklin D. Roosevelt their co-operation was adopted by the conference of Governors at the concluding business session at Biloxi, Miss., on June 14. It was noted in a Biloxi dispatch to the Washington "Post" that the unanimous pledge of co-operation by the Governors with the President represented a sudden over-night abandonment of their critical attitude against Federal control of the new work relief program. From the same dispatch we quote:

Just at the close of the conference, a resolution proposed by Governor Johnston of South Carolina was unanimously adopted which, after mentioning the "wise leadership of President Roosevelt," urged that a "nation-

wide program" providing minimum wages of pay and maximum hours of employment be encouraged by the Governors.

Advices from Biloxi to the New Orleans "Times-Picayune," June 14, reporting this, added:

While adopting these resolutions without a recorded dissenting vote, the Governors' conference rejected, by a vote of 13 to 3, a resolution voicing a protest against taking the expenditure of Federal work relief money out of the hands of State authorities and placing it under Federal agents.

The resolution did not make clear what was meant by "nation-wide program."

This about-face came as the result of overnight activities by some of the Democratic Governors, who sought to head off a rebuke to the Administration for taking work relief entirely out of State hands.

#### Stand Aside for Congress

In an executive session preceding final adjournment, the conference authorized its executive committee to summon a special conference to consider co-ordinated State approach to problems of common concern that might be left unsolved by Congress.

In other words, the Governors stood aside to give Congress the right of way. The State compact scheme received favorable consideration, but the Governors felt that it would be difficult to chart any such course until they knew how far the National Government intended to go in dealing with such matters as regulation of inter-State commerce, fair trade practices and stabilization of industry.

In the absence of congressional action on these subjects, it was suggested that by means of inter-State compacts, uniform laws could be set up to meet these necessities in the several States. With reference to regulation of inter-State commerce it was suggested that two courses were open to Congress, first to enlarge powers of the Federal Trade Commission and second to set up a separate Federal commission to regulate all forms of competition and permit wider trade agreements, while at the same time seeking to improve standards of business practice.

#### Only Michigan Revolts

Final action upholding the President came after a brief flurry caused when one of the two Republican Governors present—Frank D. Fitzgerald of Michigan—offered a resolution protesting against Federal control of relief funds and "demanding" that full control of welfare relief administration be placed in the hands of the States.

Instantly Governor McNutt of Indiana—whose Secretary, incidentally, has been named Works Administrator for his State, thus assuring that he will have an unofficial influence in the set-up—was on his feet with a motion to table the resolution and thereby kill it. He said it was unprecedented for the Governors to adopt resolutions on controversial matters.

On the vote to table, the result was 13 to 3. Only Governor Nice of Maryland, a Republican; Governor Talmadge of Georgia, an anti-Administration Democrat, and Governor Allen of Louisiana, Huey Long's man, voted against killing the resolution. The author, Governor Fitzgerald, did not vote.

#### Governor Ehringhaus Fathers Move

Thereupon, Governor Ehringhaus of North Carolina, who yesterday had protested the taking of work relief from the control of State Governors, offered his resolution, explaining that while the conference had a rule against controversial resolutions, his was similar to one adopted when the Governors met at the White House with Mr. Roosevelt immediately after his inauguration on March 6 1933.

It read as follows:

"Recalling the fact that the President of the United States, as Governor of one of our sovereign States, was most active in the original promotion of these conferences, and further recalling that one of his first acts as President was to call into consultation the Chief Executives of all the States for a frank discussion of the critical problems then pressing for solution, recalling that at their conference at Washington in 1933 the Governors passed by unanimous vote resolutions pledging themselves to sympathetic co-operation with the nation's chief in the difficult days ahead, and further than those stressful days are still upon us and there is yet great necessity for co-operation and co-ordinated effort without partisanship or narrow politics, this conference of Governors sends its sympathetic greeting to the nation's chief and renews in patriotic non-partisanship its pledge of co-operative executive effort toward national rehabilitation and invites, in cordiality and a sense of consecrated public service, consultation and co-operation in our great common enterprise of public service."

#### Calls Mr. Roosevelt "Wise"

The text of the Johnston resolution said, in part:

"Whereas business has been greatly benefited and working conditions vastly improved in the last two years under the wise leadership of President Roosevelt; and,

"Whereas it is essential to our national economy surety that a nation-wide program providing minimum wages of pay and maximum hours of employment be maintained in the interest of the preservation of amicable relationship between capital and labor and the enhancement of the purchasing power of the people of this country to the end that unemployment be reduced; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That it is the sentiment of this Governors' conference that these ideals should be encouraged and furthered throughout this nation."

#### Two Republicans Join

The Ehringhaus resolution was framed to put the meeting on record as supporting the Roosevelt Administration.

Governor Nice of Maryland rose before the vote was taken and announced that "if this resolution comes to a vote I want to be recorded as voting in favor of it as an evidence of non-partisanship in the same spirit in which I voted against the previous resolution."

The other Republican Governor present, Governor Fitzgerald, also rose and said that it was "very appropriate and fitting that we should make an exception to custom and vote favorably and unanimously for this resolution."

#### Optimistic Views of Speakers at Annual Convention of National Association of Credit Men—Fred Roth Cites Improving Failure Record—A. W. Robertson Enumerates Signs Tending Toward Betterment—Warning by John Gerdes Against Forced Sales

A. W. Robertson, Chairman of Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co., addressing the National Credit Men's Association at Pittsburgh, on June 18, pointed out that

there are certain signs which cause reasonable men to believe business improvement is under way. Signs of the times were described by Mr. Robertson as follows:

To-day our banks are sound. Three years ago thousands of banks were closing their doors and the strongest banks were feeling the effect of the depression.

To-day money is cheap—unbelievably cheap, in fact. Three years ago it was dear and almost unobtainable.

To-day the farmers of the country are more prosperous.

To-day we are suffering from three to five years of obsolescence without normal purchases of machinery and new devices which have been developed in recent years. This means that as soon as improvement sets in there will be eager purchasing of improved equipment which is available.

That the worst of the depression is behind us was the opinion expressed by Fred Roth, President of the National Association of Credit Men on June 16, whose views were outlined with his arrival in Pittsburgh on June 16 to attend the annual convention of the Association, which opened June 17. Mr. Roth, who is President of the Whitney-Roth Shoe Co. of Cleveland, Ohio, said:

The clearest indication of the country's rise from the depths of depression is indicated in the continually improving failure record. In all previous depressions, when we have had a continued improvement in our record of failures, it has indicated that recovery was at hand. For the past year or more our showing has been better by comparison than with the early years of the depression following the 1929 crash. This is one of the indices that has proved almost unerring in its accuracy in preceding the change for better condition.

The improved agricultural prices have already transmitted themselves into improved business in those districts, and a larger psychological improvement among people residing in agricultural areas. Despite drought and dust storms, the agricultural States are showing the effect of a revival in their purchasing power, for machinery companies are reporting better orders and retail trade in the agricultural areas is considerably improved.

Discussing the recent decisions on New Deal legislation by the Supreme Court, Mr. Roth stated they have the beneficial effects of developing a sounder approach and a clearer definition in our legislation which is intended to relieve the perplexities and confusions arising in our modern economy. The trend in business circles is toward higher ethical standards and will continue to be so regardless of Government fiat or court rulings.

A warning that forced sales should be avoided was sounded before the convention of the National Association of Credit Men on June 19 by John Gerdes of the National Bankruptcy Conference. Creditors, he said, have much to gain and nothing to lose by permitting reorganization of corporations under the new regulations instead of insisting on liquidation. A dispatch, June 19, from Pittsburgh to the New York "Times" is further quoted as follows:

Forced sales, Mr. Gerdes went on, are ruinous to creditors and debtors alike in "this day of vast enterprises which cannot be liquidated at anywhere near their real value."

In supporting the provisions of Section 77B of the new Bankruptcy Act, which compels minority dissenting creditors to accept securities instead of cash in settlement of their claims, Mr. Gerdes said that there is no principle in morals or equity which gives the small minority a vested right to "sacrifice the interests of the much greater number by insisting upon a division of the assets in a way which can only result in damaging loss to all who are interested."

### W. H. Rabell at Request of SEC Resigns as Investigator of Commission—Mr. Rabell Pleads Not Guilty to Charges by J. Edward Jones Incident to Commission's Proceedings to Restrain Mr. Jones from Dealing in Oil Royalties

The resignation, at the request of the Securities and Exchange Commission, of William H. Rabell as Assistant Chief Accountant Investigator for the Commission was made known by the latter on June 25. On the previous day (June 24) Mr. Rabell pleaded not guilty to charges brought by J. Edward Jones incident to the proceedings of the Commission against Mr. Jones restraining him from dealing in oil royalties. Following his plea, Mr. Rabell was released in cash bail of \$1,500. The Commission's announcement of June 25 as to the case of Mr. Rabell follows:

The Securities and Exchange Commission to-day issued the following statement with respect to the case of William H. Rabell, now in the custody of Federal officials in New York, N. Y.

Mr. Rabell, whose application indicated broad experience, was appointed Assistant Chief Accountant Investigator in the Securities and Exchange Commission at an annual salary of \$4,600 on Oct. 15 1934. On June 13 1935 the Commission requested his resignation, which took effect on June 15. This action was taken on the grounds that his services were unsatisfactory to the Commission.

On June 22 the Commission, through confidential sources, received word that Mr. Rabell had approached one J. Edward Jones, a New York oil royalty dealer, with a proposition to "throw" the Government's case in return for a sum of money, and that Mr. Jones was arranging a trap in which to catch Mr. Rabell.

The Commission immediately conferred with officials of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and requested their active co-operation. At the interview which Mr. Jones had arranged with Mr. Rabell at the former's home in Scarsdale, N. Y., on Friday, June 21, and on Sunday, June 23, complete records of the conversation were recorded for use by Department of Justice authorities. The Department of Justice agents from the Southern District of New York and Judge John J. Burns, General Counsel for the Securities and Exchange Commission, were present at the meeting on the 23rd. Immediately after Sunday's meeting, Mr. Rabell was taken into custody.

The two proceedings pending against Mr. Jones were instituted by the Commission in the enforcement of the Securities Act of 1933. The first is an injunctive proceeding in the Southern District of New York, where on Feb. 8 Mr. Jones consented in open court to the issuing of a temporary

injunction against himself, sought by the Commission on the charge that he was using the mails and instrumentalities of inter-State commerce in violation of the fraud and registration provisions of the Securities Act of 1933 in the distribution of certain oil and mineral rights and royalty trust certificates. This suit is now on the list for trial on the Commission's prayer that the injunction be made permanent. The Commission hopes to have its bill of complaint determined as expeditiously as possible according to the usual judicial procedure.

The other action is a stop order proceeding in connection with a registration statement filed with the Commission by Mr. Jones for the public offering of certain oil royalty trust securities. A hearing on this proceeding was called for Tuesday, June 18, at which time Mr. Jones failed to appear. The hearing was put over until the 27th to give the Commission time in which to serve Mr. Jones with a subpoena. Mr. Jones consented to service in New York two days later. This stop order proceeding was based on allegations by the Commission that the registration statement contained untrue statements and omitted to state material facts in connection with the proposed offering.

At the hearing scheduled for June 18, at which Mr. Jones failed to make his appearance, his representatives attempted to withdraw the registration statement in question and were refused permission to do this by the Commission.

As to the fixing of bail and charges against Mr. Rabell, we quote the following from the New York "Herald Tribune" of June 25:

Garrett W. Cotter, United States Commissioner, set the bail at the arraignment on a complaint charging Mr. Rabell with impersonating an official and employee of the SEC in an attempt to obtain \$25,000 from J. Edward Jones, of Scarsdale, N. Y., the country's leading dealer in oil royalties.

Mr. Rabell was arrested in Mr. Jones's home at 100 Morris Lane, Scarsdale, on Sunday [June 23]. A complicated system of wiring attached to detectographs was used for two stenographers to record the conversations between Mr. Jones and Mr. Rabell. Present in the house at the time were Charles T. Murphy, Assistant United States Attorney; John J. Burns, counsel for the SEC, and Westchester County officials. They listened to the negotiations and heard Mr. Jones obtain a reduction of the amount requested from \$50,000 to \$25,000. According to the complaint, \$250 had been paid to Mr. Rabell on Friday [June 21].

#### Board's Powers Challenged

H. I. Fishback, attorney for Mr. Jones, said that a hearing before the Commission would be held Thursday [June 27] to determine whether the Commission has the right to regulate the selling of oil royalties.

At the arraignment before Commissioner Cotter, Mr. Rabell heard the reading of the complaint as signed by J. W. Vincent, special agent of the Department of Justice, which charged violation of Title 18, Section 76 of the United States code "in that on June 21 and 23, in Scarsdale, N. Y., the defendant with intent to defraud the United States and other persons did pretend to be and did impersonate an officer and employee acting under the authority of the Securities and Exchange Commission and, acting and representing himself to be such official and employee, did attempt to obtain from J. Edward Jones \$25,000 and did obtain \$250 from J. Edward Jones."

"Your honor," Mr. Rabell said, "I come from a reputable family. I have never been in any difficulties. May I have permission to get in touch with my family and get bail? I also wish to consult an attorney."

Mr. Murphy told the Court that he had no fear of any attempt on Mr. Rabell's part to leave the jurisdiction of the Court. He asked for \$2,000 bail and Mr. Rabell asked for \$1,500. The latter's request was granted, with the hearing date set for July 9.

Mr. Jones, in a statement issued on June 23, said, in part:

My position has created personal antagonisms and my personal standing and the integrity of my business organization have been attacked. In fact, my entire field of business enterprise, the purchase and sale of royalties on the production of crude petroleum, has been characterized by officials of the SEC as a racket.

I wish emphatically to state that nothing done attaches any stigma at all to any of the honorable members of the Commission. I hold no thought personally antagonistic to the Chairman or any other member. I regard all of them as honorable men who must place responsibility upon subordinates.

In as much as the acts of subordinates, however, make and break business, it appears obvious that responsibility attaching to the Commission demands for the very protection of business itself, every possible care in the selection of the Commission staff and the direction of its policies and actions.

On June 27 Mr. Jones failed to appear at a Securities Commission hearing in Washington in response to a subpoena and served notice of intent to challenge the constitutionality of the Securities Act of 1933. In part, Associated Press advices from Washington, June 27, said:

H. I. Fischback, counsel for Mr. Jones, attempted to present motions to quash the subpoena, to deny the Commission's jurisdiction, and to dismiss the case. They were overruled by Judge William Green as improperly presented.

Bernard Cahn, Commission counsel, said it expected to move "to compel" the appearance of Mr. Jones, and Mr. Fischback said he would act in the New York Circuit Court of Appeals, to review Judge Green's rulings on constitutional and other grounds.

Harry O. Glasser, also of Mr. Jones's counsel, indicated he would argue that Mr. Jones was not engaged in interstate commerce, as the commission contends.

Judge Green noted for the record that Mr. Jones "failed to co-operate with the commission" and adjourned the hearing indefinitely.

The proceedings of the Commission against Mr. Jones were referred to in our issue of Feb. 9 1935, page 884.

### New York Stock Exchange Visited by 80 Representatives of Stock Exchange Firms from Eastern States

Eighty representatives of stock exchange firms from Eastern States visited the New York Stock Exchange June 24, spending the day in observing trading on the floor of the Exchange and meeting with Exchange officials and governors. The visits, the Exchange stated, were arranged by the Committee on Public Relations (of the Exchange) in co-operation with the Correspondence Committee of the



Association of Stock Exchange Firms as part of its program of education. The representatives for the visit were selected by the firms in their locality to make this study of the Exchange and to report back their observations. An announcement by the Stock Exchange continued:

The program for the morning included primarily visits to the floor of the Exchange where a special program had been arranged, embracing explanations of specialists' operations, odd-lot procedure, bond trading, the quotation system and other parts of the Exchange machinery and organization. In the afternoon the visitors were addressed by Charles R. Gay, President of the Exchange; Maurice L. Farrell, Chairman of the Committee on Public Relations, and by Roger D. Mellick and Robert L. Stott, governors of the Exchange, who discussed "Handling Odd-Lot Orders," and "Stock Specialists," respectively. In the evening the visitors were the guests of the Exchange at a dinner.

Representatives from the following cities were present:

Albany, N. Y.	Lancaster, Pa.
Atlantic City, N. J.	Miami Beach, Fla.
Baltimore, Md.	Philadelphia, Pa.
Bethlehem, Pa.	Reading, Pa.
Binghamton, N. Y.	Rochester, N. Y.
Buffalo, N. Y.	Savannah, Ga.
Camden, N. J.	Scranton, Pa.
Canton, Ohio	Springfield, Mass.

A recent visit to the Stock Exchange by 10 brokers from the New England area was referred to in our issue of June 1, page 3662.

#### F. T. Boyd and W. H. Maclay Resign as Assistant Secretaries of New York Stock Exchange

The New York Stock Exchange announced June 26 that the Governing Committee at its meeting that day accepted the resignation of Francis T. Boyd, First Assistant Secretary of the Exchange, effective Sept. 1 1935, and the resignation of William H. Maclay, Assistant Secretary of the Exchange, and Secretary of the Committee on Quotations and Commissions, effective July 1 1935.

#### Edward B. Smith & Co. Admits Three New Partners—K. Weisheit, J. N. Land and H. Wilson Were Formerly with Guaranty Co. of New York

Edward B. Smith & Co., New York, who, following the dissolution of the Guaranty Co. of New York, the securities affiliate of the Guaranty Trust Co., took into their organization a year ago four of the principal officers of the Guaranty Co. as partners, will admit three additional Guaranty Co. men as partners on July 1. The new partners will be Karl Weisheit and James N. Land, resident in New York, and Hamilton Wilson of the Cleveland office. All three have been associated with Edward B. Smith & Co. since Joseph R. Swan, Burnett Walker, Irving D. Fish and J. Ritchie Kimball were admitted as partners on June 18 1934. Other partners are:

Raddcliffe Cheston, Jr., Charles S. Cheston, John W. Cutler, Edward B. Smith, Jr., Reginald G. Coombe, Edward O. Sayers, Junius A. Richards, Harcourt Amory, Rodney W. Brown, and Robert F. Whitmer, Jr.

From an announcement issued in the matter we also take the following:

The Guaranty Co. participated in the underwriting and distribution of many major investment issues. The officers and personnel who joined Edward B. Smith & Co. a year ago brought with them numerous personal contacts which they had made with many large corporations and financial interests, not only of this country but of Europe and the Far East. As a result, Edward B. Smith & Co. have become one of the leading security underwriting houses in the country in addition to continuing their commission and advisory business.

#### Stewart C. Pratt of National City Bank Sails for Berlin in Interest of Claims of American Holders of German Bonds

In furtherance of the American holders of German corporate and municipal bonds, Stewart C. Pratt, Vice-President of the National City Bank of New York, sailed for Germany yesterday (June 28). He is chairman of the fiscal agents committee, representing 19 banks in the United States which served as fiscal agents for German borrowers, said the New York "Times" of yesterday, which stated that efforts to obtain for the American holders of the bonds an arrangement, which is at least as favorable to them as agreements already made by German borrowers with British creditors, will be resumed early next month. The "Times" added:

Negotiations have been carried to a point where an agreement has been reached in principle upon the issuance of 10-year 3% funding bonds to United States holders of German corporate and municipal loans in payment of interest. Mr. Pratt will discuss certain mechanical details of this plan which still remain to be worked out. Sterling funding bonds, bearing 4% interest, have been issued to British holders and are traded on the London market. They were recently quoted at 38 to 40.

#### James Speyer, of Speyer & Co., to Sail for Europe To-night

James Speyer, of Speyer & Co., New York, is sailing to-night (June 29) on the "Majestic" for his usual two-months' trip to Europe, and expects to return early in September.

#### A. L. M. Wiggins of South Carolina and V. J. Alexander of Tennessee Added to Personnel of American Bankers Association

A. L. M. Wiggins, President of the Bank of Hartsville, Hartsville, S. C., has been elected to the American Bankers Association Executive Council, the Association announced June 21. T. J. Caldwell, President of the Savings Division

of the Association, has appointed Vance J. Alexander, President Union Planters National Bank & Trust Co., Memphis, Tenn., to membership on the Executive Committee and as Chairman of the Committee on Personal Loans, Savings Division, to succeed Bradley Currey, resigned.

#### Regional Trust Conference of Pacific Coast and Rocky Mountain States to Be Held at Los Angeles, Oct. 31 and Nov. 1

The thirteenth regional trust conference of the Pacific Coast and Rocky Mountain States will be held at Los Angeles, Calif., on Oct. 31 and Nov. 1, it was announced June 14 by Leon M. Little, President of the Trust Division, American Bankers Association and Vice-President of the New England Trust Co., Boston, Mass. The Los Angeles-Biltmore Hotel will be conference headquarters. A. L. Lathrop, President of the California Bankers Association, is General Chairman of the Conference Committee. The conference region embraces the States of Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

#### ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, &c.

Arrangements were made late June 21 for the sale of two New York Stock Exchange memberships, one at \$104,000 and one at \$105,000, in addition to the one earlier in the morning at \$99,000. On June 24 a sale was arranged at \$108,000.

Two seats on the New York Cotton Exchange were sold June 22, both for \$12,000, up \$500 from the last previous transaction on May 29. The membership of John F. Whelen Jr., was sold to Harold L. Bache, for another, and that of Kenneth G. Judson 2d, was transferred to Phillip B. Weld, for another.

The extra membership of Mr. Eugene A. Canalizo on the New York Commodity Exchange, Inc., was sold to-day to Mr. Tudor J. Simpkins, for another, at \$1,600, an increase of \$100 over the last previous sale.

Inauguration of its personal loan service, in accordance with the plan outlined on May 16, was announced on June 25 by the Manufacturers Trust Co., New York. The loans, which are obtainable at any of the 56 offices of the bank located in Manhattan, Brooklyn, Bronx and Queens, are made in amounts ranging from \$60 to \$2,000, at a discount rate of 6% per annum. There is no investigation charge. Repayments are made in the form of 12 equal monthly deposits to a special interest account in the bank, and the interest on these deposits is credited to the borrower. Modernization Loans are handled in exactly the same manner as personal loans, the bank said, except that the annual discount rate is only 5%, and the loans run from one to three years.

Although the term "personal loans" would seem to imply that they are made only for individual needs, Manufacturers Trust Co. points out that credits of this character are also adapted to business purposes. Many smaller business establishments, which might be unable to meet the requirements of commercial bank credit, may be eligible for loans under this plan. Previous reference to the new service was made in our issue of May 18, page 3330.

The Merchants Bank of New York announced on June 22 the opening of a department for the handling of small loans in connection with its commercial banking. The bank will advance sums ranging from \$50 to \$1,000. One feature of the plan, the bank said, is the handling of smaller loans with a single indorser.

The National Safety Bank & Trust Co., New York, inaugurated this week its so-called "checkmaster plan," a new checking service conceived by Alexander Efron, Vice-President of the bank, under which no minimum balance is required or no monthly charge made. The bank, under the new plan, charges a commission of 5c. for each deposit, and the same amount for each check. Where an account is overdrawn a charge of \$1 will be made.

On June 24 Judge John J. Freschi in General Sessions Court, New York City, granted a certificate of reasonable doubt to John A. Dilliard, convicted June 14 on charges of alleged misdemeanor in publishing a false statement, in 1933, on the finances of the State Title & Mortgage Co., of which he was the President. Judge Freschi on June 21 sentenced Mr. Dilliard to six months in the penitentiary. In its issue of June 25 the "Times" in stating that Mr. Dilliard was released in \$5,000 bail when the certificate was granted on the motion of his lawyer, added:

Judge Freschi granted the certificate on only one of the contentions of the Dilliard Lawyer. This was that Victor House, Special Assistant District Attorney, who prosecuted Mr. Dilliard, had not been regularly appointed a member of District Attorney Dodge's staff last Summer when he presented evidence on which Mr. Dilliard and twenty-seven other officers and directors of four defunct title mortgage companies were indicted, and should not have been permitted to enter the grand jury room.

Judge Freschi, at the start of the prosecution in the Dilliard trial about two months ago, denied a motion by the defense attorney made on similar

grounds. Should the appeal, which is not expected to be argued until the Fall, be upheld it would result not only in the quashing of the two indictments against Dilliard, but all the others handed up on evidence presented by Mr. House.

Plans were approved on June 20 by the New York State Banking Department for the reduction of the capital stock and par value of shares of the Bank of Suffolk County, Stony Brook, L. I., from \$50,000 at the par value of \$100 a share to \$25,000 at the par value of \$50 a share.

The Hartford "Courant" of June 20 reported that Judge John A. Cornell, in the Superior Court in Bridgeport, Conn., had set June 24 as the date for the distribution of a 52% dividend to commercial depositors of the defunct Commercial Bank & Trust Co. of Bridgeport and a 50% dividend to the commercial depositors of the American Bank & Trust Co. of Bridgeport. It is further stated:

At the same time, Judge Cornell granted the receiver of the two institutions permission to apply to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for an additional loan of 70% of the assets of the two banks, to be distributed to the savings depositors, in the event it is granted.

Arthur R. Atwood, receiver of the Bank of Pittsburgh, N. A., has been elected a Vice-President of the Colonial Trust Co. of Pittsburgh and several other important changes have been made in the bank's personnel as follows: A. D. Robb, heretofore Vice-President and Secretary, promoted to office of First Vice-President while continuing as Secretary; George A. Young, former Treasurer, advanced to Vice-President; Kenneth Buffington, heretofore Trust Officer, advanced to Vice-President in charge of trusts; Charles A. McClintock, formerly Assistant to President J. C. Chaplin, promoted to Vice-President; Arthur H. Wilharm, heretofore Assistant Treasurer, made Treasurer; Charles E. Coates appointed Assistant Treasurer; R. D. Wetherell named Manager of the savings department, and Robert Monroe III and George H. Matz advanced from Assistant Trust Officers to Trust Officers. The Pittsburgh "Post-Gazette" of June 24, from which this is learned, went on to say in part:

Leaving an executive position with the Plattsburg (N. Y.) National Bank & Trust Co. Mr. Atwood came to Pittsburgh in 1931 to serve as Assistant to C. O. Thomas, receiver of the Bank of Pittsburgh, then the second largest closed bank in the country.

Mr. Atwood became receiver when Mr. Thomas was transferred to Detroit, and under his direction the Bank of Pittsburgh has paid 82½% to former depositors, while the Duquesne National, of which he was also receiver, has paid 50%.

We learn from "Money & Commerce" of June 22 that William P. Welker, formerly connected with the Colonial Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, Pa., has assumed his new duties as Trust Officer of the Wheeling Dollar Savings & Trust Co. of Wheeling, W. Va., to which he was recently elected, succeeding R. J. McKee, who has become Assistant Vice-President of the institution. The paper continued in part:

Mr. McKee commenced his banking career in 1892 with the Bank of the Ohio Valley. In 1918 he was elected as Assistant Cashier, continuing in this position until April, 1923, when the consolidation of the Bank of the Ohio Valley and the Wheeling Bank & Trust Co. was consummated. In the new organization he occupied the position of Assistant Cashier and Trust Officer, in which capacity he served until the merger of the Dollar Savings & Trust Co. and the Wheeling Bank & Trust Co.

Two Parkersburg, W. Va., banking institutions—the Parkersburg National Bank and the Citizens' National Bank—capitalized, respectively, at \$150,000 and \$100,000, were consolidated on June 15 under the title of the Parkersburg National Bank. The enlarged institution is capitalized at \$450,000, consisting of \$250,000 preferred stock and \$200,000 common stock, and has a surplus of \$40,000.

In indicating the payment of a 5% dividend to depositors of the Cragin State Bank of Chicago, Ill., the Chicago "News" of June 15 had the following to say:

Edward J. Barrett, State Auditor, to-day (June 15) announced that he has authorized a payment of 5%, amounting to \$23,177, to the depositors of the Cragin State Bank of Chicago. This is the second payment since the bank closed, bringing the total up to 15%. The checks will be mailed out June 15. In addition to this payment, \$21,361 has been paid to preferred creditors and \$130,745 on bills payable. William L. O'Connell is receiver for the bank.

According to the Chicago "News" of June 18, the Jackson Park National Bank of Chicago was paying on that date a dividend of 10% to its depositors acquired from funds in the ordinary course of liquidation, supplemented by a loan from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. The paper continued:

This represents the third payment to depositors and makes a total of 44% of depositor claims to be met since the bank suspended business June 13 1932.

Payment of a dividend of 5%, \$28,833, by the Commerce Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, Ill., has been authorized by the State Auditor of Illinois. In noting this the Chicago "Journal of Commerce" added:

The dividend will be paid out of funds acquired in ordinary course of liquidation. A total of \$48,492 is to be paid the creditors and \$181,500 paid on bills payable.

The South Shore State Bank of Chicago, Ill., has mailed checks representing a 10% dividend to depositors, Edward J. Barrett, State Auditor, announced on June 18, according to the Chicago "Tribune," which added:

This is the third dividend depositors of the closed institution have received, making a total of 30%.

Trustees of the closed Farmers' National Bank of Cambridge, Ill., will pay a second dividend of 10% to about 2,600 depositors on July 1, according to advices from Cambridge on that date to the Chicago "Tribune," from which we also quote:

Amount of the payment is \$36,691. The first payment of 10% was started Jan. 1.

Concerning the affairs of the defunct First National Bank of Hart, Mich., the following appeared in the Michigan "Investor" of June 22:

A final effort to reorganize the defunct First National Bank of Hart is being made by stockholders of the closed institution. A petition is being circulated among depositors of the bank to be presented to the Comptroller of Currency and Representative Albert J. Engel in an effort to form a new organization.

The bank has been under receivership since September, 1933, and since that time 65% of a total of \$308,000 in deposits have been paid. If the Federal authorities sanction the forming of a new bank it is the purpose of the directors to pay an additional 10% dividend and impound the remaining 25% in a moratorium fund which will be paid off over a term of years from earnings of the new bank.

In the event the new organization is approved business will be conducted from the \$85,000 structure erected two years prior to the closing in May, 1932.

In its issue of June 22, the "Michigan Investor" reported that an additional dividend of 10% was being paid the depositors of the closed People's Wayne County Bank of Wyandotte, Mich. The amount is \$113,000 and brings the total pay-off to 55%. C. W. Collins, the original receiver of this bank, is now Cashier of the First-Peoples State Bank of Traverse City, it was said.

The "Michigan Investor" of June 22 carried the following with reference to the affairs of the defunct Wayne Savings Bank of Wayne, Mich.:

With the court hearing on the objections to a Reconstruction Finance Corp. loan amounting to approximately \$266,000 over, all that remains in the path to another dividend for the depositors of the Wayne Savings Bank, is the review of the bank's assets and the final approval by the RFC Board. According to William B. Detweiler, receiver, the finale of the loan may mean an additional 18% dividend.

The Farmers' State Bank of Alta, Mich., which has been operating as an unrestricted non-member bank, has been admitted to the Federal Reserve System and has been licensed as a member bank by the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, according to the Chicago "Journal of Commerce" of June 20.

The Citizens' National Bank of King City, Mo., capitalized at \$50,000, was placed in voluntary liquidation on June 17. There is no successor institution.

Gurney P. Hood, State Commissioner of Banks for North Carolina, announced on June 17 that dividend checks had been mailed to the 446 depositors and other common claimants of the Weldon Bank & Trust Co. at Weldon and the 1,015 depositors and common claimants of the Planters' Bank & Trust Co. of Lumberton. The Raleigh "News and Observer" of June 18 also stated:

The checks for the Weldon depositors were for a 5% dividend and aggregated \$9,328.44. Representing a fifth dividend, the checks made a total of \$55,802.07, or 30% paid these claimants since the bank was closed on Dec. 16 1930. In addition, secured creditors have received \$76,500 and preferred creditors have been paid \$19,224.21.

The Lumberton depositors also received a 5% dividend, aggregating \$8,952.19. The fifth dividend paid, these checks make a total of \$116,528.09, or 65%, paid these claimants. The bank was placed in liquidation on Dec. 19 1931, and has paid its secured creditors \$127,085.95 and its preferred creditors \$7,146.47.

F. F. Fagan, receiver for the Wayne National Bank of Goldsboro, N. C., which closed its doors Dec. 28, announced on June 21 that payment of a third dividend by the institution would be started on June 24. In noting this, the Raleigh "News and Observer" of June 22 also stated:

The third dividend is a payment of 10% and totals \$99,636.79. The first dividend payment was 40% and was made in December 1932. The second was 18% and was made in June 1934. The first and second payments totaled \$577,982.77.

In addition to the dividend checks to be paid Monday (June 24), supplementary dividends totaling \$499.74 to the first and second dividends will also be paid. Claims for these were proven late.

Mr. Fagan stated that it is not expected that further dividends will be paid until the final dividend payments are made when the trust is closed.

From the Chicago "News" of June 21 it is learned that Eugene S. Lee, who recently resigned his position with the Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago to join the Valley National Bank of Phoenix, Ariz., has been appointed Assistant Vice-President of that institution.

A dispatch from Klamath Falls, Ore., on June 18 to the "Oregonian" reported that depositors of the Chiloquin State Bank, Chiloquin, Ore., which closed its doors in 1932, had been notified they would receive 100 cents on the dollar. The advices added:

The final dividend of 10% on the commercial accounts was ordered this week on petition of State Banking Superintendent A. A. Schramm. Previously 90% had been paid. Savings depositors received their entire deposits some months ago.

We are advised that the Hollandsche Bank-Unie N. V., Amsterdam, Holland, has acquired the N. V. Hollandsche Bank voor West-Indie and as a result the offices of the latter institution at Caracas and Willemstad (Curacao) on July 1 will be operated by the enlarged bank. The correct names and addresses of these offices are as follows:

BANCO HOLAENSE UNIDO  
Caracas Office  
Apartado 909  
CARACAS (Venezuela)  
HOLLANDSCHE BANK-UNIE N. V.  
Willemstad (Curacao) Office  
Postbus 144  
WILLEMSTAD (Curacao-D. W. I.)

**THE CURB EXCHANGE**

Price movements on the New York Curb Exchange have shown considerable irregularity this week, and while there have been occasional periods of strength these were not maintained as the week advanced. Public utilities attracted some buying at times and there has been considerable interest shown in the oil stocks, but the volume of sales has steadily dwindled.

Week-end profit taking forced curb prices downward during the brief session on Saturday. There were a few modest advances during the opening hour, but trading turned dull as the day progressed and most of the early gains were canceled. Utility shares, which had a sharp run up on Friday, lost most of their gains and so did the mining and metal shares, the oil stocks and industrials. Among the market leaders registering losses at the close were Commonwealth Edison, 84½ to 84½; Consolidated Gas of Baltimore, 79¾ to 78½; Creole Petroleum, 18¾ to 18, and Gulf Oil of Pennsylvania, 67½ to 66.

Trading was light on Monday and at the close of the market advances and declines were about evenly distributed throughout the list. The changes, however, were generally small and without special significance. The declines included such popular stocks as Allied Mills, American Cyanamid B, Creole Petroleum Corp., Greyhound Corp., Hudson Bay Mining & Smelting, Newmont Mining Corp., Sunshine Mining Co. and Technicolor, Inc.

Lower prices were again the rule on the Curb Exchange on Tuesday. Selling was in evidence during the early trading, but this simmered down to some extent as the session progressed. The volume of business was down to approximately 192,000 shares, against 223,000 on the previous day. Industrial specialties were the weak issues, Aluminum Co. of America dipping 2½ points to 53½ and A. O. Smith went down 3 points to 62. Public utilities were also off on the day, but most of the changes in this group were in the preferred stocks. Declines of fractions to a point or more were also registered by such issues as American Gas & Electric, Bower Roller Bearing Co., Carrier Corp., Commonwealth Edison, Consolidated Gas of Baltimore, Creole Petroleum Corp., Ford Motor of Canada A., Gulf Oil of Pennsylvania, Humble Oil & Refining Co., Newmont Mining Corp. and Hiram Walker.

Irregular price movements due to selling were apparent during most of the dealings on Wednesday. In the first hour the market was fairly firm but trading activity steadily declined as prices turned downward, the volume of sales slipping down to approximately 176,000 shares, which was the lowest level of the week. Oil stocks bore the brunt of the decline, Humble Oil & Refining Co. dropping 2½ points to 58, International Petroleum losing 1½ points to 34 and Gulf Oil of Pennsylvania 1½ points to 64. Other recessions were Aluminium, Ltd., 3 points to 26; Seaman Brothers, 2½ points to 47½, and Utilities Power & Light pref., 2½ points to 11. There were a few stocks scattered through the list that resisted pressure. These included among others, Pan American Airways, Sunshine Mining Co., Pittsburgh Plate Glass, Bunker Hill-Sullivan and Swift & Co.

On Thursday sagging prices in the public utilities and oils carried many trading favorites down to new low levels. Alcohol issues attracted some buying and there were some scattered advances among the less active stocks. The volume of dealings was below the previous day's turnover. Prominent among the shares showing declines at the end of the session were Aluminum Co. of America, 1¼ points to 51¼; Commonwealth Edison, 2¾ points to 80¼; Crane Co. pref., 6 points to 106; A. O. Smith, 5½ points to 56½, and Humble Oil & Refining Co., 1½ points to 56½.

Trading was quiet during most of the session on Friday, and while the volume of sales dwindled down to 163,000 shares against 171,000 on the preceding day, there was a stronger tone apparent and a number of modest advances were registered before the close. These were largely among the miscellaneous specialties, mining and metal shares and industrials. The advances in most cases were fractional,

though there were occasional exceptions like Aluminum Co. of America which forged ahead 2 points to 53¼, and Montgomery Ward A (7) which moved up 2½ points to 139. As compared with Friday of last week, prices were slightly lower, American Cyanamid B closing last night at 21¾ against 22½ on Friday a week ago, American Gas & Electric at 28¾ against 29¼; Atlas Corp. at 9½ against 9¾; Carrier Corp. at 16¼ against 16½; Commonwealth Edison at 80¼ against 84½; Creole Petroleum at 16¾ against 18; Electric Bond & Share at 7¾ against 8¼; Greyhound Corp. at 48½ against 49¾; Gulf Oil of Pennsylvania at 63½ against 67¼; Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines at 14½ against 14¾; Hudson Bay Mining & Smelting at 15 against 15¼; Humble Oil (new) at 57½ against 61¾; International Petroleum at 34¾ against 36; Lake Shore Mines at 50¾ against 51½; New Jersey Zinc at 62 against 65; Newmont Mining Corp. at 49 against 50¼; Swift & Co. at 15½ against 15¾, and Wright Hargreaves at 7¾ against 8½.

**DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE**

Week Ended June 28 1935	Stocks (Number of Shares)	Bonds (Par Value)			
		Domestic	Foreign Government	Foreign Corporate	Total
Saturday	134,945	\$3,810,000	\$15,000	\$24,000	\$3,849,000
Monday	223,275	5,301,000	43,000	42,000	5,386,000
Tuesday	191,575	4,759,000	42,000	102,000	4,903,000
Wednesday	175,680	4,349,000	18,000	41,000	4,408,000
Thursday	171,885	3,341,000	41,000	32,000	3,414,000
Friday	162,820	4,123,000	56,000	44,000	4,223,000
Total	1,059,680	\$25,683,000	\$215,000	\$285,000	\$26,183,000

Sales at New York Curb Exchange	Week Ended June 28		Jan. 1 to June 28	
	1935	1934	1935	1934
Stocks—No. of shares	1,059,680	932,920	24,912,895	37,524,096
Bonds				
Domestic	\$25,683,000	\$18,999,000	\$605,657,000	\$553,591,000
Foreign government	215,000	530,000	8,811,000	20,382,000
Foreign corporate	285,000	533,000	6,162,000	17,015,000
Total	\$26,183,000	\$20,062,000	\$620,630,000	\$590,988,000

**ENGLISH FINANCIAL MARKET—PER CABLE**

The daily closing quotations for securities, &c., at London, as reported by cable, have been as follows the past week:

	Sat., June 22	Mon., June 24	Tues., June 25	Wed., June 26	Thurs., June 27	Fri., June 28
Silver, per oz.	32 6-16d.	31½d.	31 1-16d.	31d.	31 1-16d.	31d.
Gold, p. fine oz. 141s. 1d.	140s. 11d.	141s. ½d.	141s. 2d.	141s. 3½d.	141s. 3½d.	141s. 3½d.
Consols, 2½%	Holiday	85	85	84¾	85¼	85 3-16
British 3½% war Loan	Holiday	106	106	106	106¼	106¼
British 4% 1960-90	Holiday	117¾	117¾	117¾	117¾	118

The price of silver per ounce (in cents) in the United States on the same days has been:

Bar N.Y. (for'n)	72	70¼	69¾	69½	69½	69½
U. S. Treasury	50.01	50.01	50.01	50.01	50.01	50.01
U. S. Treasury (newly mined)	77.57	77.57	77.57	77.57	77.57	77.57

**COURSE OF BANK CLEARINGS**

Bank clearings this week will again show an increase 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, June 29) bank exchanges for all cities of the United States from which it is possible to obtain weekly returns will be 6.1% above those for the corresponding week last year. Our preliminary total stands at \$5,158,199,075, against \$4,859,804,236 for the same week in 1934. At this center there is a gain for the week ended Friday of 6.8%. Our comparative summary for the week follows:

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph Week Ending June 29	1935	1934	Per Cent
New York	\$2,546,618,948	\$2,384,031,941	+6.8
Chicago	192,942,158	173,849,640	+11.0
Philadelphia	282,000,000	243,000,000	+16.0
Boston	162,000,000	139,000,000	+16.5
Kansas City	69,738,617	60,386,238	+15.5
St. Louis	61,600,000	66,100,000	-6.8
San Francisco	94,213,000	78,786,000	+19.6
Pittsburgh	84,051,677	76,987,533	+9.2
Detroit	80,749,972	68,923,718	+17.2
Cleveland	52,056,549	51,399,848	+1.3
Baltimore	43,417,788	40,594,440	+7.0
New Orleans	22,498,000	23,493,000	-4.2
Twelve cities, five days	\$3,691,886,709	\$3,406,552,358	+8.4
Other cities, five days	606,612,520	598,638,295	+1.3
Total all cities, five days	\$4,298,499,229	\$3,905,190,653	+10.1
All cities, one day	\$59,699,846	\$54,613,583	+9.6
Total all cities for week	\$5,158,199,075	\$4,859,804,236	+6.1

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 June 22. For that week there is an increase of 20.3%, the aggregate of clearings for the whole country being \$5,964,411,496

against \$4,957,889,565 in the same week in 1934. Outside of this city there is an increase of 19.4%, the bank clearings at this center having recorded a gain of 20.8%. 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 an expansion of 20.7%, in the Philadelphia Reserve District of 64.0%, and in the Boston Reserve District of 8.1%. In the Cleveland Reserve District the totals are larger by 8.3%, in the Richmond Reserve District by 5.5%, and in the Atlanta Reserve District by 11.2%. The Chicago Reserve District enjoys a gain of 14.0%, the St. Louis Reserve District of 18.7%, and the Minneapolis Reserve District of 12.6%. In the Kansas City Reserve District there is an improvement of 20.3%, in the Dallas Reserve District of 10.2%, and in the San Francisco Reserve District of 19.2%.

In the following we furnish a summary of Federal Reserve districts:

SUMMARY OF BANK CLEARINGS

Table showing bank clearings for various Federal Reserve Districts (1st to 12th) and Canada, comparing 1935, 1934, 1933, and 1932. Includes columns for amount in \$ and % change.

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

Large table showing detailed bank clearings for 111 cities across various Federal Reserve Districts (First to Twelfth) and Outside New York, comparing 1935, 1934, 1933, and 1932. Includes columns for amount in \$ and % change.

Table showing bank clearings for various Federal Reserve Districts (Seventh to Twelfth) and Outside New York, comparing 1935, 1934, 1933, and 1932. Includes columns for amount in \$ and % change.

a Not included in totals. b No clearings available. c Clearing house not functioning at present. \* Estimated.

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of June 12 1935:

GOLD

The Bank of England gold reserve against notes amounted to £192,663,934 on the 5th inst., as compared with £192,639,465 on the previous Wednesday. In the open market about £2,000,000 was offered at the daily fixing during the week and was absorbed by general demand.

The government of M. Laval were by a large majority granted full powers till Oct. 31 next to take what measure they considered necessary for the protection of the franc, powers which had been refused to their predecessors; whereupon the Government stated that it will deal ruthlessly with the "speculators against the franc."

The Bank of France has announced that for the time being it will cease to make advances against gold.

Quotations during the week:

Table with 3 columns: Date, Per Fine Ounce, Equivalent Value of £ Sterling. Rows include June 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, and Average.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of gold registered from mid-day on June 3 to mid-day on June 7:

Table with 4 columns: Imports, Exports, and values in £. Rows include British South Africa, British India, Canada, etc.

The Transvaal gold output for May 1935 amounted to 916,035 fine ounces, as compared with 869,956 fine ounces for April 1935 and 898,418 fine ounces for May 1934.

SILVER

The market has again been unsettled and further wide movements have been seen during the week.

Reselling by China and speculators caused a fall of 9-16d. on the 6th inst. when quotations were fixed at 32 1/4 d. for cash and 32 3/4 d. for two months delivery.

Yesterday, renewed speculative buying on a rather poorly supplied market was responsible for a rise of 1/4 d., quotations being 33 3-16d. and 33 7-16d. for the respective deliveries; the demand was possibly stimulated by the news from the United States of America that a meeting of the Congressional silver group had been called to discuss the question of raising the price for domestic silver and to formulate plans for combating rumors that the Treasury is contemplating a change in its silver policy.

The undertone of the market is good as there appears to be good resistance to any decline, but movements in the near future may continue to be erratic.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of silver registered from mid-day on June 3 to mid-day on June 7:

Table with 4 columns: Imports, Exports, and values in £. Rows include Australia, British India, Canada, etc.

Quotations during the week:

Table with 3 columns: IN LONDON, IN NEW YORK, and values. Rows include June 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, and Average.

The highest rate of exchange on New York recorded during the period from the 6th inst. to the 12th inst. was \$4.95 1/4 and the lowest \$4.91 1/4.

Stocks in Shanghai on the 8th inst. consisted of about 278,000,000 dollars and 44,800,000 ounces in bar silver, as compared with about 200,000 ounces in sycee, 277,000,000 dollars and 44,800,000 ounces in bar silver on the 1st inst.

NATIONAL BANKS

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

CONSOLIDATION

June 15—The Parkersburg National Bank, Parkersburg, V. Va. \$150,000. The Citizens National Bank of Parkersburg, W. Va. 100,000. Consolidated to-day under the provisions of the Act of Nov. 7 1918, as amended Feb. 25 1927 and June 16 1933, under the charter and corporate title of "The Parkersburg National Bank."

BRANCHES AUTHORIZED

June 15—The United States National Bank of Portland, Ore. Location of branch: S. E. corner of Eighth and Willamette Sts., in the City of Eugene, County of Lane, Ore. Certificate No. 1173A.

June 17—The Phoenix National Bank, Phoenix, Ariz.

Location of branch: Town of Tempe, Maricopa County, Ariz. Certificate No. 1174A.

VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION

June 11—The Citizens National Bank of Eureka, Kan. Amount \$50,000. Effective June 1 1935. Liq. Agent, A. E. Green, Eureka, Kan. Succeeded by "The Citizens National Bank in Eureka," Kan., Charter No. 14329.

June 20—The Citizens National Bank of King City, Mo. 50,000. Effective June 17 1935. Liquidating agent, J. F. McKenny, King City, Mo. Not absorbed or succeeded by any other banking association.

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:

Large table with columns: Name of Company, Per Share, When Payable, Holders of Record. Lists various companies like Affiliated Products, Alaska Juneau Gold Mining, etc.



Table with columns: Name of Company, Per Share, When Payable, Holders of Record. Includes entries like Aetna Fire Insurance, Alabama Power Co., American National Co., etc.

Table with columns: Name of Company, Per Share, When Payable, Holders of Record. Includes entries like Avon Genesee & Mt. Morris RR, Babcock & Wilcox, Bank of America, etc.

Main table listing financial data for various companies, including Name of Company, Per Share, When Payable, Holders of Record, and similar information for a second set of companies.











Table with columns: Name of Company, Per Share, When Payable, Holders of Record. Lists various companies like Western Grocers Ltd., Western Maryland Dairy, etc.

Table with columns: Name of Company, Per Share, When Payable, Holders of Record. Lists various companies like Zions Cooperative Mercantile Ins., The New York Stock Exchange, etc.

Weekly Return of the New York City Clearing House

The weekly statement issued by the New York City Clearing House is given in full below:

STATEMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE NEW YORK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION FOR THE WEEK ENDED SATURDAY, JUNE 22 1935

Table showing clearing house members with columns: Clearing House Members, Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits, Net Demand Deposits, Time Deposits.

\* As per official reports National, March 4 1935; State, March 30 1935; trust companies, March 30 1935. e As of March 30 1935. Includes deposits in foreign branches as follows: (a) \$203,094,000; (b) \$70,171,000; (c) \$72,044,000; (d) \$24,438,000.

The New York "Times" publishes regularly each week returns of a number of banks and trust companies which are not members of the New York Clearing House. The following are the figures for the week ended June 21:

INSTITUTIONS NOT IN THE CLEARING HOUSE WITH THE CLOSING OF BUSINESS FOR THE WEEK ENDED FRIDAY, JUNE 21 1935 NATIONAL AND STATE BANKS—AVERAGE FIGURES

Table showing national and state banks with columns: Loans Disc. and Investments, Other Cash, Res. Dep., N. Y. and Elsewhere, Dep. Other Banks and Trust Cos., Gross Deposits.

TRUST COMPANIES—AVERAGE FIGURES

Table showing trust companies with columns: Loans, Disc. and Investments, Cash, Res. Dep., N. Y. and Elsewhere, Dep. Other Banks and Trust Cos., Gross Deposits.

\* Includes amount with Federal Reserve as follows: Empire, \$3,816,600; Fiduciary, \$751,379; Fulton, \$3,381,400; Lawyers County, \$5,296,100.

Condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York

The following shows the condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at the close of business June 26 1935, in comparison with the previous week and the corresponding date last year:

Large table showing the condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York with columns for June 26 1935, June 19 1935, and June 27 1934. Includes assets, liabilities, and reserves.

\* "Other cash" does not include Federal Reserve notes or a bank's own Federal Reserve bank notes.

x These are certificates given by the U. S. Treasury for the gold taken over from the Reserve banks when the dollar was on Jan. 31 1934 devalued from 100 cents to 59.06 cents, these certificates being worth less to the extent of the difference; the difference itself having been appropriated as profit by the Treasury under the provisions of the Gold Reserve Act of 1934.



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 JUNE 26 1935

Main table showing resources and liabilities for 12 Federal Reserve Banks. Columns include: Two Cyphers (80) Omitted Federal Reserve Bank of, Total, Boston, New York, Phila., Cleveland, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneap., Kan. City, Dallas, San Fran. Rows include RESOURCES (Gold certificates, Total reserves, Bills discounted, etc.) and LIABILITIES (F. R. notes, Deposits, etc.).

\* "Other Cash" does not include Federal Reserve notes

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE STATEMENT

Federal Reserve Note Statement table showing collateral held by agents as security for notes issued to banks. Columns include: Two Cyphers (00) Omitted Federal Reserve Agent at, Total, Boston, New York, Phila., Cleveland, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneap., Kan. City, Dallas, San Fran. Rows include Federal Reserve notes, Collateral held by Agent as security for notes issued to bks: Gold certificates, Eligible paper, U. S. Government securities.

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. These figures are always a week behind those for the Reserve banks themselves. The comment of the Reserve Board upon the figures for the latest week appears in our department of "Current Events and Discussions," immediately preceding which we also give the figures of New York and Chicago reporting member banks for a week later.

PRINCIPAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN LEADING CITIES. BY DISTRICTS. ON JUNE 19 1935 (In Millions of Dollars)

Principal Assets and Liabilities of Weekly Reporting Member Banks in Leading Cities. Columns include: Federal Reserve District, Total, Boston, New York, Phila., Cleveland, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneap., Kan. City, Dallas, San Fran. Rows include Loans and investments, Loans on securities, Acceptances and comm'l paper bought, U. S. Government direct obligations, Reserve with Federal Reserve banks, Net demand deposits, Due from banks, Borrowings from F. R. banks.

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Quotations after decimal point represent one or more 32nds of a point.

Daily Record of U. S. Bond Prices table showing sales for various bond series like Fourth Liberty Loan, Treasury, 4 3/4s, 4 1/2s, 4 1/4s, etc. from June 22 to June 28.

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

Small table listing registered bond transactions for Treasury 4s, 3 3/4s, and 3 3/8s.

United States Government Securities Bankers Acceptances

NEW YORK HANSEATIC CORPORATION 37 WALL ST., NEW YORK

United States Treasury Bills—Friday, June 28 Rates quoted are for discount at purchase.

Table of Treasury Bill rates for various dates from July 3 1935 to Dec. 11 1935.

Quotations for United States Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness, &c.—Friday, June 28

Figures after decimal point represent one or more 32ds of a point.

Table of Treasury Certificate rates for various maturities from June 15 1936 to Feb. 1 1938.

The Week on the New York Stock Market—For review of New York Stock market, see editorial pages.

TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, DAILY, WEEKLY AND YEARLY

Table showing weekly and yearly transactions in stocks, railroad bonds, municipal bonds, and state bonds.

Table showing sales at New York Stock Exchange for week ended June 28, 1935, and January 1 to June 28, 1934 and 1935.

CURRENT NOTICE

Amott, Baker & Co., Inc., 150 Broadway, New York, have prepared statistical analyses of real estate bond issues secured by 59th Street & Madison Avenue Office Building (Cullini Building) and 112 East 83d Street Building (Park East Medical Building).

FOOTNOTES FOR NEW YORK STOCK PAGES

- \* Bid and asked prices, no sales on this day. † Companies reported in receivership. ‡ Deferred delivery. § New stock. ¶ Cash sale. ⌘ Ex-dividend. Ⓛ Ex-rights. Ⓜ Adjusted for 25% stock dividend paid Oct. 1 1934. Ⓝ Listed July 12 1934; par value 10s. replaced 21 par. share for share. Ⓟ Par value 550 lire listed June 27 1934; replaced 500 lire par value. Ⓠ Listed Aug. 24 1933; replaced no par stock share for share. Ⓡ Listed May 24 1934; low adjusted to give effect to 3 new shares exchanged for 1 old no par share. Ⓢ Adjusted for 66 2-3% stock dividend payable Nov. 30 1934. Ⓣ Adjusted for 100% stock dividend paid April 30 1934. Ⓤ Adjusted for 100% stock dividend paid Dec. 31 1934. Ⓥ Par value 400 lire; listed Sept. 20 1934; replaced 500 lire par value. Ⓦ Listed April 4 1934; replaced no par stock share for share. Ⓧ Adjusted for 25% stock dividend paid June 1 1934.

The National Securities Exchanges on which low prices since July 1 1933 were made (designated by superior figures in tables), are as follows:

Table listing 22 national securities exchanges: New York Stock, New York Curb, New York Produce, New York Real Estate, Baltimore Stock, Boston Stock, Buffalo Stock, California Stock, Chicago Stock, Chicago Board of Trade, Chicago Curb, Cincinnati Stock, Cleveland Stock, Colorado Springs Stock, Denver Stock, Detroit Stock, Los Angeles Stock, Los Angeles Curb, Minneapolis-St. Paul, New Orleans Stock, Philadelphia Stock, Pittsburgh Stock, Richmond Stock, St. Louis Stock, Salt Lake City Stock, San Francisco Stock, San Francisco Curb, San Francisco Mining, Seattle Stock, Spokane Stock, Washington (D.C.) Stock.





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 1935 to May 31 1935

Main table with columns for dates (Saturday June 22 to Friday June 28), sales for the week, stock names, par values, and price ranges (Lowest, Highest, Low, High).

For footnotes see page 4350.



HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday to Friday) and 'Sales for the Week'. It lists various stock prices per share.

Main table listing stocks on the New York Stock Exchange. Columns include stock names, par values, and price ranges (Lowest and Highest) from Jan 1 to July 1, 1935, along with 1934 year ranges.

For footnotes see page 4350

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 1935 to May 31 1935

Range for Year 1934

Main table with columns for dates (Saturday June 22 to Friday June 28), sales for the week (Shares), stock names, and price ranges (Lowest, Highest, Low, High).

For footnotes see page 4350.

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday to Friday) and price ranges (Lowest, Highest) for various stocks.

Main table listing stock names, par values, and price ranges for the week ending June 29, 1935, with columns for 'Sales for the Week', 'Lowest', and 'Highest'.

For footnotes see page 4350.



HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Main table with columns for dates (Saturday June 22 to Friday June 28), sales for the week, and stock names with their respective prices and shares.

For footnotes see page 4350.



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 May 31 1935; Range for Year 1934. Rows include various stock symbols and prices.

For footnotes see page 4350.

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 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.

Main table containing bond listings for U.S. Government, Foreign Govt & Municipals, and various international bonds. Columns include bond name, interest period, range, and price.

For footnotes see page 4365. NOTE—Sales of State and City securities occur very rarely on the New York Stock Exchange, dealings in such securities being almost entirely over the counter. B'd and asked quotations, however, by active dealers in these securities, will be found on a subsequent page under the general head of "Over-the-Counter Securities."





Main table containing bond listings with columns for Bond Name, Interest Period, Week's Range or Friday's Bid & Asked, Bonds Sold, July 1 1933 to May 31 1935, Range Since Jan. 1, and N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended June 28. Includes sub-sections for 'BONDS' and 'N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE'.

For footnotes see page 4365

Main table containing bond listings for 'N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE' with columns for 'Bonds Sold', 'Range Since Jan. 1 1935', and 'Range Since Jan. 1 1935'. Includes various bond titles like 'Nat Ry of Mex pr llen 4 3/4s' and 'New York City 4 3/4s'.

For footnotes see page 4365.

Main table with columns for Bond Description, Interest Period, Weeks' Range or Friday's Bid & Asked, Range Since Jan. 1, and Price. Includes sub-headers for 'BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE' and 'BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE' repeated.

† Cash sales not included in year's range. ‡ Under-the-rule sale not included in year's range. § Negotiability impaired by maturity.

¶ Companies reported as being in bankruptcy, receivership, or reorganized under Section 77 of the Bankruptcy Act, or securities assumed by such companies.

\* Friday's bid and asked price. † Bonds selling flat.

‡ Deferred delivery sales in which no account is taken in computing the range, are given below:

- Gen. Steel Casting 5 1/2%, June 24 at 80.
North Amer. Ed. 5% series A, June 22 at 97.
Penn. RR. 4 1/2% 1960, June 22 at 115 3/4.
Poland 7s 1947, June 22 at 112.
Prussia 6 1/2% 1951, June 28 at 25 3/4.

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 (June 22 1935) and ending the present Friday (June 28 1935). 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, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to May 31 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935 (Low, High), and similar columns for the second section. Includes entries like Acme Wire v t c o, Adams Mills 7% 1st pf 100, Aero Supply Mfg Co, etc.

For footnotes see page 4371.



Main table containing stock listings with columns for Stock Name, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1933 to May 31 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935, and another set of columns for Stock Name, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1933 to May 31 1935, and Range Since Jan. 1 1935.

For footnotes see page 4371.







Table of Bonds (Continued) listing various bond types like Park & Tilford, Penn Cent L & P, Penn Electric, etc. Columns include bond name, date, low/high prices, sales volume, and range since Jan 1, 1935.

Table of Bonds (Concluded) listing bonds such as Thermoid Co, Tide Water Power, Tietz, Toledo Edison, etc. Columns include bond name, date, low/high prices, sales volume, and range since Jan 1, 1935.

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT AND MUNICIPALITIES

Table of Foreign Government and Municipalities listing bonds from Agricultural Mtge Bk (Col), Baden, Buenos Aires, etc. Columns include bond name, date, low/high prices, sales volume, and range since Jan 1, 1935.

\* No par value. a Deferred delivery sales not included in year's range. n Under the rule sales not included in year's range. r Cash sales not included in year's range. x Ex-dividend. z Deferred delivery sales not included in weekly or yearly range are give below: Southwestern Nat. Gas 6s 1945, June 22 at 77 1/2.

Other Stock Exchanges

New York Real Estate Securities Exchange

Closing bid and asked quotations, Friday, June 28

Table with columns: Unlisted Bonds, Bid, Ask, Unlisted Bonds (Concluded), Bid, Ask. Includes entries like Alden 6s, Allerton N Y Corp 5 1/2s 1947, Brierfield Apt Bldg cfts, etc.

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Baltimore Stock Exchange

June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Low, High, Shares, Low, High, Range Since. Includes entries like Arundel Corp, Baltimore Tube pref, Black & Decker com, etc.

Boston Stock Exchange

June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Low, High, Shares, Low, High, Range Since. Includes entries like American Cont Corp, Amer Pneumatic Serf Co, 6% non-cum pref, etc.

For footnotes see page 4375

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Low, High, Shares, Low, High, Range Since. Includes entries like Hathaway Bakeries pref, Hygrade Sylvania (T C), Isle Royal Copper, etc.

CHICAGO SECURITIES

Listed and Unlisted

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Chicago Stock Exchange

June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Low, High, Shares, Low, High, Range Since. Includes entries like Abbott Laboratories com, Adams (J D) Mfg com, Advanced Alum Castings, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to May 31 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Includes entries like Dayton Rubber Mfg com, Cumul of A pref, Decker (Alf) & Cohn com, etc.

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Cincinnati Stock Exchange. June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists. Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to May 31 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Includes entries like Amer Laundry Mach, Amer Products prior pref, Carey preferred, etc.

OHIO SECURITIES Listed and Unlisted. GILLIS, WOOD & CO. Members Cleveland Stock Exchange. Union Trust Bldg.—Cherry 5050. CLEVELAND, - - - OHIO.

Cleveland Stock Exchange. June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists. Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to May 31 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Includes entries like Aetna Rubber, Apex Elec Mfg pr pref, City Ice & Fuel, etc.

Los Angeles Stock Exchange. June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists. Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to May 31 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Includes entries like Bandini Petroleum, Barker Bros, Bolza Chica Oil A, etc.

For footnotes see page 4375.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to May 31 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists various stocks like Brdwy Dept St 1st pref, Buckeye Union Oil, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to May 31 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists stocks like Truscon Steel, Universal Cooler, etc.

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Philadelphia Stock Exchange June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to May 31 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists stocks like American Stores, Bankers Securities, etc.

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to May 31 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists stocks like Allegheny Steel, Ark Nat Gas, etc.

San Francisco Curb Exchange June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to May 31 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists stocks like American Tel & Tel, Anglo National, etc.

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Detroit Stock Exchange June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to May 31 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists stocks like Auto City Brew, Baldwin Rubber, etc.

For footnotes see page 4375.



Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Low, High, Shares, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists various stocks like Emsco Derrick, General Motors, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Low, High, Shares, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists various stocks like Hale Bros Stores Inc., Home F & M Ins Co., etc.

ST. LOUIS MARKETS LISTED AND UNLISTED WALDHEIM, PLATT & CO.

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June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks—, Par, Low, High, Shares, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists various stocks like Brown Shoe, Burkart Mfg, etc.

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Municipal and Corporation Bonds PRIVATE LEASED WIRES

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San Francisco Stock Exchange

June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks—, Par, Low, High, Shares, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists various stocks like Alaska Juneau Gold Min, Anglo Cal Nat Bk, etc.

\* No par value. c Cash sale. z Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights. z Listed. † In default of Price adjusted to 100% stock dividend paid Dec. 29 1934 (Kalamasoo Stove Co.)

The National Securities Exchanges on which low prices since July 1 1933 were made (designated by superior figures in tables), are as follows:

- 1 New York Stock 12 Cincinnati Stock 22 Pittsburgh Stock
2 New York Curb 13 Cleveland Stock 23 Richmond Stock
3 New York Produce 14 Colorado Springs Stock 24 St. Louis Stock
4 New York Real Estate 15 Denver Stock 25 Salt Lake City Stock
5 Baltimore Stock 16 Detroit Stock 26 San Francisco Stock
6 Boston Stock 17 Los Angeles Stock 27 San Francisco Curb
7 Buffalo Stock 18 Los Angeles Curb 28 San Francisco Mining
8 California Stock 19 Minneapolis-St. Paul 29 Seattle Stock
9 Chicago Stock 20 New Orleans Stock 30 Spokane Stock
10 Chicago Board of Trade 21 Philadelphia Stock 31 Washington (D.C.) Stock
11 Chicago Curb

CURRENT NOTICES

—Two appointments to important posts in the General American Life Insurance Co. sales organization have been announced by Emil E. Brill, Vice-President. Arthur W. Greenfield has been appointed supervisor of group sales and Robert W. Weddell has been transferred to the position of supervisor of salary savings sales.

—Morris Joseph & Co., members New York Stock Exchange, announce that John J. Farrell, member New York Stock Exchange, has been admitted as a member of the firm.

—M. F. Schlater, Noyes & Gardner, Inc., 1 Wall St., New York, has prepared for distribution a list of New Jersey municipal bonds which yield from 1.90 to 6%.

—G. M.-P. Murphy & Co., members New York Stock Exchange, have opened an office in Lake Placid, N. Y., to render investment and brokerage service.

—Allen & Co., 20 Broad St., New York, have prepared for distribution a current analysis of Simmons Hardware & Paint Co.

—J. Bertrand Mulligan has become associated with Fuller, Rodney & Co. as Manager of their Bond Trading Department.

—Hare's Ltd., 19 Rector St., New York, has prepared an analysis of Globe & Republic Insurance Co. of America.

—James Talcott, Inc. has been appointed factor for Stotter Fabrics, New York City, distributors of silks.

—Harry M. Rogers and S. Ensign Ogden have joined Stemmler & Co. in their wholesale department.

—Laurence S. Frazier has become associated with Hardy & Co. in their Bond Department.



Canadian Markets—Listed and Unlisted

Montreal Curb Market

Table of Montreal Curb Market stock prices, including columns for Stocks (Concluded), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1 1935 (Low, High).

CANADIAN SECURITIES GOVERNMENT, MUNICIPAL, CORPORATION and RAILROADS

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Toronto Stock Exchange

Table of Toronto Stock Exchange stock prices, including columns for Stocks (Concluded), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1 1935 (Low, High).

Toronto Stock Exchange

June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table of Toronto Stock Exchange stock prices for the period June 22 to June 28, 1935, including columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1 1935 (Low, High).

Toronto Stock Exchange—Curb Section

June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table of Toronto Stock Exchange Curb Section stock prices, including columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1 1935 (Low, High).

\* No par value.

Canadian Markets—Listed and Unlisted

Toronto Stock Exchange—Curb Section

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded) Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices Low High, Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1 1935 Low High. Lists various stocks like Canada Malting com, Noranda, and others with their prices and trading ranges.

Toronto Stock Exchange—Mining Section

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded) Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices Low High, Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1 1935 Low High. Lists mining stocks like Noranda, Red Lake Gold Share, and others with their prices and trading ranges.

Toronto Stock Exchange—Mining Section

June 22 to June 28, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks— Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices Low High, Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1 1935 Low High. Lists mining stocks like Acme Gas & Oil, Afton Mine, and others with their prices and trading ranges.

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Toronto Stock Exchange—Mining Curb Section

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Table with columns: Stocks— Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices Low High, Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1 1935 Low High. Lists mining stocks like Aldermac Mines, Brownlee Mines, and others with their prices and trading ranges.

CURRENT NOTICE

—Alexander Eisemann & Co. announce that the business of their branch office at 66 Court St., Brooklyn, has been transferred to their larger Brooklyn branch, located three blocks away at 176 Montague St.

—G. L. Ohrstrom & Co., Incorporated, 40 Wall St., New York, is distributing a revised and enlarged edition of its Comparative Tabulation of Public Utility Operating Company Preferred Stocks Paying Dividends Currently and Having Accumulations.

—Frank C. Masterson & Co., members New York Curb Exchange, announce that McGhie, Dressel & Company, 105 South La Salle St., Chicago, have become their Chicago correspondents, with direct private wire between the offices.

—Luke, Banks & Weeks announce the opening of an office at East-hampton, L. I., for the summer months. John L. Weeks, senior partner of the firm, will be resident partner at the new office.

—Rutter & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, have installed direct private telephone connections from their New York office to their Hartford and Boston offices.



Quotations on Over-the-Counter Securities—Friday June 28—Continued

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Public Utility Bonds

Table with columns: Par, Bid, Ask. Lists various public utility bonds such as Albany Ry Co, Amer Wat Wks, etc.

EQUIPMENT TRUST CERTIFICATES

Quotations—Appraisals Upon Request

STROUD & COMPANY INC.

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Railroad Equipment Bonds

Table with columns: Bid, Ask. Lists various railroad equipment bonds such as Atlantic Coast Line, Baltimore & Ohio, etc.

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For footnotes see page 4381.

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Quotations on Over-the-Counter Securities—Friday June 28—Continued

Table with columns: Par, Bid, Ask, Description, Par, Bid, Ask. Includes securities like New Jersey Pow & Lt \$6 pf, New Ori Pub Serv \$7 pf, etc.

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Water Bonds

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Telephone and Telegraph Stocks

Table with columns: Par, Bid, Ask, Description, Par, Bid, Ask. Lists stocks like Amer Dist Teleg (N J) com, Bell Teleg of Canada, etc.

\* No par value. a Interchangeable. c Registered coupon (serial). d Coupon. / Flat price. r Basis price. w When issued. z Ex-dividend. † Now listed on New York Stock Exchange. ‡ Quotations per 100 gold rouble bond equivalent to 77.4234 grams of pure gold. § Called for payment Oct. 1 1935 at 100.

Real Estate Bonds and Title Co. Mortgage Certificates

Table with columns: Bid, Ask, Description, Bid, Ask. Lists real estate bonds and mortgage certificates from Alden 1st 6s, Jan 1 1941 to various title company certificates.

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Surety Guaranteed Mortgage Bonds and Debentures

Table with columns: Bid, Ask, Description, Bid, Ask. Lists mortgage bonds and debentures from Allied Mtge Cos, Inc. to Universal Mtge Co.

Sugar Stocks

Table with columns: Par, Bid, Ask, Description, Par, Bid, Ask. Lists sugar stocks like Cache La Poudre Co, East Porto Rican Sug com, etc.

Quotations on Over-the-Counter Securities—Friday June 28—Continued

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German and Foreign Unlisted Dollar Bonds

Table listing German and Foreign Unlisted Dollar Bonds with columns for Bond Name, Par, Bid, Ask, and other details.

Industrial Stocks

Table listing Industrial Stocks with columns for Stock Name, Par, Bid, Ask, and other details.

Investing Companies

Table listing Investing Companies with columns for Company Name, Par, Bid, Ask, and other details.

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Insurance Companies

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Fortfootnotes see page 4381.



Quotations on Over-the-Counter Securities—Friday June 28—Concluded

SHORT-TERM SECURITIES

Railroads—Industrials—Public Utilities
Specialists in Called Bonds—New Issues

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Short Term Securities

Table of short-term securities including Allis-Chalmers Mfg 5s 1937, Amer Tel & Tel 4s 1936, Appalchian Pr 7s 1936, etc.

Miscellaneous Bonds

Table of miscellaneous bonds including Adams Express 4s 1947, Amer Meter 6s 1946, Amer Rolling Mill 4 1/2s 1945, etc.

Chain Store Stocks

Table of chain store stocks including Boback (H C) com, 7% preferred, Diamond Shoe pref, etc.

Federal Intermediate Credit Bank Debentures

Table of Federal Intermediate Credit Bank debentures including F I C 1 1/2s July 15 1935, F I C 1 1/2s Aug. 15 1935, etc.

Soviet Government Bonds

Table of Soviet Government bonds including Union of Soviet Soc Repub 7% gold rouble 1943, Union of Soviet Soc Repub 10% gold rouble 1942, etc.

AUCTION SALES

The following securities were sold at auction on Wednesday of the current week:

By Adrian H. Muller & Son, New York:
Shares Stocks \$ per Share
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By Adrian H. Muller & Son, Jersey City, N. J.:
Shares Stocks \$ per Share
25 C. E. Stone Company 1 lot \$1.00

By R. L. Day & Co., Boston:
Shares Stocks \$ per Share
23 Newton Trust Co., Newton, par \$10 23 1/2

By Crockett & Co., Boston:
Shares Stocks \$ per Share
10 National Shawmut Bank, par \$25 19 1/2

By Barnes & Lofland, Philadelphia:
100 Philadelphia National Bank, par \$20 72 1/2

By A. J. Wright & Co., Buffalo:
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10 Zenda Gold Mines 80.12

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American Crystal Sugar Co.—Listing—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of (a) 69,600 shares of cumulative 6% first preferred stock (par \$100) upon official notice of issuance only in exchange for shares of (second) preferred stock now outstanding...

American Electric Power Corp.—Hearing July 7—

By order of the U. S. District Court for the District of Delaware, the time for considering the plan of reorganization is set for July 18 1935. 66 2-3% face amount of the debentures outstanding should be deposited by that time to enable the Court to confirm the plan.

American Founders Corp.—Time for Exchange of Stock Extended—

Holders of preferred stock, series A, B and D and allotment certificates representing preferred stock, series D, are being notified that the exchange invitation contained in the letter sent to them on April 20 is being extended to the close of business Aug. 15 1935...

American Gas & Power Co.—Plan Confirmed—

(Confirmation of the amended plan of reorganization (V. 140, p. 1648) was announced June 24 by F. W. Seymour, President. The order confirming the plan was entered in the U. S. District Court for the District of Delaware by John P. Fields on June 21.)

The plan provides for no change in the face amount of the debentures of the company. Fixed interest on the 6% series debentures is reduced to 3.6% and on the 5% series to 3% per annum payable semi-annually.

G. L. Ohrstrom & Co., Inc., is agent of the company under the plan and Delaware Trust Co., Wilmington, Del., is depository. To date 80% of the debentures and 65% of the first preferred stock have been deposited.

American-Hawaiian S. S. Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns: Period End, 1935-Month, 1934, 1935-5 Mos., 1934. Rows: Operating earnings, Oper. & gen'l exps., Net profit from oper., Other income.

Table with columns: Total profit before deprec. & Fed. inc. tax, Balance, Profit on sale of secur., Net profit before Fed. income taxes. Rows: Total profit before deprec. & Fed. inc. tax, Balance, Profit on sale of secur., Net profit before Fed. income taxes.

American Investment Co. of Ill.—Initial Class A Div.—

The directors have declared an initial dividend of 50 cents per share on the 8% cumulative and participating class A common stock, par \$25, payable July 1 to holders of record June 29.—V. 140, p. 3537.

American Metal Co., Ltd.—Stock Sold—

The company has notified the New York Stock Exchange that it has sold a further 10,000 shares of the capital stock of Ontario Refining Co., Ltd., to the International Nickel Co. of Canada, Ltd., by which sale its holdings of Ontario Refining Co., Ltd., are entirely disposed of.—V. 140, p. 3029.

American Power & Light Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns: Period End, Apr. 30, 1935-3 Mos., 1934, 1935-12 Mos., 1934. Rows: Operating revenues, Oper. exps., incl. taxes., Net revs. from oper., Other income.

Table with columns: Gross corp. income, Int. to public & other deductions, Int. charged to constr., Prop. retire. & deplet. res. appropriations., Balance, Prof. divs. to public, Portion applic. to min. interests.

Table with columns: Net equity of Am. Pow. & Lt. Co. in inc. of subsidiaries, Am. Pow. & Light Co., Net equity of Am. Pow. & Lt. Co. in inc. of subs., Other income.

Table with columns: Total income, Expenses, incl. taxes, Int. to pub. & oth. dedds., Bal. carried to consol. earned surplus.

Note—All inter-company transactions have been eliminated from the above statement. Int. & prof. div. deductions of subs. represent full requirements for the respective periods (whether paid or not paid) on securities held by the public.

American Telephone & Telegraph Co.—Refunding Prospects—

The company has made a study of the possibility of doing refunding at this time and is now in process of deciding whether any action should be

taken, according to Charles A. Heiss, Comptroller. The company has "canvassed the situation very thoroughly." Mr. Heiss is quoted as saying, "but there are a lot of considerations entering into such refunding."

Table with columns: Issue, Amount Outstanding, Rate, Maturity, Call Price. Rows: Collateral trust bonds, Sinking fund debentures, 35-year debentures, Convertible 30-year bonds, 10-year convertible debentures, Sinking fund debentures.

—V. 140, p. 4061.

American Water Works & Electric Co.—Weekly Output

Output of electric energy for the week ended June 22 1935, totaled 35,261,000 kwh., an increase of 2% over the output of 34,742,000 kwh. for the corresponding period last year.

Table with columns: Wk. End., 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows: June 1, June 8, June 15, June 22.

—V. 140, p. 4225.

American Woolen Co.—New Director—

At the meeting of the board of directors held June 26, Mr. Eliot Wadsworth, President of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, was elected a director to fill a vacancy.—V. 140, p. 3029.

Anglo-Norwegian Holdings, Ltd.—Earnings—

Table with columns: Calendar Years—, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows: Dividends received, Interest received, Total income, General expenses, Directors' fees, Corporation tax, Preferred dividends, Common dividends.

Balance, surplus def\$12,988 Earnings per sh. on 420,000 shs. of common stock (no par) Nil Nil Nil \$0.44

Ann Arbor RR.—Earnings—

Table with columns: May—, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows: Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

—V. 140, p. 3708.

Appleton Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns: Years Ended—, Oct. 27 '34, Oct. 28 '33, Oct. 29 '32. Rows: Profit from operations of the mill at Anderson, S. C., after all charges including reserve for deprec., Cost of carrying the property at Lowell, Mass., above income received from rentals, sales of power, &c., Charge for depreciation reserve on the property at Lowell permitted by Federal income tax law, Reduction in inventory values, Reserve for Federal and State income taxes and license fees.

Profit for year \$44,394 \$113,934 loss\$25,227

Table with columns: Previous balance, Net gain Anderson, S. C., transferred from profit and loss statement, Unused portion of 1933 res. for taxes., Total surplus, Net loss Lowell, Mass., transferred from profit and loss statement, Repair charges for 1931 previously deferred to future operations, Additional depreciation allowable for year ended Oct. 31 1929, Additional depreciation allowable for year ended Oct. 31 1931, Additional taxes with interest of S. Carolina for years 1929 and 1931., Loss on sale & destruction of mach'y., Dividend on preferred stock, Settlement of claims on acct. of cloth sales made by selling agents for account Lowell Mill for previous years.

Balance end of period \$2,486,658 \$2,529,797 \$2,467,185 x Depreciation amounted to \$148,677 in 1934, \$152,704 in 1933 and \$153,127 in 1932.

Assets—Cash, \$135,694; notes receivable trade, \$1,240; accounts receivable, \$190,674; inventories, \$991,150; prepaid insurance, commissions, rentals and taxes, \$26,388; real estate and machinery (less reserve for depreciation of \$2,267,922), \$2,910,625; organization expenses, \$20,148; total, \$4,275,920.

Arcturus Radio Tube Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns: Calendar Years—, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows: Net operation profit, Provision for depreciat'n, Prov. for amortization of deferred charges, Federal excise tax, Invent. & plant valuat'n adjustment, Other charges (net), Net loss for year.

Assets—Cash, \$54,771; notes, trade accounts, and accounts receivable, less reserves, \$91,877; other notes receivable, \$10,610; inventories, \$412,311; investments at cost, \$38,205; fixed assets (less reserves for depreciation of \$151,898), \$550,735; machinery and equipment (inactive), \$20,163; equipment in process of construction, \$1,282; notes receivable, less reserve, \$12,574; patent rights, &c., \$1; deferred charges, \$26,140; total, \$1,459,572.





General Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Assets— Investments in: Road, Equipment, Subsidiary cos. oper. as constituent parts of the companies, Miscell. physical properties held for transportation purposes, Perpetual leaseholds—capitalized (per contra), Inv. in sub. & affil. cos. separately oper., Stocks, Bonds, Miscellaneous, Cash, Special deposits, Loans and bills receivable, Traffic and car service balance receivable, Net balances receiv. from agts. & condu. c., Miscellaneous accounts receivable, Materials and supplies, Interest and dividends receivable, Rents receivable, Other current assets, Deferred assets, Unadjusted debits

Total 1,215,569,128 1,220,833,814 1,235,564,391

Liabilities— Com. stock, Pref. stock, Equip. oblig., Mtge. bonds, L'n's & bills pay., RFC loans, Oth. loans & bills pay., Misc. oblig'ns, Misc. oblig. of oper. subs., Dayton & Mich. RR. Co., Home Ave. Ry. Co. cap. stk., Alleg. & West. RR. Co., Capital stock, Mtge. bonds, Clearf. & Mahon RR. Co., Capital stock, Mtge. bonds, Traffic and car service balances payable, Audited accounts and wages payable, Miscellaneous accounts payable, Interest matured unpaid, Dividends matured unpaid, Funded debt matured unpaid, Unmatured interest accrued, Unmatured rents accrued, Other current liabilities, Liability for provident funds, Other deferred liabilities, Tax liability, Insurance reserve, Accrued depreciation—equipment, Other unadjusted credits, Inter-company non-negotiable accounts, Sinking fund reserves, Add'ns to prop. through inc. and surplus, Premium on sale of common stock, Profit and loss, balance

Total 1,215,569,128 1,220,833,814 1,235,564,391

Note—As of Dec. 31 1934, the following securities bear the endorsement of the Baltimore & Ohio RR., jointly with other companies, viz.: Kentucky & Indiana Terminal RR. 1st mtge. sterling bonds, \$7,041,776; Richmond-Washington Co., 1st mtge. bonds, \$10,000,000; Washington Terminal Co. 1st mtge. bonds, \$12,000,000; Cincinnati Union Terminal Co. 1st mtge. bonds, series "A," \$12,000,000; 1st mtge. bonds, series "B," \$12,000,000, and 1st mtge. bonds, series "C," \$12,000,000.

Listing of Refunding & General Mtge. Bonds, Series F— The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$1,500,000 additional ref. & gen. mtge. bonds, series F, 5%, due Mar. 1 1936, making the total amount applied for \$33,125,000. The purpose of the additional issue was the exchange, par for par, for Morgantown & Kingwood RR. 1st mtge. 30-year bonds which matured Jan. 2 1935.

Streamlined Train Between New York and Washington— The first streamlined train ever to operate in the busy eastern section between New York and Washington took the rails, June 24, when The Royal Blue, of the B. & O. inaugurated a round trip service daily between the two cities. While the new Royal Blue, with its full complement of eight cars, will weigh less than 350 tons behind the engine, it is considerably roomier than the standard train. The side-walls of the cars, being built of duralumin, of thinner sections, make the car interiors four inches wider, thus providing greater width in coach seats.

Earnings for May and Year to Date May— Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, From Jan 1— Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents

Babcock & Wilcox Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings— Calendar Years— Loss on operations, after selling, administrative and general expenses, Depreciation of bldgs., machinery and equip., &c., Amortization of patents, Net loss on operations, Income from investments, Interest and exchange, Net loss, Surplus at beginning of year, Portion of reserve for contingencies restored to surplus, Total surplus, Cash dividends (net), Surplus at end of year

Capital Surplus Account Year Ended Dec. 31 1934

Capital surplus (provided by reduction of capital stock of company from \$22,700,000 to \$17,600,000), Amount reserved to reduce on consolidated balance sheet, the amount at which Fuller Lehigh Co. patents are carried by that company on its books, Amount reserved to reduce to estimated sales value, on the consolidated balance sheet, the amount at which idle plants are carried on the books, Amount reserved against the value of investments in other cos.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Assets— Cash, U. S. Govt. secur., Other marketable securities, a Accts. & notes rec, Accrued interest, Inventories, Stocks of controlled companies, Stocks & bonds of other cos., Prop'ty, plant and equipment, Pat's (less amort.), Other assets, Deferred charges & prepaid expenses, Total, Liabilities— Accounts payable, Accrued liabilities, Dividends payable, Advance payments on contracts, Reserves, Capital stock, Surplus, Capital stk. held in treasury, Total

a After reserves of \$230,325 in 1934 and \$131,435 in 1933. b After reserves of \$626,215 including \$500,000 provided in 1934 by reduction of capital. c After reserve for depreciation, including reserve of \$2,199,783 provided for idle property by reduction of capital to reduce to estimated sales value. d After reserve of \$2,400,217 provided by reduction of capital. e 227,000 no par shares. f Shares of \$100 par value. g 3,119 shares in 1934 and 3,102 in 1933.—V. 139, p. 4120.

(Joseph) Bancroft & Sons Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Calendar Years— Sales, net of returns and allowances, Manufacturing cost, sell. and admin. exp., &c., Operating loss, Other income (net), Total profit, Depreciation, Int. on accts. pay., &c., Other deductions, Profit on sales of invest., &c., Net deficit, Preferred stock, Deficit

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Cash, \$126,225; notes and trade acceptances receivable, \$83,543; accounts receivable, \$459,079; inventories, \$979,365; stocks and bonds, at cost, \$344,788; accrued interest receivable on investments, bank deposits, &c., \$2,742; mortgage receivable, due 1936-1937, \$25,000; cash in closed and restricted banks, \$4,246; prepaid insurance, taxes and interest, \$34,587; deferred charges to plant account, &c., \$21,499; real estate, plant and equipment, at cost, less depreciation, \$6,760,739; trade-marks, formulas, &c., at cost, \$13,659; sinking fund (448 shares Joseph Bancroft & Sons Co. 7% cum. pref. stock at cost), \$46,891; total, \$8,902,364. Liabilities—Notes payable, \$300,000; loan payable, \$50,000; accounts payable, \$77,206; accrued wages, &c., \$61,542; two-year Eddystone 6% notes due Oct. 1 1935, \$300,000; 7% cum. pref. stock, \$3,000,000; common stock (113,762 no-par shares), \$3,083,985; surplus (unappropriated), \$2,194,922; appropriated for red. of pref. stock, \$46,891; total, \$2,241,813; less cost of 2,400 shares pref. and 186 shares common held in treas., \$212,182), \$2,029,631; total, \$8,902,364.—V. 139, p. 1077.

Bandini Petroleum Co.—Earnings—

Earnings for Year Ended Dec. 31 1934 Income from sales, Income from royalties, Total income, Costs, operating and general expenses, Increase in inventory at cost, Net operating income, Non-operating income, Income before general corporate taxes, Federal income taxes, Federal capital stock taxes, California corporation franchise taxes, Profit for the period, Dividends, Deficit

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Cash in banks, \$496,598; accounts receivable from Wilshire Oil Co., Inc. (net), \$41,299; other accounts receivable, \$847; inventory, \$871,455; properties, plant and equipment (less reserve for depletion and depreciation of \$1,167,064), \$144,820; prepaid charges, \$25,943; total, \$1,580,964. Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$14,615; dividends payable, \$66,250; accrued liabilities, \$5,448; other current liabilities, \$3,879; other reserves, \$73,184; common stock (par \$1), \$662,500; earned surplus (unappropriated), \$755,087; total, \$1,580,964.—V. 140, p. 137.

Bangor & Aroostook RR.—Earnings—

Period End. May 31— Gross oper. revenues, Operating expenses, Tax accruals, Operating income, Other income, Gross income, Deductions, Net income

Bates Manufacturing Co. (Earnings)— Years Ended— Net sales, Cost of sales, Loss from operations, Other income, Operating loss, Interest, Other charges, Net loss, Includes depreciation: 1934, \$124,060; 1933, \$85,000.





Borden Mills, Inc.—Bonds Called—

The company is notifying holders of its first mortgage 10-year 6% sinking fund gold bonds, due Aug. 3 1942...

Boston Storage Warehouse Co.—Bal. Sheet March 31—

Assets—1935 1934; Land, buildings & machinery; Construction; Cash; Insurance premium; Accs. receivable; Treasury stock; Total.

—V. 139, p. 1546.

Bourjois, Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Calendar Years—1934 1933 1932 1931; Gross profit from oper.; Selling, shipping & gen. expenses; Profit from operations; Net inc. before prov. for Federal inc. tax; Net inc. for the year; Surplus credit; Gross surplus; Preference dividends; Common dividends; Other charges, net; Surplus at end of year.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Cash, \$200,460; United States Treasury notes (cost), \$50,000; accounts receivable (net), \$744,639; inventories, \$706,778; cash surrender value of insurance on life of officer, \$61,002; claim for refund of taxes, \$37,479; plant property (less reserves for deprec., of \$180,385), \$372,481; investments (at cost or less), \$10,500; good-will, trade-marks, recipes, and formulae, \$1,105,833; deferred charges, \$125,097; total assets, \$3,414,270. Liabilities—Note payable to bank, \$100,000; accounts payable—trade, \$103,241; divs. payable, \$1,039; accrued expenses, \$134,508; 2.75 preference stock (65,788 shs. at stated value of \$986,820, less 20,694 shs. in treasury \$310,410), \$676,410; common stock (stated value, \$1), \$392,225; capital surplus, \$64,510; earned surplus (incl. \$1,093,889 earned by predecessor company at effective date of consolidation, March 1 1929), \$1,942,338; total liabilities, \$3,414,270.—V. 138, p. 4290.

British-American Oil Co., Ltd.—Acquisition—

President A. Ellsworth announced that the business of Putnam Brothers, Ltd., with head office at St. John, N. B., has been purchased. Putnam Brothers is a distributing agency, handling gasoline through approximately 75 stations throughout the Maritimes.—V. 140, p. 2524, 1652.

Brush-Moore Newspapers, Inc.—Earnings—

Calendar Years—1934 1933; Total revenue; Newsprint, ink and other materials; Payroll and commissions; Press association, write news, feature service and departmental expenses; Depreciation; Operating profit; Net other deductions; Provision for Federal income taxes; Net profit.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Cash, \$208,802; cash value of \$1,275,000 life insurance, \$134,703; accounts and notes receivable—net, \$231,699; inventories—newsprint, ink, &c., \$58,577; investment in other companies, \$895,419; property not used in operations, \$77,032; sundry accounts receivable, \$7,217; land, buildings, machinery, &c. (after depreciation), \$1,415,996; circulation, good-will, &c., \$3,556,496; deferred expenses, \$65,075; Brush-Moore notes in treasury (plus accrued int.), \$17,036; total, \$6,668,057. Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$70,881; accrued 1934 taxes, int. and expenses, \$90,463; 10-year 6 1/2% coll. trust notes, \$1,109,500; 1st mtge. & coll. trust 6 1/2% Portsmouth "Times" notes, \$32,000; real estate mtges., \$150,000; Evening News Publishing Co. (Canton "Daily News" purchase), \$230,000; Holles notes—due Feb. 13 1942, \$570,000; prepaid advertising and subscriptions, \$28,109; reserves for contingencies and taxes, \$103,856; 1st pref. shares, \$1,226,000; 2d pref. shs., \$902,400; com. shs. (50,000 outstanding), \$818,230; earned surplus, \$1,336,616; total, \$6,668,057.—V. 139, p. 3960.

Brazilian Traction, Light & Power Co., Ltd.

Statistics of Combined Companies for Calendar Years

1934 1933 1932 1931; Miles of track; Miles run; Passengers carried; Kilowatt hours sold; Total consumers light & power; Gas sold (cubic meters); Gas consumers; No. of telep. in oper.

Combined Revenue Statement of Parent Company and Operating Subsidiaries

Calendar Years—1934 1933 1932 1931; Gross earnings from oper.; Misc. rev. of oper. cos.; Total rev. of oper. cos.; Operating expenses; Charge for depreciation and renewals; Bond interest; Sink funds & oth. chgs.

Bal. being rev. to Brazilian Traction, Lt. & Power Co., Ltd.; Int. on temp. investm'ts; Miscellaneous income; Gross rev., Brazilian Traction, Light & Power Co., Ltd.; Deduct—General & legal exps. & admin. chgs.; Gen. amortiz. reserves; Pref. divs. (6%); Common dividends; Stock dividends; Balance, surplus.

Consolidated Balance Sheet (Co. and Sub. Cos.), Dec. 31

[Includes Rio de Janeiro Tramway, Light & Power Co., Ltd. (and its subsidiary, Brazilian Tel. Co.), Sao Paulo Tramway, Light & Power Co., Ltd., Sao Paulo Electric Co., Ltd., City of Santos Improvements Co., Ltd., and Brazilian Hydro-Electric Co., Ltd.]

Assets—1934 1933 1932 1931; Properties, plant & equip., const. expenses (at cost), incl. int. during construction, &c.; Cost of securities & adv. to cos. owned or control. by sub. cos.; Rights, franchises, contracts, good-will, discount on bonds, share and bond issue expense; Sinking fund investments; Rio de Jan. Tram., L. & P. Co., Ltd., 1st mtge. bonds at cost; Sao Paulo Electric Co., Ltd., 1st mtge. bonds; Stores in hand and in transit; incl. construction material; Sundry debtors & debit balances; Invest. (Govt. securities at cost); Cash in hand & in banks; Total; Liabilities; Capital stock—Brazil. Traction, Lt. & Power Co., Ltd.—Authorized \$190,000,000, issued; Auth. & issued 6% cum. p. shs.; Shares of subsidiary cos.; a Funded Debt—Rio de Janeiro Tramway, Light & Power Co., Ltd.: 1st mtge. 30-yr. 5% gold bonds; 5% 50-year mtge. bonds; 5% 22-year bonds; Sao Paulo Tramway, Light & Power Co., Ltd.: 5% perpetual consol. deb. stock; Sao Paulo Electric Co., Ltd.: 5% 50-year 1st mtge. bonds; City of Santos Impmts. Co., Ltd.: 5% tramway debentures; Bond debentures & share warrant coupons outstanding; Accrued charges on cum. pref. shares and funded debt; Sundry cred. & credit balances; Ins. funds for injuries & damages; \* Prov. for deprec. & renewals (bal. aft. meetg. & renew. to date); Sinking fund reserves; General amortization reserve; General reserves; Profit & loss bal. Dec. 31—Brazil. Trac. Lt. & P. Co., Ltd.; Subsidiary companies; Total.

\* This reserve includes provision for depreciation and renewals of physical assets of companies owned or controlled by subsidiary companies.

In addition, there are bonds outstanding of companies owned or controlled by the sub. cos. equivalent to \$6,867,566, on which the yearly interest charge, amounting to \$401,594, is provided out of the revenue of the sub. cos. b Includes insurance funds for injuries and damages.—V. 140, p. 4227

Bridgeport Machine Co.—Accumulation Dividend

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on account of accumulations on the 7% cum. pref. stock, par \$100, payable July 30 to holders of record July 20. A like payment was made on May 31 and April 30, last, and compares with \$2 per share paid on March 25 and Feb. 25, and \$1 per share distributed on Jan. 25 1935 and Sept. 29, Aug. 30, July 31, June 30, May 31, April 30, March 25, March 1 and Jan. 2 1934. In 1933 the company distributed \$1 per share on Oct. 10 and \$1.75 on Jan. 1. In 1932 the company only paid two quarterly dividends on the above issue, the Oct. 1 and July 1 payments having been passed. Accruals as of July 1 after payment of the July 30 dividend will amount to \$3 per share.—V. 140, p. 3205.

Briggs Manufacturing Co.—New Sales Director

Don D. Smith has resigned as Vice-Pres. & Gen. Sales Mgr. of the Richmond Radiator Co. of New York, manufacturers of sanitary cast iron enamel ware, to accept an appointment as director of sales of the plumbing ware division of this company, it was announced by John A. Callahan, Gen. Mgr. of the division.—V. 140, p. 3710.

(Edward G.) Budd Mfg. Co.—Earnings—

Quar. End. Mar. 31—1935 1934 1933 1932; Net profit after interest, deprec. & Federal tax; Earnings per sh. on 994,912 no par shs. com. stock.

Stock Plan Approved

Stockholders at the adjourned annual meeting held June 24 approved a plan to give stockholders options to buy two shares of common stock for each three shares held. One-third of the options are to buy common stock at \$5 a share, one-third at \$7 and one-third at \$9. They are for a period of nine months, with extensions under certain conditions up to 15 months. Common stockholders of record July 15 will be entitled to the options. Stockholders will be asked to waive half of the options they receive under the plan in order to grant the banking house of Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. options to buy 300,000 shares of common stock. Large stockholders have already waived their rights to half of their options, it was stated at the meeting. There is no compulsion to waive the option rights and individual waivers are requested by the company. See also V. 140, p. 4064.—V. 140, p. 4227.

Bullock Fund, Ltd.—Earnings—

Income Account for the Year Ended Dec. 31 1934; Cash dividends; Interest on bonds; Net cash proceeds from sales of regular stock dividends, included per certificate of incorporation; Total income; Expenses; Net income; Dividends; Deficit.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Investments, \$1,649,323; cash in banks, \$107,795; amount due on subscriptions to capital stock, \$1,243; cash dividends receivable, \$6,855; bond interest accrued, \$661; deferred charges, \$897; total, \$1,766,777. Liabilities—Accounts payable, accrued expenses, &c., \$753; provision for Federal capital stock and other taxes, \$5,913; provision for organization expense, \$153; dividends payable upon receipts of stock of a predecessor corporation for exchange, \$3,478; payable for capital stock purchased and retired, \$2,331; capital stock (\$1 par), \$142,195; capital surplus, \$1,351,876; earned surplus, \$260,074; total, \$1,766,777.—V. 140, p. 964.

Butterick Co.—Debenture Holders Oppose Plan—

The reorganization plan for the company was attacked by counsel for holders of \$17,000 of debentures, June 21, who charged that Cumeo Press, Inc., and Oxford Paper Co., holders of about 90% of the claims against the

Charges outlined

company, would hold more than half of the common stock issued under the plan if it is accepted by the Court. Federal Judge John C. Knox referred the case to Special Master Joyce, asking that his findings be returned by July 12.

The plan contemplates the raising of \$300,000 of new money on 6% notes, with a bonus of 16 new common shares for each \$100 loaned the company. One new \$50 par preferred and one new common share would be given general creditors and debenture holders for each \$100 of claim, and the present common stockholders would receive one common share for each 20 held. Should the two largest creditors underwrite the \$300,000 notes, they would be entitled to 48,000 of the 92,800 shares of new common.

Counsel for other trade creditors also opposed the plan.—V. 140, p. 3887.

Bullocks, Inc.—Earnings—				
Years End. Jan. 31—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Net sales of merchandise	\$20,422,685	\$18,464,578	\$18,728,688	\$23,899,527
Sales of leased sections	1,079,608	891,584	314,607	356,704
Cost of sales	11,756,218	10,529,419	11,889,206	15,266,526
Gross profit—owned sections	\$7,586,859	\$7,043,574	\$6,524,876	\$8,076,296
Miscellaneous income	9,424	7,710	14,088	18,391
Total gross profit	\$7,596,282	\$7,051,284	\$6,538,964	\$8,094,687
Operating expenses	5,721,611	5,209,965	5,408,992	6,396,855
Deprec. & amortization	610,612	543,612	544,519	606,967
Bond interest	351,694	391,776	408,433	420,029
Provision for losses of operating affils.	37,933	—	—	—
Loss Wiltshire Store	—	151,502	—	—
Other deductions (net)	Cr. 44,335	13,763	95,987	56,225
Prov. for Fed. inc. tax	121,875	107,825	7,805	78,033
Net profit	\$796,893	\$632,841	\$73,226	\$536,577
Previous surplus	2,831,505	2,382,393	2,733,187	3,066,089
Gain by purchase of own securs. at a discount	3,220	53,973	165,426	—
Red. in res. for contng. due to favorable decisions in inc. tax cases	207,301	—	—	—
Cash value life insurance	—	376,957	—	—
Total surplus	\$3,838,919	\$3,446,165	\$2,971,840	\$3,602,666
Preferred dividends	255,460	274,680	288,536	302,846
Common dividends	365,695	304,980	243,999	368,922
Add'ns to res. for contng. Reduction in book value of land owned adj. to Wiltshire store	335,138	—	—	—
Premium on pref. retired Other charges	—	—	21,911	140,676
Surplus, Jan. 31	\$2,882,627	\$2,831,505	\$2,382,393	\$2,733,187
Shs. com. stk. out. (no par)	243,759	243,984	243,984	244,029
Earnings per share	\$2.22	\$1.46	Nil	\$0.97

#### Balance Sheet Jan. 31 1935

Assets—Cash, \$841,797; United States Treasury certificates, \$452,375; Customers' accounts (less allowance for doubtful of \$25,000), \$2,140,757; merchandise, \$3,057,351; other assets, \$834,546; land owned in fee, \$1,765,230; leaseholds, (less allowance for amortization of \$715,719), \$1,460,145; construction and improvements on leased property, buildings on land owned in fee and furniture, fixtures and delivery equipment (less slowance for depreciation of \$3,592,120), \$7,413,554; good-will, \$1; deferred charges, \$559,771; total, \$18,525,530.

Liabilities—Accounts payable, including merchandise in transit, \$1,270,490; dividends payable on preferred stock, \$62,774; accrued interest and local taxes, \$101,145; Federal taxes accrued, \$75,139; deferred liabilities, \$150,000; reserves for contingencies, &c., \$139,118; secured sinking fund 6% gold bonds, \$2,367,000; 1st mtge. 6% gold bonds, \$3,437,500; 7% cumulative pref. stock (par \$100), (less retired or in treasury, \$912,900), \$3,587,100; common stock (25,999 no par shares, less held in treasury—6,241 shares at \$114,002), \$4,452,635; surplus, \$2,882,626; total \$18,525,530.—V. 139, p. 593.

#### Cable Electric Products, Inc. (Formerly Cable Radio Tube Corp.) (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Years Ended April 30—	1935	1934
Net sales	\$865,026	\$711,981
Manufacturing costs	750,900	591,034
Manufacturing profit	\$114,126	\$120,947
Operating expenses and other charges	218,244	251,985
Total loss from operations	\$104,118	\$131,038
Other income	6,218	9,266
Net loss for fiscal year	\$97,899	\$121,772

#### Consolidated Balance Sheet April 30 1935

Assets—Cash in banks, \$6,738; accounts receivable, \$90,728; merchandise, \$156,001; stocks and securities (current market value), \$2,962; supplies inventory, \$1,013; sundry receivables, \$803; deferred charges, \$4,026; machinery, plant and equipment (depreciated value), \$193,445; patents—trade-marks—good-will, \$1; total, \$455,720.

Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$121,059; notes payable—trade, \$29,279; notes payable—bank, \$4,500; commissions payable, \$836; salaries, expenses, and purchases accrued, \$19,693; loans payable—officers, \$10,930; sundry loans payable, \$5,670; stockholders' equity (represented by 200,000 shs. of voting trust certificates), \$263,750; total, \$455,720.—V. 139, p. 1862.

#### Cable & Wireless (Holding), Ltd.—To Retire Pref. Stock

The Guaranty Trust Co. on June 14, notified the N. Y. Curb Exchange that they have been advised of an offer by Cable and Wireless (Holding), Ltd. to purchase for cancellation up to one-third of the stockholders' present holdings of 5½% cum. preference stock, including all arrears of divs. on such one-third, at a price of one pound for each one pound principal amount of said stock; that said offer is contingent on (1) its being accepted by not less than approximately 1-10th of the outstanding preference stock, (2) the necessary resolution for reduction of capital being passed by the company in general meeting and the sanction of the high court of justice being obtained; that under the terms of the offer each preference shareholder will have the right to accept it, at the price set forth above, for any amount up to one-third of his holdings (excluding fractions of a share) of preference stock and if he wishes to sell more than one-third he will be allowed to offer it at the same price, and if other stockholders sell less than their one-third then, so far as the maximum amount available will permit, those who wish to sell more than one-third will be able to do so; that payment for any stock accepted will be made by the company within 21 days after the British Court has sanctioned the arrangement; and that if the court sanction is not obtained by July 31 1935 the company will pay interest at 3% per annum on the purchase price (less British income tax on such interest) of the stock ultimately purchased, calculated from July 31 1935 until the last day of the month in which the court sanction is obtained.—V. 138, p. 3596.

#### California-Oregon Power Co.—Accum. Dividends—

The directors have declared dividends of 87½ cents per share on the 7% cum. pref. stock, par \$100, 75 cents per share on the 6% cum. pref. stock, par \$100, and 75 cents per share on the 6% cum. pref. stock, series of 1927, par \$100, all payable July 15 to holders of record June 29. Similar distributions were made on the respective issues in each of the seven preceding quarters, prior to which payments were made at the regular quarterly rates.—V. 140, p. 4064.

#### Callahan Zinc-Lead Co.—Financing Progresses—

Expressing gratification with progress of the new financing program now being conducted by the company and which was concluded on June 28 1935, Donald A. Callahan, President, said: "Subscriptions have been coming in steadily since certificates of rights were first mailed to stockholders on April 29. The company is especially pleased by the response from stockholders in the Coeur d'Alene mining district where the company's offices and mines are located. The subscriptions from there so far reported will amount to approximately five times the number of shares held."

Under the plan, the company is offering one share of common for each share held as of April 19 last, with the privilege of subscribing to five times

the numbers of shares held as of that date. The rights expire on June 28.—V. 140, p. 2856.

#### Cambria & Indiana RR.—Earnings—

May—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross from railway	\$87,007	\$73,443	\$84,676	\$75,682
Net from railway	22,502	5,639	13,651	8,147
Net after rents	69,504	53,601	45,371	45,708
From Jan. 1—	—	—	—	—
Gross from railway	457,147	441,969	499,572	469,433
Net from railway	141,027	119,317	115,302	135,856
Net after rents	404,159	388,377	375,428	351,655
	—V. 140, p. 3711.			

#### Camden Rail & Harbor Term. Corp.—Deposits Urged—

The reorganization committee (Theodore W. Stemmler Jr., Chairman), in a letter to the holders of the 1st mtge. 6½% sinking fund gold bonds, states:

On Oct. 29 1934 a letter was mailed by Frederick Cohen to the bondholders stating that the City of Camden, N. J., was insisting upon the payment of back taxes due on the property amounting to approximately \$225,000. In order to be able to forestall a tax sale or to redeem the company's property in case the sale could not be avoided, this reorganization committee has decided to attempt to reorganize the company as soon as possible.

At a meeting held on Feb. 26 1935 the committee declared its plan of reorganization operative and requested the trustee for the bonds to commence an action for the foreclosure of the indenture and for the sale of the trust estate covered thereby. To indemnify the Pennsylvania Co. for Insurances on Lives & Granting Annuities, the trustee, for its expenses and fees in connection with the foreclosure action as required by the indenture of mortgage, the committee has granted a lien on the deposited bonds to said company. On June 11 1935 a bill of foreclosure was filed by the trustee in the U. S. District Court, District of New Jersey.

The committee now has \$1,205,000 of bonds deposited under its plan of reorganization, or 73% of the \$1,646,000 outstanding, and prior to the foreclosure sale, expects to secure the deposit of a major proportion of the remaining bonds.

In order that the committee may complete its plan of reorganization, the holders of the remaining 27% of outstanding bonds are urgently requested to deposit their bonds at once with Underwriters Trust Co., 37 Broadway, New York, the depository.—V. 139, p. 1862.

#### Capitalization

1st mtge. 6½% gold bonds, due Jan. 1 1943	\$1,646,000
10-year 7% sinking fund gold debentures, due Jan. 1 1938	598,500
7% cumulative preferred stock (par \$100)	5,500 shs.
Common stock (no par)	50,000 shs.

#### Digest of Reorganization Plan

The plan provides that the committee shall cause the property to be transferred to a new company organized for that purpose. Under the plan the new company will be capitalized as follows:

1st mtge. 6½% bond maturing 10 years from date	\$800,000
Income debentures 6½% bonds maturing 20 years from date	\$23,000
Common stock	60,000 shs.

*Exchange Basis*—Holders of the first mortgage 6½% gold bonds of the old company will receive, for each \$1,000 principal amount of bonds, \$500 of income debentures and 10 shares of the common stock of the new company.

The \$800,000 first mortgage 6% bond of the new company is to be sold to provide the cash necessary to pay off back taxes amounting to \$174,098 as of Dec. 31 1932, to build water front facilities and otherwise to improve the property, estimated to cost approximately \$400,000, and to provide working capital for the new company. The reorganization committee has been informed by the operating receiver, who was formerly general manager of the company, that working capital of \$200,000 is essential for the successful operation of a cold storage plant of the size owned by the company.

Under the terms of the plan of reorganization 16,460 shares of the common stock of the proposed new company will be issued to the depositors, provided all of the first mortgage bonds are deposited and (or) participate in the plan of reorganization. The remaining shares of the new company to be authorized will be used or sold (a) to pay for the cost of selling the new first mortgage 6% bond, and (b) to pay for the expenses of the plan of reorganization.

None of the security holders except the first mortgage 6½% sinking fund gold bonds of the old company will participate in the plan of reorganization. No securities are to be issued by way of options or otherwise, other than those to be issued, distributed or sold as provided above.

#### Estimated Operations After Refinancing and Construction of Water Front Facilities

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Gross income	\$374,865	\$384,115	\$396,115
Operating expenses	254,311	255,582	257,232
Operating profit	\$120,554	\$128,533	\$138,883
Interest & sinking fund on 1st mtge.	63,740	63,740	63,740
Balance	\$56,814	\$64,793	\$75,143
Interest on debentures	53,495	53,495	53,495

\* Balance available for sinking fund on debentures & for common stk. \$3,319 \$11,298 \$21,648

\* 20% of said balance of income to be used as a sinking fund to retire debentures.—V. 139, p. 1862.

#### Canada Bud Breweries, Ltd.—Defers Common Div.—

The directors have decided to defer action on the payment of a dividend on the no-par common stock, ordinarily payable at this time. The last previous payment was made on April 15 last, when 15 cents per share was distributed. A dividend of 15 cents was also paid on Jan. 15 1935, the first since Oct. 16 1933 when a regular quarterly distribution of like amount was made.—V. 140, p. 1304.

#### Canada Northern Power Corp., Ltd.—Earnings—

Period End. May 31—	[A Subsidiary of Power Corp.]			
	1935—Month—1934	1935—5 Mos.—1934	1935—5 Mos.—1934	1934
Gross earnings	\$364,662	\$337,994	\$1,794,169	\$1,663,579
Operating expenses	135,072	119,293	661,633	550,230
Net earnings	\$229,590	\$218,701	\$1,132,536	\$1,113,349
	—V. 140, p. 3888.			

#### Canadian Foreign Investment Corp., Ltd.—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Interest received	\$183,657	\$235,970	\$259,660	\$254,651
Dividends received	121,654	89,797	112,812	111,769
Total revenue	\$305,311	\$325,769	\$372,472	\$366,421
Expenses, taxes, &c.	43,299	40,902	68,747	45,441
Interest on debentures	16,357	45,648	56,514	57,993
Net profit	\$245,656	\$239,218	\$247,211	\$262,986
Previous surplus	\$64,121	639,381	393,670	300,184
Settlement receiv. for investment expenses	—	—	—	5,250
Total surplus	\$809,777	\$878,599	\$640,881	\$568,420
Preferred dividend	137,004	277,770	—	174,750
Common dividends	91,770	36,708	—	—
Miscellaneous charges	25,694	—	—	—
Office equip. written-off	—	—	1,500	—
Balance	\$555,309	\$564,121	\$639,381	\$393,670
	Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934			

Assets—Cash (Canadian funds), \$27,359; cash (U. S. funds), \$226,364; accounts receivable, \$48; foreign currency (milreis converted into Canadian funds at a nominal value of 6½ cents), \$24,269; interest in partly owned subsidiary company, \$2,100,149; total, \$2,378,191.

Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$40; provision for Federal income tax and Provincial profits tax, \$230; reserve accounts, \$1,651; 8% cumulative redeemable preferred stock (par \$100), \$1,350,000; common stock (73,416 shares, no par), \$456,060; earned surplus, \$555,309; total, \$2,378,191.—V. 140, p. 634.

Canadian Hydro-Electric Corp., Ltd. (& Subs.)—

Table with 4 columns: Calendar Years (1934, 1933, 1932, 1931). Rows include Gross rev., Operating expenses, Maintenance, Prov. for doubtful accts., Admin. & gen. expenses, Interest, Amortization of discount on funded debt, Depreciation, Taxes, Divs. on pref. stk. of sub, Net revenue, Divs. on 1st pref. stock, Divs. on 2d pref. stock, Divs. on common stock, Balance deficit.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Table with 4 columns: 1934, 1933, 1934, 1933. Rows include Assets (Props., pr. devs., rights, &c., Cash, Secs. & invests., Cash, Market'le secur., Accts. receivable, Inventories, Cash on deposit with trustee, Restricted depositions, Prepaid and def. exp. applie. to future oper., Accts. rec. (non-current), Prep'd. insur and taxes, Organiz. expense, Pref. stock of co. held by sub. for customers' subscription, Disc. on bonds & other secs. issued, expense, &c.), Liabilities (Funded debt, Accts. payable, Customers' dep., Acrued interest, Acru. dividends, Acrued payrolls and other, Prov. for taxes, Div. payable on common stock, Prop'y purchase obligs. due in one year, Serial oblig. due in one year, Due to affil. cos. for construe'n and property purch. advan., Div. pay. on 2d pref., Res. for deprec., Other reserves, Minority int. in St. John River Power Co., 6% pref. stock, 6% cum. 1st pt. stock, 6% non-cum. 2d pref. stock, x Common stock, Surplus), Total, x Represented by 1,000,000 (no par) shares.—V. 140, p. 3888.

Canadian National Lines in New England.—Earnings.

Table with 4 columns: 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, From Jan. 1—Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.—V. 140, p. 3888.

Canadian National Rys.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Net revenue, Earnings of System for Third Week of June (1935, 1934, Increase), Gross earnings.—V. 140, p. 4228.

Canadian Pacific Ry.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1935, 1934, 1934, Increase. Rows include Gross earnings.—V. 140, p. 4228.

Carnegie Metals Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with 2 columns: 1934, 1935. Rows include Proceeds from ore shipments, Costs of production & liquidation, less value of ores in process and transit, Net income from mine operations, Total other expenses, Net loss.

Consolidated Balance Sheet March 31 1935

Table with 2 columns: 1935, 1934. Rows include Assets—Property, plant and equipment, \$1,129,409; Vetagrande mining properties (under lease), \$1,349,656; El Bote mining properties (under purchase agreement), \$2,264,993; cash, \$32,795; accounts receivable, \$603; notes receivable (secured by 76,309 shs. of capital stock of Carnegie Metals Co.), \$114,462; ores in process and transit, \$3,419; deposit with trustee to pay bond int., \$3,687; materials, supplies, &c., \$28,003; office furniture and fixtures, \$1; stock, Calumet & Sonora of Cananea Mining Co., S. A. (nominal value) (pledged), \$1; pre-operating expenses, El Bote unit, \$58,869; total, \$4,985,901. Liabilities—Capital stock (par \$1), \$1,101,618; surplus, \$3,564,681; bonds payable and accrued bond int., \$141,398; liability under purchase contract to acquire titles to El Bote mining properties, \$90,000; notes payable and accrued int., \$9,213; accounts due officers and directors, \$3,555; accounts payable, other, \$68,183; liability for accrued royalties under San Acacio lease (in dispute), \$7,250; total, \$4,985,901.—V. 139, p. 1233.

Carrier Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with 2 columns: 1934, 1934. Rows include Net income for the year: Non-recurring income, All other net income before depreciation, Net income before depreciation, Depreciation, Net loss for year, Debit balance Jan. 1 1934, Debit balance surplus Dec. 31 1934.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Table with 2 columns: 1934, 1934. Rows include Assets—Cash, \$365,071; notes and accounts receivable (less reserve), \$1,104,714; cash surrender value of life insurance, \$16,066; inventories, \$1,486,267; customers' notes and trade acceptances discounted, \$17,673; notes and accounts (not current—less reserve), \$151,860; investments, \$563,661; land, buildings, machinery and equipment (less reserve for

depreciation of \$985,712), \$1,716,202; deferred receivables, \$167,267; deferred charges to operations, \$79,399; design, development, and research, \$150,000; patents, \$600,000; good-will, \$1; total, \$6,418,182. Liabilities—Notes payable, \$1,585; accounts payable, \$239,614; accrued wages and expenses, \$133,519; reserve for additional costs on contracts, \$172,277; sinking fund reserve for 1935, \$13,000; notes payable, banks (due after 1935), \$1,000,000; other reserves, \$39,818; mortgage payable (due April 22 1937), \$20,000; 1st mtge. 5% bonds (due Nov. 1 1943—less current provision) \$234,000; equity of non-depositing stockholders, \$2,486; 7% preferred cumulative stock (par \$100), \$1,494,600; common stock (310,978 shares, no par), \$3,623,594; deficit, \$556,311; total, \$6,418,182.—V. 140, p. 2697.

Celotex Co.—Further Changes Announced in Reorganization Plan—Date for Court Action on Plan Set for July 1—

Additional changes in the proposed plan of reorganization of the company, which are more beneficial to the holders of the company's preferred and common stocks, were announced June 24 by William B. Nichols, Chairman of the reorganization Committee. The modified plan will be submitted to the U. S. District Court at Wilmington, Del., on July 1, for approval.

The proposed modifications in the plan are as follows: (1) The offer to preferred stockholders who do not elect to subscribe to new common stock (option B under the plan) will be increased from 1 share of new preferred stock (\$100 par) for each 2 shares of existing preferred stock held by them, to 1 share of new preferred stock (\$100 par) and 1 share of new common stock, for each 2 shares of existing preferred stock held by them. (2) The offer to preferred stockholders who elect to exercise the subscription privilege granted by the plan (option A under the plan) will be increased from 1 share of new preferred stock and 1 share of new common stock for each 2 shares of existing preferred stock held by them, plus \$6.66 in cash, to 1 share of new preferred stock and 2 shares of new common stock, for each 2 shares of existing preferred stock held by them, plus \$6.66 in cash. (3) The offer to holders of common stock or common stock voting trust certificates who do not elect to subscribe to new common stock (option B under the plan) will be increased from 1 share of new common stock for each four shares of existing common stock (or voting trust certificates) held by them to 1 share of new common stock (or voting trust certificates) held by them. (4) The offer to holders of common stock or common stock voting trust certificates who elect to purchase new common stock as provided in the plan (option A under the plan) will be increased from 1 2-3 shares of new common stock for each four shares of existing common stock (or voting trust certificates) held by them, plus \$4.44 in cash, to 1 1/2 shares of new common stock for each three shares of existing common stock (or voting trust certificates) held by them, plus \$3.33 in cash. The effect of these modifications will be that: The holders of the existing preferred stock, whether or not they exercise their subscription privilege under option A, will receive 26,515 shares of new common stock in addition to the new preferred stock (and new common stock in the case of option A) which they were to receive under the existing plan. The holders of the existing common stock will receive 23,042 1/2 additional shares of new common stock by reason of the modification of the basis of exchange from 1 share of the new common stock for each 4 shares previously held, to 1 share of new common stock for each 3 shares previously held. These changes will not affect creditors, bondholders or debentureholders, since the change relate only to stockholders whose position is junior to the position of the creditors, bondholders and debentureholders. The proposed modifications do not change the amount of common stock to be offered for subscription to the preferred and common stockholders, nor the aggregate subscription price for such number of shares; nor do they relieve the subscriber from any obligation to take up the same number of shares of new common stock not taken by the stockholders, and at the same price, provided for in the plan, although the increase in the number of shares of new common stock to be outstanding upon consummation of the plan from 167,627 1/2 to 217,185, without any change in the compensation of the subscriber or the reorganization committee, will operate to dilute substantially such compensation. The Northern Trust Co., Chicago, is depository for the first mortgage bonds; the City Bank Farmers Trust Co., New York, is depository for the debentures and the Continental Illinois National Bank & Trust Co., Chicago, is depository for the preferred, common stock, warrants and claims. L. W. Proctor, 49 Wall St., New York, is Secretary for the committee.

Trustees File Audit Report with Court—

The trustees of the estate, Colin C. Bell and Wm. Tracy Alden, have filed in the U. S. District Court, for the District of Delaware, the audit report of Arthur Young & Co., C.P.A. Acting under the authority and direction of the court, the trustees employed Ford, Bacon & Davis, Inc., to appraise the going concern value of the assets, property and business of the company. The report of the appraisers states in part as follows: "As a result of this examination it is our opinion that the commercial or going value of the Celotex Co., as of April 30 1935 was \$7,370,700." The report, which has been filed in the court, gives the details on which the foregoing estimate is based. Also acting under the authority and direction of the court, the trustees have filed in the court their report and petition regarding proofs of claim and proofs of interest filed with the trustees by creditors and stockholders of the company. From this report and petition, it appears that the following are admitted by the trustees: First mortgage sinking fund gold bonds, series A, dated Dec. 1 1924, in the total amount of \$821,000; 10-year 6% convertible sinking fund gold debentures, dated Nov. 1 1926, in the total principal amount of \$1,597,000; open general claims in the total amount of \$248,199.19. The following proofs of claims and proofs of interest are disputed by the trustees: Open account general claims in the total sum of \$26,854; open account general liabilities in the total sum of \$4,670; one unliquidated claim. The following interest and rights are recognized by the trustees: Preferred stock 7% cumulative (par \$100), 53,030 shares; common stock (no par), 82,432 shares; common stock voting trust certificates representing 194,078 shares; common stock voting trust certificates option warrants for 85,000 shares. In summary, the report of the trustees filed with the court indicates admitted proofs of claims and proofs of interest to a total of \$2,666,669. The audit report indicated accrued interest on the bonds and debentures and accumulated dividends on 5,303,000 of \$100 par value preferred stock to a total of \$2,206,449.

Combined Statement of Profit and Loss

Table with 4 columns: Corporation Accounts, Receivers' Accounts, Trustees' Accounts, Combined, 6 Mos. End. Oct. 31 '34 to Feb. 12 '35 to Apr. 30 '35, Apr. 30 '35. Rows include Net sales (after deducting freight allowances and discounts), Cost of sales (incl. selling, advtg., gen. & admin., research & develop'm't exp., but excl. of depr.), Net profit from oper'ns, Other Income—Discounts received, int. earned, &c., Net income from rental of new Iberia plant, Total, Provision for exchange & oper. losses on foreign operations, Int. charges (incl. amort. of discount & expense on funded debt), Provision for deprec'n., Payment on account of services rendered by receivers & their counsel, Net profit.—V. 140, p. 3206.

Central Arizona Light & Power Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End, May 31, 1935, Month, 1934, 12 Mos., 1934. Rows include Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Net rev. from oper'n., Other income (net), Gross corp. income, Int. and other deductions, Balance, Property retirement reserve appropriations, Dividends applicable to pref. stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid, and Balance.

Central Power Co.—Preferred Dividends—

The directors June 20 declared a dividend of 87 1/2 cents per share on the 7% cum. pref. stock and 75 cents per share on the 6% cum. pref. stock, both of \$100 par value, payable July 15 to holders of record June 29. Like amounts were paid in each of the four preceding quarters and on July 15 1933, prior to which the company paid dividends on both issues at the regular quarterly rate.—V. 140, p. 3033.

Central RR. Co. of New Jersey—Bond Extension—

The Interstate Commerce Commission on June 21 authorized the company to extend from March 1 1935 to March 1 1938 the maturity of \$1,000,000 remaining unpaid of a \$1,250,000 bond. By order entered Jan. 29 1927, the company was authorized to issue, as co-maker with the Edroyal Corp., a bond in the amount of \$1,250,000, to bear interest at rate of 5% per annum, and to be payable five years after date. The maturity date having been later extended to March 1 1935. By supplemental application filed on May 23 1935, the company requested authority to extend the time of payment of \$1,000,000 of the bond to March 1 1938, the company having reduced the amount due on the bond by the payment of \$250,000. The extension is to be accomplished through the execution of a proposed agreement by the company and the co-maker, its subsidiary, with the Mott Haven Co., assignee and holder of the bond, whereby the latter will extend to March 1 1938 the time of payment for the \$1,000,000 remainder, and whereby the co-makers will covenant to pay such remainder, with interest thereon, as extended, and to comply with the other terms of the bond and of the mortgage securing it. The agreement will also provide for a reduction in the interest rate from 5% to 4 1/4% per annum, from March 1 1935, payable semi-annually on March 1 and Sept. 1.

Earnings of Company Only

Table with columns for May, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Charleston & Western Carolina Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for May, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Cherry-Burrell Corp.—Bonds Called—

The company has arranged to redeem on Aug. 1 next \$855,000 of 6% sinking fund debenture bonds due on Aug. 1 1938, according to a statement released on June 25. The call price is 101 1/2% and part of the funds for redemption is being furnished through a \$600,000 serial bank loan maturing in 2 1/2 years. After this redemption the company will have no funded debt outstanding.—V. 140, p. 3541.

Chesapeake & Ohio RR.—Places Large Order—

The company announced on June 24 that orders totaling \$11,819,000 were distributed among various equipment makers. It is expected that these purchases will be financed through the sale of equipment notes to private bankers. The order is the largest placed for railroad equipment in many months and will require 65,000 tons of steel.—V. 140, p. 4229.

Chicago & Eastern Illinois Ry.—New Plan Submitted—

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation has received from the management of the company a new plan of reorganization which would reduce annual interest charges to \$550,000. The RFC would be asked to invest an additional \$4,000,000 in cash under this plan.

Under the plan submitted by representatives of insurance companies, a year ago, on behalf of the holders of the general mortgage 5% bonds, total annual interest payments of \$395,425 were provided for, including rent for leased roads. Neither the RFC nor the insurance companies have approved the management's plan presented June 21.

Chairman Jesse Jones of the RFC urged that the management and insurance company representatives get together on a compromise plan before July 15, when a hearing on the reorganization will be held before the Interstate Commerce Commission's bureau of finance.—V. 140, p. 3712.

Chicago & Illinois Midland Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for May, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after railways, and Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Chicago Milwaukee St. Paul & Pacific Ry.—To File

Petition to Reorganize Under Section 77 of Bankruptcy Act— The company decided, June 28, to file petition for reorganization under Section 77 of the Bankruptcy Act. The decision was reached at a conference of directors held in New York, according to Jesse Jones, Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, who was informed of the action following the meeting. Mr. Jones said that he believed the directors were in agreement on the decision to file for reorganization.

"I understand the petition will be filed in the Chicago Federal District Court either Saturday or Monday," Mr. Jones said. Mr. Jones said that the action under Section 77 was being taken to make effective a tentative agreement reached with those bondholders of the St. Paul who had been interviewed by the management of the road. Bondholders who have been reached for discussion of the plan are in accord, Mr. Jones said. While they are not a majority of the bondholders, they represent substantial holdings, being chiefly insurance companies and other institutions.

Earnings for May and Year to Date

Table with columns for May, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Chicago & North Western Ry.—To Reorganize—Directors Decide to File Under Section 77—

The company will appeal to the courts for authority to reorganize under Section 77 of the amended Bankruptcy Act, the board of directors announced, June 27. The management expressed the hope that a plan of reorganization may be agreed upon within 90 days. An explanation of this important step was made by the New York offices of the road in the following statement:

"The board of directors decided that it was inadvisable to attempt further payments of service charges at this time, due to our past condition. We will, therefore, file a petition under Section 77 and in the meantime continue our negotiations with the bondholders' committee. These negotiations have not been broken off and are now in progress. Unfortunately the same committee members have been obliged to devote most of their time in negotiations with other railroads, but it is hoped and believed that within a short time the negotiations with this company will be resumed and that a tentative plan at least will be worked out within a reasonably short period of time.

"We hope this can be accomplished within the next 90 days. In the meantime, by filing a petition under Section 77, we will inaugurate jurisdictional steps looking to assistance of the Interstate Commerce Commission in bringing about the approval of a plan.

"The difficulties of the company may be attributed to a combination of causes. Stated in the order of their importance, they are as follows: The long-continued depression; four years of unprecedented drought in our agricultural regions; the great growth of unregulated and subsidized competitive forms of transportation; high taxes imposed on railroads by State and local assessing bodies and more recently the restoration of the 10% wage decrease plus increases in costs of materials and supplies due to the application of the codes in the past year.

"The company, we believe, has made marked progress in efficient and economical transportation even during the depression. This is reflected in the fact that our transportation and operating ratios have been held at substantially the same levels as existed during the period when our gross income was more than double what it has been during the last four years. These economies were largely made possible by virtue of improvements to the property, the largest part of which were completed by 1930.

"We have excellent prospects for crops in our territory for the first time in five years. If these materialize then our business this fall will give us a good indication of what the future has in store, provided, of course, that we have in connection therewith a reasonable upturn in general industrial and economic conditions.

"In my judgment both the Government and railroad managements co-operating can do much to bring about a restoration of railroad prosperity. To this end we must all recognize the fact that railroads no longer have a monopoly on transportation, that there is a vast volume of freight and passengers moving by other means of transportation under conditions which amount to substantial subsidies and without the restraints and regulations that place the railroads at a serious disadvantage.

"The railroads pay 34 cents out of every dollar of income for maintenance of their roadbeds and taxes. Their competitors on the highways pay 10 cents out of every dollar, the balance being supplied by the public. The railroads are not permitted to compete with the Panama Canal for trans-continental business.

"In the past few years there has been an increase in the volume of freight which under normal conditions would have been moved by private shippers under standard rates.

"Wide and constructive policies that place railroads on a parity with competitive forms of transportation would help materially."

Earnings for May and Year to Date

Table with columns for May, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Chrysler Corp.—Deliveries—

Retail deliveries of Chrysler cars in week ended June 22 totaled 1,121 units against 1,155 in the previous week. In first 25 weeks this year Chrysler car dealers delivered 22,337 Chryslers, an increase of 94% over the corresponding period last year.

Chrysler dealers sold 7,052 used cars in week ended June 22, a new weekly high. Stocks of used cars on June 22 were 32,923, or at current rate of sales slightly less than six week's supply.—V. 140, p. 4230.

Cincinnati New Orleans & Texas Pacific Ry.—Report—

Traffic Statistics for Calendar Years

Table with columns for Operations, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Miles operated, No. of passes carried, Pass. carried 1 mile, Rev. pass. per mile, Tons rev. freight carried, Tons frt. carried 1 mile, Rev. per ton per mile, Av. train load (rev. tons), Earns. per pass. train m., and Gross earns. per mile.

Income Account for Calendar Years

Table with columns for Operating Revenues, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Freight, Passenger, Mail, express, &c, Incidental, &c, Total oper. revenue, and Operating Expenses.

Table with columns for Operating Expenses, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Maintenance of way, &c, Maint. of equipment, Traffic expenses, Transportation, Miscellaneous operations, General expenses, and Transport'n for invest.

Table with columns for Total oper. expenses, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Net revenue from oper., Taxes, Uncollectible revenues, Hire of equipment, and Joint facility rents.

Table with columns for Operating income, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Non-Operating Income, Income from lease of rd., Miscell. rent income, Misc. non-oper. physical property, Dividend income, Inc. from funded secur., and Income from unfunded securities & accounts.

Table with columns for Gross income, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Rent from leased roads, Miscellaneous, Int. on equip. obligat'ns, Int. on unfunded debt., and Miscell. income charges.

Table with columns for Net income, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Preferred divs. (5%), Common dividends, Bal. carried to credit of profit and loss., Shares of common outstanding (par \$100), and Earns. per sh. on com.

General Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Assets—		Liabilities—	
1934	1933	1934	1933
Investm't in road	2,401,853	Common stock	8,970,000
Investm't in equip.	18,499,695	Preferred stock	2,453,400
Improvement on leased		Equipment trust	
railway prop.	24,473,044	obligations	783,800
Misc. phys. prop.	202,261	Traffic & car serv.	
Inv. in affil. cos.		balances payable	99,410
Stocks	859,001	Audited accounts	889,843
Bonds	243,507	Miscellaneous ac-	
Advances	2,291,511	counts payable	163,316
Other investments	115,714	Int. mat'd unpaid	33
Cash	7,678,036	Divs. mat'd unpd	30,880
Time drafts and		Unmat. divs. decl.	10,223
deposits	1,165,923	Unmat. int. acrd	98,754
U.S. Govt. secur.		Unmat. rents accr.	529,948
Special deposits	34,413	Other curr. labils.	15,357
Traffic & car serv.		Deferred liabilities	8,121
balances receiv.	498,600	Operating reserves	711,982
agents & condu.	5,523	Acr'd deprecia'n	97,450
Misc. accts. receiv.	488,328	on equipment	5,170,489
Materials & supp.	757,060	Other unadj. cred.	468,084
Int. & divs. receiv.	19,882	Add'n to property	
Other curr. assets	8,035	through income	
Deferred assets	35,700	and surplus	29,181,810
Unadjusted debits	291,665	Profit & loss, bal.	10,386,853
Total	60,069,751	Total	60,069,751

Earnings for May and Year to Date

May—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross from railway	\$1,085,209	\$1,127,604	\$1,061,522	\$900,754
Net from railway	352,447	470,689	472,837	200,309
Net after rents	239,253	347,881	351,174	152,783
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	5,267,869	5,335,678	4,371,168	4,557,407
Net from railway	1,701,532	2,128,734	1,527,533	874,158
Net after rents	1,199,419	1,544,777	1,126,801	623,767

Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Ry.—Interest Rate on RFC Loans Advanced—

An increase in the interest rates on loans to the road from 4% to 6% was ordered recently by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. This action was taken by the RFC when the carrier failed to meet the requirements of the board that the salaries of its officers be "reasonable." The increase in the interest rates was made retroactive to Oct. 2 1934. As explained by officials of the RFC, the standard rate of interest charged on loans to railroads is 6% except that in cases where the salaries of the railroad officials are reasonable in the judgment of the board, the rate is 4%. The Rock Island has been advanced approximately \$13,500,000 by the RFC, all of which will be subject to the increased interest charges.

Earnings for May and Year to Date

Period End.	May 31—	1935—Month—	1934—	1935—5 Mos.—	1934—
Railway oper. revenue	\$5,217,667	\$5,417,001	\$26,138,865	\$26,434,711	
Railway oper. expenses	4,905,175	4,836,633	23,617,802	22,677,962	
Railway tax accruals	383,000	435,000	1,935,000	2,175,000	
Uncollect. ry. revenue	1,902	2,905	8,758	9,029	
Equipment rents—dr. bal.	238,969	220,652	1,277,919	1,193,043	
Joint facil. rents—dr. bal.	86,476	91,074	478,268	423,466	
Net ry. oper. deficit	\$399,855	\$169,285	\$1,178,882	\$43,789	

Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co.—Files with SEC—

The company has filed a registration application with the Securities and Exchange Commission seeking to issue \$40,000,000 3 3/4% general mortgage bonds, due 1965, proceeds to be used to redeem on Oct. 1 at 102 and int. \$18,500,000 1st mtge. bonds, also to redeem on Oct. 1 at 107 1/2 and int. \$10,000,000 5% 1st mtge. bonds series B and at some undetermined date will redeem at 105 and accrued int. \$11,500,000 of 5% general mortgage series A bonds.—V. 140, p. 3542.

Collins & Aikman Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Quarter Ended—	June 1 '35	May 26 '34	May 27 '33	May 28 '32
Net profit after taxes				
depreciation, &c.	\$911,955	\$270,133	\$3,315	loss \$109,666
Shares common stock				
outstanding (no par)	562,800	565,000	597,000	597,000
Earnings per share	\$1.43	\$0.28	Nil	Nil

Colon Oil Corp.—Directorate Reduced—

Stockholders at their adjourned meeting held June 21 approved a reduction in the number of directors from eight to five. Arthur H. Bunker, Chairman; Ernest Stauffen Jr. and Harold J. Wasson were not re-elected in accordance with the terms of an offer of La Corona Petroleum Co. to purchase the Colon Oil debentures. The offer provided that in the event the requisite number of debentures were tendered for purchase within the period prescribed the Chairman of the board and other directors nominated by the bankers associated with the offering of the corporation's debentures or by the minority interests would retire.

The five directors re-elected represent the Royal Dutch Shell interest, which holds 75% of the outstanding Colon stock. They are Richard Airey, W. Gould, R. G. A. van der Woude, J. C. Van Eck and H. Wilkinson.—V. 140, p. 4230.

Columbia Pictures Corp.—Listing—

The New York Stock Exchange has approved the listing of the following additional voting trust certificates representing shares of common stock (no par) for the following purposes:  
 (a) Voting trust certificates representing 4,449 shares of common stock, upon official notice of issuance as a stock dividend of 2 1/2% and  
 (b) Voting trust certificates representing 699 shares if common stock to be added to reserve against outstanding series A purchase warrants as extended to June 30 1937, upon official notice of issuance.

Listing of Underlying Securities—

In connection with the permanent registration of stock, corporation has applied for the listing of 170,470 shares of its common stock, the number actually underlying the outstanding voting trust certificates, with authority to add to the list additional shares of common stock upon the deposit of additional shares up to, but not beyond 40,596 shares, or a total of 211,066 shares which includes:

(a) The number of shares presently issued and outstanding free stock, plus  
 (b) The number of shares underlying voting trust certificates previously authorized for listing upon official notice of issuance,  
 (c) The number of shares to be represented by voting trust certificates to be issued in payment of a stock dividend payable Aug. 2 1935 (application for the listing of which is mentioned above).

(d) The number of shares to be represented by voting trust certificates to be added to the reserve against outstanding series A purchase warrants (application for the listing of which is mentioned above).

It is understood:  
 (a) That any stock which may be released upon surrender of voting trust certificates by the holder thereof will be automatically deducted from the listed amount.

(b) That, upon the termination of the voting trust agreement, application in due form will be made for the listing of such stock, if requested by the New York Stock Exchange, such application to include: (1) All free stock at that time; (2) The stock released upon surrender of such voting trust certificates; and (3) Amounts, if any, represented by voting trust certificates authorized for listing upon official notice of issuance.

The rules, regulations and procedure prescribed by the Securities and Exchange Commission for the registration of voting trust certificates make it necessary that the securities underlying these voting trust certificates also be registered. In order that the New York Stock Exchange may properly certify to the Commission its approval of the listing and registration of voting trust certificates, it becomes necessary that the underlying securities be admitted to the list.

For this reason, a technical form of listing for such underlying securities has been devised. This listing does not involve trading privileges for the underlying securities:

Columbia Pictures Corp., in applying for listing of an additional amount of its voting trust certificates has requested the form of listing described above for the securities underlying all its voting trust certificates.

The Committee on Stock List recommends that the shares of common stock (no par) underlying the voting trust certificates for common stock be authorized for admission to the list for the purpose of effecting registration as follows:

170,470 shares which are issued and are now deposited under the voting trust agreement.  
 7,463 shares which are issued and outstanding in the hands of the public upon official notice of their deposit under the voting trust agreement and issuance of voting trust certificates therefor,  
 28,684 shares upon official notice of issuance upon exercise of series A purchase warrants and their deposit under the voting trust agreement and upon notice of issuance of voting trust certificates therefor, and  
 4,449 shares upon official notice of issuance in payment of a stock dividend.

Consolidated Statement of Operations 39 Weeks Ended (Including Domestic Subsidiary Companies)

	Mar. 30 '35	Mar. 31 '34	Mar. 25 '33
Gross income	\$10,930,109	\$4,607,022	\$4,409,104
Amortization of film	5,596,150	3,758,208	3,797,269
Share to other producers	186,118		
Cost of accessories	249,322		
General administration and selling exp.	3,198,010		
Operating profits of foreign subs.	179,191		
Interest charges		11,285	21,627
Balance	\$1,879,700	\$837,529	\$590,208
Other income	15,552	33,378	49,299
Net profit before Fed. income tax	\$1,895,252	\$870,908	\$639,507
Provision for Federal income tax	312,000	131,569	92,729
Expenses relating to organization & estab. of newly formed foreign subs.	10,532		
Net profit	\$1,572,720	\$739,339	\$546,779
Previous earned surplus	3,151,128	1,984,938	1,296,808
Total surplus	\$4,723,848	\$2,724,278	\$1,843,586
Preferred dividends	38,837	38,837	39,164
Common dividends	b185,416		
Earned surplus end of period	\$4,499,595	\$2,685,440	\$1,804,422
Shares common stock outstanding (no par)	177,933	167,885	167,885
Earnings per share	\$8.62	\$4.17	\$3.02

a After deducting \$22,663 (\$23,469 in 1933), depreciation of furniture and fixtures in main office and branches charged to profit and loss. Depreciation of studios and studio equipment amounting to \$119,337 (\$110,672 in 1933), has been capitalized as production cost and is being written off as film amortization. b \$130,503 in cash and \$54,913 in stock.

Comparative Consolidated Balance Sheet

Assets—	Mar. 30 '35	Mar. 31 '34	Mar. 30 '35	Mar. 31 '34
Cash	\$1,440,297	\$712,664	\$80,000	\$207,509
Accts. receivable	376,810	479,588		
Inventories	5,228,124	4,177,219	911,431	733,714
Prepaid expenses	218,083	167,771		
Deposits	4,889	4,340	106,750	61,405
Invest. in wholly-owned foreign subsidiaries	281,424	82,943		
Advance to outside producers	575,528	348,109		
Cash in trust withheld from outside producers	36,261	53,987	17,812	62,595
Cash surrender val. of life insurance	74,186	60,998	54,800	53,450
Miscellaneous investments	2,651	2,555	36,261	53,987
a Land, bldgs., &c.	1,381,619	1,317,184	413,898	162,564
Liabilities—				
Notes payable			150,000	184,068
Accts. payable and accrued expenses			219,349	381,465
Adv. payable from domestic cust.			517,830	521,309
Adv. payable foreign customer			2,219,301	2,069,196
Purch. contr. pay. within 1 year			75,463	58,995
Dividends payable			4,499,595	2,685,440
Due to outside producers & owners of royalty rights				
Deposits payable				
Fds. withheld from outside producers				
Reserve for Federal income tax				
Mtge. pay. purch. cont. pay. after one year				
Reserve for contng				
b Conv. pref. stock				
c Common stock				
Capital surplus				
Earned surplus				
Total	\$9,619,873	\$7,407,359	\$9,619,873	\$7,407,359

a After reserve of \$1,042,500 in 1935 and \$889,449 in 1934. b Represented by 17,261 no par shares. c Represented by 177,933 no par shares in 1935 and 167,885 shares in 1934.—V. 140, p. 4066.

Columbus & Greenville Ry.—Earnings—

May—	1935	1934	1933
Gross from railway	\$71,293	\$62,965	\$63,636
Net from railway	def3,638	def3,734	15,201
Net after rents	def4,986	def4,444	16,607
From Jan. 1—			
Gross from railway	343,828	349,261	262,316
Net from railway	def20,211	13,002	def2,285
Net after rents	def23,965	2,047	def1,033

—V. 140, p. 3713.

Combustion Engineering Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Income Account for Year Ended Dec. 31 1934		
Gross profit on sales		\$445,046
Selling, gen. & administrative exps. & prov. for doubtful accts.		1,184,382
Net loss from operations		\$739,335
Other income (less miscellaneous deductions \$13,346)		39,314
Net loss before Federal income tax		\$700,021
Provision for Federal income tax		3,061
Net loss		\$703,082

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Cash, \$982,920; marketable securities (less reserve of \$6,948), \$620,744; receivables (less unearned billings on installation contracts of \$263,792 and reserve for bad debts and allowances of \$117,656), \$892,272; inventories (incl. \$100,428 unbilled installation work in progress), \$1,371,856; prepaid expenses and deferred charges, \$53,395; other assets, \$45,853; property, plant and equipment (less reserve for depreciation of \$2,959,864), \$2,852,379; total, \$6,819,419.  
 Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$248,027; accrued wages, commissions, State and local taxes, insurance, &c., \$98,013; prov. for current Federal income tax, \$3,061; advance payments by customers, \$99,259; reserve for losses on installation contracts in progress, and additional costs on completed contracts, \$17,471; long-term debt, \$3,823,000; minority int. in capital stock and surplus (deficit) of subs. companies consolidated herein, \$2,597; capital stock (par \$1), \$150,517; credit arising from inclusion of net assets of acquired companies in the United States and Canada at book values (adjusted), \$3,150,338; deficit, \$862,865; total, \$6,819,419.—V. 139, p. 1398.

Commonwealth & Southern Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings.

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month—	1934—	1935—12 Mos.—	1934—
Gross earnings	\$9,778,757	\$9,378,325	\$117,473,608	\$111,885,527
Operating expenses	4,855,713	4,658,378	59,094,099	53,572,788
Fixed charges a	3,378,980	3,325,930	40,266,132	39,947,251
Prov. for retire. reserve	869,688	801,068	10,192,099	9,581,976
Dividends on pref. stock	b749,740	749,726	b8,996,791	8,996,428
Deficit	\$75,365	\$156,777	\$1,075,514	\$212,917

a Includes interest, amortization of debt discount and expense and earnings accruing on stock of subsidiary companies not owned by Commonwealth & Southern Corp.  
 b Reflects deduction for full pref. stock dividend requirement at the rate of \$6 per share per annum. Preferred stock dividends to Jan. 1 1935 were paid in full. A dividend of 75c. per share was paid April 1 1935 and dividend of same amount has been declared payable July 1 1935.—V. 140, p. 3713.

**Connecticut Light & Power Co.—Sells \$10,000,000 Bonds**—The company has arranged for the private sale of \$10,000,000 series E 1st & ref. mtge. 3 3/4% 30-year bonds at par.

Proceeds will be used to redeem outstanding bonds leaving approximately \$1,000,000 for additions, betterments and improvements to property.—V. 140, p. 2002.

**Consolidated Gas Co. of N. Y.—Changes in Personnel**—Changes resulting from the new plan for retirement of executives who have reached or passed the age of 70 and of the proposed unification of Consolidated Gas affiliates were announced on June 26. Shifts in the executive personnel, now being planned, will require about a month or two to complete. Changes decided on were:

George B. McLaughlin a trustee of the Consolidated Gas Co. of New York—Elected a director and a member of the executive committee of the New York Edison Co.

Frank W. Smith, President of the Consolidated Gas Co.—Elected to the boards of the Astoria Light, Heat & Power Co. and the New Amsterdam Gas Co. and to the executive committees of the latter company and the Westchester Lighting Co.

Robert B. Grove, Executive Vice-President of the New York Edison Co.—Made a director of the Westchester Lighting Co.

Oscar Fogg, Executive Vice-President of the Consolidated Gas Co.—To join the board of the New York Steam Corp. and the executive committees of the United Electric Light & Power Co. and the Brooklyn Edison Co.

R. H. Tappscott, Vice-President of the New York Edison Co.—Elected a director of United Electric Light & Power Co.

Walter Holcomb, Vice-President of Brooklyn Edison Co.—Chosen a director of that company.

M. T. Sellman, Assistant Secretary of Consolidated Gas Co.—Made Assistant Vice-President in charge of sales and customers' service.—V. 140, p. 3891.

**Consumers Power Co.—\$18,594,000 Bonds Offered**—For the purpose of retiring outstanding debt bearing a higher rate of interest, a new issue of \$18,594,000 1st lien & unifying mtge. bonds, 3 3/4% series of 1935, due 1965, is being placed on the market by an underwriting and offering syndicate headed by Bonbright & Co., Inc., and including First Boston Corp., Brown Harriman & Co., Inc., E. W. Clark & Co. and Coffin & Burr, Inc. The bonds are priced at 100 and int. Bonbright & Co., Inc., manager, announces that the offering to the selling group has been completed and that no allotment was made on oversubscriptions.

**Description of Bonds**—The bonds will be designated 1st lien & unifying mtge. bonds, 3 3/4% series of 1935, due 1965, to be designated "1st mtge. bonds" on or about Jan. 1 1936. Bonds are to be dated May 1 1935 and are to be due May 1 1965. Int. payable M. & N. I. Both principal and interest will be payable in any coin or currency which at the time of payment is legal tender for public and private debts, at the office of City Bank Farmers Trust Co., trustee, New York.

These bonds may be redeemed all or part, on any int. date, upon at least 30 days prior notice, at par, plus a premium of 1/2 of 1% thereof for each three consecutive years or fraction thereof of unexpired life, except that if red. on Nov. 1 1964 they may be red. at par.

**Listing**—Company will make application for the listing of these bonds on the New York Stock Exchange.

**Offering Price**—These bonds are originally offered to the public at 100% and int. from May 1 1935.

The underwriters have severally agreed to purchase the bonds at 97 1/2% and int. The underwriters propose to offer part of the bonds to members of a selling group at the public offering price less a concession of 1 1/4%.

**Purpose**—Net proceeds (estimated at \$17,993,675) to be received by the company will be used to the extent thereof to pay or redeem in lawful money of the United States:

\$15,672,000 Consumers Power Co. 1st lien & ref. 5% 25-year gold bonds, due Jan. 1 1936, at par, plus at maturity.

2,582,000 Michigan Light Co. 1st & ref. mtge. 5% 30-year gold bonds, due March 1 1946, to be called for redemption on Sept. 1 1935, incl. \$70,000 heretofore retired.

340,000 Jackson Gas Co. 1st mtge. 5% 40-year gold bonds, due April 1 1937, to be paid at maturity, incl. \$1,000 in Consumers Power Co.'s treasury to be cancelled.

The balance of the funds required over the net proceeds as well as for the retirement of the entire issue of Michigan Water Power Co. 1st mtge. 20-year 6% sinking fund gold bonds, due Jan. 1 1946, called for redemption on July 1 1935, is estimated at \$1,700,000 and will be provided by the company from its cash on hand and from temporary loans.

Company, organized in Maine April 14 1910, is engaged in the generation, purchase and sale of electricity and its distribution in 790 communities and townships as well as rural areas. In the production, sale and distribution of manufactured gas in 188 communities and townships, and in the purchase, sale and distribution of natural gas in 34 communities and townships. It also supplies steam heat in four communities and water in four communities and incident to its electric and gas business sells appliances. It owns all the stock and obligations of the Iosco Land Co. through which real estate is acquired for use of the company for right of way and other purposes and such real estate as is not presently conveyed to or required in the operation of the company is left in the Iosco Land Co. for liquidation as opportunity offers. No profits are made by Iosco Land Co., all its income and expenses being taken up directly on the books of the company; it also owns 50% of the capital stock of Electrical Interconnections, Inc., the other 50% of which is owned by Detroit Edison Co. Electrical Interconnections, Inc., owns 24.33 miles of 132,000-volt transmission line connecting properties of the two companies and its expenses are shared equally between them.

**Business Done by Company, Years Ended Dec. 31**

	1934	1933	1932	1931
Residential sales of elec. in kwh.	182,917,581	161,918,913	165,277,807	160,321,097
Comm'l sales of elec. in kwh.	171,088,791	154,791,090	160,696,654	183,039,169
Indus. & other sales of elec. in kwh.	511,126,415	415,308,392	380,161,522	470,779,927
Total sales of elec. in kwh.	865,132,787	732,018,395	706,135,983	814,140,193
Sales of Gas in 1,000 cu. ft.	6,141,604.8	5,207,294.6	5,771,279.3	6,315,218.5
Electric meters in service end of year.	329,681	309,799	302,569	307,646
Gas meters in serv. end of yr.	162,478	138,316	139,760	150,598
<b>Capitalization</b>				
1st lien & unifying mtge. gold bonds, a	Authorized			x Outstanding
Series C, 5%, due 1952				\$15,872,000
Series of 1928, 4 1/2%, due 1958				50,830,600
Series of 1934, 4%, due 1944				8,168,000
3 3/4% series of 1935, due 1965 (this issue)				18,594,000
Preferred stock (no par)	1,000,000 shs.			b191,915 shs.
6.6% preferred (par \$100)				32,365,100
6.6% preferred (par \$100)				16,847,200
7% preferred (par \$100)				2,778,400
Common stock (no par)	2,000,000 shs.			c1,643,080 shs.
a On or about Jan. 1 1936 the 1st lien & unifying mtge. gold bonds will be designated "1st mtge. bonds," provision being made in connection with the issuance of the bonds which are the subject of this prospectus to make the lien of the mortgage a first lien on substantially all of the property of the company. b Stated value \$18,690,113. c Stated value \$34,284,725. d Company estimates that at Dec. 31 1934 it has made fundable expenditures to approximately but not in excess of \$48,500,000 not availed of for the authentication of bonds or for any other purpose under the mortgage.				
x Upon completion of present financing and retirement of underlying bonds, y Payable in any coin or currency which at the time of payment is legal tender for public and private debts.				

**Earnings for Stated Periods**

	Year Ended Dec. 31—			12 Mos. to
	1932	1933	1934	May 31 '35
Total gross earnings----	\$28,126,648	\$26,000,000	\$28,685,138	\$29,341,063
Total oper. exps. & taxes	11,794,387	11,587,658	13,828,876	14,360,326
Net earnings before prov. for retirement res.-----	\$16,332,261	\$14,412,342	\$14,856,261	\$14,980,736
Prov. for retirement res.	2,784,000	2,784,000	2,850,000	2,877,500
Net earnings-----	\$13,548,261	\$11,628,342	\$12,006,262	\$12,103,237

Annual int. requirements of \$93,464,600 bonds to be outstanding as shown in the preceding statement \$4,104,972 \$4,104,972  
Number of times ann. int. require. as above earned

Before provision for retirement reserve----- 3.61 times 3.65 times  
After provision for retirement reserve----- 2.92 times 2.94 times

**Priority and Security**—These bonds will rank pari passu as to security with the other three series presently outstanding under the mortgage. The amount of any series is not limited but no prior lien bonds may be issued. All bonds issued under the mortgage are without preference, priority or distinction as to lien or otherwise by reason of the series thereof.  
All of bonds issued under the mortgage are in opinion of counsel secured equally and ratably by the lien of the mortgage dated Jan. 1 1920, as amended and supplemented, on all of the physical property of the company other than merchandise held for sale or resale, subject, however, for the time being, to the lien of certain underlying mortgages.

By the supplemental indenture to be executed upon the issuance of these bonds the company will exercise an option under the mortgage to designate, upon compliance with the provisions of the mortgage, on or about Jan. 1 1936, all bonds issued under the mortgage "1st mtge. bonds," to be outstanding as shown in the preceding statement.

**Sinking Fund**—Mortgage provides that company will deposit with the trustee on Nov. 1 and May 1 of each year as a sinking fund a sum in cash equal to at least 1/2 of 1% of the aggregate bonded indebtedness of the company outstanding on the date of such payment. The trustee is required to set aside out of each sinking fund payment the sum of \$125,000 to be applied to the purchase of bonds issued under the mortgage at not more than the stipulated maximum purchase prices payable for the bonds of each series, which in the case of all series created under the mortgage is the redemption price.

**General Reserve Fund**—Mortgage also provides for the annual deposit by the company in the general reserve fund of an amount in cash at least equal to the amount by which 4% of the aggregate sum of the total bonded indebtedness outstanding on Dec. 31 for each year since Jan. 1 1920 exceeds the aggregate amounts (together with the unexpended balance of all moneys deposited at the end of such period) expended during such period by the company or its subsidiary companies for maintenance and replacements, and for permanent extensions, enlargements and additions not theretofore availed of under the mortgage, and for the purchase of bonds issued under the mortgage at prices not exceeding the redemption prices thereof.

**Management and Control**—As of Dec. 31 1934 Commonwealth & Southern Corp. (Del.) owned all of the common stock of the company (1,643,080 shares), and 6,542 shares of 6% preferred stock, representing 70.05% of the voting stock outstanding.

Under contracts dated Jan. 1 1932 between the company and Commonwealth & Southern Corp. (N. Y.) the latter renders to the company services having to do with the following: Accounting, advisory engineering, commercial merchandising, comptroller's, corporate, organization, executive, financial, inspection, insurance, investigation, operating, public relations, purchasing, rates, statistical, taxation, traffic, &c. Monthly bills for such services are rendered on basis of a percentage of the gross operating revenue of the company. The contract may be terminated by either party upon 60 days' notice. Since April 1 1935 the percentage has been 1-10%. The entire capital stock of Commonwealth & Southern Corp. (N. Y.) is owned by the principal operating subsidiary companies of Commonwealth & Southern Corp. (Del.) of which the company is one and owns 25.80% of such capital stock.—V. 140, p. 4066.

**Earnings for May and Year to Date**

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month	1934	1935—12 Mos.—	1934
Gross earnings-----	\$2,449,847	\$2,328,028	\$29,341,062	\$26,965,281
Operating expenses-----	1,190,622	1,056,825	14,360,325	12,228,392
Fixed charges-----	385,784	380,633	4,778,638	4,527,252
Prov. for retire. reserve-----	237,500	232,000	2,877,500	2,784,000
Dividends on pref. stock	350,925	347,419	4,206,737	4,167,548
Balance	\$285,014	\$311,149	\$3,117,861	\$3,258,088

**Consolidated Press Ltd. (& Subs.)—Earnings**

Earnings for Year Ending March 30 1935		
Profit from operations-----		\$64,686
Income from investments-----		15,290
Total income-----		\$79,977
Depreciation-----		41,940
Interest on debentures-----		34,519
Loss on sale of capital assets and amount written off thereof--		7,584
Reserve for Dominion income tax-----		350
Net loss for the year-----		\$4,417

**Consolidated Balance Sheet March 30 1935**

**Assets**—Cash on hand and in bank, \$6,879; investments at book value and accrued int. thereon, \$194,726; accounts receivable (less reserve) \$167,568; inventories, \$58,480; sundry deposits, advances for expenses, loans, &c., \$31,952; deferred expenses, \$28,150; fixed assets, \$552,220; good-will and circulation structure, \$500,000; total, \$1,539,978.  
**Liabilities**—Accounts payable and accrued charges, \$89,832; accrued int. on debentures, \$10,972; reserve for Dominion income and sales taxes, \$1,343; prepaid subscriptions, \$128,207; mortgage payable—on Graphic Arts Building, \$50,000; 6 1/2% 20-year debentures, \$506,400; capital stock (50,000 class A shs. no par), \$732,076; consolidated earned surplus, \$21,146 total, \$1,539,978.—V. 135, p. 302.

**Copper Range Co.—Navy Contract**

The company has been awarded a contract by the Navy Department for 500,000 pounds of copper at an aggregate price of \$45,875.—V. 140, p. 3039.

**Corcoran Courts, Washington, D. C.—To Be Sold at Trustee's Sale**

The committee for the protection of the holders of bonds sold through the F. H. Smith Co. (Geo. E. Roosevelt, Chairman) in a letter to the depositors of bonds secured, by the Corcoran Courts, Washington, D. C., states:

This issue of bonds, which originally was in the principal amount of \$800,000, has been reduced by serial amortization to the present outstanding amount of \$563,000. The entire issue of bonds matures on July 1 of this year. The committee has been informed that all real estate taxes which are due have been paid. American Security & Trust Co. of Washington, D. C., which was appointed successor trustee by an order of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, has on hand sufficient funds to pay all coupons of the Jan. 1 1935 maturity which have not been presented for payment. However, defaults exist in the making of the monthly payments to the trustee on account of interest and amortization. Morris Cafritz, who has personally guaranteed the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds, was appointed receiver on Jan. 28 1930 by the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia and has been operating the property.

On May 29 1935 Mr. Cafritz requested American Security & Trust Co. to proceed to foreclose. The trustee, applied to the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia for instructions and after a hearing was instructed by the Court to proceed with the sale. The sale is now being advertised to take place on July 10.

The committee now has on deposit only \$71,200 of the \$563,000 outstanding bonds of this issue. Because of the small number of bonds on deposit, the committee is not in a position to bid for the property at the sale. However, counsel for Mr. Cafritz has stated that Mr. Cafritz intends to meet any deficiency resulting from the sale price in order that the bonds may be paid in full.

In view of this situation, the committee decided that it was not to the best interests of bondholders to oppose the sale. If the bid price for the property is not sufficient to pay the bonds in full, and if Mr. Cafritz should then fail

to make payment of the deficiency, the committee will endeavor to collect the deficiency from Mr. Caffritz.

**Crane Co.—\$1 Preferred Dividend** *deal*

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on account of accumulations on the 7% cumulative preferred stock, par \$100, payable July 25 to holders of record July 10. A similar payment was made on April 25, last. This latter payment was the first made on the preferred stock since March 15 1932 when a regular quarterly dividend of \$1.75 per share was paid.—V. 140, p. 2352.

**Credit Alliance Corp.—Debentures Called**

The company has called for redemption on Nov. 1 all of the outstanding 10-year 5 1/2% debentures due November 1938. Debentures will be redeemed at call price of 102 and accrued interest upon surrender to Manufacturers Trust Co., trustee. The company offers to debenture holders who desire payment prior to Nov. 1 to pay redemption price plus accrued interest to the date of presentation.—V. 132, p. 1230.

**Cresson Consolidated Gold Mining & Milling Co.—Extra Dividend** *deal*

The directors have declared an extra dividend of two cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of three cents per share on the capital stock, par \$1, both payable Aug. 15 to holders of record July 31. Similar payments were made on May 15 and Feb. 15 1935, while an extra of one cent per share was paid on Nov. 15 1934.—V. 140, p. 2181.

**De Beers Consolidated Mines, Ltd.—To Redeem Bonds**

A London (England) dispatch states that the company will redeem on Dec. 21 next at 102 1/2, the outstanding 5 1/2% debentures amounting to £2,414,600.—V. 140, p. 3714.

**Delaware & Hudson RR.—Earnings**

May—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross from railway	\$2,074,086	\$1,954,200	\$1,627,189	\$1,987,355
Net from railway	698,374	208,400	30,522	152,115
Net after rents	613,754	145,330	def52,908	65,518
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	9,797,820	10,452,717	7,913,664	10,179,825
Net from railway	1,327,091	1,472,663	def432,710	652,856
Net after rents	961,868	1,204,045	def777,308	214,718

—V. 140, p. 3715.

**Delaware Lackawanna & Western RR.—Earnings**

May—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross from railway	\$4,056,504	\$4,135,868	\$3,480,784	\$3,739,154
Net from railway	912,209	1,030,210	699,598	416,876
Net after rents	575,265	636,891	254,485	564
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	18,984,739	19,337,381	16,544,384	20,461,251
Net from railway	3,718,008	4,271,937	2,396,288	4,142,625
Net after rents	2,018,601	2,402,737	194,803	1,998,724

—V. 140, p. 3715.

**Denver & Rio Grande Western RR.—Earnings**

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month—	1934—1934	1935—5 Mos.—	1934—1934
Operating revenues	\$1,554,007	\$1,388,783	\$7,326,078	\$6,719,384
Net revenue	150,529	292,602	1,310,473	1,511,902
Net rev. oper. income	def48,352	135,828	359,673	776,574
Available for interest	53,011	135,876	397,786	902,130
Interest	def76,193	456,817	2,380,831	2,289,829
Net deficit	\$529,204	\$320,941	\$1,983,044	\$1,387,698

—V. 140, p. 3715.

**Detroit & Mackinac Ry.—Earnings**

May—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross from railway	\$51,302	\$56,376	\$57,069	\$55,069
Net from railway	2,905	8,172	7,062	def6,555
Net after rents	def2,860	39,865	21,267	12,839
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	220,825	232,681	207,769	252,255
Net from railway	3,726	25,510	def788	406
Net after rents	def11,281	32,284	def10,940	def11,760

—V. 140, p. 3715.

**Detroit Toledo & Ironton RR.—Earnings**

May—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross from railway	\$635,553	\$555,882	\$288,154	\$410,369
Net from railway	308,144	293,259	100,825	121,343
Net after rents	214,099	211,633	59,845	78,440
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	4,230,258	2,941,175	1,479,825	1,933,040
Net from railway	2,416,258	1,617,944	542,510	514,496
Net after rents	1,751,695	1,184,694	309,926	235,995

—V. 140, p. 3715.

**Detroit & Toledo Shore Line RR.—Earnings**

May—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross from railway	\$234,538	\$199,086	\$191,335	\$156,949
Net from railway	116,580	81,318	88,808	46,082
Net after rents	56,349	34,970	36,230	def2,512
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	1,581,230	1,502,847	1,043,814	1,118,006
Net from railway	890,532	869,352	526,456	525,020
Net after rents	487,912	472,186	228,392	198,028

—V. 140, p. 3715.

**Devonian Oil Co.—Extra Dividend** *deal*

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 10 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly distribution of 15 cents per share on the common stock, par \$10, both payable July 20 to holders of record July 1. Similar distributions were made on this issue in each of the six preceding quarters. On June 11 1934 a capital distribution of \$5 per share was made.—V. 140, p. 2182.

**Dominion Square Corp.—To Pay Interest**

The company will on July 2 pay the interest which was due Oct. 1 1933 on the 1st (closed) mtge. sinking fund 6% gold bonds.—V. 139, p. 1866.

**Dominion Stores, Ltd.—Sales**

4 Weeks Ended—	1935	1934	1933
Jan. 26	\$1,226,610	\$1,373,111	\$1,398,267
Feb. 23	1,352,552	1,481,037	1,501,638
Mar. 23	1,417,909	1,528,273	1,555,614
Apr. 20	1,385,299	1,505,736	1,505,417
May 18	1,360,939	1,543,288	1,544,037
June 15	1,350,740	1,557,863	1,584,054
Total 24 weeks	\$8,094,019	\$8,989,308	\$9,089,026

—V. 140, p. 3892.

**Draper Corp.—Balance Sheet**

Dec. 29 '34	Dec. 30 '33	Dec. 29 '34	Dec. 30 '33
Assets	\$	Liabilities	\$
Real estate	2,112,094	Accounts payable	114,241
Mach'y and tools	2,144,073	Res. for doubtful accounts, allow- ances, taxes, &c.	344,140
Office furn., &c.	8,001	Reserve for tax- plus	275,000
Inventories	1,752,631	Capital and sur- plus	18,615,641
Mill stocks & mis- cellaneous secur.	1,245,595		18,349,854
Cash	1,263,130		
Receivables	2,486,634		
Govt. securities	5,721,290		
Patents	550,000		
Accrued interest	22,658		
Treasury stock	2,042,916		
Total	19,349,023	Total	19,349,023

x Represented by 350,000 shares (no par).—V. 139, p. 3478.

**Dufferin Paving & Crushed Stone, Ltd. (& Subs.)—**

Earnings for Year Ending Dec. 31 1934

Loss from operations for the year ended Dec. 31 1934, before providing for depreciation and depletion	\$35,999
Provision for depreciation	200,000
Provision for depletion	18,626
Loss for the year	\$254,625
Deduct—Balance at credit of profit and loss account Jan. 1 '34	76,227
Deficit as at Dec. 31 1934	\$178,398

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Accounts and bills receivable, less reserve, \$90,985; contract accounts receivable, incl. holdbacks, \$33,203; contract work in progress \$65,042; deposits on contracts and tenders, \$38,075; inventories, \$205,305; investments at market value, \$25,625; due from Dufferin Construction Co., Ltd., \$75,000; cash surrender value of life insurance policies, \$15,258; mortgage receivable, \$10,000; deferred charges, \$8,507; fixed assets (less reserves for depreciation and depletion of \$1,946,805), \$3,098,643; reserve quarry properties, incl. buildings, plant and equipment, \$1; total, \$3,665,646.

Liabilities—Bank overdraft (secured), \$132,635; accounts payable and accrued liabilities, \$146,188; mortgages payable (incl. \$15,000 payable within one year), \$111,300; reserve for contingencies, \$33,789; 7% cum. conv. 1st preference shares (par \$100), \$1,838,500; 6% non-cum. conv. 2d preference shares (\$100 par), \$1,250,000; common stock (60,000 shares, no par), \$60,000; capital surplus, \$271,631; deficit, \$178,398; total, \$3,665,646.—V. 140, p. 3892.

**Duff-Norton Mfg. Co.—10-Cent Extra Dividend** *deal*

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 10 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, both payable July 15 to holders of record July 5. Similar payments were made on Oct. 10 1934.—V. 139, p. 2518.

**Duluth Winnipeg & Pacific Ry.—Earnings**

May—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross from railway	\$86,062	\$67,576	\$51,024	\$70,100
Net from railway	8,451	def6,280	def22,648	def19,043
Net after rents	def5,285	def1,204	def9,549	def4,572
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	411,890	363,663	266,217	403,509
Net from railway	23,912	def11,591	def121,462	def37,434
Net after rents	def40,387	9,471	def43,139	33,858

—V. 140, p. 3715.

**Eagle-Picher Lead Co.—Meeting Adjourned**

The special stockholders' meeting has been adjourned until Sept. 23.—V. 140, p. 3892.

**Eastern Bond & Share Corp.—Extra Dividend** *deal*

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 5 cents per share in addition to a regular quarterly distribution of 15 cents per share on the capital stock, series B, par \$5, both payable Aug. 1 to holders of record June 28. Similar distributions were made in each of the three preceding quarters prior to which regular quarterly distributions of 25 cents per share were made from Feb. 1 1932 to and including Aug. 1 1934.—V. 140, p. 2353.

**Eastern Dairies, Ltd. (& Subs.)—Earnings**

Years End. Mar. 31—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Profit for year	\$439,085	\$396,046	\$491,564	\$801,689
Bond interest	175,925	178,101	180,000	180,000
Prem. paid and accrued on U. S. funds for bond interest	798	6,004	24,090	19,248
Directors' fees	5,350			
Depreciation	225,000	200,000	225,000	200,000
Amort. of bond expenses	10,454	10,454	10,454	10,454
Prov. for income taxes	2,110			
Net income	\$19,448	\$1,487	\$52,019	\$391,988
Previous surplus	x23,858	y36,275	257,682	248,793
Adjustments	Dr7,533		3,454	
Total surplus	\$35,773	\$37,762	\$313,155	\$640,781
Divs. on pref. stock			250,250	294,000
Divs. on common stock			22,275	89,099
Divs. on pref. shares of Crescent Cream'y Co.		10,000		
Bal. at credit Mar. 31 before providing for income tax		\$27,762	\$40,630	\$257,682
Shs. com. stk. outst'g	z93,423	93,423	93,423	89,099
Earnings per share	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$1.10

x After deducting Federal and Provincial taxes of \$3,905. y After deducting Provincial taxes of \$4,356. z After income taxes.

Consolidated Balance Sheet March 31 1935

Assets—Cash on hand and in banks, \$151,044; accounts and bills receivable (less reserve for bad debts), \$293,608; accrued interest and dividends receivable, \$6,447; inventories, \$157,869; investment securities at cost, \$493,957; cash surrender value of life insurance policies, \$17,445; other assets, \$70,801; land, buildings, plant and machinery, &c., \$7,411,939; prepaid and deferred expenses, \$54,851; bond discount and expenses and commission on preferred shares, \$306,727; organization expense, \$20,020; good-will, \$2,047,789; total, \$11,032,504.

Liabilities—Bank overdraft, \$3,213; accounts payable and accrued liabilities, \$288,758; taxes, due and accrued, \$20,348; unredeemed tickets, \$18,506; salesmen's deposits, \$52,296; accrued bond interest, \$72,425; deferred revenues, \$8,586; reserves for depreciation, \$1,968,602; capital of sub. cos. outstanding, \$1,700,000; 6% 20-year 1st coll. trust conv. bonds, series A, due May 1 1949, \$2,897,000; 7% cum. pref. stock (par \$100), \$2,500,000; common stock (93,423 shs., no par), \$1,466,995; earned surplus, \$35,772; total, \$11,032,504.—V. 138, p. 4461, 2091.

**Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates—Earnings**

12 Months Ended May 31—	1935	1934
Total income	\$11,527,837	\$11,937,820
Depreciation and depletion	3,209,365	3,168,652
Interest, debt discount and expenses, Federal taxes, minority interest	4,896,097	4,606,239
Net income	\$3,422,375	\$4,162,929
Divs. on 4 1/2% prior pref. stock	1,106,754	1,105,779
Divs. on 6% pref. stock, exclusive of divs. on stock owned by Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates & subs.	1,971,168	1,970,518
Surplus	\$344,453	\$1,086,632
Earns. per share on 1,987,762 shs. com. stock	\$0.17	\$0.55

—V. 140, p. 3545.

**Eastern Massachusetts Street Ry.—Earnings**

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month—	1934—1934	1935—5 Mos.—	1934—1934
Railway oper. revenues	\$515,616	\$529,284	\$2,808,415	\$2,874,084
Railway oper. expenses	344,955	342,857	1,831,662	1,844,397
Taxes	28,120	24,280	146,407	139,589
Balance	\$142,541	\$162,147	\$830,346	\$890,098
Other income	9,869	9,539	50,533	53,682
Gross corp. income	\$152,410	\$171,686	\$880,879	\$943,780
Interest on funded debt, rents, &c.	66,128	72,023	332,256	349,774
Deprec. and equalization	106,346	108,661	547,915	569,126
Net income	def\$20,064	def\$8,998	\$708	\$24,880

—V. 140, p. 3546.

**Electric Household Utilities Corp.—New Treasurer**

At the meeting of the directors held June 25 the officers of the corporation were re-elected; with the exception that John R. Hurley was named as Treasurer as well as Qsistant Secretary.—V. 140, p. 2183.

**Eastern Utilities Associates (& Subs.)—Earnings—**

	12 Months Ended May 31—		1935	1934
Gross earnings, subsidiary companies			\$8,286,321	\$8,320,411
Net earnings of sub. cos. appliable to E. U. A.			1,543,870	1,834,674
Other income of E. U. A.			329,099	344,777
Balance of E. U. A. dividends and surplus			1,740,021	1,957,118
—V. 140, p. 3893.				

**Economic Investment Trust, Ltd.—Earnings—**

	Years End. Mar. 31—			
Divs., int. and other income received	1935	1934	1933	1932
Operating expenses	\$92,035	\$90,934	\$98,327	\$134,643
Bond interest	15,671	12,261	12,562	13,133
Prov. for Dom. inc. tax	47,476	48,014	48,664	49,851
	3,223	1,280	563	1,856
Net profit	\$27,664	\$29,379	\$36,598	\$69,803
Dividends paid	24,955	19,965	29,945	64,879
Balance, surplus	\$2,709	\$9,414	\$6,593	\$4,924
Previous surplus	98,554	89,140	82,547	77,623
Total surplus	\$101,263	\$98,554	\$89,140	\$82,547

**Balance Sheet March 31 1935**

**Assets**—Investments at cost less investment reserve account (market value of securities March 31 1935, \$1,873,434), \$3,138,966; cash at bankers, \$2,350; sundry amounts receivable, \$756; total, \$3,142,102.  
**Liabilities**—Sundry creditors and accrued charges, \$1,028; dividend payable April 1 1935, \$17,468; bond interest accrued, \$19,751; general reserve, \$56,811; funded debt, \$949,500; common stock (39,925 shs., no par), \$1,996,250; revenue account, \$101,263; total, \$3,142,102.—V. 140, p. 1826.

**Edmonton Street Ry.—Earnings—**

	Period End. May 31—		1935—5 Mos.—1934	
Operating revenues	1935	1934	1935—5 Mos.	1934
Operating expenses	\$51,521	\$47,732	\$296,758	\$278,587
Fixed charges	41,294	40,514	215,851	208,712
Renewals	5,646	6,158	28,231	30,792
	3,000	1,000	34,000	25,000
Surplus	\$1,581	\$60	\$18,676	\$14,083
—V. 140, p. 3716.				

**Electric Bond & Share Co.—Weekly Input—**

For the week ended June 20, the kilowatt system input of subsidiaries of American Power & Light Co., Electric Power & Light Corp. and National Power & Light Co., as compared with the corresponding week during 1934, was as follows:

	1935		1934		Increase	P. C.
American P. & L. Co.	92,399,000	72,476,000	19,923,000		27.5	
Electric P. & L. Corp.	38,794,000	38,162,000	632,000		1.7	
National P. & L. Co.	70,523,000	67,500,000	2,023,000		4.5	
—V. 140, p. 4232.						

**Exchange Buffet Corp.—Earnings—**

	Year Ended April 30—			
	1935	1934	1933	1932
Sales	\$2,896,184	\$3,272,970	\$3,937,497	
Gross profits	1,088,677	8,274	58,120	\$260,242
Depreciation	106,790	123,805	140,757	138,539
Interest	Cr3,905	Cr4,942	Cr6,546	
Provision for income tax				10,125
Fed. cap. stk. & processg. taxes & State & munic. taxes	13,745	11,796		
N. Y. State franchise tax			10,791	22,428
Net loss	\$184,331	\$122,384	\$86,881	sur\$88,850
Dividends		15,256	61,026	183,406
Deficit	\$184,331	\$137,640	\$147,907	\$94,555
Shares capital stock outstanding (no par)	244,104	244,104	244,104	250,000
Earnings per share	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$0.35

**Comparative Balance Sheet April 30**

Assets	1935	1934	Liabilities	1935	1934
Good-will & lease-holds	\$1	\$1	a Capital stock	\$1,220,520	\$1,220,520
Equip. & fixtures	841,791	1,045,694	Accounts payable	152,570	139,195
Mortgage bonds	60,000	71,000	Misc. accts. pay.		9,417
Inventories	97,214	95,400	Subrentals collec'd		
Accts. receivable	2,261	10,335	In advance	11,171	26,065
Cash	138,398	279,953	Employee bonuses		
Deferred charges	50,232	35,374	under stock subscription plans	2,140	7,981
			Surplus	def196,504	134,218
Total	\$1,189,898	\$1,537,396	Total	\$1,189,898	\$1,537,396

a Represented by 244,104 shares of no par value.—V. 140, p. 1485.

**Exeter Oil Co., Ltd.—Balance Sheet Mar. 31 1935—**

<b>Liabilities</b>		<b>Assets</b>	
Current assets	\$288,148	Current liabilities	\$146,335
Contracts receivable	281,000	Purchase obligations	2,942
Investments	800	Reserves	786,088
Properties, plant & equipment	1,096,102	Capital stock: class A	792,370
Franchises	500	Class B	8,152
Organization expense	1	Deficit	64,253
Prepaid exp. & deferred chgs.	5,082		
Total	\$1,671,634	Total	\$1,671,634

**Equitable Fire Insurance Co. (Charleston, S. C.)—Extra Dividend**

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 50 cents per share in addition to a regular semi-annual dividend of \$2.50 per share on the common stock, par \$50, both payable July 1 to holders of record June 29. Similar distributions were made in each of the four preceding six-month periods.—V. 140, p. 474.

**Fairbanks, Morse & Co.—\$3.50 Preferred Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of \$3.50 per share on account of accumulations on the 7% cumulative preferred stock, par \$100, payable July 15 to holders of record July 1. The last previous payment was made on Dec. 1 1931 when a regular quarterly dividend of \$1.75 per share was distributed.

**Considering Refunding—**

The company is understood to be giving consideration to possible refunding in the near future of its outstanding debentures. At the close of 1934 the company had outstanding \$5,634,500 of 15-year 5% sinking fund gold debentures, due Feb. 1 1942. These debentures are callable currently at 102 and are quoted above that level.—V. 140, p. 2534.

**Fall River Gas Works Co.—Earnings—**

	Period End. May 31—		1935—12 Mos.—1934	
Operating revenues	1935	1934	1935—12 Mos.	1934
Operation	\$74,673	\$75,475	\$887,516	\$900,624
Maintenance	41,009	38,310	455,156	422,027
Taxes	4,753	4,326	60,046	58,130
	12,934	13,708	164,574	160,126
Net oper. revenues	\$15,981	\$19,129	\$207,739	\$260,340
Non-oper. income—net	8		86	109
Balance	\$15,990	\$19,129	\$207,825	\$260,450
Retirement res've accr'ls	5,000	5,000	60,000	60,000
Interest charges	964	1,358	13,174	20,094
Net income	\$10,026	\$12,771	\$134,651	\$180,355
—V. 140, p. 3546.				

**Family Loan Society, Inc.—Extra Dividend**

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 37½ cents per share on the \$3.50 cum. and participating preferred stock, no par, in addition to the regular quar. div. of 87½ cents per share, both payable July 1 to holders of record June 15. Similar payments were made in each of the six previous quarters.—V. 140, p. 2005.

**Federal Bake Shops, Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—**

	Calendar Years—			
	1934	1933	1932	1931
Sales	\$2,869,252	\$2,730,853	\$3,233,943	\$3,983,877
Cost of goods sold	1,497,076	1,446,530	1,677,520	2,110,441
Gross profit from sales	\$1,372,176	\$1,284,323	\$1,556,423	\$1,873,436
Operating expenses	1,261,303	1,234,893	1,465,024	1,644,755
Profit from operations	\$110,873	\$49,430	\$91,398	\$228,681
Other income—Interest, royalties, disct., &c., net	11,836	15,518	10,550	12,871
Total income	\$122,709	\$64,948	\$101,948	\$241,552
Interest & other charges	20,809	28,958	32,557	25,899
Amortiz. and deprec'n	112,965	126,948	138,997	138,636
Prov. for Fed. inc. tax	8,098			6,166
Net loss	\$19,163	\$90,958	\$69,607	prof\$70,851
Applic. to min. stks. of sub. cos. (based on stock ownership at Dec. 31)	4,614	9,061	9,370	4,184
Extraordinary charges			48,665	
Net loss	\$14,549	\$81,897	\$108,901	sur\$75,035
Earnings per sh. on com.	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$0.03

**Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31 1934**

**Assets**—Cash, \$210,245; notes, contract and accounts receivable (less reserves, \$1,619), \$10,648; inventories, \$90,951; other assets, \$55,012; land, buildings and equipment, (less reserves for depreciation of \$357,199), \$596,404; leasehold improvements, \$178,090; leaseholds and good-will, \$485,059; patents, \$1; deferred charges, \$15,929; total, \$1,642,339.

**Liabilities**—Accounts payable, \$12,629; accrued interest, taxes, salaries, &c., \$15,432; real estate mortgages, \$139,450; reserves, \$85,943; minority interest in subsidiary companies, \$32,666; 7% pref. cum. stock (100 par), \$959,700; common stock (216,000 shares no par), \$289,898; earned surplus, \$106,619; total, \$1,642,339.—V. 139, p. 1708.

**Finance Co. of America (Balt.)—Larger Dividend**

The directors have declared a dividend of 12½ cents per share on the class A stock, and class B stock (no par), both payable July 15 to holders of record July 5. Previously regular quarterly dividends of 10 cents per share were distributed on these issues.—V. 140, p. 1145.

**Financial Shares Corp.—2½ Cent Dividend**

The directors have declared a semi-annual dividend of 2½ cents per share on the common stock, par \$1, payable July 15 to holders of record June 30. This compares with 2 cents per share paid on Jan. 19, last.—V. 138, p. 4297; V. 136, p. 1381.

**First National Corp. of Portland (Ore.)—Accum. Div.**

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on account of accumulations on the \$2 cum. and partic. class A stock, no par value, payable July 15 to holders of record June 25. A similar dividend was paid in each of the 11 preceding quarters, prior to which regular quarterly dividends of 50 cents per share were distributed.—V. 140, p. 1658.

**Florida Portland Cement Co.—Earnings—**

<b>Earnings for the Year Ended Dec. 31 1934</b>	
Net sales	\$1,319,624
Cost of sales	709,108
Selling, general and administrative expenses	189,798
Net profit from operations	\$420,718
Other income	11,808
Net profit from operations and other income	\$432,527
Interest on bonds	\$5,509
Amortization of bond expense	15,653
Miscellaneous charges	1,249
Provision for Federal income tax	40,682
Net profit	\$289,431

**Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**

**Assets**—Cash, \$735,354; receivables (less reserve for bad debts and discounts of \$31,717), \$175,507; inventories, \$368,248; investments, &c., \$9,825; plants, properties and quarry lands (less depreciation and depletion of \$877,301), \$4,242,490; deferred charges, &c., \$56,592; discount and commission in connection with preferred-stock issue, &c., \$691,883; total, \$6,279,903.

**Liabilities**—Accounts payable, trade, \$35,351; accrued interest, wages, taxes, &c., \$23,747; Federal income taxes, \$45,560; provision for returnable sacks, \$4,972; funded debt, \$1,185,500; preferred stock (100 par), \$5,000,000; common stock (75,000 shs. no par), \$1,100; earned deficit, \$13,428; treasury stock (29 shares preferred and 14½ shares common), \$2,900; total, \$6,279,903.—V. 125, p. 3068.

**Fonda Johnstown & Gloversville RR.—Earnings—**

	Period End. May 31—		1935—5 Mos.—1934	
Operating revenues	1935	1934	1935—5 Mos.	1934
Operation	\$18,751	\$19,826	\$224,098	\$231,793
Maintenance	13,383	13,520	261,128	288,786
Taxes	2,687	2,933	222,085	209,117
	1,548	1,478	12,515	14,289
Operating income	\$5,055	\$8,855	\$26,528	\$65,379
Other income	def3,505	4,891	def703	12,558
Gross income	\$1,549	\$13,747	\$25,825	\$77,937
Deductions	14,871	14,974	71,273	73,211
Net income	def\$13,322	def\$1,227	def\$45,448	\$4,725
—V. 140, p. 3547.				

**Foster-Wheeler Corp.—Write-Down Approved**

(Stockholders at special meeting held June 24 approved the write-down of plants and patterns by \$1,634,516 and the write-down in the value of the common stock and capital surplus by a similar amount.—V. 140, p. 4067.)

**Galveston Electric Co.—Earnings—**

	Period End. May 31—		1935—12 Mos.—1934	
Operating revenues	1935	1934	1935—12 Mos.	1934
Operation	\$18,751	\$19,826	\$224,098	\$231,793
Maintenance	13,383	13,520	261,128	288,786
Taxes	2,687	2,933	222,085	209,117
	1,548	1,478	12,515	14,289
Net oper. revenues a.	\$1,131	\$1,895	\$12,578	\$18,996

a Interest on secured 8% income bonds is deducted from surplus when declared and paid. Last payment was Jan. 31 1935 and interest for four months since then not declared or paid is \$5,600 and is not included in this statement.—V. 140, p. 3716.

**Gas Securities Co.—½% Stock Dividend**

The usual monthly dividend of ½% of 1% in scrip on the common stock and the regular monthly dividend of 50 cents per share on the preferred stock will be paid on July 1 to holders of record June 15.—V. 140, p. 3896.

**General Fireproofing Co.—Resumes Preferred Divs.**

The directors on June 26 ordered resumption of dividends on the 7% cumulative preferred stock, par \$100, and announced that the regular quarterly payment of \$1.75 would be distributed on July 1 to holders of record of June 25. They extended until Aug. 1 the plan for preferred shareholders to take 4% notes, payable up to June 30 1942, in lieu of back dividends amounting to \$17.25 a share. See V. 140, p. 1831 for detailed record of dividend payments.—V. 140, p. 3896.









Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Cash in banks and on hand, \$130,028; marketable securities (market quotations), \$66,256; notes and accounts receivable from customers (less reserve), \$252,123; accrued int. on notes and bonds and divs. receivable, \$663; inventories, \$400,861; equity in uncompleted contracts, \$10,882; other current notes and accounts receivable at realizable values, \$1,623; cash surrender value officers' life insurance, \$125,020; mtgs. receivable (at cost), \$8,426; other investments (less reserves), \$32,164; notes and accounts receivable (not current), \$11,076; land, \$276,755; buildings, machinery, motor trucks, &c. (less reserve for depreciation of \$246,626), \$427,576; patents and good-will, \$1; prepaid expenses and deferred charges, \$42,465; total, \$1,785,955.
Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$58,263; commissions payable, \$10,385; deposits on leased equipment, \$4,550; customers' credit balances, \$3,278; accrued items, \$19,771; Federal income taxes, \$20,310; uncompleted contracts billed in advance, \$9,797; reserves for repairs and contingencies on completed contracts, \$10,934; minority ints. with respect to capital stock and surplus of subsidiary companies, \$10,210; 7% cum. 1st pref. stock (par \$50), \$780,050; 6% cum. 2d pref. stock (par \$50), \$835,300; common stock (\$99,900 no par shares), \$162,780; net deficit, \$149,677; total, \$1,785,955.—V. 139, p. 1870.

Hoover Steel Ball Co.—Dividends Resumed—

The directors have declared a dividend of 10 cents per share on the common stock, par \$10, payable July 1 to holders of record Jun 28. This will be the first dividend paid on this issue since April 1 1931 when 15 cents was disbursed, prior to which regular quarterly dividends of 30 cents per share were distributed.—V. 135, p. 1666.

Horn & Hardart Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Calendar Years (1934, 1933, 1932, 1931) and rows for Gross operating revenue, Material costs, salaries, wages & oth. oper. exp., Maintenance and repairs, Operating profit, Other income, Total income, Deprec. and amortiza., N. Y. State franchise & Federal income taxes, Net income, Preferred dividends, Common dividends, Balance to surplus, Shs. com. stk. out. (no par), Earnings per share.

Condensed Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Land, buildings, leaseholds, furniture, fixtures, &c. (less reserves for depreciation and amortization of \$7,578,875), \$11,090,913; cash (incl. \$200,000 int.-bearing ctf. of deposit), \$1,193,315; accounts and notes receivable, \$18,225; inventories, \$456,234; investments, \$22,000; common stock purchased for resale to employees (843 shs. at cost), \$24,495; deferred charges, &c. (incl. \$100,207 unexpired insur. prems.), \$155,864; total, \$12,961,049.
Liabilities—7% cum. pref. stock (par \$100), \$2,800,000; common stock (560,024 no par shares), \$3,501,440; real estate mortgages payable (\$245,000 due on demand or in 1935), \$1,945,000; accounts payable and accruals, \$439,101; dividend on common stock, payable Feb. 1 1935, \$223,672; reserves for Federal income and capital stock taxes, \$191,688; deposits on leases and rentals received in advance, \$10,073; surplus, \$3,850,073; total, \$12,961,049.—V. 139, p. 4128.

(Joseph) Horne Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Years Ended Jan. 31 (1935, 1934, 1933) and rows for Net sales, Cost of merchandise sold, Gross profit, Gross income, Profit before providing for Federal income tax, Federal income tax, Net profit for the year, Previous surplus, Total surplus, Discount on pref. treasury shares purchased, Premium paid on purchase of treasury stock, Reserve for estimated decrease in value of investments, Dividends on preferred stock, Balance at Jan. 31.

Balance Sheet, Jan. 31 1935

Assets—Cash on hand and in banks, \$3,857,439; accounts, notes receiv. (less, res. for bad & doubtful acct's of \$125,000), \$1,972,121; cash surr. value of life insur. policies, \$66,855; inventories, \$2,535,949; investm'ts & advs. (less reserve of \$122,195), \$139,231; land, at cost, \$2,172,881; bldgs., delivery equip., furn. & fixts., &c., at cost (less, res. for deprec. of \$4,668,965), \$5,761,261; prepaid insur., taxes & other exps., \$111,276; good-will, \$1; total, \$16,617,018.
Liabilities—Acc'ts payable, \$391,565; acc'ts payable (merch. in transit), \$529,799; bonuses payable, \$103,619; pref. div. payable, \$39,929; accrued pay roll, gen. taxes & exps., \$121,210; prov. for Fed. inc. tax, \$103,473; res. for insur. on motor vehicles, \$89,184; cap. & surplus, \$15,183,236; total, \$16,617,018.

Note—Capital and surplus is made up as follows: 6% cum. pref. stock (\$100 par), \$7,050,000; com. stock (240,000 shs., no par, at stated value of \$20 per share, \$4,800,000), total \$11,850,000; initial surplus, \$3,154,961; earned surplus, \$1,418,674; total, \$4,573,635; less, treasury shares, 6% cum. pref. held in treasury and for permanent retirement (\$450,000 retirable in 1935), \$1,054,700, and com. shares of no par value, \$185,700.—V. 139, p. 1870.

Hotel St. George (Clark-Henry Corp.)—Plan Operative

The plan for reorganization has been declared operative, according to a letter being sent out by the protective committee headed by Alvin J. Schlosser to holders of the 1st mtg. 5 3/4% serial gold bond certificates, series A. The committee reports deposits under the plan amounting to 87% of the outstanding issue, as compared with the 90% deposit requirement originally set and points out that the plan will be consummated on Sept. 3, or at any rate not later than Sept. 30.

"We believe that this definitely assures the success of the plan and expect that during the month of September the cash and new securities provided for in the plan will be distributed to all depositors. All holders of undeveloped bonds, therefore, are urged to take immediate action to deposit their bonds. Assuming the committee will be the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale, only depositors under the plan will be entitled to the benefits of the plan and all holders who finally fail or neglect to deposit will be entitled in that case, to receive only their pro rata share of the net proceeds of the sale and of the net balance of cash, after payment of legally allowed expenses, remaining in the hands of the corporate trustee.

"Referring to the segregation of \$150,000 which the Court has approved for property improvements, we expect that in the main these probably will consist of the remodeling of the main dining room, including the installation of a modern bar; remodeling and improving the main lobby and the foyer, and modernizing as many bathrooms as possible in the older portions of the hotel. The exact nature and details of the improvements and the exact

allocation of the available money are all to be worked out under the supervision of a group composed of one representative of the management, one representative of the corporate trustee, one representative from each of the two committees and a fifth person as a representative of the Court, all as set forth in more detail in the order of the Court."

The committee, in addition to Mr. Schlosser, includes Joseph W. Dixon, Sylvan Gotschal, William M. Greve, William T. Hunter, George V. McLaughlin and Douglas Vought. R. W. Wilson, 15 Broad St., N. Y. City, is Secretary of the committee.—V. 140, p. 3899.

Houston Electric Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. May 31 (1935-Month-1934, 1935-12 Mos.-1934) and rows for Operating revenues, Operation, Maintenance, Taxes, Int. & amort. (public), Net income.

An interest on secured 8% income bonds is deducted from surplus when declared and paid. Interest not declared or paid to May 31 1935 amounts to \$26,000 and is not included in this statement.—V. 140, p. 3718.

Hudson & Manhattan RR.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. May 31 (1935-Month-1934, 1935-5 Mos.-1934) and rows for Gross oper. revenue, Oper. expenses & taxes, Operating income, Non-operating income, Gross income, Inc. chgs.—inc. int. on adj. inc. bonds @ 5%, Deficit.

—V. 140, p. 3549.

Hudson Motor Car Co.—Retail Sales Higher—

Sales of Hudsons and Terraplanes for June are showing a strong upward trend, according to an announcement made by the company. Sales for the third week in June were materially better than the second week and the second week was better than the first, states the company. Sales for June to date almost equal those of May for the corresponding period. The first week in June actually exceeded the first week in May, in spite of all traditions to the contrary, the company reports, and retail sales of Hudsons and Terraplanes at the present time are ahead of last year by nearly 7,000 cars. As a result, sales have pushed production so closely that it is difficult to deliver many models in less than three weeks' time. Unfilled orders indicate a fine production for July and all territories are reporting a strong retail demand.—V. 140, p. 3899.

Hudson River Navigation Corp.—Distribution—

The City Bank Farmers Trust Co., as trustee, is notifying holders of 6 1/2% convertible first mortgage 25-year sinking fund gold bonds that, pursuant to an order of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, it will make a distribution on and after July 1 1935, of \$100 on account of each \$1,000 bond and \$50 on each \$500 bond, provided the bonds have subsequent coupons attached. To secure payment bondholders must present their bonds to be stamped at City Bank Farmers Trust Co., corporate trust department, 22 William St., N. Y. C. The notice points out that no interest upon the amount of distribution accruing after July 1 1935, will be paid.—V. 140, p. 2357.

Hupp Motor Car Corp.—Hearing Canceled—

The hearing in the matter of the corporation for the purpose of oral argument before the Securities and Exchange Commission scheduled for June 24 1935, has been cancelled by consent of counsel.

The hearing was to be in connection with the petition of the N. Y. Stock Exchange to strike from listing and temporary registration the common stock of the corporation on which previous hearings were held in May.

To Appeal Injunctions—

Archie M. Andrews, former chairman and at present a director, has obtained permission from Judge Edward J. Moloney in United States District Court at Detroit to appeal from two injunctions recently issued against him restraining him from stating that he and other members of the old directorate comprise the legal board, and from carrying out certain contracts.

Table with columns for 3 Mos. End. Mar. 31 (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Net sales, Costs and expenses, Operating loss, Other income, Loss, Depreciation, Idle plant expenses, Loss of Hupmobile Mich. Sales Corp., Net loss.

Current assets as of March 31 1935, including \$251,110 cash and marketable securities, amounted to \$2,302,207, including \$30,119 loans and advances to officers and employees, after reserve, while current liabilities were \$773,351. On March 31 1934 company reported cash and marketable securities of \$2,253,691, current assets, excluding \$252,636 loans and advances to officers and employees, of \$4,707,525, and current liabilities of \$1,282,638.—V. 140, p. 4236.

Hussmann-Ligonier Co.—1% Stock Dividend Decl.

The directors have declared a stock dividend of 1% on the no par conv. pref. stock, payable in pref. stock on Aug. 1 to holders of record July 17. The directors also declared the regular cash dividend of 7 1/2 cents per share on this issue, likewise payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 17. Similar distributions were made on May 1 and Feb. 1 last.—V. 140, p. 2865.

Illinois Central RR.—Earnings of System—

Table with columns for May (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

—V. 140, p. 3719.

Earnings of Company Only

Table with columns for May (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Indiana Associated Telephone Corp.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. May 31 (1935-Month-1934, 1935-5 Mos.-1934) and rows for Operating revenues, Uncollectible oper. rev., Operating expenses, Rent for lease of oper. prop., Operating taxes, Net operating income.

—V. 140, p. 3719.

Illinois Terminal Co.—Earnings—
Table with columns for years 1932-1934 and rows for May, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, From Jan. 1, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Indiana & Illinois Coal Corp.—Earnings—
Table with columns for years 1932-1934 and rows for Earnings from operations, Income from other sources, Total income, Operating expenses, taxes and insurance, Gross profit, Reserve for depletion of coal lands, Reserve for depreciation, Net operating loss for the year, Miscellaneous other charges, Deficit for year.

General Balance Sheet, Dec. 31 1934
Assets—Coal lands & oth. real est. (less: res. for exhaustion of \$648,593), \$5,084,759; mining plant & equip. (less: res. for deprec. of \$3,463,521), \$642,600; sinking fund cash, for purch. or redempt. of pref. stock, \$26,388; insur. res. assets, \$77,562; materials & supplies, \$168,337; adv. payments for fire insur. premiums, \$425; current assets, \$353,869; def. items, \$6,623; total, \$6,360,567.

Inland Steel Co.—New Vice-President—
Charles R. Robinson has been appointed First Vice-President and General Manager of sales, succeeding the late Edward M. Adams.—V. 140, p. 3391.

Insuranshares Corp. (Del.)—Sues Over Brewery Stock—
The corporation on June 22 filed suit in Chancery Court, Wilmington, Del., to compel Brewery & Distillery Securities Corp., engaged in holding and owning stock in breweries, to accept the return of 32,709 shares of its stock held by the complainant.

Interborough Rapid Transit Co.—Receiver's Report—
Thomas E. Murray Jr., receiver in his monthly report for May 1935, states: Traffic—The traffic on the subway division showed a loss of 1,197,833 passengers during May as compared with May 1934, a loss of 1.67%. The loss during the preceding month of April was 1.16%. The number of passengers carried in May was 70,326,739.

Subway Division Operations
Table with columns for 1935—Month—1934, 1935—11 Mos.—1934 and rows for Period End, May 31, Gross oper. revenue, Operating expenses, Net operating revenue, Taxes, Income from oper., Current rent deductions, Balance, Used for purch. of assets of enterprise, Balance—City & co., Pay. to city under Contract No. 3, Gross inc. from oper., Fixed charges, Net inc. from oper., Non-operating income, Balance.

Manhattan Division Operations
Table with columns for 1935—Month—1934, 1935—11 Mos.—1934 and rows for Period End, May 31, Gross oper. revenue, Operating expenses, Net operating revenue, Deduct: Rental of jointly operated lines, Queensboro Line, Lexington Ave. Line, White Plains Rd. Line, Other rent items, Bal. of net oper. rev., To Pay \$43 on 7% Notes.

To Pay \$43 on 7% Notes—
The Bankers Trust Co. as trustee for the 7% secured notes, plans to pay \$43 on each note on July 1, the interest date, the same as the last semi-annual payment. No decision has been reached to alter the payment as a result of the Federal Court's order on June 24 that certain adjustments be made as of July 1.

Notice having been received that payment of \$43 per \$1,000 note will be made on July 1 1935, on the 10-year secured convertible 7% gold notes, due 1932. The Committee on Securities of the N. Y. Stock Exchange rules that the notes be quoted ex \$43 per \$1,000 note on July 1 1935; that the notes shall continue to be dealt in "Flat" and to be a delivery in settlement of transactions made on and after that date the notes and Sept. 1 1932, coupon be stamped as to payment of \$41.40, \$44, \$43.50, \$43, \$43 and \$43. Such coupons must be securely attached and bear the same serial number as the notes.

Further notices having been received that the above payment on that part of the notes represented by certificates of deposit will be mailed after the close of business on July 1 1935, to holders of record at the close of business on June 29 1935, the Committee on Securities rules that said certificates of deposit be quoted ex-interest \$43 per \$1,000 certificate on July 1 1935; that certificates of deposit delivered in settlement of contracts made June 27, 28 and 29 1935, must be accompanied by due-bills for the above payment; and that all due-bills must be redeemed on Tuesday, July 2 1935.

Interest Payment on 5% Bonds—
The committee for the 1st & refunding 5% bonds, 1966, has been advised that the court has ordered payment by the receiver of interest and sinking fund due July 1 1935, on these bonds. Upon receipt by the depository the committee of the interest due July 1 1935, on the 5% bonds on deposit with it, there will be mailed to holders of certificates of deposit of record at the close of business June 29, checks representing this interest.—V. 140, p. 4236.

International Mining Corp. & Subs.—
Table with columns for years 1933-1934 and rows for Dividends on stocks, Interest, Miscellaneous, Int. charges to sub. co. & capitalized by latter, Total income, Expenses, Loss of Colorado International Mining Corp., Provision for Federal income taxes, Net loss realized on sales of securities, Net loss.

Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31 1934
Assets—Cash in banks & on hand, \$350,532; receivables, \$202,467; inventories (at cost), \$20,424; invests. & advances, \$4,150,615; mining prop., mach. & equip., &c. (less, res. for deprec. of \$30,658), \$228,585; developm't costs & exps. capitalized, \$149,161; excess of cost of invest. in cap. stock of Colorado International Mining Corp. over par value thereof, \$15,000; def. charges, \$14,306; treas. stock (100,000 shs.) at cost, \$600,000; total, \$5,731,091.

International Paper Co.—1934 Report—
The 1934 statements are not comparable with those for previous years as important changes have been made both in the form of the statements and in accounting policies to facilitate compliance with the rules and regulations of the Federal Securities and Exchange Commission and to meet changing conditions due to new legislation and other developments. At the annual meeting the stockholders approved a plan for the dissolution of International Paper Co. and International Paper & Power Co.

Income Account for Year Ended Dec. 31 1934 (Incl. Subs.)
Table with columns for 1934 and 1933 and rows for Gross sales, less returns, allowances and discounts, Other income (net), Gross income, Cost of sales and expenses, Outward freight and delivery expenses, Maintenance and repairs, Taxes (other than income taxes), Selling, general and administrative expenses, Net operating income, Interest on funded debt, Interest on unfunded debt, Amortization of debt discount and expense, Depreciation, Depletion, Provision for doubtful accounts, Provision for income taxes, Dividends being currently paid on pref. stock of subsidiary, Dividends accrued but not being currently paid on preference shares of subsidiary, Net loss for year, Profit on bonds redeemed, Balance deficit, Deficit—Jan. 1 1934, Net adjustments, Deficit—Dec. 31 1934.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934
Assets—Capital assets, Cash, Accts. & notes receivable, Inventories, Deferred assets & expenses, Funded debt, Notes pay. to bks. (secured), Notes payable (unsecured), Accounts payable, Acrr. taxes, payrolls &c. exp, Acrrued interest, Dividends payable, Serial oblig. payable in 1935, Due to Internat. Paper & Power Co., Reserves, Pref. & com. stocks of subs., b 7% cum. pref. stock, b 6% cum. pref. stock, c Common stock, Deficit, Total.

Total... \$252,216,815
a After deducting depreciation reserve of \$55,925,399. x Represented by shares of \$100 par. y Represented by 1,000,000 no par shares.—V. 140, p. 3719.

International Printing Ink Corp.—25-Cent Dividend—
The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock—payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 15. Special dividends of like amounts were paid on May 1 and Feb. 1 last, Dec. 20 and Nov. 1 1934, this latter being the first distribution made on this issue since Nov. 1 1930 when 62½ cents per share was disbursed. Prior to then regular quarterly dividends of 75 cents per share were paid.—V. 140, p. 4237.

International Telephone & Telegraph Corp.—Norway Contract—
A contract has been made between the Government of the Kingdom of Norway and the Mackay Radio & Telegraph Co., a subsidiary of the International Telephone & Telegraph Corp. for the opening of a direct radio telegraph circuit between the United States and Norway.

International Utilities Corp.—Preferred Dividends—
The directors have declared dividends of 87½ cents per share on the \$7 cum. prior pref. stock, no par, and 43½ cents per share on the \$3.50 cum. prior pref. stock, no par value, both payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 20. Similar payments were made in each of the six preceding quarters. Previously the company made quarterly distributions at the regular annual rate, i.e., \$1.75 per share on the \$7 cum. prior pref. stock





Consolidated Balance Sheet Oct. 31 1934

Assets and Liabilities table for Consolidated Balance Sheet Oct. 31 1934. Assets include Property and plant, Republic of Cuba sugar stabilization bonds, Investments, Cash, Accounts receivable, Balances pending on sugar contracts, Balances pending on molasses contracts, Sugars on hand, Notes receivable, Special deposit to pay first mortgage bond interest coupons, Materials and supplies, Advances to Colonos, Company owned cane, Sinking fund, Deferred charges, Deficit balance. Total: \$23,000,303.

notes receivable from utility cos. (not subs.), \$1,050,000; cash, \$2,229,716; savings deposits in banks, \$349,413; accounts and notes receivable from consumers and others (less reserve, \$110,969), \$1,254,872; declared dividends receivable, \$54,244; materials and supplies (at cost), \$382,879; sinking fund deposits, \$45,940; prepaid insurance and other expenses, \$39,550; unadjusted debits, \$571,026; total, \$61,045,174. Capital and Liabilities—5% conv. 5% cum. and partic. pref. stock (579,090 shares, expressed value \$50), \$28,954,500; less preferred share discount—net (in respect of shares issued or reacquired for cash, \$1,161,235), \$27,793,265; common stock (\$1 par), \$1,780,249; preferred and common shares (or respective voting trust shares, of subsidiary companies and associations held by the public, plus proportion of surplus), \$3,756,452; long-term debt, less treasury holdings, \$3,842,500; accounts payable, \$432,594; accruals (interest, \$58,680; taxes, \$277,926; other, \$21,310), \$357,917; consumers' deposits \$452,937; dividends declared on Massachusetts Utilities Associates preferred shares payable Jan. 15 1935, \$361,900; dividends on minority shares of subsidiary companies and associations, \$27,313; reserves for depreciation, \$7,115,093; investments reserve, \$13,410,534; contributions for extensions, \$18,013; other reserves and suspense credits, \$25,565; capital surplus (subs. co.), \$21,230; earned surplus, \$1,649,612; total, \$61,045,174.—V. 140, p. 1664.

Marancha Corp.—To Liquidate— Directors at a special meeting held June 26 voted to liquidate the corporation. A stockholders meeting to vote on liquidation has been called for July 25. It is indicated that following dissolution a cash distribution will be made to stockholders. Company was organized in October 1933 by South Porto Rico Sugar Co., which subscribed to its entire outstanding 745,734 shares and then distributed the stock to its shareholders.—V. 140, p. 4240.

Manchester Gas Co.—Preferred Dividend Reduced— The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on the 7% cum. preferred stock, par \$100, payable July 1 to holders of record June 20. Previously regular quarterly dividends of \$1.75 per share were distributed.—V. 137, p. 4699.

Maryland Casualty Co.—Not to File— The Baltimore Stock Exchange announced June 24 that it had been advised by the company that it will not file on Form 13 for permanent registration of its securities or a National securities exchange. Under the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission the common and preferred stocks of the company will be suspended from trading on July 1.—V. 140, p. 978.

Manhattan Shirt Co.—Earnings— 6 Months Ended May 31. 1935 Net earnings after taxes, deprec., &c. \$70,486. Shares of common stock outstanding 222,722. Earnings per share \$0.31. 1934 Net earnings after taxes, deprec., &c. \$76,896. Shares of common stock outstanding 224,522. Earnings per share \$0.34. 1933 Net earnings after taxes, deprec., &c. \$32,479. Shares of common stock outstanding 227,563. Earnings per share \$0.14.

Massachusetts Investors Trust—Smaller Dividend— The directors have declared a dividend of 19 cents per share, payable July 20 to holders of record June 29. This payment compares with 21 cents paid on April 20 last, 24 cents paid on Dec. 31 1934, 19 cents per share paid on Sept. 29 and June 30 1934, 21 cents per share paid on March 31 1934 and Dec. 30 1933; 19 cents per share on Sept. 30 and June 30 1933, and 20 cents per share on March 31 1933.—V. 140, p. 2710.

Balance Sheet May 31. Assets: Land, buildings, mach., &c.; Accts. & notes rec.; Investments; Mtgs. & real est.; Market securities; Cash; Inventories; Trademarks, goodwill, &c.; Com. stock bal.; Deferred charges. Total: \$10,044,849. Liabilities: Common stock and scrip; Accts. &c. payable; Tax reserve, &c.; Reserve for conting.; Earned surplus; Capital surplus. Total: \$10,044,849.

Matson Navigation Co.—Earnings— Calendar Years 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Net profit from vessels operations: \$490,997 (1934), \$356,531 (1933), \$128,669 (1932), \$265,349 (1931). Net income after prov. for Fed. income tax: \$1,562,306 (1934), \$1,537,659 (1933), \$1,397,929 (1932), \$1,631,245 (1931). Balance, surplus, def. shs. of cap. stk. outst'd (par \$100): \$325,960 (1934), \$244,521 (1933), \$244,521 (1932), \$244,521 (1931).

a After depreciation and obsolescence. b Balance due on common stock purchased for sale to officers and subscribed for by them.—V. 140, p. 977.

General Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934. Assets—Cash, \$5,469,024; marketable securities, \$1,934,251; notes, accounts and accrued items receivable, \$1,056,510; materials and supplies, \$549,893; investments in securities of, and items receivable from subsidiary companies and other companies, \$16,893,129; U. S. Govt. securities on deposit on account of self-carried insurance, &c., \$686,207; capital assets (less depreciation), \$17,130,751; prepaid and deferred charges, \$445,591; total, \$44,165,357. Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$980,852; accrued items payable, \$425,748; convertible debenture bonds, \$4,756,500; deferred credits, \$215,916; reserves for self-carried insurance, repairs, &c., \$2,594,440; capital stock (par \$100), \$32,596,000; fractional stock scrip certificates, \$6,800; capital surplus paid-in, \$62,500; earned surplus, \$2,526,602; total, \$44,165,357.—V. 140, p. 3722.

Massachusetts Utilities Associates—Annual Report— Income Account for Calendar Years (Company Only) 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Dividends: \$1,841,927 (1934), \$1,862,393 (1933), \$1,964,075 (1932), \$1,955,852 (1931). Total income: \$1,857,503 (1934), \$1,911,349 (1933), \$2,014,287 (1932), \$2,014,420 (1931). Net income: \$1,607,030 (1934), \$1,652,459 (1933), \$1,740,695 (1932), \$1,707,670 (1931). Balance for surplus: \$159,431 (1934), \$204,942 (1933), \$293,212 (1932), \$260,214 (1931).

(Oscar) Mayer & Co., Inc.—Earnings— Period Ended 51 Wks. End. Nov. 3 '34, Nov. 11 '33, Nov. 12 '32, Nov. 21 '31. Profits on operations: \$323,104 (1934), \$383,690 (1933), \$158,820 (1932), \$377,702 (1931). Balance: \$267,204 (1934), \$319,441 (1933), \$145,131 (1932), \$323,227 (1931). Balance end of year: \$1,653,179 (1934), \$1,453,079 (1933), \$1,217,615 (1932), \$1,486,329 (1931).

Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934 (Company Only). Assets—Investments, \$46,780,948; notes receivable of utility cos. (not subs.), \$125,000; cash in banks, \$293,050; dividends receivable, \$235,014; interest receivable, \$3,216; sinking fund deposits, \$38,661; unamortized debt discount and expense, \$267,504; total, \$47,743,393. Liabilities—5% conv. cum. and partic. pref. stock (579,090 shares, expressed value \$50), \$28,954,500; less preferred share discount—net (in respect of shares issued or reacquired for cash), \$1,161,235; \$27,793,265; common stock (\$1 par), \$1,780,249; sinking fund debenture series A, 5%, due April 1 1949 \$3,567,000; preferred dividend declared payable Jan. 15 1935 \$341,900; accounts payable, \$6,352; accrued interest, \$44,587; accruals (taxes, \$9,106; other, \$5,000), \$14,106; investments reserve \$13,410,534; surplus, \$765,401; total, \$47,743,393.

Michigan Bell Telephone Co.—Earnings— Period End. May 31— 1935—Month—1934 1935—5 Mos.—1934. Operating revenues: \$2,745,053 (1935), \$2,648,315 (1934), \$13,331,275 (1935-5 mos.), \$12,895,656 (1934-5 mos.). Operating expenses: \$1,810,332 (1935), \$1,800,727 (1934), \$8,844,801 (1935-5 mos.), \$8,636,869 (1934-5 mos.). Net operating income: \$612,516 (1935), \$573,209 (1934), \$2,888,603 (1935-5 mos.), \$2,709,203 (1934-5 mos.).

Consolidated Statement of Earnings Years Ended Dec. 31 Company and Underlying Companies and Associates 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. \*Gross oper. revenue: \$7,518,922 (1934), \$7,155,854 (1933), \$7,407,933 (1932), \$7,662,044 (1931). Net earnings before interest and dividend: \$2,145,747 (1934), \$2,239,933 (1933), \$2,400,756 (1932), \$2,614,329 (1931). Net consol. earnings: \$1,642,127 (1934), \$1,711,589 (1933), \$1,840,727 (1932), \$1,985,900 (1931).

Merck & Co., Inc.—Annual Report— The consolidation of Merck & Co., Inc. with Merck Corp. was finally consummated on Dec. 29 1934. In view of this consolidation, instead of submitting separate profit and loss statements, there is submitted a consolidated profit and loss statement covering both corporations for that year.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934 (Incl. Subs. Cos. and Associates). Assets—Plant and properties, \$48,021,126; construction work in progress, \$136,516; investment securities at cost (value based on quoted market prices, \$2,799,060), \$6,894,977; investment in subs. co. (net), \$14,914;

Michigan Public Service Co.—Preferred Dividends— The directors have declared a dividend of 87½ cents per share on the 7% cum. pref. stock, par \$100, and 75 cents per share on the 6% cum. pref. stock, par \$100, both on account of accumulations, and payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 15. Similar distributions were made in each of the four preceding quarters and on May 1 1934, these latter being the first paid on these issues since Jan. 2 1933 when the regular quarterly dividends were disbursed.—V. 140, p. 3722.



Combined Statement of Operations and Surplus of Merck & Co., Inc. and Subsidiaries and Merck Corp. (Predecessor Cos.) Year Ended Dec. 31 1934 (Incl. Adjustments re Consolidation)

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include Gross profit, Selling, administrative and development expense, Operating income, Other income, Total income, Surplus credits, Net additions to surplus, Total surplus, Surplus, Dec. 31 1934, Expenses of consolidation, Earnings surplus absorbed in recapitalization, and Initial surplus of consolidated company, Dec. 31 1934.

Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Cash in banks and on hand, \$1,349,389; U. S. Treasury discount bills at cost, \$499,931; accounts and notes receivable (less reserve), \$952,701; advances to affiliated cos. and for joint accounts, \$5,413; inventories, \$3,436,043; investments, \$266,535; land, buildings, machinery and equipment (less depreciation reserve), \$2,009,767; deferred charges, \$103,589; good-will, trade-marks, &c., \$2; total, \$8,623,348.

The above is a statement of Merck & Co., Inc.—new (resulting from the consolidation of Merck Corp. and Merck & Co., Inc.—old) and of subsidiaries.—V. 140, p. 2012.

Michigan Gas & Electric Co.—Prior Lien Divs. Omitted—

The directors have decided to defer payment of the dividends ordinarily due around Aug. 1 on the 7% prior lien stock, par \$100, and the \$6 prior lien stock, no par value. Payments of one-quarter of the regular rate were made on May 1 last, prior to which quarterly payments at one-half of the regular rate were distributed. See V. 140, p. 2542, for detailed dividend record.—V. 140, p. 3050.

Minneapolis & St. Louis RR.—Earnings.—

Table with 5 columns: Month (May, June, July, August, September), 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and Total.

Minneapolis St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Ry.—Earnings

Table with 5 columns: Period End, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Total revenues, Net railway revenues, Net after rents, Other income, Int. on funded debt, and Net deficit.

Minnesota Power & Light Co.—Earnings—

Table with 5 columns: Period End, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Net rev. from oper., Other income, Gross corp. income, Interest & other deducts, Balance, Property retirement reserve appropriations, Divs. applic. to pref. stocks, Deficit, and Dividends accumulated and unpaid.

Missouri-Kansas-Texas Lines—Earnings—

Table with 5 columns: Period End, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Mileage oper. (average), Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Available for interest, Fixed interest charges, Int. on adjust. bonds, and Net deficit.

Missouri Pacific RR.—RFC Renews Demand for Rescission by Company of Terminal Share Contracts—

Declaring that failure to act speedily on rescission by Missouri Pacific of its contract to purchase terminal properties in Kansas City from Terminal Shares, Inc., will mean delay in formulation of a reorganization plan, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has renewed its plea that trustee of the road be ordered to give notice of rescission of the contracts. The new brief of RFC has been filed in Federal Court for eastern district of Missouri before Judge Farris.

New Director—

R. E. Harding has asked the Inter-State Commerce Commission for authority to serve as a director of this company and the New Orleans Texas & Mexico RR. He already is a director of the International Great Northern.—V. 140, p. 4241.

Mohawk Carpet Mills—25-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the capital stock, payable July 15. A similar dividend was paid on Sept. 10 1934. Dividends of 75 cents per share were paid on March 31 1930 and Dec. 31 1929.—V. 140, p. 1317.

Mohawk-Hudson Power Corp.—\$1 Pref. Div.—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on account of accumulations on the \$7 cum. pref. stock, no par value, payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 15. A similar payment was made on May 1 and Feb. 1 last, prior to which regular quarterly dividends of \$1.75 per share were paid.

Monongahela Ry.—Listing—

The New York Stock Exchange has (authorized) the listing of \$12,000,000 1st mtge. 4% bonds, series A, due May 1 1960, which are issued and outstanding.—V. 140, p. 3901.

Monsanto Chemical Co.—Notes Called—

A total of \$300,000 2 1/2% convertible notes, maturing May 1 1945, have been called for redemption on July 25 at 102 1/2 and accrued interest. Payment will be made at the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, trustee.

All Outstanding 5 1/2% Bonds Called—

All of the outstanding 5 1/2% bonds of the company in the amount of \$913,000, due in 1942, have been called for redemption on Aug. 20 1935. The directors also authorized corporate action to be taken to redeem all outstanding preferred stocks of the Wilkes, Martin & Wilkes Co., the Provident Chemical Works and the Iliff-Bruff Chemical Co.; these three companies being former subsidiaries of the Swann Corp. The Swann Corp. was merged into Monsanto Chemical on May 7 1935.

Montgomery Ward & Co.—Sub's Bonds Called—

The Larabee Building Corp., a subsidiary, has called for redemption at 102 on Aug. 1 all its outstanding first mortgage 6 1/4% sinking fund bonds, due Feb. 1 1945.

Mountain Producers Corp.—Earnings—

Table with 5 columns: Calendar Years, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Net income, Provision for Fed. taxes, Net profit, Dividends paid, Surplus, Previous surplus, Total surplus, Depletion and adjustment, Adjs. of prior years, and Surplus Dec. 31.

Mullins Mfg. Corp.—Readjustment Plan Approved—

Stockholders, at a special meeting held June 22, approved the proposal for a readjustment of the company's capital structure and for refunding accumulated dividends on the preferred stock.—V. 140, p. 4074.

Muskegon Motor Specialties Co.—25-Cent Class A Div.—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on account of accumulations on the \$2 cum. class A stock, no par value, payable July 10 to holders of record July 5. A dividend of 50 cents was paid on May 4 last, this being the first payment made since June 1 1932, when a regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share was paid.

National Fuel Gas Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with 5 columns: Calendar Years, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Total earnings, Exp. taxes & gas purch., Reserve for depr., amort., p. & l. adjust., Net earnings, Shs. com. stk. out. (no par), and Earnings per share.

National Gypsum Co.—Dividend Plan and Stock Increase Approved—

Stockholders at a special meeting held June 25 approved the proposed plan to pay up arrearage on the preferred stock, and voted an increase of 100,000 shares in the authorized class A common. See also V. 140, p. 4241.

National Grocers Co., Ltd.—Accumulated Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.75 per share on account of accumulations on the 7% cum. pref. stock, par \$100, payable July 1 to holders of record June 25. This compares with \$3.50 paid on May 1 last, \$1.75 paid on April 1 and Jan. 21 1935 and Oct. 1 1934; \$3.50 per share

paid on Sept. 1, \$1.75 on July 2, May 1 and April 2, and \$2.61 per share on Jan. 1 1934.

National Pole & Treating Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Sales, Gross profit, Operating expenses, Net loss, and Surplus. Includes sub-sections for Earnings for Year Ended Dec. 31 1934 and Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934.

Assets—Cash, \$519,845; accounts receivable, \$148,732; Mutual insurance company dividends, \$1,016; inventories, \$1,488,022; advances on pole purchases, \$2,855; prepaid expenses, \$24,752; deferred charges and unadjusted debits, \$63,772; special deposits, \$3,396; note and accounts receivable from Minnesota & Ontario Paper Co. and subs. (pledged as collateral to 6% secured notes), \$3,745,524; miscellaneous investments, at cost (pledged as collateral to 6% secured notes), \$30,660; land, stumpage, treating plants and equipment (less reserve for depreciation of \$751,017), \$511,757; total, \$6,540,337.

National Rys. of Mexico — Earnings—

Table with columns for Calendar Years (1934, 1933, 1932) and Period End. Apr. 30. Includes Operating revenue, Operating expense, Total income, and Net oper. income.

National Rubber Machinery Co.—Transfer Agent— The Continental Bank & Trust Co. of New York has been appointed transfer agent for the no par capital stock.—V. 140, p. 3902.

National Tea Co.—Sales—

Table with columns for 4 Weeks Ended (1935, 1934, 1933) and Total 24 weeks. Includes Jan. 26, Feb. 23, Mar. 23, Apr. 20, May 18, and June 15.

Nebraska Power Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. May 31 (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and Balance. Includes Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Net revs. from oper., and Balance.

New Brunswick Power Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Calendar Years (1934, 1933) and Balance. Includes Gross earnings, Operating expenses, Net earnings from operation, and Balance.

Assets—Plant, prop., &c., \$7,284,847; other investments, \$12,500; cash (incl. special depts.), \$35,094; acct's receiv. (less res. for bad debts) \$179,567;

materials & supplies, \$57,640; prepayments, \$10,987; unadjusted debit items, \$11,578; total, \$7,592,212.

Nevada-California Electric Corp.—Preferred Dividend— The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on the 7% cum. preferred stock, par \$100, for the quarter ended June 30 1935, payable Aug. 1 to holders of record June 29.

New Jersey & New York RR.—Earnings—

Table with columns for May (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and From Jan. 1. Includes Gross from railway, Net from railway, and Net after rents.

New Orleans & Northeastern RR.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Calendar Years (1934, 1933, 1932, 1931) and Net loss. Includes Total oper. revenues, Total oper. expenses, Net rev. from oper., and Net loss.

General Balance Sheet Dec. 31. Table with columns for Assets (Invest. in road and equipment, Misc. phys. prop., etc.) and Liabilities (Capital stock, Funded debt, etc.).

Earnings for May and Year to Date. Table with columns for May (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and From Jan. 1. Includes Gross from railway, Net from railway, and Net after rents.

New Orleans Texas & Mexico Ry. System—Earnings— Period End. May 31— 1935—Month—1934 1935—5 Mos.—1934

New Director— See Missouri Pacific RR. above.—V. 140, p. 4242.

New York Central RR.—Earnings—

Table with columns for May (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and From Jan. 1. Includes Gross from railway, Net from railway, and Net after rents.

New York Chicago & St. Louis RR.—Earnings—

Table with columns for May (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and From Jan. 1. Includes Gross from railway, Net from railway, and Net after rents.

New York Connecting RR.—Earnings—

Table with columns for May (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and From Jan. 1. Includes Gross from railway, Net from railway, and Net after rents.

New York & Long Branch RR.—Listing—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$808,000 gen. mtge. 50-year 4% bonds, due Sept. 1 1941, which are issued and outstanding, making the total amount applied for \$2,308,000.

New York Susquehanna & Western RR.—Earnings—

Table with columns for May (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and From Jan. 1. Includes Gross from railway, Net from railway, and Net after rents.





\$1.50 on Jan. 1 1935 and 75 cents on Oct. 1 and July 2 1934. this latter payment being the first made on this issue since July 2 1933 when a regular quarterly dividend of 75 cents per share was distributed.

Accumulations on the \$3 preferred stock, after the current payment will amount to 75 cents per share. The directors also declared a dividend of 20 cents per share on account of accumulations on the no-par \$1.30 first pref. stock, payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 15, thus leaving arrearages on this class of preferred stock at \$3.70 per share.—V. 140, p. 1839.

**Pan American Airways Corp.—Annual Report—**

With record international air passenger and express traffic, together with important reductions in depreciation charges due to retarded delivery of new operating equipment, the corporation showed net earnings of \$1,064,000 or \$1.68 a share from the 631,640 shares outstanding for 1934 as compared with \$1.42 a share for 1933, according to the seventh annual report of J. T. Trippe, President.

Total revenues for the year amounted to \$9,642,569 and expenses amounted to \$8,578,097. Earned surplus at Dec. 31 1934 amounted to \$1,259,615, which, if distributed, would represent a rate of return of 1.80% on the average invested capital over the seven-year life of the corporation.

Record traffic, attracted by the large four-engined "Clipper Ship" type of flying boats now replacing older equipment on the marine operating divisions, a perfect safety record on these divisions together with greatly increased volume originated by associated and feeder lines, which have been developed in support of the main trunk lines of the System, were important contributing factors to the improved earning position. Also, depreciation charges on a substantial number of flight units were completed during the early part of the year. Due to the fact that no appreciable number of scheduled new replacement units were received until the latter part of the year, the annual provision for obsolescence and depreciation of flight equipment decreased to \$550,000, compared with an average of \$900,000 for each of the previous three years.

Passenger traffic, partially reflecting the improved carrying capacity of the big four-engined "Clipper Ship" type of transport, with which the older and smaller flying units are being replaced, showed a gain of 44% over the preceding year, with a total of 39,550,959 passenger miles flown by the Pan American Airways System during 1934. Reciprocal passenger arrangements and through-ticket agreements with important railroads, steamships and domestic airlines together with the volume originated by new Pan American traffic offices, opened in the Middle West and on the Pacific coast during the year, made important contributions to the volume of passenger traffic.

During the year Pan American Airways executed a long term preferential contract with the Railway Express Agency through which express shipping facilities of the American trunk line railroads and the principal domestic airlines were co-ordinated with Pan American Airways services to provide an international air express system between principal cities throughout the United States and market centers of the countries and colonies served by the international air transport system. This new service, which will be of first importance in the development of greater foreign commerce, was made possible by successful negotiations with 30 countries for the acceptance of the Pan American Airway bill, to substitute for the many complicated documents previously required, and for the provision of preferential clearances for merchandise at destinations.

Under this agreement, offices of the Railway Express Agency throughout the United States act as depots for pick-up and delivery of international air express merchandise. Eventually some 23,000 offices of the Railway Express Agency may be made originating offices for Pan American International Air Express.

Air mail volume between the United States and the countries served by the Pan American Airways System likewise showed substantial gains during the year despite the fact that the frequency of service could not be increased beyond 1.89 round trips per week, averaged, for the System.

*Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years*

Table with 4 columns for years 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Inc. from operations, Oper. exps., Net profit for year, Previous surplus, Sundry adjustments, Cons. surp. from oper., Balances approp. for res., Dividends paid, Surplus Dec. 31, Earnings per share.

*Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31*

Table with 4 columns for years 1934, 1933, 1934, 1933. Rows include Assets (Cash, Accts. receivable, Sundry investm'ts, etc.), Liabilities (Accounts payable, Bal. of purch. price, etc.), Total.

**Pacific Tin Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—**

*Income Account for Year Ended Dec. 31 1934*

Table with 2 columns. Rows include Operating revenue, Operating costs, Operating income, Non-operating income, Total income, Net income, Depreciation, Depletion, Net income for year, Minor interest in income of subsidiaries, Net income for year applicable to Pacific Tin Corp., Previous consolidated surplus, Consolidated surplus Dec. 31.

*Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934*

Assets—Cash, \$733,880; State of New York bonds (at cost), \$513,479; accounts receivable, \$7,941; tin ore, \$50,937; material and supplies (at cost), \$149,165; sundry investments (at cost, less reserve), \$52,697; deferred

charges, \$31,448; construction and equipment (at cost, less depreciation reserves), \$995,769; mining properties, \$1,370,617; additional amount at which stock of Yukon Gold Co. is stated in accounts of Pacific Tin Corp. in excess of book values of Yukon Gold Co. and its subs., which were determined to be applicable to such stock at date of acquisition, \$1,989,043; total, \$5,894,978.

Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$31,610; provision for taxes accrued, \$69,112; reserve for replacements, \$70,210; minority interest in subs., \$194,926; special stock (authorized and issued, 208,433 shares, no par value, original redeemable value \$23 per share), \$4,793,959; distributed to stockholders, \$20 per share, \$4,168,660; common stock (authorized and reserved for exchange against surrender of special stock, 208,433 shares no par value at stated book value of right of exchange), \$4,395,490; consolidated surplus, \$508,331; total, \$5,894,978.—V. 140, p. 3729.

**Peabody Coal Co.—Annual Report—**

Stuyvesant Peabody, President, says in part:

*Long-Term Coal Contracts with Utility Companies*

During the year company continued negotiations with the utility companies for modification of their contracts for the purchase of coal.

Inasmuch as in certain instances modifications of agreements must be approved for the companies under the jurisdiction of the Illinois Commerce Commission, certain of the utility companies have submitted them to the Commission for the approval of the modifications and to have them become effective retroactively as of Aug. 1 1934, but no conclusion thereon has been reached.

The negotiations in connection with the modification of the long-term coal contracts of the other utility companies, authorized by the stockholders at the last annual meeting, have not been completed and are awaiting results of action by the Illinois Commerce Commission on the revised contracts now before them, and no shares of stock or voting trust certificates have been surrendered to Peabody Coal Co. by any of the utility companies.

The operating results reported for 1935 are on the basis of sales prices computed under the proposed revised contracts for shipments since Aug. 1 1934 for all coal delivered to the utility contract buyers from Illinois and Indiana groups of mines. Had these revised contracts been in effect for the entire year, the sales prices for such coal would have aggregated about \$200,000 less than the amount included in the profit and loss statement.

*Losses on Property Abandoned or Revalued*

There has been deducted from the net profit on the profit and loss statement, under the caption of "special charges," losses on the abandonment and revaluation of property—\$519,341. This represents a write-down to the estimated realizable value of abandoned or revalued properties of the following subsidiaries:

- (a) A 100% owned subsidiary which operated a mine in Oklahoma, that, in the opinion of directors, should be abandoned because of competition with natural gas.
(b) A 100% owned subsidiary operating retail coal yards in St. Louis, Mo., which company, in the opinion of directors, should be liquidated on account of the competition of wagon mines.
(c) An association organized for the promotion of a townsite adjacent to mining properties in Central Illinois which, in the opinion of directors, will not liquidate to the extent of the investments in it as stated on books.
(d) Charge-off of the abandoned portion of a 100% owned railroad company in Springfield, Ill., which was authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

*Special Provision for Loss Charged to Deficit Account*

Company has for some years past had a substantial amount invested in the securities of Consumers Co. Application is now pending for reorganization of Consumers Co. under Section 77-B of the Federal Bankruptcy Act. For this reason, directors deemed it advisable to provide a reserve equal to the full amount of book investment in the securities of that company in the amount of \$1,445,387.

Sales—Following is a table of tons of coal handled by company (both produced and purchased) during the fiscal years ended April 30 1929 to 1935, both inclusive:

Table with 2 columns for years 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935.

*Income Account Years Ended April 30 (Incl. Sub. Cos.)*

Table with 4 columns for years 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Profit from coal sales & auxiliary operations, Other income, Total income, Depletion & depreciation, Int., incl. amort. of bond discount and expense, Prov. for Federal income tax of subsidiary, Amort. of mining mechanization expense, Prop. of losses applic. to minor stockholders' int. in stock of sub. co., Special charges, Profit for year, Prev. earned deficit, Profit on bonds repurch., Miscellaneous credits, Total deficit, Excess of cost of sub. co. stock over book value, Div. on prof. stock, Add'l Fed'l income tax, Res. for losses on empl. saving & invest. fund, Res. against notes rec., Prov. for loss on invest. in corp. in process of reorganization, Adj. to reduce treas. stk. previously acquired, Res. for loss on syndicate participation, Miscellaneous charges, Earned deficit Apr. 30.

*Consolidated Balance Sheet April 30 1935*

Assets—Cash in banks and on hand, \$1,809,836; U. S. Govt. securities (quoted value \$1,505,725), \$1,505,813; receivables (less reserve for bad debts of \$83,451), \$2,318,412; inventories, \$821,690; prepaid expenses, \$86,213; investments, advances, &c., \$675,597; coal lands, coal rights, coal-yard and other surface lands (less reserve for depletion of \$2,329,981), \$21,054,630; plants and equipment, dwellings, &c. (less reserve for depreciation of \$7,294,060), \$14,601,923; deferred charges, &c., \$805,414; total, \$43,679,532.

Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$2,128,850; interest on funded debt, &c., \$71,494; accrued taxes, wages, &c., \$408,617; current maturity of liability to employees' investment fund, \$54,159; reserve for Federal income taxes, \$76,463; long-term indebtedness, \$12,645,056; minority interest in subsidiary companies, \$1,228,786; capital stock and deficit, \$27,066,104; total, \$43,679,532.

Note—6% cum. pref. stock (\$100 par), \$16,053,300; 6% non-cum. class A common stock (4,971 shares of \$1,000 par), \$4,971,675; class B common stock (1,844,572 shares, no par), \$9,222,860; total capital stock, including treasury shares, \$30,247,835. Less—Deficit, \$2,794,078; total capital stock less deficit, before deducting treasury stock, \$27,453,756. Deduct—Cost of \$4,016,520 par or stated value treasury stock and voting trust certificates (16,199 shares preferred, 1,917 shares class A common, 95,894 shares class B common), \$341,402; par value of stock (413 shares pref., 4 38-40 shares class A common) held by trustee under an agreement to be delivered to the company on death of the owner and his wife), \$46,250.—V. 139, p. 2527.

Pennsylvania RR.—Earnings.—

Table with 4 columns: Year (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and From Jan. 1.

Pere Marquette Ry.—Earnings.—

Table with 4 columns: Year (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Operating revenues, Net oper. revenue, Net ry. oper. income, Non-oper. income, Gross income, and Deductions.

Pfaunder Co.—To Retire Notes—

The company will retire on Oct. 1 \$50,000 of principal amount of its 7% gold notes, due April 1 1944. As of May 31 1934, the last available report, there were \$224,700 notes outstanding, and it is understood they have been reduced still further by open market purchases.

Phoenix Securities Corp.—Meeting Adjourned—

The special stockholders' meeting to vote on a plan to liquidate accumulated dividends on the \$3 convertible preferred has been adjourned to July 9.—V. 140, p. 4077.

Pierce-Arrow Motor Corp.—Possibilities Discussed—

The unusual earning possibilities of the corporation, resulting from the recently completed reorganization, are discussed in an analytical pamphlet prepared by Robinson, Miller & Co., Inc. The firm is identified with the current underwriting of an issue of 50,000 shares of the new company's \$5 par value 7% cum. pref. stock.

Four reasons are advanced by the bankers for their conclusions as to the favorable outlook: a definite upturn in the demand for fine cars; a consistent percentage gain by Pierce-Arrow in the annual sales of fine cars; a drastic scaling down of capitalization and elimination of burdensome liabilities accomplished by the Pierce-Arrow reorganization; the leverage factor of cheap senior money, low administrative and overhead costs now prevailing.

Based on an output of 1,770 units, or six units per working day, the smallest number sold by the company since 1922, the analysis estimates net earnings, after interest, depreciation and all taxes, to be \$183,028, or more than 10 times pref. div. requirements, indicating a balance of \$1.38 per share of common stock.

Capitalization now consists of \$1,000,000 of serial 1st mtg. 5% notes; 50,000 shares of conv. 7% pref. stock (\$5 par) and 120,000 shares \$5 par common stock, or a total of \$1,850,000 par value of securities against assets carried on the new balance sheet at about \$4,500,000. The book value of pref. stock, which exceeds \$65 per share, is regarded by the bankers as conservative, since the company owns 44 acres of land in Buffalo, N. Y., most of which is covered by modern reinforced concrete factory and office buildings.—V. 140, p. 2550.

Pittsburgh & Lake Erie RR.—Earnings.—

Table with 4 columns: Year (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and From Jan. 1.

Pittsburgh Shawmut & Northern RR.—Earnings.—

Table with 4 columns: Year (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and From Jan. 1.

Pittsburgh & Shawmut RR.—Earnings.—

Table with 4 columns: Year (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and From Jan. 1.

Pittsburgh & West Virginia Ry.—Earnings.—

Table with 4 columns: Year (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and From Jan. 1.

Portland General Electric Co.—Listing of Extended Bds.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$6,485,000 1st mtg. 5% bonds as extended to July 1 1950, on official notice of the taking effect of such extension.

New Trustee—

The company has notified the Boston Stock Exchange that Marine Midland Trust Co., New York, has succeeded Chase National Bank, New York, as trustee under the mortgage securing the 1st & mtg. 4 1/2% bonds, due 1960, effective as of June 13 1935.—V. 140, p. 3563.

Postal Telegraph & Cable Corp.—Committee Seeks Authority to Represent Preferred Stockholders—

The preferred stockholders' protective committee (Joseph P. Ripley, Chairman) in a letter to the holders of the 7% non-cumulative preferred stock states:

Upon the filing by corporation of a petition under Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act, this committee was organized at the request of holders of substantial amounts of the preferred stock.

No dividends have been paid on the preferred stock since Jan. 1 1931. The trend of the corporation's earnings and developments in the telegraphic communications industry have been distinctly unfavorable in recent years. These circumstances indicate the importance of prompt action on the part of the holders of the preferred stock to secure representation of their interests.

The signing of the letter of authorization involves no liability on the part of the holders of the preferred stock in respect to expenses of the committee. At a later date, however, it may be necessary for the committee to obtain authorization from the holders of the preferred stock to bear a pro rata part of the expenses of the committee, in such case, and before any liability for such expenses is imposed, a further communication will be sent.

The committee feels strongly that it should have at a very early date the support of a large number of the preferred stockholders. Accordingly stockholders are requested to decide promptly whether they wish this committee to represent them, and, if so, to sign and return the letter of authorization.

This letter is being sent to all holders of the preferred stock whose names and addresses appear on a list of the preferred stockholders of record, dated May 2 1935, which list indicates a total of 4,671 domestic holders, a total of 1,607 foreign holders, and a grand total of 6,278 holders.—V. 140, p. 4246.

Prairie Cities Oil Co., Ltd.—Annual Report—

Income Account Years Ended Dec. 31 (Incl. Sub. Co.)

Table with 3 columns: Year (1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Net earnings, Depreciation, Directors' fees, Bond interest, Other interest, Organization expense written off, Bad debts reserves, and Net loss.

H. E. Sellers, President, says in part:

Supplementary letters patent were obtained during the year reducing the company's capital by \$600,000. The amount of \$456,791 consolidated operating deficit to Dec. 31 1933 was written off against this item. Also an amount of \$93,857 was set up for additional reserve for bad and doubtful debts. This additional reserve was authorized by the board after a further analysis of farmers' accounts.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Inventories, \$260,622; accounts receivable, &c. (less reserve for bad and doubtful accounts of \$282,152), \$295,669; cash on hand, \$425, deferred charges, \$40,251; cash held by Royal Trust Co. as trustee, \$36,656; properties (less reserve for depreciation of \$335,232), \$1,250,033; total, \$1,883,660. Liabilities—Bank loan and overdraft (secured), \$118,847; accounts payable, \$685,969; taxes payable, \$1,668; interest accrued on bonds, \$1,914; 20-year 1st mtg. bonds, series A, of Petroleum Realty Corp., Ltd., \$437,500; bond reserve account, \$25,300; class A non-voting stock (50,000 shs., no par), \$575,000; class B conv. voting stock (10,000 shs., no par), \$25,000; special reserve, \$12,461; total, \$1,883,660.—V. 139, p. 2528.

Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Corp.—To Merge—

See United Aircraft Corp. below.—V. 139, p. 3972.

Prudence Co., Inc.—Payment to Bondholders—

Judge Grover M. Moscovitz of the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York has signed an order directing a disbursement on or before July 15 1935 of \$3,166,750 to holders of \$12,667,000. Guaranteed coll. trust 5 1/2% gold bonds, due May 1 1961. The amount of this issue was \$15,000,000, but The Prudence Co. bought and retains in its treasury, \$1,133,000 of bonds and under the trust indenture amortization requirements for the issue, bought and retired \$1,200,000 of the bonds prior to the interest default. The payment is to be in the amount of \$250 per \$1,000 bond, and there are approximately 2,100 bondholders in widely separated sections of the country holding bonds of this issue.

This payment is the first to be made as to principal since the company, applied for and now in the process of reorganization under Section 77-B of the Federal Bankruptcy law.

The order by Judge Moscovitz also directs that \$283,250, or one-quarter of the value of the \$1,133,000 of these bonds of the company, held by the company's treasury shall be segregated and held in escrow until the Special Master, Louis J. Castellano, appointed by Judge Moscovitz shall hold hearings and report to the Court as to whether or not the company, shall share pro rata in this distribution. The money to be distributed is held by the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co. as trustee, and on Feb. 28 last the bank held as part of the collateral behind this issue \$4,901,481 in cash.

The bank's servicing of the underlying properties undertaken as trustee of the indenture pursuant to which the bonds were originally sold ceased on Feb. 1 when Judge Moscovitz admitted the company, to a Brooklyn Federal Court reorganization under Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act. Since then the trustees have been collecting rents and have also made an interest payment on this issue, paying part of the May 1 1934 coupon. This is thought to be the largest single distribution of cash in the Brooklyn Federal Court since the addition of Section 77-B of the Federal Bankruptcy Act about a year ago, and the application for the distribution was sponsored by Stephen Callaghan, John M. McGrath and William T. Cowin, trustees.—V. 140, p. 3731.

Public Service Co. of Northern Illinois—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: Year (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Period End. May 31, Gross income, Net income after taxes, int., depreciation, &c.

Pure Oil Co.—Notes Called—

All of the outstanding 10-year 5 1/2% sinking fund gold notes due Aug. 1 1937 have been called for redemption on Aug. 1 at 100% and interest. Payment will be made at the Guaranty Trust Co. of N. Y.

To Refund \$27,500,000 Notes—(New Issue Proposed)—

Stockholders were asked June 21 to grant directors the authority to carry out a plan for refunding \$27,500,000 in notes outstanding by the issuance of new notes carrying non-detachable warrants which give the noteholders the right to buy up to 30 shares of common stock for each \$1,000 note.

The company may be able to refund at a lower rate its outstanding note issues which bear interest at 5 1/2%, Henry M. Dawes, President, said in a letter to stockholders. This would reduce materially the interest charges that the company has to meet before earnings are available for dividends.

Mr. Dawes also said that "a satisfactory increase" in earnings had been shown since Jan. 1 and that a net profit of \$1,700,000 was estimated for the fourth month of the year ended on April 30, after making all charges.

To obtain additional working capital, an issue of notes to exceed \$32,000,000 of 15-year sinking fund notes is contemplated by the directors. Outstanding notes to be retired are \$12,500,000 in 10-year notes, due on Aug. 1 1937, and \$15,000,000 in 10-year notes, due on March 1 1940. The rate on the new notes is expected to be near 4%.

It is necessary that the holders of two-thirds of the stock sign releases of their pre-emptive right to subscribe to any stock issued by the company. Mr. Dawes urged shareholders to sign the waivers at once so that the financing could be completed at an early date.

The new notes will carry optional warrants permitting stock purchase, but the latter is to be separate from the notes themselves. The exact terms have not been determined, Mr. Dawes said, but plans contemplate placing a price of \$15 a share on stock last under the warrants up to July 1 1938. After that date, the price would be increased \$2.50 a share in each succeeding three-year period, with a final price of \$25 a share indicated for the final three-year period ending on July 1 1950.

To Register \$30,000,000 Sinking Fund Notes—

The company has filed application with the Securities and Exchange Commission for registration of \$32,000,000 of 15-year sinking fund notes due July 1950 and carrying non-detachable common stock purchase warrants. Application also covers registration of 32,000 warrants and 960,000 shares of common stock to be used in connection with these warrants. The application does not specify the coupon rate to be carried by the notes. When the coupon rate has been determined the company expects to file an amendment to its application.—V. 140, p. 4247.

Railway Equipment & Realty Co., Ltd.—Annual Report

Alfred J. Lundberg, President, says in part: Liquidation of East Bay Motor Coach Lines, Ltd.—In accordance with decision of the California Railroad Commission, public utility operations by East Bay Motor Coach Lines, Ltd., were discontinued as of June 30 1934. Motor coach service was commenced over the same routes by East Bay Street Rys., Ltd., on the following day.

Concurrently, leases of motor coaches to the former company were terminated, and new leases entered into with the latter.

Liquidation of Metropolitan Railway Equipment Co., Ltd.—The 13 motor coaches which as of Dec. 31 1933 constituted the sole physical asset of Metropolitan Railway Equipment Co., Ltd. (wholly owned), were purchased by Railway Equipment & Realty Co., Ltd., and steps taken towards the liquidation of the former company.

Segregation of "Key System" Passenger and Freight Business—In accordance with decision of the California Railroad Commission rendered Feb. 25 1935, the passenger business and properties of "Key System, Ltd." were leased to the former "Key Terminal Railway, Ltd.," the corporate name of which was changed to "Key System."

The industrial and terminal freight switching business of the former "Key System, Ltd." is conducted under the new corporate name of "Oakland Terminal RR."

Various changes in tariffs and concurrences were effected during the year under review, to the end that the passenger business of Key System is now wholly intra-State in character, and subject to the jurisdiction (only) of the California Railroad Commission.

The lease of the passenger business and properties compensates the lessor company by means of a rental constituting approximately the same proportion of any amounts earned towards depreciation and return (out of the transbay passenger business) as the value of the passenger properties owned by lessor bear to those owned by the lessee. There is no fixed minimum rental.

Reduction of Lease Rentals—Practically all of the leases of facilities owned by Railway Equipment & Realty Co., Ltd., to operating companies the capital stocks of which it owns as investments, were amended by mutual consent whereby the rentals payable were modified to bases of income of the lessees with declared minimums.

Simplification of Stock Structure—On Feb. 15 1934 the company's class A stock became cumulative. Because of developments since the company was formed, and because of growing accumulations on the respective classes of stock with the passage of time, the desirability of simplifying the stock structure is becoming increasingly apparent.

Earnings for Calendar Years table with columns for 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931 and rows for Total income, Oper. & miscell. expenses, Taxes, Net inc. before int. & depreciation, Interest on funded debt, Other interest, Amort. of bond discount and expense, Depreciation, Income tax under tax-free covenant, Net income from oper., Preferred dividends, Balance.

Comparative Condensed Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Comparative Condensed Balance Sheet Dec. 31 table with columns for 1934 and 1933, and rows for Assets (Properties, Inv. in corp. stks., Advances, Current assets, Deferred charges) and Liabilities (Funded debt, Def'd liabls. and install. contr'ts., Advances, Savings loan, Current liabls., Deferred credits., Reserves, Capital & surplus).

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Properties, \$12,836,679; investments in corporate stocks, (entire issues), \$14,378,441; advances to East Bay Street Rys., Ltd., \$4,915; cash, \$8,149; accts. receivable, \$1,770; def. charges, \$9,659; total, \$27,239,614.

Liabilities—6% equipment trust gold cts., \$2,030,000; instalmt purch. contract, \$10,100; advs. from Key System, Ltd., \$329,817; note payable to bank, secured by deed of trust to real estate, \$412,556; accrued int. payable on 6% equip. trust gold cts., \$60,900; other accts. pay. & accrued, \$47,030; res. for deprec., \$2,148,856; def. credit, \$1,712; capital stock, \$7,216,253; surplus, \$14,982,390; total, \$27,239,614.

Capital stock is represented by the following no par shares: 1st pref., 140,000 shs.; pref., series 1, 12,972 shs.; pref., series 2, 70,714 shs.; conv. pref., 19,720 shs.; cl. A, 47,515 1/2 shs.; cl. B, 26,926 shs.; cl. C, 21 3/4 shs.; cl. D, 571,000 shs.—V. 139, p. 2689.

Randall Co.—35-Cent Class A Div.

The directors have declared a dividend of 35 cents per share on the \$2 cum. participating class A stock, no par value, payable June 29 to holders of record June 28. Regular quarterly dividends of 50 cents per share have been distributed up to and incl. May 1 last. In addition, an extra dividend of 50 cents per share was paid on June 28 1934.—V. 140, p. 2876.

Rapid Electrotpe Co.—Acquisition

The company has acquired the Hoffschneider Electrotpe Co., which operates plants in San Francisco and Oakland, Calif.—V. 140, p. 2718.

Reading Co.—Earnings.

Reading Co.—Earnings table with columns for 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932 and rows for Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, From Jan 1—Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Richmond Fredericksburg & Potomac RR.—Earnings.

Richmond Fredericksburg & Potomac RR.—Earnings table with columns for 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932 and rows for Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, From Jan 1—Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Richmond Radiator Co.—Recapitalization Plan

A special stockholders' meeting has been called for July 10 to vote upon a plan of recapitalization and refinancing.

The plan calls for changing the authorized capitalization into 1,000,000 shares of new common stock of \$1 par value from the present 75,000 shares of no par preferred and 75,000 shares of no par common. As of April 30 there were outstanding 63,695 shares of preferred, of which 27,488 shares are owned by Reynolds Metals Co. and 74,679 shares of common, of which 31,204 are held by Reynolds.

It is proposed to exchange the company's preferred stock issued prior to March 1 1935, carrying as of July 1 next, unpaid accumulated dividends of \$21.50 a share, into the new common stock on the basis of four shares of the new issue for each of the old, and the preferred stock issued subsequent to March 1 1935, on the basis of three shares of the new stock for each share of the old. The present outstanding common stock is to be exchanged at the rate of one-third of a share of the new stock for each share of the old.

Under the plan Reynolds Metals Co., Inc., is granted an option to purchase any time prior to July 1 1938, 400,000 shares of the new stock at \$1 a share.

In his letter to stockholders, W. G. Langford, President of Richmond Radiator, stated that the Reynolds Metals Co. has committed itself to lend to this company all or any part of \$400,000 until July 1 1937, and to make available from among its directors and officers for election of Richmond Radiator a Chairman of the board and a Treasurer, who will serve without compensation until July 1 1937.

Period Ended April 30 1935—Loss after expenses, taxes, &c., but before depreciation of plants—Month 4 Months \$9,287 \$41,134

Vice-President Resigns

See Briggs Manufacturing Co. above.—V. 140, p. 4080.

(H. W.) Rickel & Co.—4-Cent Extra Dividend

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 4 cents per share in addition to a regular semi-annual dividend of 8 cents per share on the common stock (par \$2) both payable July 25 to holders of record July 15.

A dividend of 8 cents was paid on Jan. 15 1935 and an initial semi-annual dividend of 6 cents on July 25 1934.—V. 139, p. 4135.

Rutland RR.—Earnings.

Rutland RR.—Earnings table with columns for 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932 and rows for Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, From Jan 1—Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Safeway Stores, Inc.—Sales

Safeway Stores, Inc.—Sales table with columns for 1935, 1934, 1933 and rows for 4 Weeks Ended—Jan. 26, Feb. 23, Mar. 23, April 20, May 18, June 15, Total 24 weeks.

St. Joseph & Grand Island Ry.—Earnings.

St. Joseph & Grand Island Ry.—Earnings table with columns for 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932 and rows for Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, From Jan 1—Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

St. Louis Gas & Coke Co.—Reorganization Plan

The company has filed an amended plan of reorganization with the U. S. District Court in accordance with Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act. The Court has authorized the submission of the plan to creditors and stockholders, but has neither approved nor disapproved the plan.

The plan is being opposed by the protective committee for the holders of the 1st mtge. sinking fund gold bonds, 6% series, due 1947, as evidenced by a letter addressed to them by H. M. Byllesby & Co., which states in part: "It is our recommendation that you should not execute a form of acceptance of this plan, but that, instead, you should deposit your bonds with the 1st mtge. bondholders' protective committee, whose depository is the First National Bank & Trust Co. of Racine, Wis. The bondholders' protective committee has notified us that it will shortly address a letter to you advising you of the reasons for opposing the present plan, and enclosing a letter of transmittal to be used by you in forwarding your bonds to the committee's depository."

"If you have already filed a proof of claim, accompanied by your bonds, with Edward P. Allen, special master, Illinois State Bank Building, Quincy, Ill., we recommend that, upon request of the bondholders' protective committee, you immediately forward the receipt which you received from Edward P. Allen to the depository for the bondholders' protective committee, accompanied by the necessary authorization to the committee to represent your interests."

"We are advised that bondholders depositing their bonds with the bondholders' protective committee need not file separate proofs of claim with Edward P. Allen, special master, inasmuch as the special master has advised the bondholders' protective committee that the committee may file proofs of claim on behalf of all depositors with the committee. The committee has notified us that it will file such proofs of claim on behalf of depositors."

A brief outline of the bankruptcy and history of the company is given by George B. Evans, trustee in bankruptcy, in a letter addressed to the first mortgage bondholders as follows:

On May 31 1933 Geo. B. Evans was appointed receiver in equity by the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of Illinois, and the operations of the company were continued under the receivership until Sept. 29 1934. On Sept. 26 1934 a petition was filed in the District Court against the corporation for reorganization under the provisions of Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act. An order was entered Sept. 29 approving the petition as properly filed, appointing Geo. B. Evans temporary trustee, and authorizing the trustee to continue operations. This appointment was made permanent by order entered Dec. 11 1934.

On June 6 1935 a hearing was held before Louis FitzHenry, sitting as Judge of the Federal District Court, in the proceedings for reorganization. At this hearing Judge FitzHenry entered an order authorizing corporation to file its amended plan of reorganization dated June 1 1935. While receiver and since his appointment as trustee, Geo. B. Evans has made repeated efforts to induce some one to work out and file a plan of reorganization. No such plan was filed until the company filed its plan and the amended plan is the only plan now on file.

The Court up to the present time has neither approved nor disapproved the amended plan, but has authorized the trustee to submit the same to the creditors and stockholders for their approval or disapproval. The Court has set a hearing on the amended plan for Sept. 17 1935. All interested persons having objections to the amended plan are ordered to file their objections in writing with the Clerk of the Court and with the debtor not later than ten days prior to the date fixed for said hearing.

Digest of Amended Plan of Reorganization

Digest of Amended Plan of Reorganization table with columns for Claims and Securities Outstanding and rows for (1) Claims entitled to priority: Federal income tax assessment, Accrued interest thereon, Federal excise tax, State and local taxes for 1932, State and local taxes for five months—1933 estimate, State and local taxes for seven months—1933, full year 1934 and three months 1935—estimate, Penalty on State and local taxes, Accrued normal tax on bond interest, Receiver's certificates, Accrued interest thereon at 6% per annum, Other obligations incurred by receiver in operation of plant; (2) Secured claims: 1st mtge. sinking fund gold bonds, 6% series, due 1947, Accrued interest thereon; (3) Unsecured claims; (4) Preferred stock—no par; (5) Common stock—no par.

"Generating Company Will Be Organized"—A new corporation, to be called "Granite City Generating Co.," or such other suitable name, will be organ-

ized in Illinois for the purpose of acquiring the following property of the company:

(a) Electric power plant located at Granite City, Ill., including substation, transmission lines and other facilities owned in connection therewith, and land upon which same are situated, being a tract of approximately 20 acres.

(b) All right, title and interest of company in and to that certain contract between Swift & Co. and the company for the sale of electricity, together with an assignment of the amount due from Swift & Co. (\$17,907).

The generating company will be organized and operated as a private company and not as a public utility, and will be capitalized as follows:

5% 1st (closed) mtge. 25-year sinking fund bonds, denom. \$20 and upwards.....	\$1,554,080
Preferred stock.....	310,716 shs.
Common stock.....	100 shs.

All of such bonds and preferred and common stocks of the generating company will be issued, upon the transfer to the generating company of assets.

The generating company will enter into an agreement with Laclede Power & Light Co. for the leasing and operation of all of its property by the latter company for a period of not less than 25 years at an annual rental of \$125,000, payable monthly. The rental shall be paid by Laclede Power & Light Co. to the trustee under the trust indenture and the trustee shall pay from said rental the interest on the bonds, all taxes, assessments and governmental charges lawfully levied and imposed upon the trust estate, and upon the franchise, earnings and business of the generating company and all taxes, assessments and governmental charges lawfully imposed upon the lien or interest of the trustee in respect of the trust estate and the income and profits thereof, and the charges and expenses of the trustee. 90% of the net rental remaining after paying or providing for the payment of the aforesaid items of expense shall be set aside out of the rental above provided for, as a sinking fund for the retirement of outstanding bonds by redemption or by purchase in the open market. Whenever the reserved percentage shall exceed the sum of \$10,000, the surplus shall be placed in the sinking fund.

The lease will supersede the present contract between the company and Laclede Power & Light Co. for the sale of electricity, which contract will be canceled. Under the lease agreement Laclede Power & Light Co., so long as it is not in default under the lease, will be given the benefit of the contract with Swift & Co. for the sale of electricity.

In the lease agreement Laclede Power & Light Co. shall be given the option, at any time during the term of the lease, to purchase all of the property of the generating company, real, personal or mixed, at an amount which, added to any funds which may be in the possession of the trustee under the indenture securing the bonds of the generating company, will be sufficient to provide for the redemption of all of the bonds then outstanding and all of the preferred stock of the generating company, to provide for the payment of all taxes, assessments and other governmental charges lawfully levied, and to pay the charges and expenses of the trustee under the indenture, due and owing at the date of such purchase.

In the event Laclede Power & Light Co., during the term of the lease, shall undertake any financing whereby it will be required to increase its annual fixed charges above the sum of \$412,643, paid by it as rentals for leased property during the year ended Dec. 31 1934, it shall be obligated, as a part of the financing, to provide funds with which to exercise the option above mentioned.

Lease and contract receivable from Swift & Co. in the sum of \$17,907 and 233,012 shares of the preferred stock and the 100 shares of the common stock of the generating company to be issued to or on the order of Utilities Power & Light Corp. shall be pledged with the trustee under the indenture securing the bonds as additional security therefor.

Sufficient of the rentals from the lease will be assigned to Utilities Power & Light Corp. to repay to it the loan. The date of the issuance of the bonds of the generating company and the pledging of the lease thereunder may, at the option of Utilities Power & Light Corp., be postponed until the loan by Utilities Power & Light Corp. has been repaid to it out of the rentals from the lease; or the loan may be repaid in such other way as may be determined upon by Utilities Power & Light Corp. and Laclede Power & Light Co. with the approval of the Court. The lease with Laclede Power & Light Co. will be for a term of 25 years and for such additional period as may be necessary to provide additional rentals equal to the amount of rentals covered by the assignment.

**Iron Company Will Be Organized**—A new corporation, to be called "Granite City Iron Co.," of such other suitable name, will be organized in Illinois for the purpose of acquiring all of the assets and the business and good-will of the company not acquired by the generating company. This corporation will be organized and operated as a private company and not as a public utility.

The Iron company will be capitalized as follows:

1st (closed) mtge. coll. income bonds (denom. \$5 and upwards), to bear such date as may be determined upon, with the approval of the Court, and to be due five years after date, such bonds to bear interest from date at the rate of 5% per annum only to the extent the same is earned from the operations of the company.....	\$388,520
Common stock.....	172,675 shs.

All of such bonds and common stock of the Iron company will be immediately issued upon transfer to the Iron company of the assets of the company.

All of the capital stock of the Iron company will be deposited for a period of five years with three voting trustees under the terms of a voting trust agreement which shall be in such form and contain such terms as shall meet with the approval of the Court.

**Treatment of Obligations of the Company and Distribution of Securities of Generating Company and of Iron Company**

**(1) Treatment of the Bonds of the Company**

All of the company's outstanding bonds will be surrendered for cancellation and the holders thereof (other than the holders of the \$1,266,500 of bonds owned by Utilities Power & Light Corp. and/or its subsidiaries) shall receive in lieu thereof pro rata the following:

The \$1,554,080 5% 1st (closed) mtge. 25-year sinking fund bonds of the Generating company;

77,704 shares of the preferred stock of the Generating company, being 25% of the total number of shares authorized.

The \$388,520 1st (closed) mtge. coll. income bonds of the Iron company.

77,704 shares of the capital stock of the Iron company, being a fraction over 45% of the authorized issue.

This distribution gives to each bondholder 25% of the principal amount of his bonds in bonds of the Generating company and of the Iron company, and also shares of stock of the Generating company and the Iron company.

**(2) Treatment of Unsecured Claims Against Company**

All unsecured claims against the company shall be canceled and the holders thereof shall receive in lieu thereof, pro rata, 17,267 shares of the capital stock of the Iron company, or a fraction under 10% of the authorized issue. No fractional shares of the Iron company will be issued, but scrip will be issued therefor in units of 1-100 of a share, disregarding all balances less than 1-100 of a share.

**(3) Treatment of the Preferred Stock and Common Stock of the Company**

All of the company's outstanding preferred and common capital stock shall be surrendered for cancellation and retirement and no securities shall be issued in lieu thereof.

**(4) Issuance of Securities to Utilities Power & Light Corp.**

233,012 shares of preferred stock and 100 shares of common stock, being 75% of the total number of authorized shares of the Generating company and 77,704 shares, being a fraction over 45% of the capital stock of the Iron company, shall be issued to or upon the order of the Utilities Power & Light Corp., in consideration of which Utilities Power & Light Corp. shall do or cause to be done, upon the condition set forth, the following:

(a) The surrender for cancellation of \$330,000 of the certificates issued by George B. Evans, as receiver in the receivership proceedings pending in the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of Illinois, Southern Division, with all accrued interest thereon.

(b) The surrender for cancellation of the \$1,266,500 of bonds of the company with all accrued interest thereon owned by Utilities Power & Light Corp. and its subsidiaries.

(c) The release of all unsecured claims held by Utilities Power & Light Corp. and its subsidiaries against the company, aggregating in principal amount approximately \$1,202,976, in consideration of the receipt of their pro rata share of the 10% of the capital stock of the Iron company allotted for unsecured claims as above provided.

(d) The surrender for cancellation of the preferred stock and common stock of the company.

(e) The guarantee to pay the deficit, not exceeding \$175,000, as provided above.

(f) The deposit with the trustee under the indenture securing the bonds of the Iron company of the sum of \$100,000 as provided above.

(g) The pledge as security for the bonds of the Iron company of securities having a market value of \$388,520 as provided above.

**Income and Expense Statement for Month of March 1935 and for Period of Receivership and Trusteeship, June 1 1933 to March 31 1935**

	Month of March 35	June 1 1933 to Mar. 31 1935
Net sales.....	\$150,962	\$2,783,765
Cost of sales.....	177,438	3,165,163
Gross loss on sales.....	\$26,476	\$381,398
Administrative and selling expenses.....	3,529	85,084
Net loss from operations.....	\$30,005	\$466,482
Other income.....	3,685	44,356
Total income.....	\$26,320	\$422,126
Other deductions.....	1,787	30,173
Depreciation.....	16,667	366,667
Net loss.....	\$44,774	\$818,965

**Balance Sheet as of March 31 1935**

Assets—	Liabilities—	
Cash.....	Liabilities incurred by receiver and trustee:	
Notes receivable.....	Accounts payable.....	\$126,372
Accounts receivable.....	Receiver's certificates.....	330,000
Accrued interest receivable.....	Accr. int. on receivers' ctsf.	29,470
Inventories.....	Accrued payrolls.....	11,327
Loans to emp's on real est.	Accrued taxes.....	72,540
Contract receivable—Swift & Co.....	Unclaimed wages.....	6
Due from affiliated cos.....	Liabilities at date of receivership:	
Prepaid expenses.....	Preferred creditors.....	196,285
Special deposits.....	Secured creditors.....	9,308,007
Investments.....	Unsecured creditors.....	1,202,285
Plant, property and equip. x15,967,398	Liabilities subsequent to May 31 1933:	
Adv. pay. on ore contract.....	Secured creditors.....	34,332
Due from St. Louis Coal & Iron Co.....	Secured creditors.....	994,059
	Unsecured creditors.....	26,675
	Reserves.....	13,826
	Net worth.....	5,093,315
	Operating deficit.....	\$18,965
Total.....	Total.....	\$16,619,535

x After deducting depreciation, &c., reserves of \$5,120,866.

**Bondholders' Protective Committee Opposes Plan**

The first mortgage bondholders' protective committee headed by E. M. Goodman has advised bondholders that it disapproves of the amended plan of reorganization and urges all bondholders to refuse to accept the amended plan in its present form.—V. 140, p. 4248.

**St. Louis-San Francisco Ry.—Fort Scott Bondholders' Committee Renders Report**

The committee, representing the so-called Fort Scott bonds, has rendered a report to the holders of the Fort Scott bonds which it represents. The letter, after calling attention to the low gross revenues of the System during the year 1934, points out that the railway trustees in their annual report for 1934 have stated that the roadway and equipment have been maintained at a high and steadily improving standard.

The letter includes a statement furnished the committee by its engineers, Coverdale & Colpitts, under the tentative formula for the segregation of earnings by mortgages during the year 1934. Under this statement the Fort Scott properties, constituting but 26% of the main track mileage, showed approximately 51% of the net railway operating income (before adjustments) of the System, 58% of the System's balance after depreciation, but before adjustments, and 38% of the System's balance available for interest. In the committee's opinion these figures substantiate the strength of the Fort Scott properties.

The letter calls attention of the bondholders to the suits authorized by the Court's order of June 14 1935, on account of the Rock Island and Gulf Mobile and Northern stock acquisitions.

Richard K. Paynter Jr., of New York Life Insurance Co. has succeeded Harold Palagano as a member of the committee. The other members of the committee are James H. Brewster Jr., Chairman; Jacob A. Barbey and J. F. B. Mitchell. The committee states that it represents over 62% of the Fort Scott bonds outstanding in the hands of the public.—V. 140, p. 4248.

**St. Louis Southwestern Ry. Lines—Earnings**

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month—	1934—Month—	1935—5 Mos.—	1934—5 Mos.—
Railway oper. revenues.....	\$1,286,238	\$1,311,393	\$6,493,252	\$5,932,031
Net rev. from ry. oper.....	360,541	494,053	2,078,448	1,827,011
Net ry. oper. income.....	139,073	274,016	1,086,808	\$28,480
Non-operating income.....	4,931	5,070	31,817	28,391
Gross income.....	\$144,004	\$279,087	\$1,118,625	\$854,872
Deductions.....	265,849	265,956	1,315,394	1,317,091
Net income.....	def\$121,845	\$13,131	def\$196,768	def\$462,219

—Third Week of June—  
 1935 1934  
 Gross earnings..... \$324,500 \$307,651  
 —V. 140, p. 4081.

**St. Paul Union Stock Yards Co.—Smaller Dividend Deal**

The directors have declared a dividend of 37½ cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable July 1 to holders of record June 20. This compares with 50 cents paid each three months from April 2 1934 to and including April 1 1935; 75 cents on Jan. 2 1934 and on Oct. 1 1933 and 50 cents per share in the two preceding quarters.—V. 139, p. 1562.

**Schiff Co.—Earnings**

Calendar Years—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Net sales.....	\$10,899,868	\$9,376,018	\$8,878,279	\$10,179,534
Cost of sales, oper. exps., deprec., amortiz., Fed. taxes, &c.....	10,454,690	8,723,266	8,659,090	9,835,390
Extraordinary and non-operating items.....				Cr1,655
Balance of leaseh'd accts. written-off.....		\$3,582		
Net profit.....	\$445,178	\$569,170	\$219,189	\$345,800
Preferred dividends.....	55,013	57,111	61,539	70,000
Common dividends.....	198,000	99,500	148,500	198,000
Balance, surplus.....	\$192,165	\$413,059	\$9,150	\$77,800
Sundry adjustments.....			Dr21,048	
Previous surplus.....	1,376,257	945,843	957,740	\$79,940
Profit on preferred stock purch. for retirement.....	3,013	17,355		
Total surplus.....	\$1,571,436	\$1,376,257	\$945,843	\$957,741
Earnings per share on 99,000 shs. com. stock (no par).....	\$3.94	\$5.17	\$1.59	\$2.77

**Balance Sheet, Dec. 31 1934**

Assets—Cash in banks, on hand, in transit & in branches, \$268,953; accts. receiv., \$34,956; due from accts payable, \$9,543; due from employees \$35,659; inventories, \$2,519,798; furn. fixts. & improvts. to leased props. (less res. for deprec. of \$370,082), \$504,870; other assets, \$76,528; def. assets, \$51,021; total, \$3,501,628.

Liabilities—Accts. payable, \$141,211; managers' bonuses, payable, \$77,913; accrued exps. (salaries, &c.), \$42,530; local & sales taxes, \$26,030





company, \$131; reserve for contingencies, \$34,270; fire insurance reserve, \$27,354; capital stock (37,277 no-par shares), \$1,336,581; deficit, \$131,655; total, \$1,477,214.—V. 139, p. 3973.

**Standard Gas & Electric Co.—Surplus Would Be Wiped Out by SEC's Accounting—**

Adjustments in the accounting practices of the company as requested by the Securities and Exchange Commission would have shown that system with a surplus account deficit of \$29,461,222 as of Dec. 31 1934, instead of the surplus of \$123,823,063 as reported.

Haskins & Sells, certified public accountants, who have examined the company's books, disagree with the SEC, however. The accounting firm recommended that adjustments of only \$38,897,259 be made, leaving the company with a capital surplus of \$84,925,803 instead of the surplus deficit under the Commission's request.

This situation is disclosed by the company in an amendment filed June 20 with the SEC purporting to explain in more detail the company's financial statements contained in its original registration submitted to the Commission on March 18 1935 in connection with company's plan to extend two issues of notes to Oct. 1 1940.

The surplus deficit would be brought about by a downward adjustment of around \$30,000,000 in methods of handling the company's investment in Deep Rock Oil Corp. under that company's reorganization plans; revaluation downward by \$454,100 of the company's investment in Pacific Gas & Electric Co. common stock, deduction of \$8,619,117 for certain unrealized profits from transactions with subsidiaries, an allowance of \$175,957 for unamortized debt discount and expense and a deduction of \$114,387,026 as a result of adjusting securities of affiliates to affiliates' book values instead of the ledger values.

On this basis surplus of the company would have to be reduced by \$153,286,286, which would leave the parent company with a deficit in its surplus of \$29,461,222.

If company's income account were revised for 1934, the parent company would have shown an income of \$1,833,934 instead of an income according to the "company's books" of \$1,153,965.

The company in its statement to the SEC says it does not intend to write down the investment to the values as shown in the amendment. Haskins & Sells also disclaims any responsibility for such figures.

Haskins & Sells certificate of audit says in part:

"Such adjustments as those outlined, in our opinion, should have been accorded such treatment in the books of the company. The application of the adjustments would have the effect of reducing the surplus account to nil and of decreasing the capital surplus to an amount of \$84,925,803. The effect on income would be to decrease the income as shown by the books as follows: Year 1932, \$1,746,744; year 1933, \$1,400,701; year 1934, \$300,030, or an aggregate of \$3,447,477.

"The further effect of applying an adjustment based on footnote B-2 for which adjustment we assume no responsibility and as to which we express no opinion, would be to reduce the capital surplus to nil and to create a deficit of \$29,461,222."

The company's accounting fees as a result of its plan to extend its notes are listed at \$176,000, all going to Haskins & Sells. Counsel fees will run in the neighborhood of \$79,500. Printing fees are estimated at \$55,800, while advertising fees are expected to run as high as \$20,000. Traveling and other contingencies may take \$25,000.

The underwriters are to be paid 2 1/2% of the principal amount of all notes deposited under the extension and deposit agreement for their assistance in preparing the plan and obtaining deposits, irrespective of whether they are owned or deposited by the underwriters, and irrespective of whether the plan becomes operative. They also get \$100,000 for expenses.

The names of the underwriters and the interests of each in the compensation to be received include H. M. Bylesby & Co., 25%; First Boston Corp., 34.5%; W. C. Langley & Co., 18.5%; A. C. Allen & Co., Inc., 14%; Emanuel & Co., 5.5%, and Granbery, Safford & Co., 2.5%.

The company states that its extension agreement may be declared operative upon deposit of 66 2/3% of the notes outstanding and is to become operative upon deposit of 95% of the notes. It indicates that it will resort to Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act as amended if sufficient deposits are not obtained. No provision is made in the plan with respect to any unextended notes.

**Weekly Output—**

Electric output for the week ended June 22 1935, totaled 85,987,169 kilowatt-hours, an increase of 4.2% compared with the corresponding week last year.—V. 140, p. 4249.

**Staten Island Rapid Transit Ry.—Earnings—**

	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross from railway	\$123,232	\$136,665	\$141,810	\$153,302
Net from railway	195	19,940	30,140	39,049
Net after rents	def41,208	def12,003	969	5,112
From Jan.				
Gross from railway	611,677	722,241	687,303	751,352
Net from railway	def14,956	126,526	146,551	150,601
Net after rents	def236,845	def39,271	def13,268	def14,163

—V. 140, p. 3909.

**Starrett Corp.—Annual Report—**

Paul Starrett, Chairman, states in part: Securities (other than the capital stocks of wholly-owned domestic subsidiaries) unpledged at Dec. 31 1934, consisted of the following:

- Forty Wall Street Corp. preferred and common stocks.
- Inland Investments, Ltd., capital stock.
- Fifth Ave. & 29th St. Corp. 6% bond and mortgage and common stock.
- 400 Madison Avenue Corp. 1st mtge. leasehold 6% sinking fund bonds and common stock.
- Stimson's Office Buildings, Ltd., 6 1/2% gen. mtge. bonds and common stock.

Real estate mortgages on University Ave. property, Toronto, Ont., Can. Newark and Essex Building Corp. class A and B stocks. Hillside Housing Corp. capital stock.

A full reserve created from capital surplus has been set up in prior years against the total cost of the above unpledged investment securities, excepting the mortgages on the University Avenue property at Toronto, Ont., which are carried on the books after deduction of reserves at a valuation of \$400,000, and Hillside Housing Corp. capital stock which is carried on the books at a valuation of \$1,000.

400 Madison Avenue Corp.—Corporation's interest in the 400 Madison Avenue Corp. underwent considerable change during 1934. Corporation deposited its holdings of first mortgage leasehold 6% sinking fund bonds with the bondholders' protective committee under a plan of reorganization of the 400 Madison Avenue Corp. which will be submitted to the court for approval under Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act.

The proposed plan of reorganization contemplates the retirement of the first mortgage leasehold 6% sinking fund bonds and the issuance of 85 non-cumulative preferred stock (no par) and class A stock (no par) in lieu thereof. It also contemplates the cancellation of the 6% purchase money bond and mortgage and 7% general mortgage leasehold bonds and the retirement of the 1,975 shares of 7% cumulative preferred stock. The aforementioned securities, together with 3,055 shares of common stock, were formerly held by Starrett Corp. but were delivered to the first mortgage bondholders' protective committee in connection with the reorganization. The loss sustained by the corporation in connection with the disposition of these securities is fully covered by reserves set up in previous years. Based on the present earnings of the 400 Madison Avenue Corp., it is anticipated that the corporation will be in a position to declare dividends on its class A stock and that Starrett will be benefited by receiving some return on its investment.

During 1934 corporation was released by Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. from its contingent liability as endorser of a joint interest bearing note for \$12,000,000 of Thomas Emery's Sons, Inc. and Starrett Ohio Corp. in favor of Northwestern Mutual, which note had collateral pledged thereto consisting of a first mortgage on the Carew Tower Building property located in Cincinnati, Ohio.

The result of operating the buildings owned by the wholly-owned domestic subsidiary companies included in the consolidated statements resulted in net losses for the year 1934 of \$266,897 as compared with net losses of \$121,932 for the year 1933, as follows:

	1934	1933
Wall & Hanover St. Realty Co. (owner of building at 63 Wall St., N. Y.)	\$129,332	prof\$7,337
Starrett Syracuse Corp. (owner of building in Syracuse, N. Y.)	56,329	44,614
Starrett Oklahoma Corp. (owner of Building in Oklahoma City)	81,237	84,656
Total	\$266,898	\$121,933

Construction work under contract consists of the Philadelphia Post Office which is 96% complete and the Hillside Housing Development which is 34% complete. During the year miscellaneous construction work was performed for the Pennsylvania RR. at their Jersey City warehouses. The following is a summary of the business executed during the past year and the unfinished business on hand:

Unfinished business Jan. 1 1934	\$2,347,447
New business acquired during the year	5,083,789
	\$7,431,237

Work executed during the year	3,714,143
Unfinished business Dec. 31 1934	\$3,717,093

The Forty Wall Street Corp. in which corporation has a large investment operated at a net loss of \$405,923 for 1934 as compared with a net loss for the preceding year of \$495,857. Net surplus charges of \$299,092 increased the deficit to \$705,016 for the year 1934.

During 1934 company secured a release from its agreement to purchase the Assay site from the U. S. Government at a cost to it of \$466,805, which figure is made up of the cost of the bonds deposited with the U. S. Government plus an additional \$12,586 necessary to make the Assay Building fit for occupancy.

The Fifth Ave. & 29th St. Corp. (owner of 25-story building at the southeast corner of Fifth Ave. and 29th St.), has outstanding \$2,008,700 first mortgage 6% sinking fund bonds. This issue is technically in default through the non-payment of amortization under the indenture securing the bonds. However, all the interest on the first mortgage and all real estate taxes on the property have been paid.

Starrett Investing Co. is the owner of a \$350,000 6% bond and second mortgage on the property, together with 3,975 shares of the common stock. No interest has been paid on the second mortgage since Nov. 1933.

Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years				
Calendar Years—	1934	1933	b1932	1931
Operating revenue	\$1,760,824	\$1,822,508	\$2,282,652	\$5,286,310
Oper.exp.incl.depr.&c.	1,543,081	1,556,635	1,715,625	3,539,862
Int. on Starrett Inv. Corp. 5% bonds	346,391	372,709	412,594	429,783
Net loss for the year	\$128,648	\$106,836	prof\$154,432	prof\$1,316,665
Earned surplus Dec. 31	824,910	687,490	2,341,422	2,166,442
Profit on bonds purch.	23,260	184,949	136,303	
Red. in book value of common stock			9,221,400	
Miscellaneous credits	62,806	70,101	792,475	
Gross surplus	\$782,329	\$835,704	\$12,646,033	\$3,483,107
Dividends paid				761,000
Res. prov. for conting.			535,993	355,236
Amort. of disc.on pf.stk.			1,019,667	
Good-will			1,700,370	
Red. in book val. of land of Wall & Hanover St. Realty Co.			1,369,936	
Interest—subsidiary cos. written off			6,906,693	
Miscellaneous charges		10,794	425,883	25,449
Earned surp. Dec. 31	\$782,329	\$824,910	\$687,489	\$2,341,422
Earns. persh. on 380,050 shares common stock	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$0.76

b Includes operations of Starrett Ohio Corp. from March 1 and Syracuse Corp. from July 1 to Dec. 31 1931.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934	
Assets—Cash in banks and in hand, \$595,571; notes and accounts receivable, \$64,992; accrued interest receivable on Forty Wall St. Corp., bonds \$56,450; notes and accounts receivable, not current, \$88,195; investment in and advances to subsidiary, Forty Wall St. Corp., not consolidated, \$4,798,250; investments in and advances to other subsidiaries, not consolidated, \$400,000; other investments, \$30,471; land, buildings and equipment (fee and leasehold interests) partly pledged, less reserves for depreciation of buildings and equipment of \$495,684, \$14,439,543; deferred and prepaid charges, \$1,047,230; total, \$21,520,704.	
Liabilities—Notes payable, \$109,000; accounts payable, \$113,101; judgment against Seneca Realty Co. (liquidated in full in March 1935 for \$15,500), \$84,320; accrued interest, taxes, &c. (including matured bond coupons not presented), \$278,436; notes payable not due within one year, \$161,000; real estate mortgages (\$65,725 due on demand and \$195,000 due April 1 1935), \$5,886,975; 5% secured bonds, series of 1950, of Starrett Investing Corp., \$6,800,000; deferred credits, \$107,619; reserve for accident claims, \$10,085; preferred stock (60-cent cumulative, 260,000 shares of \$2 each), \$520,000; 3% cumulative preferred stock (\$10 each), \$2,920,000; common stock (par \$1), \$380,050; earned surplus, \$782,328; capital surplus, \$3,367,787; total, \$21,520,704.—V. 138, p. 4138.	

**Sunshine Mining Co.—Earnings—**

Earnings for Year Ended Dec. 31 1934	
Income from ore production	\$2,068,166
Income from miscellaneous sources	12,143
Gross income	\$2,080,309
Operating expenses	606,452
Supplies charged to construction	Cr.41,079
Supplies charged to deferred costs	Cr.9,781
Supplies, inventory	Cr.33,570
Depreciation	28,566
Deferred mining costs charged to expense	25,844
Losses on equipment eliminated	3,523
Federal income tax	143,897
Idaho State income tax	68,007
Capital stock tax, general taxes, &c.	47,889
Executive salaries	8,124
Legal expense	5,251
Miscellaneous expense	7,953
Mine, Yakima office expense and rent	8,945
Traveling expenses, telephone and telegraph and auto ins.	2,393
Net profit year	\$1,208,195
Dividend	1,012,399
Surplus	\$195,796

Earnings for the Month of May 1935	
May ore production	\$360,278
Miscellaneous income	743
Total income	\$361,022
Mine costs	70,210
Miscellaneous operation and overhead costs	17,518
Estimated depreciation reserve	2,000
Estimated tax reserve	6,000
Estimated income tax reserve	52,800
Excess income over deductions	\$212,494
Plus capital expenditures reflected in above deductions	5,870
Estimated net profit for May 1935	\$218,364

Condensed Balance Sheet					
Assets—	Dec. 31 '34	May 31 '35	Liabilities—	Dec. 31 '34	May 31 '35
Cash	\$307,500	\$917,634	Payroll, dividends, accounts & taxes payable	\$290,041	\$247,156
U. S. bonds	129,453	33,572	Capital stock	148,882	148,882
Inventory	217,937	237,636	Reserves	100,000	214,800
Accts. receivable	510	510	Surplus	372,326	924,707
Def'd mining costs	48,767	48,767			
Real estate—sur-face rights	8,500	8,500			
Capitalized expend. for May		5,870			
x Bldgs., mach'y, equipment, &c.	198,580	283,055			
Total	\$911,249	\$1,535,546	Total	\$911,249	\$1,535,546

x After depreciation of \$109,341.—V. 140, p. 3910.

(Frederick) Stearns & Co.—Accumulated Dividend

The directors have declared a dividend of \$3.25 per share on account of accumulations on the 7% cum. pref. stock, par \$100, payable June 29 to holders of record June 20.

Supervised Shares, Inc.—1.2-Cents Dividend

The directors have declared a dividend of 1.2 cents per share on the capital stock, payable July 15 to holders of record June 29.

Syracuse Lighting Co., Inc.—Bonds Called

The Chase National Bank, as successor trustee, is notifying holders of first and refunding mortgage gold bonds, 5 1/4% series due 1954, that there has been drawn by lot for redemption at 105 and int. \$29,000 principal amount of these bonds.

Tampa Electric Co.—Earnings

Table with columns: Period End, May 31, 1935, Month—1934, 1935—12 Mos.—1934. Rows include Operating revenues, Operation, Maintenance, Taxes, Net oper. revenues, Non-oper. income, net., Balance, Retirement accruals (a), Interest, and Net income.

These amounts have been accrued to provide a reserve against which property retirements will be charged as they occur. The amounts so accrued are less than the depreciation deductions claimed or to be claimed on Federal income tax returns which are based on a straight-line method and the resulting reserve is less than a depreciation reserve would be if based on such straight-line method.

Telautograph Corp.—15-Cent Dividend

The directors have declared a dividend of 15 cents per share on the capital stock, no par value, payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 15.

Tennessee Electric Power Co.—Earnings

Table with columns: Period End, May 31, 1935, Month—1934, 1935—12 Mos.—1934. Rows include Gross earnings, Operating expenses, Fixed charges, Prov. for retirement res., Divs. on preferred stock, Balance, and Net income.

Texas Corp.—Not to Refund Debentures

The company has no intention now of refunding its 5% convertible debentures due on Oct. 1, 1944, of which \$89,933,000 were outstanding at the close of last year.

Third Avenue Ry. System—Earnings

Table with columns: Period End, May 31, 1935, Month—1934, 1935—11 Mos.—1934. Rows include Operating revenue, Operating expenses, Taxes, Operating income, Non-oper. income, Gross income, Deductions, Net income, and Deficit.

Title Guarantee & Trust Co.—Change of Personnel

The company has made the following changes in official personnel: Thomas J. Kappock has been elected Assistant Vice-President from Assistant Secretary; Franklin C. Healy has been appointed an Assistant Vice-President from Assistant Treasurer; Herman G. Maser has been elected an Assistant Treasurer; Purcell B. Robertson has been appointed an Assistant Secretary; and Douglas McKee has been appointed an Assistant Trust Officer.

Title & Mortgage Guarantee Co. of Buffalo—Liquidation

Superintendent of Insurance of New York, Louis H. Pink, announced June 26 the signing by Supreme Court Justice James E. Norton at Buffalo of an order of liquidation for the company, one of 23 title and mortgage guaranty companies taken over by the State.

Court hearings have been completed on a petition by the Superintendent for an order to liquidate a twelfth company, the New York Title & Mortgage Co., and a decision by Supreme Court Justice Alfred Frankenthaler is awaited.

Former directors and officers of the Buffalo company offered no defense against Superintendent Pink's petition for a liquidation order in which he alleged that the total liabilities of the company exceeds its total assets by \$1,192,962, and that further efforts at rehabilitation would be futile.

When the Buffalo company was taken over by the Insurance Department in August 1933, it had guaranteed mortgages and certificates outstanding in the principal amount of about \$20,000,000. Since then supervision of virtually all of the certificated issues has been transferred to five certificate holders' corporations organized under the Schackno law.

Nov. 1 1935 was set as the final date for filing of claims against the company.

Toledo & Ohio Central Ry.—Bonds Offered

Another step in the New York Central RR.'s program for the refunding and retirement of maturing obligations, the original announcement of which was made late in February, was taken June 27 through the sale and re-offering of a new issue of \$12,500,000 Toledo & Ohio Central Ry. ref. & impt. mtge. 3 3/4% bonds, series A, due June 1 1960.

The bonds were purchased and are being reoffered at 99 and int., subject to the approval of the Interstate Commerce

Commission, by a group including the First Boston Corp., Brown Harriman & Co., Inc., Edward B. Smith & Co., Kidder, Peabody & Co. and Lee Higginson Corp.

The new bonds will be dated June 1 1935 and mature June 1 1960. They are redeemable on any interest date, on 60 days' notice, after Nov. 30 1935 on the following basis: From Dec. 1 1935 to June 1 1941 at 105; thereafter to and incl. June 1 1945 at 104; thereafter to and incl. June 1 1950 at 102 1/2; thereafter to and incl. June 1 1957 at 101; and thereafter prior to maturity at 100.

The proceeds of the new financing will be used in part to retire maturing obligations bearing a higher rate of interest and to reimburse the New York Central RR. to the extent of \$5,000,000, which is part of the funds advanced by the latter for additions and betterments made to the properties of the Toledo & Ohio Central system.

Mr. Williamson further states that "of the obligations of the New York Central system maturing during 1935, amounting to about \$56,409,000, approximately \$31,736,000 maturing on or before July 1, have been provided for" and that "negotiations are under way for providing for the \$15,600,000 of notes due the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, the extension of which has been approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission."

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Tri-State Telephone & Telegraph Co.—Earnings

Table with columns: Period End, May 31, 1935, Month—1934, 1935—5 Mos.—1934. Rows include Operating revenues, Uncollective oper. rev., Operating expenses, Operating taxes, Net operating income, and Balance.

The directors have declared a liquidating dividend of 10 cents per share on the common stock, par \$25, payable Sept. 1 to holders of record Aug. 1. This will be the first payment made since November 1926 when a 25 cent dividend was paid.

Union Pacific RR.—Earnings

Table with columns: May, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and Balance.

United Aircraft Corp.—Merger Approved

Stockholders of Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Co., Chance Vought Corp. and Hamilton Standard Propeller Co. at meetings held June 24, voted to consolidate the three companies and the Sikorsky Aircraft Corp. of Bridgeport.

The plan had previously been approved at the Sikorsky meeting. Since all subsidiaries are practically wholly owned by United Aircraft, the meetings were formalities. George S. Wheat, Vice-President of United, said an announcement of the consolidation of the subsidiaries will be given out July 1.

United Engineering & Foundry Co.—Earnings

Table with columns: Income Statement Years Ended Dec. 31, 1934, 1933. Rows include Gross profit from manufacturing, Other income, Gross profit from operations, Administrative and selling expenses and royalties, Depreciation, Provision for Federal income tax, Net profit, Dividends on preferred stock, Dividends on common stock, and Deficit.

United Founders Corp.—New Transfer Agent

The Boston Stock Exchange has been informed that the United Founders Corp. will act as its own transfer agent to succeed the Chase National Bank, New York, N. Y. The address of the corporation is 1 Exchange Place, Jersey City, N. J.

United Gas Improvement Co.—Weekly Output

Table with columns: Week Ended, June 22 '35, June 15 '35, June 23 '34. Rows include Electric output of system (kwh).

United Fuel Investments Ltd. (& Subs.)—Earnings

Table with columns: Years Ended March 31—1935, 1934. Rows include Profit from operations, Interest on bonds, Interest on bank loans, Bond & loan expenses & discount absorbed, Dividend fees, Provision for depreciation, Profits for year, and Balance at end of period.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Mar. 31 1935

Table with columns: Assets—Prop., \$9,764,588; prems. paid on acquis. of sub. cos., &c., \$6,378,954; cash on hand & in banks, \$191,264; acc'ts receiv., (less res.), \$400,292; instal'm't acc'ts receiv., \$43,065; inventories, \$730,575; cash on deposit with trustees for sinking funds, \$1,303; bond discount, \$395,022; organization expenses, \$7,180; def. chgs. & prep'd. exps., \$107,190; total, \$18,019,438.

**Liabilities**—6% cum. redeem. pref. shares (\$100 par), \$9,000,000; com. shs. (100,000 shs. no par), \$100,000; consol. earned surplus, \$588,006; res. for sinking fund, \$15,130; gen. mtge. 6 3/4%, 1956, \$450,000; Hamilton By-Product Coke Owens Ltd. 1st mtge. 7s, 1943, \$1,187,400; Hamilton By-Product Coke Owens Ltd. gen. mtge. 6 1/2%, 1956, \$2,298,200; United Gas & Fuel Co. of Hamilton, Ltd., 1st mtge. 5 1/2%, 1948, \$1,662,000; acct's pay. & sundry accrued chgs., \$159,404; Union Gas Co. of Canada, Ltd., \$8,751; meter deposits, \$10,461; accrued int. on bonds, &c., \$37,001; res. for Dominion income & other taxes, \$63,277; res. for deprec. & renewals, \$2,439,805; total, \$18,019,438.—V. 137, p. 330.

**United Rys. & Electric Co. of Baltimore—Earnings**

Period End.	May 31—1935	Month—1934	1935—5 Mos.—1934
Total revenues	\$911,108	\$963,225	\$4,497,161
Total expenses	762,433	778,502	3,779,704
Taxes	78,774	89,329	391,538
Operating income	\$69,900	\$95,392	\$325,917
Non-operating income	2,909	1,298	9,156
Gross income	\$72,810	\$96,691	\$335,074
Fixed charges	7,254	10,008	37,627
Net income	\$65,556	\$86,682	\$297,247

—V. 140, p. 3915.

**United States Finishing Co.—Annual Report**  
 Leonard S. Little, President, says in part:  
 During 1934, company was granted a loan by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, which was recently made definitive in the sum of \$1,350,000. The RFC would only loan upon a first mortgage. In order to give such a mortgage on the company plants, it was necessary to subordinate the existing mortgage. As a practical matter, this was found to be possible only by recourse to a Court proceeding. Accordingly, on June 29 1934 company filed a petition under Section 77B of the Bankruptcy Act seeking the reorganization of its debt structure.

**Consolidated Income Account Year Ended Dec. 31 1934**

Gross income from production	\$7,301,282
Cost of production, incl. selling, administrative and general exp.	7,349,659
Taxes	147,374
Other deductions (net)	10,257
Net loss	\$206,008
Depreciation	407,261
Loss on plant and equipment discarded during the year	46,923
Int. on bonded debt, incl. amortization of bond discount	81,162
Int. on notes and loans (incl. expenses incident thereto)	36,132
Interest on overdue taxes	9,393
Amortiz. of organization exp. (Hartsville Print & Dye Works)	8,648
Disc. on bds. purch. for sk. fd. (Hartsville Print & Dye Works)	Cr1,825
Net loss, before provision for income taxes	\$793,703
Provision for income taxes (payable by two subsidiary cos.)	909
Net loss, before applic'n thereof to min. & pref. stk. interests	\$794,611
Net loss applicable to outside interests in Hartsville Print & Dye Works	70,141
Net loss for the year	\$724,470
Previous surplus	178,129
Write-down of mill and tenement property held for re-sale	35,165
Deficit Dec. 31 1934	\$581,507

**Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**  
**Assets**—Cash in banks and on hand, \$286,221; notes and accounts receivable (accounts receivable, Hartsville Print & Dye Works, \$38,854 pledged as collateral for loans payable, contra, \$789,364; less reserve for adjustments and doubtful notes and accounts of \$53,022), \$736,342; inventories, \$399,345; sinking fund for bonded debt, \$69,966; land and water rights, \$1,693,424; buildings, machinery and equip. (less reserve for depreciation of \$5,421,918), \$6,560,213; land, mill and tenement properties held for resale or lease, at salable values estimated by management, \$108,556; copper rollers (less allowance for shrinkage), \$618,157; good-will, \$588,013; deferred charges, \$49,285; total, \$11,009,523.  
**Liabilities**—Liabilities of U. S. Finishing Co. and Queen Dyeing Co. incurred subsequent to June 28 1934 (incl. \$6,808 incurred prior thereto, the payment of which, by Court order, is not restricted) and current liabilities of other subsidiaries, \$777,832; liabilities of U. S. Finishing Co. and Queen Dyeing Co. incurred prior to June 29 1934 (incl. accrued int. to Dec. 31 1934 on int. bearing indebtedness), \$846,689; bonded debt, \$1,451,000; preferred stocks of subsidiaries in hands of public, \$753,576; 7% pref. cum. stock (\$100 par), \$3,600,000; common stock (124,858 shares, no par), \$4,161,933; deficit, \$581,506; total, \$11,009,523.—V. 140, p. 2722.

**U. S. Smelting, Refining & Mining Co.—Div. Increased**  
 The directors have declared a dividend of \$2 per share on the common stock, par \$50, payable July 15 to holders of record July 5. This compares with \$1 paid on April 15 last, \$3 on Jan. 15 1935, \$2 per share on Oct. 1 and July 14 1934 and 25 cents paid each three-months from July 15 1930 to and including April 14 1934. In addition, the company paid extra dividends of \$1 per share on April 14 1934, \$3.50 per share on Jan. 15 1934 and 50 cents on Oct. 14 1933.

**Consolidated Income Account Five Months Ended May 31**

	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross earnings	\$3,103,133	\$3,201,659	\$1,560,891	\$1,432,599
Reserves	717,623	701,160	633,314	731,292
Balance	\$2,385,510	\$2,500,499	\$927,577	\$701,307
referred dividends	682,424	682,424	682,424	698,400
Balance for common	\$1,703,086	\$1,818,075	\$245,153	\$2,907
Average shs. com. stock outstanding (par \$50)	528,765	528,765	528,765	535,493
Per share of common	\$3.22	\$3.43	\$0.46	\$0.01

The company issued the following statement:  
 As explained in previous reports, domestic silver production has been taken into earnings at fixed Government prices prevailing at the time of production, and most of this domestic silver has been sold to the Government at these prices. A small amount has been sold in the open market at more than the Government prices at which it was taken into earnings, resulting in a quotational gain of \$35,601, which is included in the five months' earnings of this year reported above. In the corresponding period last year there was included a similar profit of \$363,804 from the sale of gold. As to quotational gains from sales of foreign silver and other metals, the prices of which are not fixed by statute and which remain subject to price fluctuations: In accordance with the regular practice, as explained in recent reports, these quotational gains up to March 1 of this year were not included in reported earnings but were added to quotational reserves to protect against losses and declines in prices below inventory values. On March 1 of this year these reserves stood at a balance slightly over \$1,700,000; and in view of the fact that the unsold metal inventories are not excessive and their book values are substantially below current market values, it was decided that from and after March 1 1935 and until further action by the directors, realized gains of this nature are not to be added to quotational reserves but are to be included in reported earnings. Accordingly, the earnings above reported for the five months' period include quotational gains of \$442,309 realized since March 1 from sales of metals other than gold and domestic silver.—V. 140, p. 3568.

**United Wall Paper Factories, Inc.—Recapitalization Plan Approved**

Stockholders at a special meeting held June 25 approved a plan of recapitalization calling for exchange of 77 cumulative preferred stock into common stock, on basis of 23 common shares for each preferred share, and writing down of certain assets. See also V. 140, p. 4252.

**Universal Pipe & Radiator Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings**  
 Quarter Ended March 31— 1935 1934  
 Net loss after taxes, deprec., interest, &c. \$105,544 \$33,998  
 —V. 140, p. 3569.

**Utilities Power & Light Co.—Meeting Further Postponed**  
 Because the company had not been able to publish its annual report, further adjournment, until July 24, was ordered at the adjourned annual meeting of stockholders held June 26. W. A. Horner, Secretary, explained the company had agreed with the New York Stock Exchange to distribute annual report to stockholders at least 15 days before the meeting.—V. 140, p. 3061.

**Vica Co.—Liquidating Dividend**  
 The company paid a liquidating dividend of \$4 a share on the \$25 par value common stock on June 26. This company formerly was known as Virden Packing Co.

**Virden Packing Co.—Liquidating Dividend**  
 See Vica Co. above.—V. 140, p. 3569.

**Virginia Bridge & Iron Co.—Halves Dividend**  
 The directors have declared a semi-annual dividend of \$1 per share on the capital stock, par \$100, payable July 2 to holders of record June 21. This compares with \$2 per share paid on Jan. 2 last, and July 2 1934 and \$3 per share previously each six months.—V. 138, p. 4478.

**Virginia Electric & Power Co.—Time for Deposits' Extended**

The company is notifying holders of secured convertible 10-year 5 3/4% bonds due July 1 1944, who have not yet converted their holdings, that the company has extended to and including July 22 the period in which all such unconverted called convertible bonds may be converted into Series A bonds, upon terms and conditions similar to those contained in the trust indenture, except that interest on called convertible bonds converted after June 21 shall be allowed only to that date rather than to the actual conversion date.—V. 140, p. 3916.

**Virginian Ry.—Earnings**

May—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross from railway	\$1,261,239	\$1,126,323	\$970,538	\$869,493
Net from railway	676,083	566,557	447,595	329,002
Net after rents	562,143	480,080	378,949	277,752
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	6,243,935	5,935,749	5,181,420	5,551,736
Net from railway	3,283,851	3,112,930	2,472,462	2,562,395
Net after rents	2,716,704	2,700,872	2,112,577	2,156,585

—V. 140, p. 4085.

**Wabash Ry.—Earnings**

May—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross from railway	\$3,463,954	\$3,477,909	\$3,171,839	\$3,244,228
Net from railway	943,842	976,748	804,315	640,133
Net after rents	546,117	501,542	311,389	70,258
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	17,190,400	16,272,393	13,800,366	16,165,296
Net from railway	4,350,929	4,492,564	2,370,265	2,315,935
Net after rents	2,178,864	2,090,313	def\$43,524	def\$505,436

—V. 140, p. 4252.

**Wagner Electric Corp.—Earnings**

Calendar Years—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross profit on sales, after deduct. all costs of mfg., maint. chgs. & depr. of plant & equip.	\$1,306,313	\$743,892	\$560,552	\$1,576,148
Gen., sell. & adm. exp.	986,309	871,778	928,461	1,296,087
Net income	\$320,004	def\$127,886	def\$367,909	\$280,061
Interest received	68,688	71,582	186,752	92,372
Miscellaneous income	3,672	14,955		11,036
Total	\$392,364	def\$41,349	def\$181,158	\$383,469
Portion of development expense written off	30,000	25,000		
Prov. for Federal & State income taxes	48,035			34,721
Net profit for year	\$314,330	def\$66,349	def\$181,158	\$348,748
Preferred dividends	79,791	80,500	81,203	87,518
Common dividends	195,693		146,779	489,242
Balance, surplus	\$38,847	def\$146,849	def\$409,140	def\$228,012
Shs. com. stk. outstanding (par \$15)	391,388	391,388	391,388	391,388
Earnings per share	\$0.59	Nil	Nil	\$0.66

Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

**Assets**—Cash, \$1,060,592; U. S. Government securities (quoted value, \$1,452,030), \$1,438,934; notes and trade acceptances, \$30,210; customers' accounts receivable, less reserve for doubtful accounts, \$669,034; miscellaneous accounts receivable, \$8,872; due by officials and employees, \$5,772; inventories of merchandise and supplies, \$2,270,188; investments and advances, \$156,172; capital assets, less depreciation for period from Aug. 11 1922, to Dec. 31 1934 \$2,682,482; \$2,783,497; patterns, patents, and designs, \$1; deferred charges to future operations, \$228,569; total, \$8,651,845.  
**Liabilities**—Accounts payable, \$226,870; due to officials and employees, \$19,988; wages, taxes, &c., accrued, \$62,762; dividends on pref. stock, payable Jan. 1 1935, \$19,416; reserve for Federal and State income taxes, \$48,993; 7% cumul. pref. stock (par \$100), \$1,109,500; common stock (par \$15), \$5,870,827; surplus, \$1,293,486; total, \$8,651,845.

**Smaller Dividend**  
 The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, par \$15, payable July 20 to holders of record July 1. A dividend of 50 cents was paid on Dec. 20 1934; prior to which a quarterly dividend of 12 1/2 cents was paid on Sept. 1 1932.—V. 140, p. 815.

**Wayne Pump Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings**

6 Mos. Ended May 31—	1935	1934
Profit before bond int. and sub. (Wayne Co.) preferred dividend, after providing for deprec.	\$218,288	loss\$37,511
Divs. declared on sub. (Wayne Co.) pref. stock	25,000	
Interest on 5% conv. debt	44,225	44,225
Net profit for the period without provision for Federal income taxes	\$149,063	loss\$81,736

—V. 140, p. 2887.

**Western Pacific RR. Co.—Reorganization Plan**  
 A proposed plan of reorganization for the road has been submitted to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation by T. M. Schumacher, Chairman of the company. The proposed plan would reduce fixed interest debt to \$26,124,598, while contingent interests, issues would amount to \$47,875,578. Mr. Schumacher said that the various parties concerned are not far apart and he expected that after working out a few details the plan could soon be submitted to all security holders.

Under the plan the new set-up of the road would be as follows: \$22,787,000 of new first mortgage 4% bonds, \$20,047,157 of 5 1/2% series A income bonds, \$20,000,000 5 1/2% series B income bonds, \$7,828,421 in junior lien 6% bonds, \$3,337,598 in equipment trust certificates, 300,000 shares of common stock.

Holders of first mortgage bonds would receive 30% in new first mortgage bonds and 70% in the 5 1/2% and 5 1/4% income securities. This would take up \$14,787,000 of the new first mortgage issue. The balance of the \$8,000,000 would go to the RFC for the new money it is being asked to furnish.

The \$5,000,000 note the road owes to the Arthur Curtis Ja nes interests would be exchanged for a similar amount of the junior lien 6% bonds, and the balance of that issue would go to take care of the debt of the road to the Railroad Credit Corporation.

The plan provides that the new first mortgage bonds will mature in about 30 years; the income bonds in not less than 50 years, and the junior lien bonds to extend for a longer maturity and to be non-cumulative. Series B income bonds are convertible into 30 shares of new common for each \$1,000 bond. There is no sinking fund on the fixed interest debt.

although one-half of 1% cumulative sinking fund is to apply to series A incomes and an interest fund to be created into which shall be paid a minimum of 10% of net earnings available for the common until the fund equals one year's interest on fixed and contingent debt, with the fund invested in Government securities.

As to the 300,000 new common shares allocated to the present holder of Western Pacific RR. Co. common and preferred (Western Pacific Railroad Corporation, the holding company), 150,000 shares are to be placed in escrow and in any year after a five-year period, that full interest is not paid on all of the income bonds, shares in the ratio of two common for each interest coupon will be paid.

The common and preferred stocks of the Western Pacific Railroad Corp., which are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, will not be changed by the plan.

The preferred stock is completely wiped out under the plan, and there are no accumulation of interest payments. In reality, since the holding corporation owns all the present common and preferred stock of the operating company, the corporation still maintains an equity.

Defaulted interest on the first mortgage bonds, for this year and last, and also defaulted interest due to the RFC will be paid in income bonds. —V. 140, p. 3918.

**Wesson Oil & Snowdrift Co., Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—**

9 Mos. End. May 31—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Net sales	\$45,904,675	\$25,872,035	\$20,616,301	\$23,208,054
Cost of sales	42,164,478	23,919,099	19,573,117	21,360,844
Depreciation	515,036	511,746	520,792	748,610
Operating profit	\$3,225,161	\$1,441,190	\$522,392	\$1,098,600
Other income	265,782	146,030	125,465	242,441
Total income	\$3,490,943	\$1,587,220	\$647,857	\$1,341,041
Interest	91,800	21,772	23,086	
Federal taxes	542,972	266,748	91,950	168,100
Net profit	\$2,856,171	\$1,298,700	\$532,821	\$1,172,941
Preferred dividends	886,965	886,965	892,346	978,606
Common dividends	878,121	222,115	300,000	600,000
Surplus	\$1,091,085	\$189,620	def\$659,525	def\$405,665
Shares com. stk. (no par)	585,414	579,879	584,169	599,888
Earnings per share	\$3.36	\$0.71	Nil	\$0.32

**Consolidated Balance Sheet, May 31**

Assets—	1935	1934	Liabilities—	1935	1934
Real est., plant, equip., &c., less depreciation	9,669,629	9,991,513	Capital stock	20,571,786	20,571,786
Inv. & adv. to affiliated companies	174,955	182,629	Miscell. reserve	515,131	434,334
U.S. Gov't Lib. bds.		80,000	Accounts payable	2,265,731	1,359,458
Invest. in co.'s own conv. pref. stock	202,375	202,375	Preferred dividends payable		588,362
Cash in banks in liquidation	301,775	315,010	Sub. cos. purch. money notes pay.		73,149
Co.'s com. stock held for employ.	148,805	253,717	Reserve for Federal tax	769,279	454,189
Cash	4,688,661	3,831,122	Bank loans	4,500,000	
Inventories	23,668,528	18,073,403	Reserve for insurance & conting.	765,382	750,022
Accts. & bills rec.	3,399,944	2,004,744	Paid-in surplus	3,200,000	3,200,000
Adv. to oil mills, etc.	445,500		Capital surplus	5,886,868	5,886,868
Miscell. investments	382,305	568,972	Earned surplus	5,134,926	3,601,833
Loans & advances	743,901	815,338			
Cash value life ins.	254,966				
Insur. fund invest.		302,347			
Prepaid expenses	141,121	112,124			
Total	44,197,465	36,733,294	Total	44,197,465	36,733,294

Represented by 300,000 shares \$4 convertible pref. stock and 600,000 shares no par common stock. After reserve for depreciation of \$9,190,517 in 1935 and \$8,441,781 in 1934. —V. 140, p. 3737.

**Western Maryland Ry.—Earnings—**

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month	1934—	1935—5 Mos.—	1934—
Operating revenues	\$1,193,828	\$1,205,738	\$6,162,471	\$5,897,691
Net operating revenue	329,763	377,488	1,831,229	2,006,453
Net railway oper. income	288,210	321,066	1,666,777	1,817,694
Other income	8,045	10,478	35,369	42,716
Gross income	\$296,255	\$331,544	\$1,702,146	\$1,860,410
Fixed charges	265,186	270,973	1,329,137	1,348,390
Net income	\$31,069	\$60,571	\$373,009	\$512,020

Third Week of June— 1935 1934  
Gross earnings (est.)— \$315,626 \$275,479 \$7,159,234 \$6,724,128 —V. 140, p. 4085.

**Wheeling & Lake Erie Ry.—Bond Refunding Plan**

The Interstate Commerce Commission on June 21 authorized the company to issue not exceeding \$8,130,000 refunding-mortgage bonds, series D, to be exchanged, or sold, at par, or both, in connection with the retirement of a like aggregate amount of 4½% series A, and 5% series B refunding-mortgage bonds.

The report of the Commission says in part: The company on June 4 1935, applied for authority to convert \$8,130,000 of refunding-mortgage 5% gold bonds, series B, now held in its treasury, into a like amount of refunding-mortgage bonds, series D, and to sell or exchange, or to do both, the series D bonds at par in connection with the retirement of a like aggregate amount of 4½% series A and 5% series B refunding-mortgage bonds.

There are issued and outstanding in the hands of the public \$4,827,000 4½% series A bonds and \$3,303,000 5% series B bonds. In addition thereto the applicant has in its treasury \$9,136,000 refunding-mortgage bonds, series B, of which it proposes to convert \$8,130,000 into series D bonds.

The applicant proposes to make a supplemental indenture which will provide, among other things, for the conversion of \$8,130,000 of refunding mortgage bonds, series B, now held in the treasury, into a like amount of series D bonds, and to exchange or sell them in connection with the retirement of a like aggregate amount of series A and series B bonds outstanding in the hands of the public.

The series D bonds will be issued as coupon bonds in denom. of \$1,000, registerable as to principal, or as fully registered bonds, without coupons, in denom. of \$1,000, \$5,000, or multiples of \$5,000. They will be dated Sept. 1 1935, will bear int. at rate of 4% per annum, payable M. & S. 1, and will mature on Sept. 1 1966. This series of bonds and interest thereon will be payable in such coin or currency as at the time of payment is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts in the United States. They will be redeemable at the option of the applicant, as a whole or in part on any int. date to and incl. Sept. 1 1940, at 105%; thereafter at 1% of par less for each successive five-year period to and incl. Sept. 1 1960, and thereafter at par to maturity, with accrued int. in each redemption. For the purpose of the sinking fund, the bonds will be subject to redemption at 102½% to and incl. Sept. 1 1940; thereafter to and incl. Sept. 1 1945 at 102; thereafter to and incl. Sept. 1 1950 at 101½; thereafter to and incl. Sept. 1 1955 at 101; thereafter to and incl. Sept. 1 1960 at 101, and thereafter to maturity at par, with accrued int. in each case.

**Sinking Fund**

Pursuant to the terms of the supplemental indenture the applicant agrees to provide a sinking fund for the retirement of the series D bonds by paying to the trustee on or before June 1 in each year beginning June 1 1936 an amount of \$140,000 out of net income for the calendar year ending Dec. 31 next preceding, or by delivering an amount of series D bonds taken at the then redemption price, together with all unmaturing coupons attached thereto and (or) cash aggregating \$140,000. The sinking fund payments will be cumulative and any deficiency in such payments will be payable without interest on the next successive sinking fund payment date, provided the net income of the preceding calendar year is sufficient, and to the extent of such net income, if insufficient. All the series D bonds held by the trustee in the sinking fund are to be deemed to remain alive for the purpose of the fund, and the applicant will pay the interest to the trustee on all bonds so held for the purposes of the sinking fund. The applicant also agrees to cancel the \$1,006,000 of

series B bonds remaining in its treasury after the conversion of the \$8,130,000 of such bonds into series D bonds, and to cancel \$1,460,000 of series C bonds when they are released from pledge with the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States.

**Offer to Bondholders**

The applicant has offered the holders of the outstanding series A and series B bonds an opportunity to exchange their holdings for the proposed series D bonds at par. The Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. and the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, holding an aggregate amount of \$4,685,000 of the series A and series B bonds, have signified their intention of exchanging their holdings for the proposed series D bonds. The officers of the Metropolitan and the Equitable have also been authorized by their respective finance committees to buy series D bonds not exchanged in amounts not exceeding \$2,300,000 and \$1,310,000 respectively. The proceeds from the sale of the bonds, together with additional available cash, will be used to retire the series A and series B bonds not exchanged. These bonds will be called for redemption on Sept. 1 1935. The series A bonds are redeemable at 102½% of par, and the series B at 103% of par, with accrued interest in each case.

**Bonds Called Sept. 1—**

The company is calling for redemption on Sept. 1 1935, all of its refunding mortgage gold bonds, series A, due Sept. 1 1966, and all of its refunding mortgage gold bonds, ser. B, due due Sept. 1 1966, now outstanding. Bonds of these issues should be presented at the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., 70 Broadway, New York, on Sept. 1, for payment at 120½% and interest for the series A bonds and 103% and interest for the series B bonds.

**Earnings for May and Year to Date**

May—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross from railway	\$1,126,861	\$1,069,120	\$894,783	\$512,819
Net from railway	338,862	244,516	285,090	def3,463
Net after rents	246,835	144,556	187,186	def104,736
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	5,299,788	4,902,494	3,482,538	3,306,868
Net from railway	1,116,731	1,330,470	809,445	469,599
Net after rents	677,698	\$12,228	327,142	def38,929

**Wilson & Co., Inc.—12½-Cent Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 12½ cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable Sept. 1 to holders of record Aug. 15. An initial distribution of like amount was made on June 1 last. —V. 140, p. 4253.

**Winnipeg Electric Co.—Consol. and Readjustment Plan**

The general plan of consolidation and readjustment of the company, Manitoba Power Co., Ltd., Northwestern Power Co., Ltd., Winnipeg Selkirk & Lake Winnipeg Ry. and the Suburban Rapid Transit Co. was officially announced June 28. The plan has been jointly approved by the bondholders' protective committee and the directors of the companies concerned. The various bondholders' meetings will take place in Toronto and Montreal during the month of August.

Winnipeg Electric Co. bondholders will receive in exchange for each \$1,000 6% ref. mtge. bond, due 1954, \$1,000 of new general mortgage bonds, series A, 9 shares of class A common stock, and contingent certificates having a nominal or face value of \$70.

For each \$1,000 of 5% ref. mtge. debenture stock (sterling) due 1954, holders will receive \$1,000 new gen. mtge. bonds, series A, 7 shares of class A common stock and contingent certificates having a nominal or face value of \$70.

In each case they will also receive a cash payment representing interest on their present securities from Oct. 1 1934 to Jan. 2 1935.

Manitoba Power Co. bondholders will receive in exchange for each \$1,000 5½% 1st mtge. bond (series A, due 1951, series B, due 1952) \$1,000 new gen. mtge. series A bonds, 9 shares of class A common stock and contingent certificates having a nominal or face value of \$70.

Northwestern Power Co. bondholders will receive in exchange for each \$1,000 6% 1st mtge. bond, due 1960, one \$400 par value series A and one \$600 par value series B new gen. mtge. bonds, 8 shares of class A common stock and contingent certificates having a nominal or face value of \$28.

Suburban Rapid Transit Co. bondholders will receive in exchange for each \$1,000 5% 1st mtge. bond, due 1938, \$1,000 series A new gen. mtge. bond, 8 shares of class A common stock, and contingent certificates having a nominal or face value of \$70. They will also receive a cash payment representing interest on their present bonds from Aug. 1 1934 to Jan. 2 1935.

Winnipeg Selkirk & Lake Winnipeg Ry. bondholders will receive in exchange for each \$1,000 present principal amount \$1,000 new gen. mtge. series A bonds, 8 shares of common stock, and contingent certificates having a nominal or face value of \$70. They will also receive a cash payment representing interest on their present bonds from Jan. 2 1935 to Jan. 2 1935. \$29,275,500 of new gen. mtge. bonds, series A, will be issued, maturing Jan. 1 1965, and \$6,000,000 of new gen. mtge. bonds, series B, maturing Jan. 1 1965. Both series rank pari passu. The series A bonds will bear interest at the fixed rate of 4% per annum for seven years and thereafter at the fixed rate of 5% per annum. Series B bonds will bear interest upon an "income basis" up to 4% per annum for the first seven years, up to 5% per annum for the next five years, and thereafter at the fixed rate of 5%.

\$2,917,000 1st mtge. bonds of Winnipeg Electric which matured Jan. 1 1935 will be refunded from the proceeds of a new issue of \$3,500,000 1st mtge. bonds due 1960, which issue will also provide funds to defray the expenses incidental to the plan and other corporate expenses. An additional \$4,000,000 (making \$7,500,000 in all) of these 1st mtge. bonds may be issued if, as and when required, to provide for 75% of future capital expenditures (subject to a net earnings provision). These will be the only bonds ranking in priority to the issue of new gen. mtge. bonds.

Winnipeg Electric takes over all assets and liabilities of Manitoba Power and Northwestern Power Co. It will acquire all outstanding bonds of Winnipeg Selkirk & Lake Winnipeg Ry. and Suburban Rapid Transit Co. It already holds all outstanding shares of these companies. All inter-company liabilities as between Winnipeg Electric and Manitoba Power Co. and Northwestern Power Co. and all bond guarantees will disappear, and shares held by Winnipeg Electric in Manitoba Power and Northwestern Power will be canceled.

The outstanding issue of Winnipeg Electric 7% cum. pref. shares (\$100 par) will be retained by present holders, and in addition each preferred shareholder will receive one class B common share in the consolidated company for every two preferred shares now held. The preferred shares will be modified, however, so that in future dividends will be non-cumulative and will be at the rate of 4% per annum from Jan. 2 1935 to Jan. 2 1942, and thereafter at the rate of 5% per annum.

The 244,772 (no par) common shares of Winnipeg Electric Co. will be exchanged for 244,772 new class B common shares. The 8,057 no par value common shares of Manitoba Power Co. held by the public will be exchanged for 8,057 class B common shares of the consolidated company. The 28,759 no par value common shares of Northwestern Power Co. held by the public will be exchanged for 5,752 class B common shares of the consolidated company. —V. 140, p. 4253.

**Wisconsin Central Ry.—Earnings—**

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month	1934—	1935—5 Mos.—	1934—
Total revenues	\$940,142	\$968,161	\$3,904,386	\$3,917,078
Net railway revenues	384,465	307,980	740,991	807,262
Net after rents	231,024	114,158	Dr81,663	Dr89,471
Other income—Net Dr	34,695	27,679	167,627	136,359
Int. on funded debt—Dr	160,914	160,914	786,471	765,678
Net deficit	Cr\$35,414	\$74,435	\$1,035,762	\$991,510

—V. 140, p. 3738.

**Worcester Suburban Electric Co.—Smaller Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 75 cents per share on the common stock, par \$25, payable June 29 to holders of record June 20. Previously regular quarterly dividends of \$1 per share were distributed. —V. 131, p. 1896.

**Yazoo & Mississippi Valley RR.—Earnings—**

May—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Gross from railway	\$990,078	\$965,434	\$981,408	\$884,552
Net from railway	219,812	280,958	380,161	152,762
Net after rents	31,734	93,979	167,072	def79,812
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	4,560,985	4,552,671	4,289,787	4,909,115
Net from railway	849,058	1,153,573	1,226,415	1,010,932
Net after rents	def90,478	140,142	94,013	def124,150

—V. 140, p. 3919.

# Reports and Documents.

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## AMERICAN CAR AND FOUNDRY COMPANY

### THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT—YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1935

#### TO THE STOCKHOLDERS:

There is submitted, herewith, Consolidated Balance Sheet showing the condition of your Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries as at the end (April 30, 1935) of its thirty-sixth fiscal year, together with statement of the Consolidated Net Loss for the year and of the Consolidated Earned Surplus Account at its close—all as certified to by your Company's auditors, whose Certificate of Audit is annexed.

With neither funded debt nor bank loans, with current assets of in excess of \$18,000,000 as against current liabilities of less than \$900,000, and with an earned surplus of something over \$24,000,000, the financial condition of your Company remains exceptionally healthy, strong and liquid.

The opening of the year was marked by a resumption of railroad buying of new equipment in considerable volume—and your Company obtained its full share of that business. But, unfortunately, the expectation, then reasonably held, that such buying would continue throughout the year was not realized. On the contrary, equipment-buying during the period has been sporadic and in small volume—with the result that it was impossible to operate your Company's plants on the basis of a normal overhead charge. Notwithstanding these conditions, the net loss for the year is, as shown, \$1,968,513.97 as compared with a like loss of \$3,306,832.33 for the preceding year—and of this loss so shown for the year just closed, approximately \$1,600,000 is accounted for by the deduction from earnings of the required charges for depreciation.

The recent, not wholly unexpected, decision of the Supreme Court declaring unconstitutional certain features of the National Industrial Recovery Act, quite naturally has created considerable confusion in the ranks of industry. Undoubtedly, more of good than of harm resulted from the operation of that Act during the time it remained effective—but in its good effects it failed to better to any great extent the condition of the so-called "heavy industries," in which category is included the industry in which your Company is principally engaged. The Administration at Washington has courageously undertaken to retrieve the situation produced by the nullification decree of the Court. The measure of success that will attend its efforts in this direction must, for a time at least, remain uncertain.

One of the major problems, that of unemployment resulting from and a concomitant of the great depression, is still with us—and there could be no more certain way of ameliorating that condition than by a revival of a real and lasting activity in these "heavy industries." Such a revival in our line of industry would give employment not only to the thousands engaged directly in it, but to the hundreds of thousands engaged in the various and varied industries contributory to it. This, however, presents the problem of the railroads themselves—a problem apparently no nearer solution than it was a year ago. The hesitancy of the roads to purchase new equipment is due to many causes—too many and too complex to admit of discussion here. That many, practically all, of the roads are sadly in need of new equipment, both motive power and rolling stock, is beyond doubt, and a return of freight movement to the normal would at once make apparent the inadequacy of the facilities for its handling—this aside from the lack of economy attendant upon railroad operation with equipment of the type and capacity of much of that now extant.

In a recent review, by a competent authority, of the condition of forty-five of the leading roads of the country, it was shown that 22.1% of all the cars owned by the roads under review (amounting in the aggregate to more than two million) were more than twenty-five years old, 42.9% were more than twenty years old, and 60.7% were more than fifteen years old. In the case of one of the roads listed (and this a road of great importance), of the cars owned by it more than 74% were of an age in excess of twenty-five years.

The conclusion naturally to be drawn from this study is that but a very small proportion of all the cars of the country are "modern" in the sense of being factors of value in railroad operation from the viewpoint of efficiency and economy—and, as an inevitable corollary, that there cannot be much longer deferred the replenishment and rejuvenation of rolling-stock if the roads are to continue to discharge their function as carriers of the country's traffic.

In the letter accompanying the report for our preceding fiscal year, reference was made to the trend towards light-weight, high-speed, stream-lined trains for passenger service. During the year just closed, your Company took contracts for four such trains—two of eight cars each for The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, and two, one of four and one of three cars, for the Gulf, Mobile and Northern Railroad. The working out of these contracts involved the study of

many new and difficult problems in the way of design and engineering, and their solution has been reached only at a very considerable cost in time and money. But the problems have been solved successfully, and the trains produced by your Company mark a distinct and decided advance in the art of car building and constitute a performance of which we may justly be proud.

The Management again expresses its thanks to the members of your Company's organization who have labored, zealously and efficiently, throughout the year with thought single to the advancement of the interests of the Company and its stockholders.

By order of the Board,

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES J. HARDY, *President.*

June 25, 1935.

#### CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

with Statement of Consolidated Net Loss and Surplus  
April 30, 1935

ASSETS	
PROPERTY AND PLANT ACCOUNT	\$72,962,584.57
CURRENT ASSETS	18,660,830.02
Cash in banks and on hand	\$5,473,060.46
U. S. Government Securities at cost	3,408,509.41
(Quoted market value \$3,646,732.26)	
Accounts Receivable, less reserve	1,669,785.52
*Notes Receivable, less reserve	3,141,309.04
Materials, inventoried at cost or less, and not in excess of present market prices	3,628,058.18
Marketable Securities at cost or less	1,340,107.41
(Quoted market value \$1,403,687.13)	
PREPAID TAXES, INSURANCE, ETC	108,233.38
MISCELLANEOUS SECURITIES, less reserve	11,126.94
SECURITIES OF AFFILIATED COMPANIES, less reserve	215,418.50
NOTES AND ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE OF AFFILIATED COMPANIES, less reserve	2,698,472.45
TREASURY STOCK AT COST	533,399.75
10,550 Shares of Preferred Capital Stock	
600 Shares of Common Capital Stock	
	<u>\$95,190,065.61</u>

\* Includes \$1,799,329.34 maturing subsequent to one year.

#### LIABILITIES

CAPITAL STOCK	
Preferred, authorized and outstanding (300,000 shares—par value \$100.00 per share)	\$30,000,000.00
Common, authorized and outstanding (600,000 shares—no par value)	30,000,000.00
CURRENT LIABILITIES	899,739.94
Accounts Payable, Accrued Taxes and Pay	
Rolls	\$899,739.94
RESERVE ACCOUNTS	9,739,768.90
For Insurance	\$1,500,000.00
For Depreciation, General Overhauling and Maintenance	3,975,466.44
For Dividends on Common Capital Stock, to be paid when and as declared by Board of Directors	2,983,494.74
For Contingencies	1,218,599.26
For Improving Working Conditions of Employees	62,208.46
EARNED SURPLUS ACCOUNT	24,550,556.77
	<u>\$95,190,065.61</u>

Subject to contingent liability of \$425,000 for guaranteed bank loan of Hall-Scott Motor Car Company.

#### STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED NET LOSS

Earnings from all sources for the thirty-sixth fiscal year ended April 30, 1935, before deducting Depreciation, Repairs, Renewals, etc., as noted hereunder	\$604,915.72
Depreciation, Renewals, Replacements, Repairs, New Patterns, Flasks, etc.	2,573,429.69
Loss for Year	<u>\$1,968,513.97</u>

#### STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED EARNED SURPLUS

Consolidated Earned Surplus, April 30, 1934	\$26,519,070.74
Less: Loss for Year	1,968,513.97
Consolidated Earned Surplus, April 30, 1935	<u>\$24,550,556.77</u>

CHARLES J. HARDY, *Esq.*, *President*  
American Car and Foundry Company,  
30 Church Street, New York City.

Dear Sir:—We have made an audit of the books and accounts of the American Car and Foundry Company and wholly-owned subsidiaries for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1935, and in accordance therewith, we certify that, in our opinion, the foregoing Consolidated Statements of Income and Earned Surplus and the Consolidated Balance Sheet are true exhibits of the results from operations for said period, and of their condition as of April 30, 1935.

Very truly yours,

ERNEST W. BELL AND COMPANY.

New York, June 19, 1935.

# The Commercial Markets and the Crops

COTTON—SUGAR—COFFEE—GRAIN—PROVISIONS

PETROLEUM—RUBBER—HIDES—METALS—DRY GOODS—WOOL—ETC.

## COMMERCIAL EPITOME

Friday Night, June 28 1935

**Coffee** trading was the heaviest in several weeks on the 24th inst. and futures declined 2 to 4 points on Santos contracts and 13 to 20 on Rio with sales of 40,000 bags of the former and 7,500 bags of the latter. Pre-notice day liquidation of July was heavy. Cost and freight offers from Brazil were unchanged to 10 points higher with Santos 4s at 7.80 to 8.00c. On the 25th inst. futures ended 13 to 17 points lower on Santos contracts with sales of 48,500 bags and 7 to 17 points lower on Rio with sales of 12,250 bags. Liquidation of July and switching to distant months was a feature. Lower offers and pronounced weakness in Brazilian exchange were the depressing influences. On the 26th inst. futures ended 4 points lower to 1 point higher on Santos and 1 to 5 points higher on Rio, with sales of 14,000 and 2,000 bags, respectively.

On the 27th inst. futures were quiet but showed net gains at the close of 2 to 4 points on both Santos and Rio contracts. Sales were 12,250 bags of Santos and 500 bags of Rio. Cost and freight offers from Brazil were unchanged to 10 points lower with Santos 4s at 7.65 to 7.85c. Brazilian exchange was weaker. To-day futures closed 1 point lower to 3 points higher on Rio contracts and 1 point lower to 7 points higher on Santos with sales of 23 contracts of the latter and 16 contracts of the former.

Rio coffee prices closed as follows:

March	5.31	September	5.11
May	5.35	December	5.21
July	4.97		

Santos coffee prices closed as follows:

March	7.69	September	7.59
May	7.72	December	7.66
July	7.55		

**Cocoa** futures on the 24th inst. closed 2 to 4 points higher with sales of 2,868 tons. July ended at 4.34c., Sept. at 4.45c., Dec. at 4.62c., Jan. at 4.67c., March at 4.78c. and May at 4.89c. On the 25th inst. futures closed unchanged to 1 point lower with sales of 3,417 tons. July ended at 4.35c., Sept. at 4.46c., Oct. at 4.51c., Dec. at 4.62c., Jan. at 4.67c., March at 4.78c. and May at 4.89c. On the 26th inst. futures ended 1 to 2 points lower on a turnover of 3,337 tons. July ended at 4.34c., Sept. at 4.44c., Oct. at 4.49c., Dec. at 4.60c. and March at 4.76c.

On the 27th inst. futures at the close showed net losses of 1c. after sales of 3,444 tons. July ended at 4.33c., Sept. at 4.43c., Dec. at 4.59c. and March at 4.75c. To-day prices ended 2 to 6 points higher with sales of 90 contracts. July ended at 4.39c., Sept. at 4.46c., Dec. at 4.62c., Jan. at 4.66c., March at 4.77c. and May at 4.88c.

**Sugar** futures closed 2 to 6 points higher on the 24th inst. Some 100 notices were issued against the July new contracts and were promptly stopped. Sales totaled 450 tons in the old contract and 3,850 tons in the new. A sale of 10,000 bags of Puerto Ricos was reported in the raw market at 3.30c. due July 8. On the 25th inst. futures ended 2 to 5 points lower on sales of 950 tons of old contracts and 20,000 tons of new. Sales of 750 tons of Cuban raws and 250 tons of Philippines were reported to have been made on Monday at 3.29c. On the 26th inst. futures ended 2 to 5 points higher with sales of 3,400 tons of new contracts and 150 tons of old. No sales were reported in the raw market.

On the 27th inst. futures ended 2 points lower to 1 point higher on sales of 1,150 tons of old and 7,100 tons of new contracts. Raws were quiet but steady. Withdrawals of refined were larger owing to warmer weather. To-day futures ended unchanged to 1 point higher on old contracts and 1 point lower to 1 point higher on new with sales of 247 contracts, largely of new.

Prices were as follow:

December	2.38	September	2.38
July	2.35	January	2.12
March	2.15	May	2.20

**Lard** futures were quiet on the 22d inst. and after early weakness rallied under short covering influenced by the steadiness of corn and ended 2 points lower to 5 points higher. On the 24th inst. futures closed irregular. Nearby deliveries were 5 to 10 points lower, while the later positions were 7 to 12 points higher. The weakness of the near months was due to speculative switching from those positions to the more distant deliveries. Hogs were 10c. lower with the top \$9.75. Receipts were larger than expected. On the 25th inst. futures ended 5 to 10 points lower on the near months and 2 points lower to 10 points higher on the distant deliveries. Selling was influenced by the weakness in hogs,

which were 15 to 25 cents lower; top \$9.60. On the 26th inst. futures ended unchanged to 2 points lower. Early weakness was due to a decline in hogs and the possibility of the elimination of the processing tax, but trade buying later brought about a rally. Hogs were unchanged to 10c. lower with the top \$9.50. Cash lard was steady.

On the 27th inst. futures ended 7 points lower on near months and 2 to 12 points higher on later deliveries. The weakness in grain caused selling early in the session but later came a rally owing to the strength of hogs, which were 10c. to 25c. higher; top, \$9.70. Cash lard was steady; in tierces 13.60c.; South America 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; refined to Continent 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. To-day futures ended 17 to 22 points higher.

### DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July	13.45	13.40	13.35	13.32	13.25	13.45
September	13.40	13.30	13.25	13.25	13.22	13.42
December	12.17	12.30	12.27	12.25	12.35	12.57

**Pork** steady; mess, \$28.75 nominal; family, \$26.50 nominal; fat backs, \$26 to \$29.50. Beef firm; mess nominal; packer, nominal; family, \$23 to \$24 nominal; extra India mess, nominal. Cut meats easier; pickled hams, picnic loose c. a. f., 4 to 6 lbs., 16 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; 6 to 8 lbs., 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 8 to 10 lbs., 15c.; skinned loose c. a. f., 14 to 16 lbs., 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 18 to 20 lbs., 19c.; 22 to 24 lbs., 17c.; pickled bellies, clear, f. o. b. N. Y., 6 to 12 lbs., 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; bellies, clear, dry salted, boxed, N. Y., 14 to 16 lbs., 18 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; 18 to 30 lbs., 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Butter, creamery firsts to higher than extra, 22 to 24 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Cheese, flats, 18 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 19c. Eggs, mixed colors, checks to special packs, 22 to 29c.

**Oils**—Linseed was in small demand and rather weak at 8.8 to 8.9c. for tank cars. Cake fell to \$26, but recently showed more firmness. Quotations: Coconut, Manila tanks, forward, 4 to 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; coast, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. China wood, tanks, Aug.-Sept., 14.5c.; Sept. forward, 14.3c.; drums, spot, 16 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 17c. Corn, crude tanks, Western mills, 9c.; Olive denatured spot, Spanish, 83 to 86c.; other oils, 80 to 82c.; shipments Spanish, 85 to 86c.; Greek, 80c. Soya bean, tanks, Western mills, nearby, 8.2 to 8.3c.; C. L. drums, 10.1c.; L. C. L., 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Edible coconut, 76 degrees, 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. Lard, prime, 13c.; extra strained winter, 12 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. Cod, crude, Norwegian light filtered, 32c.; yellow, 33c. Turpentine, 48 $\frac{3}{4}$  to 52 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. Rosin, \$4.75 to \$6.95.

**Cottonseed Oil** sales, including switches, 140 contracts. Crude, S. E., 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. Prices closed as follows:

July	9.90@	November	10.00@10.10
August	9.90@10.05	December	10.02@
September	10.05@	January	10.03@10.06
October	10.04@	February	10.03@10.15

**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 on the 24th inst. closed 8 to 16 points lower with sales of 3,500 tons. Spot ribbed smoked sheets fell to 12.48c. London and Singapore were steady. July ended at 12.48c., Sept. at 12.65c., Dec. at 12.86c., Jan. at 12.89c., March at 13.07c. and May at 13.21c. On the 25th inst. futures closed 11 to 16 points lower with sales of 4,490 tons. Spot ribbed smoked sheets were down to 12.35c. London and Singapore were weaker. July ended at 12.34c., Sept. at 12.49c., Oct. at 12.57c., Dec. at 12.72c., Jan. at 12.78c., March at 12.95c. and May at 13.07c. On the 26th inst. futures closed 10 to 14 points lower on sales of 3,300 bales. July ended at 12.22c., Sept. at 12.36c., Oct. at 12.43c., Dec. at 12.59c., Jan. at 12.67c., March at 12.82c. and May at 12.97c.

On the 27th inst. futures ended 5 points lower to 3 points higher with sales of 5,400 tons. Spot ribbed smoked sheets fell to 12.20c. It was first notice day and 1,660 tons were tendered against July contracts. London and Singapore were steady. Here July ended at 12.20c.; Sept. at 12.39c.; Oct. at 12.45c.; Dec. at 12.59c.; Jan. at 12.67c.; March at 12.80c., and May at 12.92c. To-day futures ended 19 to 28 points higher owing to firmer cables and lower estimates on United Kingdom stocks. July ended at 12.48c.; Sept. at 12.58c.; Dec. at 12.80c.; Jan. at 12.88c.; March at 13.02c., and May at 13.13c.

**Hides** futures on the 24th inst. closed 35 to 38 points higher with sales of 4,200,000 lbs. Some 200,000 lbs. were tendered for delivery against June contracts. Sept. ended at 10.40c., Dec. at 10.72c. and March at 11.00c. On the 25th inst. futures closed 7 to 10 points lower on sales of 1,440,000 lbs. Spot sales of 81,000 hides were reported with June native cows selling at 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. Some 5,000 June frigorifico steers sold in the Argentine spot market at 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. Sept. ended at 10.33c., Dec. at 10.63c. and March at 10.90c. On the 26th inst. futures closed 12 to 24 points higher with sales of 4,280,000 lbs. Sept. ended at 10.45c., Dec. at 10.75c., March at 11.08c. and June at 11.40c.

On the 27th inst. futures closed 4 to 8 points lower on a turnover of 3,320,000 lbs. In the domestic spot market sales of various grades totaled approximately 22,000 hides with June light, native cows at 10c. About 14,000 hides sold in the Argentine spot market with frigorifico steers at 11½c. Sept. ended at 10.41c.; Dec. at 10.75c. and Mar. at 11.06c. To-day futures closed 17 to 23 points higher with sales of 80 contracts. In the domestic spot market sales were reported of 22,000 hides with June light native cows selling at 10c. Sept. ended at 10.62c.; Dec. at 10.92c., and Mar. at 11.29c.

**Ocean Freights was inactive.**

Charters included: Grain booked—a load or so to Marseilles and Scandinavia at 8c.; 20 loads New York—Antwerp, 5c. Trips—West Indies round, 75c.; Canadian round, \$1; West Indies prompt, 85c.

Coal was less active but production continued at a fairly high rate owing to strike fears.

Steel was quiet. The Naval Appropriation bill signed by the President providing for the construction of 24 war vessels will afford an outlet for several thousands tons of steel, largely in the form of plates. The revival of steel barge building in the Pittsburgh district has created another good outlet. Aside from better prospects for plates business was very small. Prices remained firm but the Navy Department will probably use all its efforts to obtain lower prices for their vessel construction. Quotations: Semi-finished billets, re-rolling, 27; billets, forging, \$32; sheet bars, \$28; slabs, \$27; wire rods, \$38; skelp, 1.70c. Sheets, hot rolled annealed, 2.40c.; galvanized, 3.10c.; strips, hot rolled, 1.85c.; strips, cold rolled, 2.60c.; hoops and bands, 1.85c.; tin plate, \$5.25 per box. Hot rolled bars, plates and shapes, 1.80c.

**Pig Iron** demand was spotty, and the melt in the coming week is expected to be at a very low rate owing to the Independence Day holiday. Many foundries will close for the week and some for indefinite periods. Yet consumers' stocks are low. At the present time makers of machinery and machine tools are the best buyers. Quotations: Foundry No. 2 plain, Eastern Pennsylvania, \$19.50; Buffalo, Chicago, Valley and Cleveland, \$18.50; Birmingham, \$14.50. Basic Valley, \$18; Eastern Pennsylvania, \$19; malleable, Eastern Pennsylvania, \$20; Buffalo, \$19.

**Copper** broke to 8c. Sales of former Blue Eagle were made at that price on the 27th inst. It was the first downward revision since June 12 1934, when the 9c. price was fixed, and was brought about by the opening of bids by the Navy Department on Wednesday on 1,000,000 lbs. Copper wire and magnet wire were reduced 1c. and weatherproof wire was cut ¼c. The European market was reported at around 7.25c., c.i.f. foreign base ports. In London on the 27th inst. spot fell 7s. 6d. to £28 17s. 6d. and futures 6s. 3d. to £29 6s. 3d.; sales, 600 tons of spot and 4,200 tons of futures; electrolytic spot fell 10s. to £32 and futures dropped 5s. to £33.

**Tin** was in fair demand and firmer at 52c. for spot Straits. There has been a falling off in consumption but the supply is not large. In London on the 27th inst. spot was 2s. 6d. higher at £229 17s. 6d. and futures moved up 7s. 6d. to £220 17s. 6d.; Straits rose 2s. 6d. to £238 17s. 6d.; Eastern, £230 7s. 6d., up £2; sales, 110 tons of spot and 320 tons of futures.

**Lead** was in fair demand and steady despite the sharp break in copper. The St. Joseph Lead Co. continued to get \$2 per ton above the official prices of 4c. New York and 3.85c. East St. Louis on some sales. The best buyers have been makers of batteries. In London on the 27th inst. prices were unchanged at £13 13s. 9d. for spot and £13 15s. for futures; sales 600 tons of futures. The world output in May increased to 133,070 tons from 128,366 in April and reached the best monthly total in either 1934 or 1935 according to the American Bureau of Metal Statistics. The output in this country increased 33,202 tons from 29,857 in April. In May 1934 the world output was 132,252 tons. The monthly average output for 1935 to May 30 was 128,331 tons, against a monthly average of 124,562 tons for the full year 1934.

**Zinc** was quiet but firm at 4.30c. East St. Louis. In London on the 27th inst. prices declined 1s. 3d. to £13 15s. for spot and £13 16s. 3d. for futures; sales 250 tons of futures.

**Wool** was in good demand. Boston wired a Government report on June 27 which said: "Texas wools are reported to be having a fairly strong call. Prices on 12 months wools are estimated mostly at around 70 to 72c. scoured basis, spot or delivered Boston for average staple and at 73 to 75c. for choice lots. Demand is rather keen on six and eight months Texas wools. Six months wools are bringing around 60 to 62c. scoured basis while eight months lines move at 63 to 65c., much of the current business being done on wools still in the country or on the way to the East."

**Silk** futures on the 24th inst. ended unchanged to 1½c. higher with sales of 1,160 bales. Crack double extra spot rose ½c. to \$1.38. June ended at \$1.34, July at \$1.33, Sept. at \$1.32½, Dec. and Jan. at \$1.31½. On the 25th inst. futures closed unchanged to 1c. lower on sales of 1,500 bales. Crack double extra spot was unchanged at \$1.38. Some 270 bales were tendered for delivery against June contracts. It was the last day such notices could be

tendered and the total for the month stands at 1,250 bales. July ended at \$1.32; Oct., Dec. and Jan., \$1.31. On the 26th inst. futures ended unchanged to ½c. lower on a turnover of 590 bales. July ended at \$1.31½; Aug., Sept., and Nov., \$1.31; Dec. and Jan., \$1.30½, and Feb., \$1.31.

On the 27th inst. futures closed unchanged to ½c. up on sales of 340 bales. Crack double extra on the spot fell to \$1.37½. Japanese cables were easier. Here July ended at \$1.31½ and Sept., Dec., Jan. and Feb. at \$1.31. To-day futures ended 1c. lower to 1½c. higher with sales of 154 contracts. July ended at \$1.30½, Aug. at \$1.32½, Sept. and Oct. at \$1.32; Nov. at \$1.31½ and Dec., Jan. and Feb. at \$1.32.

**COTTON**

Friday Night, June 28 1935.

**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 8,706 bales, against 13,466 bales last week and 14,317 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since Aug. 1 1934, 3,995,078 bales, against 7,242,221 bales for the same period of 1933-34, showing a decrease since Aug. 1 1934 of 3,247,143 bales.

Receipts at—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total
Galveston	40	22	10	38	53	380	543
Texas City	---	---	---	---	---	6	6
Houston	110	192	128	1	28	2,165	2,624
Corpus Christi	---	26	---	---	---	---	26
New Orleans	605	899	1,110	527	656	379	4,176
Mobile	108	14	4	12	10	1	100
Pensacola	---	---	100	---	---	---	100
Savannah	28	137	49	14	---	---	5
Charleston	---	59	9	2	---	---	253
Wilmington	---	---	267	87	---	139	209
Norfolk	32	---	---	104	---	---	387
Baltimore	---	---	---	---	---	117	136
Totals this week	924	1,349	1,677	785	747	3,224	8,706

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 June 28	1934-35		1933-34		Stock	
	This Week	Since Aug 1 1934	This Week	Since Aug 1 1933	1935	1934
Galveston	543	906,611	16,614	2,140,577	259,181	560,317
Texas City	6	62,891	---	178,184	4,025	7,241
Houston	2,624	1,076,014	8,732	2,222,801	399,371	908,530
Corpus Christi	26	274,938	396	321,912	34,870	48,404
Beaumont	---	4,693	---	10,464	768	3,790
New Orleans	4,176	1,034,494	17,434	1,473,557	358,167	603,029
Gulport	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mobile	149	132,417	7,262	171,929	60,352	93,183
Pensacola	100	79,460	3,021	152,998	9,770	11,183
Jacksonville	---	6,878	2	13,843	2,962	3,743
Savannah	233	115,567	2,381	178,157	82,665	103,629
Brunswick	---	459	10	36,670	---	---
Charleston	209	144,395	1,460	135,960	26,550	51,166
Lake Charles	---	57,220	328	103,873	8,189	20,954
Wilmington	387	18,587	487	23,528	17,820	15,780
Norfolk	136	53,297	496	43,442	19,092	14,263
N'port News, &c.	---	---	---	---	---	---
New York	---	---	---	141	7,166	59,395
Boston	---	---	---	---	1,393	9,482
Baltimore	117	27,157	431	34,185	1,556	2,470
Philadelphia	---	---	---	---	---	---
Totals	8,706	3,995,078	59,054	7,242,221	1,293,897	2,516,559

In order that comparison may be made with other years, we give below the totals at leading ports for six seasons:

Receipts at—	1934-35	1933-34	1932-33	1931-32	1930-31	1929-30
Galveston	543	16,614	8,631	5,848	2,022	1,658
Houston	2,624	8,732	16,705	3,296	4,214	1,378
New Orleans	4,176	17,434	24,551	17,494	3,556	5,758
Mobile	149	7,262	7,727	7,033	1,972	416
Savannah	233	2,381	4,097	4,235	2,555	4,848
Brunswick	---	10	---	---	---	---
Charleston	209	1,460	6,724	629	1,191	3,777
Wilmington	387	487	1,307	497	620	8
Norfolk	136	496	800	251	366	37
Newport News	---	---	---	---	---	---
All others	249	4,178	5,412	5,475	1,106	1,376
Total this wk.	8,706	59,054	75,954	44,758	17,602	19,256
Since Aug. 1	3,995,078	7,242,221	8,481,437	9,599,467	8,435,154	8,160,755

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 72,946 bales, of which 9,933 were to Great Britain, 8,874 to France, 10,457 to Germany, 5,527 to Italy, 23,971 to Japan, 648 to China and 13,536 to other destinations. In the corresponding week last year total exports were 123,722 bales. For the season to date aggregate exports have been 4,583,170 bales, against 7,137,992 bales in the same period of the previous season. Below are the exports for the week:

Week Ended June 28 1935 Exports from—	Exports to—						Total
	Great Britain	France	Germany	Italy	Japan	China	
Galveston	1,891	1,932	3,694	---	11,391	---	2,219
Houston	4,329	6,742	6,435	4,355	5,476	148	8,448
Corpus Christi	---	---	---	772	---	---	479
New Orleans	1,374	---	---	400	4,604	500	1,887
Lake Charles	342	200	228	---	---	---	303
Pensacola	105	---	---	---	---	---	105
Savannah	---	---	---	---	500	---	500
Charleston	1,892	---	---	---	---	---	1,892
Gulport	---	---	100	---	---	---	100
Los Angeles	---	---	---	---	2,000	---	200
Total	9,933	8,874	10,457	5,527	23,971	648	13,536
Total 1934	18,697	3,051	16,153	2,984	59,473	14,244	9,120
Total 1933	31,615	3,316	38,393	10,407	36,133	10,577	11,405



From Aug. 1 1934 to June 28 1935 Exports from—	Exported to—								Total
	Great Britain	France	Germany	Italy	Japan	China	Other	Total	
Galveston	111,513	85,717	86,110	112,554	402,413	18,699	250,071	1,067,077	
Houston	125,849	134,974	90,708	162,041	413,443	75,418	315,900	1,318,353	
Corpus Christi	39,875	26,817	10,146	17,158	144,085	7,048	42,343	283,472	
Texas City	3,596	12,122	3,858	452	743	—	16,413	35,524	
Beaumont	3,512	122	252	400	—	—	1,195	5,481	
New Orleans	180,932	85,886	103,562	134,047	187,032	5,309	199,666	896,434	
Lake Charles	11,325	11,627	5,640	4,537	9,112	—	16,490	58,731	
Mobile	51,252	8,526	27,902	16,468	37,369	528	15,077	157,122	
Jacksonville	2,548	52	1,430	—	—	—	550	4,580	
Pensacola	11,476	73	6,769	3,260	10,996	72	3,292	35,938	
Panama City	11,918	177	3,956	—	14,014	—	782	30,847	
Savannah	69,332	3,494	28,875	6,864	6,550	—	6,982	122,097	
Brunswick	876	—	—	—	—	—	200	1,076	
Charleston	87,993	5,086	26,515	—	10,400	—	5,287	135,281	
Norfolk	6,727	814	6,204	2,033	200	—	3,064	19,042	
Gulfport	4,228	150	2,118	3,000	3,892	—	—	13,358	
New York	7,783	812	5,707	5,005	684	—	9,786	29,777	
Boston	19	—	54	—	114	—	6,260	6,447	
Baltimore	105	—	—	—	—	—	40	505	
Philadelphia	619	—	—	573	—	—	50	1,242	
Los Angeles	23,817	4,717	2,792	100	251,084	1,150	13,593	297,253	
San Francisco	4,831	18	643	—	51,351	250	2,173	58,266	
Seattle	—	—	—	—	—	—	257	257	
Total	758,426	381,224	413,241	468,492	1,543,482	108,474	909,831	4,583,170	

Total 1933-34	1,251,283	732,269	1,373,308	651,588	1,793,222	321,141	1,015,181	7,137,992
Total 1932-33	1,376,985	841,295	1,810,443	767,629	1,558,026	295,640	1,032,923	7,682,941

NOTE—Exports to Canada—It has never been our practice to include in the above table the 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 May the exports to the Dominion the present season have been 11,146 bales. In the corresponding month of the preceding season the exports were 20,524 bales. For the ten months ended May 31 1935 there were 193,199 bales exported, as against 232,973 bales for the ten months of 1933-34.

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:

June 28 at—	On Shipboard Not Cleared for—					Leaving Stock	
	Great Britain	France	Germany	Other Foreign	Coastwise		
Galveston	1,200	600	2,400	13,000	900	18,100	241,081
Houston	3,475	1,522	7	17,881	—	22,885	376,486
New Orleans	246	5,409	4,165	2,999	—	12,819	345,348
Savannah	—	—	—	—	—	—	82,665
Charleston	—	—	—	—	57	57	26,493
Mobile	653	149	—	4,959	—	5,761	54,591
Norfolk	—	—	—	—	—	—	19,092
Other ports	—	—	—	—	—	—	88,519
Total 1935	5,574	7,680	6,572	38,839	957	59,622	1,234,275
Total 1934	6,822	1,300	6,791	75,096	1,500	91,509	2,425,050
Total 1933	20,343	7,198	25,979	105,257	12,341	171,118	3,283,033

**Speculation** in cotton for future delivery continued on a small scale, and is not expected to show much, if any, improvement until the uncertainties over the Agricultural Adjustment Administration and the new crop loan are eliminated. Recently the market showed more steadiness owing to the tight July situation, fears that rains in the Northwest and Southwest will spread eastward, and expectation that estimates on the acreage and the crop in the near future will be bullish.

On the 22d inst. the market was moderately active and prices ended 4 to 9 points higher owing to scattered buying stimulated by the firmness of stocks, stronger Liverpool cables and improved trade and business reports. Contracts were scarce. There was some week-end covering. Pool interests bought May. Support came from the trade, local operators and the Far East. A more favorable weather outlook caused some reaction from the early rise and at one time prices were slightly under Friday's closing. July liquidation continued as the first notice day approached, but these offerings were well taken. Very little cotton is expected to be tendered on July contracts because of the strength of the spot price and the fact that most of the certificates stock is controlled by the Producers' Pool. World consumption of American cotton during May totaled approximately 997,000 bales, against 951,000 in April, 1,171,000 in May last year and 1,340,000 in May two years ago, according to the New York Cotton Exchange Service. From Aug. 1 to May 31 the total was approximately 9,631,000 bales, against 11,756,000 in the same period last season and 11,763,000 two seasons ago. On the 24th inst. prices ended 6 to 10 points lower under pre-notice day selling. Better weather conditions over the week-end also caused not a little selling. The South, the Far East and commission houses were selling. On the decline, Liverpool, the trade and Japanese interests bought. Some early buying of May and selling of July was credited to Government interests. There was considerable switching from July to later months. On the 25th inst. covering by July shorts offset favorable weather over the belt and prices ended 1 point lower to 1 point higher. It was first notice day, but no notices were issued. This brought about considerable comment as it was almost unprecedented. It was due largely, it was said, to the taking over of 25,000 bales of certificated stock by the Producers' Pool from leading spot firms, leaving only about 20,000 bales in free hands. These holders, however, were apparently not inclined to sell. Most of the day's trading was in July, but the demand for this delivery petered out in the late dealings and scattered selling appeared on reports of favorable weather conditions. Worth Street was quiet.

On the 26th inst. prices ended slightly higher, owing to the tightness in July, rains in Oklahoma, fears that they may extend eastward, and reports that the Atlantic States

need moisture. The weekly weather report stressed the need of moisture in the east, and said that conditions were unfavorable in Oklahoma. Yet it stated that Texas and central sections showed improvement, and on the whole the review was more favorable than expected.

On the 27th inst. prices ended 5 to 9 points higher, in very dull trading. Rain in the Northwest and Southwest, fears that they may spread, and the expectation of small acreage and crop estimates in the near future brought in buying by foreign interests, the trade and shorts. Russia was reported to have bought about 20,000 bales from the pool for export, bringing her purchases up to about 85,000 bales. Spot houses, the South, Liverpool and commission houses sold. Domestic mill business was quiet. There was no improvement in Worth Street. The weather was generally favorable except for rains in the Western belt. The forecast was for rains in Texas and the Atlantic States. To-day prices ended with net gains of about \$1 a bale, owing to a better foreign demand and unfavorable weather.

Staple Premiums  
60% of average of six markets quoting for deliveries on July 5 1935

15-16 inch	1-inch & longer		Differences between grades established for deliveries on contract to July 5 1935 are the average quotations of the ten markets designated by the Secretary of Agriculture.	
.20	.46	Middling Fair	White	.69 on Mid.
.20	.46	Strict Good Middling	do	.57 do
.20	.46	Good Middling	do	.46 do
.20	.46	Strict Middling	do	.30 do
.20	.46	Middling	do	Basic
.17	.39	Strict Low Middling	do	.39 off Mid.
.16	.36	Low Middling	do	.85 do
		*Strict Good Ordinary	do	1.33 do
		*Good Ordinary	do	1.79 do
		Good Middling	Extra White	.47 on do
		Strict Middling	do	.30 do
		Middling	do	.01 do
		Strict Low Middling	do	.38 off do
		Low Middling	do	.81 do
		Good Middling	Spotted	.21 on do
		Strict Middling	do	.05 off do
		Middling	do	.45 do
		*Strict Low Middling	do	.88 do
		*Low Middling	do	1.38 do
.17	.36	Strict Good Middling	Yellow Tinged	.08 off do
.17	.36	Good Middling	do	.33 do
.17	.35	Strict Middling	do	.33 do
		*Middling	do	.89 do
		*Strict Low Middling	do	1.39 do
		*Low Middling	do	1.85 do
.16	.34	Good Middling	Light Yellow Stained	.50 off do
		*Strict Middling	do	.89 do
		*Middling	do	1.39 do
.16	.34	Good Middling	Yellow Stained	.88 off do
		*Strict Middling	do	1.39 do
		*Middling	do	1.85 do
.17	.35	Good Middling	Gray	.34 off do
.17	.35	Strict Middling	do	.58 do
		*Middling	do	.88 do
		*Good Middling	Blue Stained	.38 off do
		*Strict Middling	do	1.39 do
		*Middling	do	1.85 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:

June 22 to June 28—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Middling upland	11.95	11.90	11.90	11.95	12.00	12.20

**Futures**—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday June 22	Monday June 24	Tuesday June 25	Wednesday June 26	Thursday June 27	Friday June 28
July (1935)						
Range	11.49-11.60	11.49-11.58	11.51-11.57	11.47-11.62	11.60-11.70	11.70-11.88
Closing	11.59-11.60	11.53-11.54	11.52-11.53	11.61	11.68-11.69	11.87
Aug.—						
Range						
Closing	11.49n	11.42n	11.42n	11.50n	11.57n	11.76n
Sept.—						
Range						
Closing	11.39n	11.32n	11.32n	11.39n	11.46n	11.65n
Oct.—						
Range	11.20-11.30	11.18-11.27	11.20-11.25	11.17-11.31	11.29-11.38	11.37-11.56
Closing	11.29	11.22	11.22-11.23	11.29-11.30	11.35-11.36	11.53-11.55
Nov.—						
Range						
Closing	11.30n	11.23n	11.23n	11.29n	11.36n	11.54n
Dec.—						
Range	12.22-11.32	11.20-11.29	11.22-11.27	11.19-11.31	11.29-11.39	11.38-11.56
Closing	11.31	11.25-11.26	11.24	11.30	11.38	11.55
Jan. (1936)						
Range	11.25-11.32	11.20-11.28	11.25-11.27	11.21-11.31	11.30-11.41	11.39-11.56
Closing	11.32	11.25-11.27	11.26	11.30	11.39	11.56
Feb.—						
Range						
Closing	11.35n	11.27n	11.27n	11.31n	11.40n	11.58n
Mar.—						
Range	11.32-11.39	11.25-11.34	11.28-11.31	11.23-11.35	11.34-11.41	11.41-11.62
Closing	11.38	11.28	11.29	11.33	11.41	11.60
Apr.—						
Range						
Closing	11.41n	11.31n	11.32n	11.35n	11.42n	11.61n
May—						
Range	11.35-11.45	11.31-11.39	11.33-11.37	11.29-11.38	11.38-11.43	11.43-11.66
Closing	11.44	11.34	11.35	11.38	11.43	11.63-11.64
June—						
Range						
Closing						

n Nominal.

Range of future prices at New York for week ending June 28 1935 and since trading began on each option:

Option for—	Range for Week	Range Since Beginning of Option
June 1935		12.30 Mar. 6 1935-12.32 Mar. 6 1935
July 1935	11.47 June 26	10.30 Mar. 18 1935-14.21 Aug. 9 1934
Aug. 1935		12.10 Mar. 11 1935-12.53 Jan. 24 1935
Sept. 1935		10.80 Mar. 12 1935-12.39 Mar. 6 1935
Oct. 1935	11.17 June 26	10.05 Mar. 18 1935-12.71 Jan. 2 1935
Nov. 1935		10.35 Mar. 19 1935-11.12 June 14 1935
Dec. 1935	11.19 June 26	10.10 Mar. 18 1935-12.70 Jan. 9 1935
Jan. 1936	11.20 June 24	10.16 Mar. 18 1935-12.70 Feb. 18 1935
Feb. 1936		
Mar. 1936	11.23 June 26	10.38 Apr. 3 1935-12.07 May 17 1935
Apr. 1936		
May 1936	11.29 June 26	10.80 June 1 1935-11.97 May 25 1935

**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. To make the total show the complete figures for to-night (Friday) we add the item of exports from the United States, for Friday only.

June 28—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Stock at Liverpool—bales	587,000	886,000	678,000	620,000
Stock at Manchester	91,000	105,000	107,000	190,000
Total Great Britain	678,000	991,000	785,000	810,000
Stock at Bremen	188,000	464,000	520,000	338,000
Stock at Havre	94,000	217,000	195,000	184,000
Stock at Rotterdam	22,000	23,000	21,000	18,000
Stock at Barcelona	65,000	77,000	91,000	94,000
Stock at Genoa	48,000	59,000	99,000	68,000
Stock at Venice and Mestre	23,000	12,000	—	—
Stock at Trieste	10,000	8,000	—	—
Total Continental stocks	450,000	860,000	926,000	702,000
Total European stocks	1,128,000	1,851,000	1,711,000	1,512,000
India cotton afloat for Europe	105,000	73,000	117,000	35,000
American cotton afloat for Europe	204,000	127,000	321,000	142,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c. afloat for Europe	154,000	143,000	97,000	104,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt	163,000	285,000	377,000	539,000
Stock in Bombay, India	739,000	1,097,000	895,000	854,000
Stock in U. S. ports	1,293,897	2,516,559	3,454,151	3,576,776
Stock in U. S. interior towns	1,201,295	1,236,729	1,343,684	1,430,563
U. S. exports to-day	10,297	32,259	25,475	11,306
Total visible supply	4,998,489	7,361,547	8,341,310	8,204,645

Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows:

Liverpool stock—bales	199,000	352,000	360,000	290,000
Manchester stock	35,000	46,000	64,000	114,000
Bremen stock	136,000	—	—	—
Havre stock	79,000	—	—	—
Other Continental stock	95,000	729,000	861,000	650,000
American afloat for Europe	204,000	127,000	321,000	142,000
U. S. ports stock	1,293,897	2,516,559	3,454,151	3,576,776
U. S. interior stocks	1,201,295	1,236,729	1,343,684	1,430,563
U. S. exports to-day	10,297	32,259	25,475	11,306
Total American	3,253,489	5,039,547	6,429,310	6,214,645

East Indian, Brazil, &c.—

Liverpool stock	388,000	534,000	318,000	330,000
Manchester stock	56,000	59,000	43,000	76,000
Bremen stock	52,000	—	—	—
Havre stock	15,000	—	—	—
Other Continental stock	73,000	131,000	65,000	52,000
Indian afloat for Europe	105,000	73,000	117,000	35,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c. afloat	154,000	143,000	97,000	104,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt	163,000	285,000	377,000	539,000
Stock in Bombay, India	739,000	1,097,000	895,000	854,000
Total East India, &c.	1,745,000	2,322,000	1,912,000	1,990,000
Total American	3,253,489	5,039,547	6,429,310	6,214,645

Total visible supply—4,998,489 7,361,547 8,341,310 8,204,645

Middling uplands, Liverpool	6.85d.	6.84d.	6.35d.	4.65d.
Middling uplands, New York	12.0c.	12.35c.	10.15c.	5.75c.
Egypt, good Sakel, Liverpool	8.33d.	8.95d.	9.17d.	7.55d.
Broad, fine, Liverpool	5.93d.	5.26d.	5.50d.	4.30d.
Tinnevely, good, Liverpool	6.40d.	6.15d.	6.01d.	4.43d.

Continental imports for past week have been 102,000 bales. The above figures for 1935 show a decrease from last week of 138,581 bales, a loss of 2,363,058 bales from 1934, a decrease of 3,342,821 bales from 1933, and a decrease of 3,206,156 bales from 1932.

**At the Interior Towns** the movement—that is, the receipts for the week and since Aug. 1, the shipments for the week and the stocks to-night, and the same items for the corresponding period of the previous year—is set out in detail below:

Towns	Movement to June 28 1935				Movement to June 29 1934			
	Receipts		Shipments Week	Stocks June 28	Receipts		Shipments Week	Stocks June 29
	Week	Season			Week	Season		
Ala., Birmingham	124	21,610	101	4,020	490	33,024	224	8,234
Eufaula	131	8,997	1	5,392	95	10,730	490	4,998
Montgomery	8	24,052	200	17,878	74	32,716	612	24,851
Selma	1	44,324	80	35,975	206	39,637	884	24,408
Ark., Blytheville	125	123,429	1,057	78,585	35	127,630	580	39,510
Forest City	3	27,704	310	17,391	6	18,015	227	8,987
Helena	18	47,235	120	12,670	116	45,634	1,655	12,725
Hope	49	29,182	322	19,117	207	49,474	371	10,984
Jonesboro	3	28,085	107	24,400	13	30,912	62	5,850
Little Rock	110	86,695	242	42,064	679	115,352	1,193	30,124
Newport	—	17,109	—	14,297	60	31,161	538	10,937
Pine Bluff	262	80,193	555	25,340	326	109,212	585	21,987
Walnut Ridge	—	24,873	5	11,098	17	53,475	287	6,890
Mo., Albany	3	4,633	48	3,732	5	11,263	8	336
Athens	18	14,410	1,740	23,990	34	32,771	375	54,281
Atlanta	625	78,299	2,603	48,005	958	145,477	2,387	175,394
Augusta	1,312	101,903	1,276	92,188	1,989	157,242	1,489	112,576
Columbus	400	29,900	500	11,761	300	29,900	400	12,411
Macon	593	14,355	151	14,951	287	19,508	348	30,870
Rome	—	19,258	270	21,223	12	12,573	100	8,830
La., Shreveport	—	57,720	—	20,969	1,042	56,319	1,165	18,177
Miss., Clarksdale	565	134,198	800	26,459	500	129,374	1,608	18,765
Columbus	40	23,527	684	13,230	44	19,993	150	9,687
Greenwood	427	137,474	2,122	32,691	296	145,781	1,398	33,879
Jackson	5	25,277	892	11,252	527	30,629	32	11,472
Natchez	10	3,920	393	4,189	2	4,734	158	4,138
Vicksburg	2	22,311	14	4,322	158	22,231	222	4,309
Yazoo City	59	28,417	201	12,371	4	27,331	188	7,874
Mo., St. Louis	4,333	200,851	4,719	632	2,520	264,941	2,520	14,467
N.C., Gr'sboro	194	4,255	594	4,215	199	7,828	84	17,990
Oklahoma—								
15 towns*	104	241,069	286	106,618	950	806,168	3,599	53,956
S. C., Greenville	1,588	129,659	2,683	41,888	2,458	174,565	1,603	88,570
Tenn., Memphis	7,718	1,409,277	13,142	338,195	13,523	1,853,289	24,536	315,718
Texas, Abilene	—	21,007	—	8,054	—	73,557	—	1,975
Austin	—	21,215	—	2,378	—	19,814	—	1,699
Brenham	11	15,256	37	4,429	172	27,491	222	3,536
Dallas	7	47,736	70	5,974	190	99,267	514	4,526
Paris	10	35,760	60	11,082	112	54,497	755	4,287
Robstown	—	6,748	—	1,335	—	5,479	—	1,486
San Antonio	—	16,773	—	3,434	72	11,406	75	151
Texarkana	1	26,948	228	15,051	159	34,582	992	9,286
Waco	206	57,543	71	8,450	212	93,720	508	6,598
Total, 56 towns	19,065	3,496,487	36,701	1,201,295	29,056	5,067,232	53,339	1,236,729

\* Includes the combined totals of 15 towns in Oklahoma.

The above totals show that the interior stocks have decreased during the week 17,636 bales and are to-night 35,434 bales less than at the same period last year. The

receipts at all the towns have been 9,991 bales less than the same week last year.

**New York Quotations for 32 Years**

The quotations for middling upland at New York on June 28 for each of the past 32 years have been as follows:

1935—	12.20c.	1927—	17.05c.	1919—	34.35c.	1911—	14.80c.
1934—	12.45c.	1926—	18.50c.	1918—	31.90c.	1910—	14.95c.
1933—	10.25c.	1925—	24.60c.	1917—	27.15c.	1909—	12.00c.
1932—	5.35c.	1924—	30.05c.	1916—	13.10c.	1908—	11.60c.
1931—	10.40c.	1923—	28.55c.	1915—	9.55c.	1907—	13.15c.
1930—	13.70c.	1922—	22.10c.	1914—	13.25c.	1906—	10.80c.
1929—	18.65c.	1921—	18.85c.	1913—	12.50c.	1905—	9.90c.
1928—	23.00c.	1920—	38.75c.	1912—	11.65c.	1904—	10.85c.

**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	Contract	Total
Saturday	Steady, 10 pts. adv.	Steady	—	—	—
Monday	Quiet, 5 pts. dec.	Steady	—	—	—
Tuesday	Steady, unchanged	Steady	—	—	—
Wednesday	Steady, 5 pts. adv.	Steady	1,700	—	1,700
Thursday	Steady, 5 pts. adv.	Steady	—	—	—
Friday	Steady, 20 pts. adv.	Steady	—	—	—
Total week	—	—	1,700	—	1,700
Since Aug. 1	—	—	111,383	151,600	262,983

**Overland Movement for the Week and Since Aug. 1—**

We give below a statement showing the overland movement for the week and since Aug. 1, as made up from telegraphic reports Friday night. The results for the week and since Aug. 1 in the last two years are as follows:

	1934-35		1933-34	
	Since Aug. 1	Week	Since Aug. 1	Week
June 28—	—	—	—	—
Shipped—	—	—	—	—
Vis St. Louis	4,719	212,167	2,520	250,714
Via Mounds, &c.	700	99,861	2,800	136,795
Vis Rock Island	—	77	—	1,322
Via Louisville	—	13,046	134	1,322
Via Virginia points	3,117	177,912	3,634	176,099
Via other routes, &c.	2,000	518,581	4,000	481,453
Total gross overland	10,536	1,021,644	13,088	1,058,711
Deduct Shipments—	—	—	—	—
Oveland to N. Y., Boston, &c	117	26,823	431	34,161
Between interior towns	242	13,989	246	15,173
Inland, &c., from South	8,416	314,784	5,291	225,135
Total to be deducted	8,775	355,596	5,968	274,469
Leaving total net overland*	1,761	666,048	7,120	784,242

\* Including movement by rail to Canada.

The foregoing shows the week's net overland movement this year has been 1,761 bales, against 7,120 bales for the week last year, and that for the season to date the aggregate net overland exhibits a decrease from a year ago of 118,194 bales.

In Sight and Spinners' Takings	1934-35		1933-34	
	Since Aug. 1	Week	Since Aug. 1	Week
Receipts at ports to June 28	8,706	3,995,078	59,054	7,242,221
Net overland to June 28	1,761	666,048	7,120	784,242
South'n consumption to June 28	80,000	4,385,000	100,000	4,689,000

Total marketed	90,467	9,046,126	166,174	12,715,463
Interior stocks in excess	—	53,817	—	25,509
Excess of Southern mill takings over consumption to June 1	—	150,520	—	20,163
Came into sight during week	72,831	—	140,825	—
Total in sight June 28	—	8,949,423	—	12,710,117

North. spinn's takings to June 28 19,296 996,484 18,250 1,242

to the fact that foreign spinners are using relatively more foreign cotton and relatively less of the American staple. In its report the Exchange service said:

Total consumption of American cotton in the 10 months of the season from Aug. 1 to May 31 was approximately 9,631,000 bales, compared with 11,756,000 in the same period last season and 11,763,000 two seasons ago. Consumption normally declines during the last two months of the season, and there are movements among the mills in the United States and some foreign countries to reduce operations in the period to the end of July. If consumption during June and July should average 950,000 bales per month, the total for the season would be about 11,500,000. Total consumption in all of last season was 13,680,000 bales, and in the season before last 14,405,000.

The countries in which consumption of American cotton has declined most include the United States, England, Germany, France, Italy, and China. Ten months' consumption to May 31 this season compared with that in the same period last season in these countries follows: United States, 4,463,000, against 4,849,000; England, 792,000, against 1,202,000; Germany, 323,000, against 890,000; France, 428,000, against 647,000; Italy, approximately 390,000 to 400,000, against 550,000 to 560,000, and China, 183,000, against 356,000.

Japan on the other hand, has used more American cotton in the 10 months this season than in the same period last season, consuming 1,627,000 bales, against 1,466,000. Another bright spot in the consumption picture is the movement of 73,000 bales to Russia during the past two months. Most of this cotton will probably go into consumption in Russia by the end of this season. Shortage of dollar exchange is largely responsible for the drastic declines in Germany and Italy, but lower prices for foreign growths than for American cotton are a determining factor in reducing consumption in most other countries abroad.

**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 June 22	Monday June 24	Tuesday June 25	Wednesday June 26	Thursday June 27	Friday June 28
July (1935)	11.50-11.51	11.45-11.46	11.49	11.55	11.63	11.82-11.83
August	---	---	---	---	---	---
September	---	---	---	---	---	---
October	11.24	11.20	11.19	11.23	11.32-11.33	11.52
November	---	---	---	---	---	---
December	11.27	11.22	11.21	11.23	11.33	11.52
Jan. (1936)	11.29	11.25	11.23	11.24	11.34	11.53
February	---	---	---	---	---	---
March	11.35	11.29	11.27	11.26	11.35	11.57
April	---	---	---	---	---	---
May	11.39	11.33-11.34	11.31	11.31	11.40	11.61
June	---	---	---	---	---	---
<i>Tone</i> —	Steady.	Quiet.	Quiet.	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.
Spot	Steady.	Quiet.	Q't but st'y	Steady.	Very stdy.	Steady.
Options	Steady.	Steady.	---	---	---	---

**First Bale of 1935 Cotton Ginned**—The Dallas "News" of June 19 reports the first bale of 1935 cotton as follows: The first bale of 1935 cotton ginned in Texas left Raymondville, Tex., on June 17 by truck for Houston.

The cotton was raised by Regoria Valdez on the Gus Nyquist farm near Sebastian and was ginned by the Joe Reynolds Gin Co. The bale weighed 464 pounds.

While the truck was speeding toward Houston, a grower in the Lasara section of Willacy County planned to enter the race later at night or Wednesday morning in an effort to beat the Valdez bale to Houston.

**Rise in Industrial Income Needed to Aid Farmers, AAA Report for 1934 Says**

Further improvement in farm income "will depend on the increased activity, income and purchasing power of industrial groups," Chester C. Davis, Agricultural Adjustment Administrator, said in his annual report for 1934, made public on June 17. Mr. Davis said that the use of the referendum method of obtaining direct farm opinion on the continuation of adjustment programs was one of the most significant developments of 1934 in the activities of farmers under the Agricultural Adjustment Act. He pointed out that this method was followed in the case of growers of cotton, tobacco, corn and hogs, and that more than 2,400,000 farmers voted in the three referenda. Of the number voting, he said, more than 85% were recorded as in favor of continuance of the adjustment measures involved.

Mr. Davis's report called for the formulation of a long-range agricultural policy, and declared that "restricted production will not be the focal point of a permanent policy for agriculture," but rather that most pronounced gains can be made only through the removal of barriers now hampering international trade. He estimated the net 1934 farm income as \$3,260,000,000 as compared with \$2,627,000,000 in 1933 and only \$1,463,000,000 in 1932. In discussing the future Agricultural Adjustment Administration program, Mr. Davis said that it has "a controlled expansion" in view and contemplates a larger production than was authorized last year."

A summary of Mr. Davis's report issued by the AAA gave the following extract from his analysis of the relation of agriculture and industry:

Discussing the relation of agriculture and industry, the report said: "Farmers should recognize that, by itself, adjustment of agricultural production can improve farm income to only a limited degree. There are strong reasons for continuing adjustment, in order to reach and maintain a balance both between agriculture and industry as a whole, and among the several branches of agriculture. But when this balance is attained, further improvement in the income of farmers will depend on the increased activity, income and purchasing power of industrial groups."

One of the factors limiting recovery, Mr. Davis said, is the continued disparity between agricultural and industrial prices.

"In 1932," he said, "farm prices were approximately 35% below the relation of farm prices to industrial prices which had held for the 20-year period prior to 1930. In 1934 farm prices were still 25% below that relation.

"An improvement in this relationship would naturally be brought about either by a further advance in agricultural prices or by a lowering of the level of industrial prices. Improvement in the exchange value of agricultural for industrial products can be accomplished, then, either through lowering industrial prices and costs or through such a rise in the total national income and in city buying power as would support an increase in farm prices and in the farmers' share of the national income."

Summarizing the activities of the AAA, the report pointed out that the problem now is to hold the gains that have

been made in adjusting agriculture to an emergency situation, and to push adjustments toward the long-time objectives. Mr. Davis, as to this, says:

To hold these gains, agriculture must continue to maintain a balanced output. Immediate abandonment of the measures of control would be almost certain to bring a new cycle of excessive production and collapse of prices. Such an eventuality would be disastrous not only to agriculture but to the nation as a whole. On the other hand, if agriculture retains its measures of control, the gains that have been made can be held and, as the rest of the nation advances toward recovery, agriculture can share in that advance.

**Weather Reports by Telegraph**—Reports to us by telegraph this evening indicate that farmers have been cultivating their fields rapidly. Generally speaking, the weather conditions in the cotton belt could hardly be more ideal. In some limited areas there have been complaints of grassy fields. The cotton crop has begun to fruit well in the more advanced sections. However, the usual complaints of weevils still exist. The eastern third of the cotton belt could use some rain.

	Rain	Rainfall	Thermometer		
Texas—Galveston	1 day	0.12 in.	high 89	low 78	mean 84
Amarillo	---	dry	high 96	low 70	mean 78
Austin	2 days	0.16 in.	high 92	low 70	mean 81
Ableene	---	dry	high 94	low 66	mean 80
Brenham	1 day	0.18 in.	high 90	low 70	mean 80
Brownsville	3 days	0.44 in.	high 90	low 72	mean 81
Corpus Christi	---	dry	high 88	low 74	mean 81
Dallas	---	dry	high 94	low 66	mean 80
Del Rio	1 day	0.01 in.	high 92	low 72	mean 82
El Paso	---	dry	high 100	low 68	mean 84
Henrietta	1 day	0.14 in.	high 94	low 62	mean 78
Kerrville	2 days	0.28 in.	high 90	low 64	mean 77
Lampasas	1 day	0.46 in.	high 92	low 64	mean 78
Longview	---	dry	high 100	low 68	mean 84
Luling	---	dry	high 94	low 70	mean 82
Nacogdoches	2 days	0.60 in.	high 90	low 66	mean 80
Palestine	2 days	1.22 in.	high 92	low 68	mean 80
Paris	---	dry	high 92	low 62	mean 77
San Antonio	---	dry	high 90	low 70	mean 80
Taylor	1 day	0.14 in.	high 98	low 66	mean 82
Weatherford	1 day	0.48 in.	high 90	low 60	mean 75
Oklahoma—Oklahoma City	3 days	0.17 in.	high 92	low 56	mean 74
Arkansas—Eldorado	1 day	1.00 in.	high 97	low 60	mean 79
Fort Smith	2 days	0.46 in.	high 92	low 62	mean 77
Little Rock	3 days	0.49 in.	high 90	low 64	mean 77
Pine Bluff	2 days	0.18 in.	high 91	low 65	mean 78
Louisiana—Alexandria	1 day	1.42 in.	high 93	low 68	mean 81
Amite	2 days	0.29 in.	high 93	low 60	mean 77
New Orleans	1 day	0.02 in.	high 90	low 74	mean 82
Shreveport	2 days	0.10 in.	high 96	low 68	mean 82
Mississippi—Meridian	1 day	0.26 in.	high 96	low 58	mean 77
Vicksburg	1 day	0.86 in.	high 92	low 68	mean 80
Alabama—Mobile	1 day	0.56 in.	high 91	low 67	mean 79
Birmingham	2 days	0.82 in.	high 92	low 60	mean 76
Montgomery	2 days	0.06 in.	high 94	low 66	mean 80
Florida—Jacksonville	3 days	0.44 in.	high 94	low 70	mean 82
Miami	5 days	2.46 in.	high 88	low 70	mean 79
Pensacola	1 day	0.22 in.	high 86	low 68	mean 77
Tampa	3 days	0.82 in.	high 90	low 72	mean 81
Georgia—Savannah	2 days	0.07 in.	high 95	low 69	mean 82
Athens	1 day	0.06 in.	high 96	low 59	mean 78
Atlanta	1 day	0.14 in.	high 94	low 60	mean 77
Augusta	---	dry	high 98	low 64	mean 82
Macon	1 day	0.22 in.	high 96	low 62	mean 79
South Carolina—Charleston	1 day	0.02 in.	high 93	low 73	mean 83
Greenwood	---	dry	high 97	low 62	mean 80
Columbia	---	dry	high 98	low 68	mean 83
Conway	---	dry	high 96	low 61	mean 80
Asheville	1 day	0.08 in.	high 90	low 52	mean 71
North Carolina—Charlotte	1 day	0.06 in.	high 94	low 64	mean 79
Raleigh	---	dry	high 96	low 64	mean 80
Weldon	---	dry	high 99	low 59	mean 79
Wilmington	---	dry	high 90	low 66	mean 78
Tennessee—Memphis	1 day	0.07 in.	high 90	low 63	mean 76
Chattanooga	1 day	0.52 in.	high 92	low 58	mean 75
Nashville	2 days	0.01 in.	high 90	low 58	mean 74

The following statement has also been received by telegraph, showing the height of rivers at the points named at 8 a. m. on the dates given:

	June 28 1935	June 29 1934	
	Feet	Feet	
New Orleans	Above zero of gauge—	16.9	1.5
Memphis	Above zero of gauge—	29.7	6.6
Nashville	Above zero of gauge—	15.0	10.8
Shreveport	Above zero of gauge—	32.0	4.5
Vicksburg	Above zero of gauge—	44.3	8.8

**Dallas Cotton Exchange Weekly Crop Report**—The Dallas Cotton Exchange each week publishes a comprehensive report covering cotton crop conditions in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas. The current week's report, dated June 24 is as follows:

**TEXAS**

**West Texas**

**Ablene (Taylor County)**—Fair to-day and hot, just what we need. Sandstorks during the mid-week did great damage, lots of cotton killed.

**Big Spring (Howard County)**—The week ending 22nd has seen rain, hail and damaging sandstorms. The communities that had suffered hail damage were flattened out by the following high winds and sand which cut off the battered crops, and will have to be replanted, mostly going into feed. This damage affected about 10% of the cotton acreage in the county.

**Brady (McCulloch County)**—Cotton looking pretty good. Farmers had lovely sunny week and made good use of it. What we need is 10 days or two weeks of hot dry weather. The acreage is about the same as last year. There is complaint of cutworms doing some damage.

**Clarendon (Donley County)**—Developments past week good. Most crops cultivated first time. Fields generally clean and good state of cultivation. Growth continued good. Last two nights been too cool. Ready for one to two inches rain right now though nothing suffering. Present prospects better than 1934. With adequate July-August rains will make excellent crop of everything.

**Lamesa (Dawson County)**—70% of cotton in Dawson County blown out yesterday by sand.

**Lubbock (Lubbock County)**—Cotton growing nicely. Plenty of moisture. Looks like a little increase in acreage. No insects.

**Quinal (Hardeman County)**—Crop made splendid progress past week. Weather is favorable and the crop is coming fine. Most all cotton that was replanted is up to a good stand. Cultivation is good and the plants are healthy. Light showers next week would be favorable to the crop. Present prospects are the best we have had in several years.

**Shamrock (Wheeler County)**—Generally, the cotton crop is in good condition. Some small areas lost their crops during past two weeks due to sand and hail, but the acreage was perhaps not more than 3%. Stands are good and fields are clean. Prospects better than at this time last year. Night temperatures are right for cotton and the days are getting warmer.

**Stamford (Jones County)**—Condition of cotton crop here is good though about 15 days late. Planting is practically completed. There is an abundance of moisture, and fowl fields are being cleaned out rapidly. No insects reported.

Sweetwater (Nolan County)—Past week has been favorable, enabling farmers to finish replanting and work out their fields. Some young cotton killed by the sand, owing to having had high winds several days. Prospects have improved, but crop very late.

North Texas

Clarksville (Red River County)—Weather very unfavorable, rains have kept farmers out of fields entire week. Crop about six weeks late. Much acreage will be lost unless we get dry weather and sunshine immediately. Acreage 15% less than 1934.

Dallas (Dallas County)—With heavy rains continuing crop is progressing very slowly. Some cotton chopped but generally fields are still too wet. Plant needs lots of dry hot weather. If rain continues fields will get into a serious condition.

Forney (Kaufman County)—Weather recently unfavorable for growth and cultivation of cotton, too much rain causing overflow of large bottom areas and some washing on uplands. Fields becoming grassy. With ordinary conditions prevailing until Fall, production will be about 10% under last year due to reduction caused by overflows.

Honey Grove (Fannin County)—Past week unfavorable for cotton, heavy rains overflowing all low-lands causing bad stands and replantings. All cotton on high-lands doing nicely considering weather conditions. Need dry weather, have too much rain.

Paris (Lamar County)—Crops are growing nicely but need sunshine and cultivation. Practically no farm work done past week account of heavy rains. It is estimated that Lamar County will have about 5% reduction in acreage under last year account bottom land overflowing.

Sherman (Grayson County)—Prospects for cotton this section the worst we have had past 25 years. Crop is over a month late, very small, irregular stands, full of grass and lots of worms. We need three weeks sunshine.

Sulphur Springs (Hopkins County)—Weather first week favorable, last of week very unfavorable account excessive rains, overflowing lowlands. Fields grassy and the stands poor. 1.75 inch rain Hopkins County on 21st.

Wills Point (Van Zandt County)—Heavy rains and floods have caused considerable damage and delayed farm work. Fields are becoming foul with weeds and grass and the abandonment will be large unless we can have fair weather for at least three weeks. Prospects for a cotton crop are the poorest for 20 years. Flea damage is severe, the early cotton showing no fruit. There will be no increase in acreage, possibly a decrease.

Central Texas

Cameron (Milam County)—First half week unfavorable. All creeks and rivers overflowed. Looks like 30% loss in bottoms, getting too late for replanting. Cotton in uplands in fairly good condition. All we need is hot dry weather.

Cleburne (Johnson County)—Weather for past week has been very favorable for cotton, no rain. Fields are being cleaned out rapidly, about 75% of crop is chopped. No acreage will be abandoned in this area. Crop is probably three weeks late. No insect damage.

Lagrange (Fayette County)—All cotton along the Colorado River in this county was practically destroyed this past week due to the flood. Estimate this to be about 15% of the county's cotton crop. Other parts of the county crop was progressing nicely. Weather was clear and much work was done.

San Marcos (Hays County)—Have not had any rain since the 15th of June but fields are still too wet to plow in most places. Have plenty grass and weeds, need two weeks of fair weather to get crop clean. Insects are doing some damage.

Taylor (Williamson County)—Past week warm, occasional showers. Need hot dry weather. Farmers unable to chop and plow this week until to-day (Friday) due to wet ground. Floods have washed away about 3% of the acreage leaving about 2% increase over last year. 80% chopped. Complaints of fleas some sections.

Waco (McLennan County)—While we have had excessive rains recently, there does not seem to be any considerable damage done to the growing crop over McLennan and immediate surrounding counties. The cotton crop is not badly in grass, and with a period of sunny weather the farmers will rapidly catch up with their work.

Wazahachie (Ellis County)—Too much rain since last report. Considerable damage to uplands and heavy damage to bottomland. Crop about 50% chopped, stands very irregular, plants vary greatly in size. Rains and cloudy weather make conditions ideal for all kinds of insects. Overflowed acreage will not be replanted, which will cause a reduction in acreage of about 7%; this will be less than last year.

East Texas

Longview (Gregg County)—Too much rain this week, but hardly enough to wash the land. Cotton still has good color and a healthy growth. No sign of insects yet.

South Texas

Corpus Christi (Nueces County)—No rain in this county or section past 10 days and farmers are busy plowing, cutting grass and weeds and some few are topping plants to stop growth and some poisoning for leaf-worms and weevil. The plant is fine everywhere, but many fields have thrown off all squares and blooms and will have to begin over again, while other fields are full of bolls and blooms. Time will have to tell what ultimate result will be, for the rains lasted a little too long. High water in streams and rivers have done little damage in this county but neighboring counties to the north and east have suffered a good deal from this source.

Seguin (Guadalupe County)—Had ideal weather for cotton during past week. We need continuation of this kind of weather. Some farmers report insect damage but this is not general over the county. Crop looks all right and is putting on well.

OKLAHOMA

Hugo (Choctaw County)—Rain and more rain. Series of floods and high waters destroying crops after replanting two and three times leaves worst condition known in this section. At the moment all river bottoms are under water again. Very little will be replanted this late. Cultivated acres will be smallest on record with large abandonment.

Mangum (Greer County)—Conditions were mostly favorable this week and good progress made by the late crop. Practically all have completed planting and 75% is up to nearly perfect stands and state of cultivation just fair. We need two weeks of warmer weather to make our condition very promising as have wonderful season in ground.

McAlester (Pittsburgh County)—Past week has brought disaster to the greater part of the crops in this section. Torrential rains have kept the creeks over the lowlands all week and practically all bottom cotton lost. The upland cotton has washed out badly and in some sections destroyed by hail. Much that is left is in the grass so bad that it will be lost unless we have 10 days fair weather.

ARKANSAS

Ashdown (Little River County)—Too much rain, very little farm work done this week. All streams overflowed. 50% river bottom is under water and still rising at this writing (Saturday). Unable to make estimate of damage until the water recedes. Weevil and hopper numerous, fields foul, plants small, no blooms reported.

Conway (Faulkner County)—Conditions about the worst known at this time of year. Hardly more than three days of cultivation in the hills this month and that done in the mud. All unprotected river bottoms and creek bottoms are again under water and will not be put in cotton. Are fighting to hold levees. Acreage will be less than last year.

Little Rock (Pulaski County)—Weather conditions past week mostly unfavorable for river bottom and lowland sections. Light showers to moderate rains occurred on six days of the week. However, cotton is generally well cultivated and while small made rapid growth under high temperatures while prevailed during this week. About 25% of the bottom lands will be affected by the latest rise in river. Blooms have been reported in many sections and with favorable weather conditions the coming week crop outlook will improve. Present condition of the crop is from 10 days to three weeks late.

Fine Bluff (Jefferson County)—The sun is shining beautifully to-day. The Arkansas River is 31.04. The levees are holding. There are 1,500 to 2,000 men working on them. We will need in this county a month of sunshine, fields are grassy, but with sunshine and levee protection the Government allotment will be made.

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 (1935, 1934, 1933), Stocks at Interior Towns (1935, 1934, 1933), Receipts from Plantations (1935, 1934, 1933). Rows include months from Mar to June.

The above statement shows: (1) That the total receipts from the plantations since Aug. 1 1934 are 4,140,563 bales; in 1933-34 were 7,191,830 bales and in 1932-33 were 8,342,300 bales. (2) That, although the receipts at the outports the past week were 8,706 bales, the actual movement from plantations was nil bales, stock at interior towns having decreased 17,636 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 titled 'Cotton Takings, Week and Season' comparing 1934-35 and 1933-34 across weeks and seasons.

\* Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c. a This total embraces since Aug. 1 the total estimated consumption by Southern mills, 4,385,000 bales in 1934-35 and 4,689,000 bales in 1933-34—takings not being available—and the aggregate amount taken by Northern and foreign spinners, 11,717,453 bales in 1934-35 and 13,701,212 bales in 1933-34, of which 6,005,653 bales and 8,813,812 bales American. b Estimated.

India Cotton Movement from All Ports—The receipts of India cotton at Bombay and the shipments from all India ports for the week and for the season from Aug. 1 as cabled, for three years, have been as follows:

Table showing India Cotton Movement from All Ports for Bombay, comparing 1934-35, 1933-34, and 1932-33.

Table showing Exports from Bombay, categorized by destination (Great Britain, Continent, Japan & China, Total) for weeks and since August 1.

According to the foregoing, Bombay appears to show a decrease compared with last year in the week's receipts of 6,000 bales. Exports from all India ports record a decrease of 34,000 bales during the week, and since Aug. 1 show an increase of 272,000 bales.

Alexandria Receipts and Shipments

Table showing Alexandria Receipts and Shipments, including Receipts (cantars) and Exports (Bales) for 1934-35, 1933-34, and 1932-33.

Note—A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weigh about 750 lbs. This statement shows that the receipts for the week ended June 26 were 1,000 cantars and the foreign shipments 13,000 bales.

Manchester Market—Our report received by cable tonight from Manchester states that the market in both yarns and cloths is steady. Demand for both yarn and cloth is improving. We give prices to-day below and leave those for previous weeks of this and last year for comparison:

Table with columns for years 1935 and 1934, and sub-columns for Cotton Midd'l'g Upl'ds and 32s Cop Twist. It lists prices for various dates from March to June.

Prices of futures at Liverpool for each day are given below:

Table showing prices of futures at Liverpool from June 22 to June 28, 1935, with columns for days of the week and specific dates.

BREADSTUFFS

Friday Night, June 28 1935

Flour demand continued on a limited basis, with buyers taking only enough to fill immediate needs.

Wheat was 7/8 to 1c. lower on the 22d inst. on increased selling due to more favorable weather and harvesting reports from the Southwest. Winnipeg closed 5/8 to 3/4c. lower, while Liverpool was 3/8d. to 1/2d. higher.

On the 26th inst. prices ended 1 3/8 to 1 5/8c. higher on buying by mills and Eastern interests. Wet weather, which is delaying the harvest in the Southwest, influenced the buying.

Corn after declining early on the 22d inst. in sympathy with wheat recovered towards the close on buying by spreaders and Eastern interests and ended 1/8 to 3/8c. lower.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT AND WHEAT FUTURES IN NEW YORK, CHICAGO, and WINNIPEG. Includes seasonal high and low data.

Cash corn was 1/4 to 1/2c. higher. On the 24th inst. prices advanced 1/2 to 1 1/8c. on buying prompted by rains in Illinois and Indiana.

On the 26th inst. prices ended 5/8 to 1 1/8c. higher, on buying stimulated by wet weather in Illinois and Iowa. On the 27th inst. the weather was more favorable and prices declined 3/8 to 5/8c.

On the 26th inst. prices ended 3/4 to 1 1/4c. higher, but on the 27th inst. showed net losses of 1/2 to 3/4c. To-day prices ended 1 3/4 to 2c. higher, in sympathy with wheat.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN AND CORN FUTURES IN NEW YORK and CHICAGO. Includes seasonal high and low data.

Oats sympathized with wheat on the 22d inst. and ended 1/8 to 1/2c. lower. On the 24th inst. prices ended unchanged to 1/8c. higher.

On the 26th inst. prices ended 3/4 to 1 1/4c. higher, but on the 27th inst. showed net losses of 1/2 to 3/4c. To-day prices ended 1 3/4 to 2c. higher, in sympathy with wheat.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS AND OATS FUTURES IN NEW YORK and CHICAGO. Includes seasonal high and low data.

Shipping News—Shipments in detail:

Table listing shipping news with columns for destination (e.g., GALVESTON, HOUSTON, LAKE CHARLES), ship name, date, and agent.

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 showing cotton freight rates for various ports including Liverpool, Manchester, Antwerp, Havre, Rotterdam, Genoa, Oslo, and Stockholm.

\*Rate is open. z Only small lots.

Liverpool—Imports, stocks, &c., for past week:

Table showing Liverpool import and stock data for June 7, 11, 15, 21, and 28, including forwarded and total stocks.

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 the daily closing prices of spot cotton from Saturday to Friday, including market status (Quiet, Moderate demand, etc.) and specific prices.

Season's High and When Made		Season's Low and When Made	
July-----	51 Dec. 5 1934	July-----	33 1/2 June 13 1935
September---	44 1/2 Jan. 7 1935	September---	31 1/2 June 13 1935
December-----	35 1/2 June 4 1935	December-----	33 1/2 June 13 1935

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN WINNIPEG						
	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July-----	39 1/2	39 1/2	38 3/4	38 3/4	38 3/4	41 1/2
October-----	34 1/2	34	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	35 1/2

Rye followed wheat downward on the 22d inst. and closed 1/2 to 3/4c. lower. On the 24th inst. prices declined early with wheat but rallied subsequently on short covering and ended unchanged to 1/4c. lower. On the 25th inst. prices ended 5/8 to 3/4c. lower owing to favorable crop reports.

On the 26th inst. prices advanced 7/8 to 1 1/2c. On the 27th inst. they declined 1/2 to 1/4c. To-day prices ended 1 1/4 to 2 1/2c. higher.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO						
	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July-----	46	46	45 1/2	46 3/4	46 3/4	48 7/8
September---	47 1/2	46 7/8	46 1/4	47 1/2	47	48 3/4
December-----	50 1/4	50 1/2	49 3/4	50 1/4	50	51 3/4

Season's High and When Made		Season's Low and When Made	
September----	76 Jan. 5 1935	September----	45 June 13 1935
December-----	53 1/2 June 3 1935	December-----	48 3/4 June 13 1935

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN WINNIPEG						
	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July-----	41 1/2	40 7/8	39 3/4	40 3/4	39 1/2	59 3/4
October-----	43 1/2	43 3/8	42 3/4	42 3/4	42 3/4	42 3/4

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF BARLEY FUTURES IN CHICAGO						
	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July-----	49	49	48	48	48	48
September---	46	46	47	47	47	47

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF BARLEY FUTURES IN WINNIPEG						
	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July-----	39 3/4	39 1/2	38 3/4	37 1/2	37 1/4	37 3/4
October-----	39 1/4	39 1/4	39 1/8	39	38 1/2	38 3/4

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF BARLEY FUTURES IN WINNIPEG						
	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July-----	39 3/4	39 1/2	38 3/4	37 1/2	37 1/4	37 3/4
October-----	39 1/4	39 1/4	39 1/8	39	38 1/2	38 3/4

Closing quotations were as follows:

Wheat, New York—		Oats, New York—	
No. 2 red, c.i.f., domestic.....	101 1/2	No. 2 white.....	50 1/2
Manitoba No. 1, f.o.b. N.Y.....	87 1/2	Rye, No. 2, f.o.b. bond N.Y.....	55 1/2

Corn, New York—		Barley goods—	
No. 2 yellow, all rail.....	101 3/4	47 1/2 lbs. malting.....	60 3/4
		Chicago, cash.....	60-100

FLOUR		Rye flour patents	
Spring patents.....	\$6.80@7.25	Seminola, bbl., Nos. 1-3.....	\$3.50@3.70
Clears, first spring.....	6.55@6.75	Oats, good.....	3.05
Soft winter straights.....	6.20@6.50	Barley goods.....	3.70

All the statements below regarding the movement of grain—receipts, exports, visible supply, &c.—are prepared by us from figures collected by the New York Produce Exchange. First we give the receipts at Western lake and river ports for the week ended last Saturday and since Aug. 1 for each of the last three years:

Receipts at—	Flour	Wheat	Corn	Oats	Rye	Barley
	bbls 196 lbs	bush. 60 lbs.	bush. 56 lbs.	bush. 32 lbs.	bush 56 lbs	bush 48 lbs
Chicago-----	141,000	193,000	215,000	127,000	22,000	126,000
Minneapolis---	793,000	74,000	64,000	22,000	245,000	2,000
Duluth-----	336,000	107,000	107,000	1,000		201,000
Milwaukee-----	13,000	139,000	176,000	20,000		20,000
Toledo-----		39,000	23,000		1,000	
Detroit-----		13,000	5,000	8,000	6,000	18,000
Indianapolis---		8,000	331,000	58,000		
St. Louis-----		149,000	239,000	42,000		17,000
Peoria-----		38,000	15,000	248,000	8,000	55,000
Kansas City---		12,000	493,000	711,000	22,000	
Omaha-----			194,000	179,000	45,000	
St. Joseph-----			16,000	42,000	9,000	
Wichita-----			179,000			
St. Louis-----			1,000	5,000	4,000	
St. Paul-----			1,669,000	116,000	276,000	177,000
Buffalo-----						79,000
Total wk. '35	325,000	4,237,000	2,364,000	818,000	255,000	742,000
Same wk. '34	340,000	9,556,000	3,025,000	980,000	529,000	1,125,000
Same wk. '33	381,000	7,961,000	7,501,000	3,026,000	756,000	996,000

Receipts at—	Flour	Wheat	Corn	Oats	Rye	Barley
1934-----	16,535,000	187,023,000	169,149,000	47,164,000	14,431,000	57,696,000
1933-----	16,216,000	225,589,000	183,285,000	69,286,000	12,193,000	50,215,000
1932-----	17,872,000	323,738,000	212,079,000	94,473,000	16,863,000	50,448,000

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for the week ending Saturday, June 22 1935, follow:

Receipts at—	Flour	Wheat	Corn	Oats	Rye	Barley
	bbls 196 lbs	bush. 60 lbs.	bush. 56 lbs.	bush. 32 lbs.	bush 56 lbs	bush 48 lbs
New York-----	88,000	322,000	230,000			
Philadelphia---	25,000	2,000	107,000	16,000		
Baltimore-----	9,000	1,000	94,000	4,000		7,000
New Orleans---	20,000		57,000	33,000		
Galveston-----		52,000				
Montreal-----	43,000	509,000		382,000	34,000	275,000
Boston-----	17,000		118,000	1,000		
Halifax-----	2,000					
Total wk. '35	204,000	886,000	606,000	436,000	34,000	282,000
Since Jan. '35	5,926,000	20,508,000	6,177,000	8,441,000	3,317,000	1,392,000
Week 1934---	266,000	2,757,000	350,000	312,000	203,000	84,000
Since Jan. '34	6,580,000	32,990,000	3,829,000	3,204,000	1,309,000	319,000

\* Receipts do not include grain passing through New Orleans for foreign ports on through bills of lading.

The exports from the several seaboard ports for the week ended Saturday, June 22 1935, are shown in the annexed statement:

Exports from—	Wheat	Corn	Flour	Oats	Rye	Barley
	Bushels	Bushels	Barrels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels
New York-----	270,000		5,465			
Albany-----	128,000					
New Orleans---			2,000	15,000		
Montreal-----	509,000		43,000	382,000	34,000	275,000
Halifax-----			2,000			
Total week 1935---	907,000		52,465	397,000	34,000	275,000
Same week 1934---	2,789,000	2,000	94,174	157,000		83,000

The destination of these exports for the week and since July 1 1934 is as below:

Exports for Week and Since July 1 to—	Flour		Wheat		Corn	
	Week June 22 1935	Since July 1 1934	Week June 22 1935	Since July 1 1934	Week June 22 1935	Since July 1 1934
United Kingdom....	43,000	2,373,528	300,000	33,395,000		
Continent-----	5,465	592,147	599,000	34,792,000		9,000
So. & Cent. Amer....	2,000	47,000	8,000	341,000		8,000
West Indies-----		320,000		50,000		1,000
Brit. No. Am. Col..		69,000				10,000
Other countries---	2,000	195,249		852,000		
Total 1935-----	52,465	3,596,924	907,000	69,431,000		28,000
Total 1934-----	94,174	4,550,417	2,789,000	106,710,000	2,000	697,000

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports Saturday, June 22, were as follows:

United States—	Wheat		Corn		Oats		Rye		Barley	
	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels
Boston-----		9,000		172,000		65,000		1,000		14,000
New York-----		65,000		85,000		309,000		73,000		12,000
Philadelphia---										23,000
Baltimore-----		39,000		250,000		53,000		926,000		3,000
New Orleans---		113,000		127,000		60,000		285,000		1,000
Galveston-----		68,000		157,000		67,000		12,000		22,000
Fort Worth-----		422,000		320,000		42,000		2,000		4,000
Wichita-----		165,000		6,000		93,000				
Hutchinson---		534,000								
St. Joseph-----		247,000		255,000		53,000				4,000
Kansas City---		6,054,000		154,000		676,000		77,000		2,000
Omaha-----		1,273,000		865,000		50,000		2,000		
St. Louis-----		49,000		121,000		20,000				4,000
St. Paul-----		606,000		52,000		140,000		43,000		25,000
Indianapolis---		120,000		341,000		38,000				
Peoria-----				1,000						
Chicago-----		2,785,000		2,435,000		1,733,000		4,424,000		874,000
On Lake-----		699,000								
Milwaukee---		370,000		97,000		211,000		2,000		910,000
Minneapolis---		4,301,000		1,376,000		2,842,000		743,000		2,322,000
Duluth-----		2,625,000		5,000		1,314,000		1,100,000		556,000
Detroit-----		88,000		9,000		6,000		11,000		40,000
Buffalo, afloat---		2,745,000		405,000		507,000		1,075,000		754,000
On Canal-----				371,000		35,000				

Total June 22 1935 ..	24,127,000	7,624,000	8,314,000	8,776,000	5,570,000
Total June 15 1935 ..	25,076,000	7,891,000	8,862,000	9,107,000	6,206,000
Total June 23 1934 ..	74,115,000	37,494,000	22,947,000	10,564,000	8,336,000

\* New York also has 68,000 bushels foreign oats stored in bond, 252,000 bushels foreign rye afloat in bond, and 67,000 bushels foreign barley afloat in bond. a Baltimore also has 13,000 bushels foreign corn in bond. b Buffalo also has 14,000 bushels Argentine corn stored in bond, and 809,000 bushels Argentine rye stored in bond.

Note—Bonded grain not included above: Barley, Buffalo, 141,000 bushels; Duluth, 102,000; total, 243,000 bushels, against none in 1934. Wheat, New York, 952,000 bushels; New York afloat, 279,000; Buffalo, 3,764,000; Buffalo afloat, 148,000; Duluth, 674,000; Erie, 455,000; Canal, 401,000; total, 6,673,000 bushels, against 10,520,000 bushels in 1934.

Canadian—	Wheat		Corn		Oats		Rye		Barley	
	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels
Montreal-----	7,677,000			276,000		54,000		545,000		
Pt. William & Pt. Arthur	71,810,000			1,410,000		2,601,000		1,526,000		
Other Canadian & other water points	34,465,000					913,000		332,000		645,000

In northern, central, and southwestern Arkansas many thousands of acres of crops have been destroyed by rivers flooding bottom lands, and there was considerable damage by winds, rain, and flooding in eastern Oklahoma, and northeastern Texas.

In the Northeastern States southward to West Virginia and Maryland, the soil is now amply supplied with moisture generally, with complaints of too much in some places, especially in parts of New York and New England. In the south Atlantic area precipitation was again light, and moisture is rather badly needed in many places from North Carolina to southeastern Alabama. The need is especially urgent in South Carolina and south-central Georgia. In the west Gulf area, especially Texas, much fair weather and moderate temperatures were decidedly favorable.

Additional rains were beneficial in North-Central States from the Lake region westward, the falls being especially generous in South Dakota. In the Rocky Mountain States conditions continued favorable, outstandingly so in Wyoming and Colorado; in the former State even some of the range is being cut for hay. In the north Pacific States most crops have improved since the rains of last week.

**Small Grains**—Continued wet fields in the southern Ohio Valley delayed cutting winter wheat, with the crop now overripe in some localities; elsewhere in the valley condition is fair to excellent, although it is ripening rather slowly. Wheat is turning in Iowa, where condition is excellent, while some has been cut in Missouri and much will be ready in a few days. In eastern Kansas harvest has begun generally in the southeastern quarter and in south-central counties, but this work was hampered by irregular ripening and soft fields. Continued heavy rains in Oklahoma delayed harvest in parts, with considerable damage in the eastern third, but good advance was made elsewhere. Good progress is reported from Texas. Progress and condition are excellent in Nebraska where wheat is ripening in the southeast, while in sections to the northwestward progress was satisfactory and condition good. In the Pacific Northwest wheat is filling nicely, except on some marginal land, with the early about ready to harvest in some localities.

In the spring-wheat region progress and condition continue good to excellent despite the low temperatures, although in parts of Montana rain is badly needed. In South Dakota spring wheat shows signs of heading in many eastern parts. Oats made fair to good progress in many central sections and are beginning to head in Illinois and adjacent areas. Rye is reported filling well in some North-Central States and beginning to turn. Flax made satisfactory growth in the Dakotas, while progress and condition of rice are good in Louisiana.

Persistent cool, cloudy, wet weather over most of the Corn Belt made a continuation of unfavorable conditions for this crop. Not much additional planting and replanting was possible during the week, while growth was retarded and cultivation hampered. Warm, sunny weather is needed generally for the corn crop.

In many places in western Kentucky only about half of the intended acreage has been seeded, while many fields in southwestern Indiana are unplanted. Similar conditions exist in southern Illinois and much of Missouri where it is now too late to plant standard varieties. In eastern Oklahoma fields were too wet for cultivation, though considerable was accomplished in Kansas. In Nebraska corn is at least two weeks late, and cultivation is needed.

In Iowa the week was unfavorably cool and wet and corn deteriorated in large areas, with poor color, and fields becoming weedy. Ponds of water are standing in many fields, and considerable corn has been drowned. No planting or replanting was possible during the week, and some of the intended acreage in the south will be planted to catch crops.

**Cotton**—Temperatures were mostly below normal in the Cotton Belt, but rainfall was less extensive and lighter in the western portion, which made an improvement over conditions of the preceding week. Except for continued wetness over a considerable northwestern area, and the need of moisture in the Southeast, the week was fairly favorable for the cotton crop.

In Texas rains were rather widely scattered over most parts of the State, and cotton shows improvement generally over the southern portion; elsewhere progress was mostly fair to good, though cultivation is backward. In Oklahoma advance varied greatly, being good in the west, poor to only fair in central, and with some deterioration in the eastern part of the State. Less rain the latter part of the week brought improvement in the central-northern portion of the belt, while conditions were mostly favorable in the south-central parts, with moderate temperatures and mostly light to moderate rains. In some north-central sections the soil continues too wet, while warmer weather is needed.

In the eastern belt the need of rain is being felt in a good many places, especially in south-central Georgia, much of South Carolina, and in the Piedmont of North Carolina.

The Weather Bureau furnished the following resume of conditions in the different States:

**Virginia**—Richmond: Temperatures near normal; precipitation light to moderate. Weather favorable for growth and cultivation. Meadows and pastures good. Cutting wheat started. Cotton improved, but growth not rapid. Planting late corn continued; low ground corn weedy. Potatoes fair to good; digging in full swing in southeast. Sweet potatoes and tobacco thriving.

**North Carolina**—Raleigh: Crops clean, but growth of corn, truck, tobacco, sweet potatoes, minor crops, and pastures poor to only fair in most of Piedmont and some parts of coastal plain account insufficient moisture; elsewhere advance generally good. Progress of cotton fair to good; rain much needed in some localities.

**South Carolina**—Columbia: Again mostly warm and fair, with only local showers. Crops deteriorated over wide areas and early corn damaged in several places account hot, dry weather; gardens, truck, fruit, pastures, and frage need rain. Tobacco fair progress; curing becoming general. Chopping cotton completed and crop well cultivated; progress and condition mostly fair; blooming through central, but prematurely in places.

**Georgia**—Atlanta: Mostly dry and corn deteriorated, but moderate showers and corn good advance in some western and northern counties. Rather cool in north and too warm in south, though progress and condition of cotton still good, with only light local shedding and weather unfavorable for weevil activity. Serious drought effects in many places, especially east and south.

**Florida**—Jacksonville: Condition of cotton good; progress fairly good; chopping good advance. Corn fair to good. Tobacco good; harvesting and curing. Truck season about over. Citrus improving.

**Alabama**—Montgomery: Last few nights cool, but otherwise moderate; favorably distributed showers. Progress and condition of cotton fair to very good and averages good. Corn, sweet potatoes, vegetables, and pastures need rain in some localities, especially southeast, but condition mostly good.

**Mississippi**—Vicksburg: Progress and cultivation of cotton mostly fairly good, except rather poor to fair on lowlands of north and central; vigor, growth, and development affected in north and central by cool nights. Progress of corn irregular and poor to fair. Progress of gardens, pastures, and truck generally fair.

**Louisiana**—New Orleans: Generally favorable for growth and cultivation of crops. Cotton made good advance and is blooming generally, with bolls forming in early; condition now mostly good, except on some lowlands where flooded or soil too wet; warm, sunny weather needed. Corn, cane, rice, truck, and miscellaneous crops good progress and condition.

**Texas**—Houston: Temperatures averaged about normal; moderate to heavy showers widely scattered. Conditions during week generally favorable, except locally in northeast where fields remained too wet. Considerable damage to crops in river valleys by floods. Cotton improved greatly in south and condition in that region good to excellent; elsewhere progress and condition mostly fair to good, though fields need cultivation. Progress and condition of corn good to excellent and of wheat generally fair to good, though latter very poor in northeast. Harvesting wheat and oats made good progress. Ranges, truck, cattle, and citrus in good condition.

**Oklahoma**—Oklahoma City: Continued heavy rains in east delayed harvest and flooded lowlands; but good progress and rain in eastern third; considerable damage to wheat and oats by winds and rain in eastern third; considerable combining in west. Progress and condition of cotton good in west, poor to fair in central, and very poor to poor in east; chopping at standstill in east, but fair advance elsewhere. Condition and progress of corn poor and fields weedy in eastern half, but fair in western; some in silk and tassel stage in north-central.

**Arkansas**—Little Rock: Half million acres of crops destroyed by overflow along rivers in north, central, and southwest. Progress of cotton excellent and fields clean in south where moisture favorable; progress slow first of week in central and north due to wet weather, but good remainder of week; fields very foul. Growth of corn fair to excellent, but cultivation very badly needed. Favorable for growth and harvesting of other crops in south.

**Tennessee**—Nashville: Wheat mostly cut and some threshed, but hindered by rains; condition fair. Corn progress poor account rains and

coolness; condition averages fair; some unplanted and many fields grassy account wetness. Cotton condition rather poor to fairly good; progress slow account cool, wet weather; chopping and cultivation backward. Tobacco about all set, but making slow progress.

**Kentucky**—Louisville: Excessive rains prevented most farm work, except tobacco setting, which is nearly done in east, but one-fourth to one-half done, because land unprepared, in west-central. Wheat over ripe in west and south; harvest delayed by rains, but being pushed at end of week and continuing in north. Growth of corn fair as too cool; weeds and grassiness becoming serious; planting finished on south and central uplands; only half of crop out in many western districts where lowlands again inundated; cultivation resumed at close.

## DRY GOODS TRADE

New York, Friday Night, June 28 1935.

A spurt in the sale of vacation merchandise and largely favorable weather conditions combined to cause a mild pickup in retail trade during the past week. Main interest centered in accessories, but home furnishings and sport apparel also came in for good buying on the part of consumers. June promotions in some instances met with gratifying response, enabling stores to partially overcome the setback suffered during the meagre spring season. Sales volume in the metropolitan district as compared with the corresponding week of last year showed gains ranging from 1 to 2%. Reports from the middle-west and the northwest were less encouraging, but in the southwest, where weather conditions were considerably improved, increases in the sales volume over last year up to 20% were recorded.

Trading in the wholesale dry goods markets continued dull, with merchants observing a cautious attitude and virtually refraining from placing any sizable orders, pending a clarification of the outlook, both regarding political developments and the movement of prices. Rumors of accumulations of goods in first hands and reports of further drastic curtailment moves served to accentuate the inactivity of buyers. While some observers believe that buying of fall goods is bound to start right after the Fourth, others feel that business will move slowly, well into the middle of July, and that an active revival will not be seen until early in August, when the need for goods in all retail channels will make itself felt. Prices remained nominally steady, although fears were current that a continuance of the present lull in buying may ultimately cause some distress offerings. Trading in silk goods is beginning to show a moderate improvement in the higher quality cloth markets. An active demand developed for spot sheers, but at prices which were unsatisfactory to the makers. Business in rayon yarns continued fairly active, with large producers reporting June shipments exceeding those of May, and with orders for July shipment being received in good volume. Rumors that a slight advance in the price of weaving numbers was planned, to take effect early in July, were again heard.

**Domestic Cotton Goods**—Trading in the gray cloth market remained in its state of inertia. What little business came to light, went to second hands, at appreciable concessions from the prices quoted by first hand sellers. While the announced determination of many mills to further drastically curtail production, imparted a feeling of reassurance to the market, it was believed that no broadening of buying activities could be expected until the movement of finished goods quickens substantially. In this connection it was said that converters had sold a fair amount of their stock and that they were gradually reaching a position where replenishment of supplies would become imperative. Late in the week, a moderate amount of sales by first hands at prices below the official quotations was consummated, but the total quantity was not sufficiently large to give it particular significance, inasmuch as second hand offerings appeared to diminish at the same time. Business in fine goods continued quiet, with only occasional sales of small spot lots being transacted, and with the pressure for price concessions showing no signs of abatement. Combed yarn fancies attracted scattered interest and fair inquiry continued for shirts and curtain cloths. Closing prices in print cloths were as follows: 39-inch, 80s, 8 $\frac{3}{4}$  to 9c.; 39-inch, 72-76s, 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; 39-inch, 68-72s, 7 to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 38 $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch, 64-60s, 5 $\frac{1}{8}$  to 6 $\frac{1}{8}$ c., 38 $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch 60-48s, 5 $\frac{3}{8}$  to 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ s.

**Woolen Goods**—Trading in men's wear fabrics continued in its seasonal lull, but prices held steady reflecting the sustained activity of the mills on older contracts, as well as the outbreak of labor troubles in parts of the industry. Clothing manufacturers reported a fair volume of orders received from Merchants although the retail movement of men's clothing showed a seasonal shrinkage. Business in women's wear goods gave indications of a moderate expansion, and orders for fall dress goods and cloakings were received in increasing volume, notwithstanding the continued uncertainty concerning the labor situation in the garment industry.

**Foreign Dry Goods**—Trading in linens continued fairly active. While the bulk of the business referred to spot lots of dress goods and suitings for immediate delivery, an appreciable number of fall orders on women's goods was booked. Prices maintained their firm trend, reflecting the strength in the overseas markets. After holding steady during the earlier part of the week, burlap prices receded slightly, in line with the easier tone reported from Calcutta. Business in spots was fairly active, but few shipment orders were placed. Domestically lightweights were quoted at 4.85c., heavies at 6.35c.

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#### 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 cancellation of the loan portion of their allotment, 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, including increases in allotments because of increased costs of construction. In each case a reduction in the allotment does not affect the amount of the grant, which remains 30% of the cost of labor and materials. All of the allotments changed in these announcements were made from the old appropriations for public works construction. We have omitted the reasons for the increases, most of which were due to increased costs. Most reductions are made at the request of the applicant.

The following announcements were the latest made public by the PWA:

Release No. 1453

Increases totaling \$120,140 have been made in 14 non-Federal allotments for local construction projects, it was announced to-day by Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes. The increased allotments were made from the old appropriations for public works construction.

Allotments for the following projects have been increased:

Laconia, N. H.—Grant of \$7,000 allotted to the State for a stock barn at the State School in Laconia increased to \$7,840.

Worcester, Mass.—Grant of \$37,200 for water main installation increased to \$50,100.

Elizabeth City, N. C.—Loan and grant of \$50,000 for a new school building increased to \$53,400.

Clarksville, Tenn.—Grant of \$14,000 for an addition to a school building increased to \$15,300.

Worcester, Mass.—Grant of \$168,000 for construction at the municipal hospital increased to \$198,300.

Dawson, Tex.—Loan and grant of \$54,000 for improving the water system increased to \$68,000.

Harper, Ore.—Loan and grant of \$18,000 allotted to Union High School District No. 2 of Malheur for school construction increased to \$25,200.

Town Creek, Ala.—Loan and grant of \$10,000 allotted to the Lawrence County Board of Education for a vocational building at Town Creek increased to \$11,900.

Columbia, S. C.—Loan and grant of \$42,000 for a public market increased to \$47,700.

New York City, N. Y.—Loan and grant of \$84,000 for improving the electric wiring system at City College increased to \$110,000.

Tower Hill, Ill.—Grant of \$18,000 allotted to Community High School District No. 185 of Shelby County for a high school building in Tower Hill increased to \$20,800.

Silvis, Ill.—Grant of \$8,200 for an addition to a grade school building increased to \$9,100.

Donaldsonville, La.—Loan and grant of \$148,000 for street improvements increased to \$157,000.

Monroeville, Ohio.—Loan and grant of \$120,000 for a school building increased to \$124,000.

Release No. 1454

The changing of five combined loan and grant allotments to grants only at the request of the recipients was announced to-day by Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes.

Allotments for the following projects have been changed:

Guthrie, Okla.—Loan and grant of \$130,000 for improving the water system changed to a grant of \$38,000.

Boerne, Tex.—Loan and grant of \$10,000 to Kendall County for additions to the court house in Boerne changed to a grant of \$3,500.

Nashua, N. H.—Loan and grant of \$49,100 for an addition to a high school building changed to a grant of \$14,100.

Afton, Mo.—Loan and grant of \$68,900 for a new school building changed to a grant of \$18,700.

Clarksburg, Ohio.—Loan and grant of \$42,200 for a new high school building changed to a grant of \$12,100.

Administrator Ickes at the same time announced reductions in five other non-Federal allotments because the recipients have sold privately part but not all of the bonds that PWA agreed to purchase. These reductions affect the loan portion of the allotments only, the grants remaining 30% of the cost of labor and materials used on the projects.

Allotments for the following projects have been reduced:

Hammond, Ind.—Loan and grant of \$685,000 for a new filtration plant reduced to \$585,000. This is the second reduction in this allotment because of private sales of bonds that PWA contracted to purchase, the first reduction being from \$785,000 to \$685,000.

Columbus, Ohio.—Loan and grant of \$398,100 for an addition to the City Hall reduced to \$326,100. This is the second reduction in this allotment, the first being from \$498,100 to \$398,100 because of the sale privately of \$100,000 worth of bonds.

Columbus, Ohio.—Loan and grant of \$1,659,000 for sewer construction reduced to \$1,455,000 because the city has sold \$204,000 worth of bonds. This is the second reduction in this allotment because of bond sales, the first being from \$1,773,000 to \$1,659,000.

Columbus, Ohio.—Loan and grant of \$691,000 for sewer construction reduced to \$591,000 because of a \$100,000 bond sale. This is the second reduction in this allotment because of bond sales, the first being from \$793,000 to \$691,000.

Hinsdale, N. H.—Loan and grant of \$147,000 for a water system reduced to \$48,000 because \$99,000 worth of bonds have been sold.

#### MUNICIPAL ALLOTMENTS RESCINDED

In line with the above changes, the Public Works 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 are the latest announcements received:

The revocation of six non-Federal allotments for the following projects was announced on June 21 by Administrator Ickes:

Mena, Ark.—Loan and grant of \$43,000 for paving work rescinded at the request of the applicant.

Tacoma, Wash.—Loan and grant of \$43,000 to the Metropolitan Park District for improvements in Wright and Jefferson parks rescinded because the district is not empowered to issue bonds to secure the proposed loan.

Amboy, Ill.—Loan and grant of \$32,000 for improving the water system rescinded at the request of the town.

Laurel, Md.—Loan and grant of \$7,900 for a fire station rescinded at the request of the Mayor and City Council.

Bonnars Ferry, Idaho.—Grant of \$17,300 allotted to Boundary County for a new court house in Bonnars Ferry rescinded at the request of county officials.

South Bend, Ind.—Loan and grant of \$400,000 for improving the water system rescinded at the city's request.

#### NEWS ITEMS

**California**—*Digest Published of Personal Income Tax Act of 1935*—Effective as to 1935 income, a new form of taxation by this State is now on the statute books. All income arising in California, regardless of the place of residence of the individual receiving it, is now subject to tax under the Personal Income Tax Act of 1935—V. 140, p. 4263. Dean Witter & Co., Pacific Coast investment dealers, have issued a digest of this new act, prepared by a Los Angeles certified public accountant, showing in detail all the provisions of the measure, with their effect on various incomes.

**California**—*Federal Court Holds Bonds Payable in Gold*—A recent Associated Press dispatch from San Francisco reported as follows on a decision given in the Federal District Court, which it is thought may affect the millions of dollars of gold bonds now outstanding in this country:

In a decision which attorneys said indirectly involves nearly \$1,000,000 worth of gold bonds throughout the United States, a Federal district court here to-day ordered the Southern Pacific Company to pay Miss Anne McAadoo \$13.87.

The decision, handed down by Federal Judge Lindley of Illinois, held that Miss McAadoo, San Francisco law firm employee, was within her rights in demanding payment of interest on Southern Pacific Terminal bonds in guilders of the Netherlands.

Judge Lindley based his decision on a clause of the bonds, an issue of about \$11,000,000, which specified that interest is payable at the option of the holder in gold or currency of the United States, guilders of the Netherlands or francs of Switzerland or France.

The Southern Pacific, which declared in its answer to the suit that the question involved the value of \$875,000,000 of similar bonds outstanding in the United States, contended the gold clause of the bonds no longer applies to holders in the United States because of dollar devaluation.

Judge Lindley held that Congressional action and the United States Supreme Court "gold clause" decision does not apply. He qualified his decision by holding that "judgment will limit the plaintiffs' right to recover payment in foreign money to compliance with the language of the coupon requiring presentation at the place provided for."

Guy V. Shoup, attorney for the Southern Pacific, said Judge Lindley's decision will be appealed.

**Florida**—*Validity of Sumners-Wilcox Municipal Bankruptcy Act Upheld by Federal Court*—It was held that Congress had the power and authority to open bankruptcy courts to municipal subdivisions in a decision delivered on June 17 by Federal Judge Alexander Akerman, ruling in a case involving the City of Dunedin, which had applied for permission to readjust its debts under the provisions of the Sumners-Wilcox Act, which extended the provisions of the Federal bankruptcy laws to include municipalities within its scope. An Associated Press dispatch from Tampa on June 17 had the following to say regarding this important decision:

In an opinion handed down to-day, Federal Judge Alexander Akerman held that the Wilcox bill, which extended the provisions of the National Bankruptcy law to include municipalities, was constitutional and that Congress was within its rights in opening bankruptcy courts to municipal corporations.

It was said to be the first Federal Court decision relating to the measure and the ruling was made in the case of the City of Dunedin, which was one of the first in Florida to apply for permission to readjust its bonded indebtedness under provisions of the Act.

William K. Whitfield, owner of the bonds of the municipality, intervened in the case and sought to have the petition withdrawn on the ground the Act under which it was filed was unconstitutional because it was not a uniform law on bankruptcy, because it interfered with State control of municipalities and because it would deprive him of his property without due process of law.

Judge Gives Stand

With regard to the first point, Judge Akerman held that while the Wilcox bill might be considered a departure from previous conceptions of the bankruptcy law, a similar point had been ruled on recently in the United States Supreme Court and discussed at length by Mr. Justice Brandeis.

"In the light of such discussion," the opinion said, "I am not prepared to say that Congress did not have the power to include municipal corporations in an amendment to the bankruptcy Act."

Ruling on the second point, Judge Akerman said that while it was true Congress had no power to interfere with the local management of a municipal corporation, "but I can see no reason why Congress cannot open the doors of the bankruptcy courts to municipal corporations so as to allow the filing of a voluntary petition by a municipal corporation."

With regard to the third point, that such a plan would deprive the intervening petitioner of his property without due process of law, Judge Akerman held that "such question should properly be decided when the plan or any substitute plan is presented to the Court for confirmation."

The decision directly affects two similar petitions now pending in Federal Court here, which were filed by the Town of Belleair and the City of Clearwater. The City of Dunedin is represented in the action by its City Attorney, Fred T. Peebles, and the intervenor, Mr. Whitfield, an Orlando



lawyer, who acted as his own representative. The Wilcox bill, which was passed last year, contained a two-year limit clause and will remain in effect for about one more year.

**Minnesota—Ouster Suit Against Governor Olson Dismissed** District Judge H. D. Dickinson on June 20 dismissed an ouster action brought against Governor Floyd B. Olson by 28 petitioners who claimed he violated the corrupt practices Act in the 1934 gubernatorial election, reports an Associated Press dispatch from Minneapolis on the 20th.

**Municipal Bonds—Discussion on Total Exemption of Future Issues**—Darby & Co., investment dealers of New York City, have prepared a leaflet giving their views as to the desirability of retaining the tax exempt features of municipal and State bonds, showing in tabular form that there is little to substantiate the claim that wealthy individuals are those deriving the greatest benefit from the tax-free obligations, inasmuch as this class of investor forms less than one-fourth of those purchasers now holding municipal securities. The text of the statement by Darby & Co. reads as follows:

Under the existing rights exercised by the States of the United States as sovereign bodies, the interest paid annually to the holders of the approximately \$18,500,000,000 State and Municipal bonds now outstanding is exempt from all Federal income taxes. At irregular intervals for years past, the abolition of this tax exempt feature has been urged, the feeling of the layman being that the great private fortunes of the nation were hiding behind this tax exemption barrier and that the tapping of this vast reservoir of funds would produce a tremendous amount of revenue and thereby cure the taxation ills of the country.

As the President, in his recent tax message to the Congress, has urged that a constitutional amendment be drafted whereby the States would relinquish this right on future issues, we feel it timely to publish a classified list of the estimated holdings of the outstanding tax exempt State and Municipal bonds at the present time, showing the approximate amount of interest each group under this classification would receive annually, the maximum tax rate applicable to each group, and the maximum tax yield possible at the present income and corporation tax rates, when, as and if all the present tax exempt bonds have matured and are replaced with taxable bonds.

Although accurate figures regarding such investment holdings are not available, a fairly close estimate can be made from a detailed analysis of Corporation reports, Bank statements, Insurance Company and Fraternal Order investment holdings, Municipal Sinking Fund reports and the investment schedules of Endowment, Philanthropic and Educational funds.

Class of Holder	Estimate of Amount Held	Income at an Assumed 4 1/2% Aver. Rate	Maximum Current Income or Corporation Tax	Amount of Tax Federal Govt. Would Receive if All Holders Subject to Maximum Tax
Sinking funds of States and municipalities.....	\$3,250,000,000	\$146,250,000	None	None
Banks.....	3,250,000,000	146,250,000	13%	\$20,109,375
Insurance companies & fraternal.....	1,750,000,000	78,750,000	13%	10,828,125
Church, charity, education & misc. funds	1,250,000,000	56,250,000	None	None
Corporations.....	4,000,000,000	180,000,000	13%	24,750,000
Private individuals.....	750,000,000	33,750,000	appr.5%	1,687,500
Income under \$5,000.....	4,250,000,000	191,250,000	63%	120,487,500
Income \$5,000 up.....				
Totals.....	\$18,500,000,000	\$832,500,000		\$177,862,500

(1) It is generally conceded that the tax exempt feature saves 1% in coupon rate to the issuing state or municipality. In other words, if the present outstanding tax exempt bonds had been issued as taxable bonds, this additional 1% coupon rate on the outstanding \$18,500,000,000 bonds would now be costing the general public, through the medium of the budgets of their various states and local municipalities—\$185,000,000 annually.

(2) In the event that all tax exempt state and municipal bonds had been issued in taxable form, as previously shown, the maximum tax yield to the Federal Government (assuming that all taxpayers paid the maximum current income or corporation tax rate) would be \$177,862,500 annually.

(3) The obvious conclusions therefore are:  
 (a) The taxpayer gains in lowered tax bills by the issuance of the part of his state or municipality of tax exempt bonds.  
 (b) Less than one-fourth of outstanding tax exempt state and municipal bonds are held by the so-called wealthy investor.

**New Hampshire—Legislative Session Ends**—The 1935 session of the State Legislature ended early on the morning of June 21, according to press dispatches. The last bill signed by the Governor is said to have been one simplifying the process of cities or towns to obtain municipal lighting plants. One bill passed by the Legislature increased the State inheritance tax from 5 to 7 1/2%.

**New Jersey—Legislature Adjourns**—The following report on the accomplishments of the legislative session which adjourned on June 25 is taken from a Trenton dispatch to the New York "Herald Tribune" of June 26:

The 159th session of the New Jersey Legislature adjourned sine die at 5:51 p. m. to-day after the Senate had approved the amendments to the State sales tax law which Governor G. Hoffman had asked, exempting milk from the tax and appropriating \$400,000 to administer the law.

The 2% tax, intended to yield \$20,000,000 for unemployment relief, will go into effect on Monday.

The Assembly approved the annual highway appropriations bill of \$37,994,664, which was passed by the Senate last night, but the resolution which was designed to amend the State Constitution to permit pari-mutuel betting on horse racing died in the Senate Committee.

Another bill approved in the last hours abolished "the right to collect damages for alienation of affections, criminal conversation, seduction or breach of promise to marry." The sponsor, Assemblyman Edwin G. Scovel of Camden, said it was aimed at "legalized blackmail."

A bill to establish a State Department of Criminal Investigation, a kind of State Scotland Yard, was lost in an Assembly Committee. The Senate had approved it last night.

All the nominations submitted by Governor Hoffman were confirmed by the Senate. Among them were those of Mayor Harry Bacharach of Atlantic City, as a member of the Public Utility Commission, and John J. Rafferty, minority leader of the Assembly, and William D. Wolskeil, of Elizabeth, as lay judges of the Court of Errors and Appeals.

Other nominations approved were those of David S. Powell, of Port Norris, and Abram H. Jones, of West Creek, to the Board of Shell Fisheries; Marinus C. Tamboer, of Haledon, to the North Jersey District Water Supply Commission; John E. Sloane, of West Orange, to the State Planning Board; Jacob L. Bauer, of Westfield, Harvey Snook, of Newton, and Frederick O. Runyon, of Maplewood, to the State Board of Engineers and Surveyors; James N. Fowler, of Bivalve, to the State Health Department, and Daniel Adams, of Commercial Township, to the Cumberland Tax Board.

In its twenty-five-week session the Legislature, strongly Republican, enacted most of the program of the Republican Governor, but in one or two crises, notably the passage of the sales tax, a coalition of Democrats and Republicans was all that saved the day. This was the Governor's principal recommendation. The tax will be in force for three years, the duration of his term.

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Some of the other achievements were:  
 Enactment of bills giving the Public Utility Commission power to negotiate rate reductions and added control over utility companies, together with strengthening of the laws for insurance of buses.

Creation of a Banking Advisory Board of eight members to assist the State Commissioner of Banking and Insurance in matters of policy and regulation.

Approval of a compact with the States of New York and Connecticut for the control of pollution of the tidal waters of New York Harbor and creation of an Interstate Sanitation Commission with five New Jersey members.

Enactment, in place of the income tax and business franchise tax, of two bills giving the Governor authority to build up a fund for reduction of the real-estate taxes now imposed for the war veterans' bonus and schools. The fund would come from any excess collected in the sales tax or other sources.

Enlargement of the State Milk Control Board from three to five members, with extensions of the life of this emergency law for another three years.

Reorganization of the State Highway Commission by the ouster of the old four-man board and appointment of E. Donald Sterner, of Belmar, as the new single Commissioner.

Advancement of the May primaries to September to shorten election campaigns, except that in Presidential years the primaries will be in May. Revision of municipal bonding laws as a step toward curtailing excessive borrowings.

Reorganization of the State Emergency Relief Administration. Creation of a legislative commission to study co-operation with the Federal Government on problems of social insurance and old age relief.

Adjournment was taken only an hour and fifty minutes after the time set last night.

**New Sources of Municipal Revenue Discussed**—A booklet has recently been completed by A. M. Hillhouse, Director of Research of the Municipal Finance Officers' Association, dealing with the important problem now facing local governments of new sources of revenue. The study presented by Mr. Hillhouse should be helpful in solving this problem, even though it is intended to be suggestive rather than exhaustive. The author cites all the tax methods now in use to provide the maintenance of an adequate revenue system, reports on the different States and communities employing the various levies and tells how they are working. In his conclusion Mr. Hillhouse strongly recommends the extension of centrally collected, locally shared taxes as the major solution of the local government revenue problem.

**New York State—Governor Estimates State Deficit at \$90,000,000**—Present indications are that the accumulated deficit of the State on June 30 will be somewhat more than \$90,000,000, according to Governor Herbert H. Lehman. Provided conditions improve even moderately, however, the Governor added, the deficit should be "largely wiped out" through increased revenues provided for in the budget of the fiscal year ending June 30 1936. The Governor cited the decline in certain taxes and the fact that new taxes, effected by the recent legislative session will not be collected until next year.

**New York State—Gross Sales Tax Taken to U. S. Supreme Court**—A petition was filed on June 27 asking the Supreme Court of the United States to consider the constitutionality of the 1% gross sales tax levied by New York State from May 1 1933 to June 30 1934. The petitioner was A. Schulte, Inc., chain cigar store operators, with 125 stores in the State, appealing from a decision of the State courts, according to a Washington news dispatch.

**New York State—Municipalities May Profit from Utilities, May Use for Tax Reduction**—Gilbert V. Schenck, Supreme Court Justice, ruled in Albany on June 24 that a municipality in the State may operate a utility enterprise for profit, and use profits so made to reduce taxes. This opinion was handed down in a case involving the village of Boonville. The Court over-ruled the Public Service Commission which had held that local publicly owned utility plants should not be operated for a profit. A United Press dispatch from Albany on the 24th commented as follows:

Supreme Court Justice Gilbert V. Schenck ruled to-day that a municipality may make a profit from the operation of a power plant and utilize a surplus to bring about a reduction in local taxes.

Justice Schenck ruled in favor of the Village of Boonville, which sought to use approximately \$15,000 of its profits from the sale of electricity to reduce taxes. The Public Service Commission, however, denied the village permission to use the money in that manner, contending that local power plants should not be operated for profit.

*State Precedent Set*

The judge, in making his decision, established a precedent, as prior to the ruling the court had not passed on the question.

Justice Schenck's decision is expected to have State-wide significance in view of Governor Lehman's utility reform program, passed by the 1934 Legislature. One of the major phases of the program authorizes localities to operate power plants in competition with private companies.

"A municipality which operates an electric plant in its proprietary capacity," Justice Schenck said, "operates it as a private enterprise subject to the same liabilities, limitations and regulations as private owned utilities and is subject to rate regulation by the Public Service Commission in a like manner."

"The municipality is entitled to the same protection of the provisions of the Fourteenth Amendment of the Federal Constitution as any privately owned utility."

"It may not be lawfully deprived of a fair return on the value of its plant property any more than a privately owned utility may be prevented from earning a reasonable profit."

"To hold that the Public Service Commission may so regulate the rates of a municipally-owned plant as to prevent a fair return on the property used and useful in the public service would amount to confiscation."

*Cites Rulings of Other States*

The Judge also cited court rulings of other States, which upheld the right of a municipally-owned plant to profit.

The Boonville plant, the court record disclosed, has been in operation since 1904 and collected a surplus of \$250,000.

Justice Schenck ruled that the interest of taxpayers in a municipal plant is equal to that of shareholders in private utilities.

"If the operation of a municipal plant at reasonable rates produces a profit, may it be held that such profit should not be used to lessen the burden of taxation?" he asked.

"The money derived from such operation is safeguarded by the laws of this State and may be used only for specific purposes and acquiring funds from such sources does not constitute taxation."

Justice Schenck in making the ruling ordered Boonville to establish a bond to assure consumers a refund in event the Appellate Division finds that its rates are excessive.

OFFERINGS WANTED
Arkansas—Illinois—Missouri—Oklahoma
MUNICIPAL BONDS
FRANCIS, BRO. & CO.
ESTABLISHED 1877
Investment Securities
Fourth and Olive Streets ST. LOUIS

BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS

ABERNATHY, Texas.—BONDS SOLD—It is stated by the Mayor that the \$20,000 water revenue bonds mentioned as being ready for sale last March—V. 140, p. 2222—have since been sold.

AIKEN SCHOOL DISTRICT, S. C.—BOND ELECTION—At an election to be held on July 5 residents of the district will be asked to vote on a proposition to issue \$125,000 high school building bonds.

AKRON, Colo.—PRICE PAID—It is stated by the Town Clerk that the \$10,000 5% semi-ann. refunding bonds purchased by O. F. Benwell of Denver, on March 23—V. 140, p. 2573—was sold at par. Due from Jan. 1 1950 to 1954 incl., optional after April 1 1936.

ALBANY, N. Y.—BONDS APPROVED—The Common Council recently approved two new bond issues as follows: \$300,000 home and work relief and an increase in public improvement bonds from \$250,000 to \$500,000. It is expected that public offering will be made soon.

ALBANY, Ore.—BOND SALE—The \$70,500 issue of refunding bonds offered for sale on June 12—V. 140, p. 3750—was awarded to Blyth & Co. of Portland, at a price of 100.03, on the bonds divided as follows: \$35,000 as 2½s, maturing on Jan. 1 1941, and \$35,500 as 3s, maturing on July 1 1945.

ALLENTOWN, Pa.—MAY VOTE ON MUNICIPAL UTILITY PLAN—The Citizens' Welfare League recently passed a resolution asking the City Council to order that a referendum be held on the question of constructing a municipally-owned electric light plant.

AMANA SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Amana), Iowa.—BOND OFFERING—H. W. Graichen, Secretary of the Board of Directors, will receive bids until 1 p. m. July 2, for the purchase of \$16,500 school building bonds. Due serially from 1936 to 1950, incl. Printed bonds and legal opinion of Chapnan & Cutler will be furnished to the successful bidder.

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY (P. O. Annapolis), Md.—BOND SALE—The \$25,000 issue of 5% coupon Arundel-on-the-Bay Taxing and Assessment District bonds offered on June 25—V. 140, p. 4101—was awarded to the Farmers National Bank of Annapolis at a price of 101.40, a basis of about 4.79%. Dated July 1 1935. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1936; \$1,000, 1937; \$2,000, 1938; \$1,000, 1939; \$1,000, 1940; \$2,000, 1941; \$1,000, 1942; \$1,000, 1943; \$2,000, 1944; and \$2,000, 1945 to 1950, incl.

ANSONIA, Conn.—TAX RATE—In connection with the offering on July 2 of \$75,000 municipal relief bonds, details of which, together with a statement on the debt of the city, appeared in V. 140, p. 4266, we are advised by Frederick M. Drew, City Treasurer, that the 1935 tax rate is 26½ mills, the same as in 1934.

ARKANSAS (State of)—SCHOOL DISTRICT AID BONDS VALID —APPEAL TAKEN—Chancellor Dodge, in Pulaski Chancery Court, recently sustained a demurrer and dismissed the suit of C. D. Davis, a taxpayer, challenging the validity of a \$20,000 issue of revolving loan school bonds authorized by the State Board of Education to bring about a court test of Act 333 of 1935. An appeal was taken to the Arkansas Supreme Court, where the transcript has been filed.

W. E. Phipps, commissioner of education, and D. A. Bradham, Judge S. M. Bone, L. A. Watkins, Elkan C. Robertson, Dave Partain, Senator Armil Taylor and Havey C. Couch, members of the board, were made defendants. The complaint charged that the bonds, authorized in a resolution adopted June 10, are prohibited by Section 1, Article 16, as well as Amendment 20 of the constitution.

The Board of Education seeks to issue the bonds to provide cash to be loaned to school districts to enable them to buy their own bonds at a discount. Permanent school fund bonds would be pledged by the board as collateral for payment of the special revolving loan fund bonds. Act 333 also would authorize districts to borrow money from Federal agencies to purchase their bonds at a discount. This feature of the act is contingent upon Congress authorizing the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to make refunding loans to school districts.

COUNTY REFUNDING BONDS HELD VALID—Counties that issued bonds under Amendment 10 to pay floating indebtedness and now find that they cannot keep up the original schedule of principal and interest payments may refund the bonds to make the debt payable over a longer period of years, the Arkansas Supreme Court held recently in affirming a decree of Pope Chancery Court.

The case arose when A. L. Talkington, citizen and taxpayer of Pope County, brought suit to enjoin county Judge M. L. Turnbow from refunding county bonds. It was shown that present revenues of the county were insufficient to pay the bond maturities, and that by refunding the bonds the annual maturities could be made smaller, the payments to extend over a longer period than was provided in the original issue. The Supreme Court held that neither the constitution nor the 1925 enabling act forbids such a refunding program.

ATLANTA, Ga.—BOND ISSUANCE PROPOSED—City officials have proposed a \$7,000,000 school program and other public improvements totaling \$2,153,600. The actual amount of bonds asked for is \$4,476,800 and the Public Works Administration to provide the balance. If \$3,500,000 of bonds are authorized and issued the PWA, according to Atlanta advices, will advance a like amount and will accept the city's bonds.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—INCREASES USE OF SCRIP—City employees of this resort will receive 75% of their salary in scrip and the balance in cash beginning their first pay day in July. The Board of Commissioners voted unanimously for the increase in the use of scrip. Recently employees received about 50% scrip and the rest in cash. Shortage of cash because of delinquent taxes is the reason for the increased use of scrip. Commissioner Frank B. Off said. Scrip has been in use here for three years. City employees have no difficulty in cashing the scrip in stores. The banks, however, will not accept it. Nearly a dozen scrip brokers do a lucrative business cashing the paper at discounts ranging from 3% to 4%.

ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS, N. J.—BOND OFFERING—The borough is asking for bids to be received until July 9 for the purchase of \$132,000 4½% coupon refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Principal and semi-annual interest (Feb. 1 and Aug. 1) payable at the Atlantic Highlands National Bank, of Atlantic Highlands. Due \$7,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1936 to 1953, incl., and \$6,000, Aug. 1 1954. Cert. check for 2% amount of bid, required. Legal opinion by Caldwell & Raymond, of New York.

BABYLON, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING—Joseph Keenan, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on July 15 for the purchase of \$15,000 not to exceed 6% interest coupon or registered bonds issued for the purpose of purchasing land in the village for public park purposes. Dated July 1 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$3,000 on July 1 from 1937 to 1941, incl. Bidder to name a single interest rate on all of the bonds, expressed in a multiple of ¼ or 1-10th of 1%. Principal

and interest (J. & J.) payable in lawful money of the United States at the Bank of Babylon. The bonds are general obligations of the village, payable from unlimited taxes. A certified check for \$300, payable to the order of the village, must accompany each proposal. The approving opinion of Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York will be furnished the successful bidder.

Financial Statement
Assessed valuation 7,035,430
Contract debt (including current issue) 187,500
Tax notes 36,500
Net debt 151,000

Population, 1930 census, 4,342.
x 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 Village.

Tax Levy
Fiscal Years— Total Levy of Fiscal Year Uncollected June 24 1935
1932-1933 \$116,500.00 \$7,486.16 a\$2,877.87
1933-1934 103,883.75 8,945.60 a4,924.36
1934-1935 116,000.00 9,675.32 a7,250.22

a Tax sale certificates. Taxes for the fiscal year March 1 1935 to Feb. 29 1936 amount to \$115,000, of which \$100,126.38 remain uncollected at present. These taxes become delinquent July 15 1935.

BATTLE CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Battle Creek) Neb.—BONDS VOTED—It is reported that the voters approved the issuance of \$45,000 in not to exceed 4% high school building bonds, at an election held on June 10.

BAY CITY, Mich.—BONDS DEFEATED—At an election held on June 18 the voters defeated the proposal to issue \$215,000 bonds in part payment of the cost of constructing a bridge over the Saginaw River. On April 1 they turned down a measure to raise \$350,000 through the sale of bonds for the same purpose.

BAYONNE, N. J.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—Ordinances have been passed on first reading providing for the issuance of \$298,000 4¼% bonds, the proceeds of which will be used to pay off temporary indebtedness in the same amount. The total includes \$193,000 park bonds of 1935 and \$105,000 water bonds of 1935. Each issue is dated Aug. 1 1935.

BEAUMONT, Tex.—SINKING FUND BONDS SOLD—A block of \$100,000 4½% city of Beaumont bonds held in the waterworks sinking fund has been sold to the George V. Rotan Co., of Houston, for a premium of \$125, equal to 100.125.

BEACHWOOD, N. J.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—On June 13 the Board of Commissioners passed on final reading an ordinance to authorize the issuance of \$43,500 note refunding bonds.

BEE COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Beeville), Tex.—BOND SALE—Bee County Road District No. 1 bonds in the sum of \$216,000 bearing interest at the rate of 4¾% were sold by County Commissioners Court on May 25 to a group of San Antonio bond houses. The bonds brought par, accrued interest and a premium of \$1,144.20, equal to 100.53.

The companies making the purchase were: Dewar, Robertson & Panscoat, W. K. Ewing Co., Van H. Howard Co., Mahan, Dittmar & Co., Donald O'Neill & Co., Rauscher, Pierce & Co., and Russ, Roe & Co.

BETHEHEM, Pa.—POWER COMPANY FIGHTS MUNICIPAL POWER PROJECT—The Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. has opened an attack on the city's plans to construct a municipal light and power plant, according to an Easton dispatch which appeared in the Philadelphia "Record" of June 21, and from which we quote in part herewith:

"The Pennsylvania Power & Light Co., subsidiary of Electric Bond & Share, to-day began a desperate fight to prevent completion of a municipally-owned electric light plant in Bethlehem. Attorneys for the company appeared in Northampton County Court here to protest allocation of \$115,000 from the Public Works Administration for building the plant, contending the city has exceeded its borrowing capacity. Thirty percent of the money is an outright grant and the balance a loan at 4% interest.

"To-day's hearing marked the culmination of a series of moves by the power company to prevent erection of the light plant."

BETHEHEM SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BOND SALE—The \$312,000 coupon or registered refunding bonds offered on June 24—V. 140, p. 4266—were awarded to a group composed of Edward Lowber Stokes & Co., Bioren & Co. and Suplee, Yeatman & Co., Inc., all of Philadelphia, as 2s, at a price of 100.429, a basis of about 1.915%. The sale consisted of: \$212,000 bonds. Due June 15 as follows: \$18,000 from 1936 to 1943, incl., and \$17,000 from 1944 to 1947, incl.

100,000 bonds. Due June 15 as follows: \$10,000 in 1936 and \$9,000 from 1937 to 1946, incl.

Each issue is dated June 15 1935. Second high bid of 100.66 for 2½s was entered by Dougherty, Corkran & Co. of Philadelphia.

The following is a complete list of the other bids submitted for the loan:
Bidder Int. Rate Rate Bid
E. H. Rollins & Sons, Moncure Biddle & Co. and Blyth & Co., Inc.----- 2¼% 100.587
Kidder, Peabody & Co.----- 2½% 100.744
M. M. Freeman & Co.----- 2¾%
Dougherty, Corkran & Co. and Singer, Deane & Scribner----- 2¼% 100.66
Bancamerica-Blair Corp.----- 2¾% 100.55
Halsey, Stuart & Co. and Stroud & Co.----- 2¼%
W. H. Newbold's Son & Co----- 2¼% 100.6515
Brown, Harriman Co. and Graham, Parsons & Co.----- 2½% 100.676
Hemphill, Noyes & Co.----- 2¾% 100.409

The bankers are re-offering the bonds for public investment at prices to yield from 0.75% to 1.80% for the 1936 to 1941 maturities and at a price of 101.25 for the remaining maturities.

BEVERLY, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN—The Banker Trust Co. of New York on June 26 was the successful bidder for the \$200,000 temporary loan issued in anticipation of revenue, dated June 26 1935 and maturing March 12 1936. The notes were taken on a 0.26% discount basis, plus a premium of \$11. Russell Washburn & Co. of Boston submitted a bid of 0.31% discount.

Other bids were as follows:
Bidder Discount Bidder Discount
Beverly National Bank----- 0.32% Newton, Abbe Co----- 0.35%
Second National Bank----- 0.325% Faxon, Gade & Co----- 0.38%
Merchants National Bank----- 0.33% New England Trust Co----- 0.385%
First National Bank----- 0.34% W. O. Gay & Co----- 0.41%
National Shawmut Bank----- 0.35% Leavitt & Co., N. Y. C----- 0.42%
Whiting, Weeks & Knowles.----- 0.35% First Boston Corp----- 0.43%

BIG HORN COUNTY (P. O. Hardin), Mont.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The county authorities have passed an ordinance for a refunding bond issue to the amount of \$69,500 to refund two issues dated Nov. 1 1915, the new issue to be dated Aug. 1 1935. Interest not to exceed 4.50%. Harry E. Cox is County Clerk.

BIG HORN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17-H (P. O. Hardin), Mont.—BOND SALE—The Brown, Schlessman, Owen & Co., of Denver, have purchased and are now offering to the investing public an issue of \$140,000 4½% refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1935. Principal and semi-annual interest (Jan. 1 and July 1) payable at the office of the County Treasurer of Big Horn County, in Hardin. Due \$7,000 yearly on July 1 from 1936 to 1955, inclusive.

BIG HORN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17-H (P. O. Hardin), Mont.—BOND CALL—It is stated by Bert Slater, County Treasurer, that the following bonds are being called for payment at the office of the Brown, Schlessman, Owen Co. of Denver, on July 1, on which date interest shall cease: \$95,000 5½% school bonds, numbered 6 to 100. Dated March 1 1911. Due on July 1 1919, redeemable on July 1 1929. 49,000 6% school bonds, numbered 27 to 75. Dated Jan. 15 1911. Due on Jan. 15 1941, redeemable on Jan. 15 1931.

BINGHAM COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 30 (P. O. Shelley), Ida.—BONDS SOLD—The district has sold the \$41,000 4% high school construction bonds recently voted by the residents to the State of Idaho.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—BOND SALE DETAIL—In connection with the sale of the \$396,000 issue of refunding bonds reported sold to Fox, Einhorn

& Co. of Cincinnati and Eli T. Watson & Co. of New York as 3½s at a price of 96.41, a basis of about 4.08%—V. 140, p. 4266—we are now informed that Edward Brockhaus & Co. of Cincinnati was associated with the above firms in the purchase of these bonds. Due from July 1 1938 to 1947.

**BIRMINGHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT, Mich.**—ACCEPTS BONDS IN PAYMENT OF TAXES—The Board of Education has voted to accept general obligation school bonds at full value in payment of taxes levied prior to and including 1932 and the debt service portion of the 1933 tax levy.

**BOGARD SCHOOL TOWNSHIP, Daviess County, Ind.**—BONDS AUTHORIZED—Elmer Chestnut, Trustee, informs us that the School Board met on June 17 and approved the issuance of \$15,500 semi-annual refunding 4% serial bonds. Dated Aug. 15 1935. Issued in series of \$775 each. The first series is payable July 1 1936 and one series semi-annually thereafter. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Washington National Bank of Washington.

**BOSTON, Mass.**—TEMPORARY LOAN—The \$2,000,000 revenue anticipation loan offered on June 25—V. 140, p. 4267—was awarded to a group composed of Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., Hemphill, Noyes & Co., and G. M. F. Murphy & Co., all of New York, at 0.98% plus a premium of \$4. Issue is dated June 27 1935 and due Feb. 17 1936. Second high bid of 0.98%, plus \$13 premium, was entered by an account composed of Edward B. Smith & Co., Goldman, Sachs & Co., Lazard Freres & Co., Inc., W. O. Gay & Co., and Washburn, Frost & Co.

The bankers are making public offering of the notes, priced to yield 0.70%. Other bidders were:

<i>Bidder</i>	<i>Int. Rate</i>	<i>Premium</i>
Salomon Bros. & Hutzler	1.07%	\$19.00
Kidder, Peabody & Co., Brown Harriman & Co., Inc., Stone & Webster and Blodget, Inc., First Boston Corp.	1.19%	16.00

**BOSTON, Mass.**—BOND OFFERING—Sealed proposals for the purchase of 11 issues of bonds, aggregating \$5,437,000, separated into three separate groups, as described below, will be received until noon (Eastern Daylight Saving Time) July 9 by John H. Dorsey, City Treasurer.

*Group A, Composed of Coupon Serial Bonds Aggregating \$1,925,000, Interest Not to Exceed 4%*

\$50,000 police communications system. Order of the City Council of Boston of March 2 1934. Payable \$10,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1940 incl.

250,000 reconstruction of streets. Order of the City Council of Boston of Feb. 27 1934. Payable \$25,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1945 incl.

100,000 replacement of the Brookline Ave. water main from the Brookline line to Beacon St. Order of the City Council of Boston of Feb. 27 1934. Payable \$5,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1955 incl.

500,000 school, South Boston District. Order of the City Council of Boston of Feb. 27 1934. Payable \$25,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1955 incl.

300,000 Hospital Department, new buildings and alterations and equipment bonds. Order of the City Council of Boston of Feb. 27 1934. Payable \$15,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1955 incl.

150,000 water main construction bonds. Order of the City Council of Boston of Feb. 27 1934. Payable \$8,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1945 incl., and \$7,000 annually, Aug. 1 1946 to Aug. 1 1955 incl.

75,000 Northern Avenue Bridge, reconstruction and repair bonds. Order of the City Council of Boston of May 2 1934. Payable \$4,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1950 incl., and \$3,000 annually, Aug. 1 1951 to Aug. 1 1955 incl.

500,000 schools, West Roxbury District, bonds. Order of the City Council of Boston of July 24 1934. Payable \$25,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1955 incl.

*Group B, Composed of Coupon Serial Bonds Aggregating \$3,012,000*  
\$3,000,000 City of Boston municipal relief loan, Act of 1935, bonds. Order of City Council of Boston of June 10 1935. Payable \$300,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1945 incl.

12,000 automatic traffic signals, North End Section, bonds. Order of the City Council of Boston of Dec. 12 1933. Payable \$2,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1937 incl., and \$1,000 annually, Aug. 1 1938 to Aug. 1 1945 incl.

*Group C, Composed of Coupon Sinking Fund Bonds Amounting to \$500,000*  
\$500,000 traffic tunnel bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, Series B, bonds. (Chapter 297, Acts of Massachusetts, 1929, as amended by Chapter 287, Acts of Massachusetts, 1932.) These bonds shall be due Aug. 1 1965, but may be called by the city after 20 years from date on any date upon which interest is payable on these bonds.

Bidders are to name rates of interest at which they will take bonds, expressed in multiples of ¼%. Sales will not be made at less than par and accrued interest. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Principal and semi-annual interest (Feb. 1 and Aug. 1) payable at the City Treasurer's office. Certified check on a Boston National bank or trust company, for 1% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Delivery to be made on or about Aug. 1.

**BOTTINEAU COUNTY (P. O. Bottineau), N. Dak.**—BOND OFFERING—C. E. Hurst, County Auditor, will receive sealed proposals until 2 p. m., July 3, for the purchase of \$30,000 7% certificates of indebtedness. Denoms. not to exceed \$5,000. Certified checks must accompany each bid in the amount of 2% of the bid.

**BOWLING GREEN, Ky.**—BOND SALE—A group consisting of The Bankers Bond Co., Almstead Bros., J. J. B. Hilliard & Son, Stein Bros. & Boyce, all of Louisville, and the Equitable Securities Corp. of Nashville, has purchased, and is now offering to the public at prices to yield from 3½% to 4½%, the issue of \$630,000 4½% coupon sewer improvement revenue refunding bonds which have been offered by the city on June 3—V. 140, p. 3587. Denom. \$1,000. Dated June 15 1935. Principal and semi-annual interest (June 15 and Dec. 15) payable at the Chemical Bank & Trust Co., New York, and at the American National Bank, Bowling Green.

Due yearly on Dec. 15 as follows: \$2,000, 1936; \$4,000, 1937 to 1939; \$5,000, 1940 and 1941; \$6,000, 1942; \$7,000, 1943; \$8,000, 1944 and 1945; \$10,000, 1946 and 1947; \$11,000, 1948; \$12,000, 1949; \$13,000, 1950; \$14,000, 1951; \$16,000, 1952; \$17,000, 1953; \$18,000, 1954; \$20,000, 1955 to 1960 incl.; \$25,000, 1961 to 1965 incl.; \$30,000, 1966 to 1971; and \$29,000, 1972. Legality of the bonds is to be approved by Chapman & Cutler of Chicago.

**BROCKTON, Mass.**—TEMPORARY LOAN—The temporary loan of \$200,000 issued in anticipation of revenue, dated June 28 1935 and maturing Feb. 19 1936, which was offered on June 27, was awarded to the Brockton National Bank of Brockton on a 0.35% discount basis. Leavitt & Co. submitted a bid of 0.48% discount, plus \$3 premium.

Other bids were as follows:

<i>Bidder</i>	<i>Discount</i>
Home National Bank of Brockton	0.54%
Merchants National Bank	0.55%
National Shawmut Bank	0.56%
W. O. Gay & Co.	0.56%
Newton, Abbe & Co.	0.57%
Whiting, Weeks & Knowles	0.57%

**BUCYRUS, Ohio**—BOND LEGALITY DISAPPROVED—City Council was recently informed that Squire, Sanders and Dempsey of Cleveland would not approve legality of the \$35,000 sewer bonds sold to Cool, Stiver & Co. of Cleveland. This necessitates either amending the bond ordinance and re-advertising for bids or selling the bonds at a private sale at an increased rate of interest.

**BUFFALO, N. Y.**—REPORT ON UNPAID TAXES—The Buffalo Municipal Research Bureau, Inc., in the current issue of "Just a Moment," contains the following:

Buffalo has been extremely fortunate in its experience of tax collections compared with nearly all other cities, according to a report by Dun & Bradstreet, Inc. From its many tables we select, as the most significant, the one which shows the total accumulated tax delinquency in comparison with the city's latest tax levy. For example, in the case of Buffalo the city taxes of all years, which remained unpaid at Dec. 1 1934, were an amount equal to 22.0% of the city taxes levied in the budget for the fiscal year 1934-1935.

The table, as far as it shows the cities of 300,000 population or more, is this:

<i>Rank</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>Rank</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>%</i>
1	San Francisco	8.1	10	Philadelphia	64.5
2	Buffalo	22.0	11	New York	66.2
3	Louisville	22.9	12	Cleveland	66.4
4	Baltimore	26.2	13	Jersey City	75.3
5	Los Angeles	28.2	14	Pittsburgh	78.5
6	Rochester	44.8	15	Seattle	83.2
7	Boston	49.7	16	Portland, Ore.	87.1
8	St. Louis	58.8	17	Detroit	96.7
9	Newark	61.9			

**BURLINGTON, N. C.**—BOND ELECTION AUTHORIZED—The Board of Aldermen is said to have authorized recently the calling of an election to submit to the voters the issuance of \$25,000 in bonds for developing a tobacco warehouse program. This election is reported to be necessary to make possible a Public Works Administration grant of 45% on the project.

**BURLINGTON, N. J.**—BOND SALE—The issue of \$111,000 coupon or registered funding bonds for which bids were received at 8 p. m. on June 26 was finally sold on June 28 to Dougherty, Corkran & Co. of Philadelphia and the First National Co. of Trenton, jointly, as 3½s, for a premium of \$165.39, equal to 100.14, a basis of about 3.74%. Dated July 1 1935 and due July 1 as follows: \$5,000 from 1938 to 1958 incl. and \$6,000 in 1959.

**BURT WASHINGTON DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Blair), Neb.**—BOND SALE—An issue of \$142,000 refunding bonds is reported to have been sold recently as 4½s. Due serially over an 8 year period.

**CADILLAC, Mich.**—MAY VOTE ON BOND ISSUE—The city may hold an election on a proposal to issue general obligation bonds in payment of its share of the cost of a municipal auditorium if an application for a grant is approved by the Public Works Administration. The issue would be in amount of about \$55,000. A previous application for Federal aid has been delayed as it called for the issuance of revenue bonds as security for the loan.

**CALDWELL, Idaho**—BONDS AUTHORIZED—An ordinance has been passed which authorizes the issuance of \$41,000 3½% street refunding bonds.

**CALIENTE, Nev.**—BONDS VOTED—An election held on June 17—V. 140, p. 3935—the voters approved the issuance of the \$30,000 in 4% sewer bonds. Due \$2,000 from Jan. 1 1936 to 1950 incl.  
At the same time the voters also favored the issuance of \$12,000 4% water main extension bonds, maturing \$1,000 from Jan. 1 1936 to 1947 incl. (An allotment of \$54,000 has been approved by the Public Works Administration for water system purposes.)

**CAMANCHE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Iowa**—BONDS PROPOSED—A meeting will be held July 2 to institute proceedings for the issuance of \$15,500 school refunding bonds. Eva V. Farwell is Secretary of the Board of Education.

**CAMBRIDGE, Ill.**—BOND ELECTION PLANNED—The local authorities have decided to call a special election for the purpose of asking the voters to approve a proposed \$25,000 community hall building bonds.

**CAMBRIA COUNTY (P. O. Ebensburg), Pa.**—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The County Commissioners on June 21 authorized the issuance of \$200,000 bonds to finance a deficit in the county's funds.

**CAMERON COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Brownsville), Tex.**—BONDS PURCHASED BY RFC—It is stated by the General Manager that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has purchased \$457,000 of refunding bonds. (A tentative report on this proposed sale appeared in our columns recently—V. 140, p. 4102.)

**CAMPBELL COUNTY (P. O. Alexandria), Ky.**—BRIDGE BOND ISSUE UPHeld—The Court of Appeals on June 21 affirmed the judgment of the Campbell Circuit Court in the suit of Edward C. Rentz against the Campbell County Fiscal Court and the bridge commission of Campbell County to pass on the issuance of \$1,500,000 in bonds to purchase or build a bridge across the Ohio River between Newport and Cincinnati—V. 140, p. 4102, according to an Associated Press dispatch from Frankfort on the 21st.

The Campbell Circuit Court had refused to enjoin the defendants from advertising the names of the members of a bridge commission in connection with the proposed bond election next August. The Appellate Court held that "the statutory scheme of procedure" had been followed "strictly by both the County Court and the Fiscal Court in entering the orders" involved in the controversy.

**CANNONSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Cannonsville), N. Y.**—BONDS AUTHORIZED—At a special school meeting on June 6, voters approved \$17,000 bonds for school construction purposes.

**CANYON COUNTY INDEPENDENT CLASS A SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 28 (P. O. Caldwell), Ida.**—BONDS NOT SOLD—The \$60,000 not to exceed 4% school bonds offered on June 12—V. 140, p. 3751—have not been sold as yet, reports the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, due to the fact that nothing has been heard from the Federal Government regarding the district's application for a Public Works Administration grant on the project.

**CARBON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Red Lodge), Mont.**—REFUNDING BONDS AUTHORIZED—The Board of Trustees have authorized the issuance of \$58,000 4¾% bonds for the purpose of refunding a like amount of 6% bonds now outstanding.

**CARSON COUNTY (P. O. Panhandle), Tex.**—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The Commissioner's Court recently authorized an issue of \$40,000 road paving bonds.

**CASCADE COUNTY (P. O. Great Falls), Mont.**—BOND CALL—The County Treasurer is said to be calling for payment on July 1, on which date interest shall cease, various bridge, public highway, and school district bonds. Payable either at the County Treasurer's office or at the Irving Trust Co. in New York City.

**CASTLEFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9 (P. O. Castleford), Ida.**—BOND ELECTION—Walter Reese, Clerk of the Board of Trustees announces that an election has been called for July 12 for the purpose of submitting to the voters a proposal that the district issue \$12,000 bonds.

**CATAWABA COUNTY (P. O. Newton), N. C.**—BONDS AUTHORIZED—At a recent meeting the County Commissioners passed a resolution authorizing the issuance of \$80,000 school bonds.

**CAVALIER SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Cavalier), N. Dak.**—BOND ELECTION—An election is said to have been called for July 2 to vote on the issuance of \$40,000 in school construction bonds.

**CHADRON, Neb.**—BOND CALL—It is said that the following bonds are being called for payment at the office of the Kirkpatrick-Pettis-Loomis Co. of Omaha:  
On Sept. 1—\$98,000 refunding bonds, numbered 1 to 44, 46 to 50 and 52 to 100. Dated Sept. 1 1930. Due on Sept. 1 1950, optional on Sept. 1 1935.  
On Nov. 1—\$46,000 refunding bonds, numbered 1 and 2 and 7 to 50. Dated Nov. 1 1930. Due on Nov. 1 1950, optional Nov. 1 1935.

**CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa**—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The issuance of \$43,000 sewer and water bonds was recently authorized by the City Council.

**CHARLOTTE, N. C.**—BONDS AUTHORIZED—An ordinance is said to have been passed recently by the City Council providing for the issuance of \$25,000 in automotive equipment bonds. (A tentative report on these bonds appeared recently—V. 140, p. 4102.)

**CHATSWORTH, Ga.**—BOND ELECTION—A special election has been ordered to be held on July 10 to vote on the issuance of \$12,000 sewer bonds.

**CHICAGO SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ill.**—HOLDERS OF WARRANTS FORM PROTECTIVE COMMITTEE—The probability that the Board of Education will offer no alternative method to provide for the payment of outstanding 1929 warrants has prompted holders of the instruments to appoint a committee to discuss with attorneys possible recourse to the courts in order to arrange for liquidation of the debt, according to the Chicago "Journal of Commerce" of June 19. This action follows the



The city's total assessed valuation for 1935 has been placed at \$2,240,-696,230. Of this total, \$727,574,480 is on land, \$1,054,340,995 on buildings and \$458,680,755 on personalty. Both land and building valuations have decreased, the land by \$10,291,520 and buildings by \$6,959,305, in the past 12 months. These decreases are partially offset by a gain of \$6,441,085 in personalty. Over a period of four years assessed valuations have declined over a billion dollars, the smallest annual decline having been recorded in the past year.

**DETROIT, Mich.—BONDS APPROVED**—The Common Council on June 20 approved the issuance of \$450,000 electric transmission bonds as a part of the proposed Public Works Administration expenditure of \$818,000 for extension of transmission lines.

**DIGHTON, Kans.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—An ordinance has been passed authorizing the issuance of improvement bonds in the sum of \$18,000 for the purpose of providing funds to pay the cost of constructing lateral sewers in Sewer District No. 1. C. N. Owen is City Clerk.

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—PWA ALLOTMENT RESCINDED**—The following statement (Release No. 1445) was made public on June 21 by the above Federal agency:

“Rescission of \$50,000 as the unexpended balance of an allotment for two District of Columbia sewer projects was announced to-day by the Public Works Administration.  
“The District of Columbia auditor advised PWA of an unexpended balance of \$25,000 in connection with the construction of the north-east boundary sewer, and \$25,000 on the Piney branch relief sewer. The sewers have been completed.”

**DODGE CITY, Kan.—BOND CALL**—It is stated that \$119,000 of 4½ and 4¾% refunding bonds are being called for payment at par and interest at the State Treasurer's office in Topeka, on Aug. 1, on which date interest shall cease. The bonds are divided as follows: Nos. 38 to 102 of Series A; Nos. 240 to 305 of Series B. Dated June 1 1933.

**DOWNS, Kans.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—An ordinance was recently passed providing for the issuance of \$29,000 refunding bonds. Harold Richardson, is City Clerk.

**DULUTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Duluth), Minn.—BOND SALE**—The \$400,000 issue of refunding bonds offered for sale on June 25—V. 140, p. 4103—was awarded to a syndicate composed of the First and American National Bank, the Northern National Bank, both of Duluth, the Northwestern National Bank & Trust Co. of Minneapolis, and the Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, as 2.70s, paying a premium of \$3.00, equal to 100.077. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Due from Aug. 1 1938 to 1949, inclusive.

The second highest bid was submitted by the Wells-Dickey Co. of Minneapolis, offering a premium of \$4.730 on 3% bonds.

**DULUTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Duluth), Minn.—PRICE PAID**—It is reported by the Clerk of the Board of Education that the \$17,000 4% semi-ann. stadium improvement bonds purchased by the Wells-Dickey Co. of Minneapolis on June 14—V. 140, p. 4268—were actually awarded for a premium of \$940 (not \$490, as previously reported), equal to a price of 105.52, a basis of about 3.25%. Due \$1,000 from Feb. 1 1936 to 1952, inclusive.

**DUNMORE, Pa.—BOND OFFERING**—Andrew J. O'Hara, Borough Secretary, will receive bids until July 2 for the purchase at not less than par and interest of \$185,000 judgment funding bonds, to bear from 4% to 5% interest, in semi. \$1,000. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1940; \$6,000, 1941; 1942 and 1943; \$12,000, 1944; \$15,000, 1945; \$17,000, 1946 to 1952, incl. and \$18,000, 1953. Certified check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for required. Legal opinion by Townsend, Elliott & Munson of Philadelphia.

**DuPAGE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36 (P. O. Wheaton), Ill.—BOND OFFERING**—C. L. Anson, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until noon on July 16, for the purchase of \$70,000 4% school bonds. Dated July 16 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$3,000 from 1936 to 1945, incl. and \$10,000 from 1946 to 1949, incl. Principal and interest (A & C) payable in lawful money of the United States at the Gary-Wheaton Bank in Wheaton. A certified check for 5% of the bonds bid for, payable to the order of Otto F. Mauf, District Treasurer, must accompany each proposal. Successful bidder to pay for legal opinion and cost of printing and preparing the bonds.

**DURANT, Okla.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—An ordinance was recently passed authorizing the issuance of \$11,939.02 coupon bonds to fund the city's outstanding indebtedness.

**DUVAL COUNTY (P. O. Jacksonville), Fla.—CITY AND COUNTY MERGER PLAN DEFEATED**—At a special election held on June 18 the voters rejected the plan to merge the City of Jacksonville and Duval County, defeating the proposal by a majority of 2,324 votes. The vote was 7,175 "for" and 4,899 "against".

The voters also voted at that time on retention of budget-making powers by the City Council, giving 9,140 votes "for" to 6,359 "against" the proposition, according to the Jacksonville "Times-Union" of June 19.

**EAGLE RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Brown County, Ohio.—BOND ELECTION**—The Board of Education has ordered that an election be held on July 16 to vote on a proposal to issue \$12,000 school building addition bonds.

**EAST CHICAGO, Ind.—BOND OFFERING**—M. A. McCormack, City Controller, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. on July 2 for the purchase of \$25,000 not to exceed 5% interest viaduct extension bonds of 1935. Dated June 1 1935. Denom. \$500. Due in blocks of \$12,500 each on July 1 in 1942 and 1943. Bidder to express the rate of interest in a multiple of ¼ of 1%. Interest payable J. & J. The bonds are declared to be direct general obligations of the city, payable out of ad valorem taxes to be levied and collected on all the taxable property in the city. Legal opinion of Matson, Ross, McCord & Clifford of Indianapolis will be furnished the successful bidder.

**EAST HAVEN, Conn.—PROPOSED BOND ISSUE**—It has been proposed that an issue of \$10,000 right-of-way bonds be sold.

**EAST PROVIDENCE, R. I.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The taxpayers recently authorized the borrowing of \$60,000 on notes or bonds to raise funds for unemployment relief and for highway improvements.

**EGG HARBOR CITY, N. J.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Common Council on June 13 passed an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$757,471.81 bonds for the purpose of refunding a similar amount of bonds and notes outstanding. The new bonds will bear interest at no more than 4% and will be dated June 1 1935. Denominations, 1 for \$471.81 and 1,514 for \$500. Due yearly on Dec. 1 as follows: \$21,471.81, 1940; \$21,500, 1941 to 1954, incl.; \$22,500, 1955 to 1959, incl., and \$21,500, 1960 to 1974, incl.

**EL DORADO SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3, Kan.—BOND ELECTION**—At a recent meeting of the Board of Education, the Board passed a resolution to place before the voters the question of whether or not the Board should issue bonds in the amount of \$198,500 for the construction of a new, modern high school and junior college building, which when completed will be worth \$391,500. The election will be held July 16.

**ELKHART TOWNSHIP (P. O. Albion), Ind.—BONDS APPROVED**—The State Tax Board recently approved a \$14,000 school construction bond issue of this township, according to advices received.

**ELYRIA, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING**—A. C. Schilleman, City Auditor, will receive bids until noon July 18 for the purchase at not less than par and interest of \$252,000 4% coupon water works mortgage revenue bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1935. Principal and semi-annual interest (Jan. 1 and July 1) payable at the Chemical Bank & Trust Co. of New York. Due \$12,000 yearly on July 1 from 1937 to 1957, incl. Bidders may name interest at a rate lower than 4%, but rate must be expressed in multiple of ¼%. Certified checks for \$2,520, payable to the City of Elyria, required.

**ELYSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BONDS VOTED**—The residents at a recent election gave their approval to a proposed bond issue of \$20,600 high school improvement bonds.

**ERIE COUNTY (P. O. Buffalo), N. Y.—BONDS APPROVED**—The Board of Supervisors has authorized a \$425,000 bond issue for road and bridge improvement, according to recent advices.

**ERIE COUNTY (P. O. Sandusky), Ohio.—OTHER BIDS**—The following is a list of the unsuccessful bids for the \$14,000 right-of-way bonds sold to the BancOhio Securities Corp. of Columbus as 2¼s at a price of 100.12, a basis of about 2.48%, as stated in V. 140, p. 4269:

Table with 3 columns: Bidder, Int. Rate, Premium. Lists various bidders such as Prudden & Co., Toledo and their respective interest rates and premiums.

**ERIE COUNTY (P. O. Sandusky), Ohio.—BOND SALE**—The \$71,000 bonds offered on June 27—V. 140, p. 4103—were awarded to Cool, Stiver & Co. of Cleveland as 2¼s for a premium of \$333.70, equal to 100.475, a basis of about 2.14%. Dated Sept. 1 1934. Due \$7,000 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1936 to 1943, incl. and \$8,000 Sept. 1 1944. Prudden & Co. of Toledo offered a premium of \$3.10 for 2¼s.

**ERIE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BOND SALE**—The \$200,000 coupon or registered school bonds offered on June 27—V. 140, p. 3937—were awarded to Brown Harriman & Co., Inc., and Graham, Parsons & Co., jointly, as 2s at a price of 101.028, a basis of about 1.87%. Dated July 15 1935 and due July 15 as follows: \$5,000, 1936 to 1942, incl.; \$15,000, 1944 to 1947, incl. \$10,000, 1948; \$40,000, 1949; \$30,000 in 1950 and \$25,000 in 1951.

**ESSEX COUNTY (P. O. Newark), N. J.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—Ordinances which authorize the issuance of \$100,000 park bonds, \$30,000 school bonds and \$34,000 water bonds have been passed by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

**ESSEX COUNTY (P. O. Newark), N. J.—BONDS APPROVED**—The Board of Freeholders recently approved issuance of \$175,000 Overbrook Hospital power plant improvement bonds.

**EUGENE, Ore.—BOND SALE**—The \$30,500 issue of refunding assessment, Series E bonds offered for sale on June 24—V. 140, p. 4269—was awarded to Camp & Co. of Portland, as 3s, at a price of 100.27, a basis of about 2.92%. Due from Aug. 1 1936 to 1940.

**EUREKA, Calif.—BONDS VOTED**—At a recent election the people gave their approval to a proposal that the city issue \$65,000 civic auditorium bonds.

**EVERETT, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN**—Leavitt & Co. of New York City were awarded on June 27 an issue of \$400,000 revenue anticipation notes at 0.47% discount. Due \$200,000 each on March 10 and April 15 1936. The Merchants National Bank of Boston was second high bidder at 0.49%.

Table with 2 columns: Bidder, Discount. Lists bidders such as Bank of the Manhattan Co., National Shawmut Bank, W. O. Gay & Co., etc., and their respective discount rates.

**EVERETT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BONDS APPROVED**—The \$18,000 3% school bonds purchased at a price of par by the First National Bank of Everett were approved on June 17 by the Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs.

**FAIRFIELD COUNTY (P. O. Bridgeport), Conn.—PLANS SALE**—The \$15,000,000 Merritt Parkway highway construction bonds recently authorized by the State Legislature.

**FAIRVIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT, Okla.—BOND ELECTION**—An election will be held on July 2 to vote on the question of issuing \$30,000 school building bonds.

**FLATHEAD COUNTY (P. O. Kalispell), Mont.—WARRANTS CALLED**—It is stated by C. A. Robinson, County Treasurer, that he called for payment on June 17, on which date interest ceased, various general, bridge and poor fund, county extension, district school and high school warrants, all of which were registered on or before June 17. There is also an issue of High School No. 38 warrants, registered on or before May 27, that is being called.

**FOLCROFT, Pa.—BOND CALL**—C. W. Williams, Borough Secretary, announces that an issue of \$30,000 4% sewer bonds dated Aug. 1 1924 will be called for payment on Aug. 1 1935.

**FORSYTH COUNTY (P. O. Winston-Salem), N. C.—BONDS TO BE OFFERED**—It is reported that an issue of \$100,000 note funding bonds will be offered for sale in the near future.

**FORT SMITH, Ark.—BONDS TO BE SOLD TO U. S.**—We are informed that the \$300,000 4% water revenue bonds recently authorized, as stated in our issue of June 21, are to be purchased by the U. S. Government.

**FORT SMITH, Ark.—BONDS DEFEATED**—It is now reported by the City Clerk that at the election held on April 9, the voters defeated the proposed issuance of \$28,000 in park improvement and warehouse construction bonds.

**FOWLER, Ind.—BOND SALE**—The \$18,000 4% storm sewer construction bonds offered on June 18—V. 140, p. 3590—were awarded to Marcus R. Warrender of Indianapolis for a premium of \$378, equal to 102.10, a basis of about 3.72%. Dated June 15 1935. Due \$500 each six months from July 1 1936 to Jan. 1 1954, inclusive.

**FRAN KLIN, Vt.—BOND OFFERING**—The town will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on July 17, for the purchase of \$25,000 4% refunding bonds. Dated July 1 1935 and due serially from 1937 to 1953, inclusive.

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP (P. O. Plain), Sauk County, Wis.—BOND ELECTION**—An election is being held on June 25 to vote on a proposal to issue \$40,000 road surfacing bonds.

**FULLERTON, Neb.—BOND REFUNDING PLAN**—Through an arrangement made with 75% of the holders of outstanding city bonds, Greenway-Raynor Co. of Omaha, as agent of the council, is handling the refunding of \$315,000 of 5% bonds on the basis of 3%. The new bonds will be due serially over a 20-year period.

**GAINESVILLE, Ga.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—An ordinance is said to have been passed by the City Commissioners, calling an election to be held Aug. 6 to vote on the issuance of \$60,000 in water system bonds.

**GARY, Ind.—WARRANT SALE**—The \$225,000 4½% tax anticipation warrants offered on June 24—V. 140, p. 4270—were sold at par as follows: \$210,000 to the Gary State Bank and \$15,000 to the Gary Trust & Savings Bank. No other bids were received. The warrants mature Nov. 5 1935.

The warrants are to be coupon in form, will be issued in the denom. of \$1,000 each and will mature Nov. 5 1935.

**BONDS TO BE OFFERED**—Deputy City Comptroller John D. Zehner informs us that the city will offer for sale about Aug. 20 an issue of \$25,000 coupon refunding bonds, which will probably bear 4% interest. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 20 1935. Principal and semi-annual interest (Feb. & Aug.) payable at Gary. Due Aug. 20 1945.

**GEORGIA, State of—PWA ALLOTMENT FOR UNIVERSITY SYSTEM RESCINDED**—The following statement (Release No. 1455) was released recently by the above Federal agency:

“Because of the effect of a law recently enacted by the Legislature of Georgia, a loan and grant of \$2,691,800 allotted to the Regents of the University System of Georgia has been rescinded, it was announced by Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes.

“The money was to have been used for improvements at a number of schools and colleges under control of the Regents.

“As security for the loan from Public Works Administration the Regents pledged income of the University System derived from tuition, matriculation fees and proceeds of the sale of personalty,” but the law enacted by the Legislature provides that these moneys shall be paid into the State Treasury, therefore making it impossible to pledge these fees and proceeds to service the loan.”

**GIBSON COUNTY (P. O. Trenton), Tenn.—BOND ISSUANCE NOT SCHEDULED**—It is stated by the Clerk of the County Court that no action is to be taken regarding the issuance of the \$400,000 bonds authorized by a legislative Act to cover that amount of incurred debt—V. 140, p. 2906—until after the July term of the County Court.

GILBERT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Minn.—BOND ELECTION—An election is to be held on July 13 for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing \$173,000 school refunding bonds.

GILMER, Tex.—BOND ELECTION CONTEMPLATED—It is said that an election will be held in the near future to have the voters pass on the issuance of \$110,000 in street paving bonds.

GLADEWATER, Texas—BONDS VOTED—By a vote of 92 to 5 the people on June 15 gave their consent to the issuance of \$150,000 water and sewer bonds.

GRAND LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Colo.—BONDS VOTED—The residents of the district have voted in favor of the issuance of \$12,500 school construction bonds.

GRANT COUNTY (P. O. Lancaster), Wis.—BOND ISSUANCE NOT CONTEMPLATED—It is stated by the County Clerk that no meeting was held relative to the holding of an election to vote on the issuance of \$460,000 road bonds, as reported in May—V. 140, p. 3423—as no bond issuance is contemplated.

GREENCASTLE, Ind.—BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT—The issue of \$475,000 4% coupon (registerable as to principal) water revenue bonds recently purchased by Lewis, Pickett & Co., Inc. of Chicago—V. 140, p. 4270—is being offered by the bankers for public investment at prices to yield from 2% to 3.65%, according to maturity.

These bonds, in the opinion of counsel, are valid and binding obligations of the city, and are payable solely from a continuing fixed proportion of the gross revenues of the water plant, which is set aside into a special fund each month known as the "Bond and Interest Redemption Account."

These bonds, it is said, are further secured by a statutory first mortgage lien on the water plant. From reports filed with the Public Service Commission of the State of Indiana by the Greencastle Water Works Co., the bankers have obtained figures which show the present income of the water system to be more than sufficient to pay all expenses of operation, maintenance, depreciation, and the principal and interest of these bonds as same mature.

Financial Statement (as Officially Reported)

Assessed valuation, 1935 \$3,726,000
Bonded debt None
Total, est. population (permanent, 4,678; students, 1,500) 6,200

\* Does not include this issue of \$475,000 water revenue bonds.
The above statement does not include the debt of any other political subdivision having power to levy taxes within the city.

GREENVILLE COUNTY (P. O. Greenville), S. C.—NOTE SALE—A \$400,000 issue of county notes was purchased by George Norwood of Greenville, at 1.69%, according to the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.

GREENWOOD, Miss.—BOND ELECTION—At an election to be held on July 2 the people will be asked to vote on the question of issuing \$192,500 municipal utility revenue bonds.

GRENADA, Miss.—BOND ELECTION—On July 9 the residents will be asked to vote on a proposed \$10,000 bond issue.

HALEDON (P. O. Paterson), N. J.—PROPOSED BOND FINANCING—Ordinances providing for the issuance of \$15,000 6% bonds were scheduled to receive final reading on June 24. There are \$9,000 street improvement, due in 15 years, and \$6,000 water system acquisition bonds, to mature in 20 years.

HALSTAD, Minn.—BOND SALE—The \$8,000 4% semi-ann. village bonds offered for sale on June 25—V. 140, p. 4270—were sold at par as follows: \$7,000 to a local investor, and \$1,000 to the Halstad Mutual Fire Insurance Co., according to the Village Clerk. Due in 1940 and 1945.

HAMILTON COUNTY (P. O. Cincinnati), Ohio—BOND SALE—The issue of \$70,000 tuberculosis sanatorium bonds offered on June 26—V. 140, p. 3938—was awarded to Johnson, Kase & Co., of Cleveland, at a 2 1/2% interest rate for a premium of \$905, equal to 101,293, a basis of about 2.41%. Dated July 1 1935. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1937 to 1936, incl.; and \$2,000, 1957 to 1961, incl. Stranahan, Harris & Co. of Cleveland submitted the next best bid, offering a premium of \$513.68 for 2 1/2% bonds.

Other bids were as follows:

Table with columns: Bidder, Rate Int., Premium. Includes Chas. A. Hinsch & Co., Inc., Cincinnati; Grau & Co., Inc., Cincinnati; Fox, Einhorn & Co., Cincinnati; Seasongood & Meyer, Cincinnati; Paine, Webber & Co., Cool, Stiver & Co., Cincinnati; Breed & Harrison, Inc., Cincinnati; Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co., Cincinnati; Van Lahr, Doll & Ishpording; Widman, Holzman & Katz, Cincinnati; Field, Richards & Shepherd, Inc., Cincinnati; Nelson Brown- ing & Co., Cincinnati; BancOhio Securities Co., Columbus, O.; The First Cleveland Corp., Cincinnati; Prudden & Co., Inc., Cleveland.

HAMILTON COUNTY (P. O. Chattanooga), Tenn.—BOND ELECTION NOT SCHEDULED—It is reported by the County Judge that no date has been determined as yet as to when an election will be called to submit to the voters the proposed issuance of \$2,632,000 in bonds, divided as follows: \$1,500,000 hospital; \$1,027,000 school, and \$105,000 Silverdale Hospital improvement bonds.

HAMPTON, N. H.—BOND CALL—The following numbered 5% street railway bonds dated Feb. 1 1921 have been called for payment at par on Aug. 1 1935, on which date interest will cease: 9, 18, 26, 28 and 65. The said bonds with all unmaturing coupons attached should be presented for payment at the office of the First National Bank of Boston, Transfer Department, 17 Court St., Boston, Mass., on or after Aug. 1 1935.

HARRIS SCHOOL DISTRICT, Iowa—BONDS PROPOSED—A meeting will be held July 1, to institute proceedings for the issuance of \$14,000 school refunding bonds. E. B. Jones, is Secretary of the Board of Education.

HAWAII, Territory of—BOND SALE CONTEMPLATED—In connection with the report given in these columns recently—V. 140, p. 4270, that the Territorial Treasurer is coming to the United States to discuss the issuance of \$4,430,000 Territory of Hawaii serial bonds, we give the following San Francisco dispatch to the "Wall Street Journal" of June 24:

"Proceeds of the \$4,430,000 refunding bonds which the Territory of Hawaii plans to offer early in July will be used to redeem three issues of public improvement 4% bonds which are redeemable at par 10 years prior to maturity on three weeks' notice.

"The issues which the territory plans to redeem are: \$1,500,000 issue of 1911, due Aug. 1 1941; \$1,500,000, issue of 1912, due Sept. 3 1942, and three series of a 1914 issue, totaling \$1,430,000, due Sept. 15 1944.

"In a letter to investment bankers and banks, W. C. McGonagle, Territory Treasurer, states that the refunding issue will be divided into two parts, \$3,000,000 series A bonds, and \$1,430,000 series B. It is understood that the Treasurer has already received expressions from Pacific Coast bond dealers that under present market conditions the Territory could arrange the new loan on better than a 3% basis.

"Flotation of the refunding loan will mark the first public financing that has been undertaken by Hawaii since 1932. Total bonded debt of the

territorial government as of June 30 1934, was \$32,232,000, and total assessed value of property was \$395,561,897.

"Bonds of the Territory of Hawaii are direct obligations of the Territory, principal and interest thereof being a charge upon consolidated revenues and are payable from unlimited taxation on real and personal property. Hawaiian bonds are exempt from taxation in the Territory and are as free from taxation throughout the United States, as were the United States Liberty first 3 1/2%, which have been redeemed.

"Mr. McGonagle expects to arrive in Los Angeles on June 28 and in San Francisco, July 1. In both cities he will meet with bond dealers to discuss the proposed financing. He is due in New York July 8."

HERNDON, Pa.—BOND ELECTION—At an election to be held on July 16 the voters will consider the following issues: \$20,000 water system improvement and \$5,000 school building.

HILL TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Lupton), Mich.—\$5,000 BONDS FOR SALE—The district desires to sell an issue of \$5,000 4% bonds, to mature in five instalments. Proceeds will be used to construct a new two-room school house. Tenders will be received by Bessie Whiteside, Secretary.

HOHOKUS, N. J.—BOND SALE—The Citizens First National Bank & Trust Co. of Ridgewood has purchased \$97,000 4 1/2% refunding bonds at a price of 100.75.

HOLYOKE, Mass.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The Board of Aldermen recently authorized \$79,895 in bonds. The issue is now before the Emergency Finance Commission, at Boston, for approval.

HOLYOKE, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN—The \$300,000 temporary loan offered on June 25—V. 140, p. 4270—was awarded to the Merchants' National Bank of Boston at 0.33% discount. Dated June 25 1935. Maturing Aug. 6 1935.

Faxon, Gade & Co. of Boston named a rate of 0.38%.

HOPKINTON, Iowa—BOND ELECTION—The city council has called an election for July 23 to vote on building a municipal light and power plant to cost \$68,000 to be paid for by revenue bonds.

HORACE, Kan.—BONDS VOTED—At the election held on June 17—V. 140, p. 4270—the voters approved the issuance of \$12,000 in not to exceed 5% municipal water supply bonds, by a count of 50 to 9, according to the City Clerk. Due in 20 years. The date of sale has not been determined as yet.

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho—BOND OFFERING—It is reported that sealed bids will be received by Lee Walker, City Clerk, until 8 p.m. on July 5 for the purchase of a \$20,000 issue of refunding bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 2 1/2%, payable J. & J. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1935. Due \$5,000 from July 1 1937 to 1940, bonds due in 1940 to be redeemable on and after July 1 1936. A certified check for \$1,000, payable to the city, must accompany the bid.

INKOM COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Inkom), Ida.—BONDS SOLD—A \$50,000 issue of school site bonds that was authorized at an election held on Jan. 18 has been purchased by the State Department of Public Investments, according to report.

INTERLAKEN, N. J.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—An ordinance authorizing \$36,800 4 1/2% refunding bonds was recently passed in Borough Council. The bonds are to be dated March 1 1935 and mature \$800 on Sept. 1 1935, \$2,000 in 1936, and 1937, \$3,000 in 1938 and 1939, \$5,000 from 1940 to 1943 incl., and \$6,000 in 1944. Interest payable M. & S.

IOWA CITY, Iowa—PWA GRANT REQUESTED—The City Council filed a request with the Public Works Administration for a grant of 45% to be used in conjunction with the city's plan to issue revenue bonds to cover the difference on a proposed municipal light and power plant estimated to cost \$917,000, as reported in our issue of April 13—V. 140, p. 2578.

IOWA FALLS, Iowa—BONDS VOTED—At the election on June 16, the proposition of issuing \$60,000 hospital building bonds carried by a vote of 1,036 to 200. Floyd Klippel is City Clerk.

IPSWICH, Mass.—BOND SALE—Newton, Abbe & Co. of Boston were awarded on June 21 an issue of \$25,000 municipal relief bonds as 1 1/2%, at a price of 100.336, a basis of about 1.39%. Dated July 1 1935 and due serially from 1936 to 1940 incl. Other bidders were: Blyth & Co. 1 1/2% 100.18; Tyler, Buttrick & Co. 1 1/2% 100.09; National Shawmut Bank 1 3/4% 100.348; E. B. Smith & Co. 1 3/4% 100.387; Faxon, Gade & Co. 2% 100.226

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—BOND DISPOSAL REPORT—We are now informed by M. W. Bishop, Secretary of the City Commission, that the bids received on June 19 for the purchase of the \$185,000 coupon refunding bonds, issue of 1935, were rejected because of the legal technicalities involved, and at public auction on June 24 the bonds were purchased by the Florida Bonding Corp. of Jacksonville as 2 1/2%, paying a premium of \$550, equal to 100.297, a basis of about 2.67%. Dated July 15 1935. Due on July 15 1939. It is stated by the above Secretary that these bonds were taken without the city furnishing an approving opinion. (We had previously reported the sale of these bonds to John Nuveen & Co. of Chicago—V. 140, p. 4271.)

In connection with the above statement we give the following report from the Jacksonville "Times-Union" of June 20, regarding the previous public offering: "The City of Jacksonville was offered an opportunity yesterday afternoon to sell its bonds on an interest rate of 3%, the lowest figure ever made for securities of the city.

"John Nuveen & Co., Chicago investment house, made a bid of \$185,100 on a 3% basis for an offering of \$185,000 worth of refunding bonds.

"The Atlantic National Bank offered to buy the issue at an even lower rate of interest provided the city could furnish an unqualified opinion from New York bond attorneys. The Atlantic bid par for the issue on the interest bearing rate of 2.75%.

"Because of a recent act of the State Legislature, relating to the sale of Florida bonds, Thomson, Wood & Hoffman, New York bond lawyers, declined to furnish such an opinion.

"Yesterday's sale was offered without the opinion, and the Nuveen Co. bid was the apparent low bidder for the bonds, with no demand as to the opinion.

"The bids were held up and referred to City Auditor Pace, City Treasurer Hendley and City Attorney Miller for tabulation and recommendations. The bids probably will be acted upon Friday upon the return of Finance Commissioner Fred M. Valz, who was called out of the city Tuesday by the death of his mother in Staunton, Va.

"One other bid on a 3% basis was also received. It was that of the Florida Bonding Corp., Jacksonville, which bid \$1 over par for the issue. "Other bids were received from the Barnett National Bank, Pierce-Biese Corp., Natco Corp., Miami, and First National Bank of Tampa, Childress & Co., Jacksonville, Mercantile Trust Co., Baltimore, and Trust Co. of Georgia, Atlanta."

JAMESTOWN, Ohio—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The Village Council recently authorized for issuance \$9,000 4% special assessment bonds. Dated Oct. 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due Sept. 1 1936 to 1944, incl. Prin. and int. (M. & S.) payable at Village Treasurer's office.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.—BOND ELECTION CONTEMPLATED—It is said that an election may be held some time in July to vote on the issuance of bonds for school buildings, a convention hall and county jail.

JENNINGS COUNTY (P. O. Vernon), Ind.—BOND OFFERING—Howard Daringer, County Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 10 a.m. on July 8 for the purchase of \$15,000 not to exceed 4% interest series No. 1 of 1935 "advancement fund" poor relief bonds. Dated July 15 1935. Denom. \$750. Due \$1,500 on June 1 and Dec. 1 from 1936 to 1940 incl. Bidder to express the interest rate in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. Interest payable J. & D. A certified check for 3% of the bonds bid for, payable to the order of the Board of County Commissioners, must accompany each proposal. County will furnish legal opinion of Matson, Ross, McCord & Clifford of Indianapolis to the successful bidder. No conditional bids will be considered. Bonds are authorized under Chapter 117, Acts of 1935.

An issue of similar amount was awarded on May 16 to the Indianapolis Bond & Share Corp. of Indianapolis at a price of 103.92, a basis of about 3.21%.

**JEFFERSON COUNTY (P. O. Oskaloosa), Kans.—BOND SALE**—The following two issues of 2½% coupon road bonds, which were offered on June 24—V. 140, p. 4271—were awarded to the Columbian Securities Corp. of Topeka, at a price of 100.865, a basis of about 2.09%:

\$26,795.91 Wellman Road bonds, Fourth Series, Denoms., 1 for \$795.91 and 26 for \$1,000. Due yearly on June 1 as follows: \$2,795.91, 1936; \$2,000, 1937 to 1939, and \$3,000, 1940 to 1945, inclusive.
13,395.03 E. E. Barnard to Winchester Road bonds, Third Series, Denoms. 1 for \$395.03 and 13 for \$1,000. Due yearly on June 1 as follows: \$1,395.03, 1936; \$1,000, 1937 to 1942, incl.; and \$2,000, 1943 to 1945.

Dated June 1 1935.  
Other bidders were:

Name—	Premium per \$1,000
Stern Bros., Kansas City, Mo.....	\$3.85
Baum Bernheimer Co., Kansas City, Mo.....	3.58
City National Bank & Trust Co., Kansas City, Mo.....	2.60
Dunne, Israel Co., Wichita.....	5.39
Estes Payne & Co., Topeka.....	8.23

**BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT**—The successful bidder offered the above bonds for public subscription at prices to yield from .50% on the 1936 maturity to 2.00% on the 1941 maturity, the 1942-1945 maturities being priced at 101. Principal and interest (J. & D.) payable at the State Treasurer's office in Topeka. Legality approved by Dean & Dean, of Topeka.

*Financial Statement*

Assessed valuation (tangible).....	\$21,837,051
Total debt, including this issue.....	363,500
Population 1930.....	14,129

**JONESBORO SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Jonesboro), Ark.—BOND REFUNDING PROGRAM APPROVED BY EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**—Developed during the last six weeks, the \$397,000 refunding plan on bonds of the above district has been approved by the State Department of Education at Little Rock. District officers are reported as saying the plan will be made effective even should Congress approve the Terry bill to authorize Reconstruction Finance Corporation loans to refinance school district obligations. It is reported that the district has on hand sufficient funds to pay \$20,000 interest due July 1. The refunding plan is said to contemplate 4% interest the first 15 years and 5% thereafter to maturity.

**KALONA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Iowa—BONDS VOTED**—At the election held on June 19, the proposition of issuing \$20,000 school building bonds carried by a vote of 227 to 45. C. C. Miller is Secretary of the Board of Education.

**KAMRAR INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Iowa—BONDS PROPOSED**—Directors of the district will meet at 8 p. m., July 1 to issue \$31,000 school refunding bonds. Frances VanLangen, is Secretary.

**KANDIYOHI COUNTY (P. O. Willmar), Minn.—BOND OFFERING**—Peter Heimdahl, County Auditor, will receive bids until 2 p. m. July 8 for the purchase of \$30,000 drainage refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1935. Due \$5,000 yearly on July 1 from 1937 to 1942, incl. Certified check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, required.

**KANSAS CITY, Kan.—BOND SALE DETAILS**—The \$45,713 general improvement bonds purchased recently by Stern Bros. & Co. of Kansas City, as reported in these columns—V. 140, p. 4105—are stated to be 2½% bonds, dated May 1 1935, and maturing from May 1 1936 to 1945 incl. It is said that they were sold for a premium of \$566.39, equal to 101.239, a basis of about 2.27%. Legality approved by Bowersock, Fizzell & Rhodes of Kansas City.

**BOND SALE**—It is also stated by the City Clerk that a \$66,203 issue of general improvement bonds was purchased on June 18 by the Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, as 2¼s, paying a premium of \$267, equal to 100.403, a basis of about 2.17%. Dated June 1 1935. Due from June 1 1936 to 1945 inclusive.

**KEANSBURG, N. J.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Borough Council has approved on final reading an ordinance authorizing issuance of \$347,400 refunding bonds which would be dated June 1 1935 and mature yearly as follows: \$13,000, 1936 and 1937; \$14,000, 1938; \$16,000, 1939; \$17,700, 1940; \$16,000, 1941 to 1945, incl.; \$18,000, 1946 and 1947; \$20,000, 1948 to 1950; \$11,800, 1951; \$12,000, 1952; \$10,000, 1953 and 1954; \$10,900, 1955; \$9,500, 1956; \$6,100, 1957; \$6,500, 1958; \$9,900, 1959; \$11,000, 1960.

**KEENESBURG, Colo.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—An ordinance has been passed providing for issuance of refunding bonds to the amount of \$14,500 to refund like amount of outstanding water extension bonds dated Aug. 1 1920. New issue to be negotiable coupon bonds dated Aug. 1 1935, interest at 5%. G. C. Lewis is Town Clerk.

**KUTZTOWN, Pa.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Borough Council has passed an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$16,000 park and playground bonds.

**LA CENTER, Wash.—BOND OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. on July 12 by H. E. Basham, Town Clerk, for the purchase of a \$4,700 issue of town bonds. In interest rate is not to exceed 6%, payable semi-annually. A certified check for 5% of the amount bid is required.

**LAKE MISSOULA COUNTIES JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 28 (P. O. St. Ignatius), Mont.—BOND SALE**—The \$100,000 refunding bonds offered for sale on June 24—V. 140, p. 3755—were awarded to the State Board of Land Commissioners as 3½s at par, according to G. E. Kidder, District Clerk. The second highest bid was an offer of 101.86, on 4% bonds, tendered by the Spokane Eastern Trust Co. of Spokane.

**LAKE SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Lake Village), Ind.—BOND OFFERING**—Kenneth Rainford, Trustee, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. on July 15 for the purchase of \$4,000 4½% school building addition bonds. Dated July 1 1935. Denom. \$200. Due \$200 July 1 1936; \$200 Jan. 1 and July 1 from 1937 to 1945 incl., and \$200 Jan. 1 1946. Interest payable J. & J.

**LAMAR, Colo.—BOND SALE**—We are informed by our Denver correspondent that an issue of \$115,000 3¼% general refunding bonds has been awarded to a group of Denver investment houses, headed by Gray B. Gray, Inc. Due in 1936 to 1938.

**LAMAR SCHOOL DISTRICT, Mo.—BOND ELECTION**—The Lamar Board of Education has called a special election for July 2 for the purpose of voting on \$8,000 bonds for the construction of a new gymnasium and additional class rooms to the high school.

**LANDER, Wyo.—BOND SALE**—It is stated by the Town Clerk that a \$30,000 issue of 4½% semi-annual warrant funding bonds approved by the voters on May 14, have since been sold.

**LAS CRUCES, N. Mex.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—An ordinance has been passed for issuance of refunding bonds to the amount of \$55,000 to refund outstanding water works bonds. The issue is to be sold to the State.

**LATROBE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BOND ELECTION**—An election will be held on July 23 at which the voters will consider an issue of \$95,000 school building construction bonds.

**LAUDERDALE COUNTY (P. O. Florence), Ala.—BOND SALE**—A \$45,000 issue of 4½% semi-annual school building bonds is reported to have been purchased recently by the Equitable Securities Corp. of Nashville, paying a premium of \$435, equal to 100.96.

**LAWRENCE, Kan.—BONDS SOLD**—City Council recently sold \$21,340.65 internal improvement refunding bonds at 2¼% to Estes, Payne & Co. of Topeka for a premium of \$540 per \$1,000.

**LAWRENCE COUNTY (P. O. Silver Creek), Miss.—BOND ELECTION**—At a meeting on June 15 the County Supervisors are said to have ordered an election for July 9 to have the voters pass on the proposed issuance of \$15,000 in school remodeling bonds.

**LEA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS (P. O. Lovington), N. Mex.—BOND SALE**—The two issues of bonds aggregating \$45,000, offered for sale on June 22—V. 140, p. 4106—were purchased by the State Treasurer, at par. The issues are divided as follows: \$15,000 Sch. Dist. No. 8 bonds. Due \$1,500 from June 1 1936 to 1945 incl. 30,000 Sch. Dist. No. 19 bonds. Due \$3,000 from June 1 1936 to 1945 incl. No other bid was received, according to the County Treasurer.

**LEAVENWORTH COUNTY (P. O. Leavenworth), Kan.—BONDS APPROVED**—The State Tax Commission has recently given the County Board authority to issue \$36,000 relief bonds.

**LEEDY, Okla.—BONDS VOTED**—A \$15,000 bond issue has been voted for the purpose of constructing and equipping a town hall. Douglas Bowman is Town Clerk.

**LEWIS COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 225 (P. O. Toledo), Wash.—BOND OFFERING**—Harold Quick, County Treasurer, is receiving bids at Chehalis until 5 p. m. July 12, for \$19,000 bonds of School District No. 225. Bonds were voted by district, Aug. 15 1935, following assurance that the Public Works Administration and State would make contributions toward building a new school. After construction had been started, however, the State, which had offered to buy the bonds, was prevented from doing so by Initiative No. 94.

**LEWISTON, Mont.—BOND CALL**—The City Treasurer is reported to be calling for payment at his office on July 1, the following bonds: Bridge, Nos. 18 to 20; water, Nos. 41 to 50, both dated July 1 1920.

**LEWIS TOWNSHIP, Northumberland County, Pa.—BOND ELECTION**—A special election to consider issuance of bonds for school construction purposes will be held on July 16, it was recently announced.

**LILLINGTON, N. C.—NOTE SALE**—The Bank of Lillington is reported to have purchased on June 24 at par, a block of \$4,000 6% revenue anticipation notes.

**LIMA, Ohio—BOND DESCRIPTION**—The \$7,000 5% sewage disposal plant bonds authorized by the City Council as previously noted in these columns, bear date of July 10 1935, are in denoms. of \$1,000 and mature Oct. 1 as follows: \$3,000 in 1936 and \$2,000 in 1937 and 1938. Principal and interest (A. & O.) payable at the office of the Sinking Fund Trustees.

**LINCOLN COUNTY (P. O. Libby), Mont.—BONDS FOUND VALID**—According to the Helena "Independent" Lincoln County building bonds in the sum of \$75,000 were validated by the Montana Supreme Court recently when that body denied an injunction to halt the sale of the securities. The bonds are to be sold to erect a new courthouse, and were authorized by the electors of Lincoln County by a vote of 744 to 700.

The election procedure was attacked on the grounds that some errors were made in notices of the amount of bonds to be issued, and on other alleged irregularities. Associate Justice Morris delivered the opinion of the court, and held that any irregularities were immaterial, and that an emergency statute, validating all Public Works Administration elections would prevent the issuance of the restraining order asked for by the petitioner.

**LINCOLN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Lincoln), Neb.—BONDS NOT SOLD**—We are informed by J. G. Ludlam, Secretary of the Board of Education, that he has no knowledge of the sale of \$73,000 refunding bonds to the Board of Educational Lands and Funds, as reported in these columns recently—V. 140, p. 4106.

**LINDEN, N. J.—BOND SALE**—The City Council recently authorized the sale of \$100,000 refunding bonds, \$20,000 to the Linden Sinking Fund Commission, \$50,000 to the Union County Sinking Fund Commission and \$30,000 to the Police and Firemen's Pension Fund.

**LITTLE ROCK SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ark.—BONDS SOLD TO UNITED STATES**—The U. S. Government will purchase the \$114,000 4% school bonds which were offered for sale on June 20—V. 140, p. 3940. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Mar. 1 1935. Interest payable Mar. 1 and Sept. 1. Due serially.

**LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—COURT RULES AGAINST ADDITIONAL BONDS**—Municipalities and counties cannot issue additional bonds to retire floating indebtedness incurred between Oct. 7 and Dec. 7 1934, unless the original and supplemental bond issue can be reduced with the three-mill special debt service tax authorized by Amendment 10, the Arkansas Supreme Court held recently.

The ruling was made in the case of Lewis W. Cherry, a taxpayer, against Mayor Overman of Little Rock and members of the City Council, which passed an ordinance recently proposing that a \$50,000 supplemental bond issue be floated to take up city indebtedness that accrued between Oct. 7, the date the amendment first was believed to have become effective, and Dec. 7 1924, the date the Supreme Court subsequently held that it actually became effective.

Mr. Cherry brought suit to test legality of the proposed issue and it was developed that the three-mill tax is insufficient to meet principal and interest requirements on the original bond issue of \$1,910,000 and that the city has no authority to levy an additional tax for debt service. The decision reversed a decree of Pulaska Chancery Court, approving the proposed supplemental bond issued.

**LOCKPORT, N. Y.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—Common Council has voted to issue \$18,000 public library bonds.

**LODI, N. J.—BONDS PASSED ON FIRST READING**—An ordinance has been passed on first reading by the Mayor and Council authorizing the issuance of \$233,000 refunding bonds. The question will be given final consideration on July 1.

**LONG BRANCH, N. J.—BONDS PASSED ON FIRST READING**—The City Commission recently adopted on first reading an ordinance providing for the issuance of \$182,000 bonds to pay off back taxes to the county for 1932 and 1933.

**LONG PRAIRIE, Minn.—BOND INSURANCE CONTEMPLATED**—It is reported that plans are being made toward the issuance of \$75,000 in refunding bonds.

**LORAIN, Ohio—BOND OFFERING**—Frank Ayers, City Auditor, will receive bids until noon July 18 for the purchase of 3½% park and playground bonds in the amount of \$5,531. Denom. \$1,000 except one for \$531. Interest payable semi-annually on March 15 and Sept. 15. Dated Sept. 15 1935. Matures as follows: \$1,000 on Sept. 15 in each of the years 1936 to 1940 incl. and \$531 Sept. 15 1941. Certified check in the amount of 2% of the par value of the bonds bid for required.

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY (P. O. Los Angeles), Calif.—REPORT ON PAYMENTS OF DISTRICT BONDED DEBTS**—The following statement was sent to us by the Gatzert Co., investment dealers of Los Angeles

*Los Angeles County (all figures as of May 31 1935)*

All elementary school districts, high school districts, sanitation districts and water works districts in Los Angeles County were up-to-date in payment of principal and interest as of May 31 1935.

Thirty-four of the 52 road improvement districts in Los Angeles County, with a total bonded debt of \$1,113,644.78, were up-to-date in payment on May 31. Eighteen districts were in default in principal or interest or both. Unpaid principal totaled \$35,472.24 while unpaid interest amounted to \$3,892.75.

Twenty-eight of the 68 Los Angeles County acquisition and improvement districts (Mattoon—1925 Act) with a total bonded debt of \$5,307,371.23, were in default. Of these 26 were in default of principal and interest, one in principal only and one in interest only. The defaulted principal amounted to \$182,303.75 and unpaid interest amounted to \$74,182.78.

Of the 68 Los Angeles County drainage improvement districts only Drainage Improvement District No. 8 was in default. The amount of principal in default was \$6,000 and the amount of interest in default was \$1,276.80.

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY (P. O. Los Angeles), Calif.—BOND ELECTION CONTEMPLATED**—The Board of Supervisors are reported to be considering the submission of bond issue proposals to the electors at the special election which is to be held on Aug. 13. The proposals include a \$20,000,000 relief bond issue, a flood control bond issue of undetermined size, and several construction bond issues assigned to provide funds for public works which would permit the county to take advantage of allocations of Federal funds.

**LOS ANGELES, Calif.—OTHER BIDDERS**—In connection with the sale of the \$1,600,000 water works bonds on June 18 to a group headed by Brown, Harriman & Co., Inc., of New York, as 3½s at a price of 101.27, a basis of about 3.425%, we give herewith the following statement sent to us by Dan O. Hoyer, Deputy City Controller:

"I have to inform you in regard to the sale of \$1,600,000 water works bonds, election 1930, class 'L' Series 1, of the City of Los Angeles, being part of an issue of \$38,000,000 issue of bonds authorized by voters at a special municipal election held May 20 1930: the sale took place yesterday, the 18th, and the successful bidder was Brown, Harriman & Co., Weeden &

Co. and William R. Staats Co., the bid being par plus a premium of \$20,262 and accrued interest at 3 3/4%. Other bids received were as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Bidder, Int. Rate, Premium. Lists bidders such as Bank of California et al., R. H. Moulton & Co., Blythe & Co. and Dean Witter & Co., Anglo-California National Bank et al., and William Cavalier & Co.

LOUISIANA, State of—BONDS SOLD—It is reported by the State Treasurer that on June 25 the State sold the \$2,000,000 issue of Confederate Veterans' and Widows' Pension bonds that was offered for sale without success on June 12, as previously reported in these columns—V. 140, p. 4106.

LOUISIANA (State of)—BOND OFFERING PLANNED—Authority to sell an additional \$1,000,000 of State highway bonds from the \$75,000,000 authorized by constitutional amendment in 1930 was given recently by the State Advisory Board and July 18 was set as the time for receiving the bids.

LOWELL, Mass.—BOND SALE—An issue of \$150,000 macadam pavement and sidewalk bonds has been sold to Blyth & Co., Inc. of Boston as 2s, at par plus a small premium. Dated July 1 1935 and due \$30,000 each July 1 from 1936 to 1940 inclusive.

LUBBOCK, Tex.—BOND ISSUANCE CONTEMPLATED—The City Commission is said to have instructed City Attorney E. L. Klett to draw an order authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds for a municipal natural gas system. The issue will total approximately \$300,000, payable from revenues of the proposed gas system.

MCCRACKEN COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION (P. O. Paducah), Ky.—BOND SALE—We are in receipt of a report to the effect that an issue of \$40,000 school bonds has been sold to the Bankers Bond Co. of Louisville.

McGEHEE, Ark.—BOND SALE—The \$30,000 issue of 4% semi-annual city hall construction bonds offered for sale on June 20—V. 140, p. 3941—was awarded to the Public Works Administration at par. No other bid was received, according to the Mayor.

MADISON, N. C.—NOTES SALE—A \$2,500 issue of 6% tax anticipation notes is reported to have been purchased at par by the Bank of Madison.

MADISON SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Martinsville), Ind.—BOND OFFERING—On July 13, at 2 p. m., the Township Trustee and the Advisory Board will offer for sale at the Walnut Grove School House an issue of \$7,500 bonds.

MADISON TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Mansfield), Ohio—BOND SALE—The \$55,000 school building bonds offered on June 22—V. 140, p. 3941—were awarded to the First Cleveland Corp. of Cleveland as 3s, at par plus a premium of \$308, equal to 100.56, a basis of about 2.915%. Dated June 22 1935 and due semi-annually from 1936 to 1955 inclusive.

Table with 3 columns: Bidder, Int. Rate, Premium. Lists bidders: Farmers Savings & Trust Co., Mansfield; Lawyers Loan Corp., Columbus; Citizens National Bank & Trust Co., Mansfield; and Richard Trust Co., Mansfield.

MANCHESTER, N. H.—BOND SALE—The following two issues of 3% bonds were awarded on June 26 to Arthur Perry & Co. of Boston, at 104.406 a basis of about 2.07%:

\$100,000 highway improvement and departmental equipment bonds. Due \$20,000 yearly on June 1 from 1936 to 1940, incl. 50,000 municipal improvement bonds. Due yearly on June 1 as follows: \$3,000 1936 to 1945 incl. and \$2,000, 1946 to 1955, incl.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Price Bid. Lists bidders: E. H. Rollins & Sons, Boston; Newton, Abbe & Co., Boston; Halsey, Stuart & Co., Boston; and Merchants Nat. Bank of Manchester.

MANASSA DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Manassa), Colo.—BOND ELECTION—Manassa Drainage District, will hold an election on July 2, to vote on refunding bonds to the amount of \$18,600 for refunding like amount dated Dec. 1 1922. Stephen A. Smith is Secretary.

MANASQUAN, N. J.—BOND ORDINANCE PASSED—An ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$100,000 funding bonds was passed on first reading by the Borough Council on June 18 and will come up for final passage on July 13.

MANILLA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Manilla) Iowa—BOND ELECTION CONTEMPLATED—It is reported by the District Secretary that an election is planned to vote on the issuance of \$8,250 in school bonds. The district is said to have filed an application for a Public Works Administration grant on the project.

MAPLE LAKE, Minn.—BOND OFFERING—R. W. Henneman, Village Recorder, will receive bids until 7 p. m., June 28 for the purchase of \$4,500 refunding bonds. Denom. \$500. Cert. check for 10%, required.

MARION, Ohio—WATER PLANT PURCHASE LOAN ARRANGED—C. W. McNear & Co. of Chicago and Walter, Woody & Heimerding of Cincinnati, have agreed to finance the purchase by the city of the plant and related facilities of the Marion Water Co.

MARLBORO, Mass.—BONDS APPROVED—The City Council recently approved a loan of \$30,000 to provide for ERA projects.

MASON COUNTY (P. O. Ludington), Mich.—MAY VOTE ON HOSPITAL BONDS—Attorney-General Harry S. Toy has ruled that the county may bond by vote of the electorate for the construction and maintenance of a county hospital. An opinion on the validity of such an issue was requested by Jack Eliason, prosecuting attorney.

MARTINS FERRY, Ohio.—BOND SALE—A block of \$5,400 5% street bonds has been sold to J. S. Todd & Co. of Cincinnati for a premium of \$14.04, equal to 100.26.

MATAMORAS, Pa.—BONDS APPROVED—The \$77,500 bonds to be issued by the borough to finance the acquisition of the water works system and property of the Matamoras Citizens Water Co. were approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs on June 17.

MAYSVILLE, Okla.—BOND SALE DETAILS—The \$7,000 issue of sewer bonds that was purchased by the First National Bank of Maysville—V. 140, p. 3941—bears interest at 5% and was awarded at par, according to the Town Clerk. Due \$1,000 from 1940 to 1946 inclusive.

MEDFORD, Mass.—BOND SALE—The \$100,000 municipal relief bonds offered on June 26 were awarded to the Merchants National Bank of Boston as 2s at 100.61, a basis of about 1.88%. Dated July 1 1935. Due from 1936 to 1945, incl. Whiting, Weeks & Knowles, of Boston bid 100.55 for 2s.

MELVINDALE, Mich.—BONDS HELD LEGAL—Judge Harry B. Keidan in Circuit Court recently denied the right of the City of Melvindale to repudiate \$550,000 water and sewerage bonds. The action was brought by Thomas Sharon, City Treasurer, who claimed that the former village charter prohibited the city from in excess of 10% of assessed valuation. Judge Keidan held that because the city was getting the benefits of the water and sewerage systems, the bond issue was legal and just.

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—CONFIRMATION—The City Clerk confirms the report carried recently in these columns—V. 140, p. 4106—that an election will be held on July 18 to vote on the issuance of \$1,300,000 in bonds, divided as follows: \$850,000 street improvement and \$450,000 general imp. bonds.

MERCER COUNTY (P. O. Stanton), N. Dak.—BOND OFFERING—The Board of County Commissioners is requesting competitive bids for the purchase of bonds amounting to from \$35,000 to \$50,000. Bonds to be issued to refinance warrants and accounts issued prior to Jan. 1 1935. Bids will be opened and considered on July 2, at 1:30 p. m. A certified check for \$100 must accompany each bid. Paul Leupp is County Auditor.

MERCHANTVILLE, N. J.—BOND SALE—The \$28,000 improvement funding bonds offered on June 24—V. 140, p. 4107—were awarded to J. B. Hanauer & Co. of New York City as 4s, at par plus a premium of \$612.08, equal to 102.18, a basis of about 3.60%. Dated July 1 1935 and due July 1 as follows: \$4,000 in 1937 and \$3,000 from 1938 to 1945, incl. Suplee, Yeatman & Co., Inc., of Philadelphia, second highest bidders, offered par plus a premium of \$470.40 for 4% bonds.

OTHER BIDS—The following is a list of the other bids submitted for the loan:

Table with 3 columns: Bidder, Int. Rate, Premium. Lists bidders: C. O. Collings & Co., E. H. Rollins & Sons, Merchantville Nat. Bank & Trust Co., Dougherty, Corkran & Co., M. M. Freeman & Co., Inc., and Merchantville National Bank.

MERRICK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 11 (P. O. Clarks) Neb.—BOND CALL—A block of \$22,000 4 1/2% refunding bonds is being called for payment on June 15. Bonds, which are dated June 15 1930, are to be presented at the office of the Greenway-Raynor Co., of Omaha.

MEXIA, Tex.—PROGRESS OF REFUNDING PLAN REPORTED—The J. R. Phillips Investment Co. of Houston, report on the progress made toward completing the proposed \$700,000 City of Mexia refunding program, which provides that the refunding bonds should bear interest from 3% to 5%. At the request of certain insurance companies, meetings were held in Chicago, in May and in June, with the result that the City of Mexia 40-year term refunding bonds will bear interest beginning with 3% and increasing 1/2 of 1% for each succeeding five-year period until 5% has been reached.

This 3% to 5% refunding program is acceptable to the following insurance companies which own \$436,000 bonds: Women's Catholic Order of Forresters, Chicago, Ill.; Supreme Forest Woodmen Circle, Omaha, Neb.; Women's Benefit Association, Port Huron, Mich.; Royal Union Fund, Des Moines, Iowa; American Indemnity Co., Galveston, Tex.; Degree of Honor, St. Paul, Minn.; Woodmen Accident Co., Lincoln, Neb.; United Mutual Life Insurance Co., Indianapolis, Ind.; Ohio National Life Insurance Co., Cincinnati, Ohio; Liberty Life Insurance Co., Topeka, Kans.; Great Western Insurance Co., Des Moines, Iowa.

Commitments by individual owners bring the total to 75%, which is the percentage required by the Attorney-General of Texas for his approval of the refunding bond issue. Consequently, the necessary legal steps are being taken and the refunding bonds printed to enable the actual exchanges to be made within 30 days.

All other provisions of the refunding program as originally submitted remain the same. Bondholders who wish to agree to the plan, may communicate with the J. R. Phillips Investment Co.

MIDDLEBURY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Middlebury), Vt.—BOND ELECTION—A special election has been called for July 5 to consider \$12,000 water bonds.

MIDDLEPORT EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Meigs County, Ohio—BOND ELECTION—A special election has been set for July 2 to determine the issuance of \$60,000 school construction bonds.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY (P. O. Middletown), Conn.—BOND ISSUE BILL SIGNED—The bill authorizing the county to borrow up to \$3,500,000 to finance the construction of the Middletown-Portland bridge has been signed by Governor Cross. A loan and grant will be asked of the Public Works Administration and the county's share of the cost of the project, estimated at \$1,800,000, will be financed by a bond issue to mature \$180,000 annually. As introduced in the Legislature, the bill provided that the State pay the interest on the obligations at a rate not to exceed 4%.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY (P. O. New Brunswick), N. J.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The Board of Chosen Freeholders has passed a resolution authorizing the issuance of \$535,000 tuberculosis hospital construction bonds.

MIDDLETOWN, Conn.—PROPOSED BOND OFFERING—The \$300,000 welfare bonds authorized by the General Assembly and the City Council—V. 140, p. 4273—will be offered for sale in about three weeks, according to City Treasurer Oscar B. Welker. Dated June 15 1935. Due \$20,000 yearly from 1936 to 1950 incl.

MILTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Milton) Iowa—BOND SALE DETAILS—It is reported by the Secretary of the Board of Education that the \$41,000 refunding school building bonds purchased by Jackley & Co. of Des Moines—V. 140, p. 3257—were sold as 4s at par. Due on Nov. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1936 and 1937; \$3,000, 1938, to 1944, and \$4,000, 1945 to 1948, incl. These bonds were issued to retire a like amount of 4 1/4% bonds, maturing from Nov. 1 1934 to 1947.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—BOND SALE DETAILS—The \$500,000 issue of water filtration bonds that was purchased by the Public Debt Amortization Fund at a price of 101.40—V. 140, p. 4273—is more fully described as follows: 4% bonds, dated July 1 1934. Denom. \$1,000. Due on July 1 as follows: \$26,000, 1937 to 1949, and \$27,000, 1950 to 1955, giving a basis of about 3.84%.

MINIER, Ill.—BONDS VOTED—At a recent election the residents voted in favor of the issuance of \$18,000 gymnasium erection bonds.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—BOND OFFERING—We are informed by Geo. M. Link, Secretary of the Board of Estimate and Taxation, that at a meeting held on June 26, the Board authorized the sale of \$500,000 public relief bonds and of \$140,000 permanent improvement (work relief) bonds, the sale thereof to be held Wednesday, July 31, at 11 a. m. Said bonds are to be dated Aug. 1 1935, to be due and payable in 20 equal annual installments beginning with Aug. 1 1936, and are to bear interest at not to exceed 6%. Both sealed and auction bids will be invited. Sale is subject to the approving opinion of Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York City.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—BOND OFFERING AUTHORIZED—At a recent meeting the Board of Estimate and Taxation authorized the sale on July 31 of \$500,000 public relief bonds and \$140,000 Emergency Relief Administration bonds.

MISHAWAKA SCHOOL CITY (P. O. Mishawaka), Ind.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The Board of Trustees recently resolved to issue bonds of the School City in the aggregate amount of \$122,500 for school construction purposes.

MISSOURI, State of—RFC AUTHORIZES LOANS FOR 1 LEVEE DISTRICT AND 16 DRAINAGE DISTRICTS—It was announced by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation on June 17 that it had authorized loans aggregating \$1,220,500 for refinancing one levee district and 16 drainage districts in southeast Missouri. The districts and the amount of the loans are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: District Name, Amount. Lists districts such as Scott County—Levee District No. 2, \$41,000; Drainage District No. 10, \$51,000; New Madrid County—Drainage District No. 10, \$21,500; Drainage District No. 12, \$47,500; Drainage District No. 14, \$10,500; Drainage District No. 29, \$117,500; Drainage District No. 35, \$8,500; Pemiscot County—Consolidated Drainage District No. 1, \$87,000; Drainage District No. 3, \$182,500; Drainage District No. 6, \$352,500; Drainage District No. 8, \$202,500; Drainage District No. 12, \$17,500; Drainage District No. 14, \$6,000; Drainage District No. 16, \$24,500; Drainage District No. 17, \$26,500; Drainage District No. 18, \$15,500; Drainage District No. 19, \$8,500.

These refunding loans are based upon deposit of 100% of the outstanding indebtedness. In event less than 100% is deposited, the amounts authorized automatically are decreased.

MONAHANS CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2, Tex.—BONDS VOTED—The residents of the district recently voted in favor of a \$75,000 bond issue for construction of a new school.

MONROE COUNTY FOURTH SUPERVISORS ROAD DISTRICT (P. O. Aberdeen), Miss.—BONDS SOLD—It is stated by the Clerk of the Chancery Court that the \$193,000 refunding bonds authorized recently by the County Supervisors—V. 140, p. 3941—have been sold. The bonds, to be issued to retire road bonds dated May 1 1911, will bear 5% interest for the first year after issue and 4 1/2% thereafter, payable on May and Nov. 1. Due from May 1 1936 to 1960 incl.

MONROE COUNTY (P. O. Bloomington), Ind.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—The Board of County Commissioners has approved the issuance of \$160,000 poor relief bonds which it is expected will be offered for sale by the end of July.



MONTCLAIR, N. J.—NOTE SALE—An issue of \$100,000 tax anticipation notes, dated June 20 1935 and due Aug. 20 1935, has been sold to J. S. Rippel & Co. of Newark at 1% interest, at par plus \$20 premium.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (P. O. Rockville), Md.—BOND SALE—John Nuyven & Co. of Chicago purchased on June 19 an issue of \$578,000 3 3/4% refunding bonds at a price of par. Previously the amount was reported at \$1,200,000.

BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENTS—The bonds are being re-offered by the bankers for public investment at prices to yield from 2.75% to 3.60%, as indicated in the table published further below. Bonds are dated July 1 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due serially on July 1 from 1939 to 1953 incl. Principal and interest (J. & J.) payable at the Hamilton National Bank of Washington, D. C., or at the Chase National Bank, New York City, at holder's option. Legality to be approved by Masslich & Mitchell of New York. The bonds, according to the bankers, are full and direct obligations of the county, payable from unlimited ad valorem taxes on all the taxable property therein. They are issued to refund outstanding obligations at a lower rate of interest and, accordingly, do not increase the debt of the county.

Table with columns: Yield, Maturities, Yield. Rows include \$40,000-July 1 as follows, \$40,000-July 1 as follows, and \$18,000-July 1 as follows.

Financial Statement (As officially reported May 18 1935)

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. Rows include Full value of taxable property (estimated) \$160,000,000 and Total bonded debt \$9,613,100.

\* Includes \$2,935,000 school bonds, as there are no separate school districts in Maryland. Population (1930 census), 48,897; (1935 est.), 54,000.

The above financial statement does not include the debt of other political subdivisions having power to levy taxes upon property within this county.

MONTRÖSE INDEPENDENT CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Montrose), S. Dak.—BOND OFFERING—Lowell L. Eno, Clerk of Board of Education, will receive bids until 11 a.m. July 6 for the purchase of \$103,000 refunding bonds, which will bear 4% interest for the first five years of their life and 5 1/2% thereafter.

MOORHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Moorhead), Minn.—BOND ELECTION—It is reported that an election will be held on July 16, to vote on the issuance of school bonds for the construction of a building to cost about \$225,000.

MOUND CITY, Mo.—BOND SALE—At a recent meeting of the City Council an agreement was reached to sell an issue of refunding bonds amounting to \$12,800 to Martin, Holliday and Purcell of Kansas City.

MT. PULASKI TOWNSHIP (P. O. Mt. Pulaski), Ill.—BONDS VOTED—The special election held recently resulted in approval of the issuance of \$80,000 road improvement bonds, we are informed.

MUNCIE, Ind.—NOTE SALE—The issue of \$7,000 notes offered on June 25—V. 140, p. 4107—was awarded to the Merchants National Bank of Boston as 4s, at a price of par. Due Dec. 30 1935.

MUSCODOA TOWNSHIP (P. O. Muscoda), Wis.—BONDS DEFEATED—At the election held on June 18 the people, by a vote of 54 to 27 voted down the proposal to issue \$30,000 road graveling bonds.

MUSKEGON HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT, Mich.—BOND SALE—The \$48,000 coupon refunding bonds offered on June 24—V. 140, p. 4107—were awarded to Morris Mather & Co. of Chicago as 5s, at par plus a premium of \$520, equal to 100.52, a basis of about 4.95%. Dated Aug. 1 1935 and due Aug. 1 as follows: \$2,000 from 1939 to 1950 incl., and \$6,000 from 1951 to 1954, incl. Crouse & Co. of Detroit bid 97.50 for 5s.

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—BOND ISSUANCE PROPOSED—It was recommended recently by the Board of Education that additional school extensions and improvement bonds to the amount of from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 be issued, to be supplemented by a Public Works Administration grant of 45% to finance the school program for the next 5 or 10 years.

NAVAJO COUNTY (P. O. Holbrook), Ariz.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS—The \$124,000 4 1/2% road refunding bonds which were sold to Boettcher & Co. of Denver, as reported in our issue of May 17, are further described as follows: Denom. \$1,000. Dated June 1 1935. Principal and semi-annual interest (June 1 and Dec. 1) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. Due \$4,000 June 1 1942 and \$5,000 yearly on June 1 from 1943 to 1966, incl.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb.—BOND SALE DETAILS—It is stated by the City Clerk that the \$75,000 refunding bonds purchased by the First Trust Co. of Li. coln. as 2 1/2s—V. 140, p. 4273—are due as follows: \$10,000, 1936; \$14,000, 1937; \$16,000, 1938; \$17,000, 1939, and \$18,000 in 1940.

It is said that these bonds are to refund a like amount dated Nov. 15 1930, due on Nov. 15 1950, and optional on Nov. 15 1935, bearing interest at 4%.

NEBRASKA, State of—INCREASES IN PWA POWER AND IRRIGATION PROJECTS—The following statement (Release No. 1452) was made public recently by the above Federal agency.

"Increases in Public Works Administration allotments for the Loup River and Platte Valley power and irrigation projects in Nebraska were announced to-day by Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes.

"The loan and grant allotted to the Loup River Public Power District of Columbus was increased from \$7,300,000 to \$8,700,000, and the loan and grant to the Platte Valley Public Power and Irrigation District of Sutherland was increased from \$7,500,000 to \$9,700,000.

"An interconnection between the two projects so that power may be exchanged, enabling each system to supplement power developed by the other in time of need, is one of the modifications in plans provided for by the increased allotments.

"The increases in both allotments were approved on condition that the applicants enter into an agreement for interchanging power. Regulations governing the interchange and the annual settlement between the two districts for power interchanged are to be under PWA supervision and control."

NELSON COUNTY (P. O. Lakota), No. Dak.—BOND ELECTION—At an election to be held on July 15 the voters will be asked to approve a proposal to issue \$66,000 courthouse bonds.

NEWBURGH, Ind.—BOND OFFERING—Board of Trustees will receive sealed bids until 8 p.m. on July 12 for the purchase of \$6,000 4% gas distributing system construction bonds. Dated June 14 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due semi-annually from Jan. 15 1940 to July 15 1943. A certified check for \$25 is required.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.—BOND SALE—The \$100,000 coupon or registered funding bonds offered on June 25—V. 140, p. 4273—were awarded to Colyer, Robinson & Co. of Newark as 3s, at par plus a premium of \$250.17, equal to 100.25, a basis of about 2.95%. Dated Dec. 1 1934 and due \$10,000 on Dec. 1 from 1936 to 1945, inclusive.

Other bids were as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Name, Int. Rate, Bid. Rows include Blyth & Co., Inc., New York and E. B. Smith & Co., New York.

NEW HAVEN COUNTY (P. O. New Haven), Conn.—TEMPORARY LOAN—The County Commissioners have arranged with the Connecticut River Trust Co. of Hartford for a short term loan of \$15,000, at an interest rate of 0.39%. The notes will be dated June 20 1935 and will come due Dec. 20 1935.

NEW JERSEY (State of)—BONDS NOT SOLD—Harry B. Salter, Secretary of the State Sinking Fund Commission, informs us that no bids,

were submitted for the \$2,500,000 3% coupon series F Port of New York Authority bonds offered for sale on June 25—V. 140, p. 4274. The bonds mature March 1 1941 and were accepted by the State in settlement of its claim for funds contributed toward the cost of constructing the George Washington Bridge.

It is said that the authorities are planning to dispose of the bonds at a private sale in the near future.

STATEMENT ON LACK OF BIDS FOR PORT AUTHORITY BONDS—The following statement was issued from the offices of the Port of New York Authority in connection with the failure of the State to receive any bids for the bonds:

"General credit of the Port of New York Authority is pledged to the payment of both principal and interest of the \$2,500,000 of special Port Authority bonds issued to the State of New Jersey. J. E. Ramsey, General Manager of the Port Authority, so stated on June 25 in commenting upon what were described as erroneous public statements. He further declared that it was the Port Authority's plan to pay the bonds at maturity in 1941 from accumulations in a statutory reserve fund which already exceeds the amount of the bonds involved. The latter were given to the State of New Jersey in liquidation of a loan from the State for the financing and construction of the George Washington Bridge.

"The indenture follows the language of the statute," said the General Manager. "The bonds are dated June 1 1935 and are payable March 1 1941, and not in 1975 as has been publicly stated. They bear interest at the rate of 3%, payable semi-annually, as is provided in the law. Also, pursuant to the provisions thereof, the Port Authority has pledged its general reserve fund for the payment of interest. In addition, the general credit of the Port Authority is pledged to the payment of both principal and interest.

"It is the purpose of the Port Authority to pay this bond at maturity in 1941 from the accumulation of money in the George Washington Bridge statutory reserve fund. There are accumulations in this fund at present in the amount of \$2,656,476.67. An error also has been made in the public statement that the George Washington Bridge bonds are callable in 1941. Of the \$50,000,000 of bonds outstanding, \$20,000,000 are callable Dec. 1 1936 and the balance of \$30,000,000 on Nov. 1 1939. It is incorrect to imply that the George Washington Bridge bonds may not be called before 1941.

"So far as I can ascertain, five underwriting groups were never formed to bid on the \$2,500,000 of bonds offered by the State of New Jersey. This being so, it cannot be said that five such groups were withholding their bids."

NEW JERSEY (State of)—PUBLIC DEBT STATISTICS—In one of a series of articles by Governor Harold G. Hoffman being published in newspapers throughout New Jersey, the Governor on June 6 gave a statistical analysis of the public indebtedness of the State, indicated that the per capita gross indebtedness was equal to \$310, and the net debt after sinking fund deductions, amounted to \$270 per capita. We reprint the article in full:

"The total outstanding indebtedness of the State and local governments of New Jersey is about \$1,250,000,000, or \$310 per capita. This is offset to the extent of some \$160,000,000 by sinking funds, leaving a net indebtedness of about \$1,090,000,000 or \$270 per capita. Interest on this debt amounts to some \$59,000,000 a year and the amortization of the principal requires an additional \$35,000,000 a year.

"The \$94,000,000 required annually for debt service, equivalent to \$22 per capita, is considerably more than the cost of county government in New Jersey and slightly more than the total revenues of the State government exclusive of Federal aid and receipts from the sale of bonds.

The gross debt is divided between the State and local governments as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Cities, Towns, Boroughs, Townships, Total municipalities, Counties, Total local governments, State. Rows include Amount and % of Total.

Total Gross debt \$1,253,454,525 100

Many of the local governments are in grave financial difficulties as a result of their heavy indebtedness, and 89 of them have defaulted on the interest or principal of their bonds, or both, to a total amount of \$39,664,000.

In New Jersey municipalities, almost all permanent improvements have been financed by the sale of bonds, pay-as-you-go is virtually unknown. A large part of the funded debt is also due to the funding of current obligations that could not be met from current revenues which is just an indirect way of financing current operations with bond funds. Almost the entire burden of the cost of local government is thrown upon the owners of real estate and tangible personal property, and an increasingly large proportion of property taxes become delinquent each year. This precludes the financing of improvements from revenues and forces local governments to incur deficits that are met by the issuance of bonds.

Local government debt in New Jersey is among the highest in the United States; in fact, it is exceeded only in Florida. It amounts to almost as much as the entire debt of the Federal government in 1914.

Fortunately, the State is in a much better position, although the requirements for the retirement of serial bonds during the next six years are particularly heavy.

The State bonds now outstanding are as follows: Fourteen issues of term highway bonds, totaling \$64,000,000 of which no or more issues mature each year from 1938 to 1944 and the final issue matures in 1950.

Nine issues of term bonds, totaling \$36,000,000, used for construction of the Holland Tunnel and the Camden-Philadelphia bridge, maturing from 1951 to 1956. The State has been reimbursed in full for these bonds and the money is held in the sinking fund.

Soldiers' bonus term bonds of \$12,000,000, maturing in 1941.

State Highway serial bonds, totaling \$34,190,000 maturing in annual installments until 1967.

Institution construction serial bonds, totaling \$8,014,000, maturing in annual installments until 1969.

Unemployment relief serial bonds, totaling \$32,500,000, maturing in annual installments until 1943.

Educational aid serial bonds, totaling \$7,000,000, and maturing in annual installments until 1942.

NEW MILFORD, N. J.—BONDS PASSED ON FIRST READING—On June 18 the Borough Council passed on first reading an ordinance which would authorize the issuance of \$403,000 refunding bonds. The question will come up for final consideration on July 2.

NEWSTEAD AND ROYALTON JOINT COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 (P. O. Akron, R. F. D.), N. Y.—BOND SALE—The \$3,500 5% coupon or registered school bonds offered on June 22—V. 140, p. 4108—were awarded to the Bank of Akron, the only bidder, at a price of par. Dated June 15 1935 and due June 15 as follows: \$300 from 1936 to 1946 incl., and \$200 in 1947.

NEW YORK CITY—WORKS GRANTS OF \$17,485,529 OBTAINED BY CITY—The following report is taken from a Washington dispatch to the New York "Herald Tribune" of June 28:

"New York City to-day obtained \$17,485,529 out of \$21,299,628 definitely allotted to local non-Federal construction projects from the \$4,000,000,000 works fund. The New York allotments approved to-day by the President represented outright grants to cover 45% of the projects approved.

"One of the grants provided \$2,475,000 for development of a college plant to be known as Brooklyn College, or Brooklyn University. It is to be used in the construction and equipment of five fireproof buildings, including the landscaping of grounds and the construction of roads, sidewalks and pedestrian tunnels, with 24 months' estimated as the time for completion of the work.

Other New York City grants included the following projects:

"Construction and equipment of a 3-story-and-basement fireproof high school building at Springfield, Queens Borough, \$1,137,681.

"Construction of a sewage-disposal plant on Ward's Island, \$1,360,250.

"Construction of a 4-story-and-basement fireproof high school building with athletic field and field house at Jamaica Avenue and Elderts Lane, in the boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, \$1,568,863.

"Alterations and additions to and the installation of equipment in laundry and bakery buildings at Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn. \$109,237.  
 "Alterations and additions to structure at Fordham Hospital, Borough of the Bronx, for use as male dormitory, morgue, autopsy and garage building, including the installation of equipment. \$91,227.  
 "Eighteen-story fireproof nurses' home, alteration to the existing Brennan Hall and alterations to the existing Schuyler Hall at the City Hospital on Welfare Island, \$247,090.  
 "Remodeling and fireproofing of Ward T and S building at the Metropolitan Hospital on Welfare Island, \$38,045.  
 "Construction and equipping of a four-story and basement fireproof grade school building in the Borough of the Bronx, \$321,136.  
 "In addition a grant of \$22,909 was made to the City of Mount Vernon, Westchester County, for construction of a trunk line storm sewer.

**NIAGARA, N. Dak.—BONDS NOT SOLD**—The \$5,000 6% community hall building bonds offered on June 17—V. 140, p. 3942—were not sold, as no bids were received.

**NOGALES, Ariz.—BOND MORATORIUM DECLARED**—The following report is taken from an Associated Press dispatch from Nogales to the San Francisco "Chronicle" of June 18:

"The Nogales City Council, by unanimous vote, to-night declared a moratorium on the city's bonded indebtedness, pending proposed refunding of its general obligations bonds.

"Mayor Andrew Betwry, who initiated a New Deal program when he assumed office, June 1, declared that the moratorium was an emergency measure to "save the remaining property owners in this city."

"The members of the Board of Aldermen adopted a resolution of intention to refund and declared that 'public necessity and convenience requires that payment of any and all bonds be suspended for not more than two years, pending the issuance of refunding bonds.'

**NORTH BALTIMORE, Ohio—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Village Council recently approved issuance of \$100,000 water system bonds.

**NORTH CAROLINA, State of—BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT**—The \$3,304,000 issue of general funding and improvement bonds that were awarded to a syndicate headed by Lehman Bros. of New York, on June 21, par, a net interest cost of about 2.72%, on the bonds divided as 2 1/8% and 3 3/4%—V. 140, p. 4274—were re-offered for public subscription at prices to yield from 1.75% to 2.70%, according to maturity. The other members of the successful syndicate were as follows: Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc.; Estabrook & Co.; the Bancameric-Blairst Corp.; F. S. Mosley & Co.; Kean, Taylor & Co.; R. S. Dickson & Co., Inc.; F. S. Mosley & Co.; R. H. Moulton & Co., Inc.; Bacon, Stevenson & Co., all of New York; the Robinson-Humphrey Co. of Atlanta; the Wells-Dickey Co. of Minneapolis; Morse Bros. & Co., Inc.; the Interstate Securities Corp. of Charlotte; Oscar Burnett & Co., Inc., of Greensboro, and Stern Bros. & Co. of Kansas City. These bonds are said to be valid, general obligations of the entire State.

State Debt

(1) Bonds payable from general revenue, as follows:	
3 1/2% general fund (serial)	\$5,530,000
4% refunding	3,980,000
4% permanent improvement	6,570,000
4% farm colony building	60,000
4 1/4% general fund (serial)	6,700,000
4 1/4% general fund serial notes	1,588,000
4 1/4% permanent improvement	1,000,000
4 1/4% permanent improvement (serial)	1,970,000
4 1/4% park (serial)	1,850,000
4 1/2% permanent improvement	11,547,000
4 3/4% permanent improvement	7,600,000
5% permanent improvement	7,872,000
4% State prison	400,000
	\$56,667,000
(2) Bonds specially provided for from special revenues, although constituting general pledge of faith, credit, and taxing power, are as follows:	
4% World War veterans loan	\$500,000
4 1/4% World War veterans loan	2,000,000
4% public school building (serial)	725,000
4 1/4% public school building (serial)	5,400,000
4 1/4% public school building (serial)	6,585,000
4% highway construction (serial)	20,500,000
4 1/4% highway construction (serial)	11,700,000
4 1/4% highway (serial) for Cape Fear River bridge	1,200,000
4 1/4% highway (serial) for Chowan River bridge	400,000
4 1/4% highway construction (serial)	56,531,000
4 3/4% highway construction (serial)	3,750,000
5% highway construction (serial)	4,540,000
Bonds now offered	\$113,881,000
	3,304,000

Total debt, including bonds now offered \$173,852,000  
 \$3,188,000 of the bonds and serial notes listed above mature July 1 1935, and funds are now on hand for the payment thereof.

Newspaper reports listed the other bidders for the above bonds as follows: Lazard Freres & Co. syndicate was second high bidder, offering par for \$760,000 as 4s and the remainder as 2 1/8s, an interest cost basis of 2.7226%. Associates of Lazard Freres were J. & W. Seligman & Co., Eastman, Dillon & Co., McAllister, Smith & Pate, Inc., Newbolds Son & Co., Francis I. du Pont & Co., Starkweather & Co., Commerce Trust of Kansas City, the Milwaukee Co., E. Lower Stokes & Co., the Illinois Co., Watling, Lerchen & Hayes of Detroit, and Field, Richards & Sheppard.

First Boston Corp. and Brown Harriman & Co. syndicate bid 100.119 for all the bonds as 2 3/8s, an interest cost basis of 2.7344%, while a syndicate of local investment firms headed by the Branch Banking Co., offered 100.054 for \$1,175,000 as 4s and \$2,129,000 as 2 3/8s.  
 Syndicate headed by First National Bank bid 100.035 for \$500,000 as 4s and \$2,804,000 as 2 3/8s, an interest cost basis of 2.859%. Chemical Bank & Trust Co. headed a syndicate which bid 100.109 for \$1,200,000 as 3 3/8s and \$2,104,000 as 2 3/8s, an interest cost basis of 2.86%.

**NORTH FORK HIGHWAY DISTRICT (P. O. Orofino), Clearwater County, Idaho—BOND CALL**—The following bonds of the North Fork Highway District, now being a dissolved district, are now payable and redeemable: Bonds 141 to 162 maturing July 1 1935; bonds 169 to 184, maturing July 1 1936; bonds 197 to 224 maturing July 1 1937; bonds 225 to 252, maturing July 1 1938; bonds 253 to 280 maturing July 1 1939; being 122 in number, of the denomination of \$500 each, aggregating the total amount of \$61,000. Dated July 1 1919. Bonds to be present for redemption and payment at office of Treasurer of Clearwater County, Orofino, at the Chase National Bank, New York, or at Bank of Orofino, Orofino, on July 10 next, after which date interest will cease.

**NORTH HUNTINGDON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Irwin), Pa.—BOND OFFERING**—Daniel S. Marsh, Secretary of the District, will receive bids until 8 p. m. July 15 for the purchase of \$50,000 Mansfield School bonds, to bear interest at 2 1/4%, 2 3/4%, 3%, 3 1/4%, 3 1/2% or 4%, as named by the successful bidder. Dated July 1 1935. Interest payable semi-annually. A certified check for \$1,000, required.

**NORTH SEWICKLEY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT, Beaver County, Pa.—BONDS APPROVED**—The Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs announced on June 19 approval of \$10,000 funding bonds.

**NORWALK, Conn.—BOND DETAILS NOT AVAILABLE**—Although the city plans to come to market with an issue of school bonds, no details regarding the loan are available as yet, according to a report received yesterday from the City Clerk. It has been stated that the amount of the issue will be \$300,000.

**NORWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BOND OFFERING**—Emma Jungblut, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed proposals until noon, July 8, for the purchase of \$22,000 school building bonds, bearing 4% interest. Dated July 2 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Principal and semi-annual interest payable at the Norwood-Hyde Park Bank & Trust Co., Norwood. Due \$1,000 yearly on Jan. 2 from 1937 to 1958, incl. Legality to be approved by Peck, Shaeffer and Williams, Cincinnati. Bids must be accompanied by certified check for 5% of the par value of the bonds.

**NORWOOD, N. J.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Mayor and Council recently authorized \$158,000 general refunding bonds.

**OAK HILL, Ohio—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Village Council recently authorized \$22,000 sewer construction 5% semi-annual bonds.

Dated July 1 1935. Denom. \$500. Due \$500 semi-annually 1937 to 1959 incl. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable at the Treasurer's office, Oak Hill.

**OKLAHOMA, State of—BOND OFFERING CONTEMPLATED**—The following report on the proposed issuance of a large amount of refunding bonds by this State, notice of which has appeared in these columns from time to time, is taken from the Chicago "Journal of Commerce" of June 15:  
 "Soon after close of the current fiscal year, June 30, the State of Oklahoma will offer refunding bonds, estimated now at \$22,000,000 to cover the general revenue deficit and to refinance treasury certificates issued during the Murray Administration. Unofficial estimates at Oklahoma City place at \$12,000,000 the total deficit at the close of the fiscal year. The outstanding treasury certificates are estimated at \$10,000,000. Governor E. W. Marland has designated State Treasurer Hubert Bolen and Attorney-General Mac Q. Williamson to study the refunding bill of the Legislature and to outline the procedure to be followed. One section specifies that the State shall offer at not more than 3% and shall sell to the highest bidder, while another section stipulates that preference be given warrant and certificate holders."

**OLYPHANT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BOND OFFERING**—John O'Connor, Secretary of Board of Directors, will receive bids until 8 p. m. July 12, for the purchase of \$44,000 5% bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1935. Interest payable semi-annually. Due July 1 1945. A certified check for 5%, required.

**ONSLow INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Onslow) Iowa—BONDS VOTED**—At the election held on June 18—V. 140, p. 3758—the voters approved the issuance of the \$22,000 in school bonds.

**ONTARIO SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ore.—BONDS VOTED**—At the election held on June 17, the voters by 71 to 2 gave their approval to a proposal to issue \$35,000 4% Public Works Administration school building bonds. Due serially.

**ORANGEBURG COUNTY (P. O. Orangeburg), S. C.—BOND ISSUANCE NOT SCHEDULED**—It is stated by the County Clerk that at the present time he is unable to say just when the county will take any action in connection with the issuance of the \$829,000 reimbursement bonds for a road program, authorized by the bill signed recently by the Governor—V. 140, p. 3942. The issuance of these bonds is said to be conditioned upon the county entering into reimbursement agreements with the State Highway Department and this will require some time.

**ORCHARD PARK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Orchard Park), N. Y.—BOND SALE**—The \$69,000 coupon or registered school building bonds offered on June 28—V. 140, p. 4274—were awarded to the Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. of Buffalo as 3.10s for a premium of \$233.91, equal to 100.339, a basis of about 3.03%. Dated July 1 1935. Due \$3,000 yearly on July 1 from 1936 to 1959, incl. Gertler & Co., the second high bidder offered a premium of \$17 for 3 1/4% bonds.

**OREGON, State of—BOND SALE CONTEMPLATED**—Although details are not complete, the State plans to call for bids on \$4,200,000 of highway bonds around July 15, according to a Portland news dispatch to the "Wall Street Journal" of June 28. It is said that the issue would not represent new financing, being for the purpose of refunding a Public Works Administration loan now outstanding. The bonds probably will mature serially in approximately equal instalments from 1939 to 1949 incl., and bidders likely will be asked to name the interest rate at not to exceed 3%.

**ORLEANS LEVEE DISTRICT (P. O. New Orleans), La.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—Under authority of recently enacted legislation the Board of Levee Commissioners has passed an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$1,067,000 5% refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1935. Interest payable Jan. 1 and July 1. Due yearly on July 1 from 1940 to 1975, incl.

**OSKALOOSA, Iowa—BOND SALE**—Jackley & Co. of Des Moines were awarded the \$6,060.69 5% street improvement bonds offered on June 24—V. 140, p. 4274—at a premium of \$50, equal to 100.836.

**OSSINING (P. O. Ossining), N. Y.—PLANS LOAN**—The town is expected to borrow \$20,000 on certificates of indebtedness to fund the deficit against the school tax levy for 1934.

**OWENSBORO, Ky.—BOND CALL**—The city is said to be calling for redemption on July 1, the entire issue of 5% water extension bonds, bearing date of Jan. 1 1924. Due on Jan. 1 1954.

**OWOSSO, Mich.—FAILS TO REDUCE INTEREST CHARGES ON DEBT**—Mayor John N. Axford and City Clerk George Van Epps reported an unsuccessful effort in Detroit to scale down interest charges by refunding the city's bonds. Worthy S. Cooper, Cashier of the Owosso Savings Bank, assisted in the negotiation.

The city's interest charges now are running about \$40,000 a year with most of the bonds drawing from 5 to 6% interest. Because of changed economic conditions, it was thought that a cut in the rate could be secured. However, it was found that the bondholders would make no concessions, due to the fact that all of the bonds are of the maturity type, and bear no clause giving the city the right to pay them up if possible before the maturity date.

The city at present has a general bonded indebtedness of \$355,874, while the water works department's bonded debt is \$253,700. There is due this year, a total of \$58,400 in bonds and interest, and it is probable that the city will have to anticipate a default on part of this amount and refund the balance. This will be made necessary by the fact that \$31,000 of sinking fund money is tied up in the Citizens' Savings Bank, officials say, and because no provision was made in the budget this year for meeting part of the amount due.

**PALISADES PARK, N. J.—BONDS NOT SOLD**—We are informed that the \$100,000 4 1/2% refunding bonds offered on June 25—V. 140, p. 4108—were not sold, as no bids were received.

**PALMYRA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BOND ELECTION**—The School Board, at a recent meeting, set the date of July 30 for the election to decide upon \$143,000 school building bonds to supplement a Government grant of \$117,000 already being considered by Public Works Administration authorities.

**PARIS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Paris), Tex.—BOND SALE**—A \$275,000 issue of 4 1/4% refunding bonds has been purchased by the Brown-Crummer Co. of Dallas. Dated July 1 1935. Due from April 1 1936 to 1959. Principal and interest (F. & A.) payable at the Chase National Bank in New York City.

**PARIS (P. O. Clayville), N. Y.—BOND SALE**—The \$47,000 Sauquoit Water District coupon or registered bonds offered on June 26—V. 140, p. 4274—were awarded to the Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. of Buffalo as 3.40s, at a price of 100.339, a basis of about 3.37%. Dated July 1 1935 and due July 1 as follows: \$1,500, 1937 to 1940 incl.; \$2,000, 1941 to 1960 incl. and \$1,000 in 1961. Other bidders were:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
Local bank	3.40%	100.316
Sherwood & Merrifield, Inc.	3.40%	100.29
A. C. Allyn & Co.	3.50%	100.26
Halsey, Stuart & Co.	3.70%	100.468
George B. Gibbons & Co., Inc.	4.20%	100.50

Other bidders for the bonds were:

Names of Other Bidders	Int. Rate	Price Bid
Halsey, Stuart & Co., New York	3.70	100.468
National Bank of Waterville	3.40	100.316
J. & W. Seligman & Co., New York	3.70	100.15
A. C. Allyn & Co., Inc., New York	3.50	100.269
Geo. B. Gibbons & Co., New York	4.20	100.50
B. J. Van Ingen & Co., New York	4.50	100.56
Sherwood & Merrifield, New York	3.40	100.29

**PARSIPPANY-TROY HILLS TOWNSHIP (P. O. Boonton), N. J.—BOND SALE**—The Township Committee has decided to accept an offer received from B. J. Van Ingen & Co. of New York, for the purchase of \$318,000 water refunding bonds. The Township counsel has been requested to draw up necessary ordinances and resolutions for the proper legal authorization of the bond issue.

**PENNSYLVANIA, State of—SUIT FILED TO ENJOIN TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE ISSUANCE**—It is reported that a petition was filed in the State Supreme Court recently by John P. Connelly, former City Solicitor of Philadelphia, on behalf of a local taxpayer, seeking to restrain the State from borrowing \$50,000,000 on the strength of tax returns during the biennium, as authorized by the Legislature on June 19—V. 140, p. 4275.

**PETTY TOWNSHIP (P. O. Lawrenceville), Ill.—BONDS VOTED**—A proposal that the township issue \$20,000 road bonds was approved at a recent election by a vote of 316 to 8.

**PHILMONT, N. Y.—BONDS VOTED**—At the election held on June 22 the voters approved a proposal that the village issue \$10,000 refunding bonds. The vote was 86 "for" to 7 "against."

**PIERCE COUNTY (P. O. Rugby), No. Dak.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—A resolution authorizing the issuance of \$45,000 refunding bonds was recently passed by the Board of County Commissioners. O. A. Spillum is County Auditor.

**PINELLAS COUNTY (P. O. Clearwater), Fla.—BOND TENDERS RECEIVED**—Bonds totaling \$203,000 were offered for sale to the Board of County Commissioners on June 18.

The quotations on the bonds ranged from 64 to 80. Some were county-wide bonds, and others special district road and bridge refunding bonds. All were referred to the office of K. B. O'Quinn, Clerk of the Circuit Court, for tabulation. The tabulation will be presented to the Board at its next meeting. Mr. O'Quinn will also make a report on funds available for purchase of the bonds.

**PLAINVIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Plainview) Neb.—BOND SALE DETAILS**—It is stated by the District Secretary that the \$45,000 4% semi-ann. school bonds purchased by the Greenway-Raynor Co. of Omaha—V. 140, p. 4108—bear interest at 4%, are dated July 1, 1935, due in 15 years, optional after five years, and were sold at a discount of \$580, equal to 98.71.

**POLK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Dallas), Ore.—BOND SALE**—The \$45,000 issue of school bonds offered for sale on June 21—V. 140, p. 4275—was awarded to the State of Oregon as 3 1/8, paying a premium of \$45, equal to 100.10, a basis of about 3.24%. Dated July 1, 1935. Due from July 1, 1936 to 1955 incl.

**POLK COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 142 (P. O. Fosston), Minn.—BOND ELECTION**—An election has been ordered for July 2 to vote on a proposal that the district issue \$20,000 school building bonds.

**PONCA CITY, Okla.—BOND CALL**—It is stated by C. E. Norton, City Clerk, that a number of bonds of the city, of various issues and in various quantities on each issue, are being called for payment on Aug. 1 and on Sept. 1 (issue of Sept. 1, 1918), at the Manufacturers Trust Co. in New York City, the fiscal agency of the State. Interest shall cease on these bonds (all 6%) on the dates of call.

**PONCA CITY, Okla.—BOND SALE SCHEDULED**—It is reported that the City Commission met on June 24 to order the issuance of \$173,000 refunding bonds, of which \$102,000 were to be sold to the First National Bank & Trust Co. of Oklahoma City. The proceeds of the bond sale will be applied to redemption of the outstanding city bonds bearing 6% interest, and \$61,000 of the refunding bonds will be placed in the city's sinking fund in exchange for the 6% bonds.

(An offering of \$173,000 refunding bonds was scheduled for June 10—V. 140, p. 3943.)

**PONTIAC, Mich.—REFUNDING PLAN 97% COMPLETE**—E. H. Tinsman, Director of Finance, recently stated that 97% of the bonds involved in the \$7,084,750 refunding program have been exchanged for the new securities. In an extensive report on the debt situation, Mr. Tinsman showed a schedule of bonded debt, giving bonds exchanged and balance on hand with March 31, 1934 interest in escrow. Totals were: Balance in bonds before refunding, \$7,241,550; amount refunded, \$6,796,250; balance not refunded, \$445,300; city owned bonds, \$156,800; refunding bonds on hand, \$288,500, and interest in escrow, \$18,855.90.

Included in the amount refunded are \$1,720,000 special assessment bonds, \$3,623,250 general obligation bonds, and \$1,453,000 water bonds.

**PORTLAND, Me.—BOND SALE**—John R. Gilmartin, City Treasurer, informs us that the \$100,000 coupon refunding bonds offered on June 27 were awarded to Gertler & Co. of Boston as 1 3/8, at a price of 100.143, a basis of about 1.735%. Dated March 1, 1935 and due March 1, 1945. Kimball, Ware & Co. of Portland, second high bidder, offered 100.139 for 1 3/8. These bonds are exempt from taxation in Maine and are not subject to Federal income tax. They will be engraved under the supervision of and certified as to genuineness by the First National Bank of Boston. Their legality will be passed upon by Messrs. Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins, whose opinion will be furnished the purchaser. All legal papers incident to this issue will be filed with said bank where they may be inspected. Bonds will be delivered to the purchaser on or about Monday, July 8, 1935, at the First National Bank of Boston, 17 Court Street office, Boston, Mass.

Financial Statement, June 15, 1935

Total bonded debt (including this issue)	\$5,060,000.00
Floating Debt:	
Balance due account land purchases	\$29,025.75
Notes payable	18,000.00
	47,025.75
Total debt	\$5,107,025.75
Deductions:	
Sinking fund:	
Cash balance on deposit	\$16,354.04
Appropriation for sinking fund	140,805.00
	\$157,159.04
Net debt	\$4,949,866.71
Assessed valuation, 1934	\$90,270,375.00
Debt limit 6% of valuation, 1934	5,416,222.50
Population, 1930 (U. S. census)	70,810

The bonds are being re-offered by the bankers for public investment priced to yield 1.60%. They are declared to be legal investment for savings banks in New York and the New England States and general obligations of the city, payable from unlimited ad valorem taxation. Unsuccessful bids for the issue follow:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
Foster & Co., Inc., New York	2%	101.260
Halsey, Stuart & Co., New York	2%	101.186
Lazard Freres & Co., Inc., New York	2%	101.049
Burr & Co., Inc., Boston	2%	100.777
The Portland National Bank, Portland	2%	100.599
Blyth & Co., Inc., Boston	2%	100.18
Brown Harriman & Co., Inc., Boston	2 1/4%	101.4799
First National Bank, Portland	2 1/4%	101.40
H. M. Payson & Co., Portland	2 1/4%	101.000
Salomon Bros. & Hutzler, New York	2 1/4%	100.96
Maine Securities Co. (F. S. Moseley & Co.), Boston	2 1/4%	100.80
Bartlett & Clark Co., Portland	2 1/4%	100.62592
E. H. Rollins & Sons, Inc., Boston	2 1/4%	100.6222
Hornblower & Weeks, Portland	2 1/4%	101.097
Faxon-Gade & Co., Boston	2 1/4%	101.51
Estabrook & Co., Boston	2 1/4%	101.16

**PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY, N. Y.—\$10,000,000 BOND CONVERSION EFFECTED**—Conversion of almost \$10,000,000 of outstanding serial bonds of the Port of New York Authority into the new general and refunding issue was effected June 21 at the offices of the Bank of the Manhattan Co. The State of New York figured prominently in the transaction. Morris S. Tremaine, State Comptroller, personally carried on the negotiations which led to the disposal of \$4,162,000 par value of serial bonds of the Port Authority held by the State of New York, and their replacement with \$4,266,000 par value of general and refunding bonds.

The Port Authority itself, meantime, exchanged \$5,306,000 par value of its own serial bonds held in its investment account for \$5,421,000 par value of general and refunding bonds.

The transaction was considered important by financiers and investors interested in Port Authority securities, as it marked an important and significant step in carrying out the consolidation of the outstanding funded indebtedness of the bi-State agency into a single type of bond.

"The confidence shown by the State of New York in the refunding plan of the Port Authority is a further testimonial to the soundness of that plan," said Frank C. Ferguson, Chairman of the Port Authority. "The State of New York always has been a large holder for investment purposes of Port Authority securities. The \$52,500,000 of general and refunding bonds issued by the Port Authority a few weeks ago included quite extensive provision for exchange of outstanding bonds. We appreciate the confidence shown by the State Comptroller."

The bonds exchanged by the State of New York for the general and refunding bonds were as follows: \$1,011,000 of series A 4 1/2%; \$820,000 of series B 4%; \$1,339,000 of series C 4%; \$992,000 of series E 4%.

The Port Authority, for its own investment purposes in buying \$5,421,000 of general and refunding bonds, replaced the following: \$2,910,000 of series A; \$1,116,000 of series C and \$1,180,000 of series D.

The general and refunding bonds bear interest at 4% and will mature on March 1, 1975. As with other bonds of the Port Authority, they are exempt from Federal, New York State and city income taxes. They are legal for investment in New Jersey and New York for State and municipal officers, banks and savings banks, insurance companies, trustees and other fiduciaries.

**POTLATCH HIGHWAY DISTRICT (P. O. Potlatch), Latah County, Ida.—BOND OFFERING**—Ray Nelson, Secretary of Board of Highway Commissioners will receive bids to 10 a. m. June 29, for purchase of general obligation Highway District refunding coupon bonds in amount of \$71,000. Interest not to exceed 6% per annum, payable semi-annually. Denom. \$500. Payable at office of District Treasurer, or at the Potlatch State Bank, Potlatch. Certified check equal to 5% of amount of bid, required.

**POTSDAM UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8 (P. O. Potsdam), N. Y.—BOND SALE**—The \$40,000 school bonds offered on June 25—V. 140, p. 4109—were awarded to J. & W. Seligman & Co. of New York as 3.30s at a price of 100.05, a basis of about 3.295%. Dated July 15, 1935 and due \$2,000 on Jan. 15 from 1937 to 1956 incl. Among the other bidders were the following:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
Sherwood & Merrifield, Inc.	3.35%	Par
Bancamerica-Blair Corp.	3.50%	100.20
George B. Gibbons & Co., Inc.	3.60%	100.327

The bonds were also bid for by the following:

Name	Interest Rate	Premium
Peoples Bank, Potsdam	3 1/4%	None
Canton Savings & Loan Association	3 1/4%	11.50
Geo. B. Gibbons & Co., Inc.	3.6	13.10
A. C. Allyn & Co., Inc.	3.75	10.40
Marine Trust Co.	3.60	47.76
Manufacturing & Traders Trust Co.	3.50	54.00
Bancamerica-Blair Corp.	3.50	80.00
St. Lawrence County National Bank	3.50	12.50
Sherwood & Merrifield, Inc.	3.35	None

**POTTSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BOND OFFERING**—T. R. Daddow, Secretary of Board of School Directors, will receive sealed bids until 7 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on July 10 for the purchase of \$20,000 2, 2 1/2, 3, 3 1/4, 3 3/4 or 4% coupon or registered school bonds. Dated Aug. 1, 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$5,000 on Aug. 1 in 1940, 1945, 1950 and 1955; callable on any interest payment date on or after Aug. 1, 1950. Bidder to name a single interest rate on all of the bonds. A certified check for 2% of the bonds bid for, payable to the order of the District Treasurer, must accompany each proposal. Bonds will be issued subject to favorable opinion of Townsend, Elliott & Munson of Philadelphia as to legality. These bonds were originally scheduled to have been sold on June 12.

**PRATT, Kan.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—An ordinance has been passed providing for the issuance of general improvement bonds in the amount of \$43,210.58. E. J. Ball is City Clerk.

**PRINCEVILLE, Ill.—BONDS SOLD TO PWA**—L. A. Mansfield, City Clerk, informs us that the Public Works Administration has purchased \$41,500 4% sewer bonds at par, including \$34,500 revenue and \$7,000 general obligations.

**QUINCY, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN**—Kenneth D. McLennan, City Treasurer, informs us that the \$375,000 revenue anticipation notes offered on June 24—V. 140, p. 4275—were awarded to Levitt & Co. of New York City at 6.15% discount. Due \$250,000 on Feb. 28, 1936 and \$125,000 on March 27, 1936. Second highest bidder was the Merchants' National Bank of Boston at 0.62%.

Other unsuccessful bids were as follows: Whiting, Weeks & Knowles, 0.64%; National Shawmut Bank, 0.65%; W. O. Gay & Co., 0.66%; Bank of Manhattan, N. Y., 0.68%; First National Bank of Boston, 0.83%; and Faxon, Gade & Co., 0.85%.

**RALPHO TOWNSHIP (P. O. Elysburg), Pa.—BONDS APPROVED**—A \$20,641.63 school construction bond issue was approved at a recent special election, we are informed.

**RANOCAS VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Mt. Holly), N. J.—BOND ELECTION**—At an election which has been called for July 2 the residents of the district will be asked to vote on a proposal to issue \$300,000 high school building bonds.

**RANSOM COUNTY (P. O. Lisbon), N. Dak.—BOND ELECTION**—A proposal to issue \$75,000 court house bonds will be submitted to a vote of the electors at an election to be held on July 15.

**RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION—REPORT ON LOANS MADE TO VARIOUS DISTRICTS**—The following statement was made public by the above Corporation on June 25:

Loans for refinancing an improvement company, an irrigation district, and rehabilitating a ditch company in Oregon, refinancing a drainage district in Illinois, a water control and improvement district in Texas, a water conservation district in Utah, an irrigation district in California, an irrigation company and a drainage district in Colorado, and for refinancing and rehabilitation of a reservoir company in New Mexico, aggregating \$4,976,500.00, have been authorized by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

The districts and companies are:	
Snake River District Improvement Co., Malheur Co., Oregon	\$38,000.00
The Big Creek Ditch Co., Baker & Union Cos., Ore., for rehabilitation	16,000.00
Enterprise Irrigation District, Klamath County, Oregon	32,500.00
Saratoga Drainage District, Marshall Co., Illinois	20,000.00
Hidalgo Co. Water Control & Impr. Dist. No. 6, Texas	527,500.00
Price River Water Conservation District, Carbon & Emery Cos., Utah	202,500.00
South San Joaquin Irrigation Dist., San Joaquin Co., Calif.	3,978,000.00
The La Jara Reservoir & Irrigation Co., Conejos Co., Colo.	51,000.00
Granada Drainage District, Prowers Co., Colo.	36,000.00
The Maxwell Ditch & Reservoir Co., Colfax Co., N. M.	
For refunding	\$31,666.66
For rehabilitation	43,333.34
	75,000.00

These refunding loans are based upon deposit of 100% of the outstanding indebtedness. If less than 100% is deposited the amounts authorized are automatically decreased.

**REDMOND, Ore.—BONDS OFFERED**—Sealed bids were received until 8 p. m. on June 28, by Mabel Rennolds, City Recorder, for the purchase of a \$40,000 issue of 4% refunding water bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1, 1935. Due \$2,000 from July 1, 1936 to 1955 incl. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable in lawful money at the City Treasurer's office. The approving opinion of Teal, Winfree, McCulloch & Shuler of Portland will be furnished.

**RIO GRANDE COUNTY (P. O. Del Norte), Colo.—WARRANTS CALLED**—The County Treasurer is reported to have called for payment at his office various county and school warrants. Interest shall cease on the county warrants July 7 and on the school warrants June 27.

**RIPON UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Stockton), Calif.—BONDS DEFEATED**—At the election held on June 18—V. 140, p. 3943—the voters rejected the proposal to issue \$28,000 in auditorium and gymnasium bonds, reports the County Clerk.

**RISON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36 (P. O. Rison) Ark.—BOND OFFERING**—At 10 a. m. July 3 this district will sell \$35,500 4% school building bonds at public sale, to the highest bidder, for cash. Dated July 1, 1935. Due serially on July 1 as follows: \$1,500, 1937 to 1945, incl.; \$2,000, 1946 to 1951, incl.; and \$2,500, 1952 to 1955, incl. L. C. Ackerman is Secretary.

**ROANE COUNTY (P. O. Kingston), Tenn.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**—In connection with the \$150,000 funding bonds that were offered for sale without success on June 8, it is stated by the County Clerk that the bonds were not sold at that time because the enabling act on the issue had not been correctly drawn. He says that the County Court has now passed a resolution requesting that the Governor ask the Legisla-

ture, when it convenes in special session to pass a bill authorizing the county to fund its outstanding indebtedness. If the bill is approved the bonds will again be offered for sale, as soon as possible.

**ROBERTSON COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 5 (P. O. Franklin)**  
Tex.—**BOND CALL**—It is stated by Mrs. Joe Y. McNutt, County Treasurer, that the District, acting through the Commissioners' Court, has exercised its option and is calling for redemption at the Republic National Bank & Trust Co. in Dallas, at par and accrued interest, on Aug. 1 and Sept. 1, various 5% road bonds, dated Feb. 1 1918, and March 1 1921.

**ROBESON COUNTY (P. O. Lumberton), No. Caro.—BOND AUTHORIZED**—At a recent special session the county commissioners at the request of the County Board of Education decided to obtain \$100,000 from the Public Works Administration for the erection of new school buildings at East Lumberton, Rowland and St. Pauls and such other buildings and repairs as can be done. Forty-five per cent or \$45,000 is to be a grant. The county will issue bonds for the remaining \$55,000.

**ROCK HILL, S. C.—BORROWING AUTHORIZED**—The City Council is said to have authorized recently the borrowing by the City Manager of \$25,000 to meet obligations.

**ROLETTE COUNTY (P. O. Rolla), N. Dak.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The County Commissioners have passed an ordinance to authorize the issuance of \$56,000 funding bonds.

**ROOSEVELT COUNTY (P. O. Wolf Point) Mont.—BOND CALL**—It is reported that various 5 1/4% and 6% refunding and School District No. 9 bonds, are being called for payment at the office of the County Treasurer, interest to cease July 1.

**ROYAL OAK, Mich.—FAILS TO AGREE ON BOND REFUNDING INTEREST RATE**—After an hour's discussion at a recent conference no agreement was reached on the proposed 30-year refunding plan for Royal Oak city school bonds. Speaking for the School Board, President George B. Hartrick sought to have the proposed interest rate reduced .3 of 1% to the same rate as in the city refunding plan which has been agreed to by the city and the bondholders committee.

Henry Hart, spokesman for the bondholders, termed the plan the lowest possible rate of interest which could be sold to the holders of bonds. He said the district had two choices, either refund, or be faced with a possible judgment in court by any individual bondholder which would force a large levy for a single year.

**ROY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Fergus County, Mont.—BOND OFFERING**—We are in receipt of information concerning the offering of \$10,800 bonds. Bids will be received until 2 p. m., July 22 by Leonard Dunn, Secretary of Board of Trustees, for the purchase at not less than par of \$10,800 5% school building improvement bonds. Dated July 1 1935. Int. payable Jan. 1 and July 1. Cert. check for \$500, payable to the District Secretary, required.

Amortization bonds will be the first choice and serial bonds will be the second choice of the school board.

If amortization bonds are sold and issued, the entire issue may be put into one single bond or divided into several bonds, as the Board of Trustees may determine upon at the time of sale, both principal and interest to be payable in semi-annual installments during a period of 20 years from the date of issue.

If serial bonds are issued and sold they will be in the amount of \$540 each, one bond to become payable on July 1 1936 and a like amount on the same day each year thereafter until all bonds are paid.

**RUTLAND, Vt.—BOND VOTED**—On June 19 the voters approved the issuance of \$108,000 bonds, of which \$83,000 is to be used to meet the city deficit and \$25,000 is to finance the construction of sidewalks.

**SABULA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Sabula), Iowa—MATURITY**—It is reported by the District Secretary that the \$7,500 refunding bonds purchased recently by the Carleton D. Beh Co. of Des Moines—V. 140, p. 4275—are due \$500 on July 1 and Dec. 1 from 1937 to 1951.

**SADDLE RIVER TOWNSHIP (P. O. Rochelle Park), N. J.—BONDS PASSED ON SECOND READING**—An ordinance authorizing \$356,000 sewer and water bonds was recently passed at second reading at a meeting of the committee.

**SAGINAW, Mich.—DEBT SERVICE PROVISIONS**—Retirement of \$150,000 in bonds and payment of \$53,885 in interest are provided in a budget approved by the Board of Education and sent to the allocation committee. The budget carries an appropriation of \$1,168,517 for operating purposes, an increase of \$104,353 over the previous year. It ignores the county tax allocation board's preliminary allocation of 5.25 mills and provides a levy of 6.39 mills.

**ST. LOUIS, Mo.—BOND ELECTION CONTEMPLATED**—An ordinance is said to have been reported for passage by the Board of Aldermen, calling for an election on Sept. 10 to vote on the issuance of \$800,000 in bonds to finance the construction of approaches to the municipal bridge over the Mississippi River—V. 140, p. 4110.

**ST. MARTIN GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. St. Martin), La.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—A resolution has been passed providing for the issuance of \$173,800 in refunding bonds.

**SALEM, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN**—The \$400,000 revenue anticipation notes, dated June 27 1935 and maturing \$100,000 each on Feb. 27 1936, March 27 1936, April 24 1936 and May 22 1936, which were offered on June 27, were awarded to the Bankers Trust Co. of New York and the Day Trust Co. of Boston, jointly, on a 0.36% discount basis, plus a premium of \$11. The First Boston Corp. bid 0.37% discount.

Other bidders were:

Bidder	Discount
Leavitt & Co.	0.413%
Naumkeag Trust Co.	0.42%
Merchants National Bank of Salem	0.43%
Merchants National Bank of Boston	0.43%
Whiting, Weeks & Knowles	0.45%
Newton, Abbe & Co.	0.46%
W. O. Gay & Co.	0.56%
First National Bank of Boston	0.56%
Faxon, Gade & Co.	0.59%

**SALEM, Mass.—BOND SALE**—The \$75,000 relief bonds offered on June 25—V. 140, p. 4276—were awarded to Blyth & Co. of Boston on a bid of 100.194 for 1 1/4% bonds, a basis of about 1.195%. The next bid of 100.131 was submitted by H. C. Wainwright and Co. of Boston. Dated July 1 1935. Due \$15,000 yearly on July 1 from 1936 to 1940, incl.

The following is a list of the other bids submitted for the issue:

Bidder	For 1 1/4% Bonds	Rate Bid
H. C. Wainwright & Co., Boston	100.131	100.131
Burr & Co., Boston	100.016	100.016
Tyler, Buttrick & Co., Boston	100.09	100.09
Faxon, Gade & Co., Boston	100.09	100.09
R. L. Day & Co., Boston	100.05	100.05
For 1 1/2% Bonds		
Estabrook & Co., Boston	100.72	100.72
Halsey, Stuart & Co.	100.608	100.608
Newton, Abbe & Co., Boston	100.567	100.567
Whiting, Weeks & Knowles, Boston	100.55	100.55
First Boston Corporation	100.545	100.545
Washburn & Co., Boston	100.544	100.544
Merchants National Bank, Salem	100.53	100.53
E. H. Rollins & Sons, Boston	100.5021	100.5021
Naumkeag Trust Co., Salem	100.50	100.50
Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago	100.297	100.297
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	100.023	100.023
W. O. Gay & Co., Boston	100.05	100.05
Hornblower & Weeks, Boston	100.009	100.009

**SALEM, Ohio—BONDS TENTATIVELY APPROVED**—City Solicitor Loxier Caplan recently announced that the Ohio Public Works Administration had approved the city hall project and that \$50,000 bonds would be the city's share of the proposed \$7,500 total cost. The taxpayers' approval will be sought in the Aug. 13 primaries.

**SALEM, Ore.—BOND SALE**—The \$1,100,000 issue of water bonds offered for sale on June 24—V. 140, p. 4110—was awarded to a syndicate

composed of the First Boston Corp., Conrad, Bruce & Co. of San Francisco, E. M. Adams & Co. of Portland, and the First Security Trust Co. of Salt Lake City, at a price of 100.031, a net interest cost of about 3.23%, on the bonds divided as follows: \$432,000 as 4's, maturing on July 1 as follows: \$27,000, 1940; \$28,000, 1941; \$29,000, 1942; \$30,000, 1943; \$31,000, 1944; \$32,000, 1945; \$33,000, 1946; \$34,000, 1947; \$35,000, 1948; \$36,000, 1949; \$38,000, 1950; \$39,000, 1951, and \$40,000 in 1952; the remaining \$668,000 as 3's, maturing on July 1 as follows: \$42,000, 1953; \$43,000, 1954; \$45,000, 1955; \$46,000, 1956; \$48,000, 1957; \$50,000, 1958; \$51,000, 1959; \$53,000, 1960; \$55,000, 1961; \$57,000, 1962; \$59,000, 1963 and 1964, and \$60,000 in 1965.

**BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT**—The successful bidders re-offered the above bonds for general subscription, the 4% bonds to yield from 2.80% to 3.20%, according to maturity, and the 3% bonds are priced to yield from 3.15% to 3.20%, according to maturity.

**SAND LAKE AND POESTENKILL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Sand Lake), N. Y.—BOND SALE**—The \$40,000 coupon or registered school building construction and equipment bonds offered on June 25—V. 140, p. 4276—were awarded to E. H. Rollins & Sons of New York as 3 3/4's, at par plus a premium of \$124, equal to 100.31, a basis of about 3.21%. Dated May 1 1935 and due \$4,000 on May 1 from 1937 to 1946, incl. Other bidders were:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
J. & W. Seligman & Co.	3 3/4%	100.15
Sherwood & Merrifield, Inc.	3.30%	100.11
George B. Gibbons & Co., Inc.	3.50%	100.19

**SAN SABA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Tex.—BONDS VOTED**—A proposal to issue \$10,000 auditorium and gymnasium erection bonds was approved by a vote of 147 to 51 at an election held on June 8.

**SARGEANT, Minn.—CERTIFICATE SALE**—The State Bank of Sargeant was awarded the \$5,500 certificates of indebtedness offered for sale on June 21—V. 140, p. 4110. The price was par for 4 1/4's. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$200, 1936 to 1940, incl., and \$300, 1941 to 1955, inc.

**SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich.—BOND OFFERING**—Mark Shepley, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p.m. on July 1 for the purchase of \$39,570 special assessment paving bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Due in ten annual instalments. Bidder to name the interest rate. A certified check for \$500, payable to the order of the City Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

**SCREVEN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ga.—BOND ELECTION**—A proposal that the district issue \$14,000 4% school building bonds will be put to a vote at an election on July 13.

**SEATTLE, Wash.—APPLICATION FOR RFC LOAN APPROVED**—A Seattle news report to the "Wall Street Journal" of June 25 had the following to say:

"Developments toward a solution of the Seattle municipal railway tangle took definite form last week with adoption by the City Council of a resolution calling for application to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for a loan of \$5,000,000 to pay off the \$8,336,000 face amount of municipal railway bonds now held by Puget Sound Power & Light Co., and for a public works loan and grant of \$2,000,000 from the Government to rehabilitate the system.

"In preliminary negotiations with Stone & Webster interests, who control Puget Sound Power & Light, representatives of the city have sought a reduction of \$4,000,000 in the city's debt to the utility, and originally contemplated application to the RFC for that amount. With the amount to be requested definitely set at \$5,000,000, it appears that the city is preparing to settle its debt to Puget Sound for \$1,000,000 higher than the figure previously under discussion."

**SENECA FALLS UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Seneca Falls), N. Y.—BOND SALE**—The \$12,000 coupon or registered school building completion bonds offered on June 27—V. 140, p. 4276—were awarded to Bacon, Stevenson & Co. of New York as 1.90's, at a price of 100.02, a basis of about 1.89%. Dated July 1 1935 and due \$4,000 on July 1 from 1936 to 1938, incl. Second highest bidder was the Seneca Falls Savings Bank, which offered par for 1.90's.

**SEYMOUR SCHOOL DISTRICT, Tex.—BONDS VOTED**—By a vote of 123 to 9 the residents of the district on June 11 approved a proposed bond issue of \$43,000 for school building improvements.

**SHARPSVILLE, Pa.—BOND SALE**—The \$15,000 refunding bonds offered on June 24—V. 140, p. 4276—were awarded to Glover & MacGregor, Inc. of Pittsburgh at par plus a premium of \$646.60, equal to 104.31.

The bonds bear 4% interest, are dated July 1 1935 and mature July 1 1950, without option of prior payment. Coupon, registerable as to principal, in 1,000 denoms. Interest payable J. & J. Interest cost basis to borough about 3.62%. Mame K. Robins is Borough Secretary.

**SHAWNEE, Okla.—BOND SALE**—It is reported that a \$200,000 issue of 4% semi-ann. municipal lake bonds was purchased at par recently by the Public Works Administration. (This report corrects the sale notice given in these columns recently—V. 140, p. 4110.)

**SHOSHONE COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8 (P. O. Wallace), Ida.—BOND SALE**—We are informed by Ida Chandler, District Clerk, that the \$105,000 issue of refunding bonds offered for sale on June 22—V. 140, p. 4110—was awarded jointly to Murphey, Favre & Co., and the Spokane and Eastern Trust Co., both of Spokane, as 2.86% bonds, paying a premium of \$400, equal to 100.381, a basis of about 2.78%. Dated July 1 1935. Due on Aug. 1 as follows: \$12,000, 1936, 1937 and 1938; \$13,000, 1939 and 1940; \$14,000, 1941 and 1942, and \$15,000 in 1943. The second highest bid received was an offer of \$375 premium on 3 1/4% bonds, tendered by Ferris & Hargrove, of Spokane.

**SOMERVILLE, Mass.—\$200,000 LOAN DEFEATED**—The Board of Aldermen on June 24 defeated by a margin of one vote the proposal to borrow \$200,000 from the State for relief purposes. As a result, it is expected that the tax rate, which was \$37 per \$1,000 last year, will be increased to over \$40.

**SOUTH CORNING, N. Y.—BOND ELECTION**—A special election is announced for July 2 to consider authorizing the issuance of \$18,000 water system bonds.

**SPENCER, N. Y.—BOND ELECTION**—It is expected, according to recent advices, that a special election will be held on June 29 to authorize issuance of bonds to cover the community's part of a proposed school construction to cost between \$130,000 and \$150,000.

**SPRINGFIELD, Mass.—UNPAID 1934 TAXES**—Ralph L. Munn, Collector, has announced that the first sale of real estate on which 1934 taxes are delinquent will be held early in July. The amount of the levy unpaid to date is \$810,310.61.

**STOKES COUNTY (P. O. Danbury), No. Caro.—BONDS PROPOSED**—The Board of Education and the Board of County Commissioners have decided to apply to the Local Government Commission at Raleigh for authority to issue \$110,000 bonds, which, together with \$90,000 Federal Government money, will finance the improvement of the school buildings in the county.

**SUFFOLK COUNTY (P. O. Riverhead), N. Y.—LIST OF BIDS**—Unsuccessful bids for the \$615,000 bonds awarded to a group composed of Stranahan, Harris & Co., Robinson, Miller & Co. and Hemphill, Noyes & Co., all of New York, as 2 1/4's, at 100.298, a basis of about 2.21%, as stated in V. 140, p. 4276:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
Bankers Trust Co.; Chase National Bank	2.30%	100.199
Dick & Merle-Smith; Geo. B. Gibbons & Co.; Roosevelt & Weigold, Inc.	2.30%	100.19
Goldman, Sachs & Co.; Bacon, Stevenson & Co.;	2.30%	100.11
Burr & Co., Inc.	2.30%	100.11
Suffolk Co. National Bank; Salomon Bros. & Hutzler;	2.30%	100.1
First National Bank, New York		
Lazard Freres & Co.; First of Michigan Corp.; Shields & Co.	2.30%	100.049
Halsey, Stuart & Co.; Bancamerica-Blair Corp.;	2.30%	100.025
Darby & Co.	2.40%	100.697
Harris Trust & Savings Bank	2.40%	100.1829
Edward B. Smith & Co.; First Boston Corp.	2.40%	
Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co.; Kean, Taylor & Co.; Adams, Stone & Co.	2.40%	100.079
Blythe & Co.; Stone & Webster and Blodgett; F. S. Moseley	2.50%	100.475

**STONE HARBOR (P. O. Sea Isle), N. J.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—An ordinance was recently passed at a meeting of the borough council, authorizing \$150,000 5% refund local improvement assessment bonds, Interest M. & S. Payable in five years. Denom. \$1,000. The final reading on this issue is scheduled for July 13.

**STORM LAKE, Iowa—BOND SALE CORRECTION**—It is stated by the City Clerk that our recent report to the effect that \$45,000 sewage disposal plant bonds were purchased by the Carleton D. Beh Co. of Des Moines—V. 140, p. 4110—was incorrect but he states that the city expects to sell \$111,000 bonds in the near future. These bonds will be divided as follows: \$65,000 water revenue, and \$46,000 general obligation bonds.

**SUPERIOR, Neb.—BOND ELECTION**—An election has been ordered to be held on July 30 to vote on a proposition to issue \$40,000 city hall, auditorium and community house construction bonds.

**TENNESSEE (State of)—NOTE OFFERING**—The State Funding Board is requesting bids on \$3,556,000 60-day notes to refund obligations coming due on July 1 and July 8. Interest is not to exceed 4%. \$3,200,000 notes will be dated July 8 and \$356,000 will be dated July 1.

**TEXAS, State of—BOND SALE DECLARED INVALID**—The sale on June 13 by the State of \$2,000,000 relief, Fourth Series, Second Installment bonds to a syndicate headed by R. W. Pressprich & Co. of New York—V. 140, p. 4111—has been declared invalid by Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York, because of failure of publication of the required legal notice calling for bids, according to the "Wall Street Journal" of June 26.

**BONDS RE-OFFERED**—The State Bond Commission is said to have officially invited new bids on the bonds to be opened July 3. Bidders are asked to name a rate of interest not to exceed 4%.

**THOMASTON, Conn.—BOND SALE**—Day, Stoddard & Williams, Inc., of New Haven were awarded an issue of \$30,000 funding bonds on June 27 on their bid of 102.09 for 2s, or an interest cost basis of about 1.39%. Dated July 1 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$5,000 each July 1 from 1936 to 1941 incl. Principal and semi-annual interest payable at the Thomaston National Bank or at the First National Bank of New York City.

**TITUS COUNTY (P. O. Mount Pleasant), Tex.—PROGRESS OF REFUNDING PROGRAM**—The J. R. Phillips Investment Co. of Houston, advise us that everything is in readiness for the Titus County road bonds which are included in this county's \$245,000 refunding program to be exchanged by the Comptroller of Public Accounts, Austin, Tuesday, June 25, for Titus County refunding bonds.

All past due coupons should be presented to the State Treasurer at Austin, for payment in cash on or after June 25. The refunding bonds are dated April 10 1935, so there will be no interest adjustment necessary between the old bonds and the refunding bonds. Interest on past due bonds will be paid in cash by the State Treasurer up to April 10 1935, under our supervision.

Approximately 85% of the bonds included in this refunding program have been committed and represent the total amount of bonds located. The refunding bonds will carry the approving opinion of the Attorney-General of the State of Texas and also Clay, Dillon & Vandewater, of New York.

**TIVERTON, R. I.—BOND SALE**—The \$40,000 issue of school bonds offered on June 26—V. 140, p. 4277—was awarded to Tyler, Buttrick & Co. of Boston as 2 1/4s at a price of 100.55, a basis of about 2.14%. Dated July 1 1935. Due serially from 1936 to 1945 incl. Kidder, Peabody & Co. of Boston bid 100.311 for 2 1/4s.

Other bids were as follows:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
Faxon, Gade & Co.	2 3/4%	100.48
E. H. Rollins & Sons	2 3/4%	100.193
Brown, Lisle & Marshall	2 1/2%	100.07
Hornblower & Weeks	3%	100.255
Fall River National Bank	3%	100

**TOCCOA, Ga.—PRICE PAID**—The \$39,000 issue of 4 1/4% semi-annual water works and filtration plant bonds awarded on June 18 jointly to Johnson, Lane, Space & Co., Inc., and the Trust Company of Georgia, both of Atlanta—V. 140, p. 4277—was sold for a premium of \$4,871, equal to 112.489, a basis of about 3.10%. Dated July 1 1935. Due from Jan. 1 1937 to 1960, incl. The other bids for the bonds were as follows:

Bidder	Premium
J. H. Hillsman & Co., Inc., of Atlanta	\$4,870
Brooke, Tindall & Co., Atlanta	4,869
Wayne Martin & Co., Atlanta	4,269

**TOLEDO, Ohio—BOND INJUNCTION DISSOLVED**—Injunction against the issuance of the \$2,450,000 indebtedness liquidating bonds which were awarded on June 25 to a syndicate headed by Stranahan, Harris & Co., of Toledo, as reported below, which had been granted temporarily on application made by Henry B. Nunnold was dissolved by Judge John McCabe when it was pointed out by the City Attorney that the plaintiff had failed to post a bond.

**TOLEDO, Ohio—BOND SALE**—The \$2,450,000 indebtedness liquidating bonds offered on June 25—V. 140, p. 3945—were awarded to a syndicate headed by Stranahan, Harris & Co., Inc., of Toledo on the group's all-or-none bid for 5s, at par plus a premium of \$1,730, equal to 100.07, a basis of about 4.98%. Dated June 15 1935 and due Dec. 15 as follows: \$272,000, 1937; \$273,000, 1938 and 1939; \$300,000, 1940; \$310,000, 1941; \$322,000, 1942, and \$350,000 in 1943 and 1944. City will use the proceeds of the issue to pay off all of its outstanding floating debt, including \$880,000 of scrip. A group headed by Fox, Einhorn & Co. and Seasongood & Mayer of Cincinnati offered to purchase a block of \$500,000 as 4 1/4s, at par plus a premium of \$555, with a 60-day option on the balance at the same rate and price.

**TORRANCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 (P. O. Estancia), N. Mex.—BOND OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until 10:30 a.m. on June 29 by Paul E. Tahet, County Treasurer, for the purchase of a \$12,000 issue of school bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 5%, payable semi-annually. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1935. Due \$1,000 from 1938 to 1949, incl. Prin. and int. payable at the office of the State Treasurer, or at such other places as the bidder may elect. No bids will be accepted for less than par and accrued interest to date of delivery. A certified check for 5% of the amount bid, payable to the County Treasurer, is required.

**TOWANDA, Pa.—BOND OFFERING**—William T. Howie, Borough Secretary, will receive sealed bids until 7:30 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) on July 1 for the purchase of \$75,000 2 1/4, 2 3/4 or 3% refunding bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Due Aug. 1 as follows: \$2,500, 1936; \$3,000, 1937 and 1938; \$3,500, 1939 to 1945 incl.; \$4,000, 1946 to 1950 incl.; \$4,500, 1951 to 1953 incl.; \$5,000 in 1954 and \$3,500 in 1955. Principal and interest (F. & A.) payable at the Citizens National Bank, Towanda. A certified check for \$1,000, payable to the order of Edward Walker, Borough Treasurer, is required. Legal opinion of Burgwin, Scully & Burgwin of Pittsburgh will be furnished the successful bidder. Sale is subject to approval of issue by the Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs.

**TRAVERSE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Mich.—BONDS PROPOSED**—Having received word from Washington that its application for a loan and grant of \$275,000 had been approved by the Finance Division of the Public Works Administration, the local School Board plans to start immediately on preparations for a bond issue.

**TRINIDAD, Colo.—REPORT ON BOND REFUNDING**—It is stated by the City Clerk that the city is refunding about \$1,000,000 of water works bonds but that no names or other data is available as yet. (This report supplements the tentative notice given in these columns recently—V. 140, p. 4111.)

**TRUCKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Nevada City), Calif.—BOND ELECTION POSTPONED**—It is stated by the County Superintendent of Schools that the election which was scheduled for June 7, to vote on the issuance of \$22,000 in school erection bonds—V. 140, p. 4111—was postponed to July 9, due to an error in proceedings.

**TULSA, Okla.—WARRANT CALL**—The City Treasurer is reported to be calling for payment at his office on July 3, various general fund, park fund and library fund warrants.

**ULEN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 63, Clay County, Minn.—BOND ELECTION**—An election is to be held on July 1 for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing \$14,000 school building addition bonds.

**UNION CITY, Tenn.—BOND ELECTION**—An ordinance has been passed by the City Commissioners providing for an election to be held on July 11 to vote on the issuance of \$55,000 in school bonds, according to report.

**VANDERBURGH COUNTY (P. O. Evansville), Ind.—BOND OFFERING**—Up to 10 a.m. July 8, sealed bids will be received by the County Auditor for the purchase of school relief bonds in the amount of \$300,000.

**VINCENNES, Ind.—BONDS OFFERED TO PUBLIC**—An issue of 3 3/4% water revenue bonds amounting to \$1,275,000, which the city had issued in payment for the purchase of the local water plant, as reported in V. 140, p. 4277, is now being offered for public investment by C. W. McNear & Co., and Lewis, Pickett & Co., both of Chicago, at prices to yield from 2.40 to 3.60%.

**VINCENNES, Ind.—BOND OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a.m., July 15, by Joseph I. Muentzer, City Clerk, for the purchase of \$5,500 semi-annual refunding bonds, to bear no more than 5% interest. Dated July 15 1935. Denom. \$1,000. No bid for less than the par value of said bonds will be considered. Legality to be approved by Matson, Ross, McCord and Clifford of Indianapolis.

**VINITA, Okla.—BOND SALE**—City Clerk C. H. Webb informs us that the \$36,000 coupon warrant and judgment funding bonds recently authorized, report of which appeared in V. 140, p. 4277, are being sold to R. J. Edwards, Inc. of Oklahoma City.

**VIRGINIA (State of)—BANK HOLDS SPURIOUS BONDS**—The following report is taken from the Richmond "Dispatch" of June 22: "Approximately \$40,000 in spurious Virginia bonds are being held by a New York bank, but will be destroyed as soon as the bank learns officially that they have no validity. A. B. Gathright, State Treasurer, said yesterday. The bonds were printed by the Kendall Bank Note Co. in 1882, but never issued by the State.

"Mr. Gathright said the note company failed to deliver them at a specified time, after alterations had been ordered in the original printing, and the State refused to accept the late delivery.

"According to Mr. Gathright, single bonds of this sort turn up every now and then and the owners learn to their sorrow that they are worthless."

**WALLINGFORD, Conn.—REFUNDING BILL SIGNED**—The bill authorizing the town to refund \$200,000 of outstanding 4 1/2% interest bonds has been signed by Governor Cross. Rate of interest on the new debt is not to exceed 3%.

**WALSH COUNTY (P. O. Grafton), No. Dak.—BOND ELECTION**—An election will be held July 15 to vote upon the proposition of issuing \$100,000 court house building bonds. Total cost of project, \$181,000. Federal grant of \$81,000 would be applied for. W. J. Lamarre is County Auditor.

**WALTHAM, Mass.—BOND SALE**—The issue of \$140,000 coupon municipal relief bonds offered on June 28 was awarded to Halsey, Stuart & Co., of Boston, as 2s for a premium of \$959, equal to 100.685, a basis of about 1.86%. Dated July 1 1935. Due \$15,000 yearly on July 1 from 1936 to 1944, incl., and \$5,000, July 1 1945. Newton, Abbe & Co. of Boston, the second best bidder, offered to pay 100.517 for 2s.

**WAPELLO COUNTY (P. O. Ottumwa), Iowa—OTHER BIDS**—We are informed by D. D. Connelly, Deputy County Treasurer, that the \$77,000 coupon funding bonds awarded to the White-Phillips Corp. of Davenport as 3 3/4s at 100.0013, a basis of about 3.248%—V. 140, p. 4277—also attracted the following two bids:

Bidder	Rate Bid	Premium
Iowa-Des Moines National Bank	3 3/4%	Par
Carleton D. Beh Co.	3 3/4%	\$1,520

**WARREN COUNTY (P. O. Front Royal), Va.—BOND ELECTION**—The Board of Supervisors has decided to call an election for July 8 to submit to the voters a proposal to issue bonds for the construction of a courthouse.

**WATERTOWN, N. Y.—BOND SALE**—The \$300,000 coupon or registered emergency relief bonds offered on June 26—V. 140, p. 4111—were awarded to a group consisting of the Manufacturers and Traders Trust Co. of Buffalo, Kean, Taylor & Co. and Adams, McEntee & Co. of New York, for a premium of \$432, equal to 100.144, for 1 1/4s, a basis of about 1.72%. Dated July 15 1935. Due \$30,000 yearly on July 15 from 1936 to 1945, incl. Blyth & Co. and Stone & Webster and Blodgett, both of New York, submitted a joint bid offering a premium of \$210 for 1 1/4s.

The bonds are being re-offered by the bankers for public subscription at prices to yield from 0.40% to 1.75%, according to maturity. The following is a list of the other unsuccessful bids for the loan:

Bidder	Rate of Int.	Premium
Shields & Co.	2.10%	\$447.00
Stone, Webster & Blodgett, Inc. and Blythe & Co., Inc.	1 1/4%	210.00
Bankers Trust Co.	1.80%	237.00
A. C. Allyn & Co., Grandberry & Safford Co. and Rutter & Co.	1.90%	591.00
Graham, Parsons & Co.	1.90%	417.00
Equitable Securities Corp., and Foster & Co.	1.80%	74.70
Lazard Freres & Co., Inc.	1 3/4%	147.00
Stranahan, Harris & Co., Inc.	2.10%	657.00
First Boston Corp.	1.90%	680.00
Harris Trust & Savings Bank	1.90%	1,341.00
Estabrook & Co., and F. S. Moseley & Co.	2.00%	510.00
A. G. Becker & Co., and Phelps, Fenn & Co.	1.90%	210.00
B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Inc.	2.10%	910.29
Bancamerica Blair Corp., Halsey, Stuart & Co.	2.00%	675.00
Watertown National Bank	1.80%	185.70
Northern N. Y. Trust Co.	1.90%	420.00
Jefferson County National Bank	1.80%	150.00
National City Bank, and Kelly Richardson & Co.	1.90%	510.00

**WAYNE COUNTY (P. O. Detroit), Mich.—BOND DECISION REVERSED**—A decree restraining the County Board of Auditors from issuing \$214,000 general obligation bonds for warehouse construction was issued by the Michigan Supreme Court on June 14. Robert Bond, a taxpayer, had filed an injunction suit contending that although the county has the right to borrow money for construction or repair, the right does not include power to issue bonds without a popular vote. The Circuit Court dismissed the action but the Supreme Court reversed the decision. Power to issue bonds without a popular vote, the Court said, never is conferred by implication.

**WAYNESBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BONDS APPROVED**—The \$30,500 3% refunding bonds offered for sale on June 24, were approved on June 21 by the Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs.

**WELLESLEY, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN**—The \$100,000 revenue anticipation loan offered on June 24—V. 140, p. 4277—was awarded to the Wellesley Trust Co. at 0.24% discount, plus \$4 premium. Dated June 24 1935 and due Dec. 31 1935. The Second National Bank of Boston named a rate of 0.24%.

The following is a record of the other bids submitted for the loan: Whiting, Weeks & Knowles, 0.28%; First Boston Corp., 0.27%, plus \$1.50; Washburn & Co., 0.27%; First National Bank of Boston, 0.28%; Newton, Abbe & Co., 0.28%; Wellesley National Bank, 0.30%; Leavitt & Co., N. Y., 0.34%, plus \$2; W. O. Gay & Co., 0.39%, and West Newton Savings Bank, 0.43%.

**WELLINGTON, Ohio—BOND OFFERING**—The Village Clerk will receive bids until noon July 27 for the purchase of \$7,500 4% swimming pool bonds. Denom. \$100. Dated May 1 1935. Due \$700 on May 1 in even years and \$800 on May 1 in odd years from 1936 to 1945 incl.

**WEST LINN, Ore.—BOND ELECTION CONTEMPLATED**—It is said that an election will be called to have the voters pass on the issuance of city hall and swimming pool bonds. The cost of the city hall is estimated at \$40,000 and the swimming pool at \$5,000. It is expected that the projects are to be financed by a Public Works Administration allotment.

**WHEATFIELD (P. O. Tonawanda), N. Y.—BOND OFFERING**—Albert Milleville, Town Supervisor, will sell at public auction at 11 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time) on July 1 an issue of \$6,085.72 not to exceed 6% interest registered highway bonds. Offers will be received at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at the Court House in Lockport. Issue is dated July 1 1935. One bond for \$1,085.72, others for \$1,000. Due March 1 as follows: \$1,085.72 in 1942 and \$1,000 from 1943 to 1947, incl. The rate of interest on the bonds must be in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. Principal and interest (M. & S.) payable at the First Trust Co., Tonawanda. The bonds are general obligations of the town, payable from unlimited

taxes. A certified check for \$600, payable to the order of the Town Supervisor, is required. Sealed bids on the issue may be entered at the same time.

**WHEATLAND, Wyo.—BOND CALL**—The City Treasurer is said to be calling for payment at his office on July 1, on which date interest shall cease. Nos. 1 to 20 of the 6% water bonds, dated July 1 1920. Due on July 1 1950, optional on July 1 1935.

**WHITING, Iowa—BOND OFFERING**—The Town Council will sell \$20,000 non-callable water works bonds at 2 p.m., July 5. L. H. Wilen is Town Clerk.

**WIBAUX, Mont.—BOND OFFERING**—Town will on July 16, at 8 p.m., sell for cash, either amortization or serial bonds in amount of \$19,000 for purpose of obtaining funds to retire outstanding water works and water supply bonds issued Aug. 1 1915. Bonds whether amortization or serial bonds will bear date of Aug. 1 1935 and interest at rate of not exceeding 6% per annum, payable semi-annually on Feb. 1 and Aug. 1, and will be redeemable five years from date of issue and any interest due date thereafter. Certified check in sum of \$500, payable to T. L. Parker, Town Clerk, required.

**WICHITA, Kan.—BOND SALE**—The three issues of bonds aggregating \$133,179.94, offered for sale on June 24—V. 140, p. 4112—were awarded as follows:

\$7,173.15 2 1/4% semi-ann. paving and sewer series No. 420 bonds, jointly to the Wheeler, Kelly-Hagny Trust Co., the Cloniger-Branson Investment Co., and the Dunne-Israel Investment Co., all of Wichita, at a price of 100.817, a basis of about 2.08%. Dated May 1 1935. Due from 1936 to 1944.  
22,740.00 2 1/4% bridge series No. 421 bonds, to the same group at a price of 101.017, a basis of about 2.02%. Dated May 1 1935. Due from 1936 to 1944.  
103,226.79 2 1/2% semi-ann. refunding bonds, to the same group at a price of 102.211, a basis of about 2.03%. Dated June 1 1935. Due from June 1 1936 to 1944.

**WICKENBURG, Ariz.—BOND ELECTION POSTPONED**—We are informed by the Town Clerk that the election scheduled for June 17, to vote on the issuance of \$19,000 in sewerage system construction bonds—V. 140, p. 4112—was postponed to a future date.

**WILLIAMS COUNTY (P. O. Williston), No. Dak.—BOND ELECTION**—An election will be held on July 15 to vote upon the proposition of issuing \$77,000 court house building bonds. Total cost of building, \$120,000. Federal grant of 45% of cost of project will be applied for. Morten Mortenson is County Auditor.

**WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP, Chester County, Pa.—BOND SALE**—W. B. Cox, Borough Secretary, states that an issue of \$10,000 3 1/2% coupon public road bonds was sold on June 15 to M. M. Freeman & Co. of Philadelphia. Dated June 15 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on June 15 from 1936 to 1945 incl. Interest payable J. & D. 15.

**WILSON COUNTY (P. O. Wilson), N. C.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The County Commissioners have recently passed an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$69,000 refunding bonds.

**WINIFRED HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Winifred), Mont.—BOND ELECTION**—An election is to be held on June 29 at which the electors will be asked to approve a proposed \$19,600 bond issue for erection of a high school.

**WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.—BOND SALE**—It is reported that a \$42,000 issue of 4% semi-ann. abbotar bonds was purchased recently by R. S. Dickson & Co. of Charlotte, for a premium of \$1,055.46, equal to 102.51.

**WINTERS, Tex.—BOND ELECTION**—It is reported that an election will be held during July to vote on the issuance of \$54,000 in city hospital bonds.

**WINTERSET, Iowa—MATURITY**—The \$25,000 refunding bonds that were purchased by the Farmers & Merchants Bank of Winterset, as 2 3/4s, at a price of 100.284—V. 140, p. 4278—are due on July 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1936 and 1937; 3,000, 1938 to 1940; \$2,000, 1941; \$1,000, 1943; \$2,000, 1944 to 1947, and \$1,000 in 1948; optional on July 1 1943, giving a basis of about 2.69%. Legal approval by Chapman & Cutler of Chicago.

**WINTHROP SCHOOL DISTRICT, Minn.—BOND ELECTION**—An election has been ordered for July 9 to vote on a proposed \$27,000 bond issue for school buildings.

**WOODBURY COUNTY (P. O. Sioux City), Iowa—MATURITY**—The \$180,000 refunding bonds which are being offered for sale on July 1—V. 140, p. 4278—are to mature \$10,000 in 1936, \$15,000 in each of the years from 1937 to 1942 incl., and \$40,000 in 1943 and 1944.

**WOOD-RIDGE (P. O. Wood-Ridge), N. J.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Borough Council recently authorized the issuance of \$58,000 6% serial funding bonds. Cornelius J. Gwinn, Borough Clerk, announced. Dated July 1 1935. Interest J. & D. Due \$3,000 in 1936 to 1953 and \$4,000 in 1953.

**WORCESTER, Mass.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The City Council recently authorized an \$80,000 bond issue for ERA purposes.

**WORCESTER, Mass.—BOND SALE**—The \$301,000 coupon or registered bonds offered on June 25 were awarded to E. H. Rollins & Sons, and Tyler, Buttrick & Co., both of Boston, jointly as 1 1/4s, at a price of 100.79, a basis of about 1.61%. R. L. Day & Co., and Whiting, Weeks & Knowles, both of Boston were second high bidders, offering 100.44 for 1 1/4s. The award consisted of:

\$50,000 water mains bonds. Due \$10,000 yearly on July 1 from 1936 to 1940 incl.

100,000 water main bonds. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$7,000, 1936 to 1945 incl., and \$6,000, 1946 to 1951 incl.

35,000 water main bonds. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1936 to 1950 incl., and \$1,000, 1959 to 1955 incl.

16,000 bridge bonds. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1936 to 1941 incl., and \$1,000, 1942 to 1945 incl.

100,000 city hospital bonds. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$7,000, 1936 to 1945 incl., and \$8,000, 1946 to 1950 incl.

Dated July 1 1935. Bidding for 2% bonds, Halsey, Stuart & Co., offered 101.285, while Blyth & Co., Graham, Parsons & Co., and Burr & Co., Inc., named a price of 100.941.

Other bidders were as follows:

	For 1 1/4% Bonds	Premium
Edward B. Smith & Co., Hornblower & Weeks and Burr, Gannett & Co. ....		100.29
Newton, Abbe & Co., Lee Higginson Corp. and Jackson & Curtis. ....		100.265
Estabrook & Co. ....		100.051

	For 2% Bonds	
Halsey, Stuart & Co. ....	101.285	
Blyth & Co., Inc., Graham, Parsons & Co. and Burr & Co., Inc. ....	100.941	
Kidder, Peabody & Co., Stone & Webster and Blodgett, Inc. ....	100.826	
The First Boston Corp. ....	100.77	
Harris Trust & Savings Bank. ....	100.515	
F. S. Moseley & Co., and Brown, Harriman & Co., Inc. ....	100.4637	
Debt Statement and Borrowing Capacity July 2 1935 (Incl. Bonds Now Sold)		
Average valuation less abatements for 1932, 1933 and 1934	\$313,163,150.00	
Debt limit 2 1/2% of the same		\$7,829,078.75
Total bonded debt	\$11,571,700.00	
Exempt—		
Park debt	\$250,000.00	
Sewer debt	20,000.00	
Memorial Auditorium debt	1,218,000.00	
Water debt (funded)	25,000.00	
Water debt (serial)	2,955,700.00	
Relief debt (Chap. 307 of 1933)	860,000.00	
Financial year adjustment loan	1,080,000.00	
	6,408,700.00	
Total sinking funds	\$453,811.18	\$5,163,000.00

Less:			
Park loan fund	\$250,000.00		
Sewer loan fund	20,000.00		
Water loan fund	20,348.66	\$290,348.66	\$163,462.52
			\$4,999,537.48
Borrowing capacity within debt limit			\$2,829,541.27

**Taxes and Other Information**

Real, personal, poll and motor vehicle taxes committed for collection for 1934 amount to \$10,035,367 of which \$8,630,521 or 86.00% has been collected to the close of business May 31 1935. Collection of these taxes of 1934 on the date mentioned was over 9% better than the collection of similar 1933 taxes on May 31 1934, real estate taxes alone being over 10% better.

Taxes of 1933 of all kinds outstanding at the close of business May 31 1935, \$74,488 or less than 1% of the total committed. Real estate taxes for 1933 are 99.96% collected as of May 31 1935.

Taxes of 1932 of all kinds outstanding at the close of business May 31 1935, \$2,798 or less than 1-10th of 1%.

No real estate taxes of 1932 are outstanding. No taxes of any kind for 1931 or previous years remain unpaid.

Tax rate—1933, \$31.80; 1934, \$31.60; 1935, \$35.80. Valuation for 1935 including valuation of motor vehicles \$302,552,800. (Valuation of motor vehicles partly estimated.)

After deducting water debt and sinking funds, exclusive of water sinking funds, from total debt, based on 1930 census figures of 195,311 the per capita bonded debt of Worcester including this issue, will be on July 2 1935, \$41.76. The net bonded debt figured in this way is \$8,157,537 which is a net bonded debt of 2.70% of the 1935 valuation above mentioned. We invite comparison of our per capita debt with the per capita debt of other cities in the country of comparative size.

Sinking funds on July 2 1935 will be \$453,811 and they will exceed the debt which they are to pay by \$158,811.

During the present fiscal year this city will pay \$2,247,200 in maturing bonds of which \$1,837,700 will be paid by July 2 1935. During the same period to date there have been issued \$1,080,000 in bonds and \$301,000 (which is this issue) have been authorized and have not yet been issued.

**WYANDOTTE, Mich.—BOND CALL**—Lawrence J. LaCourse, City Clerk, gives notice that refunding bonds of the city now outstanding will be called on Aug. 1 and Aug. 10. The issues to be retired and the dates of retirement are given in the following table:

Bonds Dated	Type of Bond	Interest Rate	Bond Nos.	Date of Redemption
Aug. 1 1932	Spec. Assess. Ref.	4 1/2%	3-16	Aug. 1 1935
Aug. 1 1932	Spec. Assess. Ref.	4 1/2%	4-34	Aug. 1 1935
Aug. 1 1933	Spec. Assess. Ref.	4 1/2%	1-16	Aug. 1 1935
Aug. 1 1933	Gen. Obl. Ref.	5%	1	Aug. 1 1935
Aug. 1 1933	Gen. Obl. Ref.	4 1/2%	1-12	Aug. 1 1935
Aug. 10 1933	Gen. Obl. Ref.	5%	2-11	Aug. 10 1935
Aug. 1 1934	Gen. Obl. Ref.	4 1/2%	1-13	Aug. 1 1935
Aug. 1 1934	Spec. Assess. Ref.	4 1/2%	1-17	Aug. 1 1935

Bonds should be presented at the City Treasurer's office, or at the Wyandotte Savings Bank, in Wyandotte.

**YATES UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Lyndonville), N. Y.—BOND SALE**—The \$20,000 coupon or registered school bonds offered on June 22—V. 140, p. 4112—were awarded to the Orleans County Trust Co. of Albion as 3.70s, at a price of 100.895, a basis of about 3.58%. Dated June 1 1935 and due Dec. 1 as follows: \$1,000 from 1935 to 1945 incl. and \$1,500 from 1946 to 1951 incl. Second high bidder was J. & W. Seligman & Co. of New York, who offered 100.15 for 3.70s.

**YONKERS, N. Y.—BOND SALE**—A syndicate composed of E. H. Rollins & Sons; Hemphill, Noyes & Co.; A. C. Allyn & Co., and Rutter & Co., all of New York, was awarded the four issues of coupon or registered bonds aggregating \$620,000, which were offered on June 25—V. 140, p. 3762 and 4112—on a bid of 100.06 for bonds bearing various interest rates, as follows:

\$290,000 general, work and home relief bonds as 3.90s. Due June 1 as follows: \$95,000 in 1943 and 1944 and \$100,000 in 1945.  
200,000 water bonds as 3 1/2s. Due \$10,000 on June 1 from 1936 to 1955, incl.  
105,000 equipment bonds as 4s. Due June 1 as follows: \$20,000 from 1936 to 1939, incl., and \$25,000 in 1940.  
25,000 public buildings bonds as 4s. Due \$5,000 on June 1 from 1937 to 1941, incl.

All of the bonds are dated June 1 1935. The money is costing the city an average annual rate of 3.74%, compared with an interest cost of 4.69% paid by the city for funds received at its last sale held in December 1934.

Seven syndicates competed in the bidding. The second highest bid was made by a syndicate headed by Darby & Co. Bids were also made by groups headed by the following: Lehman Brothers; Graham, Parsons & Co.; Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co., and Brown, Harriman & Co., Inc. The National City Bank of New York, without associates, also bid for the bonds.

**CANADA, Its Provinces and Municipalities.**

**BRITISH COLUMBIA (Province of)—SINKING FUND TO PURCHASE \$1,500,000 BONDS**—The Province will use the earnings of the sinking funds to purchase a new issue of \$1,500,000 bonds, of which \$1,000,000 will be used for road construction and the remaining \$500,000 loaned to municipalities for job-creating projects. It is reported that both the Federal Government and private investment bankers have refused to purchase the loan. The province has some \$30,000,000 of sinking funds.

**CANADA (Dominion of)—MUNICIPAL FINANCING IN JUNE AND FIRST HALF OF 1935**—Canadian Government, provincial and municipal financing in the first six months of this year was the largest for this period in any year since 1931, aggregating \$262,240,941, according to latest figures compiled by Wood, Gundy & Co., Ltd. This figure compares with \$154,515,484 in 1934 and \$128,260,756 in 1933. Financing for the first half of 1935 was placed entirely in Canada.

Financing for the month of June showed a large increase over that for June 1934, amounting to \$55,655,385 as compared with \$7,137,192 last year. Figures for June this year were surpassed during the past five years only in June 1933. Major flotations during June this year included \$15,000,000 Canadian Government three months Treasury Bills, \$20,000,000 Province of Ontario 2 1/4% and 3% bonds, \$12,943,000 City of Montreal and \$2,275,000 City of Toronto Serial Debentures.

**CANADA (Dominion of)—SELLS \$15,000,000 TREASURY BILLS**—The Dominion of Canada sold in the Canadian market, June 22, an issue of \$15,000,000 treasury bills due in three months at the record low average interest cost of 1.555%. Cheapest previous borrowing by the Dominion was done two months ago, when a similar bill issue went at an average interest cost of 1.698%.

**CANADA (Dominion of)—\$750,000,000 REFUNDING LOANS AUTHORIZED**—A government bill empowering the Finance Minister to float loans to a maximum of \$750,000,000, was passed by the House of Commons on June 18. It was expected the Government would enter the money market on a refunding program when it was favorable this fall.

**DARTMOUTH, N. S.—BOND OFFERING**—W. J. Smith, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 5 p. m. on July 2 for the purchase of \$30,000 4% improvement bonds, including \$12,500 due in 10 years, \$9,000 in 20 years and \$8,500 in five years.

**ONTARIO (Province of)—DECIDES TO SELL BOND ISSUES DIRECT TO INVESTORS**—The Province will handle its financing in future by direct sale of bonds to the public through the provincial savings banks system, Premier Mitchell F. Hepburn, states.

The Government recently floated a \$20,000,000 bond issue which was sold direct to the public. Response to this policy supports the Government's belief that financing can be handled without assistance from financial houses, Hepburn said. Fifty new branches of the provincial savings bank system, operated by the Government, will be opened throughout Ontario at an early date. All Government issues will be sold "over the counter" of these branches at rates set by the Treasury Department and on the Government's terms, the premier said.

Interest rates on deposits in the provincial savings banks has been increased from 2% to 2 1/2%. Branches, Hepburn said, would be opened "soon" at United States border points, in an effort to secure American depositors. Advertising in the American press and by radio will be used to encourage Americans to place their money on deposit in the branches where they can receive the high interest rate.

The Government does not contemplate offering any provincial issues for sale in the United States.

**WALKERVILLE, Ont.—RETIRETS BONDS**—The town is paying debenture interest to the extent of \$20,000, which fell due on June 14. It is pointed out that sufficient funds are available to meet the interest payment as planned. Debenture holders are to turn in their coupons in the usual way.