

# The Financial Situation

CONSIDERABLE disappointment is now being voiced concerning the action of the House of Representatives in passing by a large majority the Tennessee Valley Authority measure in about the form desired by the Administration. The bill as it came to the floor of the House contained a number of provisions that would have limited the damage likely to be caused by the contemplated further practical application of the so-called yard-stick principle. To these the Administration was violently opposed, and it has now succeeded in having them removed and the measure adopted in approximately the form in which it had already passed the Senate.

The measure as it now stands will do infinite harm to legitimate utility enterprises unless of course the courts intervene. It is to be deeply regretted that it will, as now appears inevitable, become the law of the land. The fact that it was able to muster a very large majority in the House, which so recently had resisted the efforts of the Administration to force it to include the so-called "death sentence" in the utilities measure, carries unpleasant implications. Whether it is true, as some observers of long experience are now inclined to believe, that this action of the House suggests, if it does not plainly forecast, success for the Administration in its attempt to have its own way in the Conference Committee now considering the two versions of the holding company measure, it would be hazardous to predict. It certainly raises a serious question concerning this matter.

## Uneven Progress to Be Expected

We think, however, that it would be unwise to lose heart in too large a degree over the action of the House in the Tennessee Valley Authority matter. After all, there never was any good reason to believe that the revolt in the House on the holding company matter would flourish uninterruptedly, and daily wax in stature and vigor. Such movements do not ordinarily conduct themselves in that way. It has been evident for some time past, or at least it has seemed so to us, that considerable sections of the business public had become rather over-enthusiastic about what had been accomplished and was being accomplished in checking the trend of destructive legislation. At best, really very little of a concrete nature has been achieved. The point is that in the utility measure, as in the banking bill, the President

pressed matters too far and Congress definitely failed to respond. That is still as true as it ever was, and perhaps as significant. The fact that the Administration with all the means at its disposal to bring pressure upon members of Congress had succeeded in having its way in another measure, albeit of a highly destructive sort, must not be taken to mean that the revolt on the former measure is without important significance or that a changed attitude on the part of many groups in the population, which was really responsible for the revolt, has suddenly disappeared.

The point is simply that the action of the House in the holding company bill and the success of Senator Glass in amending the banking bill in the Senate Committee indicate that there is a distinct possibility now, as there has not always seemed to be during the past year or two, of making headway against the current mania for panaceas and punitive legislation. Uninterrupted success in checking the Administration in its campaign for harmful measures was never at any time to be expected, and there never has been a time when one could be certain that even the ground gained could be held. What was clear, and what still is plain in our judgment, is that the time has come when able and constructive leadership can make real headway in leading the country back to common sense in the management of our national affairs. Such leadership will, however, be essential. If the opportunity now presenting itself is not fully

utilized, and if for a time it is possible for the fanatics and the dreamers to regain complete ascendancy in Washington, it will be because no forthright, courageous, and able leadership of a constructive variety is developed. So far there is still unfortunately none in view, and the prospects of it still appear to be unpromising. This fact, and not the action from day to day in Congress, is the really disheartening aspect of the current situation.

## The Lobby "Investigation"

This lack of constructive leadership among the opposition is painfully evident in any case, but at no point is it more conspicuous perhaps than in the serio-comic "investigation" that is apparently about to start in both the House and the Senate of the "lobbying" that allegedly took place in connection with the utility holding company measure. Every school child knows what sort of pressure is being

### "Not Even a Good Soap-Box Formula"

Characterizing the President's "soak-the-rich" tax proposals as "not even a good soap-box formula," Senator Vandenberg in a radio address at the beginning of the week set forth some facts that ought to be pondered by every citizen of this country.

Asserting that we had in two years expended some \$14,000,000,000 while collecting in taxes only about \$7,000,000,000, he added that "there are but two possible results—either deliberate money inflation to cheat our debts and debtors, or we balance the budget, pay as we go and restabilize the public credit by heavily increased taxation."

The Senator, with whom we are often obliged to disagree, then proceeded to set forth the sound doctrine that a balanced budget must be achieved not so much by raising taxes as by reducing expenditures, and that such increase in taxes as is unavoidable must be laid upon a much larger proportion of the people at large.

It would be tragical if the people were led to believe that by "soaking the rich" it would be possible to make any appreciable headway in balancing the budget, or indeed if they gained the idea that the new tax program of the Administration had any logical or sincere relation to budget balancing.

This program was obviously designed for no such purpose, and equally as obviously could serve no such purpose. The worst of it is perhaps that so long as politicians can give the impression that a favored few pay the enormous governmental outlays of the times, while the rank and file go free, we shall not be able to make satisfactory progress in impressing the average voter with the necessity of curtailing expenditures.

The man with a small income pays, and pays heavily, and will continue to pay heavily for the budgetary sins of the day regardless of the nature of taxes levied.

exerted upon members of Congress in behalf of Administration measures, and everyone knows how useful the billions of dollars being spent by the Administration in a thousand different ways can be for such a purpose. But everyone who has given the matter a moment's serious thought knows equally as well that this type of pressure would be of slight effectiveness upon a Congress largely composed of able men whose only interest was the true welfare of the country as they saw it. Can anyone imagine a politician attempting to force Senator Glass into line by threatening to withhold Federal moneys scheduled to be disbursed in the State of Virginia?

The weakness of the charges made by members of Congress against Administration supporters in this connection is that the very charges themselves seem usually to be a confession of undue interest in certain local projects and patronage on the part of the complaining legislators. It is of course common knowledge that many members of Congress, probably an overwhelming majority of such members, have long been quite willing to sell their votes for such coin as this, provided they received what they considered an adequate quid pro quo, and also provided they could make use of some one or more of the dozens of parliamentary tricks known to them all to make their peace with the "lobbyists" on the other side if the pressure from that source became troublesome.

The trouble is with the whole system, which is tainted from head to foot, and we shall never make really satisfactory progress in ridding ourselves of that system until we learn to select our representatives in Washington intelligently and dispassionately on the basis of real ability and public spiritedness. The present Administration has simply taken an old and familiar mechanism, greatly improved it, and utilized it to the limit. This it was able to do by taking advantage of the insane idea so widely prevalent that it is possible for us to squander our way out of the depression. It would be a good thing if the full truth of all this were brought fully into the light of day, which it probably will not be, but even this highly desirable procedure would do no more at most than to improve the opportunity already existent for qualified leadership to come to the front and take over the management of our affairs.

#### The Power "Lobby"

As to the "lobbying" allegedly done by utility interests, no concrete evidence of anything of the kind has been brought to light, unless indeed efforts to impress the serious nature of current proposals upon both legislators and the public at large are to be so designated. If in such a campaign it has been necessary to appeal to the legitimate self-interest of millions of investors, we for our part can see nothing objectionable in a policy that faces that fact and proceeds accordingly. Of course if public utility interests, as is darkly hinted, have been guilty of wrongdoing, the fact is to be regretted and whatever action is appropriate ought to be taken. Some of these interests have not always been scrupulous in the way that they have dealt with the public. So far as we are aware, however, there is no evidence of any recent misbehavior on their part, and we do not believe that a tithe of what is being said about them can be substantiated. But let it be repeated, the important thing is the nature of the legislation proposed, its desirability or the contrary viewed

from the standpoint of the good of the country as a whole. There can be no question that those who voted against the Administration in utility matters can easily justify their action on the ground of public welfare. The legitimate complaint against them, or most of them, is that they did not go far enough. The chief and the depressing feature of all the "lobby" discussion proceeding in Washington is the fresh reminder that it affords of how relatively small a part dispassionate consideration of the public interest really plays in shaping legislation in this country.

#### The Legislative Program

AS TO the general legislative program of the Administration, it appears to be about as difficult as it has been for some time past to arrive at any definite judgment of the likelihood of its full consummation at this session of Congress. The President early in the week appears to have agreed to make some modifications in his so-called "must" list of measures, although it is not altogether clear just what the significance of this step on his part is. It is at least conceivable that in order to get on better terms with some of his following in Congress the Chief Executive has simply replaced his "must" measures in part at least with "highly desirable" bills, and will proceed in the future much as he has in the past. It is impossible at this time to be certain what the effect of such a maneuver on his part would be. The action of the House in the matter of the Tennessee Valley Authority bill may be one of the results of the White House conference that is said to have occasioned this step by the President. There are reports also that the President would consent to an adjournment within about thirty days provided he is reasonably well satisfied with the accomplishments recorded by that time, but apparently only on condition that the House has passed a tax measure satisfactory to him. It would in that event be understood, however, that he would call Congress for another session early in the fall, at which time it would be expected to take his tax measure to the statute book. Of course a large part of all these reports are to be regarded as hardly more than conjecture, but conjecture by observers of considerable political experience. What is clear is that the business community must reconcile itself to a considerable further period of uncertainty concerning current legislation.

#### Works Relief

THE program under the Works Relief measure is daily taking on more of the typical characteristics of another Civil Works Administration campaign. The President, apparently stung by his critics, is calling for action and attempting to appease an impatient and doubting public by announcing a vast multitude of petty projects whose economic value is obviously very near zero. Officials are repeatedly issuing statements in defense of what has become known as "boondoggling." As the affair is now proceeding the Administration is clearly destined to waste an enormous amount of money providing just the sort of relief that was afforded by the ill-fated Civil Works Administration, and of course we may definitely count upon a marked reappearance of the evils that beset that project in the early days of the present Administration. It is a disheartening picture, but one that was ex-

pected by all those who had given the facts any important consideration.

### Federal Reserve Bank Statement

CHANGES in the credit and currency statistics this week consist chiefly of an abrupt rise of reserve balances of member banks with the Federal Reserve system, and a decline in the amount of currency in use. Both tendencies are in accord with expectations, and the condition statement of the twelve Federal Reserve banks, combined, presents no surprises. The increase in member bank reserve balances in the week from July 3 to 10 was no less than \$152,074,000, and the actual balances established a new high record at \$5,051,797,000. But excess reserves over requirements failed to make a new mark, although they are very close to previous record levels of about \$2,500,000,000. The gold flow from Europe is not in evidence at present and only a nominal change is recorded in the gold certificate holdings of the Federal Reserve banks. Currency in use declined sharply in accordance with normal expectations after the July 4 holiday, and the increase of reserve balances was due mainly to this factor and to Treasury use of its own deposits with the Reserve system. The tendency of the circulating medium should be downward hereafter, until close to the end of the year, and member bank balances probably will increase on this account. Excess reserves quite possibly will be stimulated as well by deposit of gold certificates as national bank notes are retired from actual circulation. All in all, it would appear that supplies of idle funds are destined to increase even beyond the current exaggerated levels.

Gold certificate holdings of the Federal Reserve system totaled \$6,226,231,000 on July 10, against \$6,226,221,000 on July 3, but the return of currency caused a rise in other cash, and the total reserves advanced to \$6,490,061,000 from \$6,465,277,000. Member bank deposits on reserve account soared to \$5,051,797,000 from \$4,899,723,000, but Treasury, foreign bank and other deposits all showed recessions, and the aggregate deposits were \$5,455,841,000 on July 10, against \$5,393,593,000 a week earlier. Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation dropped to \$3,267,401,000 from \$3,299,860,000, and it is noteworthy that the credit summary reflects an even larger decline in all forms of currency in use. Although reserves increased and circulation liabilities declined, the deposit liabilities advanced commensurately, and the ratio remained at 74.4%. Discounts by the system fell slightly to \$6,841,000 from \$8,371,000, but industrial advances mounted again and attained a level of \$28,175,000, against \$27,904,000. Open market bill holdings were quite unchanged at \$4,687,000, while United States Government security holdings fell \$346,000 to \$2,430,413,000.

### Government Crop Report

AGRICULTURAL conditions are excellent according to the July report of the Department of Agriculture of the United States Government. Such enthusiasm as is shown has not been in evidence in many a long day. A large increase is noted in the probable production of wheat this year over the earlier estimates. The corn crop will be considerably larger than last year, if production holds up with present indications. The estimate of yield for 1935, however, is comparatively unimportant

when some of the many bumper crops of past years are remembered. The enthusiasm of the Department breaks out into a poetical strain. The poor farmers, by using Government loans and seeds, "and keeping their tractors *chugging* far beyond the usual hours of labor," have "with the aid of their families planted," etc., etc. How about the New Deal's thirty-hour week and all that sort of thing? It might be that if the same spirit were shown generally all conditions would be bettered.

The outlook for winter wheat is for a yield of 458,091,000 bushels. This contrasts with 441,494,000 bushels, the June estimate, and with last year's harvest of 405,552,000 bushels. The crop this year is threatened with a widespread rust infection, which may or may not prove serious. The July 1 condition this year was 73.0% of normal, against 74.2% on June 1, and 57.2% on July 1 1934 for the short winter wheat crop, harvested last year. The latter was the lowest July 1 condition in many years. The area to be harvested this year was revised upward in the July report to 31,389,000 acres compared with 30,497,000 acres on June 1, and 32,968,000 acres a year ago. The outlook for spring wheat this year is very good. The July 1 condition figure was 85.1% of normal compared with 38.4% the July 1 condition last year, for the very small spring wheat crop harvested then. In the past eighteen years the July 1 condition has been higher than this year only on three occasions. The area in spring wheat on July 1 this year was 20,837,000 acres against 9,281,000 acres a year ago and 18,077,000 acres July 1 1933, and the estimated yield 272,954,000 bushels compared with last year's harvest of only 91,453,000 bushels. A bumper spring wheat crop was that of 1927, when the July 1 condition was 89.7% of normal, the highest of these eighteen years, and the harvest 326,967,000 bushels. For both winter and spring wheat this year's production is now estimated at 731,045,000 bushels. This figure compares very favorably with the yield of the preceding three years. With these exceptions, however, it is below any year since 1920 except only 1925.

Corn acreage this year is put at 93,590,000 acres in the July report. This compares with 87,795,000 acres a year ago, and 103,022,000 acres, July 1 1933. This year's crop was estimated at 2,044,601,000 bushels, but a great deal can happen before the crop is gathered. Last year the July 1 estimate of yield was 2,113,000,000 bushels but the harvest was 1,377,126,000 bushels; in 1933 the harvest was 2,330,237,000. The July 1 condition of 67.5% of normal this year compares with 71.8% a year ago. The latter declined to a very low figure, however, before the harvest. There were many years in the past when the July 1 condition was above 80% of normal, and in 1921 it was 91.1%.

Other crops generally are in good condition and an increased yield is indicated for most of them excepting potatoes. Oats are put at a production this year of 1,266,243,000 bushels. This is by no means a large yield compared with many earlier years. Last year, however, the harvest of oats was down to 528,889,000 bushels. For rye a marked increase of 9,000,000 bushels in the past month has raised the July 1 estimate to 53,100,000 bushels this year, against last year's harvest of only 16,040,000 bushels. A forecast of 316,850,000 bushels for barley against last year's yield of 118,348,000 bushels.

### Government's Cotton Report

THE acreage of cotton under cultivation this year, according to the official announcement of the Department of Agriculture, is placed at 29,166,000 acres. It compares with 27,883,000 acres reported a year ago, for last year's crop, and is the smallest for any year excepting last year since 1905. The harvest last year was 26,987,000 acres, and for the preceding year it was 27,883,000 acres, although the area under cultivation on July 1 of that year was placed at 40,852,000 acres. That was the year when a large area was ploughed under early in the season in agreement with the Government under the New Deal. Comparison with other years for a long way back shows the great change that has recently taken place in regard to this important crop.

The increase in this year's acreage over that of last year was 4.6%. Nearly every State shows an increase this year. The only important State where a reduction in acreage appears was Oklahoma. This was due to unfavorable conditions of the weather and certain complications in connection with the contracts made by the Agricultural Adjustment Administration. It was also announced by the Department that increases permitted to producers who signed two-year acreage reduction contracts last year are partly offset by reductions made by producers offering contracts this year for the first time. The area planted to cotton in Texas this year was 11,357,000 acres against 10,816,000 acres last year. Relatively, the highest percentage of increase in the important cotton-growing States was for Louisiana, of 10%.

### The New York Stock Market

MODEST but fairly persistent advances occurred this week in the stock market and a number of prominent stocks attained best levels of the year. The high levels were not retained in all instances, but the tone of the market was favorable at most times. Less concern was felt by the financial community regarding the legislative enactments and investigations, and the prospect of adjournment by Congress next month proved encouraging. Reports from the steel trade and some of the large automobile companies proved favorable and also stimulated the market. Share turnover on the New York Stock Exchange exceeded 1,000,000 in the first three sessions of the week, and closely approximated that figure in the trading Thursday and yesterday. Good buying was noted in steel and motor stocks on Monday, and issues in these groups led the market to better levels. Merchandising stocks were prominent in the movement and various specialties also advanced, but rail stocks were dull. After a good opening, Tuesday, prices tended to recede in most sections, but some of the average compilations recorded best levels of the year before profit-taking developed. Silver shares were in demand throughout the session, partly because large purchases of the metal were made on the London market by the United States Treasury. The close was slightly irregular, with net changes small. The upswing was resumed on Wednesday, and a fairly impressive list of new highs for the year made its appearance. American Telephone & Telegraph, General Motors, Chrysler, United Aircraft, Inland Steel and National Steel were among the issues that touched best levels. Metal stocks and some of the rails also were in de-

mand. A reaction set in on Thursday and wiped out some of the previous gains. Profit-taking sales were absorbed rather well, however, and the declines were less pronounced than the previous advances. Aircraft and metal stocks resisted the decline. Movements yesterday were mostly fractional, but a number of stocks advanced a point or more. Some of the aircraft stocks showed good gains and a few specialties also improved, but the great bulk of issues held to former levels.

In the listed bond market the tone was irregular. United States Government securities were marked upward early in the week, when it appeared that short term borrowing would be relied upon to raise funds needed immediately. Some long-term Treasury bonds attained best levels in history on that modest move. When it was announced Thursday that a further competitive sale of long-term bonds in the amount of \$100,000,000 would be held next week, prices receded slightly. Highly rated utility, railroad and industrial bonds showed only small variations. Speculative railroad securities in the bond list were quite heavy for a time, but tended to corded in Italian bonds, but Latin-American issues followed the tendency of the stock market. In the foreign dollar bond section a sharp drop was recorded in Italian bonds, but Latin American issues improved because of a favorable debt settlement with Costa Rica. Commodity markets advanced sharply early in the week, and this tendency doubtless aided the securities markets. Movements were mostly reactionary later in the week. Foreign exchange dealings afforded nothing that was new. The dollar was weak against sterling on Monday, owing to large transfers by the United States Treasury to pay for silver metal purchases, but the tone was steady thereafter. Gold units held to former levels.

On the New York Stock Exchange 199 stocks touched new high levels for the year and 29 stocks touched new low levels. On the New York Curb Exchange 124 stocks touched new high levels and 18 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 515,870 shares; on Monday they were 1,309,750 shares; on Tuesday, 1,345,930 shares; on Wednesday, 1,150,160 shares; on Thursday, 995,960 shares, and on Friday, 1,097,817 shares. On the New York Curb Exchange the sales last Saturday were 96,040 shares; on Monday, 164,605 shares; on Tuesday, 235,450 shares; on Wednesday, 232,700 shares; on Thursday, 193,128 shares, and on Friday, 221,055 shares.

The general movement of prices on the Stock Exchange this week was toward moderately higher levels, with trading volume much above last week's total. Yesterday, after early irregularity, prices advanced fractionally, and in many instances closed higher than on Friday a week ago. General Electric closed yesterday at  $26\frac{7}{8}$  against  $26\frac{1}{2}$  on Friday of last week; Consolidated Gas of N. Y. at  $25\frac{3}{4}$  against  $26\frac{3}{4}$ ; Columbia Gas & Elec. at  $7\frac{3}{8}$  against 8; Public Service of N. J. at 37 against  $38\frac{3}{8}$ ; J. I. Case Threshing Machine at  $58\frac{1}{4}$  against  $57\frac{3}{4}$ ; International Harvester at  $47\frac{3}{8}$  against  $46\frac{1}{4}$ ; Sears, Roebuck & Co. at  $47\frac{1}{8}$  against 44; Montgomery Ward & Co. at  $29\frac{1}{4}$  against  $28\frac{3}{8}$ ; Woolworth at  $62\frac{1}{4}$  against  $61\frac{3}{8}$ , and American Tel. & Tel. at 127 against 128. Allied Chemical & Dye closed yesterday at  $157\frac{7}{8}$

against 156 on Friday of last week; E. I. du Pont de Nemours at  $106\frac{3}{8}$  against  $103\frac{7}{8}$ ; National Cash Register A at  $17\frac{1}{8}$  against 18; International Nickel at 28 against 27; National Dairy Products at  $16\frac{7}{8}$  against  $16\frac{1}{4}$ ; Texas Gulf Sulphur at  $34\frac{7}{8}$  against  $34\frac{1}{8}$ ; National Biscuit at  $31\frac{1}{8}$  against  $29\frac{3}{8}$ ; Continental Can at  $85\frac{3}{4}$  against  $86\frac{7}{8}$ ; Eastman Kodak at  $148\frac{7}{8}$  against 150; Standard Brands at  $15\frac{3}{4}$  against 16; Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg. at  $58\frac{1}{8}$  against  $56\frac{1}{2}$ ; Columbian Carbon at 90 against  $90\frac{3}{4}$ ; Lorillard at  $21\frac{3}{8}$  against  $21\frac{1}{4}$ ; United States Industrial Alcohol at  $46\frac{1}{2}$  against  $43\frac{1}{4}$ ; Canada Dry at  $11\frac{7}{8}$  against  $10\frac{1}{2}$ ; Schenley Distillers at  $32\frac{3}{8}$  against  $29\frac{5}{8}$ , and National Distillers at  $27\frac{1}{4}$  ex-dividend against  $26\frac{7}{8}$ .

The steel stocks again closed higher for the week. United States Steel closed yesterday at  $36\frac{3}{8}$  against  $35\frac{1}{8}$  on Friday of last week; Bethlehem Steel at  $30\frac{1}{2}$  against 29; Republic Steel at  $14\frac{1}{2}$  against  $14\frac{1}{8}$ , and Youngstown Sheet & Tube at  $19\frac{7}{8}$  against  $19\frac{1}{2}$ . In the motor group, Auburn Auto closed yesterday at  $22\frac{3}{4}$  against 24 on Friday of last week; General Motors at  $36\frac{1}{4}$  against  $33\frac{1}{2}$ ; Chrysler at  $52\frac{7}{8}$  against  $50\frac{7}{8}$ , and Hupp Motors at  $13\frac{8}{8}$  against  $11\frac{1}{4}$ . In the rubber group, Goodyear Tire & Rubber closed yesterday at  $19\frac{1}{2}$  against  $18\frac{3}{4}$  on Friday of last week; B. F. Goodrich at 8 against  $8\frac{1}{8}$ , and United States Rubber at  $13\frac{1}{8}$  against  $12\frac{3}{8}$ . The railroad shares for the most part show increases over the previous week. Pennsylvania RR. closed yesterday at  $23\frac{3}{8}$  against  $22\frac{3}{4}$  on Friday of last week; Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe at  $49\frac{5}{8}$  against  $48\frac{1}{2}$ ; New York Central at  $17\frac{1}{8}$  against  $17\frac{1}{8}$ ; Union Pacific at 106 against 103; Southern Pacific at  $18\frac{1}{4}$  against 18; Southern Railway at  $7\frac{1}{8}$  against  $7\frac{1}{2}$ , and Northern Pacific at  $19\frac{7}{8}$  against 20. Among the oil stocks, Standard Oil of N. J. closed yesterday at  $48\frac{1}{4}$  against  $47\frac{1}{2}$  on Friday of last week; Shell Union Oil at  $10\frac{1}{8}$  against  $10\frac{1}{8}$ , and Atlantic Refining at 25 against  $26\frac{1}{2}$ . In the copper group, Anaconda Copper closed yesterday at 16 against  $14\frac{5}{8}$  on Friday of last week; Kennecott Copper at  $18\frac{7}{8}$  against  $18\frac{1}{8}$ ; American Smelting & Refining at  $43\frac{1}{4}$  against  $42\frac{1}{8}$ , and Phelps Dodge at  $17\frac{7}{8}$  against 17.

Trade and industrial indices show no great variations, but comparisons with last year are mostly favorable. Steel-making for the week ending to-day was estimated by the American Iron and Steel Institute at 35.3% of capacity against 32.8% last week, when the July 4 holiday caused a drop; 39.0% one month ago, and 27.5% one year ago. This represents an increase of 2.5 points, or 7.6%, from the preceding week. The Edison Electric Institute reports output of electrical energy in the week ended July 6 at 1,665,420,000 kilowatt hours, whereas the preceding full week showed production of 1,772,138,000 kilowatt hours. Car loadings of revenue freight in the week to July 6 totaled only 472,421 cars against 618,036 cars in the preceding weekly period, the American Railway Association reports.

As indicating the course of the commodity markets, the July option for wheat in Chicago closed yesterday at  $81\frac{3}{8}$ c. against 81c. the close on Friday of last week. July corn at Chicago closed yesterday at  $81\frac{3}{4}$ c. as against  $79\frac{1}{4}$ c. the close on Friday of last week. July oats at Chicago closed yesterday at  $33\frac{1}{4}$ c. as against 33c. the close on Friday of last week.

The spot price for cotton here in New York closed yesterday at 12.45c. as against 12.20c. the close on Friday of last week. The spot price for rubber yesterday was 12.16c. as against 12.18c. the close on Friday of last week. Domestic copper closed yesterday at 8c., the same as on Friday of last week.

In London the price of bar silver yesterday was  $31\frac{1}{8}$  pence per ounce as against 31 pence per ounce on Friday of last week, and spot silver in New York closed yesterday at  $68\frac{3}{4}$ c. as against 69c. on Friday of last week. In the matter of the foreign exchanges, cable transfers on London closed yesterday at  $\$4.95\frac{3}{4}$  as against  $\$4.95$  the close on Friday of last week, while cable transfers on Paris closed yesterday at  $6.61\frac{3}{4}$ c. as against  $6.62\frac{1}{2}$ c. the close on Friday of last week.

#### European Securities Markets

PRICE trends were irregular this week on stock exchanges in all the foremost European securities and financial markets. Uncertainties prevailed everywhere on political grounds, while progress toward international currency stabilization remained lacking. The London Stock Exchange was fairly steady in most sessions, but a little unsettlement was occasioned by the evident intention of the Italian Government to wage war against Ethiopia. On the Paris Bourse the serious decline of last week in rentes was offset in part by an advance, early this week, but the movement did not continue very long. The advance was initiated by official intervention, according to Paris dispatches. The international situation is unhappy, from the French viewpoint, while anxiety prevailed with regard to the budget balancing efforts of Premier Laval. Disclosure of his economy proposals was postponed by the French Premier until after the Bastille Day celebrations, and in the meantime Fascist leaders in France issued predictions of clashes and the fall of the Government. The Berlin market was firm until Wednesday, when a sharp decline was brought about by the Directors of the Boerse, who declared that recent advances of German stocks had no basis in the business situation. There are indications, indeed, that the German recovery is proceeding only slowly at present. In Great Britain, however, the advance of business was referred to by several Ministers during interpellations in the House of Commons. Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin, in defending the unemployment policy of the National Government, made disparaging remarks, Tuesday, concerning "one very great country" which expended State funds on an unprecedented scale, without producing the desired natural revival of industry. British unemployment again declined in June, but the statistics of the International Labor Office at Geneva indicate that the world unemployment situation has not changed materially during the last twelve months, since 20,000,000 unemployed are reported in the 29 principal industrial countries.

The London Stock Exchange was quiet in the initial session of the week, with changes small and in both directions. Declines in wheat and silver quotations unsettled the market to a degree. British funds eased slightly, but in the industrial section more gains than losses were recorded. International securities were steady. Activity did not increase on Tuesday, but the tone improved. British funds ad-

vanced a little, when trading was started at a premium in a New Zealand 3% issue. Home rail shares improved and some bright spots appeared in the industrial list. International issues remained steady. In another dull session on Wednesday, British funds again advanced. Industrial securities were uncertain, but an advance developed in silver stocks owing to gains in the price of the metal. Gold mining issues also were in better demand, but foreign securities were irregular. The session on Thursday was cheerful and some increase in activity was reported. A new Indian loan was taken up readily, and further inquiry appeared for British funds. Industrial issues were generally better, while favorable reports from New York occasioned advances in most international issues as well. In quiet trading yesterday, slightly lower levels were common both among gilt-edged and speculative securities.

When trading was resumed for the week on the Paris Bourse, prices once again started to fall. The steady downward movement of last week was continued during most of the session, but just before the close strong buying of rentes was noted and was attributed to official intervention. The final upswing equalized the movements of the day, and rentes closed practically unchanged. French equities and international securities showed improvement. The upward tendency established in rentes was continued all of Tuesday, and sharp advances were scored in this session. French bank, utility and industrial stocks also improved, but on a smaller scale, while international issues were irregular. Erratic upward and downward movements developed on Wednesday, with rentes slightly lower at the close. Little business was done, but the tendency was lower in almost all departments of the market. The Bourse was extremely dull on Thursday, and movements again were toward lower levels. Rentes lost only small fractions, but bank and utility stocks were rather heavy, while international securities remained irregular. Sentiment improved yesterday, owing to an impression that difficulties will be avoided to-morrow. Rentes and equities alike moved higher.

After an uncertain opening on the Berlin Boerse, Monday, prices improved quite generally and small gains were registered in nearly all groups of issues. The initial decline was attributed to profit-taking, which was absorbed easily, and the long advance of quotations then was resumed. No interest was taken in bonds, which remained motionless. In a more active session on Tuesday, new advances materialized, with gains ranging from 1 to 3 points. One potash mining stock was marked up 5 points. Utility stocks did not participate in the movement, while bonds were stagnant. A rising tendency again was in evidence Wednesday, but the Directors of the Boerse brought it to an abrupt halt an hour before the close by a statement that business developments do not justify the recent gains. Recessions were general thereafter, but a few stocks closed with small gains. The majority, however, showed losses. The official statement was a more potent influence on Thursday, when quotations dropped sharply in all sections of the market. Losses of 2 to 3 points appeared in the specialties that previously were in greatest demand, while almost equally sharp declines were common among other issues. Hardly any trading was done yesterday on the Boerse, and prices eased slightly.

### Stabilization Rumors

MONTHLY meetings of Bank for International Settlements Directors at Basle have tended to give rise, lately, to rumors of various kinds relating to the possibility of currency stabilization by the leading nations with floating units. The meeting last Sunday and Monday was no exception, as it was followed immediately by rumors in London to the effect that the Central Bank governors, who comprise the directorate of the B. I. S., had agreed to act in common if any further speculative attacks against specific currencies should materialize. The Daily Herald, of London, reported that Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, had pledged employment of Great Britain's £375,000,000 Exchange Equalization Fund for the support of almost any international currency which shows weakness. Such statements, of course, can have little or no genuine basis, since the British Fund Management rests with the British Treasury, while the Bank of England merely acts as the agent of the Treasury, so far as these matters are concerned. The rumors apparently are due to a reported understanding among the Central Bank governors, reached last Sunday, to make speculative operations against currencies as difficult and costly as possible. Speculative sales of French francs were especially pronounced late in May, and the operations were conducted mainly through London, where the free gold market makes possible a hedge against the sales of gold currencies for future delivery. The Bank of England took steps some weeks ago to curtail such speculative enterprises, and the Bank of France moved in the same direction by halting gold loans entirely.

In a Basle report of last Sunday to the New York "Times" it is remarked that no concerted action by the European Central Banks is contemplated, but every effort will be made to punish the speculators by making francs difficult to obtain when the time arrives to cover the short sale contracts, which usually run for 90 days. Even this report should be taken with a grain of salt, for the speculators would face real difficulties only in the unlikely event of serious immediate currency dislocations and action by the British authorities to prevent utilization of the gold hedges. The Basle meeting last Sunday and Monday was attended by all the leading European Central Bank governors. It was, however, entirely routine so far as the activities of the B. I. S. itself are concerned. In the course of the informal discussions, much attention apparently was paid the possible effects on the Italian economy of the contemplated war of conquest with Ethiopia. Italian members of the Board of Directors were very reserved, the correspondent of the New York "Times" stated, and they left Basle early, apparently without giving their colleagues any information on how Italy proposes to finance a venture against Ethiopia. Other bankers at Basle were said to view with misgivings the repercussions on other currencies and economies of the strain likely to develop in Italy if Premier Benito Mussolini continues his Ethiopian policy. The French situation was viewed more optimistically, despite the delay by Premier Pierre Laval in making known his plans for balancing the French budget.

Jean Tannery, Governor of the Bank of France, discussed the stabilization problem in general terms,

Wednesday, at a meeting of the American Club in Paris, but he added nothing to the known circumstances. The argument for international action toward stabilization was presented ably by the French bank official, who declared that the "fate of the world depends in large measure upon close financial co-operation by New York, London and Paris." The French determination to defend the franc against every attack was emphasized, and M. Tannery added that "in the present state of the country devaluation would be both iniquitous and vain." The success of recent French efforts to protect the franc should prepare the way for measures of wider importance, he said. "After economic restoration and the resumption of normal commercial relations between our peoples should come a general stabilization of currencies," the French bank Governor continued. "Heralding the end of the depression, this stabilization would be the surest method of causing a real and durable rise in prices. It would re-establish security, for business leaders no longer would have to take the exchange factor into account when the unstable currencies become definitely fixed. The disappearance of this risk would permit them to make long-term contracts, and monetary stabilization thus would provoke business recovery and a development of the credit mechanism that is indispensable for modern economic life."

#### Italo-Ethiopian Impasse

**O**VERWHELMING evidence that Italy intends to wage a war of conquest against Ethiopia in the autumn, when the rains cease in East Africa, occasioned widespread diplomatic efforts this week to prevent any outbreak of actual hostilities. The British Government assumed the initiative in these endeavors some time ago, possibly because Lake Tsana, an important source of water for the Nile, lies within Ethiopian territory. Premier Benito Mussolini found unsatisfactory certain concessions proposed by the British Government, even though they involved a surrender of some British territory in East Africa. Despite this rebuff, Great Britain turned once again to the difficult task of finding a means to placate the Italians and prevent warfare. New proposals were hinted by Foreign Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare, in the course of an address before the House of Commons, Thursday, but the nature of the further British effort was not disclosed. Ethiopia, in the meanwhile, appealed to the United States Government to act for the prevention of war under the Kellogg-Briand treaty. An appeal for prompt measures also was addressed to the League of Nations. There is, of course, little that the United States can do in this situation, while the moribund League probably can do less. It is upon the direct diplomatic moves of the British Government that peace really depends, but there is only a slim chance that war can be averted.

Premier Mussolini virtually closed all doors to peace last Saturday when he addressed a further division of Fascist troops about to sail for the Italian colonies adjoining Ethiopia. "We have decided upon the struggle and we will carry it through to the end," the Italian Dictator declared, from a perch on a gun-carriage. "All Italy is behind her sons sailing to Africa. Our determination is irrevocable. I and the Italian Government and the whole people have taken the road and will not turn back." The troops about to embark answered with shouts

of "War! War! War!" Signor Mussolini talked of the coming struggle, a dispatch to the New York "Herald Tribune" said, as "a heroic phase in the history of our nation." The troops were urged to avenge the Italian defeat suffered at Adowa, nearly 40 years ago. Still more troops were dispatched this week, and it is suggested in some reports that Signor Mussolini intends to place between 225,000 and 250,000 trained Italian troops on the ground before beginning hostilities. In an Associated Press report of last Sunday from Rome it was pointed out that the first Italian attack probably will be directed against Adowa. The Ethiopian appeal to the League was described at Rome, Wednesday, as a "useless attempt," and on the same day Premier Mussolini called into council 120 generals and other high officers of his army. Military experts in London were of the opinion that full conquest of Ethiopia is the aim of the Italian Dictator, and some reports suggested that an attempt may be made to foment rebellion among the Ethiopian tribal chiefs by presenting them with large sums.

Ordinary means of conciliation in the dispute between Italy and Ethiopia came to an end on Tuesday, when a special conciliation and arbitration commission, appointed under a treaty between the two countries, terminated its sessions at Scheveningen, The Netherlands. The sessions were marked by continuous bickerings and disputes, and the final clash occurred when a representative of Ethiopia insisted that Ualual, the scene of a border conflict last December, is in Ethiopia. The Italian delegates refused to listen further, and the sessions were suspended indefinitely. Normal procedure would require the appointment of a fifth and neutral member to adjust points in dispute, but the commission apparently could not agree even to that degree. The League of Nations delegated the adjustment of the dispute to the commission, with a provision that a report is to be made to the League Council by Aug. 25. In view of the breakdown in the conciliation efforts and the appeal by Ethiopia, it is evident that the League faces a further crisis. Italy is understood to have informed Great Britain already that a way for keeping Italy in the League might be found by accusing Abyssinia of failing to live up to her obligations as a League member.

There was some discussion in the British House of Commons, Monday, about the slavery which still is widespread in Ethiopia, and the impression was gained by some correspondents that this issue might be used to salve the consciences of neutral Europeans and to save the League from falling into utter disrepute. On Thursday, Sir Samuel Hoare again went before the House and suggested there might be justification for certain Italian claims against Abyssinia. He promised, however, that every effort would be made to avert warfare and intimated that another diplomatic move to prevent a conflict is under way. The important disclosure was made that Great Britain has not asked, and has no intention of asking, France to join her in any economic blockade of Italy. All such rumors are without foundation, the British Foreign Secretary declared. He hinted also that the estrangement between London and Paris, caused by the British treaty on naval armaments with Germany is passing, and the impression was gained that a joint Anglo-French effort may be made as regards Ethiopia. "We stand for peace and will not abandon any reasonable

chance that may offer itself for helping to prevent a disastrous war," Sir Samuel declared. But he made it quite plain that the British Government certainly will not go so far as to attempt a blockade of Italy. In Paris reports it was admitted that the French Government faces a dilemma, since aloofness probably would mean the end of the League. But French resentment over the British naval treaty with the Reich remains keen, and stands in the way of whole-hearted co-operation with Great Britain to prevent an Italo-Ethiopian war. Some London reports suggest that Italy might be willing to accept a settlement on the basis of wide territorial concessions by Ethiopia, together with the establishment of a further large sphere of Italian influence.

The Ethiopian Government chose July 4 as the date for an appeal to the United States to invoke the Kellogg-Briand treaty, which outlaws war as an instrument of national policy. A long memorandum was submitted, outlining the developments in the dispute and setting forth the Ethiopian contentions that Italy intends to wage a war of conquest. To this appeal a prompt reply was made by President Roosevelt, who pointed out that the issue already was in process of arbitration by the League of Nations. The United States Government, it was indicated, would be loath to believe that Italy or Ethiopia would resort to other than pacific means as a method of dealing with this controversy. That an exceedingly realistic attitude prevails in Washington, however, was shown last Saturday, when approximately 125 Americans who live in Abyssinia were advised by the United States Government to leave the country. Secretary of State Cordell Hull conferred on Thursday with the Italian Ambassador, Augusto Rosso, and he is reported to have informed the Ambassador that this country would view with serious misgivings any steps Italy might take toward actual warfare. When the conciliation commission proceedings ended at Scheveningen, the Ethiopian Government promptly sent a communication to the League of Nations demanding an immediate session of the League Council to consider the problem. But at Geneva the view was taken that the time for an urgent League Council meeting has not necessarily arrived, and it seems quite likely that the League will equivocate on this important issue.

#### European Armaments

**E**FFORTS are being made in Europe to heal the diplomatic rifts occasioned by the Anglo-German naval treaty, and the atmosphere this week was perceptibly calmer than in the period immediately following the signature of that accord. Much attention was paid in all Chancelleries to the conflict between Italy and Ethiopia, and that dispute overshadowed other developments to a degree. The British Government sought French aid in preventing actual warfare, but there was still much indignation in France over the naval pact, and the result remains in doubt. Sir Samuel Hoare, the new Foreign Secretary in the British National Cabinet, gave an extended account of foreign relations, Thursday, in a speech before the House of Commons, and he shed a little light on some of the leading questions of the day. The naval accord with the Reich was defended in this speech as an "all-round contribution to peace," and emphasis again was placed on the German undertaking not to resort to unre-

stricted submarine warfare. The desirability of the proposed Western European aerial defense agreement was stressed, and the British Government again was placed on record as favoring Eastern European and Danubian pacts. British interest in the League of Nations has not diminished, Sir Samuel indicated, and in British opinion it remains the "key to collective security." It was held urgently necessary to prevent the development of any crisis that is likely to weaken or destroy the principles upon which the League is built, and British interest in the Abyssinian crisis was attributed to such motives. France was reminded of the intimate collaboration of the last 30 years, and assured that "it is not the British way to sacrifice old friendships for new." Anglo-American relations were described as excellent, and Sir Samuel even saw signs of better days in the Far East. The speech, it must be added, was not considered especially appropriate or forceful by most observers, in view of the war clouds now visible in several directions. The German Government made public last Monday some of its naval plans. It was announced that the construction program for this year will include two 26,000-ton battleships, two 10,000-ton cruisers and 28 submarines. These additions will total 107,500 tons.

#### Austria Moves Toward Monarchism

**R**ESTORATION of the monarchy in Austria was brought a long step nearer on Wednesday, when the Federal Diet approved unanimously a Government proposal for abolition of the anti-Hapsburg laws of 1919. The tendency has been long in evidence and no great surprise was occasioned by the incident, but international repercussions are quite possible. The three countries of the Little Entente are firmly opposed to restoration of the Hapsburgs to the throne in Austria, as a move of that kind might aid the agitation for re-assembling some of the lost territories of the old Dual Monarchy. France, as the supporter and ally of the Little Entente States, probably would take a similar attitude. It is not yet clear what the German and Italian reactions might be. The principal effect of the measure approved at Vienna, Wednesday, is to make possible a return to Austria of the members of the old ruling house who declined to renounce their aspirations to the throne. The former Empress, Zita, and her son, Archduke Otto, who have been living in Belgium in recent years, are expected to take advantage of the new situation at an opportune time. Austrian Government officials insisted, when the old laws were rescinded, that actual restoration of the monarchy is not contemplated, but their protestations are not considered to have much significance. The Austrian Government is empowered, under the new laws, to return to the members of the Hapsburg family virtually all the properties confiscated when the Republic was formed. Whether the Austrian people desire a return of the Hapsburgs or the restitution of the former imperial properties is not known, for they were not consulted by Chancellor Kurt Schuschnigg and the Ministers of the Fascist Cabinet.

#### Costa Rican Debt Settlement

**S**LOWLY but steadily the defaults on foreign dollar bonds which marked the early years of the depression are now being replaced by arrange-



ments for resumption of debt service. To the list of countries that have taken steps toward such adjustments, Costa Rica was added on Wednesday, when announcement of a new arrangement was made by the Foreign Bondholders Protective Council, Inc. The agreement is highly creditable both to the small Latin American Republic and to the skilful negotiators of the Council, for it signifies an early resumption of cash payments on a basis of 50% of the sums called for in the loan contracts. Such payments are to continue for three years, and thereafter the Costa Rican Government undertakes to service its dollar bonds in full accord with the stipulated requirements of the original contracts. In announcing this plan, the Council took occasion to praise the "high ideals which motivated the Costa Rican Government in seeking to make an arrangement which would be fair to the bondholders and which the Government could carry out." The negotiations were conducted by the Council with a Costa Rican delegation consisting of Alberto Ortuno and Manuel Montejo, and an exchange of letters reveals that the Costa Rican President, Don Ricardo Jimenez, approved the settlement. At the conclusion of the negotiations, Costa Rica expressed her firm determination to carry out the plan.

Two issues of Costa Rican dollar bonds, floated in 1926 and 1927, are affected by the new agreement. One issue is an \$8,000,000 7% loan, due in 1951, of which \$7,198,000 bonds remain outstanding, while the other is a \$1,800,000 7½% loan, due in 1949, of which \$1,583,000 bonds remain outstanding. Default on these bonds occurred in 1932 and 1933, and the Costa Rican Government at such times made funding bonds available to the holders in lieu of cash interest payments. Holders of the 7% loan received \$23 in cash and a funding bond of \$222 for coupons maturing up to Nov. 1 1935, while holders of the 7½% loan received a funding bond for \$300 for coupons maturing up to March 1 1937. The arrangement now made calls for cash payment in dollars of 50% of the interest and 50% of the amortization requirements for a period of three years after expiration of the terms during which funding bonds cover the interest. When the three-year periods end, the full interest and amortization service is to be resumed, in observance of the original loan contracts. It is noted in the Council's announcement that the Costa Rican delegation first suggested a permanent settlement on the basis of 3% interest and 1% annual amortization, but after "frank and friendly negotiations," the adjustment was made on the basis of the temporary arrangement for three years and full resumption of debt service thereafter. The Costa Rican Government agreed, moreover, not to make any arrangements with holders of its sterling and franc bonds that would be more favorable than the current adjustment. It was indicated that holders of the bonds will be asked to contribute to the modest expenses of the Council by making a single payment of \$1.25 for each \$1,000 bond, and the Costa Rican Government has been asked to make a similar contribution.

#### Australia

RELATIONS between the United States and Australia, which always have been excellent, were reviewed briefly this week as a consequence of a visit to this country by the Australian Premier, Joseph A. Lyons. Accompanied by Mrs. Lyons and

several secretaries, Mr. Lyons arrived in New York last Saturday from Europe, where he attended the jubilee celebrations for King George V, as the official representative of Australia. Economic conditions in Australia, the Prime Minister said on his arrival, have improved very materially since the period from 1929 to 1932, when the ravages of the depression were most severe. Governmental expenses were curtailed and kept within income, he remarked, and the wisdom of this course is demonstrated by results for the year ended June 30 1935, when the fiscal period was closed with a surplus of £700,000. Prime Minister Lyons went to Washington last Sunday, where he was the guest of President and Mrs. Roosevelt until Tuesday. He was greeted on his arrival at the capital by Secretary of State Cordell Hull, and in the course of his stay he discussed with leaders of the Administration the possibility of negotiating a reciprocal trade agreement between the United States and Australia. In a Washington dispatch of Tuesday to the New York "Times" it was stated that the basis for such an agreement was laid in the Washington discussions. Secretary Hull and Prime Minister Lyons agreed as to objectives, it was said, and active discussions probably will be undertaken within the next few weeks by Sir Henry Gullet, Minister without portfolio in the Australian Cabinet. Sir Henry is now in London discussing a meat agreement with the British Government, and he will spend some time in Washington before returning to Australia. Mr. Lyons and the members of his party left Washington for Montreal, Tuesday evening, and the return to Australia will be effected by way of Vancouver.

#### Discount Rates of Foreign Central Banks

THE Bank of Spain on July 10 reduced its discount rate from 5½% to 5%. The 5½% rate had been in effect since Oct. 29 1934, at which time it was reduced from 6%. On the same day the Bank of Austria reduced its rate from 4% to 3½%, the 4% rate had been in effect since Feb. 23 1935, at which time it was lowered from 4½%. Present rates at the leading centers are shown in the table which follows:

DISCOUNT RATES OF FOREIGN CENTRAL BANKS

Country	Rate in Effect July 12	Date Established	Pre-vious Rate	Country	Rate in Effect July 12	Date Established	Pre-vious Rate
Austria	3½	July 10 1935	4	Hungary	4½	Oct. 17 1932	5
Batavia	4	July 1 1935	4½	India	3½	Feb. 16 1934	4
Belgium	2	May 15 1935	2½	Ireland	3	June 30 1932	3½
Bulgaria	7	Jan. 3 1934	8	Italy	3½	Mar. 25 1935	4
Canada	2½	Mar. 11 1935	--	Japan	3.65	July 3 1933	3
Chile	4	Jan. 24 1935	4½	Java	5	June 2 1935	3½
Colombia	4	July 18 1933	5	Jugoslavia	5	Feb. 1 1935	6½
Czechoslovakia	3½	Jan. 25 1933	4½	Lithuania	6	Jan. 2 1934	7
Danzig	6	May 3 1935	4	Morocco	6½	May 28 1935	4½
Denmark	2½	Nov. 29 1933	3	Norway	3½	May 23 1933	4
England	2	June 30 1932	2½	Poland	5	Oct. 25 1933	6
Estonia	5	Sept. 25 1934	5½	Portugal	5	Dec. 13 1934	5½
Finland	4	Dec. 4 1934	4½	Rumania	4½	Dec. 7 1934	6
France	4	July 4 1935	5	South Africa	4	Feb. 21 1933	5
Germany	4	Sept. 30 1932	5	Spain	5	July 10 1935	5½
Greece	7	Oct. 13 1933	7½	Sweden	2½	Dec. 1 1933	3
Holland	3½	July 5 1935	4	Switzerland	2½	May 2 1935	2

#### Foreign Money Rates

IN LONDON open market discounts for short bills on Friday were 9-16@5/8% as against 9-16@5/8% on Friday of last week, and 5/8% for three-months' bills as against 5/8% on Friday of last week. Money on call in London on Friday was 1/2%. At Paris the open market rate remains at 5¼% and in Switzerland at 3%.

#### Bank of England Statement

THE statement for the week ended July 10 shows a gain of £7,915 in bullion, which, together with a contraction of £719,000 in circulation, brought

about an increase of £727,000 in reserves. The Bank now holds £193,271,840 gold, which compares with £192,154,902 a year ago. Public deposits decreased £1,268,000 and other deposits £3,531,948. Of the latter amount £1,919,762 was from bankers' accounts and £1,612,186 from other accounts. Loans on Government securities decreased £2,395,000 and loans on other securities £3,083,130. The latter consists of discounts and advances, which fell off £3,115,211, and securities, which rose £32,081. The reserve ratio rose to 34.31% from 32.81% a week ago; last year it was 44.74%. No change was made in the discount rate from 2%. Below we show the figures with comparisons for several years:

BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	July 10 1935	July 11 1934	July 12 1933	July 13 1932	July 15 1931
	£	£	£	£	£
Circulation.....	400,652,000	384,625,984	378,471,340	366,271,208	358,913,277
Public deposits.....	8,360,000	17,433,369	16,840,467	17,047,517	15,676,264
Other deposits.....	144,959,228	133,463,727	152,293,086	116,325,840	100,134,130
Bankers' accounts.....	108,593,215	97,285,294	95,958,793	82,759,203	66,429,340
Other accounts.....	36,366,013	36,178,433	56,334,293	33,566,637	33,704,790
Govt. securities.....	95,802,044	82,647,071	87,055,963	65,785,765	30,020,906
Other securities.....	22,954,400	18,789,665	27,645,095	39,718,909	37,571,598
Disct. & advances.....	10,372,619	7,832,157	15,099,677	14,771,076	7,406,733
Securities.....	12,581,781	10,957,508	12,545,418	24,947,833	30,164,815
Reserve notes & coin	52,620,000	67,528,918	72,498,025	45,933,529	66,286,617
Coin and bullion.....	193,271,840	192,154,902	190,969,365	137,204,737	165,199,894
Proportion of reserve to liabilities.....	34.31%	44.74%	42.86%	34.43%	57.23%
Bank rate.....	2%	2%	2%	2%	2½%

## Bank of France Statement

THE weekly statement dated July 5 shows an increase in gold holdings of 255,040,814 francs. The total of gold is now 71,272,418,907 francs, which compares with 79,653,055,691 francs a year ago and 81,264,491,576 francs two years ago. French commercial bills discounted register a loss of 994,000,000 francs and creditor current accounts of 608,000,000 francs. Notes in circulation record a gain of 99,000,000 francs, bringing the total of notes outstanding up to 82,197,561,545 francs. Circulation a year ago stood at 81,892,015,075 francs and the year previous at 83,906,508,580 francs. An increase also appears in bills bought abroad of 1,000,000 francs and in advances against securities of 79,000,000 francs. The Bank's ratio is now 74.60% as against 69.56% a year ago and 78.13% the year before. Below we furnish a comparison of the various items for three years:

BANK OF FRANCE'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	Changes for Week	July 5 1935	July 6 1934	July 7 1933
	Francs	Francs	Francs	Francs
Gold holdings.....	+255,040,814	71,272,418,907	79,653,055,691	81,264,491,576
Credit bals. abroad.....	No change	6,029,597	14,568,975	2,572,952,103
a French commercial bills discounted.....	-994,000,000	7,027,886,553	3,862,159,798	3,173,939,042
b Bills bought abrd.....	+1,000,000	1,203,386,636	1,141,449,221	1,404,168,232
Adv. against secur.....	+79,000,000	3,356,397,942	3,154,870,215	2,762,209,104
Note circulation.....	+99,000,000	82,197,561,545	81,892,015,075	83,906,508,580
Credit. current acct.....	-608,000,000	13,343,902,101	18,223,281,214	20,111,919,535
Proport'n of gold on hand to sight liab.....	+0.67%	74.60%	79.56%	78.13%

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

## Bank of Germany Statement

THE quarterly statement dated July 6 reveals another increase in gold and bullion, this time of 211,000 marks. The total of gold is now at 85,824,000 marks, which compares with 70,122,000 marks last year and 194,156,000 marks the previous year. Reserve in foreign currency, silver and other coin, notes on other German banks and other assets record increases of 3,000 marks, 51,760,000 marks, 4,422,000 marks and 27,293,000 marks, respectively. The Bank's ratio is now 2.40%, in comparison with 2.1% a year ago. Notes in circulation show a contraction of 154,747,000 marks, bringing the total of the item down to 3,740,490,000 marks. Last year circulation aggregated 3,631,890,000 marks and the previous year 3,392,172,000 marks. A decline is recorded in bills of exchange and checks of 262,315,000 marks

in advances of 44,369,000 marks, in investments of 872,000 marks, in other daily maturing obligations of 101,231,000 marks and in other liabilities of 3,889,000 marks. A comparison of the different items for three years appears below:

REICHSBANK'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	Changes for Week	July 6 1935	July 7 1934	July 7 1933
	Reichsmarks	Reichsmarks	Reichsmarks	Reichsmarks
<b>Assets—</b>				
Gold and bullion.....	+211,000	85,824,000	70,122,000	194,156,000
Of which depos. abroad.....	No change	22,109,000	17,916,000	17,652,000
Reserve in foreign curr.....	+3,000	4,006,000	6,850,000	86,006,000
Bills of exch. and checks.....	-262,315,000	3,669,327,600	3,327,561,000	3,185,250,000
Silver and other coin.....	+51,760,000	179,110,000	218,175,000	229,531,000
Notes on other Ger. bks.....	+4,422,000	8,936,000	8,989,000	7,717,000
Advances.....	-44,369,000	45,113,000	72,839,000	84,693,000
Investments.....	-872,000	660,126,000	694,395,000	319,712,000
Other assets.....	+27,293,000	676,193,000	579,821,000	463,425,000
<b>Liabilities—</b>				
Notes in circulation.....	-154,747,000	3,740,490,000	3,631,890,000	3,392,172,000
Other daily matur. oblig.....	-101,231,000	717,765,000	557,582,000	359,174,000
Other liabilities.....	-3,889,000	213,190,000	165,483,000	195,413,000
Proport. of gold & for'n curr. to note circula'n.....	+0.10%	2.40%	2.1%	8.3%

## New York Money Market

ROUTINE dullness prevailed in the New York money market this week, demand for accommodation being light and rates unchanged in all departments. A new high record was attained in the reserve balances of member banks with the Federal Reserve System this week, and this is as good an illustration as any of the state of the market. Also significant is the great demand for short-term obligations of the best classifications. The United States Treasury offered last Monday \$500,000,000 notes due in four years and five months, and with a coupon of only 1⅜%. Notwithstanding the extremely low return, applications amounted nearly to \$3,000,000,000. The Treasury sold on Monday two series of discount bills, and rates on these instruments also were extremely low. One series of \$50,000,000 bills, due in 133 days, was awarded at an average discount of 0.068%, computed on an annual bank discount basis, while a further series of \$50,000,000, due in 273 days, went at 0.08% average discount. New York State sold on Monday an issue of \$75,000,000 notes due in 10 months at the record low rate of 0.35%. Call loans on the New York Stock Exchange held to ¼% for all transactions, whether renewals or new loans, and time loans up to six months' maturity also continued at that figure.

## New York Money Rates

DEALING 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 business having been reported. Rates are ¼% on all maturities. Trading in prime commercial paper has been fairly active this week. The demand has been strong and there has been a good supply of paper at hand. Rates are ¾% for extra choice names running from four to six months and 1% for names less known.

## Bankers' Acceptances

THE market for prime bankers' acceptances has been extremely quiet this week. Few bills have come out and there has been little interest displayed in this section of the market. 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 remain unchanged at \$4,687,000. Open market rates for acceptances are nominal in so far as the dealers are concerned as they continue to fix their own rates. The nominal rates for open market acceptances are as follows:

SPOT DELIVERY					
—180 Days—		—150 Days—		—120 Days—	
Bid	Asked	Bid	Asked	Bid	Asked
Prime eligible bills	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{3}{8}$
—90 Days—		—60 Days—		—30 Days—	
Bid	Asked	Bid	Asked	Bid	Asked
Prime eligible bills	$\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{3}{16}$

FOR DELIVERY WITHIN THIRTY DAYS

Eligible member banks	$\frac{3}{8}$ % bid
Eligible non-member banks	$\frac{3}{8}$ % bid

**Discount Rates of the Federal Reserve Banks**

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

DISCOUNT RATES OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

Federal Reserve Bank	Rate in Effect on July 12	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**

STERLING exchange is firm. It is believed that only steady operations undertaken by mutual arrangement between the London and American banking authorities prevented the pound from attaining exceptionally high ground this week. In Tuesday's trading sterling cable transfers sold as high as \$4.98 $\frac{5}{8}$ , a new high for the year and the highest since November. The range for sterling this week has been between \$4.94 $\frac{7}{8}$  and \$4.98 $\frac{3}{8}$  for bankers' sight bills, compared with a range of between \$4.93 $\frac{1}{2}$  and \$4.95 $\frac{3}{4}$  last week. The range for cable transfers has been between \$4.95 $\frac{1}{8}$  and \$4.98 $\frac{5}{8}$  compared with a range of between \$4.93 $\frac{3}{4}$  and \$4.95 a week ago. Although the French franc and the gold bloc currencies are also exceptionally strong in terms of the dollar, the French franc, as reflected in the London check rate on Paris, ruled easier this week than last, that is, more in favor of London. It is believed that only active co-operation by the Exchange Equalization Fund prevented a sharp rise in the pound against the franc.

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, July 6	74.687	Wednesday, July 10	74.82
Monday, July 8	74.828	Thursday, July 11	74.895
Tuesday, July 9	74.875	Friday, July 12	74.877

LONDON OPEN MARKET GOLD PRICE

Saturday, July 6	141s.	Wednesday, July 10	140s. 11d.
Monday, July 8	140s. 9d.	Thursday, July 11	140s. 8d.
Tuesday, July 9	140s. 7d.	Friday, July 12	140s. 11d.

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

Saturday, July 6	\$35.00	Wednesday, July 10	\$35.00
Monday, July 8	35.00	Thursday, July 11	35.00
Tuesday, July 9	35.00	Friday, July 12	35.00

The foreign exchange situation is essentially unchanged from recent weeks. The sharp rise of sterling, or rather weakness in the dollar, especially from Saturday to Tuesday, was due to an unusual set of circumstances connected with silver purchases by the

United States Treasury in London. For some weeks the price of silver in the London open market has been declining steadily owing to heavy selling by Far Eastern speculators. On Saturday last the Indian and other eastern speculators showed a strong tendency to dump their holdings in the belief that the United States would not continue to push up the price of silver for the present. According to London dispatches on Saturday, the tenor of which was not denied here, only heavy buying by the United States Government prevented an unparalleled break in the price of silver. The fixing price was not determined until after an unprecedented delay of nearly three hours, when on bidding by agents of the United States Treasury the price was finally set at 30 11-16d. an ounce for cash and 30 5-16d. for two-months forward delivery, declines of 5-16d. and  $\frac{3}{8}$ d. an ounce, respectively, from the previous close. Far Eastern selling was renewed on Monday, although the price advanced a full penny without any visible sign that the United States Treasury was active in the market.

On Tuesday, however, evidence of Far Eastern dumping was again apparent and for 50 minutes beyond the usual "fixing time" the market was in a deadlock. Brokers who were responsible for fixing the price, apprehensive because of the known quantities available in the market, delayed action and made frantic pleas for support to the British banks and to those acting for the United States Treasury. The United States answered the appeals with bids, thus allowing the fixing of the quotation. The forward price of bar silver coincided with the spot price for the first time in a year. It was down 5-16d. Spot silver was quoted at 30 $\frac{1}{4}$ d., off 3-16. Sterling was exceptionally strong, as those acting for the United States Treasury Department bought sterling with dollars to obtain funds with which to purchase silver. Hence the quotation for sterling in New York of \$4.98 $\frac{5}{8}$ , making a new high for the year.

According to the London correspondent of the "Wall Street Journal," Washington's methods in carrying out the silver purchase program are condemned in London as "playing ducks and drakes with the life-blood of one-third of the world's population. . . . The actual demand for consumption is negligible. Speculation arising from the American program is alone held responsible for the present prices, which otherwise would be much lower. There is great danger of widespread failures in the Far East should American support be withdrawn. There is equal danger that rising prices would cause a further breakdown in Chinese trade through more deflation."

Various countries have imposed embargoes or other emergency measures in an attempt to prevent the melting of their silver currencies or the hoarding or exportation of their silver stocks. Among the countries taking such action owing to the high prices of silver in the world's market are China, Peru, Mexico and Italy. It now seems probable that some countries will impose severe restrictions against the export of gold. Should this occur, the Far Eastern offerings of gold from hoarded stocks may be seriously curtailed. According to a United Press dispatch from Teheran, Iran (Persia), the Government imposed a severe decree on July 6 of embargo against the removal of either gold or silver from the country. The decree provides that anyone who tries to remove the metals will be liable to execution by a firing squad.

The decline in sterling on Wednesday to around \$4.96½ for cable transfers, corresponding of course to firmer dollar quotations, reflected a normal market and a firm sterling market for this season of the year. Aside from special contingencies which may arise at any time through such measures as the silver purchasing drive, or special and secret steps taken by central bank authorities to regulate some unlooked for or extraordinary movement in exchange, bankers expect that sterling will continue firm and in demand with fluctuations at a minimum from now until toward the end of August. Seasonal factors favor sterling and tourist requirements are at the highest level in several years. Probably not since 1929 or 1930 have travelers' requirements for accommodation been so heavy.

The flow of funds to London both for safety and investment continues unabated. In no other currency are nervous funds so secure. British business continues to expand and a sense of buoyant confidence is reflected in business circles in London, enhanced by recent remarks of Chancellor of the Exchequer Neville Chamberlain, who said that he had almost realized his ambition to remove the burdens imposed during the crisis of 1931. He declared that he did not think public confidence in 1933 would have stood for risky relief, but that in 1934 he had been able to give stimulating relief upon the standard rate of the income tax and that 2,250,000 people would benefit from restored allowances and 1,200,000 from the restoration of salary cuts. Mr. Chamberlain's remarks were made on the occasion of the third reading in the House of Commons of the Government's finance bill which implements the budget presented in April.

The latest bankers' loan statistics are £40,000,000 above 1934, and it is asserted in London that the peak of domestic activity is not in sight yet. Hence the London opinion, evidently inspired, that "there is, therefore, no hurry to return to gold to stimulate international commerce." Nevertheless stabilization talk continues. According to a Paris dispatch of July 10, M. Jean Tannery, Governor of the Bank of France, predicted that "America, France and England soon will unite for stabilization."

The decision of the Central Bank Governors during the recent monthly meeting at Basle to act in common if there should be the slightest sign of renewed attack on the currency of any country represented in the Bank for International Settlements has caused considerable discussion in London. The "Daily Herald" declares that it is virtually a decision by private bankers to achieve currency stabilization without governmental agreement. In this connection it is well to point out that central banks never take a public position which would be contrary to the policies of their respective Governments. It might be reasonable to surmise that the leading central bank authorities are now being encouraged by their Governments to feel a way toward de facto stabilization of the currencies. Certainly the conspicuous co-operation recently manifest between the United States Treasury Department, the Bank of France and the London authorities, would give substance to such an opinion.

In the London open market two-months' bills are 9-16% to 5/8%, three-months' bills 5/8%, four-months' bills 5/8% to 11-16%, and six-months' bills 13-16% to 7/8%.

All the gold available in the London open market was taken this week for unknown destinations. On Saturday last there was available and so taken £230,000, on Monday £240,000, on Tuesday £350,000, on Wednesday £285,000, on Thursday £123,000 and on Friday £165,000.

The gold movement at the Port of New York for the week ended July 10, as reported by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, was as follows:

(GOLD MOVEMENT AT NEW YORK, JULY 5—JULY 10, INCLUSIVE)

<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>
\$5,000 from Nicaragua	None
\$5,000 total	
<i>Net Change in Gold Earmarked for Foreign Account</i>	
Decrease: \$345,000	

Note—We have been informed that approximately \$222,000 of gold was received from China at San Francisco.

The above figures are for the week ended on Wednesday. On Thursday and 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 \$26,000 of gold was received at San Francisco from China.

Canadian funds during the week in terms of the dollar were quoted at a discount ranging between ¼% and 1-16%.

Referring to day-to-day rates, sterling exchange on Saturday last was firm in a dull half-day session. Bankers' sight was \$4.947/8@4.953/4, cable transfers \$4.951/8@4.96. On Monday the pound was active and firmer owing chiefly to operations on the other side. The range was \$4.953/4@4.971/4 for bankers' sight bills and \$4.96@4.971/2 for cable transfers. On Tuesday sterling went to a new high for the year. Bankers' sight was \$4.961/4@4.983/8; cable transfers, \$4.961/2@4.985/8. On Wednesday the market abroad was quiet, ranging between \$4.953/8 and \$4.963/8 for bankers' sight and \$4.953/4@4.965/8 for cable transfers. On Thursday sterling was steady. Bankers' sight was \$4.951/2@4.961/4 and cable transfers were \$4.955/8@4.963/8. On Friday sterling was steady and the undertone was firm. The range was \$4.951/4@4.955/8 for bankers' sight and \$4.953/8@4.953/4 for cable transfers. Closing quotations on Friday were \$4.955/8 for demand and \$4.953/4 for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at \$4.951/4, 60-day bills at \$4.94, 90-day bills at \$4.931/2, documents for payment (60 days) at \$4.933/4, and 7-day grain bills at \$4.951/8. Cotton and grain for payment closed at \$4.951/4.

#### Continental and Other Foreign Exchange

FRENCH francs are firm and on numerous occasions during the past week sold well above new dollar parity. The franc situation is essentially unchanged from last week and the firmness is due to the cessation of pressure against the franc, which reached a critical stage near the end of May. Nevertheless there still exists a large short interest in francs, though not on this side, and this short interest will not be compelled to cover until August. Meantime, it is understood that the central banks of the gold bloc countries are imposing certain restrictions on forward transactions and putting obstacles in the way of bear covering of engagements undertaken by such speculative interests in May. Dispatches from Basle stated that on Sunday, July 7, central bank authorities gathered for the monthly meeting of the Bank for International Settlements arrived at some sort of agreement whereby bear speculators against

francs and other currencies would be "taught a lesson" that would make them fear to attack the franc again. Doubtless the central banks are able to place severe curbs upon bear speculation in exchange, but in so doing they commit a violation of the principle of free markets, which in the long run will prove damaging to any country which thus interferes with the rights of traders to cover their contractual obligations.

Aside from this consideration, the truth of the matter is that the weakness in the franc and the so-called attacks on other gold bloc currencies originated not so much in bear speculation as in the actual flight of capital from those countries in the fear of ultimate devaluation. In the case of France, the unsatisfactory budgetary position of the Government, which still continues, had much to do with the flight of capital from Paris and the excessive hoarding of gold by French nationals. Up to the present M. Laval has taken no measures to improve the French economic situation. It is expected that on July 16 M. Laval will disclose his program for the protection of the franc and the reduction of Governmental expenditures and other measures to bring about economic improvement.

In a recent address before the American Club in Paris, M. Jean Tannery, Governor of the Bank of France, said that France was determined to avoid devaluation as "unjust and serving no purpose." He said that the Bank was firmly decided to "defend the franc with all our means—and we have the means."

It will be recalled that the Bank of France reduced its rate of rediscount on July 4 from 5% to 4%. Before the severe pressure against the franc developed with the devaluation of the Belgian currency on March 31, the Bank of France rate was 2½%. During May the rate was rapidly increased by successive changes to 6%. It is thought now that in the interests of general business and in view of measures of co-operation taken by the central banks, the Bank of France may soon make a further reduction in its rediscount rate from its present 4% level. The Paris money market is quite out of line with the money markets of New York, London, Amsterdam and Brussels.

The Austrian National Bank reduced its rate of rediscount on July 10 from 4% to 3½%. The 4% rate had been in effect since Feb. 23 1935.

There is no change in the unsatisfactory German reichsmark situation. Fears are entertained in well informed quarters as to the ability to continue the present monetary policies of Germany. There are signs that the German recovery, if it could be called such, is declining. The comparative ease of money in Berlin at present is attributed to business hesitation. The Reich debt is officially acknowledged to be around 13,000,000,000 reichsmarks, but the prevailing opinion seems to be that certain vast items of expenditure are concealed and that the true debt of the Reich is near 30,000,000,000 reichsmarks.

The Italian lira, contrary to the trend of the franc, the guilder and the Swiss unit, is showing considerable weakness. This condition is due, no doubt, to the underlying position of the lira in consequence of the heavy expenditures entailed by the threats against Ethiopia.

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

	Old Dollar Parity	New Dollar Parity	Range This Week
France (franc)-----	3.92	6.63	6.61½ to 6.65½
Belgium (belga)-----	13.90	16.95	16.88 to 16.94
Italy (lira)-----	5.26	8.91	8.21½ to 8.28½
Switzerland (franc)-----	19.30	32.67	32.72 to 32.88
Holland (guilder)-----	40.20	68.06	68.11 to 68.33

The London check rate on Paris closed on Friday at 74.88 against 74.70 on Friday of last week. In New York, sight bills on the French center finished on Friday at 6.61, against 6.61½; cable transfers at 6.61¾, against 6.62½, and commercial sight bills at 6.58¾, against 6.59½. Antwerp belgas finished at 16.90 for bankers' sight bills and at 16.91 for cable transfers, against 16.89 and 16.90. Final quotations for Berlin marks were 40.35 for bankers' sight bills and 40.36 for cable transfers, against 40.32 and 40.33. Italian lire closed at 8.22 for bankers' sight bills and at 8.23 for cable transfers, against 8.27½ and 8.28½. Austrian schillings closed at 18.97, against 18.96; exchange on Czechoslovakia at 4.18, against 4.18½; on Bucharest at 1.00½, against 1.00¼; on Poland at 18.94, against 18.96; and on Finland at 2.19½, against 2.18¾. Greek exchange closed at 0.94⅛ for bankers' sight bills and at 0.94⅝ for cable transfers, against 0.94⅛ and 0.94⅝.

**E**XCHANGE on the countries neutral during the war is firm. The Scandinavian currencies move in sympathy with sterling. On July 10 the Bank of Spain reduced its rediscount rate from 5½% to 5%. It should be recalled that the Holland situation has improved to such an extent that on Friday of last week the Bank of The Netherlands reduced its rate of rediscount from 4% to 3½%. Open market money rates in Amsterdam have since become so much easier, with the private discount rate on funds down to 2¾%, that another reduction in the Dutch bank rate is considered imminent. Gold stocks have been increasing in both Holland and Switzerland in recent weeks.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam finished on Friday at 68.17, against 68.17 on Friday of last week; cable transfers at 68.18, against 68.18 and commercial sight bills at 68.15, against 68.15. Swiss francs closed at 32.73 for checks and at 32.74 for cable transfers, against 32.74 and 32.75. Copenhagen checks finished at 22.13 and cable transfers at 22.14, against 22.09 and 22.10. Checks on Sweden closed at 25.55 and cable transfers at 25.56, against 25.51 and 25.52; while checks on Norway finished at 24.90 and cable transfers at 24.91, against 24.87 and 24.88. Spanish pesetas closed at 13.70½ for bankers' sight bills and at 13.71½ for cable transfers, against 13.72 and 13.73.

**E**XCHANGE on the South American countries presents no new features of importance. Exchange on Buenos Aires continues to display increased activity and the peso is moving in rather close conformity to the trend of sterling. The Brazilian exchange situation is rather enigmatic and apparently the control restrictions are being more rigidly enforced, while quotable rates are largely nominal.

Argentine paper pesos closed on Friday, official quotations, at 33 for bankers' sight bills, against 32.95 on Friday of last week; cable transfers at 33⅛, against 33. The unofficial or free market close was 26.60@26⅝, against 26⅝@26.65. Brazilian milreis, official rates, are 8.20 for bankers' sight bills and 8¼ for cable transfers, against 8.20

and 8¼. The unofficial or free market close was 5½ against 5½. Chilean exchange was nominally quoted on the new basis at 5.20, against 5.20. Peru is nominal at 23.71, against 23.71.

**EXCHANGE** on the Far Eastern countries is of course sharply affected by the fluctuations in the London silver market. The Shanghai dollar in particular is affected by these fluctuations. In the above resume of sterling exchange some observations were made on the recent slump in silver prices and the assistance given the market by the United States Treasury. In the same review note was made of the imposition of an embargo by Persia on both gold and silver traffic. It is intimated that more strenuous efforts may be made by other countries to offset the drain of both gold and silver coin, bullion, and scrap which has persisted because of the high prices prevalent in London and New York.

Closing quotations for yen checks yesterday were 29.18 against 29.10 on Friday of last week. Hong Kong closed at 53¾@54 13-16, against 54 7/8@55 5-16; Shanghai at 39¾, against 39 7/8; Manila at 49.80, against 49.80; Singapore at 57.80, against 57.75; Bombay at 37.45, against 37.42, and Calcutta at 37.45, against 37.42.

**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 JULY 6 1935 TO JULY 12 1935 INCLUSIVE

Country and Monetary Unit	Noon Buying Rate for Cable Transfers in New York Value in United States Money					
	July 6	July 8	July 9	July 10	July 11	July 12
<b>Europe—</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Austria, schilling	.188950*	.188908*	.189258*	.189158*	.189141*	.189016*
Belgium, belga	.168900	.169000	.169380	.168903	.168819	.168750
Bulgaria, lev	.013225*	.013000*	.013125*	.013125*	.013075*	.013125*
Czechoslovakia, krone	.041850	.041844	.041975	.041856	.041834	.041775
Denmark, kroner	.221300	.221575	.222359	.221466	.221400	.221058
England, pound sterling	4.956666	4.964083	4.981607	4.961000	4.958750	4.952916
Finland, markka	.021840	.021865	.021970	.021895	.021860	.021850
France, franc	.066274	.066277	.066473	.066285	.066218	.066113
Germany, reichsmark	.403864	.403757	.404692	.403376	.403475	.403135
Greece, drachma	.009427	.009457	.009490	.009475	.009460	.009460
Holland, guilder	.682085	.681957	.683257	.681676	.681350	.681057
Hungary, pengo	.296700*	.296625*	.296875*	.296875*	.296750*	.296750*
Italy, lira	.248991	.249350	.250240	.249216	.249183	.248718
Norway, krone	.189540	.189520	.190080	.189840	.189700	.189380
Poland, zloty	.045031	.045132	.045292	.045157	.045122	.045100
Portugal, escudo	.010010	.010010	.010030	.010035	.010050	.009990
Rumania, leu	.137317	.137325	.137728	.137361	.137278	.137065
Sweden, krona	.255495	.255890	.256787	.255736	.255691	.255254
Switzerland, franc	.327696	.327853	.328800	.327907	.327728	.327228
Yugoslavia, dinar	.022950	.022950	.023037	.023012	.022980	.022937
<b>Asia—</b>						
<b>China—</b>						
Chefoo (yuan) dol'r	.392083	.392500	.383750	.391666	.392083	.392916
Hankow (yuan) dol'r	.392500	.392916	.384166	.392083	.392500	.393333
Shanghai (yuan) dol'r	.391875	.391875	.383958	.391875	.392291	.392500
Tientsin (yuan) dol'r	.392500	.392916	.384166	.392083	.392500	.393333
Hongkong, dollar	.541250	.536625	.507812	.530625	.536625	.540312
India, rupee	.372850	.373775	.374900	.372990	.373445	.373050
Japan, yen	.290825	.291560	.292410	.291600	.291415	.291195
Singapore (S. S.) dol'r	.573750	.575625	.578125	.574375	.575625	.574687
<b>Australasia—</b>						
Australia, pound	3.928125*	3.938750*	3.952187*	3.940833*	3.935625*	3.930937*
New Zealand, pound	3.951250*	3.962187*	3.975625*	3.960833*	3.958750*	3.954375*
<b>Africa—</b>						
South Africa, pound	4.905000*	4.912000*	4.930000*	4.908000*	4.916500*	4.902000*
<b>North America—</b>						
Canada, dollar	.998465	.998750	.999296	.998255	.998333	.997916
Cuba, peso	.999200	.999200	.999200	.999200	.999200	.999200
Mexico, peso (silver)	.277550	.277800	.277800	.277800	.277800	.277800
Newfoundland, dollar	.995703	.996250	.996875	.995750	.995750	.995312
<b>South America—</b>						
Argentina, peso	.329650*	.330725*	.331550*	.330625*	.330112*	.330175*
Brazil, milreis	.083250*	.083127*	.083127*	.083127*	.083152*	.083127*
Chile, peso	.051000*	.051000*	.051000*	.051000*	.051000*	.051000*
Uruguay, peso	.804850*	.804900*	.806350*	.805150*	.804850*	.803625*
Colombia, peso	.537700*	.536200*	.534800*	.529100*	.530500*	.530500*

\* Nominal rates; firm rates not available.

**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 July 11 1935, together with comparisons as of the corresponding dates in the previous four years:

Banks of—	1935	1934	1933	1932	1931
England	193,271,840	192,154,902	190,969,365	137,204,737	165,199,894
France	570,179,351	637,224,445	650,115,932	659,773,475	449,817,863
Germany	3,185,750	2,180,500	8,202,200	35,788,450	68,304,600
Spain	90,780,000	90,533,000	90,379,000	90,220,000	97,024,000
Italy	63,047,000	71,678,000	72,645,000	57,574,000	57,574,000
Netherlands	54,836,000	70,572,000	62,062,000	81,696,000	41,451,000
Nat. Belg.	102,574,000	75,801,000	76,507,000	73,321,000	41,004,000
Switzerland	45,125,000	61,209,000	61,464,000	89,155,000	29,415,000
Sweden	19,737,000	15,254,000	12,011,000	11,445,000	13,232,000
Denmark	7,394,000	7,397,000	7,397,000	7,440,000	9,546,000
Norway	6,602,000	6,577,000	6,569,000	8,324,000	8,131,000
Total week	1,156,731,941	1,230,580,847	1,238,321,497	1,251,941,662	980,699,357
Prev. week	1,152,409,899	1,228,849,334	1,241,526,266	1,254,046,116	978,152,887

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 £1,105,450.

**The Guffey Coal Bill and the Constitution**

Until Tuesday the Guffey Coal Stabilization Bill, purporting to "stabilize the bituminous coal mining industry," stood close to the top of President Roosevelt's "must" list of legislation pending in Congress. It had occupied that place ever since June 4, when it was bracketed with the Wagner Labor Disputes Bill as one of the two measures specially relied upon to support the so-called "skeletonized" National Recovery Administration. It acquired a kind of crucial importance on June 14, when President Roosevelt induced John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, to postpone until June 30 a strike which he had threatened to call in the bituminous field, in return for an assurance that every effort would be made by the President to secure the passage of the bill by that date. When Executive urgency failed to accomplish what was expected, the bill was still important enough to lead Mr. Lewis to grant a further postponement of the strike until July 31. On Tuesday, following what appear to have been pretty serious representations to Mr. Roosevelt by a group of Senate and House leaders, the "must" list was reported to have been transformed into a list of measures regarded as "expedient," with the Guffey Bill heading a section of those classed as "highly desirable." As Mr. Lewis is still ready to call out the miners on July 31 if the bill is not passed, the change from what was imperative to what is now urgent or desirable does not greatly alter the critical significance of the bill.

The Guffey bill, although introduced some weeks before the decision of the Supreme Court in the Schechter case, was nevertheless drafted with a view to meeting some of the constitutional objections that had been urged against the National Industrial Recovery Act. The bill followed precedents in declaring that an "emergency" existed in the bituminous coal industry, and added the further declarations that the production and distribution of bituminous coal are "affected with a national public interest," that the general welfare, conservation of natural resources, and the right of owners to fair profits and of workers to fair wages and working conditions mark bituminous coal mining as "a public utility," and that "all production and distribution of bituminous coal directly bear upon and affect" inter-State commerce and "national public service."

The bill accordingly created a National Bituminous Coal Commission, under whose direction the total bituminous coal production of the nation was to be limited, and production quotas allocated to the various mining districts and to individual mines in a district. No new mines, or old mines not operated since 1929, could be opened without the consent of the Commission, and prices of coal were to be fixed by district boards of producers which the

Commission supervised. An initial bond issue of \$300,000,000, to be recovered through a graduated tax on coal, was authorized for the purchase of mines and their properties to be withdrawn from production. Collective bargaining was guaranteed as a legal right, the right to be exercised through district boards whose labor members were to be elected "by the national organization of employees representing the preponderant number of employees in the industry," and agreements regarding minimum wages and maximum hours were to be binding upon all employees.

In order to compel producers to accept a code the provisions of which were set out in the bill, resort was had to the Federal taxing power. The bill provided that "there is hereby imposed upon the sale or other disposal of all bituminous coal produced within the United States a tax of 25% on the sale price or fair market value of such coal at the mine," the tax to be paid monthly by producers under regulations prescribed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. It was further provided, however, that "any such coal producer who has filed with the National Bituminous Coal Commission his acceptance of the code" set out elsewhere in the bill, "and who acts in full compliance with the provisions of such code, shall be entitled to a drawback equivalent to 99% of the amount of such tax," the right or benefit of the drawback to begin "upon the producer's filing with the Commission his acceptance of said code in such form of agreement as the Commission may prescribe."

Following the Schechter decision, a number of amendments to the bill were offered, intended to avoid the condemnation which the Supreme Court had passed upon Federal interference with intra-State commerce. The principal changes were the dropping of the requirements for the allocation of production among districts and mines, and the provision for the Federal purchase of submarginal mines and properties. All the other essential parts of the scheme, however, were retained, the provisions regarding marketing were further elaborated, and a new provision was added empowering the Coal Commission to classify coal. It was promptly pointed out by opponents of the bill that this latter provision would enable the Commission, whose decisions must be arbitrary since there are no generally agreed standards, to "put any particular mine out of operation by merely declaring its product of such classification as to command a higher market price than its natural competitors."

The Guffey bill has been from the first a storm center of controversy. A large number of coal operators have favored it, apparently because they expected that it would actually stabilize the industry and enable them to operate their mines at a profit. Another large group of operators have opposed it, preferring the bituminous coal code if there must be Federal regulation at all, while still another group are strongly averse to Government regulation of any kind. President Roosevelt has demanded it because it would bolster the skeletonized National Recovery Administration and set a kind of standard for Federal control of all natural resources, and labor has endorsed it with the expectation that it would make an end of non-union mines, stabilize employment and increase wages. Incidentally, the demand of the United Mine Workers, which the operators have refused, is for a 30-hour week and a

minimum daily wage in Northern fields of \$5.50, compared with the 35-hour week and \$5 basic wage under which they are now working. An appreciable popular support has come from the section of the public who accept former President Hoover's characterization of bituminous coal mining as "a sick industry" and feel that nothing short of drastic Federal regulation can restore it to health.

Yet from every point of view the Guffey bill is objectionable, and from some points of view highly dangerous. The bill proceeds on the fallacious assumption, all too familiar in New Deal philosophy, that because a great industry needs reorganization the Federal Government should step in and reorganize it. If the kind of reorganization and control which the bill contemplates is extended, as it is likely to be if the bill passes, to other industries which the Government chooses to class as public utilities because they exploit natural resources, a long step will have been taken toward the nationalization of industry which the Administration would apparently be glad to see accomplished. It seems improbable that the price-fixing provisions of the bill can be applied without eventually raising the price of coal, in which case consumers will turn to other forms of fuel. The bill creates a monopoly at the same time that it exempts the operations of the proposed Commission from the anti-trust laws, sets up a bureaucratic organization to administer the system, and discriminates sharply against all producers who do not accept the proposed code. One of the strongest arguments at the moment is that, if the bill is not passed, Mr. Lewis will call a strike, and a Congress that legislated under such a menace would forfeit all claim to public respect.

There is serious doubt, moreover, whether the bill is constitutional. Attorney General Cummings, on July 5, declined to give the Ways and Means subcommittee of the House an opinion one way or the other regarding the constitutionality of the measure, but there is good authority for believing that he has since advised the President that the bill is unconstitutional and that the opinion has been withheld from publication. The Supreme Court, in the Schechter case, made clear its opinion that coal mining is not inter-State commerce, yet the Guffey bill proposes a detailed and virtually monopolistic regulation of coal mining on the ground that coal, after it is mined, often enters into inter-State trade. The Schechter case put the codes under a ban, but the Guffey bill re-enacts a code for the bituminous coal industry, and penalizes, by a tax of 25% on the sale price or fair market value of the coal mined, all producers who do not subscribe to the code, and rebates all but 1% of the tax to producers who do. It is more than doubtful if the Federal taxing power can constitutionally be used in such fashion to achieve indirectly what cannot be achieved directly.

Nevertheless President Roosevelt, with the Attorney General to back him, urges Congress to pass the bill and let the Supreme Court adjudicate. His letter of July 6 to Representative Hill, chairman of the Ways and Means subcommittee which is considering the bill, is one of the most extraordinary documents in American history. "A decision by the Supreme Court," he declared, "relative to this measure would be helpful as indicating, with increasing clarity, the constitutional limits within which this Government must operate. . . . I hope," he concluded, "your committee will not permit doubts as to con-

stitutionality, however reasonable, to block the suggested legislation." Never before has a President, bound by his oath of office to "preserve, protect and defend" the Constitution, urged the enactment of legislation "however reasonable" might be the doubts regarding its constitutionality.

The letter is difficult to explain save on the assumption that Mr. Roosevelt, irritated and alarmed at the obstacles which the Constitution, as interpreted by the Supreme Court, puts in his way, is determined to challenge the authority of the Court, and force upon the country consideration of an amendment which would deprive the Court of its right to declare a law unconstitutional. If such is his purpose, the passage of the Guffey bill at his demand, in the face of reasonable doubt of its constitutionality, may well prove to be the last thing needed to awaken the country to the dangers of socialized industry and Executive dictatorship with which it is threatened.

### ***Testing the League and the Kellogg Pact***

If reports from European capitals are to be believed, Italy may be expected to begin active military operations in Ethiopia late in September or early in October, as soon as the rainy season is over. It will do this not only without a serious protest from any of the greater Powers, but with the tacit approval of France and the reluctant neutrality of Great Britain. It will not need to fear obstruction from any of the lesser Powers, for none of them wishes just now to be in Italy's bad graces, and Yugoslavia, long its most pronounced opponent in southeastern Europe, has suddenly become friendly. It will leave behind it a League of Nations whose inability to protect one of its weaker members or impose any of the penalties which the Covenant provides for an aggressor will have been conclusively demonstrated, and a Kellogg anti-war pact of no more practical importance than a scrap of waste paper. Whether it will succeed in subjugating Ethiopia, or whether a war flame kindled in Africa will scatter dangerous sparks elsewhere are questions on which military and political opinions differ, but the campaign will be launched regardless of consequences.

This is the situation as it appears at the moment. The only thing that can change it, apparently, is an agreed partitioning of Ethiopia which would give Italy a satisfactory share, and to which Ethiopia would have to submit because of the impossibility of offering effective resistance to a combination of Powers. It is possible that such a partitioning may be undertaken. There is in existence a treaty, concluded in 1906 between Great Britain, France and Italy, by which those three Powers agreed, while preserving the nominal independence of Ethiopia, to appropriate in their discretion "spheres of influence" in that country. It is not clear that Italy now desires any more or different territory than it expected to get ultimately when the treaty was made, and if the three Powers should agree that the time has come to assert their respective claims, Italian operations might be halted. Doubtless there would be some fighting, but it could hardly be very important, and in any case Great Britain and France would have to carry their share. There is nothing else, as far as can now be seen, that can prevent the Italian campaign from going on.

The events of the past two weeks afford the most striking illustration yet shown of the fundamental discord among the greater Powers, the political helplessness and uselessness of the League and the complete futility of the Kellogg pact. When Captain Anthony Eden, returning from an unsuccessful mission to Paris and Rome, told the House of Commons on July 1 that he had been "authorized" to make, and had made, to Premier Mussolini a "tentative suggestion" by which Great Britain "would be prepared to offer Abyssinia a strip of territory in British Somaliland giving her access to the sea," and that the proposal was "intended to facilitate such territorial and economic concessions by Abyssinia to Italy as might be involved in an agreed settlement between those two countries," he raised a storm which subsequent explanations have not allayed. By what authority, it was indignantly asked, did the Baldwin Government propose to hand over to another country any British territory without first obtaining the approval of Parliament, and why was it trying to force the hand of Ethiopia in the quarrel with Italy?

This has been only one of Mr. Baldwin's troubles. French resentment over what it regards as British desertion in the conclusion of the Anglo-German naval agreement continues keen, and it has not been placated by the communication to France, Italy, Japan and the United States on July 5, under pledge of secrecy, of the German naval building plans, for German building means French building also. Moreover, France has not only refused to join with Great Britain in putting any pressure upon Italy or proceeding with negotiations for a new naval conference or air agreement, but it appears to have concluded an understanding with Italy under which Italian and French forces on the Italo-French frontier have been materially reduced, thereby freeing more Italian troops for the Ethiopian campaign. On July 3 it was reported that the British Cabinet was studying the possibilities of an economic blockade of Italy, but that fantastic proposal was quickly dropped when it was realized that a blockade could not be imposed without involving other Powers, among them the United States, that both Italy and France would resist, and that any attempt at enforcement would bring on a naval conflict in the Mediterranean. The suggestion of closing the Suez Canal to Italian war vessels and supply ships was equally short-lived, since such action would be in direct contravention of a treaty which specifically guarantees the freedom of the Canal alike in peace and in war. It is true that the Canal was closed to enemy commerce, in behalf of the Allies, in the World War, but 1935 is not 1914.

All this, of course, has been excellent grist for Premier Mussolini's mill. With a deep rift between Great Britain and France, Franco-Italian relations more cordial than for a number of years, a distinct rapprochement with Germany and a complete reversal of the long-time unfriendly relations with Yugoslavia, the only obstacle to Italian plans is the League. Unless events undergo a sudden and dramatic change, it is clear that the League offers no obstacle whatever.

Early in the controversy, when Ethiopia made formal complaint to the League of the aggressions of Italy, the League Council found it inconvenient to act. Later, when Ethiopia insisted, an international commission, on which both Italy and Ethiopia



were represented, was appointed to examine the incidents complained of. The commission has been in session for some weeks at Scheveningen, The Netherlands, but not without evidences of internal friction; on Tuesday it suspended its work indefinitely when the legal adviser to the Ethiopian Government insisted upon raising a question about the Italo-Ethiopian boundary, notwithstanding that

boundary questions were not among those which the commission was instructed to consider. The next step would regularly be a report of disagreement made to the League Council, which was expected to meet on July 25. Premier Mussolini, however, who from the first has declined to admit the jurisdiction of the League, has let it be known that if the Ethi-

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### Gross and Net Earnings of United States Railroads for the Month of May

Financial results of the operations of United States railroads during May again make gloomy reading, the situation in this respect resembling that of the immediately preceding months. All that can be said of the statistics now available, and assembled in our comprehensive tables, is that the downward trend of earnings is less pronounced than in some months. The effects of the cumulative hardships under which the carriers have been struggling have received much emphasis in the last few weeks. Two of the principal systems of the country—the Chicago & North Western, and the Chicago Milwaukee St. Paul & Pacific—now have applied for permission to reorganize under Section 77 of the amended Bankruptcy Act. The fact that these great railroad systems found it advisable to seek a reduction in their fixed charges resulting from bonded indebtedness means that the strain resulting from the depression and governmental regulations is becoming unbearable in important instances. The primary adverse factor is, of course, the tremendous loss of revenue suffered by all the railroad systems during the trying years since 1929. Also of much significance, however, is the inability of the railroads under the present governmental regulations to reduce some of their most important operating charges, such as the wage scale. The small temporary reduction in wages accorded the carriers some years ago now has been effaced, and the unequal struggle to make ends meet has been accentuated.

One of the most pressing dangers facing the railroads of the country is the tendency in Washington to view the problem of the carriers from different angles at different times, but seldom as a unified whole. Typical of this tendency is the attempt made by the present Administration to foist upon the railroads a pension system that would have increased charges even more, if the Supreme Court had not found the legislation unconstitutional. On the other hand, we find sensible statements made periodically about the need for bringing competing modes of transportation under Federal regulation, to the end that the competitive struggle can be more nearly equalized. There appears still to be a much greater readiness to pile charges on the railroads than to afford them relief, for utopian schemes are enacted speedily while general regulation of all transportation in the interests of all concerned remains in the discussion stage. Business statistics would indicate that the carriers have not shared fully in the modest recovery effected since 1933, and it is apparent that truck and bus competition continues to deplete the earnings of the railroad systems. This situation cries ever more loudly for correction, and the earnings statistics we have now assembled give emphasis to the matter. Thus we find that gross earnings in

May actually were \$2,489,273, or 0.88% lower than in the same month of last year. Operating expenses fell only \$822,423, or 0.39%, and the major part of the loss in gross earnings therefore was reflected in a loss of net earnings, which fell \$1,666,850, or 2.31%.

Month of May—	1935	1934	Inc. (+) or Dec. (—)	
Miles of 144 roads.....	237,951	238,980	—1,029	0.43%
Gross earnings.....	\$279,153,707	\$281,642,980	—2,489,273	0.88%
Operating expenses.....	208,737,337	209,559,760	—822,423	0.39%
Ratio of expenses to earnings.....	74.78%	74.41%	+0.37%	
Net earnings.....	\$70,416,370	\$72,083,220	—\$1,666,850	2.31%

In general, of course, the low level of both gross and net earnings is due to the persistence of the depression and the prostration which continues to affect virtually all business. In taking, as is our practice, the leading trade indices as the measure of business activity, we find the automobile trade alone shows an increase, and not a very substantial one at that, over May a year ago, the output of motor vehicles in the whole of the United States, according to the Bureau of the Census, having aggregated 364,721 cars in May 1935 as against 330,455 cars in May last year. This is an increase of 34,276 cars. In May 1933 the production of automobiles was 214,411 cars; in 1932, 184,225 cars, and in May 1931, 317,163 cars. Back in 1930, however, we find that the automobile output reached 420,027 cars, and in May 1929 was no less than 604,691 cars. Turning now to the iron and steel industry, it is found that the make of pig iron in the United States during May the present year, according to statistics compiled by the "Iron Age," was only 1,727,095 gross tons as compared with 2,042,896 gross tons in May 1934. The present year's output, however, compares with only 887,252 tons in May 1933 and 783,554 tons in May 1932. But in May 1931 the production of pig iron was 1,994,082 tons; in May 1930, 3,232,760 tons, and in May 1929, 3,896,082 tons. In the case of steel, the American Iron and Steel Institute calculates the output of steel ingots in May the present year at 2,602,054 tons as against 3,352,788 tons in May 1934, but comparing with 1,976,428 tons in May 1933; 1,125,243 tons in May 1932, and 2,551,633 tons in May 1931. Still further back, we find the production of steel ingots in May 1930 was 3,982,915 tons, and in May 1929 no less than 5,286,339 tons.

Coming now to the production of coal, the United States Bureau of Mines reports that 26,790,000 net tons of bituminous, or soft, coal were mined in May 1935. This compares with 27,385,000 net tons in May last year, but with 22,488,000 tons and 18,384,000 tons, respectively, in May 1933 and May 1932. In May 1931, however, the quantity of bituminous coal mined was 28,314,000 tons; in May 1930, 36,314,000 tons, and in May 1929, 40,706,000 tons. As to Pennsylvania anthracite, the output in May 1935 is reported at 4,930,000 net tons as compared with 5,250,000 net tons in the same period last year.

In May 1933 the quantity mined was only 2,967,000 tons, and in May 1932, 3,278,000 tons, but back in May 1931 the output was 5,005,000 tons; in May 1930, 5,911,000 tons, and in May 1929, 6,308,000 tons.

In the case of building and new construction work, it is needless to say there was a shrinkage. The F. W. Dodge Corp. reports that construction contracts awarded during the month of May the present year in the 37 States east of the Rocky Mountains involved an outlay of only \$126,718,600 as compared with \$134,363,700 in the same period of 1934, or a loss of \$7,645,100. It is proper to state, however, that the money value of construction contracts awarded in May 1933 had fallen to \$77,171,700 from \$146,221,200 in the same period of 1932. In the three years preceding 1932 we find the outlay involved was \$146,221,200 in May 1932; \$306,079,100 in May 1931; \$457,416,000 in May 1930, and no less than \$587,765,900 in May 1929. In the lumber trade the falling off was more pronounced. The National Lumber Manufacturers Association reports that for the five weeks ended June 1 1935 the cut of lumber by 863 identical mills aggregated only 714,359,000 feet as against 787,513,000 feet in the same five weeks of 1934; that is, production was 9% below that of a year ago. It was, however, 4% above the record of comparable mills during the same period of 1933.

As it happens, too, the grain movement over Western roads fell below that of May last year, when it reached the lowest level for May in all recent years. In explaining the decrease in May a year ago as compared with May 1933, we stated that the falling off was in part due to the curtailment of acreage under the crop control plan, and the same holds true of the present year's shrinkage. We deal in detail with the Western grain movement in a separate paragraph further along in this article, and need only say here that for the five weeks ending June 1 1935 the receipts of wheat, corn, oats, barley and rye, combined, at the Western primary markets were only 32,148,000 bushels as against 35,519,000 bushels in the same five weeks of 1934; 81,594,000 bushels in the corresponding period of 1933; 54,638,000 bushels in May 1932; 62,286,000 bushels in May 1931; 53,503,000 bushels in 1931, and 49,712,000 bushels in the same five weeks of 1929.

It is, however, when we come to the statistics showing the loading of revenue freight on all the railroads of the United States that the composite result of all that has been said above is most plainly apparent. For the four weeks of May the present year the loading of revenue freight comprised only 2,327,120 cars as against 2,446,365 cars in the corresponding four weeks of 1934, but comparing with 2,143,194 cars in the same period of 1933 and 2,088,088 cars in the same four weeks of 1932. Going further back, however, we find the loading of revenue freight embraced 2,958,784 cars in the four weeks of May 1931; 3,650,775 cars in the same four weeks of 1930, and no less than 4,209,577 cars in the corresponding period of 1929.

In view of what has been said above, it is no surprise to find that when the figures of earnings of the different roads and systems are scrutinized, the list of decreases in both gross and net earnings alike is a long one; in fact, assumes dismal proportions. True, a fair number of roads are able to show increases in the gross, but of these roads only eight are able to report a gain in the net also. In this category we find the Duluth Missabe & Northern

with an increase of \$574,067 in gross earnings and a gain of \$690,275 in net earnings; the Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe with \$107,466 gain in gross and \$1,754,879 increase in net; the Great Northern with \$555,994 increase in gross and \$993,584 gain in net; the Chicago Milwaukee St. Paul & Pacific, which has \$233,894 increase in gross and a gain of \$947,868 in net, and the Delaware & Hudson with \$119,886 gain in gross and \$489,974 gain in net. To name separately, with their losses, even the more conspicuous of the roads reporting losses in both gross and net earnings alike would involve a needless loss of time and space, so we shall therefore only mention a few. As might be expected, the Pennsylvania RR. and the New York Central head this list, the former with a decrease of \$1,181,526 in gross earnings and a loss of \$750,628 in net earnings, and the latter with \$642,779 loss in gross and \$1,164,443 decrease in net. These figures cover the operations of the New York Central and its leased lines. Including the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, the result is a decrease of \$791,153 in the gross and of \$1,237,803 in the net. The Erie RR. reports a loss of \$815,349 in gross earnings, accompanied by a decrease in net earnings of \$617,533; the Baltimore & Ohio, a decrease in gross of \$357,533 and a decrease in net of \$750,628, and the Chesapeake & Ohio, with \$576,465 loss in gross, shows a loss in net of \$538,460. In the following we bring together all changes for the separate roads for amounts in excess of \$100,000, whether increases or decreases, and in both gross and net:

PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN GROSS EARNINGS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 1935

	Increase		Decrease
Southern Pacific (2 roads)	\$627,304	Pennsylvania	\$1,181,526
Dul. Missabe & Northern	574,067	Erie (2 roads)	815,349
Great Northern	555,994	New York Central	642,779
Chic. Milw. St. P. & Pac.	233,894	Chesapeake & Ohio	576,465
Illinois Central	217,897	Missouri Pacific	476,156
Louisville & Nashville	170,071	Reading	404,555
Union Pacific (4 roads)	167,653	Norfolk & Western	364,866
Grand Trunk Western	165,854	Baltimore & Ohio	357,533
Denv. & Rio Gr. Western	165,223	Missouri-Kansas-Texas	211,053
Central of Georgia	138,625	Chic. R. I. & Pac. (2 rds.)	199,336
Virginian	134,916	N. Y. Chic. & St. Louis	178,738
Delaware & Hudson	119,886	St. L.-San Fran. (3 roads)	150,808
Atch. Top. & Santa Fe	107,466	Pittsburgh & Lake Erie	148,374
Bessemer & Lake Erie	106,357	N. Y. N. H. & Hartford	131,898
		Bangor & Aroostook	127,644
		New Orleans Texas & Pac. (3 roads)	125,720
Total (18 roads)	\$3,485,007	Total (22 roads)	\$6,092,800

a These figures cover the operations of the New York Central and the leased lines—Cleveland Cincinnati Chicago & St. Louis, Michigan Central, Cincinnati Northern, and Evansville Indianapolis & Terre Haute. Including Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, the result is a decrease of \$791,153.

PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN NET EARNINGS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 1935

	Increase		Decrease
Atch. Top. & Santa Fe	\$1,754,879	Norfolk & Western	456,246
Great Northern	993,584	Illinois Central	363,694
Chic. Milw. St. P. & Pac.	947,868	Southern Pacific (2 roads)	328,056
Duluth Missabe & North.	690,275	Missouri-Kansas-Texas	272,549
Chicago & North Western	538,207	Chic. R. I. & Pac. (2 rds.)	267,856
Delaware & Hudson	489,974	Alton	250,122
Bessemer & Lake Erie	233,068	Atlantic Coast Line	223,812
Central of New Jersey	203,925	Southern	208,608
Minn. St. P. & S. S. Marie	156,996	Reading	203,924
Virginian	109,526	N. Y. Chic. & St. Louis	201,560
Grand Trunk Western	108,014	Northern Pacific	179,903
		Los Angeles & Salt Lake	152,755
Total (11 roads)	\$6,226,316	Denver & Rio Grande W. Pere Marquette	137,536
		Texas & Pacific	135,547
		St. Louis Southwestern	133,513
		Cinc. New O. Tex. & Pac.	118,240
		Del. Lack. & Western	118,001
		St. Louis San Fran. (3 rds.)	107,569
		Total (33 roads)	\$8,441,149

a These figures cover the operations of the New York Central and the leased lines—Cleveland Cincinnati Chicago & St. Louis, Michigan Central, Cincinnati Northern, and Evansville Indianapolis & Terre Haute. Including Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, the result is a decrease of \$1,237,803.

When the roads are arranged in groups or geographical divisions, according to their location, the unfavorable character of the showing as compared with May last year is very clearly brought out by the fact that of the three districts—the Eastern, the Southern and the Western—only the Western district is able to show an increase in gross earnings, and the same holds true, likewise, in the case of the net. Moreover, not all the regions grouped under the Western district were included in the increase,

the Southwestern region reporting a decrease in both gross and net. Our summary by groups is given below. As previously explained, we group the roads to conform with the classification of the Interstate Commerce Commission. The boundaries of the different groups and regions are indicated in the footnote to the table:

1934; 81,594,000 bushels in May 1933; 54,638,000 bushels in May 1932; 62,286,000 bushels in May 1931; 53,503,000 bushels in May 1930, and 49,712,000 bushels in the same five weeks of 1929. In the subjoined table we give the details of the Western grain movement in our usual form:

SUMMARY BY GROUPS

District and Region	Gross Earnings		Inc. (+) or Dec. (-)	
	1935	1934	\$	%
<b>Eastern District—</b>				
Month of May—	1935	1934		
New England region (10 roads)	12,463,336	12,718,066	-254,730	2.00
Great Lakes region (24 roads)	55,386,648	57,197,603	-1,810,955	3.17
Central Eastern region (18 roads)	58,934,529	60,452,959	-1,518,430	2.51
Total (52 roads)	126,784,513	130,368,628	-3,584,115	2.75
<b>Southern District—</b>				
Southern region (28 roads)	35,051,480	34,676,120	+375,360	1.08
Poahontas region (4 roads)	16,633,338	17,399,861	-766,523	4.41
Total (32 roads)	51,684,818	52,075,981	-391,163	0.75
<b>Western District—</b>				
North Western region (16 roads)	33,321,982	31,521,717	+1,800,265	5.71
Central Western region (20 roads)	46,419,511	45,777,513	+641,998	1.40
Southwestern region (24 roads)	20,942,883	21,899,141	-956,258	4.37
Total (60 roads)	100,684,376	99,198,371	+1,486,005	1.50
Total all districts (144 roads)	279,153,707	281,642,980	-2,489,273	0.88
<b>Net Earnings</b>				
Month of May—	1935	1934		
New England region	7,129	7,143	3,381,615	3,387,540
Great Lakes region	26,820	26,904	13,882,585	15,462,361
Central Eastern region	25,071	25,028	16,073,420	17,176,092
Total	59,020	59,075	33,337,620	36,025,993
Southern region	39,230	39,381	6,676,936	7,660,890
Poahontas region	6,015	6,038	6,569,560	7,468,016
Total	45,245	45,419	13,246,496	15,128,906
Northwestern region	48,344	48,533	9,156,333	5,778,392
Central Western region	54,866	55,166	9,779,827	9,726,655
Southwestern region	30,476	30,787	4,896,094	5,423,274
Total	133,686	134,486	23,832,254	20,928,321
Total all districts	237,951	238,980	70,416,370	72,083,220

NOTE—Our grouping of the roads conforms to the classification of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and the following indicates the confines of the different groups and regions.

EASTERN DISTRICT

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

SOUTHERN DISTRICT

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

WESTERN DISTRICT

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

The grain traffic over Western roads in May the present year, as already indicated, was much smaller even than in May 1934, when it fell far below that of the corresponding period in all immediately preceding years. While the movement of corn and of rye was much larger than in May a year ago, the receipts of all the other cereals were on a reduced scale, the falling off in the case of wheat having been particularly pronounced. Thus the receipts of wheat at the Western primary markets for the five weeks ending June 1 1935 were only 9,756,000 bushels as against 14,402,000 bushels in the same five weeks of 1934; the receipts of corn, 12,058,000 bushels as compared with only 8,938,000 bushels; of oats, 3,838,000 bushels as against 5,999,000 bushels, and of barley, only 4,179,000 bushels against 4,246,000 bushels. Adding rye, the receipts of which were 2,317,000 bushels as compared with only 1,934,000 bushels, total receipts of the five cereals, wheat, corn, oats, barley and rye, at the Western primary markets during the five weeks of May the present year aggregated only 32,148,000 bushels as against 35,519,000 bushels in the same period of

WESTERN FLOUR AND GRAIN RECEIPTS

5 Weeks End. June 1	Flour (Bbls.)	Wheat (Bush.)	Corn (Bush.)	Oats (Bush.)	Barley (Bush.)	Rye (Bush.)
<b>Chicago—</b>						
1935	804,000	1,057,000	4,676,000	1,612,000	652,000	1,735,000
1934	859,000	2,158,000	3,065,000	2,315,000	1,062,000	1,204,000
<b>Minneapolis—</b>						
1935	2,780,000	411,000	538,000	1,073,000	124,000	124,000
1934	3,447,000	254,000	293,000	1,596,000	253,000	253,000
<b>Duluth—</b>						
1935	1,510,000	37,000	4,000	368,000	5,000	5,000
1934	3,587,000	473,000	154,000	122,000	78,000	78,000
<b>Milwaukee—</b>						
1935	171,000	166,000	934,000	126,000	1,352,000	5,000
1934	66,000	358,000	421,000	74,000	1,125,000	81,000
<b>Toledo—</b>						
1935	120,000	116,000	138,000	76,000	7,000	89,000
1934	590,000	93,000	858,000	7,000	89,000	89,000
<b>Detroit—</b>						
1935	79,000	26,000	67,000	126,000	36,000	36,000
1934	102,000	35,000	32,000	70,000	36,000	36,000
<b>Indianapolis &amp; Omaha—</b>						
1935	1,013,000	1,133,000	600,000	189,000	189,000	189,000
1934	652,000	1,498,000	1,007,000	129,000	129,000	129,000
<b>St. Louis—</b>						
1935	617,000	583,000	888,000	454,000	149,000	2,000
1934	624,000	905,000	1,215,000	474,000	68,000	19,000
<b>Peoria—</b>						
1935	154,000	62,000	1,104,000	60,000	382,000	221,000
1934	194,000	48,000	993,000	364,000	170,000	45,000
<b>Kansas City—</b>						
1935	65,000	1,654,000	2,422,000	116,000	116,000	116,000
1934	50,000	1,372,000	590,000	146,000	146,000	146,000
<b>St. Joseph—</b>						
1935	100,000	233,000	86,000	86,000	86,000	86,000
1934	224,000	208,000	266,000	266,000	266,000	266,000
<b>Wichita—</b>						
1935	542,000	23,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1934	851,000	77,000	77,000	77,000	77,000	77,000
<b>Sioux City—</b>						
1935	90,000	55,000	37,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1934	108,000	16,000	15,000	26,000	26,000	26,000
<b>Total all—</b>						
1935	1,811,000	9,756,000	12,058,000	3,838,000	4,179,000	2,317,000
1934	1,793,000	14,402,000	8,938,000	5,999,000	4,246,000	1,934,000
<b>5 Mos. End. June 1</b>						
<b>Chicago—</b>						
1935	3,533,000	3,452,000	10,081,000	2,892,000	3,043,000	1,804,000
1934	3,516,000	3,923,000	16,879,000	5,903,000	4,458,000	1,302,000
<b>Minneapolis—</b>						
1935	8,984,000	862,000	1,350,000	3,996,000	376,000	376,000
1934	15,159,000	4,123,000	1,765,000	7,582,000	1,060,000	1,060,000
<b>Duluth—</b>						
1935	2,020,000	46,000	164,000	454,000	334,000	334,000
1934	6,819,000	2,175,000	514,000	407,000	148,000	148,000
<b>Milwaukee—</b>						
1935	411,000	225,000	2,122,000	674,000	4,595,000	21,000
1934	305,000	463,000	3,208,000	565,000	5,324,000	151,000
<b>Toledo—</b>						
1935	1,506,000	472,000	2,115,000	83,000	9,000	9,000
1934	1,986,000	635,000	1,773,000	30,000	123,000	123,000
<b>Detroit—</b>						
1935	376,000	119,000	268,000	334,000	147,000	147,000
1934	399,000	290,000	323,000	362,000	117,000	117,000
<b>Indianapolis &amp; Omaha—</b>						
1935	34,000	2,764,000	6,600,000	2,153,000	348,000	348,000
1934	4,428,000	4,428,000	10,572,000	3,538,000	23,000	294,000
<b>St. Louis—</b>						
1935	2,654,000	2,500,000	4,806,000	2,690,000	632,000	70,000
1934	2,743,000	4,915,000	5,803,000	2,716,000	275,000	113,000
<b>Peoria—</b>						
1935	815,000	254,000	5,829,000	323,000	1,315,000	942,000
1934	978,000	279,000	6,194,000	1,236,000	930,000	367,000
<b>Kansas City—</b>						
1935	319,000	5,460,000	9,414,000	614,000	614,000	614,000
1934	251,000	10,047,000	5,622,000	632,000	632,000	632,000
<b>St. Joseph—</b>						
1935	647,000	855,000	644,000	644,000	644,000	644,000
1934	858,003	2,089,000	827,000	827,000	827,000	827,000
<b>Wichita—</b>						
1935	2,250,000	83,000	61,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
1934	2,417,000	800,000	44,000	44,000	44,000	44,000
<b>Sioux City—</b>						
1935	405,000	366,000	135,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1934	440,000	282,000	31,000	58,000	58,000	58,000
<b>Total all—</b>						
1935	7,766,000	30,843,000	41,655,000	14,083,000	14,513,000	4,054,000
1934	7,793,000	52,133,000	58,672,000	19,867,000	19,451,000	3,677,000

The Western livestock movement also fell very much below that of May 1934. At Chicago the receipts comprised only 6,468 carloads as compared with 10,947 carloads in the same period last year; at Kansas City they were only 3,567 cars against 3,724 cars, and at Omaha but 1,600 cars against 2,881 cars.

As to the cotton traffic over Southern roads, this, too, was on a greatly reduced scale both as regards the overland movement of the staple and the receipts at the Southern outports. Gross shipments of cotton overland were only 37,676 bales as against 45,963 bales in May 1934, but comparing with 36,317 bales in May 1933; 23,095 bales in May 1932; 29,191 bales in May 1931; 44,635 bales in May 1930, and 35,141

bales in May 1931. Receipts of the staple at the Southern outports during May the present year reached only 87,477 bales as compared with 197,085 bales in May 1934; 423,059 bales in May 1933; 222,102 bales in May 1932; 99,776 bales in May 1931; 205,975 bales in May 1930, and 134,735 bales in May 1929. Details of the cotton receipts at the different Southern outports for the last three years are given in the table we now present:

RECEIPTS OF COTTON AT SOUTHERN PORTS FOR MONTH OF MAY AND FROM JAN. 1 TO END OF MAY 1935, 1934 AND 1933

Ports	May			Since Jan. 1		
	1935	1934	1933	1935	1934	1933
Galveston	14,271	81,001	93,975	162,033	569,367	504,798
Houston, &c	20,441	24,291	115,261	163,290	363,786	835,445
Corpus Christi	1,136	622	5,713	9,072	13,943	27,628
Beaumont				95	679	2,470
New Orleans	39,349	66,319	121,900	273,558	490,088	685,215
Mobile	2,841	11,844	29,588	22,058	48,971	116,501
Pensacola	1,843	2,590	3,117	9,480	33,588	13,115
Savannah	1,934	4,757	16,493	14,278	29,116	38,439
Brunswick		126	1,061		14,473	7,987
Charleston	2,464	2,995	24,605	28,475	27,889	51,464
Lake Charles	501	148	6,036	2,674	12,104	28,101
Wilmington	1,512	486	1,897	4,231	6,029	12,911
Norfolk	1,142	1,863	3,340	13,323	11,022	13,819
Jacksonville	43	43	73	588	2,258	1,658
Total	87,477	197,085	423,059	703,155	1,623,313	2,339,551

RESULTS FOR EARLIER YEARS

As we have already indicated, this year's decrease of \$2,489,273 in gross and of \$1,666,850 loss in net came after an increase in gross earnings of \$26,769,505 and a decrease in net of \$1,618,619 in May last year. In the previous year (May 1933) there had been a gain in gross of \$3,584,364 and a gain in net of \$27,428,140, but these increases followed tremendous losses in the three years immediately preceding. In May 1932 our compilations showed a loss of \$114,034,479 in gross and of \$33,623,278 in net, and this followed \$94,091,632 loss in gross and \$30,320,738 loss in net in May 1931 and \$75,131,912 loss in gross and \$35,711,276 in net in May 1930, business depression having been the cause of the continuous decline in the three-year period. In May 1929 the returns, of course, showed improved results, but not to the extent expected, having regard to the trade activity prevailing at the time, but which was reflected at that time only in minor degree in the revenue returns of the railroads. Our compilations for May 1929 showed only \$26,179,817 gain in gross, or 4.86%, and \$17,754,001 gain in net, or 12.9%. Moreover, this very moderate improvement came after poor or indifferent results in May 1928 and May 1927, one reason for this having been that the agricultural communities of the country were even at that time already suffering depression, greatly impairing their purchasing and consuming capacity, though the situation in that respect was not so strongly accentuated as it has since become. In May 1928 our tabulations recorded \$8,823,323 decrease in gross, with \$840,317 increase in net, and in May 1927 our tables also showed relatively slight changes, namely, \$1,088,017 increase in gross, with \$1,063,507 decrease in net. An important fact to remember, however, is that this last followed quite substantial improvement (we are speaking of the roads as a whole) in May 1926 over May 1925, when our compilation showed \$28,515,298 gain in gross, or 5.85%, and \$15,677,492 gain in net, or 13.89%. Moreover, these gains in 1926 succeeded substantial improvement in 1925 over 1924, our tabulations for May 1925 having recorded \$11,114,584 increase in gross and \$16,805,030 increase in net. On the other hand, it is essential to bear in mind that these increases of 1926 and 1925 came after tremendous decreases in 1924, and to that extent constituted merely recovery of what was then lost. Our statement for May 1924 showed no less than \$70,476,133 falling off in the gross and \$30,448,063 falling off in the net. These losses, in turn, however, followed prodigious gains in the year preceding—that is, in May 1923, when the totals were of exceptional size. In May of that year the roads were in enjoyment of an unexampled volume of traffic, and our compilations showed an addition to the gross (as compared with the preceding year) of no less than \$97,510,054, or 21.77%, and an addition to the net in the sum of \$32,573,715, or nearly 35%. It should be remembered, too, that the 1923 gains in net were simply the top-most of a series of increases that began long before 1923. Thus, in May 1922, when business revival had already begun, but when the carriers suffered a very notable reduction of their coal tonnage by reason of the strike at the unionized coal mines then prevailing throughout the country (coal loadings then having fallen off 47.4% as compared with May of the year before) there was only a very small improvement in the gross earnings—only \$4,069,751, or less than 1%—but there was at the same time a contraction in expenses of \$23,995,177, and this brought about an augmentation in the net in amount of \$28,064,928, or, roughly, 43%. There was improvement also in the net in the year preceding (1921), though gross at that time was declining, owing to the collapse in trade. The decrease in the gross then was \$13,214,331, but it was accompanied by a reduction in expenses of \$58,054,141, thus leaving a gain of \$44,839,810 in

the net earnings. The loss in the gross at that time was only 2.89%, which, of course, failed to reflect either the great falling off in traffic or the extent and magnitude of the depression in trade under which the country was then laboring, the reason being that railroad rates, both passenger and freight, had been advanced and the added revenue from the higher rates served to that extent to offset the loss in earnings resulting from the shrinkage in the volume of traffic. Contrariwise, the saving in expenses then achieved was effected in face of higher wage scales, the Railroad Labor Board having the previous summer awarded a 20% increase to the employees, at the same time that the Interstate Commerce Commission granted the carriers authority to put into effect higher rate schedules for passengers and freight. Had business and traffic remained normal, the higher rate schedules would, according to the computations made at the time, have added \$125,000,000 a month to the gross revenues, and the higher wage schedules would have added \$50,000,000 a month to the payroll of the carriers, as was pointed out by us at the time.

On the other hand, in any attempt to appraise correctly the big reduction in expenses effected in 1922 and 1921, and the steady improvement in operating efficiency that followed, the fact should not be overlooked that, as a result of the antecedent prodigious increases in the expenses, net earnings in 1920 had been reduced to very low levels. High operating costs had been a feature of the returns for many years preceding, and it so happened that in May 1920 the so-called "outlaw" strike, which served so seriously to interfere with railroad operations the previous month, continued with greatly aggravated consequences. In these circumstances, it was no surprise to find that although gross earnings increased \$38,629,073 over the amount for May of the previous year, the augmentation in expenses reached no less than \$61,001,464, leaving a loss in net of \$22,372,391.

But, as already stated, the 1920 decrease in net was merely one of a series of losses in net that had been continuing through successive years. As indicating how expenses had been mounting up, it is only necessary to note that in May 1919, though gross earnings increased as compared with 1918 in amount of \$35,132,305, the augmentation in expenses reached \$69,091,093, leaving a diminution in the net of \$33,958,788. Similarly, for May 1918 our compilations registered \$31,733,655 increase in gross, but \$14,459,024 decrease in net, owing to an increase of \$46,232,679 in expenses. For the three years combined, therefore, the loss in net for this single month was \$70,790,203, in face of an increase in gross earnings of \$105,535,033. Expenses in the three years for this month increased \$176,325,236. Even prior to 1918 rising expenses were a feature of the returns, though not, of course, to anywhere near the extent which subsequently developed. In the following we show the May comparisons for each year back to 1909. We give the results just as registered by our own tables each year:

Month of May	Gross Earnings				Mileage	
	Year Given	Year Preceding	Inc. (+) or Dec. (-)	Per Cent	Year Given	Year Preceding
1909	\$196,826,686	\$170,600,041	+\$26,226,645	15.37	220,314	217,933
1910	230,033,384	198,049,990	+31,983,395	16.25	229,345	225,274
1911	226,442,818	231,066,896	-4,624,078	1.99	236,230	232,503
1912	232,229,364	226,184,666	+6,044,698	2.67	235,410	231,597
1913	263,496,033	232,879,970	+30,616,063	13.14	239,445	236,619
1914	239,427,102	265,436,022	-26,007,920	9.73	246,070	243,954
1915	244,692,738	243,367,953	+1,324,785	0.54	247,747	245,207
1916	308,029,096	244,580,685	+63,448,411	25.94	248,006	247,189
1917	353,825,032	308,132,969	+45,692,063	14.82	248,312	247,842
1918	375,237,097	342,463,442	+32,773,655	9.28	230,355	228,892
1919	413,190,468	378,058,163	+35,132,305	9.29	233,931	234,339
1920	387,330,487	348,701,414	+38,629,073	11.08	213,206	211,940
1921	444,028,885	457,243,216	-13,214,331	2.89	235,333	234,016
1922	447,299,150	443,229,399	+4,069,751	0.92	234,931	234,951
1923	545,503,898	447,993,844	+97,510,054	21.77	235,186	235,472
1924	476,458,749	546,934,883	-70,476,133	12.89	235,894	234,452
1925	487,664,385	476,549,801	+11,114,584	2.33	236,663	236,098
1926	516,467,480	487,952,182	+28,515,298	5.85	236,833	236,858
1927	517,543,010	516,454,998	+1,088,012	0.21	238,025	237,275
1928	509,746,395	518,569,718	-8,823,323	1.70	240,120	239,079
1929	536,723,030	510,543,313	+26,179,717	4.86	241,280	240,778
1930	462,444,002	537,575,914	-75,131,912	13.95	242,156	241,758
1931	368,485,871	462,577,503	-94,091,632	20.35	242,116	242,542
1932	254,382,711	368,417,190	-114,034,479	30.95	241,995	242,163
1933	257,963,036	254,378,672	+3,584,364	1.41	241,484	242,143
1934	281,627,332	254,857,827	+26,769,505	10.50	238,983	240,906
1935	279,153,707	281,642,980	-2,489,273	0.88	237,951	238,980

Month of May	Net Earnings		Inc. (+) or Dec. (-)	
	Year Given	Year Preceding	Amount	Per Cent
1909	\$64,690,920	\$49,789,800	+\$14,901,120	29.93
1910	70,084,170	64,857,343	+5,226,827	8.06
1911	69,173,574	70,868,645	-1,695,071	2.39
1912	66,035,597	68,488,263	-2,452,666	3.58
1913	73,672,313	66,499,916	+7,172,397	10.79
1914	57,628,765	73,385,635	-15,756,870	21.47
1915	71,958,563	57,339,166	+14,619,397	25.50
1916	105,598,255	71,791,320	+33,806,935	47.09
1917	109,307,435	105,782,717	+3,524,718	3.33
1918	91,995,194	107,454,218	-14,459,024	13.58
1919	58,293,249	92,252,037	-33,958,788	36.81
1920	28,684,058	51,056,449	-22,372,391	43.82
1921	64,882,813	20,043,003	+44,839,810	223.72
1922	92,931,565	64,856,637	+28,064,928	43.27
1923	126,173,540	93,599,825	+32,573,715	34.79
1924	462,444,002	126,496,150	+336,947,852	267.24
1925	112,859,524	96,054,494	+16,805,030	17.49
1926	128,581,566	112,904,074	+15,677,492	13.89
1927	126,757,878	127,821,385	-1,063,507	0.83
1928	128,780,393	127,940,076	+840,317	0.66
1929	146,798,792	129,044,791	+17,754,001	12.09
1930	111,387,758	147,099,034	-35,711,276	24.22
1931	81,038,584	111,359,322	-30,320,730	27.23
1932	47,429,240	81,052,518	-33,623,278	41.48
1933	74,844,410	47,416,270	+27,428,140	57.85
1934	72,084,732	73,703,351	-1,618,619	2.20
1935	70,416,370	72,083,220	-1,666,850	2.31

## Annual Report of the Federal Reserve Board—Revaluation of Gold, Heavy Gold Imports and Expansion of Bank Deposits Listed Among Features of 1934—Rehabilitation of Banking Structure Described—FDIC Credited with Growth in Confidence

Issuance of the annual report of the Federal Reserve Board, covering the operations of the year 1934, was briefly noted in the "Chronicle" of July 6, pages 35 and 36. Reference was made to the Board's arrangement with the Bank for International Settlements whereby the Federal Reserve Bank of New York was prepared to furnish credits secured by gold if international exchange emergencies prompted such assistance.

The Board's report, made public on July 3, lists as among the outstanding financial developments in 1934 the revaluation of gold at \$35 per ounce; the large volume of gold imports into the United States; the expansion of bank deposits, reflecting chiefly Government spending, and further progress in the work of rehabilitating the nation's banking structure. Federal Reserve holdings of United States Government securities remained almost unchanged during the year.

Discussing the easier credit situation last year, the report says:

Developments in 1934 were all in the direction of easier credit conditions. The expansion in excess reserves during the year, which was caused chiefly by gold imports, was not accompanied by an increase in bill or security holdings of the Federal Reserve banks that could be sold for the purpose of absorbing the excess reserves, if that should become desirable. With this limitation on the System's power to reduce member bank reserves by the sale of assets in the open market, the System's ability to restrict credit expansion, if it should become excessive, rests chiefly on new powers conferred upon it by recent legislation. Among these are the power in an emergency and with approval of the President to raise reserve requirements of member banks, provided in the Act of May 12 1933; authority to restrain speculative activities of member banks under different provisions of the Banking Act of 1933; and control of margin requirements on security loans by brokers and by banks, granted by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Duties and activities of the Board and of the Federal Reserve banks have been considerably enlarged by legislation passed during recent years, and a large part of the work of the System in 1934 arose out of this new legislation. These additional duties were imposed by the Banking Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and an Act permitting direct loans for industrial purposes by Federal Reserve banks.

Net imports of gold into the United States during 1934, the Board states, were \$1,134,000,000, of which \$500,000,000 came from England and \$260,000,000 from France. The report points out that these imports were in large measure an outcome of the revaluation of the dollar in January 1934, and recalls that in the two months immediately following this revaluation the Treasury acquired \$650,000,000 of gold which chiefly reflected "a return of American funds from abroad and a movement of foreign capital into dollar balances and securities."

Despite the huge increase in monetary gold stocks last year, however, the Board contends that this rise was not accompanied by a reduction in the aggregate of central bank reserves abroad. On the contrary, the report declares, the reported gold reserves of foreign central banks and Governments increased by \$130,000,000, valued at \$35 an ounce.

In discussing changes in monetary gold stocks in various countries during recent years, the report says, in part:

Although reported gold reserves of foreign countries as a whole increased somewhat during 1934, in a number of countries there were substantial declines. Reserves in Germany declined \$124,000,000; in Italy, \$114,000,000; in the Netherlands, \$54,000,000; in Belgium, \$53,000,000; in Switzerland, \$29,000,000; and in New Zealand, \$16,000,000. Reserves in Czechoslovakia increased \$26,000,000; in Japan, \$35,000,000; in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, \$40,000,000; and in South Africa, \$43,000,000. By far the largest increase, however, occurred in gold reserves of the Bank of France, which, notwithstanding considerable fluctuations, were \$333,000,000 larger at the end of the year than at the beginning. They were still, however, somewhat below the peak attained in December 1932.

Since the outbreak of the World War the greatest increases in gold reserves has been in the United States and France. Both the United States and the Netherlands received large amounts of gold during the war in payment for purchases of materials by the belligerents. In the early post-war period gold continued to flow to the United States, which occupied a creditor position and was the most important free market for the metal until the general return to the gold standard that began toward the end of 1924.

After de facto stabilization of the franc at the end of 1926, the gold movement for five years was predominantly toward France. The movement reflected the fact that France during the period of currency depreciation had experienced a continuous outflow of capital which had been balanced in her international payments by a large excess of exports over imports. When after de facto stabilization capital began to flow back to France, the Bank of France accumulated both gold and foreign exchange. The rapid increase in gold reserves of the Bank of France after England's departure from the gold standard in September 1931 reflected mainly the Bank's conversion into gold of these previously acquired foreign exchange holdings in order to avoid further losses through currency depreciation abroad. The increase at the same time of gold reserves in the Netherlands, Belgium, and Switzerland was in part of a similar character. Since the only important foreign exchange holdings on which central banks could freely realize were in New York, most of the gold acquired was drawn from the United States. The movements were concentrated in the fall of 1931 and the spring of 1932. From that time until the end of 1934 foreign countries added little gold to

their reported holdings, while the United States gained large amounts of gold in the last half of 1932 and again in 1934.

In an analysis of the sharp advance in member bank reserves and the excess reserves of banks during the year 1934, the Board says that these were attributable principally to the inflow of gold, which continued in large volume, despite a monetary interruption caused by the inauguration of the silver-purchase program.

At the close of 1933 excess reserves of member banks approximated \$850,000,000, while the total volume of excess reserves at the end of 1934 was \$1,800,000,000, marking an all-time high record. The Board notes that the largest increase in the excess reserves of banks was about \$500,000,000 in New York City, as a result of the increased holdings by New York banks of balances for other banks.

The report reveals that during 1934 total deposits at member banks increased about \$6,700,000,000 to an aggregate of \$33,850,000,000. The growth of customers' deposits alone during the year amounted to about \$4,000,000,000. Important factors in this gain included Treasury expenditures, deposits of gold certificates based on newly-acquired gold and the issuance of silver certificates.

Gross earnings of the Federal Reserve banks in 1934 amounted to \$48,903,000, or \$584,000 less than in 1933, when earnings were \$532,000 below 1932. Net earnings in 1934 were \$15,231,000, or \$7,274,000 more than in the preceding year. All Federal Reserve banks paid dividends last year to member banks at the rate of 6% on their paid-in capital. These dividends totaled \$8,781,661.

In its review of business conditions in 1934, the Board states that profits of industrial corporations were higher than in any year since 1930, and that industrial output and employment also recorded substantial gains.

The report devotes considerable space to a discussion of industrial advances by Federal Reserve banks, designed to aid small enterprises. It also reviews the Board's activities with regard to the margin provisions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and analyses this and other legislation affecting monetary and financial conditions during the year. Extracts from the report are given below:

### Progress of Banking Reconstruction

During the year 1934 banking facilities available to the public increased considerably. About 19,000 banking offices of unrestricted institutions, including mutual savings and private banks, were in operation at the end of the year, of which 3,000 were branches. This represented an increase of 1,000 head offices and about 200 branches during the year.

Active membership in the Federal Reserve System increased by 431 banks to 6,442 by the end of the year. The increase was accounted for in part by licensing of restricted banks, in part by organization of new banks, and in part by admission to membership of nonmember State banks. Deposits in member banks as of Dec. 31 1934, amounted to \$33,850,000,000, which was about 86% of the deposits in all commercial banks, exclusive of mutual savings banks, and about 69% of the deposits in all banks, inclusive of mutual savings banks.

**Bank Suspensions in 1934**—Bank suspensions in 1934 were fewer than in any year since 1920. The suspensions during the year comprised 57 licensed banks with deposits of \$36,793,000, one of which, with deposits at time of suspension of \$40,000, was a member of the Federal Reserve System. There were eight other suspensions among banks participating in Federal deposit insurance.

**Unlicensed Banks**—By the end of 1934 the number of unlicensed banks had been reduced to relatively unimportant proportions. After the bank holiday in March 1933 more than 4,500 banks with deposits of about \$4,200,000,000 were reported as not licensed to conduct an unrestricted business. By the beginning of 1934 these had been reduced to about 1,800 banks with deposits of approximately \$1,000,000,000, and by the end of the year only about 160 banks with deposits of approximately \$90,000,000 were reported as remaining unlicensed, after deducting 920 banks placed in liquidation or receivership during the year. Most of the remaining unlicensed banks were not members of the Federal Reserve System, as is shown by the following table:

UNLICENSED BANKS

	Jan. 1 1934		Dec. 31 1934	
	Number	Deposits	Number	Deposits
National.....	452	\$435,000,000	5	\$6,500,000
State member.....	60	93,000,000	4	1,800,000
State non-member.....	1,257	500,000,000	153	80,000,000
Total.....	1,769	\$1,028,000,000	162	\$88,300,000

**New Capital for Banks**—Many unlicensed banks were able to reopen during 1934 and many active banks were strengthened by the addition of capital funds, a large part of which was furnished by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. During the year the program for strengthening the capital structure of the banking system initiated in the summer of 1933 was pressed through the joint efforts of Federal and State agencies. The program was furthered by the Comptroller of the Currency in the case of National banks, by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in the case of nonmember banks whose deposits were insured by the FDIC, and by the

Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve banks in the case of State member banks. When the program was initiated in 1933, the Federal Reserve Board requested the Federal Reserve agents to keep in touch with such banks in their respective districts as might require assistance, and during the year 1934 Federal Reserve officials continued to co-operated with the various supervisory authorities in developing and consummating plans for strengthening the capital of member banks.

On Dec. 31 1934, the RFC had an aggregate investment of \$845,960,000 in the capital structure of banks and had lent in addition \$19,124,000 to local interests in order to enable them to make purchases of preferred stock. The investments included \$585,858,000 in preferred stock and \$260,102,000 in capital notes and debentures. In addition, the RFC had authorized, contingent upon the performance of certain conditions, investments of \$209,076,000 more in the capital structure of banks. Altogether 6,900 banking institutions had had their capital structures strengthened by the RFC. The largest part of the investments of the RFC in the capital structure of banks was made after the beginning of 1934, at which time the total investments did not exceed \$250,000,000.

Condition reports of member banks as of Dec. 31 1934, indicated that the capital structure of member banks included \$553,574,000 of preferred stock and \$118,515,000 of capital notes and debentures, an aggregate of \$672,089,000. Most of this was held by the RFC.

**Federal Deposit Insurance**—An important contribution to stability in the banking structure during the year was the insurance of bank deposits by the FDIC. On Jan. 1 1934, the FDIC began the administration of a temporary fund, which insured the deposits of all participating banks up to \$2,500 on the net approved claim of each depositor. All licensed banks belonging to the Federal Reserve System were required to become members of the insurance fund, and State banks which were not members of the Federal Reserve System were permitted to participate after examination and after certification of State authorities that they were in solvent condition.

Under the Banking Act of 1933, it was provided that the temporary fund should be effective from Jan. 1 1934 through June 30 1934, after which the permanent plan, which would cover a larger percentage of deposits, would become effective. By the Act of June 16 1934, the temporary plan was extended to operate from July 1 1934, through June 30 1935, but provision was made to insure each depositor during this period up to \$5,000. Mutual savings banks which continued membership were given the option of covering their deposits up to \$2,500 or up to \$5,000. A number of mutual savings banks discontinued participation in the fund on July 1 1934, in part because of the establishment of a State fund for mutual savings banks in New York.

When operations began on Jan. 1 1934, 12,617 banks were members of the fund and this number increased to 14,205 banks by the end of the year. Of these, 5,462 were National banks; 980 State banks which were members of the Federal Reserve System; 68 mutual savings banks; and 7,695 other banks. It was reported that on Oct. 1 1934, 44% of the total deposit liability of insured banks was protected. This ratio varied considerably for the different classes of banks, being as high as 72% for commercial banks not members of the Federal Reserve System, due to the fact that these banks as a group have a preponderance of small accounts. Among State bank members of the Federal Reserve System, 33% of deposits was covered by insurance.

Computations made as of Oct. 1 1934, indicated that 98% of the 51,245,000 depositors in insured banks were fully protected under the provisions of the law. The remaining depositors who were only partially insured, however, had 823,000 accounts with total deposits of about \$25,000,000,000, about two-thirds of all deposits of all banks participating in the insurance fund. An important proportion of these large accounts was in New York State and in many cases probably represented deposits of correspondent banks and other corporations. Because of the concentration of so many of the large accounts in New York, the percentage of insured deposits was considerably smaller for that State than for the country as a whole. Among New York State commercial banks 24% of the deposits were insured, as compared with 44% for the country as a whole, including New York.

#### Industrial Advances by Federal Reserve Banks

By an Act of Congress approved on June 19 1934, the Federal Reserve banks and the RFC were authorized, within prescribed limitations, to make credit available for the purpose of supplying working capital to established industrial and commercial businesses. This Act amended the Federal Reserve Act by the addition of Section 13b, which embodies the provisions relating to the Federal Reserve banks. Regulation 8, relating to the provisions of this section, was issued by the Board on June 26 1934.

This legislation was advocated because many small enterprises had suffered severe capital losses during the depression and had inadequate working capital. Such enterprises find it difficult to obtain their requirements of working capital through the capital market, while commercial banks and other financial institutions, in many cases, were hesitant about undertaking on their single responsibility the risks involved in making relatively long-time loans for working capital purposes.

Recognizing the possible need of these industrial and commercial businesses for additional working capital to enable them to continue or resume normal operations and to maintain employment or provide additional employment, Congress granted the Federal Reserve banks broad powers to enable them to provide such working capital, either through the medium of banks, trust companies, and other financing institutions or, in exceptional circumstances, by advances directly to such commercial and industrial businesses.

The conditions imposed by the law are such that loans must be made to establish industrial or commercial businesses, must be made for the purpose of supplying working capital, and must have maturities not exceeding five years. In addition, direct loans by the Federal Reserve banks may be made in exceptional circumstances, when credit is not obtainable on a reasonable basis from the usual sources, and provided the loan can be made on a reasonable and sound basis.

When credit is advanced through the medium of banks or other financing institutions, the procedure is ordinarily for the financing institution to make the loan and procure from the Federal Reserve bank a commitment binding the Federal Reserve bank to take over the loan at the option of the financing institution. Such commitments are specifically authorized in the Act. Before the Federal Reserve bank can grant such a commitment it must satisfy itself that the loan is properly made and is one that it is authorized by the Act to acquire.

The Federal Reserve bank, therefore, must make the same credit investigation of a loan by a financing institution for which it is to grant a commitment as of a loan which it is to make direct. This is especially necessary because, under the law, when such a loan is discounted for a financing institution by the Reserve bank the financing institution need retain obligation for no more than 20% of any loss thereon.

The law provided for the appointment of an industrial advisory committee in each district, consisting of members actively engaged in industrial pursuits. Members of these advisory committees had been selected by the third week in July, and the consideration of applications by the committees and by the Reserve banks began immediately. On Aug. 1 the Federal

Reserve Bank of Minneapolis made the first industrial advance. The Reserve banks received many inquiries and informal applications for industrial advances immediately following the passage of the Act, and for the first few weeks the industrial advisory committees were not able to act on applications as rapidly as they were received. By the first part of September, however, this situation was changed, and by December the number of applications received was much smaller and these were being acted upon without material delay.

In the period elapsed since adoption of Section 13b of the Federal Reserve Act, the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve banks have made constant and energetic efforts to make the provisions of the law as generally known as possible to banks and prospective borrowers. Co-operation of member banks has also been obtained. These efforts have been made through visits to bankers and through frequent circularization. At the same time the Board and the Federal Reserve banks have given careful and repeated consideration to the procedure for handling applications. Every complaint received from rejected applicants has been carefully investigated and the reasons for rejection explained to the applicant. In order to improve procedure and co-ordinate policies under this law there have been frequent meetings of Board members, Reserve bank officials, and members of the industrial advisory committees. The efforts of the Federal Reserve banks and the Federal Reserve Board to make known the provisions of Section 13b and the examination of applications have entailed considerable work and expense to the Federal Reserve banks. The servicing of the loans is expensive; the security for loans includes mortgages upon property, assignment of accounts receivable, contracts, &c., and care must be taken that taxes and premiums are paid, that contracts are fulfilled, and in general that no impairment of the security occurs.

#### Securities Exchange Act of 1934

With a view to preventing the excessive use of credit for the purchasing or carrying of securities, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, which became law on June 6, requires the Federal Reserve Board from time to time to prescribe rules and regulations with respect to the amount of credit that may be extended and maintained on any security registered on a national securities exchange. Certain securities are exempted by the act from these provisions. For the initial extension of credit such rules and regulations must be based upon a certain standard set forth in the Act, but the Board is authorized to prescribe such requirements lower than the standard as it "deems necessary or appropriate for the accommodation of commerce and industry, having due regard to the credit situation of the country," and such higher requirements as it may "deem necessary or appropriate to prevent the excessive use of credit to finance transactions in securities."

The Act makes it unlawful for any member of a national securities exchange, or any broker or dealer who transacts a business in securities through the medium of any such member, to extend or maintain credit to or for any customer (1) on any registered security (other than an exempted security) in contravention of the Board's rules and regulations, or (2) without collateral or on collateral other than registered securities and (or) exempted securities, except in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Board may prescribe to permit the extension or maintenance of such credit in certain cases.

In accordance with the Act the Board issued on Sept. 27 a regulation (Regulation T) effective Oct. 1 dealing with the extension and maintenance of credit by brokers, dealers, and members of national securities exchanges. The regulation placed no restrictions on the amount of or collateral for loans for industrial, commercial, or agricultural purposes. In prescribing the margin requirements specified in this regulation the Board adopted the basis stated in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and provided that, with certain exceptions, a member of a national securities exchange, or a broker or dealer subject to the regulation, shall not make any initial extension of credit to any customer on any registered security (other than an exempted security) for the purpose of purchasing or carrying any security, in an amount which causes the total credit extended on such registered security to exceed whichever is the higher of:

(1) 55% of the current market value of the security; or

(2) 100% of the lowest market value of the security computed at the lowest market price therefor during a specified period preceding the current month, but not more than 75% of the current market value. The period specified is one of 36 calendar months except that until July 1 1936 it is the period between July 1 1933 and the beginning of the current month.

At the level of security prices when Regulation T went into effect, brokers could extend credit on most registered securities up to 75% of their current market value. In case of any substantial increase in security prices, however, the average margin requirement prescribed by the regulation increases automatically, since the loan value of an increasing proportion of outstanding securities becomes less than 75% of current market value.

The margin requirements stated in the law and now prescribed by the Federal Reserve Board are designed to exert a restraining influence on speculative trading. By imposing higher margin requirements on securities that have had a rapid rise than on more stable securities, the prescribed requirements make credit less freely available for trading in speculative securities.

Regulation T does not prescribe a specific margin that must be maintained after a loan has been granted, but imposes restrictions on the operations which the customer may be permitted to carry on in his account if his margin falls below the standard prescribed for initial extension of credit. Thus the amount of credit maintained in an account is not required by the regulation to be reduced as a consequence of a decline in the market value of the securities held, but additional extensions of credit are not permitted unless sufficient additional margin is supplied for the new extension itself.

The regulation provided means by which accounts in existence on Oct. 1 1934, might be recorded separately by the creditor at any time prior to Nov. 15 1934, and thereafter be maintained separately until liquidated, but not later than July 1 1937. In order to prevent circumvention of the margin rules, however, transactions in such accounts are subject to restriction.

Under Section 8 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 brokers and dealers subject to the Act may not borrow on registered securities (other than exempted securities) from lenders other than member banks except under certain conditions. Nonmember banks must sign an agreement in the form specified in Regulation T before brokers and dealers who are subject to the regulation may borrow from them, and by Dec. 31 1934, 121 nonmember banks had signed this agreement. Members of registered securities exchanges and other brokers and dealers subject to the regulations are also permitted to borrow from and lend to one another under specified conditions.

Rules are also included in Regulation T regarding cash transactions, reports by brokers, and such administrative details as the borrowing and lending of securities, the debiting on interest, commissions, &c., the handling of guaranteed accounts, the transfer of accounts, temporary credit for clearance of securities, and adjustments for innocent mistakes.

In preparation for the adoption of margin requirements the Board made a survey of the condition of margin accounts held with brokers in the summer of 1934. At the request of the Federal Reserve Board the New York, Chicago, and San Francisco Stock Exchanges obtained certain reports from their members as of July 31 1934. Reports were secured covering approx-

imately 213,000 accounts and over two-thirds of all customers' borrowings. They showed that a large number of accounts contained substantial amounts of excess margin, as judged either by the rules of the New York Stock Exchange or by the standard used in Regulation T. In 85% of the accounts reported, customers were not borrowing more than 66 2-3% of the value of the securities in the account. The value of the securities held in all the accounts was nearly twice as large as the amount borrowed on the securities, that is to say, total borrowings were equal to approximately 50% of the total value of the securities carried.

The reports showed the amount of each individual security held in customers' accounts with debit balances and in partners' and firms' accounts. These data covered in all some 20,000 different issues with total market value estimated at about \$2,600,000,000. Detailed analysis was made of figures representing about 80% of the total estimated value of all securities held by brokers for their customers. This analysis indicated that on the basis of market values as of July 31 1934, over two-thirds of the securities so held, exclusive of unlisted securities, could have been carried under the provisions of Regulation T with a maximum loan of 75% of market value, about one-fourth permitted loans of percentages varying from 55 to 75% of market value and averaging 67.6%, and the remainder, or about one-twelfth, had a maximum loan value of 55% of market value. The average maximum loan value on all these securities was slightly under 72%. This compared with a maximum percentage permitted by the New York Stock Exchange of about 77% for large accounts and 66 2-3% for small accounts, averaging about 75% for all accounts.

When the new margin rules went into effect the securities markets were relatively inactive, and remained so during the rest of the year. There was accordingly no occasion, such as might be afforded by a rapidly rising market, to test the effectiveness of the new rules in accomplishing the purposes for which they were adopted. Between September 1934 before Regulation T became effective, and the last month of the year, security prices advanced somewhat. The increase for common stock, according to the index of the Standard Statistics Co., amounted to about 3%. From the end of September to the end of December there was little change in the total volume of customers' borrowings from brokers. The total borrowings of members of the New York Stock Exchange at the end of 1934, amounting to \$880,000,000, were \$35,000,000 larger than at the end of 1933 but only about 10% of their maximum in the autumn of 1929.

The Securities Exchange Act of 1934 also empowers the Federal Reserve Board, within certain limitations, to prescribe rules and regulations, including margin requirements, for credit extended or maintained by other persons than members of a national securities exchange, or brokers or dealers who transact a business in securities through the medium of such members, for the purpose of purchasing or carrying any security registered on a national securities exchange. These other persons include all banks in the United States except such banks as are subject to Regulation T by reason of their holding membership in a national securities exchange. This authority is additional to that conferred by other statutes for credit supervision. The Board is studying the subject and in due time will issue the required regulation as to bank loans made to purchase or carry securities registered on a national securities exchange.

*Earnings and Expenses of Federal Reserve Banks*

Gross earnings of the Federal Reserve banks in 1934 amounted to \$48,903,000, or \$584,000 less than in 1933. After deducting current expenses of \$29,242,000, reserves for depreciation on bank premises, and reserves for losses, self-insurance, &c., there remained net earnings of \$15,231,000, or \$7,274,000 more than the amount of net earnings for 1933. Earnings, expenses, dividend payments, &c., for all Federal Reserve banks combined for 1934 and 1933 are shown in the following table:

EARNINGS AND EXPENSES OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS DURING 1934 AND 1933

	1934	1933
Total earnings	\$48,903,000	\$49,487,000
Current expenses	29,242,000	29,223,000
Current net earnings	\$19,661,000	\$20,264,000
Additions (profits on sales of U. S. Govt. securities, &c.)	\$8,926,000	\$1,762,000
Deductions (depreciation and other reserves, &c.)	13,356,000	14,069,000
Net deductions from current net earnings	\$4,430,000	\$12,307,000
Net earnings	15,231,000	7,957,000
Dividends paid		
Transferred to surplus (Sec. 7)	\$8,781,000	\$8,874,000
Withdrawn from surplus (Sec. 13b)	6,510,000	—917,000
	60,000	

All Federal Reserve banks paid dividends to member banks at the rate of 6% per annum on their paid-in capital. These dividends amounted to \$8,781,661.

Gross and net earnings during the year 1934 and the distribution of net earnings of each Federal Reserve bank are shown in the following table:

FINANCIAL RESULTS OF OPERATIONS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS DURING 1934

Fed. Res. Bank	Gross Earnings	Net Earnings	Dividends Paid	Transferred to Surplus (Sec. 7)	Withdrawn from Surplus (Sec. 13b)
Boston	\$3,055,928	\$932,792	\$644,075	\$291,872	\$3,155
New York	16,081,935	8,307,134	3,567,690	4,747,138	7,694
Philadelphia	3,725,022	1,042,879	925,875	117,900	896
Cleveland	4,137,556	1,042,697	769,096	281,757	8,156
Richmond	1,987,801	313,347	299,050	14,595	298
Atlanta	1,818,161	655,812	264,093	394,351	2,632
Chicago	8,152,371	1,404,491	761,334	669,479	26,322
St. Louis	1,824,453	139,996	241,009	—100,966	47
Minneapolis	1,415,097	176,285	181,117	—	4,832
Kansas City	1,960,098	243,534	247,156	—	3,622
Dallas	1,521,971	331,869	237,924	93,945	—
San Francisco	3,222,420	640,573	643,242	—	2,669
Total	\$48,902,813	\$15,231,409	\$8,781,661	\$6,510,071	\$60,323

Earnings on total bills and securities were slightly less in 1934 than in 1933, an increase of about \$74,000,000 in average daily holdings of bills and securities being more than offset by a reduction from 1.98% to 1.91% in the average rate of earnings. Average daily holdings of bills and securities, together with average rates and amounts of earnings thereon, are shown for recent years in the table below.

Current expenses of the Federal Reserve banks in 1934 were \$29,241,000, or \$18,000 more than in 1933.

Salary payments during 1934, including contributions to the retirement system of the Federal Reserve banks established on March 1 1934, were \$1,551,000 in excess of salary payments in 1933. Other items of expenditure that show a substantial increase over 1933 are the assessments for expenses of the Federal Reserve Board, which increased \$572,000, and taxes on banking houses, which increased \$110,000. Owing largely to the falling off

EARNINGS ON BILLS AND SECURITIES  
[Amounts in thousands of dollars]

	Bills and Securities				
	Total	Bills Dis-counted	Bills Bought in Open Market	U. S. Government Securities	All Other Bills and Securities
Daily average holdings:					
1931	\$ 1,251,058	\$ 326,217	\$ 245,260	\$ 669,013	\$ 10,568
1932	2,062,446	520,637	70,902	1,461,258	9,649
1933	2,421,566	283,221	82,882	2,052,160	3,295
1934	2,495,497	35,788	24,742	2,431,673	x3,294
Earnings:					
1931	\$ 27,565	\$ 9,821	\$ 5,010	\$ 12,428	\$ 306
1932	47,992	17,881	2,785	26,924	402
1933	47,995	9,137	1,238	37,530	90
1934	47,655	1,231	141	46,131	x152
Average rate of earns. (per cent):					
1931	2.20	3.01	2.04	1.86	2.90
1932	2.33	3.43	3.93	1.84	4.17
1933	1.98	3.23	1.49	1.83	2.74
1934	1.91	3.44	.57	1.90	x4.61

x Includes industrial advances.

in the demand for currency in 1934 as compared with 1933, when there was an abnormal demand for currency preceding the banking holiday, expenditures of the Federal Reserve banks for the printing and redemption of Federal Reserve currency declined \$1,359,000 and insurance on currency shipments by \$68,000. Other substantial reductions in expenses were \$120,000 in taxes on Federal Reserve bank notes, \$219,000 in telephone and telegraph charges, \$240,000 in postage and expressage, \$71,000 in printing, and \$148,000 in insurance other than on currency shipments.

The average number of officers and employees exclusive of those assigned to RFC work, was 10,376 in 1934 compared with 10,015 in 1933. During the year the Federal Reserve banks had an average of 1,351 officers and employees engaged on work of the RFC compared with 1,114 in 1933.

**Testing the League and the Kellogg Pact**

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opian controversy is taken up by the Council, Italy will withdraw from the League.

The situation is more than awkward for the League, and at the same time peculiarly embarrassing for Great Britain and France. The withdrawal of Italy, following the withdrawal of Japan and Germany, would end the little prestige that is left to the League as an international body, and make it less likely than ever that Germany could be induced to return. France, on the other hand, which theoretically has insisted that international action should be taken through the League, would be deprived of a weapon which it has used with some success against Germany and could no longer object to bilateral agreements, and Great Britain, which has consistently supported the League, would find itself isolated and its influence weakened as far as Continental affairs are concerned. The League, in short, finds itself faced with a situation in which, if it fails to act in the Italo-Ethiopian dispute, it will be contemptible, while if it does act it will invite its own dismemberment.

Into the confused picture enters now the United States. On July 3 the Emperor of Ethiopia appealed to the United States to invoke the Kellogg anti-war pact against Italy. President Roosevelt, replying the next day through the Department of State, acknowledged the interest of the American Government "in the maintenance of peace in all parts of the world," expressed gratification that the controversy had received the attention of the League and was "now in process of arbitration," and declared that the American Government "would be loath to believe" that either Italy or Abyssinia, both of which were signatories of the Paris pact, "would resort to other than pacific means as a method of dealing with this controversy, or would permit any situation to arise which would be inconsistent with the commitments of the pact." Two days later the handful of Americans in Ethiopia were advised by the Government to withdraw.

The only implication to be drawn from this reply appears to be that the League and the Kellogg pact, as far as their efficacy in preserving peace is concerned, are regarded by the Administration as nothing more than a faint hope. It is not clear that any





The Vanadium 5s, 1941, were 3½ points higher at 81½. Anthracite coal bonds were better, led by a 1⅞-point rise in Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron 6s, 1949, to 39¼. Childs 5s, 1943, were one of the few issues to sell lower, but the decline amounted to only ⅜ point. Drug, motion picture and rubber issues moved higher. In the building field the Pennsylvania Dixie Cement 6s, 1941, made a new high at 90⅞, whereas the volatile Certainteed Products 5½s, 1948, rallied 3¼ points to 78¼, the level of some weeks ago.

Foreign bonds have been comparatively steady, with few price changes among the better-grade issues. Scandinavian and Finnish bonds were relatively well maintained. Some weakness has been apparent in Japanese bonds, while Italians have been under continued pressure. Argentine issues have been somewhat higher, as have been Peru's and Chile's.

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

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

1935 Daily Averages	U. S. Govt. Bonds **	120 Domestic Corp.*	120 Domestic Corporate* by Ratings				120 Domestic Corporate* by Groups		
			Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	RR.	P. U.	Indus.
July 12..	109.00	103.15	119.48	110.42	103.48	84.47	95.78	106.07	108.39
11..	109.03	103.48	119.69	110.61	103.48	84.85	96.23	106.07	108.57
10..	109.03	103.65	119.48	110.42	103.48	85.61	96.85	106.07	108.57
9..	109.03	103.65	119.69	110.42	103.48	85.61	97.00	106.07	108.39
8..	109.01	103.65	119.69	110.42	103.48	85.48	96.70	106.07	108.39
6..	108.97	103.65	119.69	110.42	103.48	85.87	97.31	105.89	108.39
5..	108.95	103.65	119.69	110.42	103.65	85.61	97.31	105.89	108.39
4..	Stock Exchange Closed—								
3..	108.97	103.65	119.48	110.23	103.65	85.74	97.47	105.72	108.21
2..	108.88	103.65	119.48	110.42	103.65	85.61	97.47	105.54	108.21
1..	108.93	103.65	119.48	110.23	103.65	85.61	97.62	105.37	108.21
Weekly—									
June 28..	108.99	103.32	119.27	110.05	103.48	85.23	97.47	105.20	107.67
21..	108.80	103.32	119.27	110.05	102.81	85.87	97.94	104.68	107.67
14..	108.81	102.64	118.86	109.68	101.97	84.72	96.70	104.33	107.31
7..	108.61	101.64	118.66	109.68	101.14	82.50	94.29	103.99	107.31
May 31..	108.22	101.64	118.45	109.49	101.47	82.38	94.14	103.65	107.49
24..	108.66	101.81	118.45	109.86	101.64	82.50	94.43	103.65	107.85
17..	108.55	101.97	118.04	110.05	101.47	83.35	94.88	103.82	107.85
10..	108.61	101.64	118.45	110.05	101.47	82.02	93.85	103.82	107.85
3..	108.89	101.81	118.66	110.05	101.47	82.50	94.29	103.99	107.67
Apr. 26..	108.61	101.81	118.66	110.05	100.98	82.87	95.63	102.64	107.67
19..	Stock Exchange Closed—								
12..	108.25	100.81	119.07	109.68	99.68	80.84	94.29	101.14	107.49
5..	108.54	100.17	119.07	109.49	99.36	79.56	92.82	101.14	107.31
Mar. 29..	108.07	99.36	118.66	109.12	98.88	77.88	90.83	100.98	107.14
22..	107.79	100.49	119.27	109.86	100.17	79.45	93.55	100.98	107.49
15..	107.94	100.49	119.07	110.61	100.33	79.11	93.26	100.98	108.03
8..	107.85	101.64	119.48	110.14	101.47	81.42	95.63	101.47	108.57
1..	108.22	102.47	119.48	111.35	101.64	82.99	97.78	101.64	108.39
Feb. 23..	108.44	102.81	119.48	111.16	102.14	83.97	99.68	101.14	108.21
15..	107.49	101.07	119.07	110.14	101.14	83.60	99.68	99.68	107.85
8..	107.47	101.64	118.66	110.42	100.49	82.50	99.04	98.41	107.85
1..	107.10	101.31	118.04	110.05	100.33	82.38	99.04	97.94	107.31
Jan. 25..	107.33	102.14	118.04	110.05	100.81	84.35	100.49	98.73	107.49
18..	106.79	100.81	117.43	109.31	99.52	82.26	99.68	96.23	106.78
11..	106.81	100.81	117.63	109.12	99.52	82.50	100.17	95.93	106.96
4..	105.76	100.33	117.43	108.94	98.88	81.54	100.00	94.58	106.96
High 1935	109.04	103.82	119.69	111.54	103.65	86.64	100.49	106.07	108.75
Low 1935	105.66	99.20	117.22	108.27	98.73	77.88	90.69	94.14	106.78
High 1934	106.81	100.00	117.22	108.75	99.04	83.72	100.49	94.58	106.78
Low 1934	99.06	84.85	105.37	93.11	81.78	66.38	85.61	74.25	96.54
Yr. Ago—									
July 12 '34	106.78	99.84	115.81	108.21	97.78	82.62	100.33	93.55	106.60
2 Yrs. Ago									
July 12 '33	103.60	90.69	106.42	98.25	87.43	75.50	91.53	84.97	96.23

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

1935 Daily Averages	All 120 Domestic	120 Domestic Corporate by Ratings				120 Domestic Corporate by Groups			†† 30 Foreign.
		Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	RR.	P. U.	Indus.	
July 12..	4.66	3.69	4.15	4.54	5.84	5.02	4.39	4.26	5.91
11..	4.54	3.68	4.14	4.54	5.81	4.99	4.39	4.25	5.95
10..	4.53	3.69	4.15	4.54	5.75	4.95	4.39	4.25	5.96
9..	4.53	3.68	4.15	4.54	5.75	4.94	4.39	4.26	5.95
8..	4.53	3.68	4.15	4.54	5.76	4.96	4.39	4.26	5.89
6..	4.53	3.68	4.15	4.54	5.73	4.92	4.40	4.26	5.84
5..	4.53	3.68	4.15	4.53	5.75	4.92	4.40	4.26	5.85
4..	Stock Exchange Closed—								
3..	4.53	3.69	4.16	4.53	5.74	4.91	4.41	4.27	5.79
2..	4.53	3.69	4.15	4.53	5.75	4.91	4.42	4.27	5.82
1..	4.53	3.69	4.16	4.53	5.75	4.90	4.43	4.27	5.79
Weekly—									
June 28..	4.55	3.70	4.17	4.54	5.78	4.91	4.44	4.30	5.81
21..	4.55	3.70	4.17	4.58	5.73	4.88	4.47	4.30	5.80
14..	4.59	3.72	4.19	4.63	5.82	4.96	4.49	4.32	5.81
7..	4.55	3.73	4.19	4.68	6.00	5.12	4.51	4.32	5.82
May 31..	4.65	3.74	4.20	4.66	6.01	5.13	4.53	4.31	5.83
24..	4.64	3.74	4.18	4.65	6.00	5.11	4.53	4.29	5.88
17..	4.63	3.76	4.17	4.66	5.93	5.08	4.52	4.29	5.86
10..	4.65	3.74	4.17	4.66	6.04	5.15	4.52	4.29	5.85
3..	4.64	3.73	4.17	4.66	6.00	5.12	4.51	4.30	5.97
Apr. 26..	4.64	3.73	4.17	4.69	5.97	5.03	4.59	4.30	5.93
19..	Stock Exchange Closed—								
12..	4.70	3.71	4.19	4.77	6.14	5.12	4.68	4.31	6.11
5..	4.74	3.71	4.20	4.79	6.25	5.22	4.68	4.32	6.23
Mar. 29..	4.79	3.73	4.22	4.82	6.40	5.36	4.69	4.35	6.46
22..	4.72	3.70	4.18	4.74	6.26	5.17	4.69	4.31	6.33
15..	4.72	3.71	4.14	4.73	6.29	5.19	4.69	4.28	6.16
8..	4.65	3.69	4.12	4.68	6.09	5.03	4.66	4.25	6.12
1..	4.60	3.69	4.10	4.65	5.96	4.89	4.65	4.26	6.03
Feb. 23..	4.58	3.69	4.11	4.62	5.88	4.77	4.68	4.27	6.02
15..	4.61	3.71	4.13	4.68	5.91	4.77	4.77	4.29	6.04
8..	4.65	3.73	4.15	4.72	6.00	4.81	4.85	4.29	6.01
1..	4.67	3.76	4.17	4.73	6.01	4.81	4.88	4.32	6.12
Jan. 25..	4.62	3.78	4.17	4.70	5.85	4.72	4.83	4.31	6.16
18..	4.70	3.79	4.21	4.78	6.02	4.77	4.99	4.35	6.15
11..	4.70	3.78	4.22	4.78	6.00	4.74	5.01	4.34	6.22
4..	4.73	3.79	4.23	4.82	6.08	4.75	5.10	4.34	6.30
Low 1935	4.52	3.68	4.09	4.53	5.67	4.72	4.39	4.24	5.78
High 1935	4.80	3.80	4.25	4.83	6.40	5.37	5.13	4.35	6.46
Low 1934	4.75	3.80	4.24	4.81	5.90	4.72	5.10	4.35	6.35
High 1934	5.81	4.43	5.20	6.06	7.58	5.75	6.74	4.97	8.65
Yr. Ago—									
July 12 '34	4.76	3.87	4.27	4.89	5.99	4.73	5.17	4.36	7.37
2 Yrs. Ago									
July 12 '33	5.37	4.37	4.86	5.61	6.62	5.31	5.80	4.99	9.18

\* These prices are computed from average yields on the basis of one "ideal" bond (4¾% coupon, maturing in 31 years) and do not purport to show either the average level or the average movement net 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 15 1935, page 3291. †† Average of 30 foreign bonds but adjusted to a comparable basis with previous averages of 40 foreign bonds.

**BOOK REVIEW**

**Wheat and the AAA**

By Joseph Stancliffe Davis. 469 pages.

Washington: The Brookings Institution. \$3.00.

Mr. Davis's book is a searching examination and criticism of the whole experiment, political and economic, of the United States with the wheat problem down to the end of March of the present year. Beginning with the background in the developments before, during and immediately after the World War and the depression years 1929-32, it recounts the evolution of the Agricultural Adjustment Act and the philosophy which underlaid it, the elements of the wheat program and its formulation, and the domestic wheat adjustment efforts of 1933 and 1934 as shown in the allotments and acreage requirements, the educational campaign, the extent of participation by growers, the first and second sign-ups, the effect of the drought in contracting acreage and the compliance plans, procedure and results. The wheat benefit or adjustment payments, including their distribution and use, and the processing and other taxes are also studied.

Following his examination of these topics, Mr. Davis takes up the regulation of grain exchanges and the principal codes, the surplus relief operations, the Pacific Northwest export arrangement, and the international wheat agreement and its effects. The remaining chapters deal with the early results of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration's operations in the reduction of acreage and output; the disposition and carry-overs of wheat, prices of wheat, flour and bread, and the income of wheat growers; the attitude of farmers, the grain trade and the public toward the wheat program, and the general outlook.

On all of these topics the book offers a wealth of detailed information, and the statistical exhibit is extraordinarily full. The Department of Agriculture has co-operated in making information available, but it is in no way responsible for what is presented.

In a final chapter modestly entitled "Contributions Toward an Appraisal" Mr. Davis gives his conclusions regarding the wheat program. His criticism on the whole is both fundamental and drastic. He concedes that political and social conditions in 1932-33 made a new wheat program

inevitable, and for "the skillful and herculean efforts by which the wheat program was carried through its first two years" he expresses admiration. He is unable to see, however, that control of production through voluntary contracts has been "a demonstrated success." It has not raised materially the farm prices of wheat, and the attainment of a "parity price" seems to him illusory. The main achievement seems to him to have been the addition of over \$200,000,000 to the wheat growers' income, but it has not "contributed appreciably, if at all, to promoting general business recovery."

Mr. Davis is skeptical about the regulation of wheat production or export by international agreement, and unqualifiedly condemns as "a form of unfair international competition" the proposal to subsidize the exportation of 100,000,000 bushels of American wheat. The practical unsoundness of the "ever-normal granary" scheme is also exposed. He thinks that the AAA was "more nearly right than its critics" on the main issue of the need of reducing wheat production, but he seems to doubt whether it will be possible to enforce contracts rigorously enough, in the face of public opposition to the destruction of crops, to make limitation very effective, nor does he think it likely that an attempt will be made to apply such compulsory methods of control to wheat as have been applied to tobacco and cotton. Mr. Davis apparently accepts in general the idea of social planning, but he nevertheless warns that "available techniques" are "ill developed, and that crude economic experimentation on a wide front and a large scale increases the risks of failure with consequent disillusionment and reaction."

Examining at some length the philosophy of a "parity price," Mr. Davis

as an average over a period of years," and he sees no substitute for the price adjustments worked by natural economic forces "short of complete socialization." With all credit to the AAA for what it has done, it is nevertheless his final conclusion "that neither the results nor the promises justify

indefinite continuation of the experiment in the form that now seems in contemplation."

The book deserves the widest reading, irrespective of whether the agricultural part of the New Deal program is or is not the reader's special interest.

## Indications of Business Activity

### THE STATE OF TRADE—COMMERCIAL EPITOME

Friday Night, July 12 1935.

General trade continued to make a good showing, with retail sales showing gains over last year. The trend of most of the industrial indices was also upward. Steel production advanced to 35.2% of capacity. Lumber production and shipments were the largest in seven weeks, but new orders showed little change. Commercial failures dropped to the smallest number since September, but were 7.2% above the 1934 total. Electricity output fell off 6% in the week ended July 6, owing to holiday curtailment, but the decline was less than that of a year ago. Coal output, however, was lower. Automobile production was maintained at a good level, and large retail sales continued to be reported. General Motors' sales to consumers in the first six months showed a gain of 32% over last year, while sales of dealers in this country increased by only 20%. Real estate sales continued at a relatively high level for recent years. Steel prospects are better and demand from railroads and the automotive industry is expected to increase materially in the fall. Crude oil production and gasoline stocks declined. Copper and lead were in better demand and firmer. Tin and zinc were quiet, but prices were steady. Grain markets show a slight advance for the week, owing to fears of damage by black rust. The bearish Government report caused selling and a sharp decline on Thursday. Cotton showed little activity and very little change in prices. The Government report on the acreage was about in line with expectations and had little effect marketwise. Good weather caused selling and setbacks at times, but trade buying brought about recoveries. Sugar was fairly active, and after declining sharply early in the week, rallied and showed more firmness later on. Coffee was quiet and easier. Rubber was dull and lower. Hides and silk were lower in rather slow trading. Cocoa was in good demand from manufacturers and closed higher than a week ago. Torrential rains in central New York on the 7th inst. resulted in severe flood conditions, the destruction of hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of property and 45 deaths. Swollen creeks wiped out at least a score of highway bridges, and two dams crumbled before the terrific pressure of rising water. Several families were rescued in rowboats from their submerged homes. Heavy damage was reported throughout western New York, especially in Rochester, and also in Syracuse, Utica, Glens Falls and all the surrounding territory. Parts of Vermont near Bennington were also drenched. The flood damage was estimated late in the week at \$45,000,000. Valuable crops were destroyed and thousands of acres of farm land were submerged. President Roosevelt called upon the American Red Cross to aid the flood-stricken areas, and Governor Lehman was enlisting all possible help. The most devastating flood since 1868 swept Philadelphia and eastern Pennsylvania on the 9th inst. The Schuylkill River and Wissahickon, Frankford and Pennypack creeks rose over their banks. Scores of homes were inundated, many roads were closed, two towns were isolated, railroad service was disrupted, and 5 deaths were reported. New York City early in the week had rather heavy rains, but later it became clear and very warm. On the 6th inst. the mercury touched 88 degrees, the worst of the year, and with the humidity above 77 all day and reaching a high of 92%, the city had another sweltering day on the 8th inst. The mercury reached 91 on the 12th inst., the hottest day of the summer. Rain and State loans resulted in the removal of all Kansas farm owners from relief rolls. Severe heat hit crops and livestock and caused many deaths. Record temperatures for the year were established at many points in Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri and Texas. Heavy storms in Canada ruined crops and caused many fatalities. To-day it was fair and warm here, with temperatures ranging from 75 to 91 degrees. The forecast was for local thundershowers to-night and possibly Saturday morning. Cooler Saturday. Sunday fair. Overnight at Boston it was 74 to 84 degrees; Baltimore, 78 to 90; Pittsburgh, 70 to 88; Portland, Me., 72 to 86; Chicago, 76 to 92; Cleveland, 76 to 90; Cincinnati, 70 to 94; Detroit, 78 to 92; Charleston, 74 to 84; Milwaukee, 74 to 92; Dallas, 76 to 100; Savannah, 72 to 88; Kansas City, 68 to 102; Springfield, Mo., 74 to 90; Oklahoma City, 76 to 102; Denver, 60 to 72; Salt Lake City, 54 to 92; Seattle, 60 to 78; Montreal, 74 to 88, and Winnipeg, 58 to 80.

### 273,558 Surplus Freight Cars in Good Repair on June 14

Class I railroads on June 14 had 273,558 surplus freight cars in good repair and immediately available for service, the Association of American Railroads announced on July 8. This was a decrease of 31,660 cars compared with May 31, at which time there were 305,218 surplus freight cars.

Surplus coal cars on June 14 totaled 41,868, a decrease of 26,348 cars below the previous period, while surplus box cars totaled 185,784, a decrease of 2,899 cars compared with May 31.

Reports also showed 29,180 surplus stock cars, an increase of 687 compared with May 31, while surplus refrigerator cars totaled 6,189, a decrease of 2,468 for the same period.

### Moody's Daily Commodity Index Rises Moderately

Basic commodity prices have been generally stronger over the week just passed, although a sharp dip in wheat prices toward the weekend reduced the gain in the Index to relatively small proportions. The Index closed on Friday at 158.0 compared with 157.1 a week ago.

The items which registered advances included top hogs, which rose to the best levels since October 1930; cotton, corn, lead, silk and cocoa. Declines were suffered by wheat, which broke sharply, silver and rubber. Other spot commodities, including hides, steel, copper, wool, copper and sugar remained unchanged.

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

Fri. July 5	157.1	2 Weeks Ago, June 28	157.9
Sat. July 6	Not compiled	Month Ago, June 14	157.5
Mon. July 8	157.5	Year Ago, July 13	143.4
Tues. July 9	159.1	1934 High, Aug. 29	156.2
Wed. July 10	159.9	Low, Jan. 2	126.0
Thurs. July 11	159.4	1935 High, May 23	162.1
Fri. July 12	158.0	Low, Mar. 18	148.4

### Revenue Freight Car Loadings Drop Sharply

Loadings of revenue freight for the week ended July 6 1935 totaled 472,421 cars. This is a loss of 145,615 cars or 23.6% from the preceding week, a drop of 48,320 cars or 9.3% from the total for the like week of 1934, and a decline of 71,089 cars or 13.1% from the total loadings for the corresponding week of 1933. For the week ended June 29 loadings were 4.3% under the corresponding week of 1934 and 3.7% under those for the like week of 1933. Loadings for the week ended June 22 showed a loss of 8.9% when compared with 1934 and a drop of 6.9% when the comparison is with the same week of 1933.

The first 18 major railroads to report for the week ended July 6 1935 loaded a total of 216,741 cars of revenue freight on their own lines, compared with 287,962 cars in the preceding week and 257,062 cars in the seven days ended July 7 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—		
	July 6 1935	June 29 1935	July 7 1934	July 6 1935	June 29 1935	July 7 1934
Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.	17,084	18,714	19,942	4,289	4,410	4,481
Baltimore & Ohio RR.	17,525	26,731	24,402	12,046	13,462	11,740
Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.	10,742	20,610	17,511	7,433	8,544	8,263
Chicago Burlington & Quincy RR.	10,409	12,486	13,382	5,732	5,772	6,002
Chicago Milw. St. Paul & Pac. Ry.	13,318	16,207	15,191	6,222	6,384	6,396
Chicago & North Western Ry.	11,737	13,743	13,560	7,493	8,094	8,166
Gulf Coast Lines	2,106	2,042	1,462	1,201	1,406	1,149
International Great Northern RR.	1,970	2,076	2,650	1,849	1,820	1,913
Missouri-Kansas-Texas RR.	3,620	4,391	4,114	2,287	2,421	2,594
Missouri Pacific RR.	10,565	12,449	12,450	6,690	7,220	7,208
New York Central Lines	29,588	37,193	30,435	26,759	34,537	30,092
New York Chic. & St. Louis Ry.	3,705	4,382	3,733	6,565	7,286	7,022
Norfolk & Western Ry.	10,362	19,403	13,818	3,434	4,138	3,890
Pennsylvania RR.	43,782	59,586	50,879	29,607	38,731	30,017
Pere Marquette Ry.	3,744	4,948	4,059	3,620	3,973	3,616
Pittsburgh & Lake Erie RR.	3,481	5,334	3,346	3,296	5,859	3,955
Southern Pacific Lines	19,044	22,831	21,118	x	x	x
Wabash Ry.	4,010	4,836	5,010	6,244	7,088	6,000
Total	216,741	287,962	257,062	134,767	161,154	142,513

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—		
	July 6 1935	June 29 1935	July 7 1934
Illinois Central System	20,475	26,410	22,192
St. Louis-San Francisco Ry.	10,765	12,306	11,491
Total	31,240	38,716	33,683

The Association of American Railroads in reviewing the week ended June 29 reported as follows:

Loading of revenue freight for the week ended June 29, totaled 618,036 cars. This was an increase of 50,189 cars above the preceding week, but a reduction of 27,967 cars below the corresponding week in 1934, and 23,694 cars below the corresponding week in 1933.

Miscellaneous freight loading for the week ended June 29, totaled 237,728 cars, an increase of 11,389 cars above the preceding week, but a reduction of

13,624 cars below the corresponding week in 1934, and 1,450 cars below the corresponding week in 1933.

Loading of merchandise less than carload lot freight totaled 157,388 cars, an increase of 817 cars above the preceding week, but a reduction of 3,236 cars below the corresponding week in 1934, and 14,889 cars below the same week in 1933.

Coal loading amounted to 118,401 cars, an increase of 30,679 cars above the preceding week, 11,272 cars above the corresponding week in 1934, and 4,446 cars above the same week in 1933.

Grain and grain products loading totaled 28,230 cars, an increase of 3,139 cars above the preceding week, but a reduction of 14,854 cars below the corresponding week in 1934, and 18,194 cars below the same week in 1933. In the Western Districts alone, grain and grain products loading for the week ended June 29, totaled 18,444 cars, a decrease of 13,355 cars below the same week in 1934.

Live stock loading amounted to 9,406 cars, an increase of 322 cars above the preceding week, but a reduction of 8,850 cars below the same week in 1934 and 5,991 cars below the same week in 1933. In the Western Districts alone, loading of live stock for the week ended June 29, totaled 6,634 cars, a decrease of 8,412 cars below the same week in 1934.

Forest products loading totaled 28,495 cars, an increase of 2,549 cars above the preceding week, 4,229 cars above the same week in 1934, and 29 cars above the same week in 1933.

Ore loading amounted to 32,590 cars, an increase of 1,217 cars above the preceding week, but a reduction of 2,284 cars below the corresponding week in 1934. It was, however, an increase of 13,773 cars above the corresponding week in 1933.

Coke loading amounted to 5,798 cars, an increase of 77 cars above the preceding week, but a reduction of 620 cars below the same week in 1934, and 1,418 cars below the same week in 1933.

The Eastern and Pocahontas districts reported increases, compared with the corresponding week last year in the number of cars loaded with revenue freight for the week of June 29, but the Allegheny, Southern, Northwestern, Centralwestern and Southwestern reported reductions. All districts, except the Northwestern, which showed an increase, reported reductions compared with the corresponding week in 1933.

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

	1935	1934	1933
Four weeks in January	2,170,471	2,183,081	1,924,208
Four weeks in February	2,325,601	2,314,475	1,970,566
Five weeks in March	3,014,609	3,067,612	2,354,521
Four weeks in April	2,303,103	2,340,460	2,025,564
Four weeks in May	2,327,120	2,446,365	2,143,194
Week of June 1	565,342	579,656	512,974
Week of June 8	630,836	616,768	569,157
Week of June 15	653,092	618,881	592,759
Week of June 22	567,847	623,322	609,627
Week of June 29	618,036	646,003	641,730
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,176,057</b>	<b>15,436,623</b>	<b>13,344,300</b>

In the following table we undertake to show also the loadings for separate roads and systems for the week ended June 29 1935. During this period a total of 69 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 Norfolk & Western RR., the Southern System, and the Great Northern Railroad.

REVENUE FREIGHT LOADED AND RECEIVED FROM CONNECTIONS (NUMBER OF CARS)—WEEK ENDED JUNE 29

Railroads	Total Revenue Freight Loaded			Total Loads Received from Connections	
	1935	1934	1933	1935	1934
<b>Eastern District—</b>					
<i>Group A—</i>					
Bangor & Aroostook	1,406	939	689	390	280
Boston & Albany	b	3,075	b	b	b
Boston & Maine	8,002	7,371	8,555	9,635	9,236
Central Vermont	1,049	929	949	2,052	2,392
Maine Central	2,925	2,922	2,779	1,844	1,720
N. Y. N. H. & Hartford	9,547	10,022	11,626	11,781	11,376
Rutland	598	707	664	962	959
<b>Total</b>	<b>23,527</b>	<b>22,890</b>	<b>28,337</b>	<b>26,664</b>	<b>25,963</b>
<i>Group B—</i>					
Delaware & Hudson	6,294	5,849	6,205	6,441	6,717
Delaware Lackawanna & West.	10,339	10,312	9,414	5,718	5,857
Erie	12,836	12,709	12,660	12,522	13,510
Lehigh & Hudson River	177	180	159	1,943	1,772
Lehigh & New England	2,451	1,542	1,707	984	1,020
Lehigh Valley	9,426	8,518	8,949	6,645	6,546
Montour	2,304	1,770	2,172	51	78
New York Central	c37,192	c38,810	21,071	c34,538	c35,109
New York Ontario & Western	2,016	1,309	1,864	1,965	1,989
Pittsburgh & Shawmut	604	229	565	30	22
Pittsburgh Shawmut & North.	404	311	356	168	193
<b>Total</b>	<b>84,043</b>	<b>81,539</b>	<b>65,152</b>	<b>71,005</b>	<b>72,813</b>
<i>Group C—</i>					
Ann Arbor	600	694	533	1,001	980
Chicago Indianapolis & Louisv.	1,140	1,113	1,366	1,609	1,621
C. C. C. & St. Louis	b	b	8,109	b	b
Central Indiana	13	22	30	44	47
Detroit & Mackinac	226	173	165	94	93
Detroit & Toledo Shore Line	305	282	330	2,110	1,804
Detroit Toledo & Ironton	2,197	1,983	1,556	988	1,026
Grand Trunk Western	4,709	3,715	3,772	5,747	5,652
Michigan Central	b	b	7,586	b	b
Monongahela	3,707	3,013	3,646	197	231
N. Y. Chicago & St. Louis	4,352	4,383	4,815	7,286	8,041
Pere Marquette	4,948	5,090	5,099	3,973	4,047
Pittsburgh & Lake Erie	5,166	6,141	6,033	6,027	4,334
Pittsburgh & West Virginia	845	1,333	1,407	1,086	890
Wabash	4,836	5,347	5,295	7,088	7,135
Wheeling & Lake Erie	3,555	4,240	3,314	2,898	2,999
<b>Total</b>	<b>36,629</b>	<b>37,529</b>	<b>53,056</b>	<b>40,148</b>	<b>39,400</b>
<b>Grand total Eastern District</b>	<b>144,199</b>	<b>141,958</b>	<b>146,545</b>	<b>137,817</b>	<b>138,176</b>
<b>Allegheny District—</b>					
Akron Canton & Youngstown	462	443	545	527	571
Baltimore & Ohio	26,731	28,211	29,435	13,822	13,861
Bessemer & Lake Erie	4,401	4,148	2,716	1,416	2,143
Buffalo Creek & Gauley	288	216	243	7	5
Cambria & Indiana	1,450	904	a	18	30
Central RR. of New Jersey	7,071	6,445	6,228	10,257	9,974
Cornwall	583	463	507	36	36
Cumberland & Pennsylvania	296	230	243	35	21
Ligonier Valley	86	97	93	23	40
Long Island	900	844	952	2,451	2,098
Penn-Reading Seashore Lines	811	1,078	1,282	1,429	727
Pennsylvania System	59,586	59,848	63,406	38,731	37,128
Reading Co.	13,770	13,430	13,619	13,185	13,969
Union (Pittsburgh)	6,338	9,321	9,010	3,401	3,842
West Virginia Northern	68	51	41	2	0
Western Maryland	3,325	3,232	2,907	4,716	4,863
<b>Total</b>	<b>126,166</b>	<b>128,961</b>	<b>131,227</b>	<b>89,696</b>	<b>89,308</b>
<b>Pocahontas District—</b>					
Chesapeake & Ohio	20,610	22,663	22,120	8,544	10,026
Norfolk & Western	19,403	17,800	19,107	4,138	4,375
Norfolk & Portsmouth Belt Line	811	794	799	1,363	1,414
Virginian	3,542	3,093	3,523	653	820
<b>Total</b>	<b>44,366</b>	<b>44,350</b>	<b>45,549</b>	<b>14,698</b>	<b>16,635</b>
<b>Southern District—</b>					
<i>Group A—</i>					
Atlantic Coast Line	7,455	8,022	7,778	4,353	3,970
Clinchfield	948	1,020	1,237	1,281	1,457
Charleston & Western Carolina	492	332	493	665	771
Durham & Southern	165	125	161	325	247
Gainesville Midland	29	38	46	59	98
Norfolk Southern	1,878	2,529	1,847	1,038	902
Piedmont & Northern	395	352	574	667	758
Richmond Fred. & Potomac	333	346	425	3,906	3,158
Seaboard Air Line	6,714	6,084	6,437	2,820	2,709
Southern System	17,925	17,907	20,584	11,285	11,244
Winston-Salem Southbound	121	124	171	670	514
<b>Total</b>	<b>36,455</b>	<b>36,879</b>	<b>39,753</b>	<b>27,069</b>	<b>25,828</b>
<i>Group B—</i>					
Alabama Tennessee & Northern	169	219	219	114	155
Atlanta Birmingham & Coast	839	979	973	531	523
Atl. & W. P. — W. RR. of Ala.	631	597	721	939	801
Central of Georgia	3,531	3,334	4,223	3,155	3,042
Columbus & Greenville	232	182	209	219	201
Florida East Coast	416	368	318	334	349
Georgia	801	773	750	1,241	1,248
Georgia & Florida	400	453	673	452	535
Gulf Mobile & Northern	1,550	1,355	1,504	747	797
Illinois Central System	17,059	17,672	18,535	9,968	8,308
Louisville & Nashville	16,563	17,277	18,185	3,675	4,114
Macon Dublin & Savannah	143	100	120	331	297
Mississippi Central	150	131	170	252	258
Mobile & Ohio	1,828	1,686	2,000	1,255	1,305
Nashville Chattanooga & St. L.	2,594	2,439	3,101	2,313	2,203
Tennessee Central	268	311	318	528	573
<b>Total</b>	<b>47,174</b>	<b>47,876</b>	<b>51,919</b>	<b>26,254</b>	<b>24,619</b>
<b>Grand total Southern District</b>	<b>83,629</b>	<b>84,755</b>	<b>91,672</b>	<b>53,323</b>	<b>50,447</b>
<b>Northwestern District—</b>					
Belt Ry. of Chicago	876	753	850	1,581	1,897
Chicago & North Western	15,652	19,385	17,292	8,094	8,637
Chicago Great Western	1,935	2,121	2,567	2,171	2,524
Chicago Milw. St. P. & Pacific	16,207	18,664	18,396	6,384	6,743
Chicago St. P. Minn. & Omaha	3,219	3,268	3,708	2,519	2,874
Duluth Missabe & Northern	9,723	9,039	5,835	131	101
Duluth South Shore & Atlantic	1,207	1,288	670	370	325
Elgin Joliet & Eastern	5,186	6,453	5,057	3,333	3,878
Ft. Dodge Des Moines & South	305	255	351	130	127
Great Northern	15,646	14,008	10,025	2,717	2,666
Green Bay & Western	529	528	480	84	66
Lake Superior & Ishpeming	1,752	1,908	1,755	84	66
Minneapolis & St. Louis	1,373	1,753	2,158	1,193	1,193
N. N. St. Paul & S. S. M.	5,064	5,570	5,558	2,119	2,050
Northern Pacific	6,464	7,885	8,453	2,498	2,594
Spokane International	322	254	174	140	136
Spokane Portland & Seattle	1,656	1,560	1,144	972	1,152
<b>Total</b>	<b>87,116</b>	<b>94,689</b>	<b>84,473</b>	<b>34,894</b>	<b>37,323</b>
<b>Central Western District—</b>					
Ach. Top. & Santa Fe System	18,714	25,165	20,185	4,419	4,541
Alton	2,407	2,830	3,096	1,926	2,192
Bingham & Garfield	227	176	186	30	20
Chicago Burlington & Quincy	12,486	14,834	14,839	5,772	6,354
Chicago & Illinois Midland	1,849	1,233	1,458	553	555
Chicago Rock Island & Pacific	11,129	13,047	12,529	7,168	7,180
Chicago & Eastern Illinois	2,118	2,252	2,418	1,751	1,841
Colorado & Southern	775	798	590	1,038	866
Denver & Rio Grande Western	1,799	1,602	1,451	2,007	2,260
Denver & Salt Lake	302	324	167	23	13
Fort Worth & Denver City	1,384	2,654	1,424	1,028	1,506
Illinois Terminal	1,728	2,021	2,035	965	1,012
North Western Pacific	854	912	588	320	367
Peoria & Pekin Union	104	82	145	94	64
Southern Pacific (Pacific)	17,558	19,195	15,866	3,880	4,167
St. Joseph & Grand Island	152	300	256	176	227
Toledo Peoria & Western	244	377	327	1,094	1,071
Union Pacific System	9,873	10,412	11,104	6,478	6,743
Utah	231	138	160	5	5
Western Pacific	1,186	1,603	1,080	1,276	1,854
<b>Total</b>	<b>85,180</b>	<b>99,955</b>	<b>89,904</b>	<b>40,003</b>	<b>42,838</b>
<b>Southwestern District—</b>					
Alton & Southern	167	153	185	3,574	3,505
Burlington-Rock Island	133	157	192	250	355
Fort Smith & Western	104	106	160	159	172
Gulf Coast Lines	2,042	1,728	1,957	1,406	1,188
International-Great Northern	2,076	2,827	4,297	1,820	1,813
Kansas Oklahoma & Gulf	205	178	143	752	941
Kansas City Southern	1,713	1,637	1,697	1,407	1,355
Louisiana & Arkansas	1,330	1,297	1,016	792	785
Louisiana Arkansas & Texas					

**"Annalist" Weekly Index of Wholesale Commodity Prices Higher During Week of July 9**

Continuing its advance, the "Annalist" weekly index of wholesale commodity prices rose to 123.4 on July 9 from 122.9 (revised) July 2. In noting the foregoing, the "Annalist" also said:

The advance reflected higher prices for hogs and the meats, potatoes, fruits, cotton and wool, hides, tin and lead. Although eggs and rubber declined, the grains were the only commodities to show important losses, reflecting the change of policy on the part of the Canadian Government and the prospect of an early liquidation of the excessive Canadian wheat surplus.

THE "ANNALIST" WEEKLY INDEX OF WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES  
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation. 1913=100

	July 9 1935	July 2 1935	July 10 1934
Farm products.....	115.6	a116.1	98.8
Food products.....	123.9	127.7	112.9
Textile products.....	*108.7	a106.7	111.0
Fuels.....	162.7	162.7	162.5
Metals.....	109.1	108.9	110.3
Building materials.....	111.5	111.5	113.8
Chemicals.....	98.5	98.5	98.9
Miscellaneous.....	83.1	83.2	88.7
All commodities.....	123.4	a122.9	113.6
b All commodities on old dollar basis..	72.7	72.2	67.5

\* Preliminary. a Revised. b Based on exchange quotations for France, Switzerland, and Holland; Belgium included prior to March 1935.

**Wholesale Commodity Price Average Advanced During Week of July 6, According to National Fertilizer Association**

The weekly wholesale commodity price index of the National Fertilizer Association advanced in the week ended July 6 to 77.5% of the 1926-1928 average, as compared with 77.2 in the preceding week; 77.5 in the second preceding week; 78.0% a month ago, and 71.6 a year ago. The rise in the index last week followed five consecutive weekly declines which had resulted in the index falling off 1.5%. An announcement by the Association July 8 also said:

Four of the 14 component groups of the index moved upward and two declined. The principal advances occurred in the grains, feeds and livestock and textiles groups; the advances in the foods and miscellaneous commodities indexes were small. The rise in the grains, feeds and livestock index was due largely to higher prices for wheat and livestock; the price decline which occurred during the last part of the week took the quotations for corn, oats, and rye to new low levels for the current year. Higher prices for cotton and wool raised the textile index to 68.5 from 67.7 in the preceding week. The trend of foodstuff prices was mixed during the latest week, with four items in this group advancing and three declining. The slight change occurring in the miscellaneous commodities index was the result of an advance in leather prices which was not fully offset by a decline in coffee prices. A slight drop in cottonseed meal was the cause of the change in the fertilizer materials index.

Price declines last week balanced the advances, with 20 quotations moving in each direction; in the preceding week 18 commodities advanced and 27 declined; in the second preceding week 22 advanced and 36 declined.

WEEKLY WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX—BASED ON 476 COMMODITY PRICES (1926-1928=100)

Per Cent Each Group Bears to the Total Index	Group	Latest Week July 6 1935	Preceding Week	Month Ago	Year Ago
23.2	Foods.....	81.6	81.5	82.0	69.0
16.0	Fuel.....	69.3	69.3	69.4	69.3
12.8	Grains, feeds and livestock..	84.0	83.0	86.3	59.8
10.1	Textiles.....	68.5	67.7	67.3	69.5
8.5	Miscellaneous commodities..	69.1	69.0	69.9	69.6
6.7	Automobiles.....	88.0	88.0	87.3	90.8
6.6	Building materials.....	78.1	78.1	78.7	81.2
6.2	Metals.....	81.4	81.6	82.7	83.8
4.0	House-furnishing goods.....	84.8	84.8	84.9	86.2
3.8	Fats and oils.....	65.6	65.6	68.6	61.5
1.0	Chemicals and drugs.....	94.6	94.6	94.4	93.2
.4	Fertilizer materials.....	64.3	64.4	65.1	67.2
.4	Mixed fertilizers.....	77.7	77.7	76.3	76.9
.3	Agricultural implements.....	101.6	101.6	101.6	98.8
100.0	All groups combined.....	77.5	77.2	78.0	71.6

**Decrease of 0.6 of 1% in Retail Prices of Food During Two Weeks Ended June 18 Reported by United States Department of Labor**

Food prices moved downward 0.6 of 1% during the two weeks ended June 18, Commissioner Lubin of the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor announced July 2. "The current index, 123.0 (1913=100.0) registers a decrease of 1.7% below the year's high of April 23," Mr. Lubin said. "It is 12.8% higher than one year ago and 27.2% higher than on June 15 1933, when the index was 96.7." He continued:

The price decline of the past two weeks was general. Eighteen of the 48 foods in the index decreased in price, 18 showed no change. For 12 foods there were price increases ranging from 0.1 of 1% for tea to 1.3% for sliced bacon.

The most striking price change for the period was a reversal in the upward trend of meat prices, the group as a whole decreasing 0.5 of 1%. All beef and pork items with the exception of sliced bacon were included in this downward movement. Leg of lamb was unchanged in price. Decreases ranged from 0.5 of 1% for round steak to 1.4% for pork chops.

Prices of flour fell 2.0% resulting in a drop of 0.4 of 1% for the cereals group. There were no other price changes in the group. Butter prices receded 2.5%. Cheese decreased 1.2%. No change was reported for milk.

The controlling factor in the decrease of 1.9% for fruits and vegetables was the continued and marked decline in prices of cabbage, 10.0%, and onions, 7.0%. Prices of bananas and oranges fell 1.8 and 2.7% respectively. Four foods in the group advanced in price and four remained unchanged.

Beverages decreased 0.7 of 1%. Coffee prices moved downward 1.2%. An increase of 0.1 of 1% in the price of tea marked the continuation of a gradual and steady advance, which has amounted to 2.1% since Jan. 2.

Fats and oils showed negligible price changes. Sugar prices were unchanged.

The price decline during this period extended throughout all nine of the geographical areas. In 39 of the 51 reporting cities prices showed a downward trend. The largest decrease, 2.4%, was in Houston where bread prices dropped nine-tenths cents per pound. Three cities recorded no change and nine reported increases of less than 1%.

From Mr. Lubin's announcement of July 2 we take the following:

INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES OF FOODS (1913=100.0)

	1935			1934			1933	1930
	June 18 2 Weeks Ago	June 4, Mar. 12 3 Mos. Ago	Dec. 18, Sept. 25 6 Mos. Ago	June 19 1 Year Ago	June 15 2 Years Ago	June 15 5 Years Ago		
All foods.....	123.0	123.8	121.7	114.3	116.4	108.5	96.7	147.9
Cereals.....	150.7	151.2	151.1	150.9	151.7	146.5	117.2	160.1
Meats.....	159.3	160.2	149.6	120.1	131.7	117.8	103.7	179.9
Dairy products.....	106.5	107.4	113.3	108.8	105.3	101.1	93.5	133.7
Eggs.....	93.3	92.7	84.6	108.1	102.0	71.3	58.0	97.4
Fruits & vegs.....	122.6	125.0	117.7	103.6	114.3	124.1	120.2	200.7
Beverages.....	96.8	97.5	100.2	98.2	98.0	96.5	91.9	131.6
Fats and oils.....	117.0	116.9	114.0	98.4	91.3	74.9	72.3	123.7
Sugar & sweets.....	110.3	110.2	105.7	107.0	109.7	104.8	104.1	115.9

Prices used in constructing the weighted index are based upon reports from all types of retail food dealers in 51 cities and cover quotations on 48 important food items. The index is based on the average of 1913 as 100.0. The weights given to the various food items used in constructing the index are based on the expenditures of wage earners and lower-salaried workers.

The following table shows the percentages of price changes for individual commodities covered by the Bureau for June 18 1935, compared with June 4 and May 21 1935, June 19 1934, June 15 1933, and June 15, 1930:

CHANGES IN RETAIL FOOD PRICES, JUNE 18 1935 BY COMMODITIES

Commodities—	Percent Change, June 18 1935 compared with—				
	1935		1934	1933	1930
	June 4 (2 Wks. Ago)	May 21 (4 Wks. Ago)	June 19 (1 Year Ago)	June 15 (2 Years Ago)	June 15 (5 Years Ago)
All foods.....	-0.6	-0.8	+12.8	+27.2	-16.8
Cereals.....	-0.4	-1.1	+2.9	+28.6	-5.9
Bread, white.....	0.0	-1.2	+2.5	+25.8	-5.7
Cornflakes.....	0.0	0.0	0.0	+2.4	-10.6
Cornmeal.....	0.0	0.0	+18.2	+44.4	-1.9
Flour, wheat.....	-2.0	-2.0	0.0	+44.1	+2.1
Macaroni.....	0.0	0.0	+0.6	-9.0	-19.1
Rice.....	0.0	0.0	+2.5	+38.3	-12.6
Rolled oats.....	0.0	0.0	+14.9	+37.5	-11.5
Wheat cereal.....	0.0	+0.5	+2.1	+10.3	-2.8
Meats.....	-0.5	+1.5	+35.3	+53.6	-11.5
Plate beef.....	-1.2	+0.5	+50.0	+59.7	-12.5
Beef—Chuck roast.....	-1.2	0.6	+62.5	+69.0	-12.9
Rib roast.....	-1.3	-0.3	+37.9	+45.1	-12.0
Round steak.....	-0.5	+1.1	+33.0	+45.3	-12.2
Sirloin steak.....	-1.0	0.0	+29.1	+39.1	-13.8
Hens.....	-0.7	-0.3	+24.0	+40.2	-16.0
Lamb, leg of.....	0.0	+1.1	+2.9	+23.3	-23.0
Pork—Bacon, sliced.....	+1.3	+2.8	+47.4	+78.8	-4.5
Ham, sliced.....	-0.9	+2.5	+21.4	+43.8	-16.1
Pork chops.....	-1.4	+5.3	+48.6	+96.8	-0.5
Salmon, red, canned.....	+0.5	0.0	0.0	+19.1	-33.0
Dairy products.....	-0.8	-2.0	+5.3	+13.8	-20.3
Butter.....	-2.5	-6.3	+3.0	+11.0	-27.9
Cheese.....	-1.2	-1.9	+7.2	+9.5	-27.5
Milk, evaporated.....	0.0	0.0	+7.4	+9.0	-20.7
Milk, fresh.....	0.0	0.0	+6.3	+16.7	-15.0
Eggs.....	+0.6	+0.6	+30.8	+61.0	-4.2
Fruits and vegetables.....	-1.9	-3.6	-1.2	+2.0	-38.9
Bananas.....	-1.8	-1.4	-5.7	-8.5	-30.3
Oranges.....	-2.7	-4.2	-18.8	+14.3	-52.5
Prunes.....	+0.9	+1.8	-9.9	+23.9	-32.9
Beans, navy.....	+1.0	0.0	+3.1	+7.6	-17.5
Beans, kidney.....	0.0	0.0	+7.0	+15.1	-47.0
Beans with pork, can'd.....	0.0	0.0	+4.5	+1.7	-20.5
Cabbage.....	-10.0	-21.7	+9.1	-27.7	-35.7
Corn, canned.....	+0.8	+0.8	+15.9	+33.7	-14.9
Onions.....	-7.0	-10.8	+34.7	+43.5	+11.9
Peas, canned.....	+1.1	+1.7	+7.2	+39.1	+9.2
Potatoes, white.....	0.0	0.0	-8.7	-8.7	-50.0
Tomatoes, canned.....	0.0	0.0	-1.0	+15.6	-16.8
Beverages.....	-0.7	-0.6	+0.4	+5.4	-26.4
Cocoa.....	-0.5	0.5	---	---	---
Coffee.....	-1.2	-1.2	-6.9	-4.8	-36.7
Tea.....	+0.1	+0.4	+5.5	+17.2	-4.3
Fats and oils.....	+0.1	+0.7	+56.2	+61.9	-5.4
Lard.....	+0.5	+2.1	+85.4	+96.9	+15.1
Lard compound.....	0.0	0.0	+71.6	---	---
Veg. lard substitute.....	-0.4	-0.4	+16.2	+20.0	-8.6
Oleomargarine.....	0.0	-0.5	+45.9	+49.2	-24.2
Salad oil.....	0.0	0.0	---	---	---
Sugar and sweets.....	+0.1	+0.1	+5.3	+6.0	-4.9
Sugar, granulated.....	0.0	0.0	+5.6	+5.6	-6.6
Corn syrup.....	+0.7	0.0	+9.6	---	---
Molasses.....	+0.7	+0.7	+2.2	---	---
Strawberry preserves.....	+0.5	+0.5	---	---	---

**Trend of Business in Hotels, According to Horwath & Horwath—Sales During May Showed Slight Increase**

"There was no marked change during May in the trend of hotel sales," reported Horwath & Horwath, presenting the following tabulation for comparison:

	Sales Increases				Actual Occupancy
	Total	Rooms	Restaurant	Rates	
February.....	15%	10%	21%	0%	62%
March.....	14	12	18	0	60
April.....	12	9	14	1	63
May.....	13	9	16	1	61

In their review of the trend of business in hotels, Horwath & Horwath also said:

Seventy-four percent of all hotels reporting showed higher occupancy than in last May, but more than half of them achieved the rise by reducing rates. It will be noted that the widely scattered hotels included in the group "all others" have checked the decline in rates more than have the

hotels in the larger cities. This is illustrated by the following comparison with 1929:

INDEX OF ROOM RATES AT END OF MARCH 1935—SAME MONTH OF 1929=100%

New York City.....	65%	Philadelphia.....	70%
Chicago.....	69%	All others.....	75%

The following shows the decreases in total sales for the last six months from the corresponding months six years ago:

TOTAL SALES DECREASES FROM SAME MONTHS SIX YEARS AGO

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May
New York.....	35.8	36.2	35.7	35.9	38.6	31.4
Chicago.....	39.7	41.8	38.4	41.1	32.7	26.6
Philadelphia.....	51.7	46.5	52.6	56.8	49.4	44.3
Washington.....	20.4	13.5	13.3	30.7	26.9	16.1
Cleveland.....	40.0	46.8	44.7	42.8	37.0	37.2
Detroit.....	27.0	29.2	38.7	31.6	35.7	28.3
California.....	37.0	38.2	41.8	41.2	36.8	38.5
All others.....	30.5	33.0	31.8	36.8	31.0	35.0
Total.....	32.8	35.4	35.4	37.3	32.8	31.1

The firm also issued the following analysis by cities:

TREND OF BUSINESS IN HOTELS—MAY 1935 COMPARED WITH MAY 1934

	Sales Percentage of Increase (+) or Decrease (-)			Occupancy		Room Rate Percentage of Inc. (+) or Dec. (-)
	Total	Rooms	Restaur't	This Month	Same Month Last Year	
New York.....	+4	+3	+4	61	59	0
Chicago.....	+8	+7	+9	61	57	0
Philadelphia.....	+5	+4	+5	46	43	-5
Washington.....	-9	+7	+11	67	61	0
Cleveland.....	+3	+4	+2	63	61	-1
Detroit.....	+17	+14	+21	67	58	-1
California.....	+16	+17	+15	59	53	+5
Texas.....	+13	+10	+17	65	58	-1
All others.....	+16	+9	+22	59	56	+1
Total.....	+13	+9	+16	61	58	+1
Average to date.....	+14	+10	+18	62	57	+1

United States Department of Labor Notes Increase of 0.1% in Wholesale Commodity Prices from April to May

Wholesale commodity prices in May, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, United States Department of Labor, registered a fractional advance. The composite index, with an increase of 0.1% in comparison with the preceding month, stood at 80.2% of the 1926 average, the Bureau announced June 22, adding:

The May rise in wholesale prices brought the index to the highest monthly average since November 1930. The current level is 8.8% higher than in the corresponding month of last year and 28% above the level of May 1933.

Higher average prices in May were reported for farm products, hides and leather products, textile products, fuel and lighting materials, metals and metal products, building materials, and chemicals and drugs. Two groups, feeds and housefurnishing goods, registered decreases and the miscellaneous commodities group was unchanged from the April level.

The number of commodities showing price changes by groups are shown below:

Groups	Increases	Decreases	No Change
Farm products.....	30	30	7
Foods.....	25	55	42
Hides and leather products.....	15	3	23
Textile products.....	38	13	61
Fuel and lighting materials.....	8	9	7
Metals and metal products.....	13	4	113
Building materials.....	16	9	61
Chemicals and drugs.....	13	4	72
Housefurnishing goods.....	1	0	60
Miscellaneous commodities.....	12	9	31
Total.....	171	136	477

The raw materials group, which includes basic farm products, hides and skins, raw silk, hemp, jute, sisal, crude petroleum, scrap steel, crude rubber, and similar commodities, advanced fractional and for May was 19% above a year ago. The large group of finished products, which includes more than 500 manufactured articles, registered a minor increase during May and is now about 6% above the May 1934 level.

The index for the group of semi-manufactured articles, covering such items as raw sugar, leather, iron and steel bars, and pig iron shows an increase of 1.7% over April. Compared with the corresponding month of last year the index for this group shows a decrease of 0.3%.

For the first time since July 1934, an advance was recorded in the monthly index for the group of "All commodities other than farm products and processed foods." The increase in May was 0.5%, and brings the index to 77.6% of the 1926 level. In spite of this advance, the average for the group is still 1.6% below that of May 1934. The larger group of non-agricultural commodities also advanced slightly. The May index—80.0—is 4.4% above a year ago.

Influenced by sharp advances in hides, skins, and leather, the hides and leather products group increased 2.3%. The sub-group of "Other Leather Products" decreased slightly, and the price of shoes remained unchanged.

Metals and metal products which have shown very little fluctuation during the past 10 months, rose 0.8% in May, due to strengthening prices of certain iron and steel items, motor vehicles, pig lead, lead pipe bar silver, pig tin, and pig zinc. Average prices of agricultural implements and plumbing and heating fixtures were steady.

Pronounced advances in average prices of petroleum products and smaller increases in bituminous coal more than counter-balanced the seasonal drop in anthracite coal and lower average prices of electricity and gas, with the result that the group of fuel and lighting materials advanced 0.4%.

The index for the building materials group partially recovered the April loss and rose to 84.8% of the 1926 average. The sub-groups of paint and plaster materials, and other building materials were higher. The sub-groups of lumber and brick and tile were lower, and cement and structural steel showed no change.

For the first month during the current year textile products with an index of 69.4 registered an increase. Advances of over 1% in cotton goods

and other textile products, including burlap, jute, and hemp, and a minor increase in woolen and worsted goods were responsible for this rise. Knit goods, on the other hand, were lower by nearly 2%, and clothing and silk and rayon were unchanged.

The index for farm products stood at 80.6 in May. This represents an increase of 0.2% over the previous month and was due to advancing prices of livestock and poultry and other farm products, including cotton, eggs, apples, hops, tobacco, onions, sweet potatoes, and wool. Grains, on the contrary, were lower than in April by more than 5%. Individual farm products for which lower prices were reported were barley, corn, oats, rye, wheat, steers, lemons, oranges, hay, fresh milk at Chicago, seeds, dried beans, and white potatoes. The farm products index for May is 35% above a year ago, when the index was 59.6 and over 60% above two years ago, when the index was 50.2.

Weakening prices of fertilizer materials, in the group of chemicals and drugs, were offset by strengthening prices of chemicals, drugs, pharmaceuticals, and mixed fertilizers with the result that the group as a whole advanced 0.2%.

During May wholesale food prices dropped 0.5% because of a decrease of 8.5% in butter, cheese, and milk; 1.5% in fruits and vegetables; and 1.1% in cereal products. These declines were in a large measure seasonal. Meats, on the other hand, were up 2.9%, and the sub-group of "Other foods," including canned red salmon, glucose, lard, peanut butter, salt, raw and granulated sugar, edible tallow, and cotton seed oil, advanced 2%. Lower prices were reported for butter, cheese, oatmeal, flour, cornmeal, canned and dried apricots, and peaches, raisins, prunes, canned tomatoes, fresh beef at Chicago, lamb, mutton, mess pork, cocoa beans, coffee, oleo oil, pepper, corn starch, and most vegetable oils. The food index for May, 84.1, is 25% above a year ago and more than 41% higher than two years ago, when the indexes were 67.1 and 59.4, respectively.

The index for the group of housefurnishing goods decreased slightly because of lower prices for furnishings. Average prices of furniture were stationary.

In the group of miscellaneous commodities higher prices for cattle feed, crude rubber, and certain other miscellaneous commodities were counter-balanced by lower prices for tires, tubes, paper and pulp. The index for the group remained at 68.7% of the 1926 average.

The index of the Bureau of Labor Statistics is composed of 784 price series, weighted according to their relative importance in the country's markets, and based on average prices for the year 1926 as 100.

Index numbers for the groups and sub-groups of commodities for May 1935 in comparison with April 1935 and May of the past six years are given in the accompanying table:

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES BY GROUPS AND SUB-GROUPS OF COMMODITIES (1926=100)

Groups and Subgroups	May 1935	Apr. 1935	May 1934	May 1933	May 1932	May 1931	May 1930	May 1929
Farm products.....	80.6	80.4	59.6	50.2	46.6	67.1	93.0	102.2
Grains.....	83.2	87.9	63.9	52.8	42.6	59.6	82.1	88.2
Livestock and poultry.....	87.6	85.9	47.8	46.8	44.4	64.1	93.2	110.0
Other farm products.....	75.0	74.5	65.0	51.8	49.6	71.5	96.5	101.7
Foods.....	84.1	84.5	67.1	58.8	59.3	73.8	92.2	98.0
Butter and milk.....	77.7	84.9	67.1	58.8	59.6	78.1	92.3	104.2
Cereal products.....	92.3	93.3	87.3	69.3	68.1	74.6	84.0	84.4
Fruits and vegetables.....	68.3	67.3	68.2	58.8	61.5	76.1	109.4	89.2
Meats.....	97.0	94.3	60.0	52.3	56.5	74.4	101.3	111.5
Other foods.....	77.7	76.2	60.8	60.4	54.9	67.9	79.7	90.8
Hides and leather products.....	88.3	86.3	87.9	76.9	72.5	87.6	102.6	106.7
Boots and shoes.....	97.2	97.2	98.5	83.6	88.4	94.8	103.7	106.2
Hides and skins.....	76.1	71.2	73.5	67.3	65.7	62.6	96.8	110.7
Leather.....	79.6	74.9	76.3	68.3	60.6	88.1	104.2	107.4
Other leather products.....	84.4	84.6	86.8	77.2	97.9	101.4	105.7	105.4
Textile products.....	69.4	69.2	73.6	55.9	54.3	67.4	83.4	90.7
Clothing.....	78.5	78.5	82.7	61.9	62.9	76.9	87.2	90.1
Cotton goods.....	82.7	81.8	86.3	57.9	52.9	69.2	89.0	98.5
Knit goods.....	60.4	61.6	65.3	48.0	50.5	60.7	83.6	89.9
Silk and rayon.....	27.6	27.6	26.5	29.1	29.1	41.4	68.1	80.9
Woolen and worsted goods.....	73.5	73.1	81.0	61.5	58.3	68.5	80.0	89.2
Other textile products.....	68.2	67.5	77.3	70.7	67.2	76.7	87.6	93.2
Fuel & lighting materials.....	73.1	72.8	72.5	60.4	70.7	80.3	82.5	82.5
Anthracite coal.....	73.0	75.5	75.7	78.5	85.6	87.5	89.7	87.4
Bituminous coal.....	95.7	95.4	94.6	78.3	82.0	83.9	87.6	89.2
Coke.....	88.7	88.7	84.5	75.2	77.1	83.7	84.0	84.7
Electricity.....	*	87.8	88.9	94.6	106.1	98.0	98.4	93.1
Gas.....	*	88.0	94.6	99.5	103.0	99.0	97.9	93.4
Petroleum products.....	52.2	51.0	50.7	31.2	47.2	35.9	66.5	72.5
Metals & metal products.....	86.6	85.9	89.1	77.7	80.1	85.0	93.5	101.2
Agricultural implements.....	93.6	93.6	91.1	83.0	84.9	94.3	94.6	99.0
Iron and steel.....	86.6	86.0	90.2	75.2	80.0	83.8	90.1	95.6
Motor vehicles.....	94.4	93.6	97.3	90.4	93.8	94.5	102.6	107.8
Nonferrous metals.....	69.2	68.2	68.1	56.6	48.3	63.3	82.3	105.5
Plumbing and heating.....	67.1	67.1	75.0	61.3	64.4	86.6	96.2	96.0
Building materials.....	84.7	84.6	87.3	71.4	70.5	80.0	92.4	95.5
Brick and tile.....	89.3	89.7	91.2	75.2	77.4	83.7	90.5	95.3
Cement.....	94.9	94.9	89.4	81.8	75.0	79.7	92.2	94.6
Lumber.....	79.8	79.9	85.9	59.6	59.5	69.4	89.6	94.2
Paint & plaster materials.....	79.9	79.2	80.3	70.7	73.9	80.2	92.8	92.3
Plumbing and heating.....	67.1	67.1	75.0	61.3	64.4	86.6	96.2	96.0
Structural steel.....	92.0	92.0	94.5	81.7	81.7	84.3	91.9	99.6
Other building materials.....	89.8	89.4	92.0	78.8	78.2	86.3	94.5	97.5
Chemicals and drugs.....	81.2	81.0	75.4	73.2	73.6	80.5	90.2	94.1
Chemicals.....	87.5	87.2	78.6	80.9	79.1	83.9	95.3	98.4
Drugs & pharmaceuticals.....	74.2	73.8	72.8	55.0	58.7	63.2	68.5	71.6
Fertilizer materials.....	65.9	66.0	66.4	66.8	69.4	80.5	86.5	94.1
Mixed fertilizers.....	80.6	80.7	82.0	71.7	74.8	86.8	93.5	94.0
Housefurnishing goods.....	84.1	84.2	84.1	72.0	75.5	83.6	92.4	94.3
Furnishings.....	77.1	77.1	80.1	71.6	74.1	80.4	94.6	94.6
Furniture.....	68.7	68.7	69.8	58.9	64.4	70.5	80.4	82.0
Miscellaneous.....	45.0	46.3	44.6	37.6	39.2	46.9	53.0	54.5
Automobile tires & tubes.....	107.0	104.9	72.5	54.4	45.9	67.9	110.3	101.6
Cattle feed.....	80.0	80.4	83.7	70.7	76.5	81.5	86.6	89.3
Paper and pulp.....	24.9	23.7	27.7	10.2	6.7	13.7	29.2	44.9
Rubber, crude.....	79.4	79.0	83.6	74.0	84.6	88.5	95.5	98.3
Other miscellaneous.....	77.6	77.5	65.1	53.7	53.9	66.5	87.8	95.3
Semi-manufactured articles.....	73.5	72.3	73.7	61.3	58.1	69.8	83.1	93.0
Finished products.....	82.4	82.3	77.8	67.2	70.3	76.9	90.1	94.6
Non-agricul. commodities.....	80.0	79.9	76.6	65.4	68.1	74.5	87.9	93.1
All commodities other than farm products & foods.....	77.6	77.2	78.9	66.5	70.4	75.1	87.3	91.5
All commodities.....	80.2	80.1	73.7	62.7	64.4	73.2	88.8	94.7

\* Data not yet available.

Weekly Electric Output Shows Gain of 6.4% Over Like Week of 1934

The Edison Electric Institute, in its weekly statement, discloses that the production of electricity by the electric light and power industry of the United States for the week ended July 6 1935 totaled 1,655,420,000 kwh. Total output for the latest week indicated a gain of 6.4% over the corresponding week of 1934, when output totaled 1,555,844,000 kwh.

Electric output during the week ended June 29 1935 totaled 1,772,138,000 kwh. This was a gain of 5.0% over the 1,688,211,000 kwh. produced during the week ended June 30 1934. The Institute's statement follows:

PERCENTAGE INCREASE OVER 1934

Major Geographic Regions	Week Ended July 6 1935	Week Ended June 29 1935	Week Ended June 22 1935	Week Ended June 15 1935
New England.....	7.4	6.7	5.7	3.2
Middle Atlantic.....	4.4	4.4	6.7	4.5
Central Industrial.....	6.6	2.3	3.3	0.4
West Central.....	5.7	3.3	4.5	3.2
Southern States.....	9.9	6.8	6.9	6.0
Rocky Mountain.....	31.3	28.4	28.7	32.7
Pacific Coast.....	x1.2	2.1	3.2	6.2
Total United States.....	6.4	5.0	6.0	4.6

x Decrease.

DATA FOR RECENT WEEKS

Week of—	1935	1934	P. C. Ch'ge	Weekly Data for Previous Years in Millions of Kilowatt-Hours				
				1933	1932	1931	1930	1929
Mar. 30	1,712,863,000	1,665,650,000	+2.8	1,402	1,480	1,680	1,723	1,680
Apr. 6	1,700,334,000	1,616,945,000	+5.2	1,399	1,465	1,647	1,708	1,663
Apr. 13	1,725,352,000	1,642,187,000	+5.1	1,410	1,481	1,641	1,715	1,697
Apr. 20	1,701,945,000	1,672,765,000	+1.7	1,431	1,470	1,676	1,733	1,709
Apr. 27	1,673,295,000	1,668,564,000	+0.3	1,428	1,455	1,644	1,725	1,700
May 4	1,698,178,000	1,632,766,000	+4.0	1,436	1,429	1,637	1,698	1,688
May 11	1,701,702,000	1,643,433,000	+3.5	1,468	1,437	1,654	1,689	1,698
May 18	1,700,022,000	1,649,770,000	+3.0	1,483	1,436	1,645	1,717	1,704
May 25	1,696,051,000	1,654,903,000	+2.5	1,494	1,425	1,602	1,723	1,705
June 1	1,628,520,000	1,575,828,000	+3.3	1,461	1,381	1,594	1,660	1,615
June 8	1,724,491,000	1,654,916,000	+4.2	1,542	1,435	1,621	1,657	1,690
June 15	1,742,506,000	1,665,358,000	+4.6	1,578	1,442	1,610	1,707	1,699
June 22	1,774,654,000	1,674,566,000	+6.0	1,598	1,441	1,635	1,698	1,703
June 29	1,772,138,000	1,688,211,000	+5.0	1,656	1,457	1,607	1,704	1,723
July 6	1,655,420,000	1,555,844,000	+6.4	1,539	1,342	1,604	1,594	1,592

DATA FOR RECENT MONTHS (THOUSANDS OF KWH.)

Month of	1935	1934	P. C. Ch'ge	1933	1932	1931	1930
Jan.	7,762,513	7,131,158	+8.9	6,480,897	7,011,736	7,435,782	8,021,749
Feb.	7,048,495	6,608,356	+8.7	5,835,263	6,494,091	6,678,915	7,066,788
March	7,500,566	7,198,232	+4.2	6,182,281	6,771,684	7,370,687	7,580,335
April	7,382,224	6,978,419	+5.8	6,024,855	6,294,302	7,184,514	7,416,191
May	7,249,732	6,978,419	+3.8	6,532,686	6,219,554	7,180,210	7,494,807
June	7,056,116	6,809,440	+3.6	6,809,440	6,130,077	7,070,729	7,239,697
July	7,116,251	6,716,251	+5.0	7,058,600	6,112,175	7,286,576	7,363,730
Aug.	7,309,575	6,832,260	+6.3	7,218,678	6,310,667	7,166,086	7,391,196
Sept.	6,832,260	6,832,260	0.0	6,931,652	6,317,733	7,099,421	7,337,106
Oct.	7,384,922	6,832,260	+8.1	7,094,412	6,633,865	7,331,380	7,718,787
Nov.	7,160,756	6,832,260	+4.6	6,831,573	6,507,804	6,971,644	7,270,112
Dec.	7,538,337	6,832,260	+9.8	7,009,164	6,638,424	7,288,025	7,566,601
Total	85,564,124	80,009,501	+7.4	77,442,112	86,063,969	89,467,009	

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%.

**United States Department of Labor Reports Increase in Wholesale Commodity Prices During Week of July 6**

The first week in July witnessed an increase of 0.3% in the composite index of wholesale commodity prices, Commissioner Lubin of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor, announced July 11, stating:

The advance contrasted with an uninterrupted decline during the five preceding weeks and brought the index to 79.1% of the 1926 average. It is now approximately 6% above a year ago and nearly 18% above two years ago, when the indexes were 74.7 and 67.2, respectively.

A sharp upturn in the market price of farm products and a smaller increase in processed foods were the principal factors accounting for the advance in the combined index. The large industrial group, which includes all commodities other than farm products and processed foods, declined 0.1% from the previous week's level. This group has fluctuated within narrow limits during the past six months. The present index—77.8—is 0.4% below the high point reached early in January and 1.2% above the low of April 6.

In addition to farm products and foods, hides and leather products and fuel and lighting materials also advanced. Metals and metal products and building materials registered a minor decrease. Textile products, chemicals and drugs, housefurnishing goods, and miscellaneous commodities remained unchanged from the previous week.

Compared with the corresponding week of last year, farm products prices are higher by nearly 22%; foods, 15%; chemicals, 5%; hides and leather products, 2%; and fuel and lighting materials, about 1%. Contrasted with these increases building materials are down 3%; textile products and miscellaneous commodities, about 2 1/2%; and metals and metal products and housefurnishing goods approximately 1 1/2%.

Each of the 10 commodity groups is above the corresponding week of 1933. The increases range from 7% for hides and leather products and metals and metal products to 33% for farm products.

In noting the above, an announcement issued by the Department of Labor further stated:

Group index numbers for the week of July 6 1935, as compared with May 25 1935, July 7 1934, and July 8 1933, and the percent of change are shown in the table below:

Commodity Groups	July 6 1935	May 25 1935	Percent of Change	July 7 1934	Percent of Change	July 8 1933	Percent of Change
All Commodities.....	79.1	80.3	-1.5	74.7	+5.9	67.2	+17.7
Farm products.....	78.0	81.5	-4.3	64.1	+21.7	58.5	+33.3
Foods.....	81.9	84.3	-2.8	71.0	+15.4	62.9	+30.2
Hides and leather products.....	89.8	89.5	+0.3	87.9	+2.2	83.7	+7.3
Textile products.....	69.7	69.4	+0.4	71.5	-2.5	64.1	+8.7
Fuel and lighting materials.....	74.9	74.1	+0.8	74.2	+0.9	65.7	+14.0
Metals and metal products.....	85.7	85.6	+0.1	86.9	-1.4	79.9	+7.3
Building materials.....	84.8	84.9	-0.1	87.5	-3.1	77.0	+10.1
Chemicals and drugs.....	79.5	81.0	-1.9	75.7	+5.0	73.0	+8.9
Housefurnishing goods.....	81.8	82.0	-0.2	83.1	-1.6	73.6	+11.1
Miscellaneous commodities.....	68.0	69.0	-1.4	69.9	-2.7	62.9	+8.1
All commodities other than farm products and foods.....	77.8	77.8	0.0	78.6	-1.0	71.1	+9.4

The group of farm products recovered the loss of the preceding week and rose 1.2%. Grains were up 2.9% due to rising prices for wheat and rye.

Barley, corn, and oats, on the other hand, were lower. The sub-group of other farm products, including cotton, eggs, lemons, oranges, clover seed, dried beans, potatoes, and wool, advanced 0.8%. Livestock and poultry increased 0.5% because of higher prices for steers and light hogs, although prices of calves, cows, heavy hogs, and live poultry at Chicago weakened.

Wholesale food prices advanced 0.4% during the week due to a higher average for the sub-groups of cereal products; butter, cheese and milk; fruits and vegetables; and meats. The sub-group of other foods registered a minor decrease because of weakening prices for coffee, lard, pepper, edible tallow, canned red salmon, and vegetable oils. Food items for which higher prices were reported were butter, cheese, oatmeal, flour, mutton, and dressed poultry in New York. The current index—81.9—is 15% above a year ago and 30% above two years ago.

Higher prices for hides and skins forced the index for the hides and leather products group up 0.2%. Leather, on the other hand, was lower. The sub-group of shoes remained unchanged at the high point of the year, and other leather products were unchanged at the low.

In the fuel and lighting materials group, falling prices of petroleum products were more than offset by rising prices of coal. Coke remained unchanged. The index for the group as a whole rose to 74.9.

Metals and metal products declined 0.5% due to lower prices for copper in the nonferrous metals sub-group. Iron and steel was slightly higher because of strengthening prices for scrap steel. The sub-groups of agricultural implements, motor vehicles, and plumbing and heating fixtures were unchanged.

The index for the building materials group dropped fractionally as a result of declining prices for paint materials and sand. Lumber, on the contrary, was slightly higher. The sub-groups of brick and tile, cement, and structural steel remained at the previous week's level.

In the textile products group lower prices for cotton goods were offset by higher prices for silk and rayon with the result that the index remained at 69.7. Clothing, knit goods, woolen and worsted goods, and other textile products were unchanged.

The index for the group of chemicals and drugs also remained unchanged. Higher prices for mixed fertilizers were offset by lower prices for certain chemicals. Average prices of drugs and pharmaceuticals, and mixed fertilizers registered no change during the week.

Housefurnishing goods also were unchanged. Average prices of both furniture and furnishings were stationary.

The index for the group of miscellaneous commodities remained at 68.0, the lowest for any of the 10 major groups. Minor decreases in prices of cattle feed and other miscellaneous commodities were not reflected in the level for the group as a whole. The sub-group of automobile tires and tubes, paper and pulp, and crude rubber were steady.

The index of the Bureau of Labor Statistics is composed of 784 price series weighted according to their relative importance in the country's markets and based on average prices for the year 1926 as 100.

The following table shows index numbers for the main groups of commodities for the past five weeks and for the weeks of July 7 1934, and July 8 1933:

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES FOR WEEKS ENDING JULY 6, JUNE 29, JUNE 22, JUNE 15 AND JUNE 8 1935, AND JULY 7 1934, AND JULY 8 1933 (1926=100)

Commodity Groups	July 6 1935	June 29 1935	June 22 1935	June 15 1935	June 8 1935	July 7 1934	July 8 1933
All Commodities.....	79.1	78.9	79.3	79.8	79.9	74.7	67.2
Farm products.....	78.0	77.1	78.0	79.9	79.9	64.1	58.5
Foods.....	81.9	81.6	82.5	83.4	83.7	71.0	62.9
Hides and leather products.....	89.8	89.6	89.3	89.4	89.1	87.9	83.7
Textile products.....	69.7	69.7	69.7	69.1	69.3	71.5	64.1
Fuel and lighting materials.....	74.9	74.8	74.7	74.9	74.7	74.2	65.7
Metals and metal products.....	85.7	86.1	85.9	85.9	85.6	86.9	79.9
Building materials.....	84.8	84.9	85.1	85.3	85.1	87.5	77.0
Chemicals and drugs.....	79.5	79.5	80.0	80.4	80.7	75.7	73.0
Housefurnishing goods.....	81.8	81.8	81.7	81.7	81.8	83.1	73.6
Miscellaneous commodities.....	68.0	68.0	68.4	68.4	68.9	69.9	62.9
All commodities other than farm products and foods.....	77.8	77.9	77.9	77.9	77.8	78.6	71.1

**Review of Industrial Situation in Illinois by Illinois Department of Labor—Decrease Noted in Employment and Payrolls in May as Compared with April**

A decline of 0.3 of 1% in the number of persons employed and 1.5% in total wages paid is shown by summaries of reports from 4,342 manufacturing and non-manufacturing enterprises in Illinois, according to Peter T. Swanish, Chief of the Division of Statistics and Research of the Illinois Department of Labor. He noted:

For the 12-year period 1923-1934, inclusive, the records of the Division of Statistics and Research show that the average April-May change in employment was a decline of 0.2 of 1%, while the average change in total wage payments was an increase of 0.4 of 1%. The decrease in employment during May in comparison with April of this year, while typical of the behavior of this series during the April-May interval, is slightly greater than the 12-year average figure of change, while the decrease in total wage payments represents a reversal of the seasonal trend in payrolls.

Mr. Swanish said that in comparison with May of last year, however, "the May indexes of employment and payrolls represent a higher level of industrial activity." In his review issued June 22 he continued:

The index of employment for all reporting industries rose from 72.4 in May of 1934 to 74.0 in May of this year, while the index of payrolls advanced from 54.2 to 57.1, respectively.

**Changes in Employment and Wages Paid According to Sex**

Reports from 3,661 industrial enterprises, which designated the number of employees by sex, showed an increase of 0.2 of 1% in the number of male, but a decrease of 1.8% in the number of female employees. Total wages paid male workers decreased 1.1%, while wages paid female workers declined 4.0% during May in comparison with April.

In the manufacturing group of industries, with 1,893 reporting concerns, the number of male and female workers decreased 0.7 of 1% and 2.4%, respectively. Total wages paid male workers declined 2.1%, while wages paid female workers decreased 6.4% during May in comparison with April.

The non-manufacturing group of industries, 1,763 reporting concerns, showed an increase of 2.9% in the number of male workers, but a decrease of 0.9 of 1% in the number of female workers employed. Total wages paid male workers increased 1.4% while wages paid female workers declined 0.8 of 1%.

Changes in Man-Hours During May in Comparison with April

Man-hours worked were reported by 3,036 industrial enterprises. For male and female workers combined, in all reporting industries, the total number of hours decreased 1.6%. Total hours worked by male and female workers during May in comparison with April declined 1.1% and 2%, respectively.

In the manufacturing industries 1,697 concerns reported man-hours worked by both sexes combined, and in these enterprises the total hours worked were 2.5% less in May than in April.

Hours worked in 1,660 manufacturing plants, reporting man-hours for male and female workers, separately, declined 1.5% for male workers and 4.0% for female workers. In the non-manufacturing group, 1,339 establishments reported an increase of 0.1% in total man-hours worked by male and female workers combined. Within this group of industries, 1,238 firms showed increases of 0.2 of 1% and 1.7% in the total number of man-hours worked by male and female workers, respectively.

Average actual hours worked by 348,767 wage earners in the 3,036 industrial enterprises reporting man-hours data declined from 38.1 in April to 37.4 in May, or 1.8%. In manufacturing plants the average weekly hours declined from 37.2 in April to 36.4 in May, or 2.2%. In non-manufacturing plants the average number of hours worked per week during May was 39.5, or 1.2% less than in April.

Business Conditions in Philadelphia Federal Reserve District—Seasonal Slackening of Activity Noted

"Business activity in the Philadelphia Federal Reserve District has slackened seasonally since April," said the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia in its July 1 "Business Review." It continued:

After rising for three months, factory production declined a little more than usual during May, while activity at coal mines increased for the second consecutive month. Output of crude oil has continued downward. Industrial production in the aggregate, as measured by these three branches combined according to their relative importance, failed to maintain its usual May level by about 2%, but for the year to date the rate of output has been 4% greater than last year. The value of all building contracts awarded increased in the month, owing to larger volume in the non-residential type of construction. The conditions of crops and livestock indicate increased production, and farm income continues larger mainly because of higher prices and rental and benefit payments.

The value of retail trade sales during May fell off more than usual, but some improvement was indicated in June. For the year to date dollar sales have been slightly smaller than last year. Virtually no important change has been noted in the case of wholesale trade sales, which continue larger than in the first part of last year, largely because of higher prices.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing activity continues to reflect seasonal quiet, although current sales of factory products in general appear to be well sustained when compared with the volume last year. Prices of manufactures on the whole have shown a slight rise since the middle of May, reflecting mainly advances in wool fibers and their products as well as in some of the other commodities, particularly cement and lumber.

Production of manufactures during May declined by a larger proportion than is seasonally to be expected, following a marked improvement in the preceding three months. This Bank's index of productive activity dropped from 74 in April to 72 in May, or about the same level as it was in March, when adjustment is made for working days and the usual seasonal variation. Compared with a year ago, it was 4% higher and for the year to date 6% above the average level in the first five months last year.

Country's Foreign Trade in May—Imports and Exports

The Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Commerce at Washington on June 5 issued its statement on the foreign trade of the United States for May and the 11 months ended with May, with comparisons by months back to 1930. The report is as follows:

United States foreign trade showed practically no change during May. Exports, which usually decrease 1%, were about 1% greater in value, while imports, which usually decline about 6%, showed no change. For the second consecutive month imports exceeded exports; the excess amounted to \$5,100,000.

Exports, including re-exports, were valued at \$165,457,000 in May, compared with \$164,188,000 in April 1935 and \$160,197,000 in May 1934. General imports, which include goods entering consumption channels immediately upon arrival in the United States, plus goods entered for storage in bonded warehouses, totaled \$170,559,000, compared with \$170,580,000 in April 1935 and \$154,647,000 in May 1934. During the first five months of 1935 exports exceeded imports by \$16,000,000, an average of only slightly more than \$3,000,000 a month.

Imports for consumption, which include goods entering consumption channels immediately upon arrival in the United States, plus withdrawals from bonded warehouses for consumption, were valued at \$166,791,000 compared with \$166,157,000 in April 1935 and \$147,467,000 in May 1934.

Re-exports of foreign merchandise, which in April totaled approximately \$3,600,000, amounted to \$5,700,000 in May 1935. Exports of merchandise produced domestically were approximately \$1,000,000 smaller than in April.

Agricultural exports were valued at \$39,066,000, approximately the same amount as in April. Raw cotton shipments amounted to 161,400,000 pounds, valued at \$19,400,000, compared with 180,900,000 pounds, valued at \$21,800,000, in April. Although the May exports of cotton were relatively small even for this season of the year, they were 4% larger in quantity than during May 1934. Tobacco, apples and sugar exports also dropped to lower levels in May. All agricultural commodities, other than the four mentioned above, expanded in value from \$12,100,000 in April to \$15,400,000 in May, or 27%. Meats, lard, wheat flour, vegetables, canned and dried fruits and milled rice all shared in the advance. Milled rice exports in May, totaling \$28,746,000 pounds, were somewhat larger than the total shipments of rice during the first four months of 1935.

Non-agricultural exports decreased less than 1%, from \$121,532,000 in April to \$120,723,000 in May. Principal non-agricultural exports which contributed to the decline included automobiles, copper, electrical machinery and apparatus, office appliances, steel mill products, lubricating oil, lumber, coal tar products, and rubber manufactures. The value of exports of automobiles, including parts and accessories, decreased nearly \$3,500,000 during May and the total of \$21,500,000 was only slightly above the value of \$20,600,000 in May 1934. During the preceding four months, however, exports of automobiles were \$18,700,000 larger in value than in

the corresponding period of the preceding year. The decline in exports of machinery, including electrical apparatus and office appliances, totaled approximately \$1,200,000 during May, but for the five months ending with May total machinery exports exceeded those of the corresponding period of 1934 by \$43,000,000. Exports of naval stores, cigarettes, coal, crude petroleum, gasoline, fuel oil, steel scrap and other steel manufactures, agricultural implements, chemical specialties, and fertilizers increased considerably in value during May.

While the total value of May imports changed relatively little as compared with April, imports of some commodities expanded considerably while others showed sharp declines. Total imports for consumption of agricultural products declined from \$92,805,000 in April to \$90,199,000 in May, while non-agricultural imports increased from \$73,352,000 to \$76,592,000. In the former group, smaller imports of tropical products such as crude rubber, coffee and cocoa, accounted for a considerable part of the decline, although among the more competitive imports, sesame seed, Cuban sugar, vegetables, butter, meats and tobacco dropped off considerably. Vegetable oil imports increased from a total of \$7,798,000 in April to \$7,952,000 in May, while tallow and grain imports were, respectively, 18 and 5% larger in value. Raw silk imports in May increased considerably as compared with April, but were smaller than they were in March.

Principal commodities responsible for the expansion in the non-agricultural total included wood pulp, newsprint, diamonds, hides and skins, leather, copper, tin, iron and steel manufactures, crude petroleum and fertilizers. Imports of art works, burlaps, cotton gloves, cotton cloth, hats of straw and other fiber, fuel oil, ferro-alloys, nickel and coal tar products dropped to a lower level than in April.

MERCHANDISE TRADE BY MONTHS  
TOTAL VALUES OF EXPORTS INCLUDING RE-EXPORTS AND GENERAL IMPORTS  
(Preliminary figures for 1935 corrected to July 3 1935)

Exports and Imports	May		5 Months Ending May		Increase(+) Decrease(-)
	1935	1934	1935	1934	
Exports	1,000 Dollars 165,457	1,000 Dollars 160,197	1,000 Dollars 853,789	1,000 Dollars 865,534	1,000 Dollars -11,745
Imports	170,559	154,647	837,803	727,734	+110,069
Excess of exports		5,550	15,986	137,800	
Excess of imports	5,102				

Month or Period	1935	1934	1933	1932	1931	1930
Exports Including Re-exports	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars
January	176,223	172,220	120,589	150,022	249,598	410,849
February	162,990	162,752	101,515	153,972	224,346	348,852
March	184,931	190,938	108,015	154,876	235,899	369,549
April	164,188	179,427	105,217	135,095	215,077	331,732
May	165,457	160,197	114,203	131,899	203,970	320,035
June	170,519	119,790	114,148	187,077	294,701	427,761
July	161,672	144,109	106,830	180,772	266,762	396,702
August	171,984	131,473	108,599	164,808	297,765	410,849
September	191,813	160,119	132,037	180,228	312,207	438,852
October	206,413	193,069	153,090	204,905	326,596	459,549
November	194,712	184,256	138,834	193,540	283,978	410,849
December	170,654	192,638	131,614	184,070	274,856	410,849
5 months ending May	853,789	865,534	549,539	725,864	1,128,890	1,781,017
11 months ending May	1,950,535	1,871,198	1,320,543	1,834,187	2,896,353	4,398,924
12 months ending Dec.	2,132,800	1,674,994	1,611,016	2,424,289	3,843,181	5,348,852
General Imports	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars
January	166,859	135,706	96,006	135,520	183,148	311,968
February	152,480	132,753	83,748	130,999	174,946	281,707
March	177,325	158,105	94,860	131,189	210,202	300,460
April	170,580	145,529	88,412	126,522	185,706	307,824
May	170,559	154,647	106,869	112,276	179,694	284,683
June	136,109	122,197	110,250	173,455	250,343	363,533
July	127,229	142,980	79,421	174,460	249,598	371,968
August	119,513	154,918	91,102	166,679	218,417	326,596
September	131,658	146,643	98,411	170,384	226,352	348,852
October	129,635	150,867	105,499	168,708	247,367	369,549
November	150,919	128,541	104,468	149,480	203,593	283,978
December	132,258	133,518	97,087	153,773	208,636	283,978
5 months ending May	837,803	727,734	469,895	636,956	933,696	1,485,642
11 months ending May	1,629,016	1,585,201	1,045,883	1,619,990	2,258,619	3,598,628
12 months ending Dec.	1,655,055	1,449,569	1,322,774	2,090,635	3,060,908	4,398,924

TOTAL VALUES OF EXPORTS OF U. S. MERCHANDISE AND IMPORTS FOR CONSUMPTION

Exports and Imports	May		5 Months Ending May		Increase(+) Decrease(-)
	1935	1934	1935	1934	
Exports (U. S. mdse.)	1,000 Dollars 159,789	1,000 Dollars 157,161	1,000 Dollars 835,763	1,000 Dollars 850,262	1,000 Dollars -14,499
Imports for consumption	166,791	147,467	829,145	696,133	+133,012

Month or Period	1935	1934	1933	1932	1931	1930
Exports—U. S. Merchandise	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars
January	173,560	169,577	118,559	146,906	245,727	404,321
February	160,296	159,617	99,423	151,048	220,660	342,901
March	181,571	187,418	106,293	151,403	231,081	363,079
April	160,547	176,490	103,265	132,268	210,061	326,536
May	166,791	157,161	111,845	128,553	199,225	312,460
June	159,789	187,902	117,517	109,478	182,797	289,869
July	159,128	141,573	104,276	177,025	262,071	371,968
August	169,851	129,315	106,270	161,494	239,903	348,852
September	188,860	157,490	129,538	177,382	307,932	438,852
October	203,536	190,842	151,035	201,890	322,676	459,549
November	192,156	181,291	136,402	190,339	285,396	371,968
December	168,442	189,808	128,975	180,801	270,029	371,968
5 months ending May	835,763	850,262	539,385	710,178	1,106,754	1,749,297
11 months ending May	1,917,737	1,840,582	1,295,880	1,798,609	2,848,760	4,327,861
12 months ending Dec.	2,100,135	1,647,220	1,576,151	2,377,982	3,781,172	5,348,852
Imports for Consumption	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars
January	168,509	128,976	92,718	134,311	183,284	316,705
February	152,234	125,047	84,164	129,804	177,483	283,713
March	175,545	153,396	91,893	130,584	205,690	304,435
April	166,157	141,247	88,107	123,176	182,867	305,970
May	166,791	147,467	109,141	112,611	176,443	282,474
June	135,067	123,931	112,509	174,516	216,516	314,277
July	124,010	141,018	79,934	174,559	215,089	326,596
August	117,262	152,714	93,375	168,735	216,920	326,596
September	149,893	147,599	102,933	174,740	227,767	348,852
October	137,975	149,288	104,662	171,589	245,443	369,549
November	149,470	125,269	105,295	152,802	216,917	283,978
December	126,193	127,170	95,898	149,516	201,367	283,978
5 months ending May	829,145	696,133	466,023	630,486	925,767	1,493,297
11 months ending May	1,633,948	1,539,192	1,048,120	1,622,426	2,232,270	3,601,253
12 months ending Dec.	1,636,003	1,433,013	1,325,093	2,088,455	3,114,077	4,398,924

GOLD AND SILVER BY MONTHS

Exports and Imports	May		5 Months Ending May		Increase(+) Decrease(-)
	1935	1934	1935	1934	
Gold—	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Exports	49	1,780	1,060	6,627	-5,567
Imports	140,065	35,362	574,851	782,096	-207,245
Excess of exports					
Excess of imports	140,016	33,582	573,791	775,469	
Silver—					
Exports	2,885	1,638	10,515	5,321	+5,194
Imports	13,501	4,435	80,782	13,934	+66,848
Excess of exports					
Excess of imports	10,616	2,797	70,267	8,613	

Month or Period	Gold				Silver			
	1935	1934	1933	1932	1935	1934	1933	1932
	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars	1,000 Dollars
Exports—								
January	363	4,715	14	107,863	1,248	859	1,551	1,611
February	46	51	21,521	123,211	1,661	734	209	942
March	540	44	28,123	43,909	3,128	665	269	967
April	62	37	16,741	49,509	1,593	1,425	193	1,617
May	49	1,780	22,925	212,229	2,885	1,638	233	1,865
June		6,586	4,380	226,117		2,404	343	1,268
July		114	85,375	23,474		1,789	2,572	828
August		14,556	81,473	18,067		1,741	7,015	433
September		22,255	58,282	60		1,424	3,321	868
October		2,173	34,046	61		1,162	2,281	1,316
November		310	2,957	16		1,698	464	875
December		140	10,815	13		1,014	590	1,260
5 mos. end. May	1,060	6,627	89,324	541,721	10,515	5,321	2,457	7,002
11 mos. end. May	40,607	279,575	131,012	1,007,727	19,342	21,562	8,038	18,711
12 mos. end. Dec.		52,759	366,652	809,528		16,551	19,041	13,850
Imports—								
January	149,755	1,947	128,479	34,913	10,085	3,593	1,763	2,097
February	122,817	452,622	30,397	37,644	16,351	2,128	855	2,009
March	13,543	237,380	14,948	19,238	20,842	1,823	1,693	1,809
April	148,670	54,785	6,769	19,271	11,002	1,955	1,520	1,890
May	140,065	35,362	1,785	16,715	13,501	4,435	5,275	1,547
June		70,291	1,136	20,070		5,431	15,472	1,401
July		52,460	1,497	20,037		2,458	5,386	1,288
August		51,781	1,085	24,170		21,926	11,602	1,554
September		3,585	1,545	27,957		20,831	3,494	2,052
October		13,010	1,696	20,674		14,425	4,106	1,305
November		121,199	2,174	21,756		15,011	4,983	1,494
December		92,249	1,687	100,872		8,711	4,977	1,203
5 mos. end. May	574,851	782,096	182,378	127,781	80,782	13,934	11,106	9,352
11 mos. end. May	909,134	791,780	397,843	499,959	164,143	47,580	20,002	23,982
12 mos. end. Dec.		118,6671	193,197	363,316		102,175	60,225	19,650

Manufacturing Activity in May Declined Seasonally from April According to National Industrial Conference Board

A seasonal decline in manufacturing activity as measured by man-hours worked in May as compared with April is reported by the National Industrial Conference Board in its monthly survey of 25 manufacturing industries. The decline resulted chiefly from a more-than-seasonal shortening of the average work-week rather than from lay-offs usual at this time of the year. Issued under date of June 28 the Board's survey said:

The reduction in the length of the average work-week from April to May was 1.1% compared with an average decline of 0.4% in the period 1923-1929, while the reduction in the number of employees was 0.4% compared with an average seasonal decline of 1.0%. Total man-hours consequently decreased 1.4% from April to May. Payroll disbursements fell off 1.2%.

Although hourly earnings advanced fractionally, from 59.8 cents in April to 59.9 cents in May, or 0.2%, the reduction of nearly half an hour in the average work-week brought weekly earnings down from \$21.93 to \$21.76, or 0.8%. A drop in the cost of living, however, offset part of the nominal decline, so that real weekly earnings were only off 0.3%.

Compared with a year ago, the May figures show a nominal rather than real gain for the workers. While there has been an increase of 0.7% in total man-hours worked, of 2.9% in payroll disbursements, of 2.2% in average earnings per hour, of 2.3% in the average number of hours worked per wage-earner, and of 4.6% in nominal average weekly earnings, there were 1.5% fewer workers employed, and because of the advance in the cost of living, real weekly earnings were 0.8% lower than a year ago.

As compared with May 1929, a gain has been made in average hourly earnings; they were 59.9 cents in May 1935, and 59.1 cents in May 1929, or 1.4% higher. A 25.5% reduction in the average work-week from 48.7 hours to 36.3 hours lowered weekly earnings from \$28.79 in May 1929, to \$21.76 in May 1935, or 24.4%. Since the reduction in the cost of living during this period was less than the decline in nominal weekly earnings the weekly pay envelope in May, 1935 had 9.8% less purchasing power than that of May 1929. The number of workers employed in May 1935, was still 19.8% less than six years ago, their combined payroll was 39.4% lower, and the total number of man-hours worked was 40.2% less than in May 1929.

Wholesale Trade in Chicago Federal Reserve District During May Above April—2% Decline Noted in Department Store Sales—Mid-West Distribution of Automobiles

The Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, in its "Business Conditions Report" of June 30, states that increased sales were shown in May over April by all reporting groups of wholesale trade in the Seventh (Chicago) District, while department store trade decreased 2% during the period.

With regard to trade at wholesale, the Bank said:

All reporting groups of wholesale trade had heavier sales in May than a month previous, the gains of 4, 6 and 4% in groceries, hardware, and electrical supplies, respectively, being in accordance with seasonal trend, while that of 2½% in the drug trade compared with a decline of 1½% in the 1925-34 average for the period. Although a majority of reporting grocery and electrical supply firms sold more goods in May than in the corresponding month last year, a decline in sales of some of the larger distributors effected decreases from last May in aggregate sales; the decline in

electrical supply sales was the first to be recorded in the yearly comparison since April 1933. Hardware and drug sales continued to be moderately heavier than a year ago. Cumulative sales for the five months of 1935 showed increases over the same period of 1934 of 3% in groceries, 6% in drugs, and 12% each in hardware and electrical supplies. Stocks in all groups were lighter on May 31 than at the close of April.

WHOLESALE TRADE IN MAY 1935

Commodity	Per Cent Change from Same Month Last Year				Ratio of Accts. Outstanding to Net Sales
	Net Sales	Stocks	Accts. Outstanding	Col-lections	
Groceries	-4.4	+12.9	-17.8	+0.5	82.8
Hardware	+5.3	+0.5	-2.7	+4.8	157.9
Drugs	+11.6	-0.8	-5.1	+5.1	151.6
Electrical supplies	-1.5	-2.9	-4.2	+9.0	141.5

In reporting on department store sales in the Chicago District the Bank has the following to say:

A decline of 2% took place in May from the preceding month in Seventh District department store trade, which compares with an increase of 1% in the 1925-34 average for the period and with gains of 7% and 9%, respectively, in 1934 and 1933. Indianapolis trade recorded an increase of 1% over April and stores in smaller cities sold a dollar volume aggregating 2% heavier, but sales by Chicago stores declined 2½%, those of Detroit firms 3%, and Milwaukee trade 9%. Owing to decreases from a year ago in Chicago and Detroit trade, district sales were 1% smaller in the aggregate than in May last year, which decline is the first shown in the yearly comparison since May 1933. Stocks totaled 1% less at the close of May than a month previous and were slightly under the 1934 level at the same time. It will be noted in the table that collections on accounts outstanding continue to be better than a year ago.

DEPARTMENT STORE TRADE IN MAY 1935

Locality	Per Cent Change May 1935 from May 1934		P. C. Change 5 Months from Same Period 1934	Ratio of April Collections to Accounts Outstanding End of April	
	Net Sales	Stocks End of Month		1935	1934
	Chicago	-1.7	+0.6	+5.4	31.3
Detroit	-2.4	-0.4	+6.6	47.1	45.8
Indianapolis	+7.5	-16.5	+10.4	42.4	39.9
Milwaukee	+2.4	-1.9	+4.4	42.1	38.4
Other cities	+0.8	+2.7	+4.5	35.3	33.1
Seventh District	-0.6	-0.9	+5.8	38.6	37.0

Following three months of unusually favorable trends, the retail shoe trade showed a decline of 2% in May from April, whereas the 1926-34 average for the month records an increase of 6% in the comparison. The majority of reporting dealers and department stores, however, had heavier sales than in April. Most firms shared in the 8% decrease in sales from May a year ago. Sales in the five months of 1935 totaled 5% larger than in the same period of 1934—the result of increased sales by department stores, as practically all dealers showed losses in this comparison. Little change took place in stocks between the close of April and May 31, and they totaled 11% above those at the end of May last year.

Aggregate sales of furniture and house furnishings by reporting dealers and department stores expanded 13½% during May over the preceding month (the seasonal increase for May is estimated as 6%) and were 6% larger than in the same month of 1934. Sales by dealers totaled less than for last May, department stores effecting the gain shown in this comparison. Stocks declined 4% during the month and about equaled those held at the close of May a year ago.

Although small increases took place in May in grocery, drug, and cigar chain sales, total sales of 13 chains including in addition to those mentioned, five-and-10-cent store, shoe, men's clothing, and musical instrument chains, were 2% smaller than in April. In the yearly comparison, an aggregate decline of 1% was shown, although grocery, drug, and cigar chains reported heavier sales than for last May.

In reporting on the distribution in the Middle West, the Bank, in its "Monthly Business Review," said:

Distribution of new automobiles in the Middle West likewise declined in May, the number of cars sold at both wholesale and retail being less than in the preceding month, although sales continued to total well above those of the corresponding month in 1934. Stocks rose somewhat over the close of April, but were much smaller in number than on May 31 last year. Sales of used cars, on the other hand, increased over a month previous, while stocks declined to some extent, though totaling almost two-thirds heavier than on the same date a year ago. Sales of new cars made on the deferred payment plan increased during May in their ratio to total retail sales, amounting to 43½% of this total in May, for dealers reporting the item, as against only 38½% in April for the same dealers; in May, last year, however, the ratio was 45%.

Building Operations in United States During May, According to United States Department of Labor—Further Increase Noted in Number and Estimated Cost of New Buildings

The estimated cost of new building construction and repairs for which permits were issued in May shows a slight advance over the preceding month and a marked gain over May of last year, Commissioner Lubin of the Bureau of Labor Statistics recently announced. "This is the fifth consecutive monthly increase shown by the Bureau's figures," Mr. Lubin said. He added:

Each of the five months from January to May shows a large gain over the corresponding months of 1934. Compared with May of last year the estimated cost of all buildings for which permits were issued shows an increase of nearly 30%. Over the same period, the value of new residential buildings shows a gain of over 112%, all nine geographic divisions registering increases in the number and value of residential buildings. Three geographic divisions indicate gains of over 200% in the estimated cost of residential building, comparing May 1935 with the corresponding month of 1934.

Residential construction in May also shows a gain over the month preceding. The rise in the number of new residential buildings, comparing May with April, was 17.3%, and the increase in value amounted to 9.3%. New non-residential buildings, although increasing in number, show a



decrease in estimated value. Additions, alterations, and repairs increased both in number and value. These comparisons are based on reports received by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor from 773 identical cities having a population of 10,000 or over.

From an announcement issued by the Department of Labor we take the following:

The percent of change from May 1934 to May 1935 is shown in the following table:

Type of Building—	Number	Estimated Cost
New residential.....	+130.7	+112.2
New non-residential.....	+23.9	-11.1
Additions, alterations, repairs.....	+17.4	+26.1
Total.....	+25.3	+26.6

Permits were issued during May 1935 for new buildings to provide 6,875 new family-dwelling units, an increase of 105% as compared with May of the previous year.

The percent of change from April to May 1935 for the different types of construction is shown below:

Type of Building—	Number	Estimated Cost
New residential.....	+17.3	+9.3
New non-residential.....	+2.7	-6.2
Additions, alterations, repairs.....	+1.2	+3.7
Total.....	+3.0	+1.9

The permit valuations as shown above include, in addition to private construction, all buildings for which contracts are awarded by Federal and State governments in the cities included in the report. For the month of April the value of such buildings was \$6,339,564; for May, \$4,287,935.

Permits were issued during May for the following important building projects: For a school building in Boston, Mass., to cost \$685,000; for a factory building in Rahway, N. J., to cost \$200,000; for apartment houses in Brooklyn, N. Y., to cost \$2,000,000; for a public building in the Borough of Manhattan to cost \$835,000; for apartment houses in the Borough of Queens to cost over \$500,000; for school buildings in Los Angeles, Calif., to cost over \$300,000; for school buildings in San Francisco, Calif., to cost over \$400,000; for a school building in Kansas City, Mo., to cost nearly \$600,000; for a sewage treatment plant in Washington, D. C., to cost over \$1,000,000; for a school building in Cumberland, Md., to cost over \$600,000, and for a college dormitory in Austin, Tex., to cost over \$400,000.

Contracts were awarded by the Procurement Division of the United States Treasury Department for a parcel post building in Detroit, Mich., to cost over \$800,000, and for a post office and Federal court house in San Antonio, Tex., to cost over \$1,800,000.

ESTIMATED COST OF NEW BUILDINGS AND OF ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS, AND REPAIRS, TOGETHER WITH THE NUMBER OF FAMILIES PROVIDED FOR IN NEW DWELLINGS, IN 773 IDENTICAL CITIES IN NINE REGIONS OF THE UNITED STATES, AS SHOWN BY PERMITS ISSUED IN APRIL AND MAY 1935

Geographic Division	Cities	New Residential Buildings			
		Estimated Cost		Families Provided for in New Dwellings	
		May	April	May	April
New England.....	108	\$1,908,465	\$1,550,510	393	325
Middle Atlantic.....	173	8,547,061	7,891,466	2,465	2,059
East North Central.....	189	3,918,938	2,836,171	766	561
West North Central.....	68	1,797,870	1,561,396	515	473
South Atlantic.....	77	3,540,218	4,457,559	960	1,472
East South Central.....	30	311,768	331,482	129	115
West South Central.....	47	1,398,766	1,145,175	544	492
Mountain.....	23	485,055	460,884	149	134
Pacific.....	58	3,510,615	3,011,418	979	877
Total.....	773	\$25,418,766	\$23,246,061	6,900	6,508
Percentage change.....		+9.3	+6.0		

Geographic Division	Cities	New Non-Residential Buildings, Estimated Cost		Total Building Construction (Including Alterations and Repairs), Estimated Cost	
		May	April	May	April
		New England.....	108	\$1,805,572	\$3,552,960
Middle Atlantic.....	173	6,288,545	6,465,998	21,475,564	19,902,130
East North Central.....	189	4,239,600	5,470,965	11,851,989	11,505,222
West North Central.....	68	1,427,669	701,133	4,491,579	3,549,278
South Atlantic.....	77	2,916,325	1,694,949	9,197,800	9,807,264
East South Central.....	30	696,859	662,884	1,595,963	1,518,669
West South Central.....	47	2,833,270	1,058,883	5,000,806	3,340,341
Mountain.....	23	821,670	374,598	1,695,990	1,327,959
Pacific.....	58	2,959,289	5,683,478	8,957,816	10,561,354
Total.....	773	\$23,988,799	\$25,565,848	\$69,798,988	\$68,466,384
Percentage change.....		-6.2	+1.9		

**United States Production Costs Sharply Above Those of Competing Countries as Result of NRA, According to National Industrial Conference Board**

Certain foreign countries, including Germany, Italy, and Belgium, enjoy a marked advantage over the United States in wage costs, principally because the National Recovery Administration codes raised hourly wages in this country to a level only 1% below that of 1929, according to a survey by the National Industrial Conference Board made public yesterday (July 12). Average hourly earnings in this country dropped 17% from 1929 to 1933, but recovered sharply in the following year, while comparable figures for Germany and Italy show respective 1934 declines from 1929 of 21 and 18%. Other European countries also suffered substantial losses which have been only partially erased. A press release by the Conference Board yesterday added:

A comparison of wages in different countries is beset with numerous difficulties, the Conference Board points out, but adds that the general trend can be indicated and that these trends can be compared. Although other factors need to be considered when direct comparisons are made, hourly wage rates or earnings in themselves furnish some indication of labor costs.

American average hourly earnings in manufacturing dropped 17% from 1929 to 1933, but recovered in 1934 to a point only 1% below that of 1929. To the extent that the decline in hourly earnings in foreign

countries exceeds the decline in the United States, the difference represents a competitive advantage held by those countries.

The following table shows the percentage changes in the general level of wage rates and earnings in the United States and various countries from 1929 to 1934:

Poland.....	-26	Canada.....	-11
Germany.....	-21	Estonia.....	-10
Italy.....	-18	United States.....	-1
Belgium.....	-14		

For five countries the latest available data are for 1933 only. The percentage changes from the 1929 level in these countries are shown below:

Australia.....	-19	Switzerland.....	-3
Hungary.....	-16	Sweden.....	-2
Netherlands.....	-11		

**Production of Flour During Year Ended June 30 1935 Slightly Below Previous Year**

General Mills, Inc., in presenting its summary of flour milling activities for approximately 90% of all flour mills in the principal flour-milling centers of the United States, reports that during the month of June 1935 flour output totaled 4,773,545 barrels, as against 4,975,434 barrels in the preceding month and 5,059,077 barrels in the corresponding month of 1934. In May of 1934 production of flour totaled 5,160,516 barrels.

During the 12 months ended June 30 1935 flour output by the same number of mills reached a total of 62,305,574 barrels, as compared with 62,929,372 barrels during the 12 months ended June 30 1934. The corporation's summary follows:

	PRODUCTION OF FLOUR (NUMBER OF BARRELS)			
	Month of June		12 Months Ended June 30	
	1935	1934	1935	1934
Northwest.....	1,109,382	1,344,039	14,424,742	16,819,644
Southwest.....	1,756,061	1,811,212	22,810,004	21,648,832
Lake Central & Southern Pacific Coast.....	1,577,034	1,704,702	20,552,142	20,677,207
	331,068	199,124	4,518,686	3,783,689
Grand total.....	4,773,545	5,059,077	62,305,574	62,929,372

**Decreases in Factory Employment and Payrolls During May Reported by United States Department of Labor—First Declines Since November 1934—Employment in 13 of 17 Non-Manufacturing Industries Increased**

Factory employment decreased 1.5% from April to May and payrolls decreased 3.2%, marking, said the Bureau of Labor Statistics, United States Department of Labor, the first recessions to be reported since November 1934. Employment normally declines in May, the Bureau said, decreases having been reported in 10 of the preceding 16 years. An important factor in depressing the levels of employment and payrolls in May 1935 were strikes in the automobile and lumber industries. The Bureau further reported:

Gains in employment over the month interval were shown in 37 of the separate 90 manufacturing industries and gains in payrolls were reported in 33 industries.

The declines in employment and payrolls from April to May were less pronounced in the durable goods group of industries than in the non-durable goods group. Employment decreased 0.6% in the durable goods group and payrolls declined 2.8%, while in the non-durable goods group decreases of 2.2% in employment and 3.9% in payrolls were reported.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics' preliminary index of factory employment for May 1935 (81.2) is 1.6% lower than the May 1934 index (82.5). The index of factory payrolls is 68.5 (preliminary), or 2.1% above the May 1934 index (67.1).

The indexes of factory employment and payrolls are computed from returns supplied by representative establishments in 90 manufacturing industries. The base used in computing these indexes is the three-year average, 1923-25, taken as 100. In May reports were received from 23,434 establishments employing 3,685,772 workers whose weekly earnings were \$76,514,338. The employment reports received from these co-operating establishments cover more than 50% of the total wage earners in all manufacturing industries of the country.

The most pronounced changes in employment over the month interval were largely seasonal. The largest percentage gain was in the cement industry (14.1%). A number of other industries allied to the construction industry showed substantial gains, viz.: Marble-slate-granite, 7.2%; brick, 7.0%; plumbers' supplies, 5.9%; millwork, 2.5%; and steam fittings, 2.3%. Additional industries in which seasonal gains were shown were: Beet sugar, 13%; ice cream, 12.4%; butter, 4%, and beverages, 3.6%. Other industries in which substantial gains were shown were: Aircraft, 10.1%; woolen and worsted goods, 4.7%; engines-turbines-tractors, 4%, and cast iron pipe, 3.9%. Employment in the machine tools industry, which is an indicator of orders placed for power driven metal cutting machinery, continued the expansion which has been reported in each month since November of last year. The gain of 1.5% from April to May brings the level of employment in this industry to the highest point recorded since May 1931.

Among the industries reporting declines from April to May, seasonal decreases were shown in: Fertilizers, 29.1%; cottonseed oil-cake-meal, 21.1%; millinery, 11.5%; women's clothing, 8.1%; men's clothing, 7.5%; boots and shoes, 5.4%; hats, fur-felt, 5.0%, and confectionery, 4.3%. Other decreases in industries of major importance were: 7.2% in silk and rayon; 4.3% in cotton goods, and 4.0% in dyeing and finishing. Strikes in the sawmill industry in the States of Oregon and Washington offset the gains reported in the industry in other sections of the country, resulting in a net decline of 2.1% in employment in May. Payrolls decreased to a much greater extent (14.8%) due to the fact that a large number of workers were on the plant payroll for a limited number of days during the usual pay-period reported. Employment in the automobile industry declined 3%, while payrolls decreased 10.3%. In this industry labor difficulties in certain localities caused reduced plant operations, which indirectly affected operations of other plants within the industry. The blast furnaces-steel works-rolling mills industry showed declines of 0.3% in employment and 2.1% in payrolls.

In the table following are presented the indexes of employment and payrolls for May 1935, April 1935 and May 1934 for each of the manufacturing industries covered by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The indexes are not adjusted for seasonal variation:

INDEX NUMBERS OF EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TOTALS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES (Three-Year Average 1923-1925=100.0)

Manufacturing Industries—	Employment			Payroll Totals		
	x May 1935	April 1935	May 1934	x May 1935	April 1935	May 1934
All industries.....	81.2	82.4	82.5	68.5	70.8	67.1
Durable goods group...	71.2	71.6	71.5	60.1	61.8	58.6
Iron and steel and their products, not including machinery.....	72.3	72.2	75.2	58.4	59.4	61.3
Blast furnaces, steel works, and rolling mills.....	73.5	73.7	76.8	61.0	62.3	66.1
Bolts, nuts, washers & rivets.....	80.1	80.1	87.1	65.1	67.6	68.1
Cast iron pipe.....	49.1	47.3	51.1	27.4	26.3	29.9
Cutlery (not incl. silver and plated cutlery) & edge tools.....	78.3	80.3	81.3	59.6	60.1	59.3
Forgings, iron and steel.....	60.0	62.8	60.7	47.5	52.2	45.7
Hardware.....	53.2	54.4	82.0	42.3	46.3	61.8
Plumbers suppliers.....	78.3	73.9	54.1	49.0	46.1	30.4
Steam & hot water heating apparatus & steam fittings.....	51.4	50.2	47.7	34.5	33.8	30.6
Stoves.....	99.1	97.4	95.5	74.2	73.7	68.5
Structural & ornamental metal work.....	55.8	55.3	58.5	41.0	39.8	41.5
Tin cans and other tinware.....	90.4	88.3	91.2	87.0	85.4	86.9
Tools (not including edge tools, machine tools, files, & saws).....	64.3	65.4	61.8	60.8	60.8	54.0
Wirework.....	127.4	128.9	134.8	115.9	121.5	123.1
Machinery, not including transportation equipment.....	84.5	85.1	81.3	67.8	67.6	62.2
Agricultural implements.....	97.0	97.0	83.0	110.5	108.8	87.2
Cash registers, adding machines & calculating machines.....	102.7	104.6	103.9	83.2	84.9	82.3
Electrical machinery, apparatus & supplies.....	70.7	70.9	65.4	58.2	58.4	49.9
Engines, turbines, tractors, & water wheels.....	101.4	97.5	68.9	74.2	69.6	45.2
Foundry & machine-shop prods.....	73.8	74.3	73.6	57.9	58.0	56.8
Machine tools.....	83.0	81.8	71.9	70.1	67.8	59.3
Radlos & phonographs.....	168.0	182.4	201.2	101.5	107.0	112.4
Textile machinery & parts.....	95.8	93.6	78.8	80.2	78.0	62.3
Typewriters & parts.....	102.7	104.8	99.7	94.2	102.7	88.3
Transportation equipment.....	392.0	356.1	371.3	317.7	291.5	314.9
Aircraft.....	116.4	119.9	114.4	105.1	117.1	100.4
Automobiles.....	60.3	59.1	50.6	65.8	65.1	49.2
Cars, electric & steam railroad.....	30.1	32.3	29.2	13.5	15.0	12.7
Locomotives.....	76.6	74.6	73.1	66.2	62.0	60.0
Shipbuilding.....	53.6	52.9	59.6	52.5	50.7	53.8
Railroad repair shops.....	65.7	65.6	66.7	60.2	60.4	59.4
Electric railroad.....	52.7	52.0	59.1	52.0	50.1	53.5
Steam railroad.....	80.4	80.9	77.8	63.3	64.4	60.6
Nonferrous metals & their prods.....	66.3	66.6	73.1	59.8	60.9	63.5
Aluminum manufactures.....	80.8	81.8	81.2	61.5	64.1	62.1
Brass, bronze, & copper prods.....	80.5	79.9	72.1	64.7	64.9	58.7
Clocks & watches & time-recording devices.....	65.8	69.4	65.9	49.8	51.4	49.0
Jewelry.....	69.2	70.1	65.6	58.2	59.0	52.7
Lighting equipment.....	73.9	71.7	71.1	57.0	51.2	52.0
Silverware & plated ware.....	79.5	77.1	65.3	51.1	49.8	42.0
Smelting & refining—copper, lead, & zinc.....	95.6	97.6	95.6	84.8	89.6	83.6
Stamped & enameled ware.....	50.9	51.7	51.0	34.9	37.5	34.6
Lumber & allied products.....	67.0	68.6	61.3	47.1	49.2	40.5
Furniture.....	40.7	39.7	40.4	29.1	27.7	25.3
Lumber, millwork.....	34.0	34.8	36.1	20.2	23.7	24.2
Lumber, sawmills.....	99.0	99.2	102.4	57.3	57.9	51.4
Turpentine & rosin.....	55.0	53.2	57.7	40.3	39.3	39.5
Stone, clay, & glass products.....	29.6	27.6	33.1	17.7	16.3	18.1
Brick, tile, & terra cotta.....	57.0	50.0	57.6	36.8	31.9	35.8
Cement.....	94.8	94.2	95.1	81.6	82.7	75.8
Marble, granite, slate, & other products.....	28.5	26.5	34.6	21.2	18.2	24.9
Pottery.....	71.5	73.4	74.9	50.3	53.4	50.2
Non-Durable Goods Group.....	91.9	94.0	94.3	79.1	82.3	78.1
Textiles & their products.....	93.5	97.2	96.1	75.5	82.4	74.1
Fabrics.....	91.0	93.3	94.9	74.9	78.0	74.9
Carpets & rugs.....	79.7	79.1	68.0	73.7	74.2	53.3
Cotton goods.....	88.0	91.9	101.4	70.7	74.0	79.5
Cotton small wares.....	89.2	90.6	87.0	75.7	78.7	70.8
Dyeing & finishing textiles.....	110.0	114.6	113.0	86.2	95.7	87.8
Hats, fur-felt.....	80.6	84.9	84.7	68.5	71.2	79.2
Knit goods.....	112.0	114.3	113.9	102.0	110.3	106.4
Silk & rayon goods.....	65.9	71.0	72.8	54.5	59.6	56.3
Woolen & worsted goods.....	91.1	87.0	75.3	71.2	66.5	54.1
Wearing apparel.....	95.3	101.8	94.7	72.1	84.6	68.1
Clothing, men's.....	87.6	94.7	81.5	64.4	82.5	53.3
Clothing, women's.....	123.9	134.8	126.5	89.4	103.9	88.6
Corsets & allied garments.....	91.1	93.8	94.8	83.0	91.3	85.2
Men's furnishings.....	107.3	111.3	104.0	71.0	76.7	71.9
Millinery.....	61.6	69.6	78.0	48.6	70.0	67.9
Shirts & collars.....	106.5	104.3	106.7	103.9	104.4	94.1
Leather & its manufactures.....	87.3	91.5	91.4	73.1	79.1	78.9
Boots & shoes.....	85.9	90.8	91.3	67.7	75.1	77.6
Leather.....	93.2	94.5	92.1	90.0	91.4	82.0
Food & kindred products.....	95.1	94.7	99.6	86.9	85.5	87.2
Baking.....	112.7	111.8	113.2	97.3	95.5	95.3
Beverages.....	161.6	156.0	169.1	162.5	153.6	167.0
Butter.....	73.2	70.4	84.4	57.4	54.7	64.7
Canning & preserving.....	69.1	70.7	67.9	78.7	78.7	68.6
Confectionery.....	74.3	77.6	71.6	63.4	64.7	60.6
Flour.....	73.5	74.2	74.0	62.3	62.5	61.2
Ice cream.....	77.7	69.1	79.6	62.2	55.5	63.7
Slaughtering & meat packing.....	80.6	81.5	96.7	74.0	74.3	80.7
Sugar beet.....	44.6	239.5	43.8	42.1	39.0	36.2
Sugar refining.....	83.6	83.8	86.4	75.7	76.2	70.5
Tobacco manufactures.....	56.6	56.8	61.3	43.8	43.1	46.3
Chewing & smoking tobacco & snuff.....	66.3	68.7	76.9	64.5	64.9	65.3
Cigars & cigarettes.....	55.3	55.3	59.3	41.2	40.3	43.9
Paper & printing.....	96.5	96.9	95.9	84.8	84.6	80.6
Boxes, paper.....	84.5	85.7	85.3	75.5	78.1	76.2
Paper & pulp.....	109.9	109.8	107.2	86.9	87.3	79.8
Printing & Pub'g—book & job.....	86.2	87.1	86.6	78.8	77.1	73.4
Newspapers & periodicals.....	99.6	99.4	99.1	90.4	90.5	88.4
Chemicals & allied products, & petroleum refining.....	108.0	111.5	106.1	94.9	95.9	88.3
Other than petroleum refining.....	108.0	112.3	105.3	94.2	95.6	87.0
Chemicals.....	107.1	109.9	111.2	97.8	96.2	94.4
Cottonseeds—cake, & meal.....	42.3	53.6	56.5	38.3	49.4	50.6
Druggist's preparations.....	96.8	98.9	97.7	93.9	97.7	88.5
Explosives.....	87.3	84.6	98.3	74.4	69.3	75.2
Fertilizers.....	110.1	155.3	111.8	91.7	119.9	84.0
Paints & varnishes.....	112.6	109.2	107.4	95.1	91.9	87.9
Rayon & allied products.....	326.9	334.9	267.7	237.8	242.7	191.2
Soap.....	98.2	102.7	102.3	93.8	97.0	87.1
Petroleum refining.....	108.3	108.3	109.5	97.1	96.9	92.7
Rubber products.....	81.2	82.5	89.1	66.8	71.2	70.3
Rubber boots & shoes.....	47.2	247.1	47.8	43.2	243.8	42.8
Rubber goods, other than boots, shoes, tires, & inner tubes.....	124.8	126.7	135.2	104.6	106.7	105.8
Rubber tires & inner tubes.....	73.5	74.9	82.7	59.2	65.4	64.5

x May 1935 indexes preliminary, subject to revision. z Revised.

Gains in employment were shown in May 1935 in 13 of the 17 non-manufacturing industries surveyed, the Bureau of Labor Statistics stated. The only industries in which employment declines were reported were wholesale and retail trade, metalliferous mining and hotels. Gains in payrolls were shown in 10 of the 17 non-manufacturing industries for which data are available, the Bureau said, adding:

Wholesale and Retail Trade

Reacting from the marked expansion reported in retail trade establishments in April, recessions in employment and payrolls were shown in May. Reports received from 54,367 establishments employing \$44,972 workers in May 1935 indicate that employment decreased 1.7% over the month interval. In the general merchandising group, which is composed of department, variety and general merchandise stores and mail-order establishments, employment decreased 3.2%, while in the remaining 50,854 retail establishments a decrease of 1.2% was reported. Gains in employment were shown in several lines of retail trade, among which were dealers in automotive products, lumber and building materials, and furniture and household goods. Employment in the group of apparel stores showed a sharp decline and retail food stores showed fewer employees in May than in the preceding month.

Employment in wholesale trade establishments decreased 0.8% from April to May. This percentage change was based on reports supplied by 16,742 establishments employing 293,361 workers in May. Sharp declines in employment were shown in the packing and shipping of fruits and vegetables. Firms engaged in the wholesale leaf tobacco trade also showed pronounced declines. The group of wholesale grocery establishments showed practically no change in number of workers over the month interval, while the dry goods and apparel group showed a decline of 1.8%.

Public Utilities

Each of the three public utility industries surveyed showed small gains in employment from April to May. The electric light and power and manufactured gas industry showed an increase of 0.8%; telephone and telegraph, 0.4%, and electric-railroad and motor-bus operation and maintenance, 0.3%.

Service Industries

Each of the service industries surveyed, with the exception of hotels, showed gains in number of workers from April to May. Employment in brokerage firms increased 1.9%; laundries and dyeing and cleaning establishments reported gains of 1.3% each, and small gains were reported by banks and insurance. The hotel industry reported 0.9% fewer employees in May than in the preceding month.

Mining

Four of the five industries in the mining group showed gains in employment from April to May. The quarrying and non-metallic mining industry reported a seasonal expansion of 9.4%. Employment increased 1.8% in anthracite mining and 1.6% in the crude petroleum producing industry.

The bituminous coal mining industry showed a slight recovery from the pronounced decreases of the preceding month, employment increasing 1.4% and payrolls 9.1%. In the metalliferous mining industry the decrease of 3.5% in employment was due primarily to strikes in lead and zinc mines in Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri.

Building Construction

Further expansion was shown in the private building construction industry from April to May, employment increasing 11.2% and payrolls increasing 15.3%. These gains exceed the increases reported in May in any of the four preceding years for which data are available. The changes in May 1935 are based on reports supplied by 10,274 contractors employing 84,692 workers, whose weekly earnings during the pay-period ended nearest May 15 totaled over \$2,000,000. These workers were employed in private building projects not aided by Public Works Administration funds. Increases in employment were generally reported in the localities for which data are available.

The 17 non-manufacturing industries surveyed, with indexes of employment and payrolls for May 1935, where available, and percentage changes from April 1935 and May 1934 are shown below. The 12-month average for 1929 is used as the index base, or 100, in comparing the index numbers of the non-manufacturing industries. Information for earlier years is not available from the Bureau's records:

INDEXES OF EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TOTALS IN NON-MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN MAY 1935, AND COMPARISON WITH APRIL 1935, AND MAY 1934 (Average 1929=100)

Industry	Employment			Payroll		
	Index May 1935	P. C. Change From April 1935	May 1934	Index May 1935	P. C. Change From April 1935	May 1934
Trade—Wholesale.....	82.5	-0.8	-0.4	64.6	-0.3	+3.2
Retail.....	82.2	-1.7	-0.8	62.0	-0.8	+0.8
General merchandising.....	91.4	-3.2	-0.7	76.3	-1.6	+2.4
Other than general merchandising.....	79.8	-1.2	-0.9	59.0	-0.6	+0.3
Public Utilities.....	70.0	+0.4	-0.3	73.7	+0.8	+3.2
Telephone and telegraph.....	83.2	+0.8	+0.1	79.8	+1.1	+2.8
Electric light & power & manufactured gas.....	71.6	+0.3	-1.4	63.6	+0.5	+1.0
Electric-railroad & motor-bus operation & maint.....	53.5	+1.8	-16.1	49.5	-0.7	-22.7
Mining—Anthracite.....	75.3	+1.4	-1.8	49.1	+0.1	-9.7
Bituminous coal.....	44.4	-3.5	+8.8	31.4	-1.3	+2.7
Metalliferous.....	49.5	+9.4	-8.8	32.8	+13.5	-6.3
Crude petroleum producing.....	76.0	+1.6	-0.9	57.8	+1.9	+2.5
Services.....	a84.8	-0.9	-1.1	66.4	-1.1	+0.8
Hotels (cash payments only).....	81.1	+1.3	-1.2	66.6	+1.7	-0.4
Laundries.....	80.9	+1.3	-4.0	61.7	-0.3	-5.2
Dyeing and cleaning.....	b	+0.2	+0.8	b	+0.1	+1.2
Banks.....	b	+1.9	-21.7	b	+2.3	-24.8
Brokerage.....	b	+0.1	+0.6	b	-0.1	+0.4
Insurance.....</						

middle of May. Total employment decreased 1.4%, while total weekly payrolls dropped 2.4%. According to a statement issued June 10 by Industrial Commissioner Elmer F. Andrews, decreases in both employment and wage payments are to be expected at this season of the year; the usual changes, as shown by the average movement for the last 20 years, are decreases of 1.3% in employment and 0.6% in payrolls. The statement continued:

The decrease in the number of persons employed this May followed a slight increase in April, whereas the usual March to April change is a decrease of about 1%. Seasonal curtailment in the clothing industries accounted for most of the decline. Further seasonal gains in employment were noted in structural and architectural iron plants and glass, paints and colors factories as well as in brick and cement plants.

The decreases during May lowered the Labor Department's index of factory employment to 73.7 and the index of factory payrolls to 61.4. Both indexes are computed with the average for the three years 1925-27 taken as 100. Compared with the same period of last year, the number of persons employed this May was 2.3% higher and the total amount of payrolls was 5.6% larger.

Reports from 1,634 representative factories located throughout the State form the basis for this analysis. These factories report each month to the New York State Labor Department's Division of Statistics and Information, which is under the direction of Dr. E. B. Patton. During the middle week of May they employed 352,766 persons on a total weekly payroll of \$8,362,996.

The percentages changes in employment from April to May in the last 21 years are given in the following table:

Percentage Increases April to May		Percentage Decreases April to May	
1915.....	2.0	1916.....	1.9
1922.....	0.8	1917.....	0.7
1933.....	3.3	1918.....	0.3
		1919.....	1.0
		1920.....	1.5
		1921.....	2.0
		1922.....	0.9
		1923.....	4.2
		1924.....	1.3
		1925.....	1.3
		1926.....	2.1
		1927.....	1.4
		1928.....	1.1
		1929.....	0.8
		1930.....	1.8
		1931.....	2.1
		1932.....	7.3
		1933.....	1.5
		1935 (prelim.).....	1.4

**Metal Industries Report Slight Decrease**

The metal products and machinery industries reported a slight decrease of 0.3% in employment in May, following continued gains during the previous five months. Slight increases and decreases in employment occurred in electrical machinery and electrical apparatus concerns. Cuts in forces at several large foundries and machine shops caused a net drop in the number employed in this group. Railway repair shops in most cases had about the same number of employees as in the earlier spring months, with the group reporting a net gain, due mainly to a further increase in the force of one shop. Railway equipment shops reported fairly large increases and decreases in forces, but the group as a whole registered a decline. Cuts in forces at several large iron and steel plants and automobiles and automobile parts factories caused net decreases in employment of 3% and 3.7%, respectively. Most manufacturers of business machines, appliances and scientific instruments maintained or added to their April forces. In the brass, copper, and aluminum plants, the reopening of part of one large plant offset a good part of the cuts reported by several concerns. Further gains in employment in two silverware and jewelry concerns caused most of the increase in employment in that group. All boat and ship building and repairing firms operating in the New York City area reported much larger forces, while up-State concerns operated with fewer employees.

**Further Seasonal Cuts in Clothing Trades**

The clothing trades reported seasonal curtailment of forces. The usual slackening of activity occurred in most shops manufacturing boys' and men's clothing. Some of these firms, however, continued to employ their full forces beyond the date which usually marks the end of the spring season. Manufacturers of men's shirts and collars and other furnishings reported slight fluctuations in employment but the net change was a decrease in both groups. Makers of women's coats and suits reported large seasonal cuts in employment, while many dress manufacturers had as many employees as in April. Most millinery and women's underwear concerns curtailed their forces, while several manufacturers of artificial flowers recalled many of the employees who had been laid off in April. Laundries and cleaning and dyeing plants were somewhat busier.

**Textiles Report First Decrease in Six Months**

The textile industries reported a decrease of 2% in employment after consecutive gains in each of the last five months. Almost all divisions in this group of industries reported cuts in forces. Among the knit goods concerns, good gains in employment in several beach wear and knit outerwear factories were offset by cuts in forces at knit underwear mills. Some manufacturers of carpets and rugs reported fairly large increases in employment, while others curtailed their forces; the net change was a slight increase. Silk and silk goods and cotton goods mills generally cut forces.

**Slight Fluctuations in Employment in Other Groups**

Processors of flour, feed and cereals and bakers reported only slight fluctuations in employment. Most tobacco factories reported small cuts in forces. Ice cream and beverage plants were generally busier. A cut in the force at one miscellaneous groceries firm caused most of the employment decline in this group.

Most manufacturers of shoes curtailed forces in May, although several large concerns had about the same number of workers as in April. Miscellaneous leather goods factories reported seasonal cuts in forces, while manufacturers of canvas, camping and sport goods were generally busier. Although some manufacturing furriers curtailed employment, the majority held their April forces or reported slight increases. Some firms making office furniture and office equipment reported further increases in employment, continuing the expansion which has been reported so far this year.

**Seasonal Cuts in Employment and Payrolls in New York City**

Employment in New York City factories declined 3.2% and total weekly payrolls were cut 5.5% in May. Seasonal curtailment in the clothing industries accounted for most of the decrease. All divisions of the clothing group, except laundering, cleaning and dyeing, reported cuts in forces. Shoe factories and miscellaneous leather goods concerns curtailed forces. Paints and color factories were busier, while almost all other divisions in the drugs and chemicals group reported decreased forces. Brass, copper and aluminum plants and structural and architectural iron works reported net gains. Machinery and electrical apparatus concerns reported a loss of about 1% in employment. Contrary to the movement in the State as a whole, New York City silverware and jewelry manufacturers reported a net decrease in forces, although both gains and losses were noted among

the reporting firms. A net drop in employment was reported by plants making instruments and appliances. In the foods and tobacco group increases at ice cream and beverage plants were offset by a fairly large drop in the miscellaneous groceries division.

**Downward Tendency in Most Up-State Cities**

The Buffalo, Albany-Schenectady-Troy and Utica districts each reported decreases of a little more than 1% in employment from April to May and more than 2% in payrolls. In the first two districts the decreases were most pronounced in the metal industries, while in Utica textile industries accounted for most of the drop. The Syracuse district also showed a 2% drop in payrolls but employment losses were offset by slight increases in drug and chemical plants and in some metal products factories. The downward tendency which was apparent in most Rochester industries was completely wiped out by substantial gains at a few plants. The district as a whole showed a net increase of 1.2% in employment and 0.4% in payrolls. In the Binghamton district shoe factories reported a sharp increase in payrolls, offsetting the drop reported in April.

The percentage changes from April to May in employment and payrolls by districts are given below:

City	April to May 1935	
	Employment	Payrolls
Albany-Schenectady-Troy.....	-1.7	-2.4
Binghamton.....	+0.1	+7.7
Buffalo.....	-1.2	-2.9
Rochester.....	+1.2	+0.4
Syracuse.....	No change	-2.1
Utica.....	-1.7	-2.2
New York City.....	-3.2	-5.5

**FACTORY EMPLOYMENT IN NEW YORK STATE**

(Preliminary)

Industry	Percentage Change April to May 1935	
	Total State	N. Y. City
Stone, clay and glass products.....	+4.2	+5.7
Miscellaneous stone and minerals.....	-1.2	-22.0
Lime, cement and plaster.....	+3.6	-1.3
Brick, tile and pottery.....	+7.5	+70.4
Glass.....	+6.0	+15.2
Metals and machinery.....	-0.3	+1.4
Silverware and jewelry.....	+3.4	-8.3
Brass, copper and aluminum.....	-0.7	+1.8
Iron and steel.....	-3.1	---
Structural and architectural iron.....	+6.0	+4.2
Sheet metal and hardware.....	-0.3	-1.2
Firearms, tools and cutlery.....	-8.1	---
Cooking, heating, ventilating apparatus.....	+1.7	+2.4
Machinery and electrical apparatus.....	-0.8	-0.9
Automobiles, airplanes, &c.....	-3.7	-1.0
Railroad equipment and repair shops.....	-0.2	-3.7
Boat and ship building.....	+13.7	+20.1
Instruments and appliances.....	+0.8	-2.0
Wood manufactures.....	-0.3	-3.0
Saw and planing mills.....	+1.4	-0.5
Furniture and cabinet work.....	-1.0	-6.2
Pianos and other musical instruments.....	-1.8	+10.1
Miscellaneous wood, &c.....	+0.5	No change
Furs, leather and rubber goods.....	-2.1	-5.7
Leather.....	+1.4	---
Furs and fur goods.....	+11.1	+11.1
Shoes.....	-2.4	-9.4
Gloves, bags, canvas goods.....	-5.6	-7.6
Rubber and gutta percha.....	-1.5	-2.4
Pearl, horn, bone, &c.....	-2.2	-4.0
Chemicals, oils, paints, &c.....	+0.6	+0.1
Drugs and industrial chemicals.....	+1.3	-0.8
Paints and colors.....	+6.4	+7.9
Oil products.....	-3.2	-3.8
Photographic and miscellaneous chemicals.....	+1.2	-1.4
Pulp and paper.....	-1.8	+0.6
Printing and paper goods.....	+0.2	+0.5
Paper boxes and tubes.....	-2.0	-1.6
Miscellaneous paper goods.....	No change	+2.8
Printing and bookmaking.....	+0.7	+0.4
Textiles.....	-2.1	-1.6
Silk and silk goods.....	-1.6	+1.7
Woolens, carpets, felts.....	-1.2	---
Cotton goods.....	-2.4	---
Knit goods, except silk.....	-3.4	+1.1
Other textiles.....	-2.2	-6.0
Clothing and millinery.....	-6.8	-10.5
Men's clothing.....	-6.9	-18.3
Men's furnishings.....	-4.3	-7.4
Women's clothing.....	-13.9	-14.3
Women's underwear.....	-6.5	-6.9
Women's headwear.....	-3.8	-3.8
Miscellaneous sewing.....	-2.3	-3.3
Laundering and cleaning.....	+1.4	+1.6
Food and tobacco.....	-1.2	-1.4
Flour, feed and cereals.....	-0.2	-2.1
Canning and preserving.....	-6.0	+2.2
Sugar and other groceries.....	-6.7	-10.4
Meat and dairy products.....	+1.4	+0.9
Bakery products.....	-0.2	-0.8
Candy.....	+0.9	+2.8
Beverages.....	+4.9	+7.7
Tobacco.....	-2.5	-1.9
Water, light and power.....	-1.1	-0.1
Total.....	-1.4	-3.2

**Production of Lumber During Four Weeks Ended June 29 7% Above Like Period of 1934—Shipments Up 25%**

We give herewith data on identical mills for the four weeks ended June 29 1935 as reported to the National Lumber Manufacturers Association:

An average of 776 mills reported as follows to the National Lumber Manufacturers Association for the four weeks ended June 29 1935:

(n 1,000 ft.)	Production		Shipments		Orders Received	
	1935	1934	1935	1934	1935	1934
Softwoods.....	584,646	540,234	587,048	473,866	592,019	462,919
Hardwoods.....	37,067	38,248	42,350	29,351	44,065	23,980
Total lumber.....	621,713	578,482	629,398	503,217	636,084	486,909

Production during the four weeks ended June 29 1935, was 7% above that of corresponding weeks of 1934, as reported by these mills and 13% below the record of comparable mills during the same period of 1933. Softwood cut in 1935 was 8% above output during the same weeks of 1934 and hardwood cut was 3% below that of the 1934 period.

Shipments during the four weeks ended June 29 1935, were 25% above those of corresponding weeks of 1934, softwoods showing gain of 24% and hardwoods, gain of 44%.

Orders received during the four weeks ended June 29 1935, were 31% above those of corresponding weeks of 1934, and 36% below those of similar weeks of 1933. Softwoods in 1935 showed order gain of 28% and hardwoods gain of 84%, as compared with corresponding weeks of 1934.

On June 29 1935, gross stocks as reported by 869 mills were 4,199,822,000 feet. As reported by 506 softwood mills stocks were 2,978,388,000 feet, the equivalent of 135 days' average production, as compared with 3,594,615,000 feet on June 30 1934, the equivalent of 163 days' production.

On June 29 1935, unfilled orders as reported by 869 mills were 893,640,000 feet. As reported by 506 softwood mills, unfilled orders were 729,811,000 feet, the equivalent of 33 days' average production, as compared with 645,121,000 feet on June 30 1934, the equivalent of 29 days' production.

**Lumber Production and Shipments Increase**

Lumber production and shipments during the week ended June 29 1935, were the highest in seven weeks; new business remained about the same as during the preceding three weeks. For the first six months of 1935, shipments and new business exceeded production by 14% and 20%, respectively. During that period production was 2% greater than during the first half of 1934; shipments were 26% greater and orders 25% heavier than were these items in the 1934 period. During the week ended June 29, shipments were 2% above output; new business was 2% below. Total production gained 21% over that of the corresponding week of 1934; shipments were 32% greater and new business was 26% 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 607 leading hardwood and softwood mills. During the week ended June 29, these produced 163,576,000 feet; shipped 167,643,000 feet; booked orders of 159,981,000 feet. Revised figures for the preceding week were mills 926; production, 155,706,000 feet; shipments, 158,084,000 feet; orders received, 160,409,000 feet. The difference in number of mills reporting is due largely to the dropping of many small mills in the West Coast region, making a difference, however, of less than 5% in the reported total footage of that section.

Of reporting softwood regions, West Coast, California Redwood and Southern Cypress reported orders above production during the week ended June 29. Total softwood orders were 3% below production; hardwood orders, 8% above hardwood output. Softwood shipments were 1% above production. All regions but California Redwood and Northern Pine reported orders above those of similar week of 1934.

Identical softwood mills reported unfilled orders on June 29 as the equivalent of 33 days' average production and stocks of 135 days' production, compared with 29 days' and 163 days' a year ago.

Forest products carloadings totaled 28,495 cars during week ended June 29. This was 2,549 cars above those loaded during the preceding week; 4,229 cars above those of corresponding week of 1934 and 29 cars above those of similar week of 1933.

Lumber orders reported for the week ended June 29 1935, by 521 softwood mills totaled 151,156,000 feet; or 3% below the production of the same mills. Shipments as reported for the same week were 157,213,000 feet, or 1% above production. Production was 155,435,000 feet.

Reports from 106 hardwood mills give new business as 8,825,000 feet, or 8% above production. Shipments as reported for the same week were 10,430,000 feet, or 28% above production. Production was 8,141,000 feet.

*Unfilled Orders and Stocks*

Reports from 869 mills on June 29 1935, give unfilled orders of 893,640,000 feet and gross stocks of 4,199,822,000 feet. The 506 identical softwood mills report unfilled orders as 729,811,000 feet on June 29 1935, or the equivalent of 33 days' average production, compared with 645,121,000 feet, or the equivalent of 29 days' average production on similar date a year ago.

*Identical Mill Reports*

Last week's production of 513 identical softwood mills was 151,695,000 feet, and a year ago it was 121,857,000 feet; shipments were respectively 155,015,000 feet and 118,581,000; and orders received 149,118,000 feet, and 119,838,000 feet. In the case of hardwoods, 103 identical mills reported production last week and a year ago 8,040,000 feet and 9,819,000 feet; shipments 10,326,000 feet and 6,399,000 feet and orders 8,769,000 feet and 5,562,000 feet.

**Heavy Gains in Motor Vehicle Production Shown in June**

Members of the Automobile Manufacturers Association produced 276,218 motor vehicles in June—an increase of 11% over the preceding month and 21% above the corresponding month last year, the preliminary report released to-day by the Association disclosed.

On the basis of this estimate the output of Association members for the first half of 1935 amounted to 1,537,906—an increase of 20% over the same period last year and 48% over the average for the last five years.

The estimate which is based upon reports of factory shipments covers the operations of all but one of the major producers in the industry. Production by Association members is summarized below:

June 1935	276,218	6 months 1935	1,537,906
May 1935	249,835	6 months 1934	1,280,609
June 1934	229,191		

**Automobile Sales in May Show Decrease as Compared with April**

May factory sales of automobiles manufactured in the United States (including foreign assemblies from parts made in the United States as reported and complete units or vehicles), consisted of 364,721 vehicles, of which 307,522 were passenger cars, and 57,199 were trucks, as compared

with 477,746 vehicles in April, 330,455 vehicles in May 1934, and 214,411 vehicles in May 1933. These statistics were released recently by Director William L. Austin, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

The table below is based on data received from 112 manufacturers in the United States, 29 making passenger cars and 83 making trucks (10 of the 29 passenger car manufacturers also making trucks). Of the 119 manufacturers reporting prior to June 1934, seven have gone out of business. Figures for passenger cars include taxicabs and those for trucks include ambulances, funeral cars, fire apparatus, street sweepers, and buses. Canadian figures are supplied by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

NUMBER OF VEHICLES (INCLUDING CHASSIS)

Year and Month	United States			Canada		
	Total	Passenger Cars	Trucks	Total	Passenger Cars	Trucks
<b>1935—</b>						
January*	292,817	229,233	63,584	10,607	8,269	2,338
February*	335,699	275,623	60,076	18,114	13,855	4,229
March*	429,834	361,816	68,018	21,975	18,179	3,796
April	477,716	401,628	76,088	24,121	20,686	3,435
May	364,721	307,522	57,199	20,765	17,093	3,672
Total (5 months)	1,900,817	1,575,822	324,995	95,582	78,112	17,470
<b>1934—</b>						
January	155,666	112,754	42,912	6,904	4,946	1,958
February	230,256	186,774	43,482	8,571	7,101	1,470
March	338,434	279,274	59,160	14,180	12,272	1,908
April	352,975	288,355	64,620	15,363	15,451	2,912
May	330,455	273,764	56,691	20,161	16,504	3,657
Total (5 months)	1,407,786	1,140,921	266,865	68,179	56,274	11,905
June	306,477	261,280	45,197	13,905	10,810	3,095
July	264,933	223,094	41,839	11,114	8,407	2,707
August	234,811	183,500	51,311	9,904	7,325	2,579
September	170,007	125,040	44,967	5,579	4,211	1,368
October	131,991	84,003	47,988	3,780	2,125	1,655
November	83,482	49,020	34,462	1,697	1,052	645
December	153,624	111,061	42,563	*2,694	2,443	*251
Total (year)	2,753,111	2,177,919	575,192	*116,852	*92,647	*24,205
<b>1933—</b>						
January	128,825	109,833	18,992	3,358	2,921	437
February	105,447	90,128	15,319	3,298	3,025	273
March	115,272	97,469	17,803	6,632	5,927	705
April	176,432	149,755	26,677	8,255	6,957	1,298
May	214,411	180,651	33,760	9,396	8,024	1,378
Total (5 months)	740,387	627,836	112,551	30,939	26,854	4,085
June	249,727	207,597	42,130	7,323	6,005	1,318
July	229,357	191,265	38,092	6,540	5,322	1,218
August	232,855	191,414	41,441	6,079	4,919	1,160
September	191,800	157,376	34,424	5,808	4,358	1,450
October	134,683	104,870	29,813	3,682	2,723	959
November	60,683	42,365	18,318	2,291	1,503	788
December	80,565	50,789	29,776	3,262	2,171	1,091
Total (year)	1,920,057	1,573,512	346,545	65,924	53,855	12,069

\* Revised.

**Crop Report of Bank of Montreal—Crops in Prairie Provinces Reported Generally Satisfactory**

"Crops in the Prairie Provinces of Canada, although about a week to 10 days late, continue in a generally satisfactory condition," according to the weekly crop report of the Bank of Montreal, issued July 11. "In Manitoba and Saskatchewan," the report said, "wheat is beginning to head out. The weather has been moderately cool and higher temperatures are needed to hasten growth. Light to drenching rains have been received over wide areas and moisture conditions are satisfactory except in southern Alberta and southwestern and West Central Saskatchewan." The following is also from the report:

In Quebec, crops generally are progressing satisfactorily and haying has commenced. In Ontario warm weather has been beneficial to crops which are doing well, with heavy yields of barley and oats in prospect. In the Maritime Provinces, conditions are now favorable for the growth of all crops.

In British Columbia, general heavy rains have damaged the first crop of alfalfa but should materially benefit later hay crops, grain and vegetables, though on Vancouver Island, the rains came too late to repair drought damage.

**Entries of Sugar into United States Against Quotas Under Jones-Costigan Sugar Act—Imports During First Six Months of Year Totaled 2,790,037 Short Tons, AAA Reports**

The quantity of sugar entered for consumption into the United States during the first six months of this year from Cuba, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and Hawaii totaled 2,790,037 short tons, raw value, without final polarization and final outturn adjustments. This quantity has been charged against the 1935 quotas for the areas indicated, the Sugar Section of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration announced July 8. It stated:

The report, covering entries of sugar from Jan. 1 to July 1, shows that the quantity entered represented 62.6% of the total of 4,454,019 tons admissible from those areas under the quotas established for 1935 by General Sugar Quota Regulations, Series 2. Such quotas and the balances available for the rest of the year under such quotas are subject to change under the Jones-Costigan Act when effect is given to the revised data on hand as a result of the investigation of importations from the producing areas in the so-called "basic" years, or if consumption changes, or if any other debits required under the provisions of the Act are given effect.

In addition to giving the record of sugar entries from the areas mentioned above, the report presents a summary of the quantity of sugar entered and certified for entry from all foreign countries, the Sugar Section of the AAA stated, adding:

This report includes all sugars from Cuba, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and Hawaii recorded as entered and certified for entry or certified for entry upon arrival from those areas prior to July 1 1935. The statistics pertaining to full-duty countries include, in addition to the sugar actually entered before July 1 1935, all quantities certified for entry, including quantities in transit on July 1 1935 prior to that date.

The figures are subject to change after final outturn-weight and polarization data for all importations are available.

The status on July 1 1935 of the principal quotas established under General Sugar Quota Regulations, Series 2, for 1935, is as follows:\*

(Tons of 2,000 pounds—96-degree equivalent)

Area	Quantity of Sugar Which May Be Admitted for 1935 Under General Sugar Quota Regulations, Series 2	Amounts Charged Against Quotas	Percent Jan.-June Entries Are of Total Entries Admissible in 1935	Balance Remaining
Cuba	1,857,022	2,088,035	58.50	768,987
Philippines	918,352	582,444	63.42	335,908
Puerto Rico	779,420	598,003	76.72	181,417
Hawaii	893,884	520,530	58.23	373,354
Virgin Islands	5,341	1,025	19.19	4,316
Total	4,454,019	2,790,037	62.64	1,663,982

\* This does not give effect to pending readjustment of quotas referred to in the press release of April 6 1935, or drawback and export credits.

In addition to the sugar charged against the quotas for Cuba and the other insular areas, a large part of the sugar which may be admitted from full-duty countries was entered or certified for entry during the first five months of the year. The following table shows, in pounds, the amount of sugar which may be admitted in 1935, the amount which was charged against quotas during the period January-June, and the amount which may be admitted during the remainder of the year from the areas specified:

(Pounds—96-degree equivalent)

Area	Quantity Which May Be Admitted for 1935	Charged Against Quota	Balance Remaining
Belgium	194,462	194,462	-----
Canada	372,795	372,795	-----
China	53,252	53,252	-----
Hong Kong	137,117	137,117	-----
Czechoslovakia	173,975	173,975	-----
Dominican Republic	4,406,150	4,406,150	-----
Dutch East Indies	139,670	139,670	-----
France	116	116	-----
Germany	77	77	-----
Haiti	608,950	608,950	-----
Mexico	3,985,513	134,158	3,851,360
Netherlands	143,952	143,952	-----
Peru	7,343,561	7,343,561	-----
United Kingdom	231,700	231,676	24
Unallotted reserve	600,000	420,063	179,937
Total	18,391,295	14,359,974	4,031,321

Direct-consumption sugar is included in the amounts charged against the various quotas since the direct-consumption-sugar quota is included in the total quota for each area. The following tabulation indicates the direct-consumption-sugar quotas, amounts of direct-consumption sugar admitted during the first six months of 1935, as well as the amounts which may be admitted for the remainder of the year:

	Short Tons 96-Degree Equivalent
Cuban direct-consumption sugar:	
1935 quota	408,545
Quantity charged against quota	218,606
Balance remaining	189,939
Puerto Rican direct-consumption sugar:	
1935 refined-sugar quota	123,529
Quantity charged against quota	81,743
Balance remaining	41,786
1935 raw-sugar quota	9,590
Quantity charged against quota	9,590
Balance remaining	0
Hawaiian direct-consumption sugar:	
1935 quota	29,111
Quantity charged against quota	16,102
Balance remaining	13,009
Philippine direct-consumption sugar:	
1935 refined-sugar quota	69,665
Quantity charged against quota	20,536
Balance remaining	49,129
1935 raw-sugar quota	9,996
Quantity charged against quota	9,996
Balance remaining	0

This report of the AAA, covering the period from Jan. 1 to July 1, is the sixth such to be issued; the last previous report was given in the "Chronicle" of June 15, page 3974.

### United States Sugar Consumption During June Reported 16% Below Year Ago

Sugar consumption in the United States as measured by distribution showed a decrease in June of 16.0% compared with June of last year, according to the preliminary estimate of B. W. Dyer and Co., sugar economists and brokers. The firm said:

Consumption amounted to 490,000 long tons, raw sugar value, compared to 583,357 tons in June of 1934, a decrease of 93,357 tons.

For the first six months of 1935 consumption is preliminarily estimated at 3,010,026 tons an increase of 148,962 tons or 5.2% compared with the same period of 1934 when 2,861,064 tons were consumed.

### Average Price for Cuban Raw Sugar Higher During First Six Months of 1935 Than Corresponding Period Year Ago

The average price for Cuban raw sugar excluding the duty, delivered at New York, during the first six months of 1935, was 2.194 cents per pound as contrasted with an average of 1.086 cents per pound during the corresponding period last year, an increase of 1.108 cents per pound, or over 102% according to Lamborn's Statistical Department. The 1935 average price for the Jan.-June period is the highest in seven years, or since 1928 when the six months' average was 2.633 cents per pound, it was announced.

### 1,013,000 Bags of Coffee Destroyed by Brazil During First Six Months of Year—Compares with 3,299,000 Bags During Like Period of 1934

Brazil destroyed 1,013,000 bags of coffee during the first six months of 1935, according to cables to the New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange, against 3,299,000 bags during the similar 1934 period. Since the start of the program in June 1931, 35,121,000 bags have been destroyed, the Exchange said on July 8. It continued:

During the crop year ending June 30 1935, Brazilian destruction totaled 5,980,000 bags while shipments amounted to 13,757,000 bags for the 12 months period, a total disappearance of 19,737,000 bags. With production officially estimated at 14,102,000 bags during the 1934-35 year, the apparent decrease in Brazil's surplus amounts to 5,635,000 bags.

### World's Visible Coffee Supply Decreased According to New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange

The World's visible supply of coffee exclusive of restricted stocks in Brazil aggregated 7,540,413 bags on July 1, a decrease of 985,486 bags or 11.6% during the crop year just ended, the New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange announced July 5, stating:

Stocks a year ago amounted to 8,525,899 bags. The decrease was almost wholly accounted for by the drop in stocks in and afloat for various consuming ports of Europe from 4,081,000 bags on July 1 1934 to 3,176,000 bags this year. United States supplies were 1,302,413 this year against 1,342,899 a year ago while stocks in various Brazilian ports amounted to 3,062,000 bags against 3,102,000 bags in 1934.

### Petroleum and Its Products—Five-Point Plan Seen Reported to Congress—Refinery Control Backed by J. E. Shatford—Texas to Set August Quota—Decision Reserved on California Lease Measure—Crude Output Off in Week

The special oil subcommittee of the House Inter-State and Foreign Commerce Committee probably will suggest a five-point plan in its final report to Congress on what oil legislation it thinks necessary following its one-year study of conditions in the industry.

This was unofficially disclosed in Washington in mid-week following an informal meeting of the group in the office of Chairman W. P. Cole (Dem.) of Maryland. Other members of the subcommittee include Pettingill (Dem.), of Indiana; Kelly (Dem.), of Illinois; Mapes (Rep.), of Michigan, and Wolverton (Rep.), of New Jersey.

Chairman Cole refused to comment upon the meeting following its conclusion, but it was learned unofficially that the final report, to be made within a week or so, probably will include specific recommendations for legislation to provide the following five points:

1. Ratification of an inter-State compact to limit output.
2. Formation of a Federal Petroleum Board, independent of the Department of the Interior, to establish demand quotas through surveys and to recommend the needed amount of production to the various oil States.
3. The limitation of imports.
4. Federal approval of voluntary agreements in the industry to promote refining and marketing stabilization.
5. Some form of limited power for the Federal Government to restrict inter-State movements of crude oil or its products from States which do not have regulatory laws or agencies.

Such legislation would find general favor in the industry, most oil men agree, pointing out that they embody most of the suggestions of the American Petroleum Institute presented to Congress recently in a resolution.

Enactment of legislation permitting voluntary agreements in the oil trade to provide for regulation of refinery runs, subject to Federal supervision, was urged by J. E. Shatford, National Refinery Co-ordinator, under the oil code, in a letter sent July 6 to Senator Borah.

"My status as a refiner and my experience under the code have made it clear that the small man in the oil industry cannot hope to survive the effect of proration laws and the operations of major companies unless some referee be appointed who shall have the right to keep the contest within the limits of certain rules of equal opportunity and fair play," the veteran oil refiner told Senator Borah.

"This is a situation peculiar to the oil industry," he continued. "As a result of the policy of legislation, the small refiner and marketer who does not own his own crude oil production is compelled to purchase his raw material on a market which is statistically balanced as to supply and demand but which is actually strengthened by a psychological shortage, and in turn sells his product on a wholesale market that at present has no restrictions put upon it, and a retail market that is fraught with all manner of competitive abuses."

Stocks of domestic and foreign crude oil dipped 1,664,000 barrels during the final week of June to 320,116,000 barrels, the Bureau of Mines reported July 11. A slash of 1,752,000 barrels in holdings of domestic crude was slightly pared by an increase of 88,000 barrels in stocks of foreign crude. Imports averaged 95,000 barrels.

A State-wide proration hearing will be held by the Texas Railroad Commission on July 19 in Austin, it was announced at the start of the week when the Commission called for nominations of prospective purchasers of crude during August. The Commission said that reduction in crude oil prices in Texas will be accepted as prima facie evidence of overproduction in the affected areas, and would

mean curtailment of the allowables there until the price situation had been corrected.

The sharp increase in crude oil production in recent weeks, due mainly to unrestrained output in California, is not serious with respect to the country's supply-and-demand position, an editorial in the current "Lamp," house organ of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey contends.

"To much importance should not attach to week-to-week changes in the quantity of crude oil produced in the United States," the magazine argued, adding, "in some districts operating under quotas it has been found economical to produce the entire allowable for one month in a single week and shut down for the remainder of the period. Where this is done on any considerable scale it, of course, destroys the value of comparative production figures by weeks.

"As was to be expected, the sudden and unexpected termination of the control exercised under the petroleum code brought about increases in crude petroleum," it continued. "There was bound to be a lag between the removal of restrictions exercised under the authority of the code and the putting into operation of regulatory measures by the principal oil States.

"It is interesting, however, to note that there was no increase whatever in the combined production by two of the three principal States—Oklahoma and California—in the first half of June, despite an increase of 74,537 over the May daily average. Nearly all the production was contributed by producers in California, which had no State law to take over the enforcement of restrictions which were dependent upon the continuance of the NRA.

"California daily production, which was 490,582 barrels in May, rose to 558,037 barrels in the first half of June, an increase of 67,455 barrels, or about 90% of the total for the country. Another increase of 3,852 barrels was accounted for by the Rocky Mountain States.

"This increase, large as it was in California, is not serious in respect to the country's supply-and-demand position. This has been much improved in recent years, partly through a reduction in crude production and partly through gains in consumption of products. In the last of the post-war boom, 1929, the United States produced 1,007,000 barrels of crude and consumed 443,000,000 barrels of gasoline. In the lowest point in the depression, production fell to 785,000,000 barrels, and gasoline consumption to 410,000,000.

"In the current year, estimates forecast crude production of 963,000,000 barrels and gasoline consumption of 451,000,000 barrels. Less crude is required for the increased quantity of gasoline, because of the increased recovery per barrel through running more gas oil through the cracking coils. Thus, in 1929, there was a demand for 434,000,000 barrels of gas and fuel oil for consumption as such, whereas this year it is expected that requirements will not exceed 365,000,000 barrels.

"The position also will be improved over that of six years ago by the reduction which has since occurred in imports of crude. The total imports of crude and products in 1929 were 109,000,000 barrels and this year probably will not exceed 54,000,000 barrels. The stock position of crude and products has been improved to a marked degree through a reduction from 701,000,000 barrels at the end of 1929 to 570,000,000 barrels at the close of April 1935."

A sharp reduction in daily average crude oil output in Oklahoma during the first week of July pared the aggregate by 12,450 barrels to 2,677,400 barrels, the American Petroleum Institute reported. Oklahoma's cut offset gains in Texas and California.

There were no crude oil price changes.

**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 ..	1.08	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—GAS PRICE WAR IN BROOKLYN—BUNKER FUEL OIL CUT—MID-WEST BULK GAS PRICES EASE—HEAVY REFINERY RATE WORRIES INDUSTRY—GAS STOCKS RISE DESPITE HOLIDAY—WEST COAST GAS PRICES CUT—APRIL RECEIPTS DIP**

Secret price-cutting which has been prevalent in Brooklyn since the end of the NRA oil code broke out in an open price-war Thursday when gasoline was posted at 6 gallons for 98 cents, Federal and State taxes included.

The price was 2 to 3 cents a gallon under the general level prevailing throughout the metropolitan New York area. The general price in Brooklyn prior to the "war" was 17.8 cents a gallon, Federal and State taxes included.

An announcement was made following a meeting of the Gasoline Merchants of Brooklyn and Queens on Thursday night that "a determined effort" would be made at the outset of next week to restore prices to their former levels.

While no official statement was made by any of the companies involved in the price cutting, it was learned that the cuts developed from the widening practice of granting old customers price concessions which made it necessary for a general cut in order to cope with this type of competition.

The outbreak was the first in the metropolitan New York area, although in the past month there have been

several reductions in certain sections of New England and in up-State New York, where local competitive conditions have brought price-wars.

Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey Thursday lowered the price of Grade C bunker fuel oil 10 cents a barrel to \$1.05 at New York, Baltimore and Norfolk, and \$1 at Charleston, S. C. The cut, however, did not include the Gulf Coast area, where prices held unchanged.

A reduction of 1/8-cent a gallon, Tuesday, in the Chicago tank car price of 63-70 octane gasoline to 5 1/2 cents, refinery, was the first halt in the upward movement which has continued unchecked for the past six months.

The weakness in the bulk market was reflected Friday in a reduction of 2 cents a gallon of all three grades of gasoline in the metropolitan Chicago area posted by the Deep Rock Oil Corp.

The reduction, Western oil men held, is the direct result of the continued rise in refinery operations in recent weeks which culminated in an increase of 131,000 barrels in gasoline stocks during the week ended July 6.

The advance in gasoline stocks, at the time when seasonal factors are lifting consumption to their peaks for the year and in a week including a holiday, is contra-seasonal and distinctly unusual. It is explained by the heavy output by refineries, since consumption, according to all reports, is continuing at a satisfactory level.

While the continued heavy rate of production of gasoline at refineries has an unfavorable effect upon the country as a whole, it is even more effective as a market factor in the mid-continent area where there is a large group of refiners who have no outlet for their stocks save the tank-car market.

The first indication of the weakening of the tank-car price structure in the mid-west developed in the final week of June when major companies found it necessary to absorb increasing stocks of excess gasoline to maintain a stable market.

Continued unfavorable weather conditions in many sections of the mid-west during the first week of July cut consumption and curtailed the market for the increasing flow of gasoline, and the pressure of these excess stocks upon the market were credited with forcing the reduction of 1/8-cent a gallon Tuesday.

Gasoline stocks rose 131,000 barrels during the first week of July to 50,138,000 barrels, a decline of 8,000 barrels in refinery holdings being more than offset by an increase of 139,000 barrels in bulk terminal holdings, the report released by the American Petroleum Institute disclosed.

The report also showed that production of gasoline by cracking rose to another new peak at a daily average of 558,000 barrels, up 23,000 barrels from the previous week. Refinery operations were off 1.1 points to 75.3% of capacity. Daily average runs of crude oil to stills dipped 37,000 barrels to 2,564,000 barrels.

In addition to reductions in Buffalo and Boston where local competitive conditions brought fluctuations in retail prices of gasoline, cuts of 3 and 4 cents a gallon were posted in "pump" prices of gasoline in the San Joaquin Valley in California on July 5.

Despite the fact that the New York State tax on gasoline was lifted 1 cent a gallon on April 1 to 4 cents a gallon, receipts for the month were \$90,968 under a year ago at \$3,271,294. Officials of the American Petroleum Industries Committee attributed the decline, in part, to the decline in consumption coupled with a probable increase in tax evasion.

Daily average production of gasoline during May of 4,179,000 gallons represented a decline of 100,000 gallons from the April average, the Bureau of Mines reported July 8.

Representative price cuts follow:

July 5—Retail gasoline prices were cut 3 and 4 cents a gallon in the San Joaquin Valley in California.

July 9—A reduction of 1/8 cent a gallon was posted in the tank-car price of 63-70 octane gasoline at Chicago, making the new price 5 1/2 cents, refinery.

July 11—Gasoline prices were slashed to 6 gallons for 98 cents, Federal and State taxes included, in Brooklyn, 2 to 3 cents under the Metropolitan price level.

July 11—Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey reduced Grade C bunker fuel oil 10 cents a barrel to \$1.05 at New York, Baltimore and Norfolk, and \$1 at Charleston, S. C.

July 12—Deep Rock Oil Corp. cut service station prices of gasoline 2 cents a gallon in the metropolitan Chicago area only.

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

New York (Bayonne) .....	\$0.05	North Texas .....	\$0.03 1/2 - .03 1/4	New Orleans .....	\$0.04 - .04 1/4
		Los Angeles .....	.04 1/2 - .05	Tulsa .....	.03 1/4 - .04

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

N. Y. (Bayonne) .....	California 27 plus D .....	Phila., bunke C .....	\$1.15
Bunker C .....	.....		
Diesel 28-30 D .....	.....	New Orleans C .....	1.00

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

Y. (Bayonne), plus .....	\$.04 - .04 1/4	Chicago, 32-36 GO .....	\$.02 1/4 - .02 1/2	Tulsa .....	\$.02 1/4 - .02 1/2
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**S. Gasoline, (Above 65 Octane), Tank Car Lots, F.O.B. Refinery**

Standard Oil N. J. ....	\$.06 1/4	New York	Chicago .....	\$.05 1/4 - .05 1/2
Socony-Vacuum .....	.06 1/4	Colonial-Beacon .....	New Orleans .....	.05 1/2 - .05 3/4
Tide Water Oil Co. ....	.06 1/4	Texas .....	Los Ang. ex. ....	.04 1/2 - .04 3/4
Richfield Oil (Calif.) ..	.06 1/4	Gulf .....	Gulf ports .....	.05 1/2
Warner-Quinlan Co. ....	.06 1/4	Republic Oil .....	Tulsa .....	.05 1/2 - .05 3/4
		Shell East'n Pet. ....		

**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 .....	.189
Chicago .....	.175	Los Angeles .....	.145		

z Not including 2% city sales tax.

**Governor Merriam Defers Decision on New California Lease Bill**

"Governor F. P. Merriam to-day took under consideration a bill which opponents charged would give the Standard Oil Co. of California a virtual monopoly of the State-owned oil deposit, valued at \$500,000,000," a United Press dispatch from Sacramento reported in the New York "World-Telegram" of July 11.

The dispatch continued:  
The measure, passed by the 1935 General Assembly, proposed that the State lease oil rights in tideland pools to owners of littoral lands adjacent to the tidelands on a minimum royalty basis of 16 2-3%.

The proposal developed bitter controversy at a hearing held yesterday. Standard Oil Co. owns practically all the littoral land adjacent to the Huntington Beach pool, it was said.

Proponents advocated executive approval of the measure as the logical way to develop the pools and at the same time protect ocean beaches by preventing actual tideland drilling by requiring slanting of wells.

Governor Merriam has until July 20 to sign or veto the measure. He gave no indication of when he expected to act.

**Monthly Natural Gasoline Output Continues Decline**

The production of natural gasoline continued its steady decline, the daily average for May 1935 being 4,179,000 gallons, or 100,000 gallons below the average in April, according to a report prepared by the Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior. Daily average production in the Panhandle increased slightly in May, and the output in east Texas rose to a new high level. Production in the Oklahoma City and Kettleman Hills fields was materially lower. Stocks of natural gasoline at refineries declined in May but this was more than offset by seasonal increases at plants and terminals. The Bureau's report further disclosed:

PRODUCTION AND STOCKS OF NATURAL GASOLINE  
(Thousands of Gallons)

	Production				Stocks			
	May 1935	April 1935	Jan.-May 1935	Jan.-May 1934	May 31 1935		April 30 1935	
					At Refineries	At Plants & Terminals	At Refineries	At Plants & Terminals
East Coast	4,943	5,623	29,378	27,000	10,962	252	10,458	5,500
Appalachian	757	810	4,220	3,500	252	5,130	378	478
Ind., Ill., Ky., &c.	30,892	30,398	148,744	151,000	1,784	489	1,806	17,418
Oklahoma	2,497	2,803	13,335	11,300	210	21,222	3,192	17,418
Kans., Mo., &c.	43,154	40,758	209,026	177,300	9,744	67,025	12,432	53,211
Texas	3,828	3,481	18,639	17,200	---	7,866	84	3,456
Louisiana	1,159	1,139	5,408	5,400	126	194	168	219
Arkansas	4,172	4,126	21,520	23,700	1,260	1,368	882	1,320
Rocky Mountain	38,159	39,220	205,036	199,800	114,618	3,413	118,944	3,302
California	129,561	128,358	655,306	616,200	114,716	108,321	148,512	86,082
Total	4,179	4,279	4,340	4,080	---	---	---	---
Daily average	100	102	103	97	---	---	---	---
Total (thous. of barrels)	3,085	3,056	15,602	14,671	14,671	2,579	3,536	2,050
Daily average	100	102	103	97	---	---	---	---

**Crude Oil Production During May Gains 45,600 Barrels**

The Monthly Petroleum Report of the United States Bureau of Mines showed that the production of crude oil in May 1935 was 82,454,000 barrels, a daily average of 2,659,000 barrels. This represents an increase of 45,600 barrels over April and about 84,000 barrels over May a year ago.

The increased production in May was due principally to a higher allowable and to seasonal factors. Production in California, which had been abnormally low in April, rose to just below the 500,000-barrel mark. Production in Oklahoma registered a slight gain. The steady gain in the Louisiana Gulf was continued. Kansas showed little change but the daily average output in Texas, 1,067,200, was 11,000 barrels higher than in April. All of this gain was registered in east Texas, production in the rest of the State remaining virtually stationary. The Bureau's report further disclosed:

Primarily because the increase in crude runs to stills, which averaged 2,594,000 barrels daily in May, exceeded the gain in production, stocks of crude declined in May after increasing in March and April. The net withdrawal from crude oil stocks in May was 1,234,000 barrels, which brought the total for refinable grades down to 338,559,000 barrels. Stocks in California showed the largest decline; in fact, stocks east of California increased.

The yield of gasoline from crude increased to 44.3% in May; this is the highest since October 1933. Compared with April, the May yield represents an increase of 0.6%; this gain was entirely attributable to increased cracking as the straight-run yield decreased 0.1%.

The domestic demand for motor fuel in May totaled 39,089,000 barrels, a daily average of 1,261,000 barrels. Compared with May 1934, this demand represents a gain of 3%. Exports of motor fuel exceeded expectations, totaling 2,141,000 barrels, compared with 1,467,000 barrels in April and 1,907,000 barrels in May 1934. Because of the substantial increase in demand, stocks were withdrawn more rapidly than anticipated. The decline in finished and unfinished stocks of gasoline totaled 2,910,000 barrels; this brought the total as of May 31 to 61,483,000 barrels, or about 5,000,000 barrels below the accepted economic level.

The first definite seasonal decline in fuel oil demand occurred in May. The daily average indicated domestic demand for kerosene declined to 114,000 barrels from 125,000 barrels in April and the daily average domestic demand for all grades of gas oil and fuel oil decreased from 956,000 to 871,000 barrels in the same period.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the price index for petroleum products for May 1935 was 52.2, compared with 51.0 for April 1935 and 50.7 for May 1934.

The refinery data of this report were compiled from refineries having an aggregate daily recorded crude oil capacity of 3,685,000 barrels. These

refineries operated during May 1935 at 70% of their capacity, compared with an operating ratio of 68% in April.

SUPPLY AND DEMAND OF ALL OILS  
(Thousands of barrels of 42 gallons)

	May 1935	April 1935	May 1934	Jan.-May 1935	Jan.-May 1934
<b>New Supply—</b>					
Domestic production:					
Crude petroleum	82,454	78,427	79,870	393,847	368,640
Daily average	2,660	2,614	2,576	2,608	2,441
Natural gasoline	3,085	3,056	2,907	15,602	14,671
Benzol a	145	138	172	137	745
Total production	85,684	81,621	82,949	410,180	384,056
Daily average	2,764	2,721	2,676	2,716	2,543
Imports:					
Crude petroleum:					
Bonded warehouses	474	629	110	3,145	971
For domestic use	2,959	1,970	2,902	9,409	13,127
Refined products:					
Bonded warehouses	1,075	1,114	1,079	4,943	4,516
For domestic use	566	737	365	4,215	1,258
Total new supply all oils	90,758	86,071	87,405	431,892	403,928
Daily average	2,928	2,869	2,820	2,860	2,675
Decrease in stocks, all oils	1,198	1,291	2,082	4,192	14,500
<b>Demand—</b>					
Total demand	91,956	87,362	89,487	427,700	418,428
Daily average	2,966	2,912	2,887	2,832	2,771
Exports:					
Crude petroleum	4,613	3,776	3,724	16,843	15,047
Refined products	5,133	4,305	5,915	26,243	31,065
Domestic demand:					
Motor fuel	39,089	36,076	38,141	161,656	155,868
Kerosene	3,545	3,751	3,222	20,151	19,493
Gas oil and fuel oil	27,010	28,685	26,744	149,338	147,043
Lubricants	1,919	1,802	1,941	8,192	7,977
Wax	93	88	78	389	410
Coke	531	406	524	2,697	3,641
Asphalt	1,531	1,244	1,285	4,688	3,579
Road oil	478	292	779	1,195	1,659
Still gas (production)	4,411	3,916	3,674	19,655	17,252
Miscellaneous	187	167	172	925	736
Losses and crude used as fuel	3,416	2,854	3,288	15,728	14,658
Total domestic demand	82,210	79,281	79,848	384,614	372,316
Daily average	2,652	2,643	2,576	2,547	2,466
<b>Stocks—</b>					
Crude petroleum	338,559	339,793	355,883	338,559	355,883
Natural gasoline	5,977	5,586	4,420	5,977	4,420
Refined products	223,804	224,159	227,410	223,804	227,410
Total, all oils	568,340	569,538	587,713	568,340	587,713
Days' supply	192	196	204	201	212

a From Coal Division. b Imports of crude as reported to Bureau of Mines; imports of refined products from Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. c Increase.

**PRODUCTION OF CRUDE PETROLEUM BY STATES AND PRINCIPAL FIELDS**

	May 1935		April 1935		Jan.-May 1935	Jan.-May 1934
	Total	Daily Av.	Total	Daily Av.		
	Arkansas	965	31.1	924		
California:						
Huntington Beach	1,189	38.4	1,164	38.8	5,887	6,010
Kettleman Hills	1,675	54.0	1,588	53.0	9,286	8,209
Long Beach	2,027	65.4	1,956	65.2	9,701	9,464
Santa Fe Springs	1,135	36.6	1,108	36.9	5,702	6,321
Rest of State	9,316	300.5	8,358	278.6	43,751	41,007
Total California	15,342	494.9	14,174	472.5	74,417	71,011
Colorado	123	4.0	150	5.0	658	435
Illinois	382	12.4	338	11.3	1,717	1,908
Indiana	66	2.1	61	2.0	307	335
Kansas	4,736	152.8	4,550	151.7	22,530	18,892
Kentucky	464	15.0	445	14.8	2,197	1,758
Louisiana:						
Gulf Coast	3,406	109.9	3,096	103.2	14,690	7,246
Rest of State	734	23.7	708	23.6	3,474	3,944
Total Louisiana	4,140	133.6	3,804	126.8	18,164	11,190
Michigan	1,234	39.8	1,179	39.3	5,523	4,408
Montana	384	12.4	332	11.1	1,716	1,156
New Mexico	1,675	54.0	1,639	54.6	8,040	6,673
New York	360	11.6	350	11.7	1,722	1,479
Ohio—Central and East	278	9.0	274	9.1	1,330	1,333
Northwestern	85	2.7	82	2.8	386	410
Total Ohio	363	11.7	356	11.9	1,716	1,743
Oklahoma—Okla. City	5,071	163.6	5,013	167.1	23,988	27,569
Seminole	4,132	134.9	3,970	132.3	19,344	15,998
Rest of State	6,962	224.6	6,670	222.4	33,130	32,768
Total Oklahoma	16,215	523.1	15,653	521.8	76,462	76,335
Pennsylvania	1,414	45.6	1,380	45.0	6,660	5,814
Texas—Gulf Coast	5,213	168.2	5,124	170.8	25,623	24,285
West Texas	4,612	148.8	4,523	150.8	22,691	20,144
East Texas	14,954	482.4	14,131	471.0	72,469	74,817
Panhandle	1,894	61.1	1,801	60.0	9,137	7,898
Rest of State	6,410	206.7	6,107	203.6	30,529	27,206
Total Texas	33,083	1,067.2	31,686	1,056.2	160,449	154,350
West Virginia	349	11.2	336	11.2	1,658	1,678
Wyoming:						
Salt Creek	539	17.4	530	17.7	2,643	2,691
Rest of State	616	19.9	536	17.8	2,667	2,195
Total Wyoming	1,155	37.3	1,066	35.5	5,310	4,886
Other a	4	---	4	---	16	4
Total United States	82,454	2,659.8	78,427	2,614.2	393,847	368,640

a Includes Missouri, Tennessee and Utah.

**Coal Operators Record Conflicting View Points on Guffey Bill—Opposing Groups Send Communications to Ways and Means Subcommittee**

Coal operators representing 60.1% of the total 1934 United States coal production, or 215,515,466 tons, are opposed to the Guffey Coal Bill, according to a letter on July 10 from the Committee Against the Guffey Coal Bill to Representative Hill, Chairman of the House Ways and Means subcommittee that is considering the measure. H. R. Hawthorne, Chairman of the Committee, said that many operators who were listed as in support of the bill were actually against the measure. His letter was in reply to one sent Mr. Hill several days earlier by Charles O'Neill, head of another operators' group favoring the bill. A dispatch of July 10 from Washington to the New York "Times" quoted from Mr. Hawthorne's letter as follows:

Replying to Mr. O'Neill's assertion that coal prices would not increase materially to the public if the Guffey bill were enacted, the letter alleges

that its sponsors would use it "to force upon the industry a reduction in hours and an increase in wages."

Mr. Hawthorne said that the estimated increased cost per ton if the bill became law would be from 75 cents to \$1.20. These increases, he added, the industry would be forced to pass on to the consumer.

"Higher coal costs will mean higher transportation costs," he continued. "Transportation costs are already strangling the industry. As prices go up more business will go to competitive fuels produced with a minimum of labor."

"No regulations are proposed for anthracite coal, coke, oil, wood and other competitive forms of energy. While the inevitable effect of this legislation must be to increase costs it is by no means necessary to secure the renewal of a proper wage contract and the continuance of payment of wages that may be called for in such contract."

Another dispatch to the "Times" from Washington on July 8 gave the following extract from Mr. O'Neill's letter:

In his letter to Representative Hill, Mr. O'Neill, Chairman of the pro-Guffey bill groups, said that 287 operators favored the measure, representing an output of 160,000,000 tons in 1934 out of a total production of 358,000,000 tons.

He pointed out that by express mandate in the bill "the minimum prices of coal are determined by the actual average cost of production and certainly such return would not impose an undue burden upon the consuming public."

"On the contrary," he said, "it assures security for the wages of more than 400,000 men employed in the coal mines of the country by removing from the producer the necessity of breaking down such wages in the competitive struggle for a return that will approximate even the out-of-pocket cost of his products."

**Production of Coal During Latest Week Shows Fair Increase**

The United States Bureau of Mines, in its weekly coal report stated that production of bituminous coal during the week ended June 29 is estimated at 6,482,000 net tons, compared with 4,831,000 tons in the previous week. The extremely low output in the week of June 22 was largely a reaction against the forced buying of the two weeks preceding, when many consumers had been purchasing for storage, in anticipation of a strike. During the week of June 29, however, there was a recovery from this reaction, and production showed a gain of 1,651,000 tons, or 34.20%.

Anthracite production in Pennsylvania during the week ended June 29 is estimated at 1,464,000 net tons. This is an increase of 349,000 tons, or 31.3%, over the preceding week, and compares with an output of 1,143,000 tons in the corresponding week of 1934.

During the calendar year to June 29 1935 a total of 189,098,000 net tons of bituminous coal and 28,645,000 net tons of Pennsylvania anthracite were produced. This compares with 180,856,000 tons of soft coal and 32,507,000 tons of hard coal produced in the same period of 1934. The Bureau's statement follows:

ESTIMATED UNITED STATES PRODUCTION OF COAL AND BEEHIVE COKE (NET TONS)

	Week Ended			Calendar Year to Date		
	June 29 1935c	June 22 1935d	June 30 1934	1935	1934e	1929
Bitum. coal a						
Tot. for per.	6,482,000	4,831,000	6,146,000	189,098,000	180,856,000	257,845,000
Daily avge.	1,080,000	805,000	1,024,000	1,240,000	1,184,000	1,578,000
Penna. anth. b						
Tot. for per.	1,464,000	1,115,000	1,143,000	28,645,000	32,507,000	35,512,000
Daily avge.	244,000	185,800	190,500	183,100	214,600	234,400
Beehive coke						
Tot. for per.	12,900	12,700	14,600	466,100	590,700	3,356,000
Daily avge.	2,150	2,117	2,433	3,007	3,811	21,652

a Includes lignite, coal made into coke, local sales, and colliery fuel. b Includes Sullivan County, washery and dredge coal, local sales, and colliery fuel. c Subject to revision. d Revised. e Adjusted to make comparable the number of working days in the several years.

ESTIMATED WEEKLY PRODUCTION OF COAL, BY STATES (IN THOUSANDS OF NET TONS)

[The current weekly estimates are based on railroad carloadings and river shipments and are subject to revision on receipt of monthly tonnage reports from district and State sources or of final annual returns from the operators.]

State	Week Ended						June Avege. 1929 f
	June 22 1935 p	June 15 1935 p	June 8 1935 p	June 23 1934 r	June 24 1933 r	June 22 1929 s	
Alaska	1	2	2	2	s	s	387
Alabama	154	218	204	188	150	298	70
Arkansas and Oklahoma	15	31	27	12	23	54	175
Colorado	37	91	79	42	38	96	143
Georgia & No. Carolina	1	1	1	2	s	s	113
Illinois	453	1,030	1,040	510	489	819	1,243
Indiana	113	418	349	188	203	289	416
Iowa	28	87	68	43	46	55	88
Kansas and Missouri	68	137	110	71	65	93	128
Kentucky—Eastern a	509	729	678	515	569	840	661
Western	85	157	168	90	98	208	183
Maryland	23	42	35	19	21	44	47
Michigan	6	15	8	6	2	14	12
Montana	35	65	59	33	26	47	38
New Mexico	20	29	28	17	19	43	51
North and South Dakota	20	22	21	10	s13	s11	s14
Ohio	196	566	529	344	318	441	888
Pennsylvania bituminous	1,303	2,483	2,376	1,712	1,731	2,754	3,613
Tennessee	51	91	91	59	77	97	113
Texas	13	13	13	14	15	20	21
Utah	20	57	37	25	16	57	89
Virginia	142	228	233	170	166	225	240
Washington	22	22	20	18	21	42	44
W. Va.—Southern b	1,145	1,898	1,720	1,400	1,456	1,901	1,380
Northern c	290	701	675	508	409	711	856
Wyoming	81	87	82	56	50	83	104
Other western States d	*	*	*	1	s3	s2	s5
Total bituminous	4,831	9,220	8,653	6,055	6,024	9,244	10,866
Pennsylvania anthracite e	1,115	1,450	1,387	805	1,018	1,173	1,956
Grand total	5,946	10,670	10,040	6,860	7,042	10,417	12,822

a Coal taken from under the Kentucky mountains through openings in Virginia is credited to Virginia in the current reports for 1935, and the figures are therefore not directly comparable with former years. d Includes operations on the N. & W., C. & O., Virginian, K. & M., B. C. & G., and on the B. & O. in Kanawha, Mason,

and Clay counties. c Rest of State, including Panhandle District and Grant, Mineral, and Tucker counties. d Includes Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, and Oregon. e Includes Sullivan County, washery and dredge coal, local sales, and coal shipped by truck from established operations. f Average weekly rate for the entire month. p Preliminary. r Revised. s Alaska, Georgia, North Carolina, and South Dakota included with "other Western States." \* Less than 1,000 tons.

**Daily Average Crude Oil Output Off 12,450 Barrels**

The American Petroleum Institute estimates that the daily average gross crude oil production for the week ended July 6 1935 was 2,677,400 barrels. This was a drop of 12,450 barrels from the output of the previous week. The current week's figure, however, was above the 2,660,000 barrels calculated by the United States Department of the Interior to be the total of the restrictions imposed by the various oil producing States during July. Daily average production for the four weeks ended July 6 1935 is estimated at 2,704,900 barrels. The daily average output for the week ended July 7 1934 totaled 2,564,300 barrels. Further details as reported by the Institute follow:

Imports of petroleum at principal United States ports (crude and refined oils), for the week ended July 6, totaled 594,000 barrels, a daily average of 84,857 barrels, compared with a daily average of 149,428 barrels for the week ended June 29 and 155,786 barrels daily for the four weeks ended July 6.

Receipts of California oil at Atlantic and Gulf Coast ports (crude and refined) for the week ended July 6 totaled 281,000 barrels, a daily average of 40,143 barrels, compared with a daily average of 8,714 barrels for the week ended June 29 and 25,893 barrels daily for the four weeks ended July 6.

Reports received from refining companies owning 89.5% of the 3,806,000 barrel estimated daily potential refining capacity of the United States, indicate that 2,564,000 barrels of crude oil daily were run to the stills operated by those companies and that they had in storage at refineries at the end of the week 30,410,000 barrels of finished gasoline, 6,132,000 barrels of unfinished gasoline and 101,867,000 barrels of gas and fuel oil. Gasoline at bulk terminals, in transit and in pipe lines amounted to 19,728,000 barrels.

Cracked gasoline production by companies owning 92.5% of the potential charging capacity of all cracking units, averaged 558,000 barrels daily during the week.

DAILY AVERAGE CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION (Figures in Barrels)

Dept. of Interior Calculations (July)	Actual Production		Average 4 Weeks Ended July 6 1935	Week Ended July 7 1934
	Week End. July 6 1935	Week End. June 29 1935		
Oklahoma	517,400	491,600	521,200	515,500
Kansas	155,600	145,200	147,500	147,500
Panhandle Texas	60,450	58,700	59,550	63,150
North Texas	59,250	59,250	59,150	57,550
West Central Texas	25,450	25,450	25,450	27,100
East Central Texas	156,400	153,900	154,550	141,550
East Texas	49,900	50,000	49,800	54,750
Conroe	468,950	466,900	464,900	503,100
Southwest Texas	42,350	42,350	42,350	51,600
Coastal Texas (not including Conroe)	60,700	64,450	61,150	48,150
Total Texas	1,064,400	1,069,350	1,064,900	1,059,600
North Louisiana	22,550	22,650	22,750	25,000
Coastal Louisiana	116,750	118,550	116,550	72,350
Total Louisiana	139,300	141,200	139,300	97,350
Arkansas	30,750	30,950	30,850	31,900
Eastern (not incl. Mich.)	103,750	107,700	104,900	97,350
Michigan	42,850	42,950	43,050	30,950
Wyoming	39,800	38,400	38,950	36,500
Montana	11,450	10,100	10,550	8,700
Colorado	4,100	4,050	4,050	3,200
Total Rocky Mt. States	55,350	52,550	53,550	48,400
New Mexico	53,050	52,900	53,050	48,550
California	546,200	528,000	557,600	512,500
Total United States	2,660,000	2,677,400	2,689,850	2,704,900

Note—The figures indicated above do not include any estimate of any oil which might have been surreptitiously produced.

CRUDE RUNS TO STILL; FINISHED AND UNFINISHED GASOLINE AND GAS AND FUEL OIL STOCKS, WEEK ENDED JULY 6 1935 (Figures in thousands of barrels of 42 gallons each)

District	Daily Refining Capacity of Plants		Crude Runs to Stills		Stocks of Finished Gasoline	a Stocks of Unfinished Gasoline	b Stocks of Other Motor Fuel	Stocks of Gas and Fuel Oil
	Potential Rate	Reporting Total	Daily Average	P. C. Operated				
East Coast	612	612	100.0	492	80.4	15,695	777	260
Appalachian	154	146	94.8	101	69.2	2,112	301	145
Ind., Ill., Ky.	442	424	95.9	380	89.6	9,364	772	55
Okl., Kan., Missouri	453	384	84.8	273	71.1	5,306	640	545
Inland Texas	330	160	48.5	100	62.5	1,160	234	1,325
Texas Gulf	617	595	96.4	538	90.4	5,007	2,007	295
La. Gulf	169	163	96.4	125	76.7	1,249	229	3,877
No. La-Ark.	80	72	90.0	47	65.3	278	50	90
Rocky Mtn.	97	60	61.9	46	76.7	900	101	55
California	852	789	92.6	462	58.6	9,067	1,021	3,010
Totals week:	3,806	3,405	89.5	2,564	75.3	450,138	6,132	5,780
July 6 1935	3,806	3,405	89.5	2,601	76.4	450,007	6,098	5,785
June 29 1935								

a Amount of unfinished gasoline contained in naphtha distillates. b Estimated, includes unblended natural gasoline at refineries and plants; also blended motor fuel at plants. c Includes 30,418,000 barrels at refineries and 19,589,000 barrels at bulk terminals, in transit and pipe lines. d Includes 30,410,000 barrels at refineries and 19,728,000 barrels at bulk terminals, in transit and pipe lines.

**Lead Advanced 15 Points During Week on Good Buying—Copper Firmer Abroad**

The July 11 issue of "Metal and Mineral Markets," said that trading in major non-ferrous metals was in fair volume during the last week, despite the holiday and the warm spell. The general tone was steady to firm. Activity in



lead continued at a rate that was well above the average, and producers raised the price five points on three occasions. Copper in the domestic market held on the 8 cent basis, though excitement ran high on July 10 on the sale of a round lot on July 9 at concessions and under "special" circumstances. The foreign copper market turned upward on covering by shorts as well as a better call for the metal from consumers. Zinc was in fair demand and unchanged. Tin was higher. Speculators sold silver abroad, and the price weakened until purchases from the United States halted the decline.

**Domestic Copper Eight Cents**

Sales of first-hand copper in the domestic market for the last week totaled 4,500 tons, against 6,000 tons in the preceding seven-day period. Our quotation was maintained at 8 cents, Valley, or 7.75 cents f.o.b. refinery throughout the week, notwithstanding the fact that one agency reported the sale of 5,000 tons on Tuesday, July 9, on the basis of 7 3/4 cents. Details on the transaction at the lower level were withheld, with the result that it was impossible to state whether the sale involved first-hand or resale metal. Under the circumstances, the business was not considered in arriving at our average of that day. Moreover, a fair amount of copper sold each day at 8 cents, and on July 10 the trade was unanimous in quoting the market at 8 cents.

The foreign market moved moderately higher as operators abroad regained confidence in the situation. The marketing committee of the international group is to meet in London on July 15 to consider plans for handling business in the foreign field. United States representatives to participate in the meeting are Carl Ulrich, Kennecott; Edward Mosehauer, Anaconda, and Bernard N. Zimmer, American Metal Co. Operators in copper in London who have been rather bearish since the ending of NRA, were credited with buying. Sales abroad on July 10 were made at prices ranging from 7.43 cents to 7.525 cents, c.i.f. usual ports.

A feature in the July 10 foreign business was the improvement in the demand for copper from Japan. The buying from that source was in good volume and in some quarters it was stated that Japanese interests purchased more than 2,000 tons.

Exports of refined copper from the United States during May totaled 14,303 tons, which compares with 24,674 tons in April and 23,668 tons in March. Exports, by countries, in short tons, during April and May:

To—	April	May
Mexico.....	143	442
Belgium.....	770	849
France.....	7,219	2,219
Germany.....	3,075	1,373
Great Britain.....	3,761	2,833
Italy.....	2,561	1,698
Netherlands.....	611	286
Sweden.....	577	690
China and Hong Kong.....	62	156
Japan.....	4,988	3,105
Other countries.....	907	652
	24,674	14,303

Exports of refined copper during the first five months of the current year totaled 107,659 tons, against 93,303 tons in the same period last year.

**Lead Advanced to 4.15 Cents**

The heavy buying in the preceding week was followed by another seven-day period of good business in lead, with the result that the price was raised 15 points, establishing the quotation at 4.15 cents, New York, and 4.00 cents, St. Louis. Sales for the last week totaled slightly more than 6,000 tons, a figure well above the average, with buyers specifying both July and August metal. Demand came from a variety of sources, though purchases by battery makers, corrodors, and sheet lead and pipe manufacturers predominated in the week's business.

The American Smelting & Refining Co. announced changes in its setting basis as follows: New York, July 5, 4.05; July 8, 4.10; July 9, 4.15.

St. Joseph Lead Co. sold lead in the East at a premium, but met the regular market on sales in the St. Louis district.

The following tabulation shows lead stocks at the works of smelters and refiners in the United States on May 1 and June 1, so far as reported to the American Bureau of Metal Statistics:

	May 1	June 1
In ore, matte, and in process.....	64,627	65,373
In base bullion:		
At smelters and refiners.....	10,419	8,068
In transit to refiners.....	2,331	2,272
In process at refineries.....	12,410	12,337
Refined lead.....	213,246	217,497
Antimonial lead.....	6,797	7,560
Total stocks.....	309,830	313,107
a Revised.		

**Zinc Holds Steady**

Sales of zinc during the calendar week ended July 6 amounted to 3,000 tons, about the same as in the preceding week. In other words, business was in fair volume. The undertone remains firm, despite an increase in total stocks. The gain in total stocks did not affect prime Western zinc, according to trade authorities. The supply of the ordinary grade actually decreased 1,050 tons during the month of June. High grade stocks gained because of a slackening in automobile operations.

**Tin Moves Higher**

Moderate activity was reported here in tin at slightly higher prices. London was firm, and the backwardation in prices on the Metal Exchange increased, the spread on July 10 amounting to £7. Straits tin, prompt shipment New York, was quoted at 52.20 cents, against 51.950 cents a week ago, and 50.50 cents a month ago. The advance in sterling was a factor in raising the price.

Chinese tin, 99%, was quoted nominally as follows: July 4, holiday; 5th, 50.95 cents; 6th, 51.10 cents; 8th, 51.20 cents; 9th, 51.15 cents; 10th, 51.20 cents

**June Slab Zinc Output Shows Small Gain—Shipments Continue Lower**

The American Zinc Institute in its monthly zinc report released on July 6 disclosed that a total of 34,677 short tons of slab zinc were produced during the month of June 1935. This compares with 34,597 tons produced in the preceding month and 25,160 short tons during June 1934. Shipments of zinc during the month under review totaled 29,393 tons, as against 35,652 tons the previous month and 30,217 tons the same month a year ago. Inventories as of June 30 1935 were above the total for a month ago, and

the same time last year. They stood at 112,909 short tons on June 30, as against 107,625 tons last month and 99,672 tons at the end of June last year. The Institute's statement follows:

SLAB ZINC STATISTICS (ALL GRADES)—1929-1935  
(Tons of 2,000 Pounds)

	Produced During Period	Shipped During Period	Stock at End of Period	(a) Shipped for Export	Retorts Operating End of Period	Average Retorts During Period	Unfilled Orders End of Period
<b>1929</b>							
Total for year.....	631,601	602,601	75,430	6,352	57,999	68,491	18,585
Monthly aver.....	52,633	50,217	-----	529	-----	-----	-----
<b>1930</b>							
Total for year.....	504,463	436,275	143,618	196	31,240	47,769	26,651
Monthly aver.....	42,039	36,356	-----	16	-----	-----	-----
<b>1931</b>							
Total for year.....	300,738	314,514	129,842	41	19,875	23,099	18,273
Monthly aver.....	25,062	26,210	-----	3	-----	-----	-----
<b>1932</b>							
Total for year.....	213,531	218,517	124,856	170	21,623	18,560	8,478
Monthly aver.....	17,794	18,210	-----	14	-----	-----	-----
<b>1933</b>							
Total for year.....	324,705	344,001	105,560	239	27,190	23,653	15,978
Monthly aver.....	27,069	28,667	-----	20	-----	-----	-----
<b>1934</b>							
January.....	33,077	26,656	111,981	44	28,744	26,975	26,717
February.....	30,296	32,485	109,792	0	30,763	27,779	26,676
March.....	33,845	32,877	110,760	3	26,952	28,816	21,976
April.....	30,686	32,072	109,374	0	26,692	25,349	27,396
May.....	30,944	35,589	104,720	0	27,193	25,086	20,831
June.....	25,160	30,217	99,672	48	31,284	27,720	21,726
July.....	24,756	26,966	97,462	0	30,324	29,048	16,058
August.....	26,169	21,663	101,968	0	30,442	30,367	14,281
September.....	26,515	21,913	106,570	0	31,352	30,562	11,121
October.....	34,527	30,294	110,803	0	31,964	32,179	19,188
November.....	34,977	29,928	115,852	53	32,793	30,265	31,929
December.....	35,981	32,003	119,830	0	32,944	32,226	30,786
Total for year.....	366,933	352,663	-----	148	-----	-----	-----
Monthly aver.....	30,578	29,389	-----	12	-----	28,887	-----
<b>1935</b>							
January.....	35,218	35,538	117,685	0	32,658	32,230	25,993
February.....	33,494	34,903	116,276	33	33,210	33,157	25,816
March.....	36,667	41,137	111,806	0	35,196	32,535	20,000
April.....	35,334	38,460	108,680	3	33,719	32,450	22,435
May.....	34,597	35,652	107,625	23	32,389	30,387	35,878
June.....	34,677	29,393	112,909	0	33,536	31,230	26,967

a Export shipments are included in total shipments. b Equivalent retorts computed on 24-hour basis.  
Note—These statistics include all corrections and adjustments reported at the year-end.

**Post-Holiday Recovery is Sharp—Output Rebounds to 36 1/2%**

The "Iron Age" of July 11 states that steel ingot output has rebounded to 36 1/2% of capacity, or only 1 1/2 points short of the rate that prevailed in the last two weeks of June. The current operation compares with 27% in the corresponding week of 1934. But the difference in the production pace does not fully measure the improvement in the industry's position over what it was a year ago. At that time producers' customers were loaded up with swollen inventories which had been accumulated in anticipation of price advances. To-day buyers' stocks are relatively light and, in some instances, actually subnormal because of postponement of purchases for possible price advantage. The "Age" further said:

Other favorable factors are the sustained demand for automobiles, with July assemblies estimated at 275,000 units, and marked betterment in the condition of the farmer, who a year ago was faced by one of the worst droughts in history. Agricultural buying is not only sustaining farm equipment and tractor manufacture but is accounting for out-of-season activity in roofing sheets, barbed wire and fencing.

Leading automobile makers will be down for a time in August for re-tooling, but volume purchases of steel for new models, which will get into production in September, will be made late this month or in the first half of next month. Current steel business from the motor car industry consists both of fill-in lots for final runs on 1935 models and initial small orders for 1936 cars.

A real test of steel prices will develop when buying sets in in earnest for the new models. Even now a prominent motor car producer is pressing steel suppliers for f.o.b. mill prices, apparently hoping to induce mills near Detroit to furnish steel at base prices equivalent to the Pittsburgh price plus a switching charge. It has not yet succeeded in breaking the market, having placed a small tonnage in the past week at prevailing prices. It is confident, however, that, when it is ready to place its fourth quarter requirements, around Aug. 15, it will succeed in obtaining what amounts to a Detroit base. As a means of persuasion it is threatening to withhold business from local mills and place it with producers that have long hauls.

Tin plate shipments in June assumed record proportions for some producers and, in the case of other mills, will reach an apex this month. Output has made an excellent recovery since the holiday interruption and now averages 65%. Releases from can companies reflect the condition of packing crops, which are abundant except for peas, which have been ravaged by lice in a number of leading producing States. A contract placed by the Premier-Pabst Corp., Milwaukee, with a can company for containers points to a marked expansion in the use of tin plate for beer cans.

New York City has placed orders for 5,800 tons of cement-lined cast iron pipe and Los Angeles has opened bids on 3,500 tons of cast pipe.

The Nickel Plate is in the market for 4,000 tons of rails, while the Delaware Lackawanna & Western has closed for 1,500 to 2,000 tons of maintenance track supplies.

Prospects of larger tonnages from public works have been brightened by the exemption of Mississippi River improvements from the arbitrary rules of the Government concerning relative expenditures for labor and materials. Bids will now be taken on the river projects at the rate of about one a week until early fall. Large quantities of structural shapes, plates, sheet piling and reinforcing bars will be required. Tenders to be taken this week and next on two contracts for the Bonneville, Ore., dam involve 7,800 tons of steel.

Structural steel lettings total 21,800 tons as against 7,000 tons a week ago. Private work was well represented, leading awards including tonnages for a paper company plant, a brewery and two apartment houses.

New projects of 19,500 tons compare with 9,000 tons in the previous week and 56,675 tons two weeks ago.

Total awards, reported to date this year, of constructional steel, including structural steel, plate work, sheet steel piling and reinforcing steel, are 557,749 tons, compared with 687,419 tons in the corresponding period in 1934.

The scrap market has a strong tone, although prices remain substantially unchanged, the "Iron Age" composite for heavy melting steel holding at \$10.75 a gross ton. The "Iron Age" composite prices for pig iron and finished steel also are unaltered at \$17.84 a gross ton and 2.124c a lb. respectively. Connellsville furnace coke, however, has again declined, this time 10c a ton to \$3.25, ovens. The fuel markets have been demoralized by the flood of offerings that had accumulated prior to the threatened coal strike.

Our tariff on iron and steel products has again been lowered, this time by a reduction in duties on high-grade steels, effective Aug. 5, which follows the conclusion of a Swedish-American trade agreement.

Iron and steel exports in May totaled 286,599 tons as against 205,336 tons in April, a gain of 39.6%. The bulk of outgoing shipments consisted of scrap, the May total for old material being 209,425 tons, compared with 131,731 tons for April.

THE "IRON AGE" COMPOSITE PRICES:

Finished Steel		Based on steel bars, beams, tank plates, wire, rails, black pipe, sheets and hot rolled strips. These products make 85% of the United States output.	
July 9 1935, 2.124c, a lb.			
One week ago	2.124c		
One month ago	2.124c		
One year ago	2.131c		
		High	Low
1935	2.124c	Jan. 8	2.124c
1934	2.199c	Apr. 24	2.008c
1933	2.015c	Oct. 3	1.867c
1932	1.977c	Oct. 4	1.926c
1931	2.037c	Jan. 13	1.945c
1930	2.273c	Jan. 7	2.018c
1929	2.317c	Apr. 2	2.273c
1928	2.286c	Dec. 11	2.217c
1927	2.402c	Jan. 4	2.212c

Pig Iron		Based on average of basic iron at Valley furnace and foundry irons at Chicago, Philadelphia, Buffalo, Valley and Birmingham.	
July 9 1935, \$17.84 a Gross Ton			
One week ago	\$17.84		
One month ago	17.84		
One year ago	17.90		
		High	Low
1935	\$17.90	Jan. 8	\$17.83
1934	17.90	May 1	16.90
1933	16.90	Dec. 5	13.56
1932	14.81	Jan. 5	13.56
1931	15.90	Jan. 6	14.79
1930	18.21	Jan. 7	15.90
1929	18.71	May 14	18.21
1928	18.59	Nov. 27	17.04
1927	19.71	Jan. 4	17.54

Steel Scrap		Based on No. 1 heavy melting steel quotations at Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and Chicago.	
July 9 1935, \$10.75 a Gross Ton			
One week ago	\$10.75		
One month ago	10.71		
One year ago	10.53		
		High	Low
1935	\$12.33	Jan. 8	\$10.33
1934	13.00	Mar. 13	9.50
1933	12.25	Aug. 8	6.75
1932	8.50	Jan. 12	6.42
1931	11.33	Jan. 6	8.50
1930	15.00	Feb. 18	11.25
1929	17.58	Jan. 29	14.08
1928	16.50	Dec. 31	13.08
1927	15.25	Jan. 11	13.08

The American Iron and Steel Institute on July 8 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 35.3% of the capacity for the current week, compared with 32.8% last week, 39.0% one month ago, and 27.5% one year ago. This represents an increase of 2.5 points, or 7.6% from the estimate for the week of July 1. 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%	July 1.....32.8%
Sept. 4.....18.4%	Dec. 17.....34.6%	Mar. 25.....46.1%	July 8.....35.3%
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 July 8 stated:

A rebound to at least 35% is expected in steel works operations this week, following the artificial low consequent to holiday suspensions last week, when the rate dropped 6 points to 31%.

In every district except New England and Youngstown production is scheduled to regain all its losses this week, and at Pittsburgh there will be an increase.

Sharp as was this midsummer recession, with many open hearths down for the entire week, and a majority of finishing mills idle several days ingot production still was 9 points above that in the comparable period last year. Then the steel rate declined from 46 to 22%, and in the ensuing week recovered only to 30%.

The third quarter, therefore, begins under more favorable conditions, and steel makers, taking a long range view of the markets, appear impressed with prospects which lie just ahead.

A factor for strength is the increasing interest manifested by steelmakers in scrap, and the firmness of prices, as scrap dealers are loath to part with supplies. A valley steelworks is reported to have purchased 40,000 to 50,000 tons. Dealers' and consumers' stocks are estimated as 30 to 40% less than at this time last year.

Temporarily, too, automobile assemblies also made a sharp dip, to 59,000 for the week, down 30,000. The retail market for automobiles is proving much stronger than anticipated, and this has led makers to slow down programs for introducing new models. Some will not start until Sept. 1, or 30 days later than they had planned.

Steelmakers look for substantial releases for new models by Aug. 10, but these may be deferred. In the meantime, General Motors and others have placed additional orders for materials for present models. Chrysler's contract with Midland Steel Products Co. for frames will benefit a Cleveland strip producer by at least 30,000 tons, although this is a variable, depending upon actual releases for new cars.

While leading automobile manufacturers are renewing pressure for preferential prices based on tonnage, Toledo steel consumers have started a drive to abolish the practice adopted by steelmakers in 1933 whereby the latter absorb some of the freight from Eastern mills to Michigan, thus giving Michigan a lower delivered price than Toledo. The price structure generally is steady. On large railroad and Government requirements last week only established market prices were quoted.

Shape awards for the week totaled 20,800 tons. The Mississippi Valley Barge Lines Co., St. Louis, is to close this week on barges requiring 10,000 tons of plates.

New York placed a \$19,220,000 order for 500 subway cars. Final figures on June freight car awards total 5,151; bringing the number for the first six months to 6,333, compared with 23,259 in the period last year.

Daily average pig iron production in June—1,558,463 tons—was down 10.2% less than in May, and output for the month—15,588,463 tons—was down 10.2%. For the six months, the total of 9,829,934 tons is lower by 0.22% than that in the first six last year. The number of stacks in blast June 30 was 91, only five less than on May 31. A year ago the number was reduced 25 to 92.

Due mainly to increased imports of pig iron in May, total iron and steel imports for that month increased 65.5% over April to 47,719 gross tons, largest since September 1933.

Steelworks operations last week in the Detroit district declined 16 points to 78%; Wheeling 8 to 40; Cleveland 30 to 16; Buffalo 3 to 29; Pittsburgh 10 to 20; Chicago 8 to 33; eastern Pennsylvania 8 to 21; Youngstown 16 to 26; New England 5 to 56. Birmingham was unchanged at 30.

"Steel's" iron and steel price composite remains \$32.39; the finished steel index, \$54; and the scrap composite \$10.34.

Steel ingot production for the week ended July 8, is placed at slightly better than 33½% of capacity, according to the "Wall Street Journal" of July 10. This compares with 38% in the two preceding weeks.

U. S. Steel is estimated at 32%, against 35% in the two previous weeks, while independents are credited with 35%, compared with 40% in the two preceding weeks.

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

	Industry	U. S. Steel	Independents
1935	33½ — 4½	32 — 3	35 — 5
1934	23½ — 21½	24 — 17	22 — 28
1933	53½ + 1½	45½ + 1½	61 + 1
1932			
1931	32 — 1½	32½ — 1½	32 — 1
1930	59 — 5	64 — 5	54 — 5
1929	93 — 1	96 — 1	90 — 1
1928	71 — 1	75 — 1	68 — 1
1927	66½ — 1	69 — 1	64 — 1

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 July 10, as reported by the Federal Reserve banks was \$2,475,000,000, unchanged from the preceding week and \$7,000,000 above the corresponding week in 1934. After noting these facts, the Federal Reserve Board proceeds as follows:

On July 10 total Reserve bank credit amounted to \$2,473,000,000, an increase of \$5,000,000 for the week. This increase corresponds with an increase of \$152,000,000 in member bank reserve balances, offset in part by decreases of \$68,000,000 in money in circulation, \$70,000,000 in Treasury cash, and deposits with Federal Reserve banks, and \$5,000,000 in non-member deposits and other Federal Reserve accounts, and an increase of \$4,000,000 in monetary gold stock.

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 \$5,000,000 in 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 July 10, in comparison with the preceding week and with the corresponding date last year, will be found on pages 228 and 229.

Changes in the amount of Reserve bank credit outstanding and in related items during the week and the year ended July 10 1935, were as follows:

	July 10 1935	July 3 1935	July 11 1934
	\$	\$	\$
Bills discounted	7,000,000	—1,000,000	—16,000,000
Bills bought	5,000,000	—	—
U. S. Government securities	2,430,000,000	—1,000,000	—2,000,000

	Increase (+) or Decrease (-)		
	July 10 1935	July 3 1935	Since July 11 1934
Industrial advances (not including 21,000,000 commitments—July 10)	28,000,000	-----	+28,000,000
Other Reserve bank credit	3,000,000	+7,000,000	-5,000,000
<b>Total Reserve bank credit</b>	<b>2,473,000,000</b>	<b>+5,000,000</b>	<b>+5,000,000</b>
Monetary gold stock	9,123,000,000	+4,000,000	+1,242,000,000
Treasury and National bank currency	2,503,000,000	-1,000,000	+138,000,000
Money in circulation	5,551,000,000	-68,000,000	+207,000,000
Member bank reserve balances	5,052,000,000	+152,000,000	+1,150,000,000
Treasury cash and deposits with Federal Reserve banks	2,932,000,000	-70,000,000	-82,000,000
Non-member deposits and other Federal Reserve accounts	565,000,000	-5,000,000	+111,000,000

**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 \$883,000,000 on July 10 1935, a decrease of \$69,000,000.

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

	New York		
	July 10 1935	July 3 1935	July 11 1934
Loans and Investments—total	7,612,000,000	7,718,000,000	7,288,000,000
Loans on securities—total	1,628,000,000	1,700,000,000	1,752,000,000
To brokers and dealers:			
In New York	823,000,000	886,000,000	833,000,000
Outside New York	60,000,000	66,000,000	55,000,000
To others	745,000,000	748,000,000	864,000,000
Accepts. and commercial paper bought	144,000,000	149,000,000	-----
Loans on real estate	124,000,000	125,000,000	1,499,000,000
Other loans	1,191,000,000	1,199,000,000	-----
U. S. Government direct obligations	3,187,000,000	3,245,000,000	2,934,000,000
Obligations fully guaranteed by United States Government	319,000,000	320,000,000	1,103,000,000
Other securities	1,019,000,000	980,000,000	-----
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	1,906,000,000	1,689,000,000	1,295,000,000
Cash in vault	45,000,000	48,000,000	39,000,000
Net demand deposits	7,622,000,000	7,503,000,000	6,144,000,000
Time deposits	569,000,000	569,000,000	697,000,000
Government deposits	182,000,000	201,000,000	733,000,000
Due from banks	109,000,000	112,000,000	88,000,000
Due to banks	1,951,000,000	1,970,000,000	1,656,000,000
Borrowings from Federal Reserve Bank	-----	-----	-----
	<b>Chicago</b>		
Loans and Investments—total	1,639,000,000	1,624,000,000	1,444,000,000
Loans on securities—total	196,000,000	200,000,000	279,000,000
To brokers and dealers:			
In New York	1,000,000	1,000,000	19,000,000
Outside New York	28,000,000	31,000,000	44,000,000
To others	167,000,000	168,000,000	216,000,000
Accepts. and commercial paper bought	18,000,000	19,000,000	-----
Loans on real estate	16,000,000	16,000,000	284,000,000
Other loans	244,000,000	246,000,000	-----
U. S. Government direct obligations	830,000,000	811,000,000	575,000,000
Obligations fully guaranteed by United States Government	81,000,000	80,000,000	306,000,000
Other securities	254,000,000	252,000,000	-----
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	603,000,000	648,000,000	492,000,000
Cash in vault	37,000,000	37,000,000	37,000,000
Net demand deposits	1,703,000,000	1,731,000,000	1,380,000,000
Time deposits	414,000,000	414,000,000	367,000,000
Government deposits	10,000,000	11,000,000	47,000,000
Due from banks	209,000,000	215,000,000	165,000,000
Due to banks	520,000,000	521,000,000	421,000,000
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 July 3:

The Federal Reserve Board's condition statement of weekly reporting member banks in 91 leading cities on July 3 shows decreases for the week of \$160,000,000 in total loans and investments, \$42,000,000 in time deposits, \$302,000,000 in Government deposits and \$193,000,000 in reserve balances with Federal Reserve banks, and an increase of \$91,000,000 in net demand deposits.

Loans on securities to brokers and dealers in New York increased \$39,000,000 at reporting member banks in the New York district and \$38,000,000 at all reporting member banks; loans to brokers and dealers outside New York increased \$10,000,000; and loans on securities to others declined \$10,000,000. Holdings of acceptances and commercial paper bought in open market declined \$10,000,000; real estate loans declined \$4,000,000; and other loans declined \$10,000,000 in the Atlanta district, \$8,000,000 each in the New York and Chicago districts, and \$25,000,000 at all reporting member banks.

Holdings of United States Government direct obligations increased \$25,000,000 in the Chicago district, and declined in all other districts, the net decrease at all reporting member banks being \$128,000,000. Holdings of obligations fully guaranteed by the United States Government declined \$6,000,000 in the Chicago district and increased \$5,000,000 at all reporting member banks. Holdings of other securities declined \$18,000,000 in the New York district, \$16,000,000 in the San Francisco district, and \$36,000,000 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 \$1,284,000,000 and net demand, time and Government deposits of \$1,479,000,000 on July 3, compared with \$1,298,000,000 and \$1,493,000,000, respectively, on June 26.

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 July 3 1935, follows:

	Increase (+) or Decrease (-)		
	July 3 1935	June 26 1935	July 3 1934
Loans and Investments—total	18,508,000,000	*-160,000,000	+747,000,000
Loans and securities—total	3,099,000,000	+38,000,000	-457,000,000
To brokers and dealers:			
In New York	921,000,000	+38,000,000	-61,000,000
Outside New York	176,000,000	+10,000,000	-9,000,000
To others	2,002,000,000	-10,000,000	-387,000,000
Accepts. and com'l paper bought	307,000,000	-10,000,000	-----
Loans on real estate	957,000,000	-4,000,000	-33,000,000
Other loans	3,185,000,000	*-25,000,000	-----
U. S. Govt. direct obligations	7,279,000,000	-128,000,000	+607,000,000
Obligations fully guaranteed by the United States Government	846,000,000	+5,000,000	+630,000,000
Other securities	2,835,000,000	-36,000,000	-----
Reserve with Fed. Res. banks	3,682,000,000	-193,000,000	+899,000,000
Cash in vault	295,000,000	-7,000,000	+61,000,000
Net demand deposits	15,514,000,000	+91,000,000	+2,963,000,000
Time deposits	4,385,000,000	-42,000,000	-110,000,000
Government deposits	372,000,000	-302,000,000	-982,000,000
Due from banks	1,886,000,000	+44,000,000	+250,000,000
Due to banks	4,564,000,000	+166,000,000	+780,000,000
Borrowings from F. R. banks	1,000,000	+1,000,000	-9,000,000

\* June 26 figures revised (New York District).

**Canada Passes Law Creating Grain Board to Establish Minimum Wheat Prices—Officials Deny Plans to Dump Grain on World Markets**

Canada will seek to control the price of wheat received by its farmers, under the terms of the Canadian Grain Board bill which became law on July 5, following its approval by both Houses of Parliament and its signature of Governor-General Lord Bessborough. The new law gives the Government Board the power to fix prices and to dispose of all wheat, both the old and the new yield. It differs little from a compromise bill which was drafted in committee, although the Liberal proposal to limit the law to one year was not included in the final statute.

Announcement of the passage of the bill precipitated a sharp drop in wheat prices on July 5, as traders feared that the Canadian Government might dump its wheat on world markets. Prime Minister R. B. Bennett thereupon declared in the House of Commons that the Government did not intend to offer its grain surplus "at fire-sale prices or throw its surplus on the markets of the world so long as this Government exists."

United Press advices from Ottawa summarized the principal features of the new measure, as passed in final form, as follows:

Monopolistic features of the legislation as it first was proposed were eliminated. The Grain Exchange will continue to function.

The farmer may sell his grain to the Government Board, at a fixed minimum price, and receive a certificate which entitles him to participation in later profits, if any. Or he may sell outright for cash to the trade, at the Grain Exchange current price.

It was stipulated definitely that the Government Board will deal only with actual producers.

Although the Act was not restricted to this year, as the Liberals urged, it was pointed out that if a Liberal Government is elected in September, as is likely, this party probably would not extend the law.

The Board will fix a minimum price for wheat, sanctioned by the Government. The open market will operate as before, resulting in two daily wheat prices—one the quotation on the Exchange and the other the price offered by the Government.

A dispatch from Winnipeg, July 6, to the New York "Herald Tribune" discussed future Canadian policy with regard to wheat as follows:

There will be no dumping of Canada's large wheat surplus on the world's markets. That is certain and verified by conversations and with leading Winnipeg grain men and high Government officials handling sales of grain in Winnipeg.

Premier Bennett's statement, made in Parliament four weeks ago: "There will be no dumping of Canada's wheat," still stands as Canada's attitude to world wheat trade.

However, the new Grain Board to be appointed next week will undoubtedly inaugurate an aggressive policy in an effort, under explicit instructions of Parliament, to sell a portion of Canada's 220,000,000 bushels of wheat surplus, offering it at 6c. a bushel, or slightly higher figures over foreign wheats to big British buyers.

Liverpool quotations on Argentine wheat will be taken as a basis by Canada; then Canada, having an advantage of 6c. preference in Great Britain, will ask a premium for its quality over foreign wheats. On the continent of Europe Canada will have to meet an open market competition from Argentina and other countries, but Canada will rely on the quality of its wheat to obtain slightly better prices than softer varieties command.

Contrary to statements made outside Canada, the grain trade of Canada is not worried over the probable large size of this season's wheat crop. Predictions of 400,000,000 bushels yield must be taken guardedly. The present crop has seven weeks to go before harvest will be general, and lots of adverse conditions may happen before then.

The original bill authorizing the creation of the Canadian Grain Board, to consist of three members with advisory representative committee of nine, was first introduced in the House of Commons on June 10 by Richard B. Bennett, Canadian Premier. The powers of the Board under the original bill, as noted in Ottawa advices June 11 to the Chicago "Journal of Commerce," were:

1. To receive and take delivery of wheat in interprovincial and export trade.
2. To buy and sell wheat and to acquire from the wheat pool its wheat supply or contracts, to store and transport wheat, operate elevators, make advances to producers on delivery or afterwards.
3. To take delivery and trade in oats, barley, rye and flax produced in the Western provinces.

The Act further provides that every elevator shall be operated by or on behalf of the Board unless such elevator be excepted from operation of Act. If not excepted, operation shall be deemed a contravention of the Act and certificates of grade refused.

Winnipeg advices of July 11 to the New York "Journal of Commerce" said that the personnel of the new wheat board was "unofficially reported by sources close to the Government." The dispatch added:

Although John I. McFarland, who has been solely responsible to the Government for marketing of Canadian wheat, has been unable to carry on his duties regularly owing to illness recently, he will not be replaced. Mr. McFarland, Robert McKee, Vancouver grain shipper, and Paul Brett, head of the Manitoba wheat pool, will constitute the new board, according to reliable reports.

#### Stanley Baldwin Criticizes New Deal Spending Policy— British Premier Says It Has Failed to Produce Natural Industrial Recovery

Huge Government expenditures in the United States have failed to produce a natural industrial revival, Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin of Great Britain declared on July 9 in an address in which he defended his Government against the first motion of censure offered the Opposition since he resumed the Premiership. Mr. Baldwin did not mention the United States by name, but his meaning was clear when he had noticed in one very great country that expenditures of unprecedented size had failed to bring recovery, although some good results had been observed. A copyright dispatch from London on July 9 to the New York "Herald Tribune" quoted from Mr. Baldwin's address as follows:

"Lavish expenditures for public works," Mr. Baldwin declared, "could be justified only if it gave such an incentive to industry as would at the same time enable the country to bear the burden and create such a momentum as would give the necessary volume of employment when the expenditure ceased.

"We have seen in another country—a very great country—an attempt at state expenditure of unprecedented magnitude. Some good and useful results are observable, but it does not appear to me that up to the present it has succeeded in producing the desired natural revival of industry.

"Experience has shown that it is necessary to spend at the rate of £10,000,000 (\$50,000,000) a year for each 40,000 persons we are to employ. State expenditure on the lavish scale that would be necessary would not, I believe, bring about a revival of industry, and if it failed to bring about that revival it would be disastrous."

#### Bank of England Seeks to Halt Speculation Against Gold Currencies—Asks Co-operation in Discouraging Forward Dealings in Gold

The Bank of England is currently engaged in seeking to stop speculation against gold currencies, according to an Associated Press dispatch from London, June 24, which added that meetings have recently been held with representatives of joint stock banks and bullion brokers at which they were asked to discourage forward dealings in gold. Privately-held gold in England was recently estimated by the Bank for International Settlements at £500,000,000. Much of this gold is being used for arbitrage purposes, buying securities and for legitimate exchange transactions. The Associated Press advices mentioned continued the discussion of this question as follows:

On the subject of stabilization of world currencies, H. D. Henderson, member of the Economic Advisory Council, has contributed his opinion in Lloyds Bank "Monthly Review."

"The absence of a fixed parity between sterling and gold has been an essential condition of the recovery which has taken place in Great Britain," he says. "It has enabled our authorities to maintain, as they could hardly have done otherwise, conditions of cheap and abundant money without interruption over a period of several years.

"That cheap money has been a material factor in our recovery is common ground; but it is important to appreciate that the benefits that have

ensued have depended on the fact that the cheap money policy has been sustained for a long period."

Had sterling been linked to gold there would have been frequent changes in the bank rate during that period, he held. Exchange movements recently were due to large-scale capital movements, which had occurred in accordance with the vagaries of foreign confidence.

"It is these vagaries of foreign confidence," he went on, "that the advocates of stabilization propose in effect to exalt as the supreme directors of our economic life, as the arbiters of the question whether our trade recovery should be allowed to proceed or should be roughly reversed.

"The risk is indeed so serious and so great, the possible benefits are so contingent and remote, as to render the policy of early stabilization a reckless gamble from the standpoint of our national interests."

He regarded stability of exchanges at appropriate ratios as desirable, but placed the continuance of internal recovery far above it and said it would be foolish to risk losing the latter for the sake of the former.

#### Costa Rica Offers 50% Settlement of Debt Service for 3-Year Period—Foreign Bondholders Protective Council Approves Plan Calling for Resumption of Full Service in 1938.

The Foreign Bondholders Protective Council, Inc., announced on July 10 that a financial delegation of the Costa Rican Government had submitted an offer for the temporary settlement of service on the country's dollar bonds, which have been in default since 1932. Francis White, Executive Vice-President and Secretary of the Council, stated that his organization had approved the offer as "fair to the Republic of Costa Rica and to the Costa Rican people and consistent with the broad equities and long-view interests of the bondholders, and that the Council will be glad to inform the bondholders in this sense."

The Costa Rican delegation comprised Alberto Ortuno and Manuel Montejo. The arrangement finally accepted by the Council calls for the payment of 50% of the interest and 50% of the amortization required for a period of three years, after which the Costa Rican Government will assume full interest and amortization payments in accordance with the conditions stipulated in each bond contract. The period of three years begins from the date of termination of the term covered by the funding bonds issued in 1932 and 1933, on the 7% loan of 1926 and the 7½% Pacific Railway loan of 1927.

An announcement by the Council on July 10 said, in part:

The Government of Costa Rica has sent a delegation consisting of Messrs. Alberto Ortuno and Manuel Montejo to New York to discuss with the Foreign Bondholders Protective Council, Inc. an adjustment of the service on the Costa Rican dollar bonds now in default since 1932. At that time Costa Rica offered bondholders of the Republic of Costa Rica 7% Loan of 1926, due in 1951, \$23.00 in cash and a Funding Bond of \$222, for the coupons maturing November 1, 1932 to November 1, 1935, inclusive, and \$300 in the form of a Funding Bond for the coupons maturing September 1 1933 to March 1 1937, inclusive, on the 7½% Costa Rican Pacific Railway Loan of 1927, due in 1949.

The Costa Rican Delegation now in New York suggested to the Council a permanent settlement on the basis of 3% interest and 1% amortization on all of Costa Rica's outstanding dollar bonds.

After the most frank and friendly negotiations, the Delegation was authorized by His Excellency the President of Costa Rica to offer the bondholders, as a temporary arrangement for three years from the termination of the periods covered by the Funding Bonds issued in 1932 and 1933 on the 7% Loan of 1926 and the 7½% Pacific Railway Loan of 1927, respectively, 50% of the interest service and 50% of the amortization required by the loan contracts. Coupons maturing during these periods will be cancelled on the payment of 50% of the face value thereof. At the end of those three year periods, the Government of Costa Rica undertakes to resume full interest and amortization service in accordance with the conditions stipulated in each of those bond contracts.

The Costa Rican Government has also modified its original proposal and has agreed to pay the full service of the two dollar funding bonds of 1932 and 1933.

The Costa Rican Government at the same time undertakes not to make, during the said three year periods, any agreement with any of the holders of any other foreign bonds of Costa Rica for more than 50% of the interest and 50% of the amortization required under their bond contracts. As an exception to the above, Costa Rica reserves the right to service in full the 5% Sterling Funding Bonds of 1933, the same as it agrees to service in full the two 5% Dollar Funding Bonds of 1932 and 1933.

The Council was impressed throughout the course of the negotiations by the high ideals which motivated the Costa Rican Government in seeking to make an arrangement which would be fair to the bondholders and which the Government could carry out. The Government of Costa Rica has expressed its firm determination to carry out the offer now made.

#### \$266,000 of 6% Sinking Fund External Loan Gold Bonds of Norway Drawn by Lot for Redemption

The National City Bank of New York, as fiscal agent, is notifying holders of Kingdom of Norway 20-year 6% sinking fund external loan gold bonds, due Aug. 15 1943, that there has been drawn by lot for redemption on Aug. 15 1935, at 100% of principal amount, \$266,000 principal amount of these bonds. Bonds so drawn should be presented to the head office of the bank at 55 Wall Street.

#### Buenos Aires (Argentine) to Pay 75% of Aug. 1 Interest on 6½% External Sinking Fund Gold Bonds, Due Aug. 1 1961

The Province of Buenos Aires, Argentine Republic, has arranged to make a cash payment of approximately 75% of the Aug. 1 interest on its 6½% external sinking fund gold bonds, due Aug. 1 1961, to holders assenting to the Loan Readjustment Plan of 1933, it was announced this week. Such holders will receive in cash the sum of \$24.48 with respect to each \$32.50 coupon and \$12.24 with respect to each \$16.25 coupon maturing Aug. 1, 1935. In each case 5 per cent. Arrears Certificates will be issued for the balance

remaining unpaid on such coupons. The announcement in the matter also said:

Cash with which to meet the coupons has been made available by the Province at the office of First of Boston International Corp., 100 Broadway, New York City, for delivery on or after Aug. 1 1935. Interest money, according to the notice, is payable only against the surrender of the substituted coupons due Aug. 1 1935, issued pursuant to the Loan Readjustment Plan and attached to assenting bonds.

**Funds Remitted to Redeem Cuban 5½% Gold Bonds, Series "G", Which Matured July 1 1927**

J. P. Morgan & Co. announced this week that funds have been remitted by the Cuban Government to redeem Republic of Cuba serial 5½% gold bonds, series "G" dated July 1 1927, which matured July 1 1934. Payment of the principal amount of these bonds upon surrender thereof will be made on and after July 11 1935, in United States currency or current funds, at the offices of J. P. Morgan & Co. in New York and at The National City Bank of New York in the City of Havana, Cuba. The firm also stated:

Funds to pay interest on these bonds to July 1 1935, had been remitted by the Cuban Government at an earlier date and payment of interest for the period of Jan. 1 1935, to July 1 1935, has been and is being made upon presentation of bonds for stamping.

**New York Stock Exchange to Suspend Issues Which Have Failed to Apply for Permanent Registration—New York Curb Exchange Also Acts**

The Committee on Stock List of the New York Stock Exchange, acting under authority granted by the Governing Committee, announced on July 10 that trading would be suspended at the close of business July 15 in the following securities, because these securities have ceased to be registered and will not then be exempt securities under the provisions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and will not be temporarily exempt from registration under the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

*Stocks*

Havana Electric Railway Co., common stock no par value; Havana Electric Railway Co., 6% cumulative preferred stock; Mallinson (H. R.) Co., common stock no par value; Mallinson (H. R.) Co., 7% cumulative preferred stock \$100 par value; Mexican Petroleum Co., Ltd., common stock \$100 par value; Mobile Birmingham Railroad Co., 4% non-cumulative preferred stock \$100 par value; Moto Meter Gauge & Equipment Corp., common stock \$1 par value; Noranda Mines, Ltd., common stock no par value; Pierce Oil Corp., class B common stock \$25 par value; Southern Dairies, Inc., class A stock no par value; Southern Dairies, Inc., class B stock no par value; United Piece Dye Works (The), common stock no par value; United Piece Dye Works (The), 6½% cumulative preferred stock \$100 par value; Utah Copper Co., capital stock \$10 par value; Western Dairy Products Co., class A stock no par value; Trico Products Corp., common stock no par value.

*Bonds*

Atlanta Gas Light Co., 1st mortgage gold 5% 50-year bonds due June 1 1947; Atlantic & Yadkin Railway Co., 1st mortgage 50-year guaranteed gold bonds due April 1 1949; Bethlehem Steel Co., purchase money and improvement mortgage 5% 20-year sinking fund bonds due July 1 1936; Bethlehem Steel Co., first lien and refunding mortgage series "A" 5% 50-year gold bonds due 1942; Cleveland Mahoning Valley Railway Co., 50-year gold mortgage 5% bonds due Jan. 1 1938; Duluth Missabe & Northern Railway Co., general mortgage 5% bonds due Jan. 1 1941; Georgia Midland Railway Co., 1st mortgage 3% bonds due April 1 1946; Havana Electric Railway Co., consolidated mortgage 5% bonds due Feb. 1 1952; Havana Electric Railway Co., 25-year gold Debentures, series of 1926 due Sept. 1 1951; Indiana Natural Gas & Oil Co., refunding mortgage 30-year 5% guaranteed gold bonds due May 1 1936; Kalamazoo, Allegan & Grand Rapids Railroad Co., 1st mortgage guaranteed (currency) 5% bonds due July 1 1938; Lackawanna Steel Co., 1st consolidated mortgage gold bonds 5% series "A" due 1950; Midvale Steel & Ordinance Co., 20-year collateral trust 5% sinking fund gold bonds due March 1 1936; Mississippi Central Railroad Co., 1st mortgage 5% gold bonds due July 1 1949; Mobile Birmingham Railroad Co., prior lien gold 5% small bonds due July 1 1945; Mobile Birmingham Railroad Co., mortgage gold 4% bonds due July 1 1945; Mobile Birmingham Railroad Co., prior lien gold 5% bond due July 1 1945; Pittsburgh, Shenango & Lake Erie Railroad Co., 1st consolidated mortgage gold 5% bonds due July 1 1943; Pittsburgh, Shenango & Lake Erie Railroad Co., 1st mortgage gold 5% bonds due Oct. 1 1940; Richmond Mecklenburgh Railroad Co., 1st mortgage gold 4% bonds due Nov. 1 1948; Syracuse Lighting Co., 1st mortgage 5% bonds due June 1 1951; Texas and Pacific Railway Co., 2nd mortgage 5% gold income bonds, due Dec. 1 2000; Utica Gas & Electric Co., refunding and extension mortgage gold 5% bonds 50-year due July 1 1957; Utica Electric Light & Power Co., 1st mortgage sinking fund gold 5% 50-year bonds due Jan. 1 1950; Western Electric Co., Inc., 20-year 5% gold debenture bonds due April 1 1944.

The Stock Exchange also stated that under the provisions of Rule JB7, issued under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended July 8 1935, granting an extension until July 20 1935, for the filing of financial statements or other information omitted from the registration statement previously filed, the following security will not have lost its status as a registered security until the close of business on July 20:

The Foundation Co., common stock, no par value. This company has definitely decided not to complete its application. The security will be suspended from trading at the close of business July 20.

Board of Governors will suspend dealings in the following temporarily registered and fully listed securities at the close of business July 15, pending the filing and effectiveness of applications of the issuers of such securities for the permanent registration thereof under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934:

Happiness Candy Stores, Inc., common stock, no par value; Niplissing Mines Co., Ltd., capital stock, par value 5.

The Exchange also stated on July 11 that dealings in the following fully listed and temporarily registered securities will also be suspended at the close of business July 15 1935, due to the failure of the issuers thereof to file applications for the permanent registration of such securities under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934:

American Cigar Co., common stock, par value \$100, preferred stock, par value \$100; Anglo-Norwegian Holdings, Ltd., common stock, no par value, 7% preferred stock, par value \$100; Campe Corp. (The), common stock, no par value; Chicago Nipple Manufacturing Co., class A stock, par value \$50; Cosgrove-Meehan Coal Corp., first mortgage 6½% sinking fund convertible gold bonds, due May 1 1945; European Electric Corp., Ltd., (The), class A common stock, par value \$10; Federal Bake Shops, Inc., common stock, no par value; Foundation Co. (Foreign), capital stock, no par value; Garlock Packing Co. (The), common stock, no par value; Gemmer Manufacturing Co., class A stock, no par value, class B stock, no par value; Horn (A. C.) Co., Common stock, no par value, first preferred stock, par value \$50; John Warren Watson Co., common stock, no par value; Kerr Lake Mines, Ltd., capital stock, par value \$4; Moore Drop Forging Co., class A stock, no par value; Northam Warren Corp., convertible preference stock, no par value; Osgood Co. (The), 10-year sinking fund 6% gold debentures, due June 1 1938; Struthers Wells-Titusville Corp., common stock, no par value; Transcontinental Air Transport, Inc., capital stock, par value \$1; United Zinc Smelting Corp., common stock, no par value.

**Market Value of Bonds Listed on New York Stock Exchange—Figures for July 1 1935**

The New York Stock Exchange issued the following announcement yesterday (July 5) showing the total market value of listed bonds as of July 1 1935:

As of July 1 1935, there were 1,513 bond issues aggregating \$43,511,242,-590 par value listed on the New York Stock Exchange, with a total market value of \$39,864,332,759.

This compares with 1,520 bond issues, aggregating \$43,-719,824,364 par value, listed on the Exchange June 1 1935 with a total market value of \$39,617,835,876.

In the following table, listed bonds are classified by governmental and industrial groups with the aggregate market value and average price for each:

	July 1 1935		June 1 1935	
	Market Value	Aver. Price	Market Value	Aver. Price
United States Government.....	20,124,961,410	105.34	20,178,273,468	104.67
Foreign government.....	4,511,561,901	83.98	4,488,395,846	83.35
Autos and accessories.....	4,860,443	55.89	4,581,071	52.69
Financial.....	72,657,839	103.86	71,646,074	102.41
Chemical.....	89,791,005	98.40	89,476,464	97.97
Building.....	53,430,373	90.72	52,688,519	89.46
Electrical equipment manufacturing.....	65,177,629	101.56	65,998,597	102.82
Food.....	229,934,020	104.09	215,006,935	104.35
Rubber and tires.....	147,309,788	100.17	148,614,452	98.81
Amusement.....	59,259,434	80.33	56,515,586	76.61
Land and realty.....	15,117,331	38.59	13,567,688	34.64
Machinery and metals.....	29,115,881	48.34	29,553,290	46.62
Mining (excluding iron).....	137,875,718	64.27	145,264,906	64.60
Petroleum.....	374,119,280	95.87	392,399,344	95.62
Paper and publishing.....	65,867,388	77.44	64,669,517	75.94
Retail merchandising.....	22,071,316	87.14	18,530,749	83.57
Railway and equipment.....	8,029,016,261	74.37	7,803,117,560	72.22
Steel, iron and coke.....	437,660,084	92.19	384,703,793	90.43
Textile.....	8,117,920	55.18	8,268,725	55.36
Gas and electric (operating).....	1,952,340,999	103.39	1,940,253,539	102.48
Gas and electric (holding).....	190,565,788	85.88	180,994,067	81.57
Communication (cable, tel. & radio).....	1,104,755,229	107.17	1,098,370,185	106.55
Miscellaneous utilities.....	432,277,516	74.04	426,676,137	74.35
Business and office equipment.....	21,355,153	103.60	21,200,408	102.75
Shipping services.....	19,359,964	67.18	15,615,753	54.98
Shipbuilding and operating.....	11,122,230	46.95	11,057,400	46.67
Leather and boots.....	932,382	103.88	932,382	103.88
Tobacco.....	46,360,794	125.07	46,038,330	124.20
U. S. companies operating abroad.....	234,845,676	60.33	218,953,083	56.25
Foreign companies (including Cuba and Canada).....	1,372,511,525	69.76	1,417,552,088	70.44
All listed bonds.....	39,864,332,759	91.62	39,617,835,876	90.62

The following table, compiled by us, gives a two-year comparison of the total market value and the total average price of bonds listed on the Exchange:

	Market Value		Average Price		
	Market Value	Average Price	Market Value	Average Price	
1933—	\$	\$	1934—	\$	
June 1.....	32,997,675,932	80.79	July 1.....	39,547,117,863	90.80
July 1.....	33,917,221,869	82.97	Aug. 1.....	39,473,326,184	89.79
Aug. 1.....	34,457,822,282	84.43	Sept. 1.....	39,453,963,492	88.99
Sept. 1.....	35,218,429,936	84.63	Oct. 1.....	38,751,279,426	88.27
Oct. 1.....	34,513,732,705	83.00	Nov. 1.....	39,405,708,220	89.39
Nov. 1.....	33,651,082,433	82.33	Dec. 1.....	39,665,455,602	89.85
Dec. 1.....	34,179,882,418	81.36	1935—		
Jan. 1.....	34,861,038,409	83.34	Jan. 1.....	40,659,643,442	90.73
Feb. 1.....	36,263,747,352	86.84	Feb. 1.....	41,064,263,510	91.30
Mar. 1.....	36,843,301,965	88.27	Mar. 1.....	41,111,937,232	91.29
Apr. 1.....	37,198,258,126	89.15	Apr. 1.....	40,360,651,526	89.49
May 1.....	37,780,651,738	90.46	May 1.....	40,147,199,897	90.69
June 1.....	38,239,206,987	90.17	June 1.....	39,617,835,876	90.62
			July 1.....	39,864,332,759	91.62

**Province of Lower Austria Remits Funds for Payment of Back Interest on Secured Sinking Fund 7½% Gold Bonds—Affects Coupons Which Matured Between Dec. 1 1932 and June 1 1935**

J. & W. Seligman & Co., as fiscal agents, are notifying holders of Province of Lower Austria secured sinking fund 7½% gold bonds, due Dec. 1 1950, that they have received the sum of \$19,706 with which to pay at their face amount all interest coupons appurtenant to the above bonds which matured between Dec. 1 1932, and June 1 1935, both inclusive, and which, according to advices received from officials of the Province, are still outstanding. An announcement in the matter also said:

Such coupons will be paid on and after July 12 1935, at the office of the fiscal agent, 54 Wall Street, out of and to the extent of the money re-

ceived for this purpose. Word has been received that payment in Austria of interest coupons appurtenant to the bonds is Austrian schillings was discontinued July 3. The fiscal agents also announce the receipt of \$137,203 on account of sinking fund payments on bonds due from Dec. 1, 1932, to June 1 1935, both inclusive.

**Hungary to Continue Payment of 50% of Interest on State Loan of 1924 During Period from Aug 2 1935 to Aug. 1 1936**

Speyer & Co., as American fiscal agents for the State Loan of the Kingdom of Hungary 1924, have been advised by cable by Eliot Wadsworth, American member of the League Loans Committee, London, that the Hungarian Government has agreed with the Committee to continue for another year the arrangements announced on July 15 1933, for the service of this Loan and will transfer in foreign exchange 50% of the interest service due during the period from Aug. 2, 1935, to Aug. 1 1936, inclusive.

The League Loans Committee, it is stated, recommends that bondholders accept this proposal.

The arrangements of July 1933 were referred to in our issues of July 22, 1933, page 580, and July 29, page 778.

**Short Interest on New York Stock Exchange Increased During June**

The total short interest existing as of the opening of business on June 28, as compiled from information secured by the New York Stock Exchange from its members, was 840,537 shares, the Exchange announced yesterday (July 5). This compares with 768,199 shares as of May 31.

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

The Securities and Exchange Commission announced July 8 the filing of 37 additional registration statements (Nos. 1499-1535, inclusive), under the Securities Act of 1933. The total involved is \$328,039,877.50, of which \$320,925,147.50 represents new issues. This total is the largest for one week ever filed with the Commission, the announcement stated, adding:

Included in this total is \$32,000,000 of 15-year sinking fund notes due July 1 1950, 32,000 common stock purchase warrants, and 960,000 shares of no-par common stock reserved for issuance upon exercise of the above warrants, of the Pure Oil Co. (Docket 2-1503, Form A-2, included in release No. 413).

Also included in the total is \$70,000,000 of first mortgage 3 1/2% bonds, due 1965, of the Duquesne Light Co. (Docket 2-1507, Form A-2, included in release No. 415).

Also included in the total is \$16,000,000 of first lien and refunding 4 1/2% bonds, series I, of the Public Service Co. of Northern Illinois (Docket 2-1508, Form A-2, included in release No. 416).

Also included in the total is \$28,000,000 of first mortgage bonds, 4 1/2%, series A of 1960, of the B. F. Goodrich Co. (Docket 2-1517, Form A-2, included in release No. 421).

Also included in the total is \$75,000,000 of first (Collateral) lien, 15-year sinking fund bonds, series A, of the Consolidated Oil Corp. (Docket 2-1520, Form A-2, included in release No. 422).

Also included in the total is 250,000 shares of convertible preference stock, \$4.25 series of 1935, of the Commercial Investment Trust Co. (Docket 2-1521, Form A-2, included in release No. 419).

Also included in the total is \$9,000,000 of 15-year 4% debentures, due July 1 1950, of Armstrong Cork Co. (Docket 2-1523, Form A-2, included in release No. 420).

Also included in the total is \$8,500,000 of first mortgage 4% bonds, series B, due July 1 1965, of the Associated Telephone Co., Ltd. (Docket 2-1535, Form A-2, included in release No. 424).

The filings of the above registration statements with the SEC were noted in our issue of July 6, pages 36 and 37. The Commission said on July 8 that the securities involved in the 37 registration statements are grouped as follows:

No. of Issues	Type of Issue	Total
30	Commercial and industrial	\$320,925,147.50
4	Certificates of deposit	4,794,000.00
2	Securities in reorganization	1,868,500.00
1	Voting trust certificates	452,320.00

The following are the securities for which registration is pending:

No. 1 *Roseld Avenue Deal Corp.* (2-1499, Form E-1) of Trenton, N. J., registering \$375,500 of second mortgage general income bonds in reorganization. E. Kamp Cathcart is President. Filed June 26 1935.

*Mid-Continent Carey Trust* (2-1500, Form A-1) of Tulsa, Okla., seeking to issue 3,860 units of beneficial interest in certain oil and gas mining leases which the Trust intends to acquire with the proceeds of the issue. The units are to be offered at \$100 each. W. E. Brown, of Tulsa, is President and trustee. Filed June 25 1935.

*Olympic Forest Products Co.* (2-1501, Form A-1) of San Francisco, seeking to issue \$1,000,000 par value of serial debentures, due 1936-40 (interest rates from 1 1/2 to 5%) to be used to redeem outstanding first mortgage bonds. Blyth & Co., of San Francisco, are principal underwriters. Edward M. Mills, of San Francisco, is President. Filed June 26 1935.

*Spiegel, May, Stern Co.* (2-1502, Form A-2) of Chicago, seeking to issue 70,000 shares of common stock at a proposed maximum of \$47.50 a share, and 175,000 rights to stockholders to purchase 2/5 of one share of common at \$47.50 a share. Members of the Spiegel family have a firm underwriting agreement with Wertheim & Co., of New York City. The sub-underwriters are Lehman Brothers, New York City; White, Weld & Co., New York City; Mayflower Associates, Inc., Jersey City, N. J.; Bancamerica-Blair Corp., New York City; Hemphill, Noyes & Co., New York City, and Cassatt & Co., Inc., New York City. The proceeds are to be applied to reduction of bank loans and general corporate purposes. Modie J. Spiegel is Chairman of the Board. Filed June 26 1935.

*Hassinger-O'Brien Lease* (2-1504, Form A-1) of Butler, Pa., seeking to issue 10,000 fractional undivided leasehold interests in a non-producing limestone lease. The interests are to be offered at \$100 per interest. M. J. O'Brien, of Butler, Pa., is manager of the issuer. Filed June 27 1935.

*Gyro Air Lines, Inc.* (2-1505, Form A-1) of Denver, Colo., seeking to issue 4,000,000 shares of corporate capital stock, common class A, no par value, to be offered at 25c per share. Thos. M. Shelton, of Denver, Colo., is President of the company. Filed June 27 1935.

*New York Water Service Corp.* (2-1506, Form A-2) of Long Island, N. Y., seeking to issue \$2,300,000 of first mortgage 5% bonds, series B (due July 1 1935). The proceeds of the issue are to be used to retire \$2,300,000 of Rochester and Lake Ontario Water Service Corp. 5% First Mortgage Gold Bonds, due March 1 1938. A. W. Cuddeback is President of the company. Filed June 28 1935.

*Noel & Co., Inc.* (2-1509, Form D-1A) of Nashville, Tenn., seeking to issue certificates of deposit for \$237,000 of first mortgage 6% real estate gold notes, dated April 1 1925, due April 1 1935 in a plan for extension of the notes. O. F. Noel is President of the company. Filed June 28 1935.

*Noel & Co., Inc.* (2-1510, Form E-1) of Nashville, Tenn., seeking to issue \$237,000 of extension notes of the registrant, to be issued under a plan for the extension of its first mortgage 6% real estate gold notes. Filed June 28 1935.

*Cleveland Railway Co.* (2-1511, Form A-2) of Cleveland, Ohio, seeking to issue \$5,000,000 of 10-year 1st mortgage sinking fund 5% bonds, series A. The proceeds are to be applied in the redemption of the company's 1st (Closed) mortgage sinking fund 6% gold bonds outstanding in the amount of \$4,709,000, on Sept. 1 1935 at 104 plus accrued interest. The bonds are to be due Sept. 1 1945. Hayden, Miller & Co., of Cleveland, are the principal underwriters. George D. McGwinn is President. Filed June 28 1935.

*Medusa Portland Cement Co.* (2-1512, Form A-2) of Cleveland, Ohio, seeking to issue \$2,200,000 first mortgage and collateral trust convertible serial bonds bearing interest at rates varying from 3% to 5 1/2%, to be dated July 1 1935, and to mature serially from Oct. 1 1936, to and including Oct. 1 1945, and 44,000 shares of no par common stock to be reserved for the conversion rights of the bonds. It is expected that Hayden, Miller & Co., of Cleveland, or Hayden, Miller & Co. and associates will be the underwriter. The proceeds of the issue are to be used for the retirement of certain subsidiary bond and note issues, for the retirement of bond and note issues of the registrant, and for other corporate purposes. J. B. John is President of the Company. Filed June 28 1935.

*Northern Ohio Telephone Co.* (2-1513, Form A-2) of Bellevue, Ohio, seeking to issue \$1,600,000 of 4 1/2% first mortgage sinking fund 30-year bonds, series of 1965, to be offered at 103. Frank A. Knapp, of Bellevue, is President. Filed June 28 1935.

*United Wholesale Druggists, Inc.* (2-1514, Form A-1) of Boston, Mass., seeking to issue 10,000 shares of \$25 par value preferred stock, to be offered at par. J. S. McMahon, of Atlanta, Ga., is President of the company. Filed June 28 1935.

*North Central Gas Co.* (2-1515, Form A-1) of Casper, Wyo., seeking to issue \$750,000 of first mortgage 5 1/2% serial bonds. Charles A. Munroe of Casper, Wyo., is President of the company. Filed June 28 1935.

*Anglo American Mining Corp., Ltd.* (2-1516, Form A-1) of San Francisco, Calif., seeking to issue 975,000 shares of common stock, 625,000 shares to be issued to holders of option purchase warrants at \$2.25 per share net to the issuer at any time on or before April 24 1938, 300,000 shares to be offered to the public at prices of between \$2 and \$3 per share, and 50,000 shares to be issued in exchange for stock of the Carson Hill Gold Mining Corp. Walter Hyman Brown is President of the company. Filed June 28 1935.

*Citizens Mortgage and Securities Co., Inc.* (2-1518, Form A-1) of Springfield, Mo., seeking to register 6,504 1/2 shares of \$10 par value preferred stock, to be offered at \$10 per share, and \$100,000 in promissory notes. J. Wyman Hogg, of Springfield, Mo., is President. Filed June 28 1935.

*Reynolds Spring Co.* (File 2-1519, Form A-2) of Jackson, Mich., seeking to issue 53,000 shares of \$1 par value common stock. It is not intended that there be any issuance of any new securities under this registration statement. The purpose of this registration is to enable the sale of these shares under the provisions of the Securities Act of 1933 by persons in the position of issuers. Charles G. Munn, of Jackson, is President. Filed June 28, 1935.

*Abbott Laboratories* (2-1522, Form A-2) of North Chicago, Ill., seeking to issue 5,000 shares of no-par common stock, to be offered at \$60 a share. The net proceeds will be paid into the general treasury for use as occasion requires in the development of the issuer's business. S. DeWitt Clough, of Glencoe, Ill., is President of the company. Filed June 29 1935.

*Edward G. Budd Manufacturing Co.* (2-1524, Form D-1A) of Philadelphia, Pa., seeking to issue certificates of deposit for \$1,493,000 6% sinking fund convertible gold bonds, the market value of which is \$1,015,240. Filed June 29 1935.

*Edward G. Budd Manufacturing Co.* (2-1525, Form E-1) of Philadelphia, Pa., seeking to issue \$1,493,000 of 6% sinking fund convertible gold bonds, due Feb. 1 1938, whose market value is \$1,015,240. The bonds are to be exchanged for the same debentures bearing a stamp extending the due date of said bonds to Aug. 1 1941, waiving all past and future sinking fund payments and waiving the covenant running in favor of the debenture holders against the further mortgaging of the company's plant. Filed June 29 1935.

*Sussex Fire Insurance Co.* (2-1526, Form A-1) of Newark, N. J., seeking to issue 3,000 shares of \$100 par participating cumulative preferred stock, and 200,000 shares of \$3.50 par value common stock. The parent company, Eagle Fire Insurance Co., owns the preferred stock and 198,487 1/5 shares of the common stock. Registrant states that proceeds from sale of the stock will be used for additional working capital by the parent company. Franklin W. Fort, of Newark, is President. Filed June 29 1935.

*The Wehle Brewing Co.* (2-1527, Form A-1) of West Haven, Conn., seeking to issue 17,800 shares of \$10 par value class B stock, to be offered at not less than \$10 a share. Raymond J. Wehle, of North Haven, Conn., is President of the company. Filed June 29 1935.

*American Seating Co.* (File 2-1528, Form A-2) of Grand Rapids, Mich., seeking to issue \$2,827,000 of 10-year 6% convertible gold notes, due July 1 1946, and 56,540 shares of no-par common stock, reserved for issuance upon conversion of the gold notes. H. M. Tallafarro, of Grand Rapids, is President. Filed June 29 1935.

*American Seating Co.* (File 2-1529, Form D-1A) of Grand Rapids, Mich., seeking to issue certificates of deposit for \$2,827,000 of 10-year 6% convertible gold notes, due July 1 1936. The market value as of June 24 of the bonds was \$2,706,852.50. Filed June 29 1935.

*A. H. Walburg, et al* (2-1530, Form F-1) of Dayton, Ohio, seeking to issue voting trust certificates for 56,540 shares of no par common stock of the American Seating Co. Filed June 29 1935.

*Peoria Distillers, Inc.* (2-1531, Form A-1) of Peoria, Ill., seeking to issue 30,000 shares of no-par convertible preference stock, and 30,000 shares of no-par common stock. 7,800 shares of the preference stock have been issued in exchange for interests in the issuer's property. The 30,000 shares, including the 7,800 will be offered at a maximum of \$20 a share. N. L. Rogers and Co., Inc., of Peoria, is the underwriter, and N. L. Rogers is President. Filed June 29 1935.

*Virginia City Mining Co.* (2-1532, Form A-1) of Butte, Mont., seeking to issue 100,000 shares of \$1 par value common stock, to be offered at par.

Proceeds are to be used to protect the company's options, pay current obligations, etc. Frank R. Scott, of Fargo, N. D., is President of the company. Filed June 29 1935.

**Muskegon Piston Ring Co.** (2-1533, Form A-2) of Muskegon, Mich., seeking to register 15,000 shares of no-par Class B common stock. According to the prospectus these shares have already been issued and are fully paid and outstanding in the hands of stockholders. "The sale of this stock represents no new financing on the part of the company and no part of the proceeds will be received by the company." George W. Olson, of Muskegon, is President. Filed June 29 1935.

**Refugee Economic Corp.** (2-1534, Form A-1) of New York City, engaged in assisting the economic reconstruction of emigres from foreign countries, seeking to issue 200,000 shares of \$25 par value common stock, to be offered at par. Felix M. Warburg, of New York, is President. Filed July 1 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 was given in our issue of July 6, page 37.

**Filing by Wilson & Co. of Chicago of Registration Statement for \$20,000,000 First Mortgage 20-Year 4% Bonds**

Wilson & Co., Inc., Chicago, filed on July 5 a registration statement (No. 2-1538) under the Securities Act of 1933 for \$20,000,000 first mortgage 20-year bonds, series A, 4%, to be dated July 15 1935, to be due July 15 1955, the Securities and Exchange Commission announced July 5. Brief reference to the filing of the statement by the company was made in the "Chronicle" of July 6, page 39. The SEC on July 5 stated:

The approximate date of the proposed offering is July 25 1935. According to the registration statement interest is payable Jan. 15 and July 15. Bonds are redeemable (other than for sinking fund purposes) at company's option as a whole or in part by lot at any time and from time to time upon 30 days' notice at par and accrued interest, together with the following premiums:

- 5%, if redeemed on or before July 15 1940;
- 4%, if redeemed after July 15 1940, and on or before July 15 1945;
- 3%, if redeemed after July 15 1945, and on or before July 15 1948;
- 2%, if redeemed after July 15 1948, and on or before July 15 1951;
- 1%, if redeemed after July 15 1951, and on or before July 15 1953;

and without premium if redeemed thereafter.

Bonds are also redeemable for sinking fund purposes upon thirty days' notice at par and accrued interest, together with the following premiums:

- 2%, if redeemed on or before Sept. 15 1940;
- 1 1/2%, if redeemed after Sept. 15 1940, and on or before Sept. 15 1945;
- 1%, if redeemed after Sept. 15 1945, and on or before Sept. 15 1950;
- 1/2%, if redeemed after Sept. 15 1950, and on or before Sept. 15 1953;

and without premium if redeemed thereafter.

According to the prospectus, part of the proceeds of the issue will be used to redeem the following:

On October 1 1935, the company's \$16,222,000 principal amount first mortgage 6% 20-year sinking fund gold bonds, due April 1 1941, at 107 1/2% and accrued interest;

On Oct. 1 1935, \$898,000 principal amount Wilson-Martin Co. second mortgage 15-year sinking fund 5% gold bonds, due Dec. 1 1940, at 103% and accrued interest;

On Aug. 1 1935, \$409,600 par value (\$100 per share) Central Products Corp. 6% cumulative preferred stock at \$103 per share and accrued dividends;

On Aug. 1 1935, \$10,700 par value (\$100 per share) Wilson & Co., Inc., of Minnesota, 7% preferred stock at \$105 per share and accrued dividends.

The balance of the estimated net proceeds will be added to the general funds of the company.

The principal underwriters of the issue are to be Edward B. Smith & Co., of New York, and Field, Gloré & Co., of Chicago. The names of additional underwriters, if any, the amounts to be underwritten by each underwriter, the underwriting commissions or discounts, and the price of the issue to the public will be supplied in an amendment to the registration statement.

Thomas E. Wilson and Edward Foss Wilson, both of Chicago, are Chairman of the Board and President of the company, respectively.

**32 Registration Statements Covering \$148,000,000 Effective During May Under Securities Act of 1933**

During the month of May 1935, 32 registration statements, covering issues in the amount of slightly more than \$148,000,000, became effective under the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities and Exchange Commission announced July 9. These registration statements fell into the three general groups as follows:

Type of Issue	No. of Statements	Amount of Offering
Industrials or commercials	21	\$115,000,000
Financials	6	18,000,000
Reorganizations	5	15,000,000
Total	32	\$148,000,000

Thirteen registration statements, the Commission said, only one of which had been reported as effective, were suspended during the month (one by stop order, one by consent refusal order, and 11 by withdrawal).

**Registration Statement Filed with SEC for Issue of \$12,500,000 First Mortgage 4% Bonds of Libby, McNeill & Libby, of Chicago**

It was announced on July 8 by the Securities and Exchange Commission that Libby, McNeill & Libby, of Chicago, Ill., filed on July 5 a registration statement (No. 2-1539) under the Securities Act of 1933 for \$12,500,000 first mortgage 4% 20-year bonds, due Aug. 1 1955. The Commission stated:

According to the registration statement, the net proceeds of this issue are to be used primarily for the purpose of redeeming at 103% the company's first mortgage 5% 15-year gold bonds due Oct. 1 1942, now outstanding in the principal amount of \$10,312,000, which the company intends will be called for redemption on or about Aug. 1 1935. The balance of the pro-

ceeds is to be added to the company's net working capital for general corporate purposes.

The bonds are redeemable at the company's option as a whole or in part at any time and from time to time upon 30 days' published notice at par and accrued interest, together with the following premiums:

- 3%, if redeemed on or before Aug. 1 1941;
- 2%, if redeemed after Aug. 1 1941, and on or before Aug. 1 1947;
- 1%, if redeemed after Aug. 1 1947, and on or before Aug. 1 1953; and without premium if redeemed thereafter.

Interest is payable Feb. 1 and Aug. 1.

The underwriters of the issue are Field, Gloré & Co., of Chicago, and such others as may be designated. The associate underwriters, the respective amounts underwritten, the underwriting commissions, and discounts, and the price to the public are to be supplied in an amendment to the registration statement.

The registration statement states that Swift & Co., of Chicago holds 78.72% of the voting power in the company. Edward G. McDougall of Chicago is President of the company.

**Ruling of SEC Allows Registrant to Incorporate by Reference Any Financial Reports Filed with Previous Registration Statements**

Announcement was made by the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 29 of the adoption of a rule under the Securities Act of 1933 which permits a registrant to incorporate by reference in its registration statement any financial report which it has filed with the Commission as a part of a previous registration statement. The Commission's announcement said:

The rule requires, however, that where the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission require the consent of any person, the consent of such person must be filed as a part of the subsequent statement. The Commission reserves the right to refuse to permit incorporation by reference whenever it would render the registration statement unclear or confusing.

Following is the new rule:

**Incorporation by Reference of Financial Reports Filed with Previous Registration Statements**

The issuer of a security for which a registration statement is in effect under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, may incorporate by reference in a subsequent registration statement under that Act any financial report or part thereof filed with any of its previous registration statements, subject, however, to the following conditions:

(a) Any consent required by the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission adopted pursuant thereto, shall be filed in the subsequent registration statement as to any such report or part thereof so incorporated by reference.

(b) In each case the financial report or part thereof incorporated by reference shall be clearly identified in the reference.

(c) The Commission may refuse to permit such incorporation by reference in any case in which its judgment incorporation by reference would render the registration statement unclear or confusing.

**Form to be Used by Foreign Governments for Registration of Securities Promulgated by SEC**

The publication of a registration form to be used by foreign governments and political sub-divisions thereof for the registration of their securities on National securities exchanges, was announced on July 5 by the Securities and Exchange Commission. The form is to be known as Form 18. In its announcement the SEC stated:

As provided in Rule AN7, registration statements filed on this form need not become effective until Dec. 31 1935, provided the securities have previously been temporarily registered.

This is the first of the forms adopted for foreign issuers' filing statements under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Further forms will be issued covering securities of issuers other than governments and political subdivisions.

The form calls for a description of the security to be registered. There are required to be set forth, in addition, statements concerning the following matters among others:

- Internal and external funded and floating indebtedness of the registrant. Receipts and expenditures of the registrant.
- The note issue and gold reserves of the central bank of issue of the registrant.
- A statement giving the imports and exports of the registrant; and
- The balance of international payments of the registrant. In addition, certain exhibits are to be included in the application.

**Rule Issues by SEC Designed to Avoid Duplication of Reports on Holdings**

The Securities and Exchange Commission made public on July 6 a rule designed to avoid duplication of reports by officers, directors, and principal stockholders. The rule provides, the Commission said, that if a person has already filed a statement of his ownership, followed by reports of subsequent changes, he need not file an additional statement in case additional securities of the same issuer become registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or in case he becomes a director, officer, or holder of more than 10% of an equity security when he is already a member of the reporting class.

The new rule, which is the form of an additional paragraph to Rule NA1, follows:

(g) Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraphs of this Rule, if a person has filed a statement of his beneficial ownership on Form 4, Form 5 or Form 6, and has reported all subsequent changes in his beneficial ownership with respect to all equity securities of the same issuer, such person need not file an additional statement pursuant to paragraph (c) or (d) of this Rule.

**SEC Permits Exchange Absorbing Another to Continue Unlisted Trading Until June 1 1936 in Securities Admitted to Privilege on Absorbed Exchanged Prior to March 1 1934**

The Securities and Exchange Commission announced June 23 the adoption of a rule, under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, granting to any National securities ex-

change which has absorbed another exchange permission to continue until June 1 1936, unlisted trading privileges in securities which were admitted to such privileges on the absorbed exchange prior to March 1 1934 and permission for the continuance of which was heretofore granted to the absorbed exchange by the Commission.

The effect of the rule, the Commission said, is to give to the absorbing exchange permission to exercise the unlisted trading privileges in such securities for the period during which the absorbed exchange could have continued those privileges.

The new rule follows:

**Rule JF7. Continuance of Unlisted Trading Privileges on Merged Exchanges.** (a) A National securities exchange which has absorbed another exchange theretofore granted permission to continue unlisted trading privileges in a security under Rule JF1, may continue such unlisted trading privileges in such security without further order of the Commission subject to Section 12 (f) and the rules and regulations thereunder.

(b) Unlisted trading privileges contained pursuant to this rule shall expire at midnight, May 31 1936, or, after due notice, at such earlier date as the Commission may, by rules and regulations or by order prescribe as to any or all of the securities for which unlisted trading privileges have been continued under this rule.

**SEC Issues Stop Order Suspending Registration of Securities of Wee Investors Royalty Co., Tulsa, Okla.**

After a public hearing held April 3 1935, the Securities and Exchange Commission has issued a stop order suspending the registration of securities of the Wee Investors Royalty Co., of Tulsa, Okla., it was announced by the Commission on July 11. The registration statement, No. 2-1167, was filed on Oct. 29 1934, on Form A-1, and became effective on March 7 1935. It covered an issue of \$100,000 face value of certificates of participation in a business trust organized to own and deal in oil royalties. The filing of the registration statement was noted in our issue of Nov. 17 1934, pages 3072-3073. The Commission's announcement of July 11 further stated:

The plan for selling the securities included, among other things, a scheme for "chain" distribution of the shares by investors themselves. Each purchaser of the shares was to sell a share to four others, and each of those four to four others, etc. The original purchaser was to participate in the profits from the employment of capital obtained from the "chain" sales and a chart was shown to indicate that the distribution, in its sixth stage, would bring \$729.65 for each original \$1 investment.

The Commission found that the description of this plan, as well as other items of the registration statement, contained misleading and untrue statements.

**Federal Reserve Board Reports National Income Larger Than in Three Preceding Years—In Monthly Bulletin Says Increase in Industrial Community Reflects Gain in Activity—Increase in Member Bank Deposits and Reserves**

The national income has been larger this spring than in the spring of any of the three preceding years, says the Federal Reserve Board in its Monthly Bulletin for June made available June 22. "Increased income in industrial communities," says the Board, "has reflected chiefly increased activity, while growth in agricultural income has been the result of higher prices and benefit payments." From the Bulletin we also quote in part as follows regarding business and credit conditions:

Government expenditures for relief and for public works have continued to be a factor in sustaining spending power.

The following table summarizes the statistics on the recent course of business:

RECENT COURSE OF BUSINESS  
[Index numbers adjusted for seasonal variation, 1923-25=100]

	1934		1935	
	May	September	January	April
Industrial production.....	86	71	90	z86
Construction contracts awarded:				
Total.....	26	29	27	27
Residential.....	11	11	12	18
All other.....	38	44	39	33
Factory employment.....	83	74	81	z82
Factory pay rolls.....	66	58	67	z70
Department-store sales.....	77	75	74	73
Wholesale prices, x.....	74	78	79	80
Retail food prices, y.....	108	117	119	124

x Without seasonal adjustment; 1926=100. y Without seasonal adjustment; 1913=100. z Preliminary.  
Note—The months shown in this table were selected on the basis of the recent high and low points in industrial production.

For the first four months of the year as a whole industrial output was 7% larger than a year ago; since January, however, the Federal Reserve Board's seasonally adjusted index of industrial production has declined gradually. During this period the general index of wholesale prices advanced, reflecting chiefly increases in the prices of livestock and meats. In the last week of May prices of leading commodities traded in on the organized exchanges showed marked declines.

With increased income this year as compared with last year, there has been a larger volume of domestic trade in such durable manufactures as automobiles, household equipment and agricultural implements. Export trade in these commodities has also increased and production, employment and pay rolls in the industries manufacturing these goods have shown marked advances. At the same time exports of agricultural products have been considerably reduced. In industries producing non-durable goods, such as food and clothing, employment has been maintained with little change from last year.

In the building industry, while the volume of new public work being undertaken has been considerably smaller than last year, actual expenditures have been maintained at about the same level and considerable additional work is provided for in the new Act currently being put into operation.

Contracts for residential building have shown a definite increase, partly owing to the increased demand for housing and the greater availability of mortgage money.

In general, goods produced during the spring have been sold to consumers and have not gone into stocks of producers and distributors.

Profits of large industrial concerns during the first quarter of 1935 exceeded those of any other similar period since 1930. Among railroads and other public utilities, however, results were not so favorable as in the first quarter of 1934. The volume of capital issues of corporations for refunding has increased substantially as a consequence of improvement in economic conditions, further easing in the money market, and revision of regulations concerning the issuance of securities.

Continued imports of gold, together with the expenditures of the Government, have resulted in a substantial increase in the volume of bank deposits and reserves. Excess reserves at the end of May amounted to over \$2,300,000,000, and conditions in the short-term money market continue to be exceptionally easy. In the long-term markets yields on Government securities and on high-grade corporate bonds have declined further and have avored refunding operations. . . .

**Member Bank Credit**

Deposits at member banks have continued to increase since the beginning of this year. At weekly reporting banks in leading cities total deposits increased by \$1,065,000,000 between Dec. 26 1934 and May 29 1935. Bankers' deposits included in this total increased by \$475,000,000, and United States Government deposits decreased by \$620,000,000. Deposits of other customers, after adjustment for an increase in collection items, showed a growth of about \$1,140,000,000 from the end of 1934. Most of the growth was in demand deposits, but time deposits also increased. A little more than half of this increase occurred at banks in New York City. Call-report figures for country banks for March 4 show an increase in deposits, similarly adjusted, of \$160,000,000 since Dec. 31 1934.

Loans and investments of member banks have shown only a slight increase since the end of last year. In May, loans and investments of weekly reporting banks declined somewhat. In the absence of growth in the interest-bearing public debt since the first of the year, bank holdings of direct obligations of the United States Government showed little change. An increase occurred in holdings of securities guaranteed by the United States, and there was a small growth in holdings of other securities. Brokers' loans increased somewhat from the first of the year and showed fairly wide fluctuations, reflecting, in part, activities of dealers in connection with Treasury refunding operations and, in part, the taking over by New York City banks of loans made by outside banks. This shift resulted from a decline in money rates on street loans. Loans to customers on securities continued to decline, while other customers' loans showed little change.

**Member Bank Reserve Balances**

Member-bank reserve balances with Federal banks increased in May to \$4,800,000,000, and excess reserves rose to above \$2,300,000,000. Both figures are the largest in the history of the System. The increase in May was due to a growth of \$150,000,000 in the monetary gold stock, reflecting principally large imports of gold from France. Fluctuations in these balances since early this year have reflected principally changes in Treasury holdings of cash and of balances with the Reserve banks, while continued gold imports have been a constant factor of growth.

The increase in excess reserves has been distributed throughout the country, although over 50% is now held by New York City and Chicago banks, reflecting to a large extent the growth in bankers' balances held by banks in these cities.

**Federal Reserve Board Issues Ruling on Record to Be Kept by Broker in Special Cash Account**

The Federal Reserve Board on July 8 issued an interpretation of Regulation T regarding the record of "the date of payment by the creditor" for securities purchased by a broker for a customer's account. The text of the ruling is given below:

Ruling No. 45 interpreting Regulation T. The Federal Reserve Board, in reply to inquiries regarding the provisions of section 6 of Regulation T, as amended May 10 1935, rules that a debit entry made by a broker in accordance with common practice in a customer's "special cash account" as of the day on which the broker, in accordance with the usual custom of the trade and in the absence of "failures to receive," would ordinarily receive and pay for securities which have been purchased for the customer in such account, shall be deemed, for the purposes of the third paragraph of section 6, to constitute the required record of "the date of payment by the creditor" for such securities in all cases except those in which the broker, having in fact received and paid for the securities on a later day, shall have recorded such later day in such account as the date of payment by the creditor.

**Industrial Advances by Federal Reserve Banks—Classification of Loans by Industry**

Figures showing the classification by industry, of industrial advances by the Federal Reserve banks are presented in the June issue of the "Monthly Bulletin" of the Federal Reserve Board, made available June 22. Regarding the advances and commitments, the Board says in part:

Federal Reserve banks have approved applications for about \$86,000,000 of advances and commitments to make advances to supply working capital to industrial and commercial businesses in accordance with authority contained in Section 13-B added to the Federal Reserve Act by an amendment dated June 19 1934. Up to May 29 1935 they had actually advanced over \$30,000,000 and on that date had \$19,000,000 of commitments outstanding. The disposition of applications received up to May 29 1935 is shown in the following table:

**INDUSTRIAL ADVANCES AND COMMITMENTS UNDER SECTION 13-B OF FEDERAL RESERVE ACT JUNE 19 1934 TO MAY 29 1935**

Net applications received *.....	\$245,078,000
Applications under consideration.....	\$23,740,000
Rejected by Federal Reserve bank.....	130,969,000
Approved by Federal Reserve bank.....	86,282,000
Conditionally approved.....	\$17,476,000
Commitments outstanding.....	19,425,000
Advances outstanding.....	26,977,000
Advances repaid.....	3,595,000
Financing institution participations.....	5,531,000
Advances and commitments in process of completion.....	6,894,000
Withdrawn or reduced or expired unused.....	6,384,000

\* Excluding applications withdrawn and changes in amounts applied for before action by Industrial Advisory Committee but including withdrawals and changes made after such action and before action by Federal Reserve banks.



The amendment to Section 13-B of the Federal Reserve Act provides that the Federal Reserve banks may co-operate with member banks, non-member banks, and other financing institutions in making loans to furnish working capital to established industrial and commercial businesses, and, in exceptional circumstances, may make such loans directly to borrowers when credit is not available on a reasonable basis from the usual sources. The loans may be made to established industrial and commercial businesses, they are to be made for the purpose of providing working capital, they are to have maturities not exceeding five years, and they are to be made "on a reasonable and sound basis."

The law limits funds available for advances and commitments by the Federal Reserve banks to the total surplus of the banks as of July 1 1934, about \$140,000,000, plus certain payments to be made by the United States Treasury, which would bring the total available up to about \$280,000,000.

The law provides that there shall be in each Federal Reserve district an industrial advisory committee (serving without pay), the purpose of which is to aid the Federal Reserve banks in carrying out the new provisions. This committee represents commerce and industry. Each member of the Industrial Advisory Committee must be actively engaged in some industrial pursuit within the district. Each application for an industrial loan must be passed upon by the Industrial Advisory Committee and transmitted to the Federal Reserve bank with the committee's recommendation as to the action to be taken.

**Classification of Loans by Industry.**

The loans made either by the Federal Reserve banks direct or by financing institutions under commitments from the Federal Reserve banks vary in size from \$250 up to amounts of several million dollars. The maturities range from a few months to five years. A wide variety of enterprises is covered. The table following shows the various types of industrial and business concerns that have asked for and received the most assistance from Section 13-B.

**APPLICATIONS FOR INDUSTRIAL ADVANCES AND COMMITMENTS APPROVED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS JUNE 19 1934 TO MAY 1 1935**

Business or Industry	Commitments		Advances	
	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
<b>Manufacturers—</b>				
Aircraft	17	\$7,732,500	2	\$1,150,000
Autos, trucks and accessories	15	363,500	16	4,072,000
Chemicals and allied products	9	1,027,000	28	882,617
Electrical goods	27	1,029,300	4	32,000
Food products	31	1,964,500	68	1,959,000
Furniture, office and household equipment	4	111,400	46	2,448,000
Hides and leather	2	27,300	6	352,600
Jewelry and silverware	21	2,455,000	6	67,500
Liquors, wines and beer	31	2,286,000	15	987,000
Lumber and builders' supplies	33	3,285,000	46	3,332,000
Machinery and machine tools	27	2,798,000	51	3,924,400
Metals	10	398,700	49	4,112,500
Paper products	1	250,000	14	1,636,400
Railway equipment	1	200,000	1	30,000
Rubber goods	6	1,265,000	13	235,250
Stone, clay and glass products	19	2,493,500	35	3,735,750
Textiles	34	1,256,500	48	1,466,450
Wearing apparel, shoes, &c.	6	451,000	13	474,000
Wood products	20	460,640	50	1,728,500
Other				
<b>Total</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>\$29,855,940</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>\$32,625,867</b>
<b>Wholesale and Retail Trades—</b>				
Autos and accessories	11	\$116,200	22	\$224,150
Chain and department stores	15	689,000	48	659,800
Clothing, dry goods, jewelry	16	435,500	25	230,850
Drugs, tobacco and liquor	6	126,000	13	96,000
Florists, nurseries, &c.	4	49,000	5	97,000
Food products	30	1,985,000	50	1,359,450
Furniture	5	53,000	13	180,500
Grain, feed, seeds, &c.	12	753,000	28	799,000
Hardware and machinery			4	78,000
Lumber and builders' supplies	42	1,630,700	40	927,550
Oil	4	360,000	18	814,000
Other	10	235,500	26	355,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>\$6,433,800</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>\$5,812,300</b>
<b>Miscellaneous—</b>				
Contractors and construction	19	\$1,752,000	37	\$1,553,500
Hotels, apartments, restaurants, &c.	8	188,500	4	334,500
Laundries, cleaners, and dyers	1	6,000	13	277,200
Mines and quarries	1	60,000	15	966,500
Oil and gas production			3	210,000
Printing, publishing, and allied trades	22	953,000	51	811,600
Shipbuilding and repairing			1	75,000
Transportation	6	120,000	4	515,000
Other	5	227,500	30	750,900
<b>Total</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>\$3,127,000</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>\$5,494,200</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>\$30,416,740</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>\$43,932,367</b>

**Bids Totalling \$321,616,000 Received to Offering of \$100,000,000 of Two Series of Treasury Bills Dated July 10—\$50,045,000 Accepted to 133-Day Bills at Rate of 0.068% and \$50,100,000 to 273-Day Bills at Rate of 0.080%**

Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau, Jr., announced on July 8 that tenders of \$321,616,000 were received to the offering of \$100,000,000 or thereabouts of two series of Treasury bills, of which \$100,145,000 were accepted. The offering was referred to in our issue of July 6, page 41; the tenders thereto were received at the Federal Reserve banks and the branches thereof up to 2 p. m., Eastern Standard Time, July 8. Each series of the bills was offered in amount of \$50,000,000 or thereabouts. One series was 133-day bills maturing Nov. 20 1935, and the other 273-day bills maturing April 8 1936.

Details of the bids to the offering, as contained in Secretary Morgenthau's announcement of July 8, follow:

**133-Day Treasury Bills, Maturing Nov. 20 1935**

For this series, which was for \$50,000,000, or thereabouts, the total amount applied for was \$124,306,000, of which \$50,045,000 was accepted. The accepted bids ranged in price from 99.977, equivalent to a rate of about 0.062% per annum, to 99.973, equivalent to a rate of about 0.073% 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 99.975 and the average rate is about 0.068% per annum on a bank discount basis.

**173-Day Treasury Bills, Maturing April 8 1936**

For this series, which was for \$50,000,000, or thereabouts, the total amount applied for was \$197,310,000, of which \$50,100,000 was accepted. The accepted bids ranged in price from 99.955, equivalent to a rate of about 0.059% per annum, to 99.936, equivalent to a rate of about 0.084% 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 99.939 and the average rate is about 0.080% per annum on a bank discount basis.

**New Offering of \$50,000,000 or Thereabouts of 273-Day Treasury Bills—To Be Dated July 17 1935**

Tenders to a new offering of Treasury bills in amount of \$50,000,000 or thereabouts were invited on July 11 by Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury, the tenders to be received at the Federal Reserve banks, or the branches thereof, up to 2 p. m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday, July 15. Bids will not be received at the Treasury Department, Washington.

The bills, which will be dated July 17 1935, will mature in 273 days on April 15 1936, and on the maturity date the face amount will be payable without interest. They will be sold on a discount basis to the highest bidders. There is a maturity of Treasury bills on July 17 in amount of \$75,079,000. In his announcement of July 11 Secretary Morgenthau noted:

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

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

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

Immediately after the closing hour for receipt of tenders on July 15 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 will follow as soon as possible thereafter, probably on the following morning. The Secretary of the Treasury expressly reserves the right to reject any or all tenders or parts of tenders, and to allot less than the amount applied for, and his action in any such respect shall be final. Those submitting tenders will be advised of the acceptance or rejection thereof. Payment at the price offered for Treasury bills allotted must be made at the Federal Reserve banks in cash or other immediately available funds on July 17 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.

The Treasury for several weeks past has been offering Treasury bills in amount of \$100,000,000, or \$25,000,000 in excess of weekly maturities. As to the change in the amount of bills to be issued next week by the Treasury, Washington advices, July 11, to the New York "Herald Tribune" of July 12, said:

Apparently satisfied with the relation of receipts to expenditures, and continuing its "cycle" theory on offering bills, the Treasury to-day reduced its weekly offerings from \$100,000,000 to \$50,000,000. For some weeks there have been regular weekly bills to the amount of \$100,000,000, but now the Government will revert to the former program of selling only half that amount.

This means that instead of netting \$25,000,000 in funds each week from the bills the Treasury will pay out that amount, for maturities average \$75,000,000 weekly. The reduction has been indicated previously, and it is said to be based on several reasons, among which are a disinclination to let the total of bills get too high or to destroy the "appetite" of the market and a belief that the note and bonds issues will give plenty of funds.

**\$500,000,000 of Treasury Notes Offered by Treasury—Bear Low Rate of 1 3/8%—Dated June 15 1935, Maturing in Four Years and Five Months—Books Closed—Subscriptions Aggregate \$2,970,000,000**

The Treasury this week offered \$500,000,000, or thereabouts, of four-year five-month 1 3/8% Treasury notes of series B-1939, the rate of interest being regarded as a new low for this type of financing. Announcement of the offering was made on July 7 by Henry Morgenthau Jr., Secretary of the Treasury. The books were closed at the close of business July 8, the same day on which they opened, but subscriptions placed in the mail before midnight July 8 were considered a "timely subscription."

Secretary Morgenthau announced, July 11, the subscription figures and the basis of allotment for the offering of Treasury notes. He said:

Reports received from the Federal Reserve banks show that subscriptions aggregate over \$2,970,000,000. Subscriptions in amounts up to and including \$5,000 were allotted in full, and those in amounts over \$5,000 were allotted 17%, but not less than \$5,000 on any one subscription.

Further details as to subscriptions and allotments will be announced when final reports are received from the Federal Reserve banks.

The new notes are dated July 15 1935 and will mature on Dec. 15 1939 and are not subject to call for redemption before that date. Interest is payable semi-annually from June 15. Secretary Morgenthau said, in his announcement of July 7, that "the notes will be exempt, both as to principal and interest, from all taxation. The exemption," the Secre-

tary said, "does not apply to estate or inheritance taxes or gift taxes."

On June 9 the Treasury offered an issue of 1½% Treasury notes of series B-1940 in exchange only for \$416,602,800 of 3% notes of series A-1935, which matured June 15, and \$353,865,000 of 1½% notes of series B-1935, maturing Aug. 1 1935. Reference to this previous financing was made in our issues of June 22, page 4152, and June 15, page 3985. In Washington advices, July 7, to the New York "Times" of July 8 it was stated as follows regarding the new offering this week:

The proceeds will go to swell the Treasury's cash balance, which has been depleted by meeting emergency expenditures in excess of ordinary revenues, and retiring consols called for redemption on July 1 in connection with the gradual retirement of National bank notes.

The low rate quoted on the notes is considered by Treasury experts about comparable to the 1½% paid on an issue of five-year notes which were offered recently in exchange for other Treasury notes maturing on June 15 and Aug. 1 . . . .

Treasury experts said that there was no significance in the use of notes rather than bonds at this time, except that there was a ready market for securities of relatively short maturity at very low interest rates. The maturity of four years and five months was fixed because the notes would then fall due on a quarterly tax payment date, Dec. 15 1939, when no other Treasury securities mature.

The fact that the Treasury made no large cash offering on the regular financing date, June 15, but waited until the money actually was required gave further substance to reports which have been current that borrowings would be made in the future from time to time as the necessity arose, rather than by the marketing of great issues at stated quarterly periods.

By such a program the Treasury would keep at a somewhat lower level than has been customary the average cash balance in the general fund. Although it is agreed that the Treasury must obtain large amounts of cash by the sale of securities to fill the gap when, ordinary revenues falling short of meeting expenditures, a feeling is evident that the recovery movement has gained an impetus which will cut down the Government outlays well below estimates. If such hopes are realized the burden thrown on the Treasury will be considerably lightened.

The closing of the subscription books to the offering was made known in the following circular issued by the New York Federal Reserve Bank:

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK

Fiscal Agent of the United States

[Circular No. 1565—July 8 1935]

Subscription Books Closed

On Offering of United States of America 1½% Treasury Notes of Series B-1939

To All Banks and Others Concerned in the Second Federal Reserve District:

In accordance with instructions received to-day from the Treasury Department the subscription books for the offering of United States of America 1½% Treasury notes of series B-1939, dated and bearing interest from July 15 1935, due Dec. 15 1939, were closed at the close of business to-day, July 8 1935. Any subscription placed in the mail before midnight July 8 1935, as evidenced by post office cancellation, will be considered a timely subscription.

GEORGE L. HARRISON, Governor.

The following is Secretary Morgenthau's announcement of July 7, issued for release July 8:

Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau is to-day (July 8) offering for subscription, at par and accrued interest, through the Federal Reserve banks, \$500,000,000, or thereabouts, four-year five-month 1½% Treasury notes of series B-1939.

The Treasury notes now offered will be dated July 15 1935 and will bear interest from that date at the rate of 1½% per annum, payable on a semi-annual basis on Dec. 15 1935, and thereafter on June 15 and Dec. 15 of each year. They will mature Dec. 15 1939 and will not be subject to call for redemption before that date. The notes will be issued in bearer form only in denominations of \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000 and \$100,000.

The notes will be exempt, both as to principal and interest, from all taxation. The exemption does not apply to estate or inheritance taxes or gift taxes.

Applications will be received at the Federal Reserve banks and branches, and at the Treasury Department, Washington. Banking institutions generally will handle applications for subscribers, but only Federal Reserve banks and the Treasury Department will be authorized to act as official agencies. Applications from incorporated banks and trust companies for their own account will be received without deposit but will be restricted in each case to an amount not exceeding one-half of the combined capital and surplus of the subscribing bank or trust company. Applications from all others must be accompanied, if for more than \$5,000, by payment of \$5,000 or 5% of the amount of notes applied for, whichever is the greater; and, if for \$5,000 or less, by payment in full. The Secretary of the Treasury reserves the right to close the books as to any or all subscriptions or classes of subscriptions at any time without notice.

Subject to the reservations set forth in the official circular, subscriptions for amounts up to and including \$5,000 will be given preferred allotment, and subscriptions for amounts over \$5,000 will be allotted on an equal percentage basis, but not less than the maximum preferred allotment.

Payment at par and accrued interest, if any, for the notes allotted must be made on or before July 15 1935, or on later allotment.

Details of the offering are contained in the following circular issued by the Treasury Department:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA 1½% TREASURY NOTES OF SERIES B-1939

Dated and bearing interest from July 15 1935—Due Dec. 15 1939—Interest payable June 15 and Dec. 15

1935—Department Circular No. 545—Public Debt Service

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Office of the Secretary

Washington, July 8 1935.

The Secretary of the Treasury, pursuant to the authority of the Second Liberty Bond Act, approved Sept. 24 1917, as amended, invites subscrip-

tions, at par and accrued interest, from the people of the United States, for 1½% notes of the United States, designated Treasury notes of series B-1939. The amount of the offering is \$500,000,000, or thereabouts.

Description of Notes

The notes will be dated July 15 1935 and will bear interest from that date at the rate of 1½% per annum, payable on a semi-annual basis on Dec. 15 1935 and thereafter on June 15 and Dec. 15 in each year. They will mature Dec. 15 1939 and will not be subject to call for redemption prior to maturity.

The notes shall be exempt, both as to principal and interest, from all taxation (except estate or inheritance taxes\*) 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.

The notes will be accepted at par during such time and under such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed or approved by the Secretary of the Treasury in payment of income and profits taxes payable at the maturity of the notes.

The notes will be acceptable to secure deposits of public moneys, but will not bear the circulation privilege.

Bearer notes with interest coupons attached will be issued in denominations of \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000 and \$100,000. The notes will not be issued in registered form.

Subscription and Allotment

Subscriptions will be received at the Federal Reserve banks and branches and at the Treasury Department, Washington. Banking institutions generally will handle applications for subscribers, but only the Federal Reserve banks and the Treasury Department are authorized to act as official agencies. Applications from incorporated banks and trust companies for their own account will be received without deposit but will be restricted in each case to an amount not exceeding one-half of the combined capital and surplus of the subscribing bank or trust company. Applications from all others must be accompanied, if for more than \$5,000, by payment of \$5,000 or 5% of the amount of notes applied for, whichever is the greater; and, if for \$5,000 or less, by payment in full. The Secretary of the Treasury reserves the right to close the books as to any or all subscriptions or classes of subscriptions at any time without notice.

The Secretary of the Treasury reserves the right to reject any subscription, in whole or in part, to allot less than the amount of notes applied for, to make allotments in full upon applications for smaller amounts, and to make reduced allotments upon, or to reject, applications for larger amounts, to make classified allotments or to make allotments upon a graduated scale, or to adopt any or all of said methods or such other methods of allotment and classification of allotments as shall be deemed by him to be in the public interest; and his action in any or all of these respects shall be final. Subject to these reservations, subscriptions for amounts up to and including \$5,000 will be given preferred allotment, and subscriptions for amounts over \$5,000 will be allotted on an equal percentage basis, but not less than the maximum preferred allotment. Allotment notices will be sent out promptly upon allotment, and the basis of the allotment will be publicly announced.

Payment

Payment at par and accrued interest, if any, for notes allotted hereunder must be made or completed on or before July 15 1935, or on later allotment. In every case where payment is not so completed, the payment with application up to 5% of the amount of notes applied for shall, upon declaration made by the Secretary of the Treasury in his discretion, be forfeited to the United States. Any qualified depositor will be permitted to make payment by credit for notes allotted to it for itself and its customers up to any amount for which it shall be qualified in excess of existing deposits, when so notified by the Federal Reserve bank of its district.

General Provisions

As fiscal agents of the United States, Federal Reserve banks are authorized and requested to receive subscriptions, to make allotments on the basis and up to the amounts indicated by the Secretary of the Treasury to the Federal Reserve banks of the respective districts, to issue allotment notices, to receive payment for notes allotted, to make delivery of notes on full-paid subscriptions allotted, and they may issue interim receipts pending delivery of the definitive notes.

The Secretary of the Treasury may at any time, or from time to time, prescribe supplemental or amendatory rules and regulations governing the offering, which will be communicated promptly to the Federal Reserve banks.

HENRY MORGENTHAU JR., Secretary of the Treasury.

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

Gold Receipts by Mints and Assay Offices—Imports During Week of July 5 Totaled \$3,286,863

Announcement was made on July 8 by the Treasury Department that receipts of gold by the mints and assay offices during the week of July 5 totaled \$6,353,188.01. Of this amount, it is noted, \$3,286,862.63 represented imports, \$1,186,672.34 secondary, and \$1,879,653.04 new domestic. The amount of gold received during the week of July 5 by the various mints and assay offices is shown in the following tabulation issued by the Treasury:

	Imports	Secondary	New Domestic
Philadelphia	\$13,897.49	\$153,519.04	\$512.33
New York	3,104,400.00	875,900.00	142,000.00
San Francisco	112,879.75	60,178.85	930,245.26
Denver	53,397.00	45,642.00	499,328.00
New Orleans	2,288.39	35,603.99	599.00
Seattle		15,828.46	307,008.45
Total for week ended July 5 1935.	\$3,286,862.63	\$1,186,672.34	\$1,879,653.04

Treasury Planning Offering of \$100,000,000 of 2½% Bonds to Highest Bidders—Sales of "Baby Bonds" Pass \$100,000,000 Mark

It was announced July 11 by Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., that the Treasury plans to offer, possibly on Monday (July 15), approximately \$100,000,000 of 2½% bonds of 1955-60 to the highest bidders. In noting this, Washington advices, July 11, to the New York "Herald-Tribune" of July 12, said:

Coming on the heels of the \$500,000,000 in 1 3/4% notes sold early this week, the Treasury program gives further credence to reports that it will keep its borrowings in as close relation with the spending of the \$4,800,000,000 work relief fund as is possible. The Treasury had difficulty in its last fiscal year, ended June 30, to maintain the policy because the Government agencies spent about 15% less than budget estimates, while the revenue was up about 2.4%.

Mr. Morgenthau revealed that he plans to keep the working balance of the Treasury between \$750,000,000 and \$1,000,000,000. The balance now stands at \$1,215,689,681, and will be further increased with the proceeds of the issues this week and next week, but to offset this rise there will be more expenditures to retire the called consols, and the demands of the work relief program will begin to be heavy.

Secretary Morgenthau also announced July 11 that sales of United States Savings Bonds, better known as "Baby Bonds," had that day exceeded the \$100,000,000 mark. These bonds were issued for the first time last March.

**\$291,202 of Hoarded Gold Received During Week of July 3—\$48,642 Coin and \$242,560 Certificates**

The Federal Reserve banks and the Treasurer's office received \$291,201.80 of gold coin and certificates during the week of July 3, it is shown by figures issued by the Treasury Department on July 8. 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 July 3, amounted to \$126,545,174.27. Of the amount received during the week of July 3, the figures show \$48,641.80 was gold coin and \$242,560 gold certificates. The total receipts are as follows:

Received by Federal Reserve Banks—	Gold Coin	Gold Certificates
Week ended July 3.....	\$48,641.80	\$238,760.00
Received previously.....	30,508,506.47	93,308,760.00
<b>Total to July 3 1935.....</b>	<b>\$30,557,148.27</b>	<b>\$93,547,520.00</b>
Received by Treasurer's Office—		
Week ended July 3.....		\$3,800.00
Received previously.....		2,172,800.00
<b>Total to July 3 1935.....</b>		<b>\$2,176,600.00</b>

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

**Receipts of Newly-Mined Silver by Mints and Assay Offices from Treasury Purchases Totaled 796,750.03 Fine Ounces During Week of July 5**

During the week of July 5, it is indicated in a statement issued by the Treasury Department on July 8, silver amounting to 796,750.03 fine ounces was received by the various United States mints from purchases by the Treasury in accordance with the President's proclamation of Dec. 21 1933. The proclamation was referred to in our issue of Dec. 23 1933, page 4441. It authorizes the Treasury to absorb at least 24,421,410 fine ounces of newly-mined silver annually. Receipts by the mints since the proclamation was issued total 39,302,000 fine ounces to July 5. During the week of July 5 the Philadelphia Mint received 313,778.31 fine ounces, the San Francisco Mint 475,950.97 fine ounces, and the Denver Mint 7,020.75 fine ounces.

The total weekly receipts since the issuance of the proclamation are as follows (we omit the fractional part of the ounce):

Week Ended—	Ounces	Week Ended—	Ounces	Week Ended—	Ounces
1934—		1934—		1935—	
Jan. 5.....	1,157	July 13.....	230,491	Jan. 18.....	732,210
Jan. 12.....	547	July 20.....	115,217	Jan. 25.....	973,305
Jan. 19.....	477	July 27.....	292,719	Feb. 1.....	321,760
Jan. 26.....	94,921	Aug. 3.....	118,307	Feb. 8.....	1,167,706
Feb. 2.....	117,554	Aug. 10.....	254,458	Feb. 15.....	1,126,572
Feb. 9.....	375,995	Aug. 17.....	649,757	Feb. 21.....	403,179
Feb. 16.....	232,630	Aug. 24.....	376,504	Mar. 1.....	1,184,819
Feb. 23.....	322,627	Aug. 31.....	11,574	Mar. 8.....	844,528
Mar. 2.....	271,800	Sept. 7.....	264,307	Mar. 15.....	1,555,985
Mar. 9.....	126,604	Sept. 14.....	353,004	Mar. 22.....	554,454
Mar. 16.....	832,808	Sept. 21.....	103,041	Mar. 29.....	695,556
Mar. 23.....	369,844	Sept. 28.....	1,054,287	Apr. 5.....	836,198
Mar. 30.....	354,711	Oct. 5.....	620,638	Apr. 12.....	1,438,681
Apr. 6.....	569,274	Oct. 12.....	609,475	Apr. 19.....	502,258
Apr. 13.....	10,032	Oct. 19.....	712,206	Apr. 26.....	67,704
Apr. 20.....	753,938	Oct. 26.....	268,900	May 3.....	173,900
Apr. 27.....	436,043	Nov. 2.....	826,342	May 10.....	686,930
May 4.....	647,224	Nov. 9.....	359,423	May 17.....	86,907
May 11.....	600,631	Nov. 16.....	1,025,955	May 24.....	363,073
May 18.....	503,309	Nov. 23.....	443,531	May 31.....	247,954
May 25.....	885,056	Nov. 30.....	359,296	June 7.....	203,482
June 1.....	295,511	Dec. 7.....	487,693	June 14.....	462,541
June 8.....	200,897	Dec. 14.....	648,729	June 21.....	1,253,628
June 15.....	206,790	Dec. 21.....	797,206	June 28.....	407,100
June 22.....	380,532	Dec. 28.....	484,278	July 5.....	796,750
June 29.....	64,047	Jan. 4.....	467,385		
July 6.....	*1,218,247	Jan. 11.....	504,363		

\* Corrected figures.

**Silver Transferred to United States Under Nationalization Order—2,804 Fine Ounces During Week of July 5**

Silver in amount of 2,804 fine ounces was transferred to the United States during the week of July 5 under the Executive Order of Aug. 9 1934, nationalizing the metal. Receipts since the order was issued and up to July 5 total 112,914,792 fine ounces, it was noted in a statement issued by the Treasury Department on July 8. The order of Aug. 9 was given in our issue of Aug. 11, page 858. In the July 8 statement of the Treasury it is shown that the silver was received at the various mints and assay offices during the week of July 5 as follows:

	Fine Ounces
Philadelphia.....	508
New York.....	970
San Francisco.....	—
Denver.....	783
New Orleans.....	318
Seattle.....	225
<b>Total for week ended July 5 1935.....</b>	<b>2,804</b>

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

Week Ended—	Fine Ozs.	Week Ended—	Fine Ozs.	Week Ended—	Fine Ozs.
1934—		1934		1935—	
Aug. 17.....	33,465,091	Dec. 7.....	292,358	Mar. 22.....	54,822
Aug. 24.....	26,088,019	Dec. 14.....	444,308	Mar. 29.....	7,615
Aug. 31.....	12,301,731	Dec. 21.....	692,795	Apr. 5.....	5,163
Sept. 7.....	4,144,157	Dec. 28.....	63,105	Apr. 12.....	6,755
Sept. 14.....	3,984,363	1935—		Apr. 19.....	68,771
Sept. 21.....	8,435,920	Jan. 4.....	309,117	Apr. 26.....	50,259
Sept. 28.....	2,550,303	Jan. 11.....	635,734	May 3.....	7,941
Oct. 5.....	2,474,809	Jan. 18.....	75,797	May 10.....	5,311
Oct. 12.....	2,883,948	Jan. 25.....	62,077	May 17.....	11,480
Oct. 19.....	1,044,127	Feb. 1.....	134,096	May 24.....	100,197
Oct. 26.....	746,469	Feb. 8.....	33,806	May 31.....	5,252
Nov. 2.....	7,157,273	Feb. 15.....	45,803	June 7.....	9,988
Nov. 9.....	3,665,239	Feb. 22.....	152,331	June 14.....	9,517
Nov. 16.....	336,191	Mar. 1.....	38,135	June 21.....	26,002
Nov. 23.....	261,870	Mar. 8.....	57,085	June 28.....	16,360
Nov. 30.....	86,662	Mar. 15.....	19,994	July 5.....	2,814

**President Roosevelt Revises List of "Must" Legislation—Tax Bill and Measure Legalizing Abrogations of Gold Clause Placed Foremost**

President Roosevelt on July 9, at a meeting with 14 leaders of the House of Representatives, revised his so-called list of "must" legislation which he desired to see enacted at the present session, and substituted what one of the conferees described as an "expedient" list. Representatives who attended the White House conference said that most important to the President were a bill involving his taxation program and another providing legal sanction for abrogation of the gold clause in governmental contracts. All other bills were referred to as highly desirable in the event that they could be enacted without endangering the Administration's prestige. Among the measures listed as "desirable" were the Guffey Coal Control bill, the Tennessee Valley Authority amendments, legislation providing Federal regulation of bus and truck operations in interstate commerce, proposed amendments to the Bankruptcy Act to facilitate railroad reorganization, and a proposal to make permanent the Federal Alcohol Administration.

A dispatch from Washington, July 9, to the New York "Times" described the developments at the meeting as follows:

The conferees apparently proceeded on the assumption that the social security measure, now in conference between Senate and House, would be enacted in the end. The same thought seemed to apply to the Administration Banking bill, which still has to pass the Senate, but is expected to emerge in some form or other before the present session ends.

It was considered significant by some of those at the conference that the President made no mention, as they said, of the utility holding company bill, now the chief point of contention before the White House and House and Senate leaders.

A remark of one conferee in this connection seemed to emphasize the belief heretofore expressed by Administration leaders that the President was confident he would get a "strong" holding company bill from the conference between the House and Senate on the "death sentence."

*Other Measures Well Along*

Some other measures were not mentioned by leaders as they left the White House, such as the amendments to the Agricultural Adjustment Act. These measures had already been acted upon by either the House or Senate and were considered to have been left out of the discussion for the same reason; that they were expected to reach the White House finally in substantially the form sought by Mr. Roosevelt.

It was the sense of the meeting, according to one of the President's chief lieutenants in the House, that every effort should be made to obtain adjournment of Congress by Aug. 3. Another leader, viewing the situation more as a practical matter, suggested Aug. 15.

In any event, it was emphasized, it was considered highly desirable that adjournment be taken prior to completion of what was heretofore understood by House leaders to be the "must" list, even if this meant junking part of the program with a view to its renewed consideration next January.

Speaker Byrns said, however, that there was no intention of recessing Congress in the near future with a view to reconvening again in the Fall to complete the program.

"The program will be completed at this session," he declared. In response to questions, he said he "hoped" that adjournment could be taken by Aug. 15, and when asked whether he felt there was likelihood of an earlier adjournment date, he replied:

"Absolutely not."

**President Roosevelt Considering Legislation for Permanent NRA—Business Advisory Council Suggests Consolidation with FTC—NRA to Survey Major Industries in Mapping 1936 Legislation**

President Roosevelt was reported on June 28 to be considering proposals for legislation creating a permanent National Recovery Administration, to be presented to Congress on Jan. 1 in the event that permanent legislation of this character is not enacted at the present session. The President's plan would provide for a convocation of industry, labor and consumer groups in Washington during the Summer, to study the possibilities for legislation, survey the industrial outlook as a result of the Supreme Court decision in the Schechter NRA case, and examine every phase of NRA experience during the last two years.

It was reported on June 30 that Secretary of Commerce Roper's Business Advisory Council had drafted a definite plan for welding the NRA and the Federal Trade Commission through new legislation. This plan would contemplate an increase in the Commission from five members to nine, would combine the present NRA organization with the Commission, and would divide the Commission into two sections, one of which would be investigatory and the other to make codes.

A Washington dispatch of June 28 to the New York "Times" discussed further plans of the President with regard to the NRA as follows:

There would be a research organization now being set up by Dr. L. C. Marshall within the NRA, which would be specifically delegated to the task of working out in complete form the lessons of the two years' experience under the Blue Eagle.

#### All Agencies Would Aid

At the same time the impartial board of inquiry under Major Gen. Amos Fries would be tackling the problem of investigating undue wage and hour changes resulting from the collapse of the codes under the Schechter decision.

Every government agency that had any knowledge of these problems would be expected to contribute its share of effort, particularly the Labor and Commerce Departments.

The tripartite conferences would be expected to end about Oct. 1 and the President would then ask both branches of Congress to hold public hearings beginning Oct. 1 to mass all available information with a view to formulating suitable permanent legislation.

While the President is aware that wage reductions cannot be wholly prevented by hortatory appeals, he will probably, assuming that no permanent legislation is enacted, make a strong appeal to industry to maintain wages and the shorter hour week gained to labor from the codes.

It was represented to-day that the President's mind was open on the question as to whether there should be permanent legislation enacted at this session of Congress. He heard William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, describe a bill for the licensing of corporations doing an interstate business which has been completed under the federation's direction. This bill may be offered in Congress in a few days.

The NRA is planning to make a thorough investigation of more than a score of the nation's major industries, and on the basis of that survey to recommend to Congress next year legislation providing Government control of at least inter-State operations, it was reported in Washington, July 7. It was said that the inquiry will seek to disclose the evil features of the present competitive situation. The industries which will be investigated are not necessarily the largest in the country, but rather are those in which the NRA believes it can show evils in competition or in the conditions under which employees work. The study would probably include, steel, cotton textiles, oil, boots and shoes, motion pictures, automobiles, lumber and coal.

A dispatch of July 7 from Washington to the New York "Journal of Commerce" discussed the proposed survey as follows:

The investigations would go back to the very inception of the businesses in this country, and would go deeply into the corporate structure and financing of the several industries, as well as into producing operations, methods of competition and the conditions of labor.

On the basis of the information developed, which would show, among other things, the conditions in each of the selected industries prior to adoption of their codes, improvements resulting from observance of codes and retrogression following invalidation of code-making provisions of the Recovery Act, it is proposed to frame recommendations for legislation which would restore to the Government a measure of the control it exercised prior to the Supreme Court decision in the Schechter case.

The proposed legislation would be based either on the inter-State commerce clause of the Constitution or on the Government's taxing powers under the same document.

#### To Apply Inter-State

It would, of course, apply only to inter-State operations, but NRA officials interested in the project believe that in many industries inter-State and intra-State activities are so inextricably mixed, at least in the case of larger concerns, that a substantial proportion of companies would be brought under control.

Tentative suggestions for this type of regulation already have been made in Congress in the shape of bills requiring registration of all concerns using the mails or other media of inter-State communication or transportation.

NRA officials are firmly convinced control of industry can be exercised only by legislation. Little or no confidence is placed in the new provisions of the Recovery Act, authorizing voluntary codes, it being pointed out that industries making such agreements are to be required to accept the collective bargaining provisions of the law, provide maximum hours and minimum wages and outlaw child labor, while in return being permitted only to prohibit such unfair trade practices as are already outlawed by existing statutes.

### Convictions Under Discredited New York State NRA Law to Be Set Aside on Application—Fines Paid Will Be Remitted

New York business men and corporations that were fined and imprisoned for alleged violations of the State Schackno Enabling law, before the United States Supreme Court decision on the unconstitutionality of the NRA codes, may have the convictions canceled by a motion in Special Sessions Court, James J. Wilson, Assistant District Attorney of New York City, announced on July 8, when he agreed before Special Sessions Justices Caldwell, Gresser and McDonald to the quashing of convictions in three such cases and the remission of fines. All of the fines remitted had been paid under protest. Mr. Wilson said that he expects many other concerns and individuals to take similar action to obtain the return of NRA fines.

Decisions in the cases were noted as follows in the New York "Times" of July 9:

The first case on which the court acted yesterday was that of three members of the Krampf, Pitchman & Krampf Corp., furriers, at 214 West Twenty-ninth Street. Louis and Samuel Krampf and Julius Pitchman were fined \$100 each for violating the fur code in September 1934 by employing 12 persons on a Saturday afternoon in violation of the working-hours schedule dictated by the Fur Code Supervisor.

Exoneration next came to the Fleischmann & Blindman Corp., furriers, 307 Seventh Avenue, which, at the close of last year, also was fined \$100, while Max Fleischman, one of the partners, was acquitted.

The court then abrogated the conviction of the Bathgate Live Poultry Market, Inc., at 1587 Bathgate Avenue, the Bronx, and remitted its fine

of \$100 for an alleged violation of the poultry code dealing with the sale of poultry that had been specially selected by a customer. The conviction was exactly similar to the Schechter chicken case, on which the Supreme Court of the United States declared the NRA codes unconstitutional.

In the Bronx market case one of the co-defendants had pleaded guilty, and was fined \$100, while a second co-defendant was acquitted. The Poultry Code Administrator had charged the corporation also had violated his demand for a weekly report and had refused to provide its pro rata share of the expenses of the Code Administration.

#### Plea Makes No Difference

"It makes no difference whether a defendant in these code cases was convicted or pleaded guilty," Mr. Wilson explained later. "He or the corporation must be exonerated of the accusation if he makes a motion to that effect. The action of the Supreme Court of the United States in declaring the NRA unconstitutional meant that these codes and the State Enabling Act never were legal, and nobody can plead guilty or stay convicted of violating laws that had no legal status."

Mr. Wilson said that about 150 Schackno law convictions had been recorded in the Special Sessions courts of the five boroughs and he estimated that about \$5,000 in fines had been paid, which the city would have to return.

"In those cases where the code victims went to jail," Mr. Wilson was asked, "what can the court do for them?"

"I guess they are out of luck," he said.

### President Roosevelt Makes Known Long List of Works Projects in Reply to Critics—Announces New Division of Responsibility in Supervising Program—H. L. Hopkins Says 100,000 Projects Will Begin by Aug. 1

President Roosevelt on July 3 replied to criticism that the \$4,000,000,000 work relief program consists mainly of small, unimportant projects by reading to newspaper reporters a long list of approved projects of all kinds, in order to show that these works were known in detail to those responsible for their operation. The President also issued a statement outlining a new division of responsibility over work relief projects. Under this new plan, projects in which the aggregate cost is estimated at more than \$25,000 will be under the jurisdiction of Secretary of the Interior Ickes and the Public Works Administration, while those costing lesser amounts will be in charge of Harry L. Hopkins and the Works Progress Administration.

After the President issued his statement, Frank C. Walker, Director of the Division of Applications and Information, denied reports of discord between members of the relief organization and said that he, for his part, had "enlisted for the duration of the war."

Mr. Hopkins on July 3 said that all State projects will have been passed upon by his organization by Aug. 1, when he expects to have 100,000 projects ready for work. He added that while "not a single man" had been put to work on the new relief program, many of the projects would be started within a week.

General Hugh S. Johnson, former Recovery Administrator and at present Works Progress Administrator for New York City, was advised on July 5 by Mr. Hopkins that \$17,500,000 of Federal funds would be available for New York City in July.

The statement issued by President Roosevelt after his press conference on July 3 read as follows:

#### STATEMENT

Defining types of applications to be considered by Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works and Works Progress Administration.

#### PART I

In order to assure the expeditious and orderly headlining of the great number of applications of States, Territories, possessions, including subdivisions and agencies thereof, municipalities, the District of Columbia and public bodies, now being submitted under the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935, and in order to further the development of a balanced program of sound projects which will take a maximum number of workers off the relief rolls, it is desirable to define what types of projects shall be within the jurisdiction of the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works and what types of projects shall be within the jurisdiction of the Works Progress Administration.

#### PART II

Applications shall be submitted to the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works for:

(1) *Works Projects*—Construction projects (other than repair and maintenance projects, and other projects directed in this statement to be submitted to the Works Progress Administration) where the aggregate cost upon completion is estimated to be more than \$25,000. Examples of such projects are: airport buildings, armories, almshouses, auditoriums, bulkheads, canals, docks, dormitories, schools and university buildings, electric heat, light and power plants and distribution systems, gas plants and distribution systems, jetties, piers, wharves, highways, bridges, tunnels, subways, viaducts, hospitals, dispensaries, sanitariums, markets, warehouses, city and town halls, court houses, fire and police stations, jails, libraries, sanitary sewer systems, drainage improvements, garbage and rubbish disposal plants, public buildings, sewage disposal plants, storm sewer systems, terminals, water supply and distribution systems, filtration plants and other similar projects.

(2) *Slum Clearance and Low-Cost Housing Projects*—Projects of a type heretofore carried on by the Housing Divisions of the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works.

#### PART III

Applications shall be submitted to the Works Progress Administration for:

(1) *Non-construction Projects*—Projects of a type designed to assure maximum employment principally to professional, clerical and white-collar classes.

(2) *Small Works Projects*—Projects of any type where the aggregate cost upon completion is estimated to be \$25,000 or less.

(3) *Other Works Projects*—All other projects, regardless of cost, except those referred to in Part II above. Examples of such projects are: Recrea-

tional facilities, parks, playgrounds, small dams, ditches, street repairs, demolition, malaria control, pest extermination, airports, sidewalks, gutters and curbs, levee works landscaping, grading, farm to market roads, reservoirs, swimming pools and similar projects.

## PART IV

Applications rejected by the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works shall be submitted immediately to the Works Progress Administration.

## PART V

All applications for loans shall be submitted to the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works.

## PART VI

This statement shall not govern applications involving projects falling within the jurisdiction of any other Federal agency.

HAROLD L. ICKES,  
Federal Emergency Administrator of Public Works.  
HARRY L. HOPKINS,  
Works Progress Administrator.  
FRANK C. WALKER,  
Executive Director, National Emergency Council.

Approved:

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT,  
The White House, July 2 1935.

We also quote, in part, regarding the President's press conference from a Washington dispatch of July 3 to the New York "Times":

Mr. Roosevelt had on his desk a sheaf of printed sheets, including a list in part of work relief projects approved for Georgia alone.

These he began to read off. Saying he had a description of 881 Georgia projects, he told the newspaper men that when they had heard enough they could tell him to stop. If they wished to hear others he also had a list of Indiana projects.

He read a page of the Georgia list amid a chorus of requests to stop, and proceeded for some time after his listeners obviously had heard enough. After he had stopped this recitation, he emphasized that each of the projects, regardless of how small it might be, had been carefully checked by somebody and approved on the basis of expense, potential employment and the relation of total cost to wages that would be paid to labor.

He also read lists of specimen projects approved for New York City, Indiana and Alabama, including a reiteration of allotments to these districts which already have been announced.

In response to a question as to possible expansion of the rural road program, Mr. Roosevelt said he hoped that this could be expanded to include 37.5% of the \$600,000,000 earmarked for highways instead of 25% of the money as originally contemplated. A total of \$800,000,000 was earmarked for roads, but \$200,000,000 of this was segregated for grade-crossing elimination.

Regardless of price, a long list of projects, largely of a type upon which work can be split into a number of smaller proposals, will be undertaken by Mr. Hopkins's division.

Included in a list of such projects were the construction of recreational facilities, parks, playgrounds, small dams, ditches, street repairs, farm-to-market roads, airports, sidewalks, gutters, reservoirs and swimming pools.

In addition, the WPA will supervise all "white-collar" projects. The PWA will carry out all slum clearance and low-cost housing projects, irrespective of the amount of money involved.

A stipulation that applications rejected by the PWA shall be submitted to the WPA within 30 days was made to enable cities not in a financial position to obtain PWA loan aid to benefit under the works program, Mr. Hopkins said.

The Works Progress Administrator is permitted to make outright grants of up to 100% for projects, whereas Mr. Ickes can make grants of only 45% of construction costs. Mr. Hopkins made it clear that cities in a poor financial condition would, where possible, be forced to pay part of the costs, but that their contribution would be smaller than under the PWA arrangement.

"We don't want this thing to be abused and we intend that cities shall pay part of construction costs if they are able," he remarked. "New York City, which borrows most from PWA, will probably get more 100% grants from WPA than other cities."

### President Roosevelt Urges Passage of Guffey Coal Control Bill Despite Doubts as to Constitutionality—Letter Says Supreme Court Decision on Measure Would Aid in Showing Limits Within Which Government Must Operate

Early passage of the Guffey-Snyder coal control bill, despite any doubts as to its constitutionality, was urged by President Roosevelt in a letter to Representative Sam B. Hill, Chairman of a House Ways and Means subcommittee investigating the measure, made public on July 6. The President in his letter said that no one is in a position to give advance assurance regarding the bill's validity, but he added that "the situation is so urgent and the benefits of the legislation so evident that all doubts should be resolved in favor of the bill, leaving to the courts, in an orderly fashion, the ultimate question of constitutionality."

Mr. Roosevelt said that a Supreme Court decision would "be helpful as indicating, with increasing clarity, the constitutional limits within which this Government must operate." He concluded by expressing the hope that the subcommittee would "not permit doubts as to constitutionality, however reasonable, to block the suggested legislation."

Attorney-General Cummings on July 5 had told the members of the subcommittee that he believed Congress would be justified in enacting the bill and allowing a later court decision to determine its validity. He indicated, according to some Congressmen, that he had personal doubts as to the measure's constitutionality.

The President, in seeking to avert a threatened strike in the bituminous industry on June 30, assured labor leaders that he would use his influence to expedite the passage of the Guffey-Snyder bill. As a result the strike was post-

poned for one month, as was noted in the "Chronicle" of July 6, page 55.

The text of the President's letter to Representative Hill is given below:

White House, July 5 1935.

My dear Mr. Hill: Your subcommittee of the Ways and Means has pending before it H. R. 8479, "a bill to stabilize the bituminous coal mining industry and promote its inter-State commerce," &c., and I understand that questions of the constitutionality of some of its provisions have arisen in the subcommittee.

This industry, from the standpoint of the operators and the miners, has had many years of difficulty. The product is a great natural resource entitled to the consideration of Congress both as to the conditions under which it is produced and distributed and as to the measures which may be taken for its conservation.

The deposits are limited to a few States, the consumption is nation-wide. Competition and overexpansion have brought destructive price reductions, which have inevitably reacted upon labor standards with a resulting dislocation, restriction and obstruction of inter-State commerce and a recurring danger of industrial strife.

Circumstances such as these present the strongest possible illustration of how conditions of production directly affect commerce among the States.

Admitting that mining coal, considered separately and apart from its distribution in the flow of inter-State commerce, is an intra-State transaction, the constitutionality of the provisions based on the commerce clause of the Constitution depends upon the final conclusion as to whether production conditions directly affect, promote or obstruct inter-State commerce in the commodity.

Manifestly, no one is in a position to give assurance that the proposed Act will withstand constitutional tests, for the simple fact that you can get not 10 but 1,000 differing legal opinions on the subject. But the situation is so urgent and the benefits of the legislation so evident that all doubts should be resolved in favor of the bill, leaving to the courts, in an orderly fashion, the ultimate question of constitutionality.

A decision by the Supreme Court relative to this measure would be helpful as indicating, with increasing clarity, the constitutional limits within which this Government must operate.

The proposed bill has been carefully drafted by employers and employees working co-operatively. An opportunity should be given to the industry to attempt to work out some of its major problems. I hope your committee will not permit doubts as to constitutionality, however reasonable, to block the suggested legislation.

Very sincerely yours,  
FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

A Washington dispatch of July 6 to the New York "Times" commented on the President's action as follows:

Opinion was slow in forming as to the probable effect of Mr. Roosevelt's communication. On this one point observers did agree: That it would probably loosen a flood of constitutional arguments in the House and Senate, which leaders had hoped to avoid this late in the session.

It was too early to-night to predict whether this probable oratory would carry with it new opposition to the bill. Any estimate of the situation had to take into account that the powerful labor lobby was behind the bill as a vital part of its program, second only to the Wagner labor disputes bill which the President signed yesterday, after being passed by both Houses despite protests based on the question of its constitutionality.

Those inclined to seek for fundamental trends saw in the President's letter a manifestation of his determination to test the constitutional barriers to the New Deal as implied by the Supreme Court's decision in the Schechter case.

They saw, too, a desire by the President to define more clearly the issues raised by that decision, preparatory to such other action as he might wish to take to modernize the Constitution.

### Administration Seeks Early Passage of Banking Bill, According to J. F. T. O'Connor—Senator Glass Submits Detailed Report on Measure

Both the Administration and the leading bankers of the nation wish early action on the proposed Banking Act of 1935, J. F. T. O'Connor, Comptroller of the Currency, said on July 9 after a conference with President Roosevelt. Senator Glass, who is Chairman of the subcommittee of the Senate Banking and Currency Committee in active charge of legislation, submitted a detailed report on the measure to the Senate on July 6. The detailed report analyzes the bill section by section.

It was reported from Washington on July 9 that modification of the prohibition against securities underwriting by Federal Reserve member banks will probably be eliminated from the bill because of the insistence of President Roosevelt and Marriner S. Eccles, Governor of the Federal Reserve Board. It was believed that the Senate might accept this modification despite Administration opposition, but it was considered probable that it might be voted down when the measure goes to conference.

A special committee of the American Bankers Association met in Washington on July 10 to study the Senate version of the banking bill. It was revealed on July 9 that an Association proposal to change the underwriting limitations on banks under the present law had been drafted five months ago. A Washington dispatch of July 9 to the New York "Herald Tribune" commented on this proposal as follows:

Giving the first indication of the attitude of the A. B. A. toward the underwriting liberalization, the proposal which was devised by the special committee gives indication that the meeting to-morrow will bring an endorsement for altering the law to permit the banks to regain some of the underwriting business lost two years ago. However, it was said to-day that the A. B. A. stand is conditional on freeing the banks from the liabilities contained in the Securities Acts, with the result that liberalization is expected to be favored only on the basis of making the 1933 Act inoperative in regard to banks. The Senate bill retains the liability.

#### Calls for Amendments

A report of the special committee of the A. B. A., which has never been made public, calls for amendments of existing law to permit National and

State banks to contract to purchase investment securities, subject to restrictions, remaining unsold after a public offering. Following the English system of underwriting, this suggestion is similar to the provisions in the Glass bill. However, there is some variance in the limits placed on the banks' operations.

The special committee of the A. B. A., which devised the plan and which will meet here to-morrow to study the Senate version of the banking bill, is composed of Rudolph S. Hecht, President of the Association; Robert V. Fleming, Vice-President of the Association and President of the Riggs National Bank; Tom K. Smith, President of the Boatman's National Bank, St. Louis; Winthrop W. Aldrich, Chairman of the Chase National Bank, New York, and Ronald Ransom, Vice-President of the Fulton National Bank, Atlanta.

We also quote from another Washington dispatch of July 6 to the "Herald Tribune" regarding the detailed report on the bill by Senator Glass:

Regarding the much-disputed Title II of the bill, affecting the Federal Reserve System, the report says: "Title II of the House bill has been altered considerably," but it steers clear of controversy over this title.

#### *Securities Underwriting Limit Explained*

While the bill contains numerous controversial features in Title II and Title III, one that has attracted exceptional attention is the section of Title III relating to underwriting of securities by banks, including private banks and State banks. President Roosevelt views this feature with concern, and it is a certainty it will stir up a storm in the Senate.

The explanation given by the report on this feature of the bill was:

"Section 308(A) amends Section 5136 of the revised statutes (relating to purchasing and holding investment securities by National banks) so as to eliminate the existing limitation against purchasing and holding more than 10% of a particular issue of securities, and it also changes the limitation against a bank purchasing and holding securities of any one obligor in excess of 15% of capital and 25% of surplus, so as to reduce said limitation to 10% of each.

#### *Law Not Retroactive*

"This reduction of limitation is not to apply to securities lawfully held in excess of this amount when the Act takes effect. An additional amendment to this section which was not incorporated in the House bill would permit National banks under regulations by the Comptroller of the Currency to underwrite and sell bonds, debentures and notes, such sales to be limited to sales on a national securities exchange or directly to dealers or brokers (other than banks) registered with the Securities Exchange Commission, or at public auction or otherwise as may be prescribed by the Comptroller of the Currency.

"Such underwriting is limited to 20% of any one issue, or \$100,000, whichever is the greater, and is further limited as to the total obligations of any one issuer to 10% of the bank's capital and surplus. The aggregate of all underwriting engagements is limited to twice the bank's capital and surplus.

"While these amendments are specifically made to the law relating to the powers of National banks, they also affect private bankers, and all State banks, whether or not they are members of the Federal Reserve System. The provisions of Section 9 of the Federal Reserve Act subject State member banks to the same limitations and conditions as to purchase, sale, underwriting and holding of investment securities as are applicable to National banks, and private bankers and State banks are relieved from the operation of Section 21(A)(1) of the Banking Act of 1933 to the extent that their securities operations are permitted in the case of National banks."

The most recent reference to the bill was contained in the "Chronicle" of July 6, pages 47 and 48.

### **Bill to Incorporate National Theater Signed by President Roosevelt—Private Institution to Sponsor "Highest Type" Drama**

President Roosevelt on July 5 signed a bill providing for the incorporation of 45 social leaders as the American National Theater and Academy. The organization is a private, and not a Government, institution, and will be non-profit-making. It lists as its purposes the presentation of "highest type" theatrical productions and stimulation of interest in the drama "as an art belonging both to the theater and to literature." United Press Washington advices of July 5 gave additional details of the project as follows:

It proposes to further "production of the best plays" by the best actors at minimum costs and develop drama study in schools and colleges and the "art and technique of the theater through a school in the national academy."

Included among the organizers are Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Stokowski, of Philadelphia; Anne Morgan, John Hay Whitney, Otto M. Kahn, John H. Finley and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Woods, of New York, and Mrs. Lars Anderson, of Washington.

### **President Roosevelt Indorses Plan to Extend Federal Credit to Lumber Growers Who Limit Acreage—Measure Designed to Aid Smaller Companies**

President Roosevelt announced on July 5 that he had indorsed in principle legislation to extend Federal credit to lumber growers on the basis of controlled acreage. The President's announcement was made at his press conference, after he had examined the proposed bill with Senator Fletcher of Florida. The measure would provide that if the owner of commercial forest land is willing to comply with the general theory of cutting only as much as is equivalent to the maturing crop he is entitled to Federal credit. The President said he believed this would be of great service to the smaller- and medium-sized companies, most of which are willing to co-operate with the Government. A Washington dispatch of July 5 to the New York "Journal of Commerce" gave further details as follows:

The plan under study by the Florida Senator, experts in the forest service and representatives of the lumber trade since January 1934, contemplates a Forest Credit Administration, within the Farm Credit Administration, to provide a forest credit bank capitalized at \$40,000,000 equipped to start with a \$10,000,000 revolving fund this year and authorized to lend up to \$200,000,000 in the next 10 years.

#### *Loan Interest Limited*

Loans would be made to individuals, partnerships, associations and corporations for payment of debts; general forestry purposes including improvement and management and utilization of forest products; for purchase of forest lands; for transportation facilities to forest lands. Borrowers would be restricted to firms agreeing to abide by approved plans for sustained yield management. Interest would be limited to within 2% more than the cost to the Government of the Forest Credit Administration's Government guaranteed bonds.

The first drafts of the legislation to carry these purposes into effect is now before the Budget Bureau, Senator Fletcher said to-night. The proposal originated with the Forest Conservation Conferences set up under the lumber code to carry out the provisions of Article 10 of the code providing for sound forest practices. The plan is based upon joint study and recommendations of the forest service and the Farm Credit Administration.

### **President Roosevelt to Describe Administration's Aims in Series of Late Summer Speeches if Congress Adjourns—Postmaster-General Farley Planning Political Survey**

President Roosevelt will probably describe the principal aims of his Administration in a series of speeches to be delivered after Congress adjourns, according to a Washington dispatch of July 6 to the New York "Herald Tribune," which said that the President has already accepted tentative speaking engagements for late August and September. It was added that under present plans he will make these the occasion for major addresses covering the main points of his program. If Congress adjourns in time for him to make his projected visit to the San Diego Exposition, in September, at least two or three of these speeches will be made at various points in his trip West.

A dispatch of the same date (July 6) from Washington to the New York "Times" said that Postmaster-General Farley will leave July 15 on a vacation of six weeks, a part of which will be devoted to a political survey desired by the President, who desires to discover whether the Administration has declined in popularity and, if so, the extent of that decline, as well as the reasons. Mr. Farley plans to spend his vacation in Hawaii.

The dispatch to the "Herald Tribune" mentioned above added, in part:

As to the desirable tone for his (the President's) speeches, there is some difference of opinion in the upper reaches of the New Deal. One trend of thought favors a stalwart reiteration of the liberal aspects of the New Deal, spiced with militant criticisms of its principal opposing interests. Another trend favors a tone of general reassurance, arising from a clear statement that the major legislative framework of the New Deal has been completed—assuming that Congress completes the "must" program now before it. A third trend favors laying the basis for a broad constitutional issue next year—taking cognizance of the possibility that the Supreme Court will cling to its obiter dicta in the Schechter case and declare other important New Deal laws unconstitutional during the coming winter.

The President has kept his own counsel, and it is anticipated that the tone of his speeches will depend largely on what Congress does or does not do before adjourning and what he senses the temper of the country to be by late summer or early autumn. His insistence on enactment of all proposed major legislation at this session is attributed by his close associates to his desire to be able to say that his program, in the large, has been completed and that he will have no important new recommendations in the domestic field to make to the 1936 Congress. This, in view of many of his close friends, would go far to clear the air of uncertainties, and encourage business men to go ahead.

On the other hand, some of the President's liberal supporters fear that if he goes too far in trying to reassure business he will expose himself again to the danger of an effective liberal or radical third party movement. They point out that his efforts to strike a "truce" with bankers and business leaders last fall was a failure and that it imperiled his political position. They feel that so long as he stands where he stands now, there is no chance of the formation of an effective third party movement on the left.

### **House Passes TVA Bill, in Form Desired by Administration—Measure Sent to Conference with Senate—TVA Again Argues Question of Constitutionality Before Appeals Court**

A bill to amend the measure creating the Tennessee Valley Authority was passed by the House on July 11 by a vote of 277 to 100, and was sent to conference with the Senate. The bill as passed by the House had been revised on the floor to conform more closely with the measure already approved by the Senate, and late this week it was anticipated that there would be little difficulty for the conferees to reach an agreement. A provision in the Senate bill permits the TVA to increase its bond issuing capacity from \$50,000,000 to \$100,000,000, with the proceeds used to purchase private utility properties, to be resold to States and municipalities which desire to embark on power projects. The bill as approved by the House retains the \$50,000,000 limit, without power to use the funds for refinancing the sale of private properties to cities and States.

The final vote was regarded as a distinct indorsement of Administration proposals. It had been foreshadowed, however, when the House on July 10 approved four amendments sponsored by Administration supporters. The Administration amendments, and the margins by which they were approved, were as follows:

To remove a limitation under which TVA would be forced to sell power or chemicals at not less than production costs after July 1 1937—98 to 67.

To liberalize proposed rigid control of the Controller General over TVA expenditures—162 to 120.

To eliminate a provision barring TVA construction of power-transmission lines substantially duplicating existing private lines—130 to 102.

To give TVA control of the erection of all dams and appurtenant works on the Tennessee River and its tributaries so that it might carry out a "unified" program of developing the Tennessee basin—accepted on a voice vote.

The Administration gained a victory on June 10 in the first important test on the compromise Tennessee Valley Authority bill when the House, by a vote of 98 to 67, accepted an amendment eliminating a section which would have forbidden the TVA after July 1 1937 to sell power or chemicals below production costs. President Roosevelt had vigorously opposed the insertion of this section. The House vote was in line with a drive to amend the bill, as reported by the Military Affairs Committee, so as to make it conform to the measure passed by the Senate, which reflected Administration policies. Debate on the bill in the House on July 9 was described as follows in a Washington dispatch of that date to the New York "Times":

Because of considerable opposition to the TVA in the Military Affairs Committee, the measure now before the House is a compromise which the Committee was able to report out only by a vote of 13 to 12, and which, friends of the experiment contend, lessens the power of the Authority instead of increasing it, as they desire. Four shades of opinion were reported in the various Committee reports on the bill.

#### *Wilcox Defends Bookkeeping*

Mr. Wilcox made a spirited defense of the Authority's bookkeeping in setting up its rates to consumers of light and power, which is the "yardstick" the Administration hopes to hold up to private companies throughout the country.

He said that he had questioned Dr. Arthur E. Morgan and David E. Lilienthal, directors of TVA, very closely as to their accounting methods under which the rates are established.

The TVA rate base included every item that an honest private utility is entitled to charge into its rate structure, he told the House. The Authority has set up a depreciation fund which would completely amortize the cost of the power-producing plant in 43 years, he continued. He argued that it set aside, in its rate base, 12.5% of its gross receipts under a heading of taxes, or more than private companies in the vicinity of the Tennessee Valley paid.

Under rates thus established, he said, the Authority could sell current at 50% of the prices formerly charged by private companies in the area served. The distributing association, he declared, were making profits of 38% of their gross receipts, although charging rural consumers only 3c. per kilowatt.

Representative Taber of New York held that the TVA would lose \$16,000,000 a year on its power sales if it charged up interest at 3% on the investment plus a proper valuation on the dams and distribution charges.

Mr. Maverick asked the House to restore to the bill the Senate measure's provisions permitting the TVA to float \$100,000,000 in bonds to buy private facilities, to duplicate private transmission lines, to sell surplus power regardless of production cost, and to remove the financial dealings of the TVA from the audit province of the Comptroller-General.

The TVA appeared in June before the Court of Appeals in Atlanta, Ga., to appeal against a ruling by Judge William I. Grubb of Birmingham, Ala., that the TVA had no constitutional rights to engage in a proprietary business in competition with private industry. In its appeal the TVA asked the court to continue its life as an agency of the Federal Government whose primary purpose was to improve navigation, prevent soil erosion and control flood waters. It described its activities in the electrical field as only incidental to its other operations, and contended that unless the TVA utilized the falling water over its river dams to generate electricity it would be "derelict in its duties."

The principal attack on the TVA activities was delivered by Froyne Johnston, counsel for power company stockholders, who asserted that the TVA power program is unconstitutional and that the Federal Government has no right to enter State domain in competition with private industry. David E. Lilienthal, Director of the TVA, was a spectator at the hearings, which were summarized, in part, as follows, in a dispatch from Atlanta on June 22 to the New York "Herald Tribune":

The plea of the TVA was that since the Federal agency had constructed these dams and created the vast water reservoirs the water falling over the spillways should be utilized to drive power dynamos and generate electricity. Judge Grubb ruled that since the TVA asserted its primary purpose in constructing these dams was flood control and improvement of navigation it was not necessary for the agency to install generating capacity to the extent that the TVA had to enter into.

Mr. Johnston, in a brief filed with the court, characterized the TVA program as the "most ominous in the history of American government," and charged that it sustained "will set a precedent for unlimited Federal domination and operation of private enterprise." It was disclosed that the TVA purchased a small tract of land in the mountains of North Carolina and blocked the expenditure of \$100,000,000 by the Aluminum Co. of America to build power dams and expand its manufacturing facilities in that region. This incident was presented to the court as an example of how the agency was hampering private enterprise.

The appeal was heard by Judges Rufus E. Foster, Samuel H. Sibley and Nathan P. Bryan. It had been indicated that a final decision will be sought from the Supreme Court in October. Mr. Johnston said that "on the decision of the case depends the question of unlimited Federal proprietary operations as a collectivist or co-operative enterprise within State domain." It was his belief that if the TVA Act is upheld it will pave the way for the Federal Government to engage into every line of commerce in competition with private enterprise.

So great is the fear that the Federal Government, through its "bureaucratic agencies" will attempt to invade the field of private business and destroy profits and initiative that the utility stockholders have asked the Court of Appeals that the decision of Judge Grubb be extended to a declaratory affirmation that the "conduct by the TVA, or any other agency of the Federal Government, or any agency financed, dominated or controlled by the Federal Government," of the manufacture and sale of electric power in commercial competition with utilities in Alabama is a violation of the Constitution.

### Utility Holding Company Bill Goes to Conference— Senator Dieterich Withdraws Motion to Instruct Senate Conferees to Give Way on "Death Sentence" Provision

The Utilities Holding Company bill was sent to conference on July 10 when Senator Dieterich of Illinois withdrew an earlier motion which would have instructed Senate conferees not to insist on the controversial "death sentence" provision which was contained in the measure originally passed by the Senate but was eliminated in the bill approved by the House. Withdrawal of the motion by Senator Dieterich was interpreted as a temporary Administration victory, but there was no indication that the Senate conferees could force their House colleagues to accept the Senate's version. Senator Dieterich withdraw his motion after Senator Wheeler promised that every effort would be made to work out an agreement with the House on the controversial section, and added that if no agreement could be reached the Senate would be given another opportunity to vote on the disputed provision.

The House late yesterday (July 12) joined the Senate in sending the bill to conference, after instructing the conferees to insist on the changes in the measure which had been made in the House.

A Washington dispatch of July 9 to the New York "Herald Tribune" summarized as follows the Senate action on the bill, prior to the withdrawal of the motion by Senator Dieterich:

The fact the holding company bill will go to a conference committee of the two Houses means inevitably a long wrangle in conference, with uncertain results. The outcome may be a deadlock and no legislation this session, or it may be a compromise as between the Senate and House bills.

President Roosevelt is insistent on the "death sentence," and if the bill fails is prepared to "go to the country" and make the holding company contest an issue of the 1936 campaign. Senator Wheeler, head of the Senate conferees, has been repeatedly quoted in the press as declaring he would drop the bill rather than see the "death sentence" omitted.

The Senate sent the bill to conference about the middle of the afternoon, following a long and heated debate over a motion by Senator Dieterich to concur in the House bill. This was bitterly fought by Senator Wheeler and by Administration leaders, headed by Senator Joseph T. Robinson. Senator Dieterich consented to withdraw his motion to concur provided he was allowed later to move that the Senate conferees be instructed not to insist on the "death sentence" section. This aroused a storm of protest from the "death sentence" advocates, and in the end the vote on it went over until to-morrow.

Senator Wheeler to-day presented to the Senate a letter written to him by Joseph P. Kennedy, Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, attacking parts of the House bill. Mr. Kennedy particularly attacked Section 2 of the House bill, which is the House substitute for the Senate "death sentence" section, and called it "most unfortunate" and incapable of enforcement.

The letter read, in part, as follows:

*My Dear Senator—*

In accordance with your request of this morning, I am writing to express my views regarding the holding company bill as it passed the House. As you know, the bill which passed the Senate and the House bill propose to give your Commission a variety of duties and confer, even apart from Section 11, wide powers of discretion in the administration of this Act. These bills, among other things, require us to register holding companies, to regulate all security transactions, with power to supervise even the underwriting arrangements. In addition the Commission is to regulate the acquisition, of all securities and capital assets of companies subject to the Act.

These duties, while enormous, can be discharged, I believe, with reasonable efficiency by a trained and competent personnel, but the burden put upon us by Section 11 of the House bill is simply staggering. I cannot be too vehement in urging upon you my feeling that this section as now drawn is most unfortunate. I urge my objections to this section upon two grounds. The first is simply the limitations of human capacity to achieve results. The second objection is based upon my conception of what is wisdom in government.

Recent Congressional action on this bill was discussed in the "Chronicle" of July 6, page 46.

### House Rules Committee Conducts Inquiry Into Charges of Lobbying in Connection with Utility Bill— Testimony Concerns Disputed Conversations Prior to Vote on "Death Sentence"—Senate Committee Also Begins Hearings

The House Rules Committee on July 9 began hearings to investigate charges of lobbying activities on the Public Utilities Holding Company bill by both the Administration and utility companies. Most of the first three days of the inquiry were devoted to testimony regarding a charge by Representative Brewster of Maine that Thomas G. Corcoran, counsel for the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and co-author of the utility bill, had attempted to "coerce" him into changing his vote on the "death sentence" provision. Approval of this inquiry was noted in the "Chronicle" of July 6, page 47.

The Senate lobby committee also began hearings yesterday (July 12) on efforts to influence the vote on the utilities bill. Philip H. Gadsden of Philadelphia, Chairman of the Public Utilities Executives Committee, testified that more than \$300,000 had been spent by utilities executives seeking to defeat the "death sentence" provision in the bill. His testimony was briefly summarized as follows in Associated Press Washington advices of July 12:

By an assessment of one-half cent a meter on the companies, Mr. Gadsden said, the committee of executives raised about \$200,000, of which \$151,000 has been spent.

In addition, he declared, the Edison Electric Institute of New York contributed \$150,000.

Of this, he said, \$75,000 each was paid to two law firms, Sullivan & Cromwell and Simpson, Thacher & Bartlett, both of New York.

T. Justin Moore of Richmond, Va., also was employed, but Mr. Gadsden said that his compensation had not been determined by the utility executives.

The House on July 8 broadened the powers of the Rules Committee in conducting the inquiry after Representative

Rankin of Mississippi charged that members of the Military Affairs Committee conferred nightly with the "power trust lobby" at a Washington hotel on the pending Tennessee Valley Administration amendments.

Mr. Brewster and Mr. Corcoran both testified before the Rules Committee on July 9 and gave conflicting versions of their conversations prior to the House vote on the utility measure. This testimony was partly summarized as follows in a Washington dispatch of July 9 to the New York "Herald Tribune":

Among the outstanding Congressional and State figures of the past, silent bronze and marble witnesses of the affair in the Capitol's gloomy Statuary Hall, the Down-East Representative and the "brain trust" met a few minutes before the first House vote on the "death sentence" and ended their relations, according to those parts of their stories which coincided.

Mr. Brewster declared he was "bluntly" and "brutally" told that if he did not vote for the "death sentence" the construction of the \$36,000,000 Passamaquoddy tide-harnessing power project in his district would be halted.

On the other hand, Mr. Corcoran testified, he informed the Representative that if he were "not a free man politically" and must now take into account the power interests, he could not be trusted to participate in the plans for the "Quoddy" project.

#### Says Brewster Dodged Vote

"Would it be satisfactory," he quoted Mr. Brewster as saying, "if I went back to the hotel and did not vote at all?"

Calmly, emphatically, at this closing point of the day's proceedings, Mr. Brewster, seated as a spectator and his testimony concluded, shouted, "You're a liar."

"We'll see if I'm a liar," Mr. Corcoran shot back, refusing to show further rage than the cold anger of all his testimony indicated. John J. O'Connor, Democrat, of New York, Chairman of the Rules Committee, pounded with his gavel for order and warned Mr. Brewster to "refrain from any comment."

#### Dr. Gruening Party to Talks

There was one third party to the dramatic denouement in Statuary Hall. Ready to testify when the hearing resumes to-morrow, and presumably in support of Mr. Corcoran, Dr. Ernest H. Gruening, former editor of "The Nation," once the ardent supporter of Mr. Brewster in his fight against the power monopoly in Maine and now head of the Division of Territories and Island Possessions in the Interior Department, also tried to persuade the Representative to vote for the "death sentence," according to both witnesses to-day. But he made no threats, Mr. Brewster said. He simply warned the Representative that he would be "a man without a country," obnoxious to power magnates and liberals alike, if he opposed the "death sentence."

The effect of Mr. Brewster's whole story of his relations with Mr. Corcoran was to direct the accusation of long-continued pressure by the "brain trust" to make him vote for the "death sentence" and otherwise use his influence with Senator Wallace H. White, Republican, of Maine, and the Republican side of the House in favor of the utility bill, with its abolition of holding companies. He made Mr. Corcoran out as the directing genius behind both the utility bill fight and the "Quoddy" project.

Mr. Corcoran continued his testimony on July 10, as noted in the following Associated Press Washington advices of that date:

Mr. Corcoran said that he was assigned to help with the original drafting of the holding company bill through a direct request from President Roosevelt.

In contrast to his rapid clear-voiced testimony yesterday, Mr. Corcoran's replies to questions to-day were scarcely audible to members at the end of the Committee table, and they complained of their inability to hear.

Representative Cox, Democrat, of Georgia, was told by Mr. Corcoran that he first noticed a "cooling off" in Mr. Brewster's attitude for the abolition provision on the Monday morning before the House vote.

"It wasn't so much that he cooled off as that he was afraid of his political situation in Maine," Mr. Corcoran said.

He added that he had seen only two members of the House Interstate Commerce Committee during consideration of the bill, with the exception of Chairman Rayburn. The two were Representatives Mapes, Republican, of Michigan, and Pettengill, Democrat, of Indiana.

Mr. Corcoran said that no formal opinion on the constitutionality of the legislation was rendered by the Department of Justice.

Frequently Mr. Corcoran and the members of the Committee strayed from what Chairman O'Connor described as the intimidation charges. The Chairman protested.

Mr. Corcoran said that he was asked by the President to clean up the legal phases of the Passamaquoddy project.

He repeated his version of the Brewster conversation and insisted: "I have no power to stop the Passamaquoddy project."

### Bill Approved by House Foreign Affairs Committee Would Forbid Loans to Any Nation at War Except as Ally of United States

The House Foreign Affairs Committee on July 3 approved a bill which would prohibit American loans or the extension of credit to the Government or citizens of any nation at war, with the exception of countries allied with the United States. Representative Kloeb, author of the bill, told the Committee it was drafted "from the standpoint of attempting to do something for the preservation of white civilization, because I felt that should another major war come upon us and should we be drawn into it, it would threaten the very existence of future white civilization." His further remarks are given below, as contained in Associated Press Washington advices of July 3:

He said he felt with President Roosevelt that war was provoked by political leaders, and continued:

"Now, if the leaders of these countries who are now inviting war could realize that so far as the bankers of the world are concerned the doors of their vaults are closed in the event that they bring about another catastrophe, they are less likely to bring about that catastrophe."

The bill would impose a maximum fine of \$10,000 and imprisonment up to five years for extension of credit or loans. Several similar bills have been introduced in the Senate.

### House Ways and Means Committee to Limit Tax Bill to President Roosevelt's Proposals—Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau Says Any New Taxes Should Be Used to Reduce Borrowing and Lower Public Debt

Representative Doughton, Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, announced on July 9 that the Committee had unanimously agreed to limit tax hearings to the proposals outlined in President Roosevelt's recent message calling for increased taxes on large incomes and inheritances and for graduated taxes on corporation earnings. His statement was interpreted to mean that any tax bill considered at this session of Congress would be limited to levies on individual and corporation incomes, inheritances and gifts, and would not include the entire tax field.

It was unofficially reported in Washington yesterday (July 12) that the President might agree to an adjournment of this session of Congress without approval of his new taxation program. One Presidential adviser told newspaper men that Congress might adjourn early in August, although he predicted that in this event it would be convened in the late Autumn to complete action on the tax bill.

The House Committee began hearings on proposals for tax revision on July 8, when Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau appeared as a witness. Mr. Morgenthau testified regarding 28 rate schedules which had been submitted by the Treasury Department in response to a request by Representative Hill, Chairman of the Ways and Means Subcommittee on Taxation. Mr. Morgenthau estimated that the yield of these schedules would range from \$118,000,000 to \$901,500,000 a year. He added that revenues from this source should be definitely earmarked for the purpose of reducing future borrowing and lowering the national debt.

The Secretary told the Committee that the worst of the depression is over and that the time has arrived to consider curtailment of borrowing and reduction of the public debt. He expressed the belief that the Administration tax plans would not hinder business revival.

In a prepared statement read by Mr. Morgenthau to the Committee he referred to the safeguarding of the stabilization fund and silver seigniorage and declared that "it would be in the highest public interest to regard the proceeds of these taxes as occupying a third special drawer in the Treasury, available only to reduce our borrowings and later reduce the national debt." The text of Mr. Morgenthau's prepared statement is given below:

I am glad to respond to the request of your Chairman, Mr. Robert L. Doughton, that I appear and discuss briefly, from the Treasury's point of view, the principles and policies for obtaining additional revenues which the President has outlined in his message to the Congress.

The Chairman of your Subcommittee on Taxation, Mr. Samuel B. Hill, submitted to the Treasury a number of hypothetical rate-schedules and requested the Department to prepare for your Committee estimates of the probable amount of revenue that would be produced by each of these rate-schedules. The Treasury is very glad to furnish this statistical material for the use of your Committee and will be happy to supply any additional information which your Committee may desire for use in the discharge of its responsibility for the formulation of revenue legislation.

In looking forward to balancing the budget and reducing the national debt the primary interest of the Treasury in the legislation which your Committee is considering relates to the revenue which it may raise, although it is true that the full consequences of tax laws are not limited to the revenues they produce. It has to be recognized that taxation in any form has many collateral effects throughout our whole economic and social life, and that, since taxes cannot be levied without these collateral results, and since they must be levied, there is a national duty to avoid tax laws which produce undesirable social consequences and a like duty to correct evils produced by existing tax legislation as they become apparent. I think it will be generally recognized that our tax legislation has too often neglected these considerations.

The sources of taxation proposed by the President in his message to the Congress of June 19 1935 can be made to yield substantial additions to the receipts of the Federal Government. This is shown in our estimates of revenue based upon the schedules of rates submitted by your Subcommittee to the Treasury for calculation of probable yield. These proposed taxes rest on the principle of ability to pay. They are devised to draw on accumulations of wealth and income which, for the most part, have been derived from nation-wide activities. In consequence, their enactment should constitute an important step forward in reshaping our tax structure along sounder and fairer lines.

The Treasury's first concern is with the adequacy of the national revenue. There are times of emergency when the Treasury must finance expenditures in excess of income by borrowings which increase the public debt. But the national welfare demands that, when such an emergency has passed, sufficient income be raised both to meet current expenditures and to make substantial reductions in the debt. The time has come to move in this direction. It would, of course, be unwise to impose tax burdens which would retard recovery. But it would be equally unwise not to call on sources of revenue which would reduce our borrowings and later reduce the national debt without interfering with recovery, and it is my belief that the additional taxes which the President has now recommended fall within this latter class.

Because of our common responsibility for safeguarding the national credit, we are all vitally concerned in the use which is to be made of the revenue that may be derived from the proposed taxes. As Secretary of the Treasury, it is my conviction that it would be perilous to regard any part of these new revenues as available for new types of expenditures or as justifying any increase over our carefully budgeted plans for Federal outlays. The course which I feel sure will appeal to all of you as the only sound procedure is that the revenue derived from these new taxes shall be regarded as very definitely earmarked for reducing future borrowing and paying off the public debt. We should set aside the proceeds of these new taxes and safeguard them as carefully as was the stabilization fund.

Some months ago, in discussing monetary matters, I spoke of the increment on gold resulting from revaluation as having been placed in a special drawer of the Treasury's cash register, since it was being kept separate



from other funds and was not to be used for ordinary expenditures. Silver seigniorage resulting from the Silver Purchase Act is being similarly handled. In closing I should like to repeat that I think it would be in the highest public interest to regard the proceeds of these taxes as occupying a third special drawer in the Treasury, available only to reduce our borrowings and later reduce the national debt.

We also quote in part from a Washington dispatch of July 8 to the New York "Times" regarding other portions of Mr. Morgenthau's testimony:

The 28 proposed rate schedules were all suggested by Mr. Hill, with the Treasury asked to estimate the yields, Mr. Morgenthau explained. He made it clear that the Administration expected the Committee to solve the tax-rate problem and there would be no interference from the executive branch of the Government. There was no draft of a bill before the Committee. Representative Woodruff of Michigan declared the Treasury should state its own position as to the rates. Mr. Morgenthau refused to concur.

It quickly appeared that the Administration faced a hard fight in Committee; that the minority would battle to the end and that the majority would not present the solid front the Administration leaders faintly hoped for.

Representatives Treadway of Massachusetts, Knutson of Minnesota and Mr. Woodruff led a Republican onslaught to-day and Chairman Doughton and Representatives Vinson of Kentucky, Lewis of Maryland and Cooper of Tennessee did most of the talking for the Democrats.

A charge was made from the Democratic side of the Committee that the Republicans were seeking to inject politics into the proceedings. They were playing both ends against the middle, it was asserted, with one group urging a \$1,000,000,000 tax-raising proposal and another urging the policy of let things stand as they are.

When he had finished reading a statement he was asked by Representative Jenkins of Ohio:

Secretary Morgenthau told the committee that it would be unwise to impose tax burdens that would retard recovery, but it would also be unwise not to call on sources of revenue which would reduce borrowings as well as the public debt.

He added that there was a "national duty" to avoid tax laws that would "produce undesirable social consequences."

"Why do you couple the phrases 'reduce borrowing' and 'reduce the public debt,' when it is obvious that the Government is running so far behind that the taxes you expect to get from these new proposed levies cannot be expected to fulfill both these conditions?"

The reply was:

"The use of this money will come when we strike a balance. We are planning that these revenues will be coming into the Treasury three or four years from now and by that time the emergency expenditures will be reduced and we will be able to use these revenues to reduce the public debt."

"Is it your opinion that the emergency is over?" asked Representative Crowther of New York.

"Yes, in my opinion the worst of the emergency is over."

"May I inquire what steps, if any, have been taken by the Government to reduce the deficit?" Representative Knutson inquired.

"We have just finished the fiscal year with a deficit considerably below the President's estimate. In my opinion we have made progress," Mr. Morgenthau announced.

Mr. Vinson Sees Politics

Representative Vinson remarked that it looked as though "politics" was being interjected into the hearings.

Mr. Knutson replied:

"What we Republicans want to do is to get the Government off the merry-go-round and then proceed in a definite direction to help business."

"Like Mr. Hoover did," remarked Representative Doughton.

"I would like to know why the Treasury Department has failed to inform the Committee how much new revenue should be provided for," said Mr. Woodruff.

"So far as I am concerned, that is a question to be decided by the Congress and not by me," Mr. Morgenthau declared. "We are leaving that to the Committee and to Congress."

"We are preparing for revenues to come in for current and succeeding years," Representative Hill remarked. "It will take some time for these taxes to begin coming in, and in two or three or perhaps four years we can commence cutting down the public debt."

Mr. Knutson said what worried him most was trying to decide whether the tax plan proposed by the President was for the purpose of "redistributing wealth" or, as Mr. Morgenthau said, to reduce the public debt. He was inclined to view the proposal as one for the redistribution of wealth. He added that he was going to move to substitute new excise taxes to provide some of the money needed.

We also give below extracts from the various tables prepared by the Treasury, estimating the yields on some of the taxes which have been suggested. Only a few of the representative schedules prepared by the Treasury are included:

BRACKET RATES ON INHERITANCES, AMOUNTS OF TAX AND EFFECTIVE RATES

Table 1-A—Estimated Revenue \$5.0 Millions

Bracket (in thousands of dollars)	Rate (Per Cent)	Tax * (in dollars)	Percent. of Tax to Inheritance*	Bracket (in thousands of dollars)	Rate (per cent)	Tax * (in dollars)	Percent. of Tax to Inheritance*
Up to 300	No tax	-----	-----	3,000- 4,000	40	950,500	23.76
300- 500	4	8,000	1.60	4,000- 5,000	50	1,450,500	29.01
500- 750	7	25,500	3.40	5,000- 7,000	60	2,650,500	37.86
750- 1,000	10	50,500	5.05	7,000-10,000	70	4,750,500	47.51
1,000- 2,000	20	250,500	12.53	Over-10,000	75		
2,000- 3,000	30	550,500	18.35				

\* Computed on upper limit of brackets.

Table 4-A—Estimated Revenue \$93.2 Millions

Bracket (in thousands of dollars)	Rate (Per Cent)	Tax * (in dollars)	Percent. of Tax to Inheritance*	Bracket (in thousands of dollars)	Rate (per cent)	Tax * (in dollars)	Percent. of Tax to Inheritance*
Up to 50	No tax	-----	-----	750- 1,000	40	309,600	30.96
50- 60	4	400	.67	1,000- 1,500	44	529,600	35.31
60- 70	5	1,200	1.71	1,500- 2,000	48	769,600	38.48
70- 80	12	2,400	3.00	2,000- 3,000	52	1,289,600	42.99
80- 100	15	5,600	5.60	3,000- 4,000	56	1,849,600	46.24
100- 150	20	15,600	10.40	4,000- 5,000	60	2,449,600	48.99
150- 200	24	27,600	13.80	5,000- 6,000	64	3,089,600	51.49
200- 300	28	55,600	18.53	6,000- 8,000	68	4,449,600	55.62
300- 500	32	119,600	23.92	8,000-10,000	72	5,889,600	58.90
500- 750	36	209,600	27.95	Over 10,000	75		

\* Computed on upper limit of brackets.

Table 4-B—Estimated Revenue \$25.4 Millions

Bracket (in thousands of dollars)	Rate (Per Cent)	Tax * (in dollars)	Percent. of Tax to Inheritance*	Bracket (in thousands of dollars)	Rate (Per Cent)	Tax * (in dollars)	Percent. of Tax to Inheritance*
Up to 50	No tax	-----	-----	750- 1,000	30	232,200	23.22
50- 60	3	300	.50	1,000- 1,500	33	397,200	26.48
60- 70	6	900	1.29	1,500- 2,000	36	577,200	28.86
70- 80	9	1,800	2.25	2,000- 3,000	39	967,200	32.24
80- 100	12	4,200	4.20	3,000- 4,000	42	1,387,200	24.68
100- 150	15	11,700	7.80	4,000- 5,000	45	1,837,200	36.74
150- 200	18	20,700	10.35	5,000- 6,000	48	2,317,200	38.62
200- 300	21	41,700	13.90	6,000- 8,000	51	3,337,200	41.72
300- 500	24	89,700	17.94	8,000-10,000	54	4,417,200	44.17
500- 750	27	157,200	20.96	Over 10,000	57		

\* Computed on upper limit of brackets.

INHERITANCE AND GIFT TAX AT SAME RATES AS PRESENT INCOME TAX—NO EXEMPTIONS

Table 5—Estimated Revenue \$489 Millions

Amount of Inheritance or Gift (in Dollars)	Amount of Tax (in Dollars)	Percentage of Tax to Inheritance or Gift	Amount of Inheritance or Gift (in Dollars)	Amount of Tax (in Dollars)	Percentage of Tax to Inheritance or Gift
10,000	700	7.00	500,000	265,500	53.10
50,000	9,700	19.40	1,000,000	573,000	57.30
100,000	32,000	32.00	5,000,000	3,093,000	61.86
300,000	146,500	48.83	10,000,000	6,243,000	62.43

PRESENT INCOME TAX RATES APPLIED TO COMBINED INHERITANCE OR GIFT AND STATUTORY NET INCOME, WITH DEDUCTIONS OF TAX PAID ON STATUTORY NET INCOME—NO EXEMPTIONS.

Table 11—Estimated Revenue \$678 Millions

	Amount of Inheritance or Gift (in Dollars)	Amount of Tax (in Dollars)	Percentage of Tax to Inheritance or Gift
Individual with no statutory income	5,000	240	4.8
	10,000	700	7.0
	50,000	9,700	19.4
	100,000	32,000	32.0
	500,000	265,500	53.1
	1,000,000	573,000	57.3
Individual with statutory net income of \$5,000	5,000	460	9.2
	10,000	1,050	10.5
	50,000	11,160	22.3
	100,000	34,560	34.6
	500,000	268,310	53.7
	1,000,000	575,910	57.6
Individual with statutory net income of \$10,000	5,000	3,095,910	61.9
	10,000	6,245,910	62.5
	5,000	590	11.8
	10,000	1,360	13.6
	50,000	12,520	25.0
	100,000	36,900	36.9
Individual with statutory net income of \$50,000	500,000	270,900	54.2
	1,000,000	578,600	57.9
	5,000,000	3,098,600	62.0
	10,000,000	6,248,600	62.5
	5,000	1,700	34.0
	10,000	3,400	34.0
Individual with statutory net income of \$100,000	50,000	22,300	44.6
	100,000	50,300	50.3
	500,000	286,300	57.3
	1,000,000	594,800	59.5
	5,000,000	3,114,800	62.3
	10,000,000	6,264,800	62.6
Individual with statutory net income of \$500,000	5,000	2,800	56.0
	10,000	5,600	56.0
	50,000	28,000	56.0
	100,000	56,500	56.5
	500,000	294,500	58.9
	1,000,000	604,000	60.4
Individual with statutory net income of \$1,000,000	5,000	3,124,000	62.5
	10,000	6,274,000	62.7
	5,000	3,050	61.0
	10,000	6,100	61.0
	50,000	30,500	61.0
	100,000	61,000	61.0
Individual with statutory net income of \$5,000,000	500,000	307,500	61.5
	1,000,000	622,500	62.3
	5,000,000	3,142,500	62.9
	10,000,000	6,292,500	62.9
	5,000	3,150	63.0
	10,000	6,300	63.0
Individual with statutory net income of \$10,000,000	50,000	31,500	63.0
	100,000	63,000	63.0
	500,000	315,000	63.0
	1,000,000	630,000	63.0
	5,000,000	3,150,000	63.0
	10,000,000	6,300,000	63.0
Individual with statutory net income of \$5,000,000	5,000	3,150	63.0
	10,000	6,300	63.0
	50,000	31,500	63.0
	100,000	63,000	63.0
	500,000	315,000	63.0
	1,000,000	630,000	63.0
Individual with statutory net income of \$10,000,000	5,000	3,150	63.0
	10,000	6,300	63.0
	50,000	31,500	63.0
	100,000	63,000	63.0
	500,000	315,000	63.0
	1,000,000	630,000	63.0

SURTAXES ON INDIVIDUAL INCOMES EXCEEDING \$1,000,000

Table 15—Estimated Increase in Revenue \$5.1 Millions

Surtax Bracket (in Thousands of Dollars)	Surtax (Per Cent)	Combined Normal and Surtax (Per Cent)	Total Tax * (in Dollars)	Percentage of Tax to Total Taxable Income *
1,000- 1,500	60	64	893,000	59.53
1,500- 2,000	63	67	1,228,000	61.40
2,000- 3,000	66	70	1,928,000	64.27
3,000- 5,000	70	74	3,408,000	68.16
5,000-10,000	75	79	7,358,000	73.58
Over 10,000	80	84		

\* Computed on upper limit of brackets.

SURTAXES ON INDIVIDUAL INCOMES EXCEEDING \$150,000  
Table 16—Estimated Increase in Revenue \$22.1 Millions

Surtax Bracket (In Thousands of Dollars)	Surtax (Per Cent)	Combined Normal and Surtax (Per Cent)	Total Tax* (in Dollars)	Percentage of Tax to Total Taxable Income*
150- 200	54	58	89,000	44.50
200- 250	56	60	119,000	47.60
250- 300	58	62	150,000	50.00
300- 350	60	64	182,000	52.00
350- 400	62	66	215,000	53.75
400- 500	64	68	283,000	56.60
500- 750	66	70	458,000	61.07
750- 1,000	68	72	638,000	63.80
1,000- 2,000	70	74	1,378,000	68.90
2,000- 3,000	72	76	2,138,000	71.27
3,000- 4,000	74	78	2,918,000	72.95
4,000- 5,000	76	80	3,718,000	74.36
5,000- 7,500	78	82	5,768,000	76.91
Over 7,500	80	84		

\* Computed on upper limits of brackets.

GRADUATED TAX ON CORPORATION INCOMES  
Table 21—Estimated Increase in Revenue \$66.9 Millions

Income Bracket (In Thousands of Dollars)	Rate (Per Cent)	Total Tax (in Dollars)*	Percentage of Tax to Total Taxable Income*
Up to 2	10	200	10.00
2- 5	11	530	10.60
5- 15	12	1,730	11.53
15- 40	13	4,980	12.45
40- 100	14	13,380	13.38
100- 300	15	43,380	14.46
300- 1,000	16	155,380	15.54
1,000-20,000	17	3,385,380	16.93
Over 20,000	17½		

\* Computed on upper limit of brackets.

Table 23—Estimated Increase in Revenue \$100.6 Millions

Income Bracket (In Thousands of Dollars)	Rate (Per Cent)	Total Tax (in Dollars)*	Percentage of Tax to Total Taxable Income*
Up to 2	11	220	11.00
2- 5	12	580	11.60
5- 15	13	1,880	12.53
15- 40	14	5,380	13.45
40- 100	15	14,380	14.38
100- 300	16	46,380	15.46
300- 1,000	17	165,380	16.54
Over 1,000	17½		

\* Computed on upper limit of brackets.

M. L. Seidman, representing the New York Board of Trade, told the House Ways and Means Committee on July 9 that the organization favors increased taxation but only on condition that it be imposed solely for balancing the budget, that Government expenditures and borrowing be reduced, and that increased taxation be applied "all along the line," to all incomes and all estates, and not only to those in the highest brackets. Testimony on July 9 was summarized as follows in a dispatch of that date from Washington to the New York "Herald Tribune":

A political storm broke around Mr. Seidman as he advanced the views of the New York organization. He had urged that the time had come to "consider saving rather than spending," had deplored conditions "where men on relief rolls refuse jobs because they are better off on relief," and had asked for reassurances to business when Representative Daniel A. Reed, Republican, of New York, started to interrogate him.

"Does not the threats of inflation, of the \$4,000,000,000 work-relief fund, of future devaluation of the dollar, of the Government going into the electric business, of the Government engaging in all types of business and of imports closing our mills frighten business?" he asked.

Mr. Seidman answered in the affirmative, and Representative David J. Lewis, Democrat, of Maryland, interposed: "In other words, adopt the Republican party platform." Members of the Committee then proceeded to take over the hearing with Representative John D. Dingell, Democrat, of Michigan, claiming that business was "deliberately" working against the Administration and with practically all of the other members joining in with comment varying according to their political beliefs.

A graphic picture of the added taxation on large corporations resulting from substitution of the present flat corporation income rate of 13¼% for a graduated scale running from 10 to 17% was painted by R. V. Fletcher, counsel to the Association of American Railways, which includes the bulk of the roads having revenue of a \$1,000,000 a year and better. He urged that the railroads be exempt from the graduation since the Government in other ways has been working for 15 years to consolidate small carriers into larger corporations.

Mr. Fletcher presented the following tabulation showing income tax payments during 1934 by ten leading railroads, compared with levies under the proposed schedule:

Road—	Federal Income Tax Accrued 1934	Estimated Federal Tax at Proposed Rates
Chesapeake & Ohio	\$4,425,000	\$5,832,000
Norfolk & Western	2,725,000	3,369,000
Pennsylvania RR	2,666,352	3,297,000
Reading	967,315	1,196,000
Union Pacific	902,681	1,116,000
Delaware Lackawanna & Western	415,142	513,000
Pittsburgh & Lake Erie	375,241	464,000
Virginian	332,898	412,000
Duluth Missabe & Northern	196,980	244,000
Detroit Toledo & Ironton	191,258	236,000

The Chamber of Commerce of the United States on July 11 announced a Nation-wide campaign against the President's tax program, and sent to 1,500 member organizations a report of its Finance Committee denouncing the tax proposals as "destructive and confiscatory." We quote below in part from that statement, as given in a Washington dispatch of July 11 to the "Times":

The report of the Commerce Chamber's finance committee declared that "the urgent need at the present time is not more taxes on income but more income to tax."

"More income means more purchasing power for consumers and more revenue for the government," it continued. "Efforts to obtain restoration of the income that our people have enjoyed in past years are directly affected by the tax policies of the government."

"In view of the shrunken income, the losses yet to be recouped, and the present methods of imposing taxes, the rates and effects of general tax policies now in force already bear too heavily upon the types of personal and corporate enterprise, that must be depended upon to produce recovery."

The position of the committee was that the Roosevelt tax proposals were destructive in that they were based on the idea that "large enterprises, estates and incomes should be taxed heavily merely because of size, without sufficient attention to utility or economic value of aggregations of capital."

George B. Chandler, representing the Ohio Chamber of Commerce, appeared before the House Ways and Means Committee yesterday (July 12) and said that the President's tax plan would bring redistribution of poverty rather than wealth. He also charged that radical influences are at work to destroy our present form of Government, and declared that some of the President's advisers are seeking to destroy private property.

### House Committee Approves Resolution for Mixed Commission to Study Desirability of Railroad Retirement Legislation—Jesse Jones Says Pending Senate Inquiry Need Not Postpone Railroad Reorganizations

The House Inter-State and Foreign Commerce Committee on July 10 approved a resolution by Representative Rayburn, of Texas, calling for the appointment of a commission of House and Senate members and three Representatives selected by President Roosevelt to investigate the desirability of further retirement and annuity legislation applicable to the railroads. The inquiry was suggested by President Roosevelt after the Supreme Court decision invalidating the Railroad Retirement Act. It was concluded that any attempt to amend the invalidated measure to make it conform to the court decision was impracticable at this session of Congress.

Jesse Jones, Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corp., said on July 8 that the Senate Inter-State Commerce Committee's proposed investigation into relationships between railroads and financial groups should have no effect upon railroads adopting projected reorganization plans. He added at a press conference that there is no necessity for railroads to postpone their plans pending any legislation which might result from the inquiry. A Washington dispatch of July 8 to the New York "Journal of Commerce" reported the press conference in part as follows:

The Senate committee has not asked the corporation for data on railroad financing, he said, but if it does the information will be given "and also opinions, if wanted."

Discussing railroad reorganizations in response to a question as to whether the Senatorial investigation might delay adoption of plans, Jones said:

Any reorganization adopted now ought to take into account all mistakes and bad judgment in the past. We know most of them and if plans take them into consideration, I do not see why it cannot be done by plan as well as by legislation. Everybody is in agreement as to principles that ought to control reorganization.

He said every plan in which the R. F. C. participates must specify that reorganization expenses, both as to fees of lawyers and committees, shall be "reasonable."

Asked whether the corporation would object to groups hitherto in control of roads which are in difficulties continuing in control, he said there was none so long as each class of security holder is represented on the new boards. The specification should be written so as to protect security holders and investors, he said.

### Bankruptcy Act Held Constitutional by Federal Judge in St. Louis

The constitutionality of the amended Bankruptcy Act was sustained July 2 in a decision by United States District Judge C. B. Davis of St. Louis, who denied a motion filed by Porter Wiegand, President of Standard Stamping Co., who sought to set aside a reorganization plan for his company which was recently approved by the court. Mr. Wiegand claimed that Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act was inconsistent with the Constitution because the latter did not give Congress power to enact such legislation and because the section deprives one of property without due process of law. United Press advices, July 2, from St. Louis gave the following additional details of the case:

Attack on the constitutionality of Section 77-B was the first to be made in a St. Louis Federal Court. The section gives debtor corporations opportunity to reorganize.

Judge Davis handed down a memorandum which said: "The Court finds that Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act as amended deals with the subject of bankruptcy over which Congress is given legislative power by the Constitution of the United States, and that Section 77-B does not deprive creditors of their property without due process of law in violation of any of the provisions of the Constitution."

### Conflicting Opinions on Validity of New York Mortgage Act Given by Two State Supreme Court Justices—Question of Deprivation of Property Rights at Stake

Different opinions regarding the constitutionality of the law creating the Mortgage Commission of the State of New York were recorded July 3 in rulings handed down by two justices of the State Supreme Court. Justice William F. Bleakley of White Plains said that the law is constitutional. Justice Leander B. Faber of Mineola, on the same day, gave a decision temporarily restraining the State Mortgage Commission from taking possession or control of bonds or underlying securities deposited in the Nassau County Trust Co.,

depository, against issues guaranteed by the Nassau-Suffolk Bond & Mortgage Guarantee Co. In his opinion Justice Faber revealed that he doubted the constitutionality of the law.

These two decisions were summarized, in part, as follows, in the New York "Herald Tribune" of July 4:

Justice Faber wrote that the validity of the argument by the plaintiff that the mortgage commission law, in so far as it empowers the commission to take over the equity, is unconstitutional in that it deprives the guarantee company of property without due process of law, is at least in doubt under court ruling.

The justice wrote:

"Counsel for the mortgage commission suggests that while it is possible that those who drew the Mortgage Commission Act were not aware of the difference in the manner or method whereby the Superintendent of Banks and the Superintendent of Insurance have possession of assets, but argues that there is at most 'a slight omission of almost no consequence in the language' or 'at best a clerical omission in statutory draftsmanship' to give weight to which will 'so strain the language of the statute as to fundamentally defeat the purpose of the Legislature.'

"I cannot say that this argument appeals strongly to me. The intention of the Legislature may have been, as counsel contends, to include within the scope of the Act any and all guaranty companies, but that would have to be assumed so that it might operate by its own force so as to confer power and jurisdiction explicitly granted. The need for precision in the terms used was clearly of more importance than might be in some statutes of ordinary or commonplace scope. The assumed or argued intention, not effectuated by the language used, is not to be imported to the Act by the court."

Justice Bleakley refused petition of a certificate holder to enjoin the State body from assuming control of a \$223,000 mortgage of the Westchester Title & Trust Co. on an apartment house. Had an adverse decision been handed down the commission's powers with regard to more than \$800,000,000 of certificated mortgage issues, which it recently took over from the New York State Insurance Department, would have been seriously questioned.

After reviewing the events leading up to the creation of the commission, Justice Bleakley refuted virtually all of the grounds on which the petitioners held that the law was unconstitutional on several points. The court upheld the commission's sundry powers, under which it is now reorganizing the certificate issues of the mortgage guarantee companies which are in rehabilitation or liquidation.

#### Seen Deprived of No Rights

"The taking over of the mortgages and the servicing of them deprived the certificate holder of no property rights," Justice Bleakley's decision pointed out. "The functions sought to be exercised which the petitioner seeks to restrain do not constitute a taking of the certificate holder's property for a public use.

"The mortgage remains intact. It will be serviced during its administration. The owner is deprived of nothing that he had before and the public is benefited only indirectly. There is no impairment of contract. The company has been dissolved by an order of the Supreme Court. It is now in liquidation. It cannot service the property."

#### Co-ordinator Eastman Names 18 Railroads, with Financial Associates, for Senate Committee Study—Nine of Roads Designated Now in Bankruptcy

Eighteen railroads, nine of them in bankruptcy or receivership, considered fairly typical of the railroad situation as a whole and the financial interests which have been associated with them are recommended for investigation by the special Senate Interstate Commerce Committee in a letter sent to Chairman Wheeler, July 5, by Joseph B. Eastman, Co-ordinator of Transportation. J. P. Morgan & Co., Kuhn, Loeb & Co., and several other banking concerns are listed by Mr. Eastman. The letter was prompted by a Senate resolution authorizing the committee to make a thorough investigation of the financing, reorganizations, mergers, acquisitions and dispositions, insolvency and credit of railroads, holding companies and subsidiaries.

A copy of the letter from the Co-ordinator to Senator Wheeler, Chairman of the Committee on Interstate Commerce, follows:

S. Res. 71 authorizes and directs your committee to make a "thorough and complete investigation of the financing, reorganizations, mergers, acquisitions and dispositions, insolvency, credit and securities operations and activities, financial policies, intercorporate relationships in respect of inter-State railroads, railroad holding companies, railroad affiliates and subsidiaries—any corporation or person which is or has been affiliated with any of the foregoing banking, legal, engineering, accounting and other professional corporations, persons, or groups occupying a fiduciary or contractual position or relation with any of the foregoing, and any member of the family of any such person, and any officer, agent, or director of any such corporation or group."

It is provided that the "member of the Interstate Commerce Commission, heretofore designated by the President as Federal Co-ordinator of Transportation under the Emergency Railroad Transportation Act, 1933" shall "select the railroads to be included in the investigation." Being that member of the Commission, the duty of selection devolves upon me.

In the performance of this unsought task, I have been guided by definite considerations, which may be stated as follows:

1. It is manifestly impossible for your committee to make a "thorough and complete investigation" of the character described in the Resolution of all the "inter-State railroads, railroad holding companies, railroad affiliates and subsidiaries."

2. The ground to be covered ought to be fairly typical of the railroad situation as a whole. The object of the investigation, I take it, is not merely to exploit certain possibly malodorous or questionable transactions, but to appraise general railroad conditions with especial reference to the conduct of financial matters and the part which financial influence plays in railroad management, purposes and policies, all with a view to correcting any conditions, either by legislation or otherwise, which may be found to be in need of correction. In other words, the investigation will have the wholesome object of bringing representative conditions to light and showing those who use or invest in the railroads either that these conditions need cause no apprehensions on their part or that there are

various steps which can and should be taken to remove reasonable ground for apprehensions.

3. At the public hearings before your committee prior to the adoption of the Resolution, the affairs of certain railroads were discussed and various alleged transactions in connection therewith were criticized sharply. These preliminary hearings were not in the nature of an investigation, and it was impracticable at the time to try out the issues which had thus been raised. As a matter of fairness, therefore, the railroads whose affairs were so discussed ought to be included within the scope of the investigation which is now to be had, in order that these issues may be followed to a conclusion.

4. If fairly typical conditions are to be considered, it is desirable that the railroads to be selected should not all be located in one part of the country but should be representative of the three sections, East, West and South, which are commonly recognized in railroad affairs.

5. Inasmuch as the financial affairs of the railroads and their relations with financial interests are apparently, from the terms of the Resolution and the discussions which preceded its adoption, to play an important part in the investigation, it is desirable, if fairly typical conditions are to be considered, that the railroads selected should be representative of the financial interests which have been most closely associated with the railroads. The two leading interests to be considered in this connection are J. P. Morgan & Co., and Kuhn, Loeb & Co., and affiliated financial institutions. There are others, such as Speyer & Co., J. & W. Seligman & Co., Hayden, Stone & Co., and Dillon, Read & Co., which have played lesser parts.

6. While it seems desirable, in view of the emphasis in the Resolution upon financial matters, including reorganizations, that railroads which are in receivership or bankruptcy or in imminent danger thereof should have an important place in the investigation, it should by no means be confined to such railroads, if it is to be fairly typical of general conditions.

7. Similar reasoning leads to the conclusion that while larger roads should mainly be selected, some smaller roads should also be included in the list.

In making the selection which the Resolution requires me to make, the above are the considerations by which I have been guided. It will be evident, therefore, that the fact that any particular railroad has been included in the list is not to be taken, and cannot be taken, as evidence that it is an undesirable citizen in the railroad world, or even that I believe it so to be. The same thing may be said of the financial interests which have been associated with these railroads in the past. My duty, as I see it, is not to pass judgment, or even to suggest the course of the investigation, but merely to select subjects for inquiry, and the reasons for selection are those given above and none other.

If it should prove that I have staked out more ground than can well be covered, your committee will, of course, be guided by practical necessities in its inquiry. I should make it clear, however, that as I interpret my duty under the Resolution, I am not precluded by the action in accordance therewith which I am now taking from further action at a later time, if it should deem desirable and appropriate. As the investigation goes on, need may be shown, in order to pursue certain lines of inquiry to a conclusion, for selecting other roads in addition to those now selected. I reserve the opportunity for such selection, if such need develops.

The railroads now selected are the following:

#### Western Region

St. Louis-San Francisco Railway (J. N. Kurn and John G. Lonsdale, trustees), including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly, or under the same trustees.

Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Railway Co (Frank O. Lowden, James E. Gorman, Joseph B. Fleming, trustees), including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly, or under the same trustees.

Missouri Pacific RR. (L. W. Baldwin and Guy A. Thompson, trustees), including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly, or under the same trustees.

Chicago & North Western Railway Co., including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly.

Chicago Milwaukee St. Paul & Pacific RR., including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly.

Kansas City Southern Railway Co., including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly.

Comment—The affairs of the Frisco, the Rock Island, and the Missouri Pacific were all discussed at the hearings preliminary to the adoption of the Resolution. All three are in bankruptcy. J. P. Morgan & Co. has been associated with the financial affairs of the Missouri Pacific, and various other financial concerns with the financial affairs of the Frisco and the Rock Island. Financial reorganizations of the Milwaukee and the North Western are said to be under consideration. [Petitions filed by both roads on June 29 and June 28, respectively, see "Chronicle," July 6, page 109.] Kuhn, Loeb & Co. has been associated with the financial affairs of both of these railroads, and with those of the Kansas City Southern. The latter is a comparatively small railroad.

#### Eastern Region

Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Co., including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly.

Erie RR., including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly.

New York Chicago & St. Louis RR., including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly.

Pere Marquette Railway Co., including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly.

Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railway Co. (Charles M. Thomson, trustee), including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly, or under the same trustee.

Pennsylvania RR., including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly.

Wabash Railway Co. (Norman B. Pitcairn and Frank C. Nicodemus Jr., receivers), including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly, or under the same receivers.

Delaware & Hudson RR. Corp., including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly.

Comment—The Chesapeake & Ohio, Erie, Nickel Plate, Pere Marquette, and the Chicago & Eastern Illinois all belong to the Van Sweringen group of railroads, along with the Missouri Pacific System, and J. P. Morgan & Co. and affiliated financial institutions have been associated with their financial affairs. This group of railroads was discussed at the hearings prior to the adoption of the Resolution. Kuhn, Loeb & Co. has been associated with the financial affairs of the Pennsylvania, which, in view of the size of the Van Sweringen group, is appropriate of selection in this

region as representative of rival financial interests. The Wabash is named by reason of the large stock interest of the Pennsylvania, coupled with the fact that the Wabash is in receivership and might not technically be regarded as now under Pennsylvania control. The Delaware & Hudson is a comparatively small railroad, with whose financial affairs Kuhn, Loeb & Co. has been associated, and which has certain links with the Kansas City Southern in western territory.

#### Southern Region

Southern Railway Co., including all railroads owned, operated, leased or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly.

Illinois Central RR., including all railroads owned, leased, operated or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly.

Central of Georgia Railway Co. (H. D. Pollard, receiver), including all railroads owned, leased, operated or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly, or under the same receiver.

Florida East Coast Railway Co. (W. R. Kenan Jr. and S. M. Loftin, receivers), including all railroads owned, leased, operated or controlled by that company, directly or indirectly, or under the same receivers.

Comment—J. P. Morgan & Co. has been associated with the financial affairs of the Southern; John, Loeb & Co. with those of the Illinois Central. The Central of Georgia is named by reason of the majority stock interest of the Illinois Central, coupled with the fact that the Central of Georgia is now in receivership. The Florida East Coast is a comparatively small railroad, now in receivership.

### Standardization of Fraternal Insurance Policies Urged in New York State—Insurance Department Advocates Adoption of "Closed Contract" by Fraternal Organizations

Louis H. Pink, New York State Superintendent of Insurance, on June 28 made public a report by Charles C. Dubuar, principal actuary of the Albany office of the State Insurance Department, in which he discussed proposed reforms in insurance certificates issued by fraternal insurance societies. The last State Legislature passed a law providing that after Jan. 1 1936 no certificate of insurance may be issued by fraternal insurance societies in New York State unless its terms and provisions have been approved by the Department. Mr. Pink asserted that surveys have shown that more exact stipulations are needed in fraternal policies for the protection of their members, but added that the Department does not intend to go to extremes.

The Superintendent pointed out that at present fraternal societies use what is known as the "open contract" as compared with the "closed contract" or exact statement of facts required of the mutual and commercial life insurance companies. The "open contract" leaves the insured member subject to changes in by-laws regarding rates and extent of benefits, although these changes may be made after his policy is issued.

A press release by the Insurance Department on June 28 outlined the leading features of Mr. Dubuar's recommendations as follows:

Superintendent Pink believes that this arrangement is entirely too loose, and that the Department should require that at least the essentials of the insurance contract be incorporated in the policy. He pointed out that the great improvement in recent years in the financial condition of fraternal societies would justify a more specific and uniform contract with their members, who now are in the position of buying insurance more or less blindly without knowing exactly what they are getting in the way of protection. On the other hand, the Superintendent has no desire to impose harsh or unreasonable restrictions on the societies. He believes that the fraternal will co-operate in this endeavor and that a more definite policy will react to the benefit of the fraternal organizations. In some States, notably Missouri, they have objected strongly to supervision of their policy forms on the grounds that the "open contract" provided financial strength and security of assets not afforded by a "closed" document.

In his report, Mr. Dubuar first pictures the improvement in actuarial soundness of the fraternal societies in the following table of the growth of their assets as compared with the insurance in force for all societies in the United States and Canada:

Year	Total Insurance in Force (nearest million)	Total Admitted Assets (nearest million)
1933-----	\$6,683,000,000	\$ 1,007,000,000
1923-----	9,121,000,000	553,000,000
1913-----	10,199,000,000	221,000,000
1903-----	7,044,000,000	55,000,000

It is interesting to note that while the total insurance in force in 1933 is actually less than the figure for 1903, the assets meanwhile have multiplied approximately twenty-fold. This fact is explained by the gradual replacement of the older type of fraternal protection, issued at inadequate rates and with little consideration given to reserves, by more modern types of contracts with the premiums and reserves scientifically related to the benefits granted. The fact is that, while retaining their own peculiar characteristics, fraternal societies are becoming more and more mutual life insurance companies. From this, the report concludes, there is no question of the desirability of a more standard form of contract between the society and its membership for the better protection and assurance of the latter.

### New York State Court Annuls Accounting Order of the Public Service Commission as Usurpation of Authority

The Supreme Court of New York, Appellate Division, Third Department, in a decision handed down on June 27, unanimously annulled and remanded to the Public Service Commission its orders attempting to prescribe uniform systems of accounts for electric, gas and water utilities. The opinion sustains the contention of the utilities that management of a public utility enterprise privately owned may not be usurped under the form of regulating accounting procedure. It states:

The Legislature granted to the Commission power to prescribe uniform methods of keeping accounts, records and books. The statute does not authorize the Commission to prescribe uniform methods of management

of the business of privately-owned corporations. The uniformity that may be enforced is not as to what shall be done or how it shall be done, but as to book entries in respect to whatever is done.

The decision is of far-reaching importance, not only to utilities in New York State, but to the entire utility industry, since the principles at stake may affect all transportation, communication and water, as well as light and power service. It covers points which are or will be at issue in the case of similar orders by other State commissions and by Federal regulatory bodies. It is the first judicial pronouncement on principles which are now strongly advocated by a small but, under present conditions, influential group who would make regulation of accounting methods the prime instrument for securing to governmental authority a degree of control over utility management heretofore unprecedented and which the Court holds in this case to be unlawful.

The orders of the Public Service Commission which the decision annulled were issued in November 1933, with amendatory orders issued in June 1934, and have been the subject ever since of protest and litigation by practically all utility interests operating in New York State.

The Court found that the Commission erred in at least four points of fundamental importance:

1. The system of accounts which the Commission attempted to prescribe would require all corporations to record on their books as the book value of their property the cost of such property not to the accounting corporation, but to the first owner to devote the property to the public service. This cost is defined as "original cost." If the actual cost or value of the property is in excess of such "original cost," the system would require such excess to be "written off over such period and in such manner as the Commission may by order prescribe."

The requirement, according to the testimony of a distinguished independent accountant on record in the case, would have established an accounting procedure entirely without precedent or sound accounting authority. It would have meant, for example, that if a public utility corporation had constructed a plant in 1910, in a period of relatively low construction costs, and had sold it in 1920 to another public utility corporation for a price fair and reasonable under conditions then existing but materially in excess of the cost to the original owner, the purchasing corporation would now be compelled to change its books so as to record such property not at the actual cost to it but at the cost to the predecessor owner, and to set up the excess of actual over "original" cost in an account from which it must be "written off" at the pleasure of the Commission. The Court held that this requirement exceeded the power of the Commission and would be confiscatory.

2. The system of accounts would require all corporations to adopt the "straight-line" method of accounting for depreciation under certain rules and regulations prescribed in careful detail. The opinion of the Court states that "the 'straight-line' method of computing depreciation has been disapproved by the Supreme Court of the United States," citing *McCardle et al. vs. Indianapolis Water Co.*, 272 U. S. 400, 416; and *Consolidated Gas Co. of New York vs. Newton et al.*, 267 Fed. 231, 265. The Court held further that "the Legislature has not granted the Commission power to fix the method of setting up depreciation reserves. The order in this regard is ultra vires."

3. The system of accounts would require all expenses in connection with the issuance and sale of capital stock, such as taxes, printing, legal and underwriting services, &c., to be charged to an account listed on the balance sheet as a "deferred debit" and not, as has previously been the universal practice in all accounting systems prescribed by governmental authority, to a fixed capital, i.e., a permanent investment account. The Court found that such expenditures represent elements of value which are clearly entitled to be considered as part of the permanent investment on which a fair return must be computed, and that the Commission's requirement would, therefore, be confiscatory.

4. The amendments to the uniform system of accounts which the Commission's orders of June 1934 attempted to prescribe would require "Regulatory Commission Expenses," i.e., all expenses incurred by the accounting corporation "in connection with formal cases before Federal or State regulatory commissions or other regulatory bodies, or cases in which such a body is a party" to be charged to a special suspense account from which such expenses might be distributed to other accounts, whether operating or capital, only if, as, and when the Commission should so order. This requirement the Court's opinion characterizes as "an unwarranted assumption of authority." Furthermore, the opinion states, "if the legislature had granted such power, a serious question as to its constitutionality would arise, as these expenses should not be paid from a capital account."

### Attorney General Cummings Defends Administration Proposal for Resolution to Bar Suits Against Government Because of Gold-Clause Abrogation—House Committee Approves Measure

Attorney General Cummings this week appeared before the House and Senate Banking Committees to defend the legality of President Roosevelt's proposal for legislation to outlaw further suits against the Government arising out of the abrogation of the gold clause in contracts. Testifying before the House group on July 10, the Attorney General said that unless such a resolution was passed "an international agreement to establish a gold standard would be almost impossible," and added that a free gold market would also be almost impossible, although he did not indicate that the Administration is currently making any attempt to restore the international gold standard.

We quote regarding his testimony from Associated Press Washington advices of July 10:

Testifying as the committee opened hearings on a resolution to bar gold-clause suits, Mr. Cummings said that \$10,136,570,340 in gold-clause government securities were outstanding, and that the government faced a potential loss of \$7,000,000,000 if gold-clause suits were permitted and damages were shown.

Contending that the resolution was just and would end uncertainties, he told the committee that "there can be no doubt" of its constitutionality. In response to questions, he said that under the resolution foreigners could not sue on the gold clause in this country's courts and, if they took

a case to the International Court at The Hague, he had "no doubt as to the result."

The Panama bond question was injected, but the Attorney General said that it was "not at point because it was a treaty arrangement" now under negotiation.

Replying to Representative Hollister, Republican, of Ohio, who had spoken several times of "repudiation," Mr. Cummings said:

"I don't feel repudiation is the proper word for action of the government in exercising a solemn right."

United Press Washington advices of July 11 described the hearing before the Senate Banking Committee on that date as follows:

Senators Carter Glass (D., Va.), William G. McAdoo (D. Cal.), Thomas P. Gore (D., Okla.) and Robert Bulkley (D. Ohio) openly condemned what they described as an effort to have the Congress pass laws enabling the government to "break faith" with its citizens.

"Nothing ever has been proposed," Senator Glass said, "more calculated to impair if not to destroy the credit of the United States."

Mr. Cummings argued the proposed "gold clause" legislation was a "legitimate, inevitable outcome" of the President's monetary program.

"The government embarked on a definite policy in which the financial structure of the country was changed," Mr. Cummings said.

"In my opinion, that policy saved this country from complete chaos. Having committed ourselves to it, then this is a legitimate, inevitable outcome of it."

"I was one of those who supported the dollar devaluation policy," Senator Bulkley said, "but I don't regard this as an essential part of it at all."

Mr. Cummings said the proposed measure "grows out of a situation in which the courts have held that no one has suffered any damage up to date, at least."

When the holder of a government clause bond sought to collect the former gold value—equal to \$1.69 in present currency for each \$1 face value—the Supreme Court held that the government illegally had broken its contract, but refused to grant damages on the ground that the bondholder had not suffered.

The administration now seeks to forbid all such suits as a safeguard against possibility that damages might later be shown.

Senator Gore said he would seek an amendment permitting courts to hear and determine cases in which claimants could show actual losses.

Mr. Cummings said he would "certainly oppose" such a proposal.

The House Banking Committee yesterday (July 12) approved the Administration bill to prohibit suits against the Government to collect alleged damages arising out of devaluation of the dollar. Meanwhile the Senate Banking Committee was discussing inflation possibilities inherent in this legislation. Treasury experts denied before the Committee that such a possibility existed. The testimony was described in part as follows in Associated Press Washington advices of July 12:

Senator McAdoo, Democrat, of California, a former Secretary of the Treasury, raised the question when John G. Harlan, Assistant General Counsel of the Treasury, said there were about \$10,000,000,000 of outstanding gold clause obligations affected by a resolution provision which would allow holders of such obligations to exchange them for cash.

Mr. McAdoo suggested the effect was to permit the issuance of \$10,000,000,000 of Treasury notes or "printing press money."

Mr. Harlan contended that the resolution did not authorize the issuance of any new currency. He said the Treasury would obtain the money by the issuance of new bonds, as it has obtained refunding money in the past.

Senator Maloney, Democrat, of Connecticut, suggested, however, that cancellation of the right to sue for damages might create a "buyers' strike" in which it would be impossible to float new bonds.

The Treasury expert contended also that in all probability only a small part of the outstanding \$10,000,000,000 would be presented for cash.

Persisting in his questioning, Senator McAdoo asked, however, what would happen if all \$10,000,000,000 were presented and the Government could not obtain the money through the bond market.

"Both assumptions are unreal," J. G. Laylin another Treasury counsel interjected.

"It's conceivable," Mr. McAdoo insisted, "that so many would be turned in that the bond market couldn't absorb the new issues."

"Then just pass another act repudiating this promise," Senator Adams, Democrat, of Colorado, suggested sarcastically.

Mr. Laylin replied it was "inconceivable" all the bonds would be turned in because they are now selling above par, and carry higher interest than new bond issues.

### Patrick J. Hurley Charges New Deal Seeks to Undermine Constitution—Ex-Secretary of War Declares Administration Is Using "Subterfuge"

The Administration forces are seeking to change the Constitution by subterfuge, Patrick J. Hurley, former Secretary of War, charged in two speeches at Chicago on July 10. He compared the Republican and Democratic recovery programs to the detriment of the "costly experiments" of the latter. "The attack of the New Deal upon the Constitution is significant" he declared, adding that "it would be easier for a dictator to govern America under a collectivist form of Government than under a democracy. Dictators have sneered always at the institutions of democracy and always fought self-Government." Further extracts from his speeches are given below, as contained in a Chicago dispatch of July 10 to the New York "Times":

"Bills of rights, charters of liberty and constitutions have been irksome always to autocrats."

Recent decisions of the Supreme Court have not completely stopped the attempt to centralize the Government and make it the master of the people, according to Mr. Hurley. In the wording of preambles to Congressional bills, he charged, the New Dealers are trying still to circumvent the Constitution, while appearing to operate under it.

"The Constitution should not be changed by subterfuge," he continued. "If it is to be changed the people have a right to consider the proposed changes and to approve or reject them."

At the polls, he said, the Republican party should survive or perish on the proposition that the Government is a creature of the people and that it shall not become their master.

### Standard Oil Co. of N. J. Criticizes Administration Attacks on "Big Business"—Says Personal Animus May Actuate Program

"Personal animus" may lie behind the current campaign to penalize big industrial units to a point that "would not prevent any further growth but break down their present corporate structures," the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey asserted in the current issue of its publication, "The Lamp," issued on July 8. Those who desire legislation to put the Nation's major industrial enterprises at a disadvantage in competing with smaller companies "must believe that the possible good from such punitive measures outweigh the certain injury," the article continued. It added that one of the least understandable of the "cure-alls for the maladjustment of our economic position is the proposal to court recovery through the destruction of business in the form which contributed most largely to the last cycle of prosperity."

Further quotations from the article follow, as given in the New York "Herald Tribune" of July 8:

The question is asked why size, because of its size, should be objectionable. "It had to be a big business that could spare capital to develop foreign supplies to supplement our own and foreign markets to consume our surplus production. Only big business could have ventured fortunes in large-scale development work that had to be financed through many years of vicissitude before reaching a position where it could pay returns. It was big business that financed and carried on research and other pioneering efforts in fields not susceptible of any immediate financial gain."

#### New Enterprises Needed

Hopes of this country to put men back to work, says "The Lamp," can be fulfilled by the development of thousands of new enterprises and not the development of a new industry. It says that regulations to regiment or curb business have interfered with the formation of countless small enterprises that would have absorbed a large part of the idle workers.

"Big business does not stand in the way of this development any more than the operation of trans-Atlantic liners interferes with the employment of excursion boats in New York Harbor. Indeed, the bigger the business the more opportunities there are for individuals with initiative to become established."

For each of the so-called major companies in the petroleum industry there are numerous small units, most of who do relatively better, taking into account the ratio of capital to earnings, than the big integrated companies.

Subsidiaries of Standard of New Jersey last year produced less than 6% of the crude oil. Producers, refiners and marketers of the balance had freedom of action in every phase of the business, it is stated. "Competition has reached its fullest development in the oil business and has made the price regardless of the wishes of any of the larger integrated companies."

### Speakers at Virginia Institute of Public Affairs Assail and Defend New Deal—Economists Criticize Administration Policies—Labor Program Praised by John L. Lewis

The New Deal in the United States was the principal topic of discussion before the University of Virginia Institute of Public Affairs in a series of speeches within the past two weeks. Administration officials and others defended the chief policies of the recovery program, and these in turn were attacked by many economists and prominent men.

Sumner Welles, Assistant Secretary of State, on July 2 praised President Roosevelt's "good neighbor policy" toward Latin America. Noel Sargent, Secretary of the National Association of Manufacturers, told the Institute on July 8 that heavy new tax burdens "will tend to create industrial decline." He warned that Congress should hesitate before enacting any new tax legislation at this time, and said the proposed corporation tax is "discriminating and unsound."

John L. Lewis, President of the United Mine Workers of America, praised "imperishable achievements" of the New Deal in an address on July 10. He devoted his speech only to legislation affecting labor problems, and he criticized the "misguided" labor policies of industrial and financial leaders in 1930 as precipitating "the most critical situation in the history of our country." The Agricultural Adjustment Act, he said, has stabilized agriculture.

Extracts from a speech on July 9 by Dr. Neil Carothers of Lehigh University are given below, as contained in a dispatch of that date from University, Va., to the New York "Herald Tribune":

"This entire program is founded on economic error," Dr. Carothers said. "It rests first on the profound error that artificial raising of wages in depression promotes prosperity. The truth of the matter is that a major factor in prolonging depression is the continuance of high wages and high salaries in certain industrial lines. A horizontal reduction of the higher wage and higher salary levels of prosperous times is the first essential of recovery."

#### Productio Curb "Error No. 2"

A second fundamental error, the speaker said, was the theory that restriction of production increased prices and promoted recovery. Recovery, he declared, came from increased consumption due to reduced costs, this increase in consumption encouraging production and employment.

A third basic error, he said, was the belief that private enterprise could be forced to an artificial activity by the squandering of public funds in unnecessary public works. The truth was, said the speaker, that such enterprises discouraged private enterprise and created fiscal problems that frightened private investment.

The program rested on a final economic error that debasement of the coinage automatically raised prices and stimulated foreign trade, said Dr. Carothers. Debasement of the coinage, he said, operated to raise prices only when conditions were favorable and normally only after months or years had elapsed, while the stimulation of foreign trade was merely temporary and in the long run tended to discourage both imports and exports and to retard recovery.

As a consequence of these errors, the speaker said, recovery had been definitely retarded, production had been restricted and unemployment had grown worse.

### Governor Talmadge Charges Administration Fails to Aid Small Business Man—Says Billions Are Lent to Railroads and Great Industries

The Roosevelt Administration has acted to "choke off" money from the small business man, despite the adoption of emergency legislation, Governor Talmadge of Georgia said in a speech before the Tobacco-Cotton Non-Tax Association at Wallburg, N. C., on July 6. Billions of dollars have been lent to railroads and other billions to great industries, Governor Talmadge said, but "in the rank and file of small business people money is scarcer to-day than ever in the history of our Government." He urged the abolition of all Government activities competing with private industry and the ending of processing taxes. Crop production contracts with farmers, he said, should be paid out of the work relief fund.

We quote further from Governor Talmadge's speech, as given in Associated Press advices of July 6 from Wallburg:

"If this \$4,880,000,000 is squandered, thrown away, and used as a political bait in this country, the Government of our forefathers will go on the rocks," he said.

Governor Talmadge said unemployment rolls had grown rapidly under policies of the New Deal Administration, and that multiplied taxes had tripled living expenses in many instances.

He charged the Washington Administration with undertaking to stop "starvation from overproduction and plenty" with a program of "increased scarcity and 20-fold multiplication of taxes."

The Governor said imports began increasing shortly after President Roosevelt was inaugurated in 1933, and that the United States would have had a famine under the crop curtailment program had not corn and other products been brought in from foreign countries.

In March 1934, Mr. Talmadge said, 16,892 bushels of corn were imported and 7,017,558 bushels came in from foreign lands during the first three months of this year.

### Fall Decision by U. S. Supreme Court on AAA Processing Taxes Predicted by Attorney General Cummings—Scores of Suits Filed—Injunction Issued by Alabama, Indiana and Other Courts—AAA Bill Favorably Reported by Senate Committee

The United States Supreme Court is likely to rule upon the constitutionality of the processing taxes imposed under the Agricultural Adjustment Act this fall, Attorney General Cummings predicted on June 27. His remarks were made in commenting upon the scores of suits recently begun in Federal courts for recovery of processing taxes paid under the AAA. Secretary of Agriculture Wallace on June 26 admitted that many such suits have been filed, but intimated that many of them were pressed by attorneys who sought to convince their clients that they would be successful because the Supreme Court held the National Industrial Recovery Act invalid.

Mr. Wallace said that he does not believe that the number of suits and the several temporary injunctions that have been granted to prohibit the collection of the tax would have any material effect on the volume of collections, and he predicted that all the suits would be invalidated automatically if the AAA amendments pending in Congress are passed as written.

The Department of Justice announced on July 5 that court cases involving constitutionality of processing taxes had reached a total of 117 on that date, filed in every section of the country. Most of the cases sought injunctions to relieve meat packers, flour mills, textile mills, and others from payment of the taxes.

Typical of the many recent suits in connection with processing taxes was one before Federal Judge W. I. Grubb of Birmingham, Ala., who on June 25 enjoined the collection of such taxes from meat packers under the AAA by granting the Alabama Packing Company a temporary restraining order against the Alabama Collector of Internal Revenue. Other packing companies and textile manufacturers have figured prominently in suits regarding the processing taxes on meat and cotton. Judge Grubb's decision and other similar suits were noted as follows in Associated Press advices from Birmingham June 25:

Ten days ago the packing company filed application for an injunction to halt collection of the processing taxes, based on alleged unconstitutionality of the AAA. The company seeks to recover \$135,119 paid in taxes and to prevent collection of \$51,444 now due.

Amending the original petition to-day, the company asked that the collector be enjoined from collecting the tax under amendments to the AAA now pending in Congress. Judge Grubb did not rule on the constitutionality of the act.

Final hearing on the petition of the packing company is scheduled for July 20.

Seven cotton mills in Georgia joined in a suit filed in Federal Court at Macon seeking to recover \$1,138,000 paid to the Government in cotton processing taxes and the floor stock tax.

W. E. Page, Collector of Internal Revenue in Georgia, was the one against whom the suit was brought. The mills contended the AAA was unconstitutional and that Secretary Wallace had not complied with its provisions of the act by failing to decree a new crop year beginning Aug. 1.

The Alabama Mills Company, cotton textile operator, filed in Federal District Court here a suit seeking to recover \$308,000 paid in cotton processing taxes, alleging the AAA was unconstitutional.

Judge Grubb granted a temporary injunction restraining Harwell G. Davis, collector of internal revenue, from assessing or collecting any further processing taxes from the mills pending final hearing, set for July 20.

The Alabama Mills petition attacked the AAA as violating the Fifth and Tenth Amendments to the Federal Constitution.

The petition alleged the act was an illegal delegation of legislative power by Congress to the Secretary of Agriculture, imposed a tax on one class for the benefit of another class, and was in furtherance of a State and not a Federal function.

On June 26 the first court attack on the processing taxes to be recorded in New York was recorded when Judge Byers of New York City granted to Adolf Gobel, Inc., an order directing Government officials to show cause why they should not be enjoined from taking further steps to collect the tax from the company. The New York "Journal of Commerce" of June 27 outlined this case as follows:

The Gobel Company, which owes \$522,227.68 in processing taxes to the Government, covering its packing operations for the past six months, attacked the processing taxes on four constitutional grounds. Counsel for the packers alleged:

#### Cite Schechter Decision

1. That the AAA, delegating authority to the Secretary of Agriculture to fix the tax due, is an unlawful delegation of the power of Congress.

2. That the tax is confiscatory, because its operation is ruinous to the packing business.

3. That the tax is unlawful because it interferes with intra-state commerce as defined in the Schechter decision by the United States Supreme Court.

4. That the processing levy is not a tax, but is class legislation taking money from Eastern consumers to aid Western farmers.

The action filed by the Gobel Company is similar to a number of suits filed by other meat packers on the Eastern seaboard in recent weeks.

Refusing to pay about \$400,000 in processing taxes due on July 1, four big milling companies filed suit in the United States District Court in New York City on July 2 for a declaratory judgment that the AAA was unconstitutional. They also asked for an injunction to restrain Joseph T. Higgins, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Third District, from collecting the taxes. As to further details we quote as follows from the New York "Times" of July 3:

Federal Judge Henry W. Goddard signed a temporary order restraining the collector from collecting the taxes until July 23, when an argument will be heard on an order to show cause why the injunction should not be continued pending the outcome of the suits on the constitutionality of the AAA.

The law firm of Sullivan & Cromwell appeared as attorneys for the Standard Milling Company of 88 Lexington Avenue, Dawes, Abbott & Littlefield represented the Dunlop Milling Co. at 250 Park Avenue and Clarksville, Tenn.; the Postum Co. of 250 Park Avenue and Battle Creek, Mich., and Igleheart Bros., Inc., of 250 Park Avenue and Evansville and Vincennes, Ind. Austin S. Igleheart, as Vice-President of the Dunlop, Postum and Igleheart Companies, signed those three complaints.

#### Declare Tax is Illegal

All four companies asserted that their attorneys had advised them that the processing taxes due yesterday were not legally collectable on the ground that the AAA was unconstitutional. The Standard Milling Company denied the right of the Government to collect \$256,783, and the Dunlop, Postum and Igleheart Companies, respectively \$36,313.69, \$40,226.40 and \$76,553.13. . . The complaint papers explained that the taxes due July 1 had been withheld because the companies feared they would soon be without redress, inasmuch as the bill amending the AAA now pending in the Senate and already passed by the House of Representatives, would make it impossible to sue the Government for the refund of processing taxes already paid, regardless of whether the AAA is held unconstitutional.

The complaints alleged that the AAA was unconstitutional because it was not warranted by the taxing power in Article 1 of the Constitution, because it was an attempt by the Federal Government to exercise powers reserved to the States or to the people by the Tenth Amendment, because it purported to deprive plaintiffs of their property without due process of law in violation of the Fifth Amendment, because it delegated legislative powers to administrative officers contrary to the Supreme Court's decision in the NRA case, and because it attempted to use the power of the Federal Government to transfer property from one class of persons to another class.

Another charge was that the Secretary of Agriculture had failed to comply with all the provisions of the AAA.

On June 28 General Mills, Inc., announced that it would institute a series of injunction suits designed to stop the collection of processing taxes. B. D. Davis, President of the company, telegraphed to Secretary of Agriculture Wallace that injunction proceedings would be filed to prevent collection of processing taxes until their legality was determined. The petition of General Mills, Inc., for a permanent injunction was heard by Federal Judge Joseph W. Molyneux of Minneapolis on July 8. Attorneys representing the Government argued that the tax and the AAA are constitutional and urged that injunction proceedings are not the proper method of contesting the tax.

The suits of these various milling companies were temporarily disposed of on July 11, when the United States District Court at Minneapolis granted 10 temporary injunctions against the collection of processing taxes. Yesterday (July 12) disposition of requests for permanent injunctions was left to the September term of the Federal Court in Minneapolis. When the hearing for permanent injunctions is held the constitutionality of the AAA will be tested.

Federal Judge William H. Kirkpatrick of Philadelphia on July 1 issued orders temporarily restraining collection of processing taxes on tobacco from Bayuk Cigars, Inc., and Bobrow Bros., Inc. Associated Press advices from Philadelphia on July 1 noted these cases as follows:

The cigar companies asked for declaratory judgments that the AAA is unconstitutional because Congress illegally delegated its taxing powers to a Federal department. Walter J. Rothensies, Collector of Internal Revenue, is restrained from collecting the 3 cents a pound tax on "unsweated leaf tobacco" due for May.

Charges are made in the bills of complaint that the taxes are not measures to raise revenue for the Government, but to build up funds for the payment of "compensation" to the farmers for curtailing production.

The tobacco tax went into effect in October 1933, and has been maintained since. The standard for the assessment has been supposedly the "exchange value" of farm products for the articles farmers usually buy in

other markets, but both the packers and the cigar manufacturers claim that the Federal agricultural department has disregarded these standards and set arbitrary taxes and maintained them regardless of the "exchange values."

Another suit was filed in Federal Court in Indianapolis, Ind., on June 17 by Kingan & Co., meat packers, to restrain the Government from collecting \$1,154,066 now due in processing taxes.

In reporting the filing of the suit by Kingan & Co., the Indianapolis "News" of June 17 had the following to say:

Describing the act as unconstitutional, and its processing features as a "gratuity levied on one class and paid to another," the suit cited at least four points in which it is alleged it violates the Constitution of the United States:

1. That it takes the property of the plaintiff without due process of law.
2. That it was not adopted under any power expressly granted to Congress by the Constitution.
3. That it is an arbitrary exaction from the plaintiff and other meat packers for the benefit of certain farmers and producers, therefore being a gratuity instead of a tax.
4. That the act had no right to grant power to the Secretary of Agriculture to fix the amount of the processing tax, and that it also is an attempt of Congress to delegate its legislative power to the Secretary of Agriculture.

The AAA, the suit alleged, is invalid because it taxes intra-state business. While the company said it was engaged in inter-state business in the sale and distribution of meat, the slaughtering actually is an intra-state transaction.

Referring to the processing tax rate set for the months of January to June of this year by Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, the suit asserted it was in complete disregard of the tax formula set up in the act itself. Data and statistics, the suit said, show there is no basis for a processing tax of this amount.

From Indianapolis July 2 it was reported that an order temporarily restraining the Government from collecting processing taxes from seven large meat packers and millers in Indiana was issued that day by Judge Walter C. Lindley of the Eastern Illinois Federal District Court. Further advice, contained in an Indianapolis dispatch to the New York "Times" stated:

Judge Lindley heard in the arguments an attack on the AAA and its processing feature and then granted the temporary injunction.

He also took under advisement the Government's motion that the cases be dismissed and said he hoped to make final decision this month.

Judge Lindley remarked that the plaintiff had brought out that there is pending in Congress a bill forbidding the repayment of processing taxes even if the AAA is held unconstitutional. This, he said, constituted an unusual and extraordinary situation warranting the restraining order.

All the plaintiffs agreed to deposit in escrow the amount of taxes due with the exception of the Dryfuss Packing and Provision Co. Its attorneys said the plant is menaced by the threat of being sold because of non-payment of taxes. Frozen assets total \$200,000, but liquid assets are \$40,000. About \$70,000 is owed in processing taxes.

The judge issued a special order in the Dryfuss case preventing the sale of the property without an order from the court.

Other plaintiffs are the Lawrenceburg Roller Mills Company, which filed suit late Monday; Major Brothers Packing Company of Lafayette, the Milnor Provision Company of Frankfort and Schmadel Packing and Ice Company of Evansville.

Meanwhile the Senate Committee on Agriculture on June 29 ordered a favorable report on the bill providing for amendments to the AAA. Principal provisions of this measure were summarized as follows in a Washington dispatch of June 29 to the New York "Herald Tribune":

The committee revised the original bill in an effort to meet the decision of the Supreme Court in the Schechter case. However, as it stands, it gives the Secretary of Agriculture largely increased power over producers and processors.

The power of the secretary to issue orders to processors and handlers of food was limited by the committee to the handling of goods that move in inter-state commerce or "directly burden" inter-state commerce.

The committee struck out a section intended to stimulate exports by earmarking 30% of all customs duties to pay export benefits equal to the loss incurred. It also removed the provision permitting the President to raise tariffs and limit imports of products which might interfere with the AAA program.

#### Would Continue Cotton Control

The committee voted to continue the Bankhead cotton control act and the Smith-Kerr tobacco control program for a year. Provision was made that the compensating tax on rayon and other fibers competing with cotton be put at 125% of that on cotton.

The bill contains a provision intended to bar suits for recovery of processing taxes in event they are eventually found unconstitutional.

The Senate yesterday (July 12) debated the bill amending the AAA, and it was reported that an early decision might be reached. United Press advices from Washington yesterday described that debate as follows:

Resentment against the processing tax placed on commodity handlers and against a section outlawing suits for recovery of taxes already paid, may delay passage.

The measure was criticized by Senator William King (D., Utah), for its length and "complexity."

"There have been five prints of this bill," he said, "and each time it gets longer. It's eighty pages now and if it went back to the committee again it would pass the century mark."

He complained that no hearings were allowed during second consideration of the bill by the Agriculture Committee. It was recommitted after the Supreme Court's NRA decision for modifications.

"Any legislation that discriminates against millions and millions of consumers calls for severe scrutiny and perhaps condemnation," Senator King said.

"I have thousands and millions of constituents in my State who have nothing to eat but the sidewalks of New York," said Senator Royal S. Copeland (D., N. Y.), in reply to the statement that processing taxes were the "farmers' tariff."

"They don't care anything about tariffs, but they do care about paying three or four cents more for a pound of meat."

The American Liberty League issued a statement on June 30 demanding postponement of the AAA legislation as an

expansion of agricultural regimentation which had already exceeded constitutional authority. The League asked that further action be postponed pending Supreme Court decisions on the validity of the present AAA. The League said, in part:

Provisions of the bill which embody specific admissions of the invalidity of the existing statute include the following:

1. Enactment of present rates of processing taxes in lieu of an existing undue delegation of blanket power to the Secretary of Agriculture.
2. Retroactive ratification of the assessment and collection of nearly \$900,000,000 in processing taxes.
3. A prohibition against the bringing of suits for refunds or credits of processing taxes on the ground of their invalidity.
4. A prohibition against suits to enjoin the collection of processing taxes or to obtain a declaratory judgment in connection with them.
5. Repeal of the present general authority to the Secretary of Agriculture with respect to rental or benefit payments to producers and substitution of lengthy new language setting forth methods and policies in detail.
6. Repeal of the present licensing section and substitution of new language authorizing the issuance of "orders" applicable to processors and other handlers of a restricted list of agricultural commodities.
7. Nominal restrictions of orders and marketing agreements to inter-state commerce, but in language designed to make possible continued control of a considerable volume of intra-state business.

Seven associations of advertisers and publishers yesterday (July 12) issued a statement in which they attacked the AAA measure and declared that it "must be beaten". The New York "Sun" of July 12 noted this action as follows:

A manifesto, drawn up last night in readiness for the opening of the campaign to-day, was signed by Jerome D. Barnum, president of the American Newspaper Publishers Association; Allyn B. McIntyre, president Association of National Advertisers; W. B. Warner, president National Publishers Association (magazines and periodicals); John Benson, president American Association of Advertising Agencies; Harry J. Prudden, Newspaper Representatives Association of New York; George J. Auer, Newspaper Advertising Executives Association, and Everit B. Terhune, president Associated Business Papers, Inc.

#### Only Four Work Relief Projects Started by July 4—Allocations of \$316,278,881 Recommended by Advisory Committee on Allotments

Although hundreds of millions of dollars have been allocated for work relief projects, only four of the new ones approved had actually been started by July 4, according to reports from Washington on that date, which added that only a few hundred men had been given work. Officials said, however, that much detail was necessary in completing plans so that work could be started, and pointed out that President Roosevelt had remarked that he did not expect the program to function at its peak until mid-November.

Robert C. Fechner, Director of the Emergency Conservation Works program, announced on June 30 that he had compiled a list of major items to be purchased with a \$25,000,000 appropriation.

The Advisory Committee on Allotments on July 1 recommended to President Roosevelt allocations of \$316,278,881, including \$142,245,275 to States and cities. It was estimated that this amount would give employment to 169,900 persons for one year. Details of this recommendation and of others were given as follows in a Washington dispatch of July 1 to the New York "Times":

The Committee also recommended for Presidential approval an allocation of \$100,000,000 for the Civilian Conservation Corps, \$50,000,000 to finance the President's program for relief of the country's youth, \$5,110,689, representing a 45% grant, for 40 Federal projects in various sections, and \$900,000 to be applied to the expenses of the National Resources Commission.

#### Proposed Division

The work relief recommendation of \$142,000,000 concerns, besides New York City, Indiana, Alabama and Georgia and the District of Columbia. Indiana would receive \$37,052,973; Georgia, \$10,256,600, and Alabama, \$10,196,346. The District of Columbia would receive \$1,959,043.

The allocations were worked out on a basis of \$812 a year per person employed this amount to cover wages, overhead and materials.

Before meeting with the advisory committee the President approved various allocations previously recommended, including \$88,174,139 to the Federal Emergency Relief Administration for the feeding and clothing of the needy during July.

Another approved was \$91,000,000 to be used for rural rehabilitation and relief under the direction of Rexford G. Tugwell. Included are funds to set up the organization. The Resettlement Administration thus began to function officially to-day.

The President also approved an allotment of \$69,985,000 for the lowest housing and slum clearance activities of the Public Works Administration.

He took under consideration recommendation for an allocation of \$13,913,118 for eradication of insects and plant diseases in all sections; \$2,800,000 would be used to combat the gypsy moth in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and the New England States.

#### Urge Farm Roads

Much larger allotments of work relief funds for the construction of "farm-to-market roads," or secondary, cheap highways to act as feeders for main roads, were asked of the President by a large delegation headed by Representative Utterback of Iowa and said to have included House members from 17 States.

Its members generally expressed much dissatisfaction with the program, which thus far has seen only \$50,000,000 allocated to such roads.

#### Conclusion of Two-Year Contract with Union Partially Averts Threatened Walkout of 40,000 Garment Workers—Governor Lehman Intervened to Prevent Strike

A threatened strike of 40,000 New York City garment workers was partially averted on July 6, when the Inter-

national Council of Cloak, Suit and Skirt Manufacturers, Inc., agreed with the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union on the terms of a new wage and hour contract, although thousands of employees quit work on July 9 pending signing of the contract. The Council's members employ 55% of the 40,000 cloakmakers who had been threatening to go on strike since the termination of their contract on June 1. The new agreement will extend for two years, and its major provisions were continued from previous contracts at the suggestion of Governor Lehman, who had intervened to prevent a walkout. The chief provisions were noted as follows in the New York "Herald Tribune" of July 7:

The heart of the controversy was the question of contractor limitation which was embodied in the previous contract, but which some of the employers' groups were averse to continuing. This provision, which limits the number of contractors to whom a jobber may give his work, was included in the new contract.

#### Continue 35-Hour Week and Old Wage

It was also agreed, as requested by Mr. Lehman, that the 35-hour week and the pay scales in effect under the old contract should be continued. The union had asked for a 20% increase.

The most significant of the so-called "minor points" agreed upon yesterday was the stipulation that all garments shall bear the label of the Coat and Suit Recovery Board, an agency formulated after the collapse of the National Recovery Administration to preserve gains made under it. This was said to be the first time in the history of the garment industry, with the exception of the NRA period, that a label denoting fair conditions and trade practice has been accepted.

It was also agreed that in all competing shops workers engaged in identical jobs, such as cutting or operating, for example, should be paid the same wages by the same method, either on a piecework scale or weekly. Piecework scales are so worked out by a labor bureau that the workers of average skill shall earn what is agreed upon as an average hourly return.

Some typical hourly rates are as follows: Operators, \$1.50; upper pressers, \$1.50; under pressers, \$1.25; finishers, \$1.25, and finishers' helpers, \$1. Weekly pay scales include the following: Cutters, \$55; sample makers, \$40; examiners, \$36, and drapers, \$29.

#### Union Chief Explains Pay Increase

David Dubinsky, President of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, in discussing wage scales, said that the reason the union had asked for a 20% increase was that prices have risen between 20 and 30% since the last contract was signed two years ago. He said that because of the seasonal nature of the industry employees work only between 18 and 20 weeks a year. The average annual salary, he said, is less than \$1,000.

Despite the fact that the provisions of the agreement appeared mutually satisfactory, the union on July 8 ordered a temporary stoppage of work in the shops pending the official conclusion of the contract. Employers protested against this order, although they anticipated that the contract would be signed.

#### Peter M. Grimm Named Assistant to Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau—Will Represent Treasury in Dealings on Real Estate Mortgage Loans

Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau on July 9 announced the appointment, as Assistant to the Secretary, of Peter Grimm, New York authority on real estate and municipal finance. Mr. Grimm will represent Mr. Morgenthau in relations with other Government agencies dealing with real estate mortgage loans. These agencies include the Federal Housing Administration, the Home Owners' Loan Corporation and the Farm Credit Administration. Further details of the Treasury announcement were given as follows in a Washington dispatch of July 9 to the New York "Times":

In addition to these duties, Mr. Grimm will make a study of real estate loans in which the Government has participated, it is understood.

Advances by the HOLC, the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation and the Federal Land banks have totaled to date about \$5,500,000,000. Many of these loans are guaranteed as to principal and interest by the Government.

Mr. Grimm, who is 49 years old, is President of William A. White & Sons, a real estate corporation, and was President of the Real Estate Board of New York for four years. He was one of the founders of the Citizens Budget Commission, which has studied municipal finances and introduced economies in New York City expenditures, and was Chairman of the trustees of the Commission.

#### J. P. Morgan Sails for England for Summer Vacation

J. P. Morgan, financier and banker, sailed for England from New York at midnight on July 11 aboard the Aquitania. It was announced that Mr. Morgan is making his usual annual visit abroad and that he will return to the United States in the Autumn.

#### ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, &c.

The value of seats on the New York Curb Exchange achieved a new high July 12, when arrangements were made for the transfer of a membership at \$27,500, up \$2,500 from the last previous sale of July 10. This marks the highest price paid for a seat since July last year, when a membership was exchanged for \$30,000.

The membership of Morris Abraham in the New York Cotton Exchange was sold July 12 to Harold L. Bache for another for \$11,200, this price being \$950.00 in advance of the previous sale.

Edward Townsend, former President and Chairman of the board of the old Importers & Traders National Bank, New

York, died July 11. Mr. Townsend, who was 86 years old, retired nine years ago. When he was 18 he joined the bank as junior clerk. He served consecutively as head correspondence clerk, assistant cashier, cashier and became President in 1902. In 1916, he resigned the presidency on his 50th anniversary with the bank, and was elected Chairman of the boards of directors. The bank merged in 1923 with the Equitable Trust Co. of New York, which later became the Chase National Bank. He continued with the institution as chairman of the advisory committee of the Importers & Traders office of the Equitable until 1926, when he retired on his sixtieth anniversary of banking.

The statement of condition of the Clinton Trust Co. of New York as of June 29 showed total deposits of \$4,535,766 compared with \$4,094,371 on Mar. 30 and \$3,528,404 on Dec. 31 1934. Total resources were \$5,895,312 compared with \$5,340,271 on Mar. 30 and \$4,787,214 on Dec. 31. Bond and stock investments as of June 29 totaled \$2,562,191 and loans and discounts secured by collateral aggregated \$1,213,840. Capital stock on June 29 was \$500,000, capital notes or debentures \$200,000 and surplus and undivided profits \$352,468. Reserves amounted to \$307,077.

The Central Savings Bank of New York celebrated its 76th anniversary on July 1. Concurrently, August Zinsser, President of the institution, observed his 20th anniversary as trustee. The bank has deposits in excess of \$188,000,000 an increase of approximately \$3,000,000 over last year. The depositors number 216,000 about 45,000 of which were added during the past year.

The statement of the Lawyers County Trust Co., New York, shows total resources of \$37,974,050 at the end of the first six months compared with \$37,718,963 on Dec. 31. Deposits were \$33,340,208 compared with \$33,501,235. Undivided profits are up from \$987,759 to \$1,081,075, and reserves likewise increased during the period from \$148,394 to \$266,984. Cash and due from banks stood at \$8,029,156 at the half-year against \$8,212,536 on Dec. 31, while all Government and municipal bond accounts were substantially increased. Government securities totaled \$9,180,711 against \$8,801,272 on Dec. 31; New York State bonds were \$1,551,235 against \$1,330,275; and other State and municipals were \$2,566,432 against \$2,120,907. In accord with the bank's policy, all securities are carried on the books at the actual market value.

The New York Hanseatic Corp., New York, in its statement of condition as of June 29 1935, shows United States Government securities, including those pledged as collateral and sold under repurchase amounting to \$15,339,692, which compares with \$7,262,794 on Dec. 31 1934, and bankers' acceptances, including those sold under endorsement, of \$3,534,616, compared with \$5,996,801 on Dec. 31. Net profit for the first six months of this year amount to \$75,590, which, after deduction of \$40,000 for dividends for that period, leaves surplus of \$639,800 against \$604,209 on Dec. 31 last. Loans payable total \$18,100,943, of which \$14,678,299 is secured by United States Government securities and \$3,422,644 by bankers' acceptances.

Howard R. McFarland has been appointed Assistant Secretary of the Harlem Savings Bank, New York. Mr. McFarland has been with the institution for the past 15 years.

Francis J. Goldman, Vice-President of the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., New York, died on July 1. Mr. Goldman, who lived in Mamaroneck, N. Y., died while vacationing at his summer camp in Speculator, N. Y.

Addison H. Day, who was Comptroller of the Marine Midland Trust Co., New York, until a year ago, died on July 9 at his home in Chatham, N. J. He was 85 years old. Mr. Day began his banking career when he was 19 years old as a messenger for the Ninth National Bank. After serving for 22 years with the Bank of the State of New York which consolidated with the Bank of North America, he joined the Coal & Iron Bank. This institution merged with the Fidelity Trust Co., later becoming known as the Marine Midland Trust Co.

George Stirling Dates, partner in the brokerage firm of Dates & Dyer, New York, died at his home in East Orange, N. J., on July 6. Mr. Dates started his brokerage career when, as a youth, he entered the firm of McGraw, Blagden & Draper. Later he joined the firm of H. N. Whitney & Co., and in 1917 he became connected with James A. and James R. Dyer to form the present partnership of Dates & Dyer.

The New York Banking Department on July 3 gave authority to the Empire City Savings Bank, New York, to move its branch at 34th Street and Lexington Avenue to 2 Park Avenue (33rd Street).

A memorial tablet, marking the historic building in Paris where the first Treaty of Alliance between France and the United States was signed in 1778, was unveiled July 4 at ceremonies participated in by French notables and promi-



ment members of the American Colony of Paris, it has been announced by the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York. The building in which the famous treaty was signed is the Hotel de Coislin, 4 Place de la Concorde, now occupied by the Paris Office of the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York. The commemorative plaque was placed in the arched facade of the building fronting the Place de la Concorde. Jesse I. Straus, American Ambassador to France, formally accepted the plaque on behalf of the United States Government.

Shareholders of the National Shawmut Bank of Boston, Mass., at a special meeting held July 8, voted to reduce the capital stock of the institution from \$20,000,000 to \$10,000,000, that the entire amount of such reduction (\$10,000,000) be transferred to surplus account, and that the par value of the bank's shares be reduced from \$25 a share to \$12.50 a share. The Springfield "Republican" of July 9, from which this is learned, continued:

The rearrangement of capital results in a structure with \$10,000,000 in capital stock and \$20,000,000 in surplus, and maintains the same strong ratio of about 18% of capital funds to normal deposits as existed prior to the rearrangement. The generally accepted ratio of capital funds to normal deposits is 10%.

Under the plan, stockholders will have the same number of shares as at present; each share will have the same assets behind it as at present; and the plan does not contemplate any reduction in the present annual dividend of \$1 which is being fully earned even under present conditions, according to the statement of the directors to the shareholders. The transfer of funds from capital account to surplus account, without any deductions whatever, so the directors state, is possible because all losses as determined by the federal supervising authorities have been charged off or have been fully provided for by reserves.

The New Jersey State Department of Banking and Insurance on July 10 took over for liquidation the Merchants' Trust Co. and the Security Trust Co., both of Paterson, in order to conserve the interests of depositors. Both banks have been operating under the restrictions of the Altman act for the past eighteen months in an effort to reorganize. Trenton advices on July 10 to the New York "Herald Tribune," from which this is learned, continued in part:

Carl K. Withers, State Commissioner of Banking and Insurance, estimated a dividend would be paid to depositors and creditors within four months in an amount substantially the same as proposed under the contemplated rehabilitation. Within a year he predicted they would receive more from liquidation than from the proposed reopening.

"The depositors," said Commissioner Withers, "can be assured their interests will be protected and every effort will be made to produce a maximum from the assets to be liquidated. The liquidation will be carried on with a minimum of expense."

Concerning the affairs of the defunct Farmers' State Bank of Fountaintown, Ind., a dispatch from Greenfield, Ind., on July 5 to the Indianapolis "News," contained the following:

A 12½% dividend is being paid to depositors in the closed Farmers' State Bank of Fountaintown. The checks are being sent out by William G. Jacobi, Cashier of the new Palestine Bank, liquidating agent. The dividend brings the payments on deposits to 87½%.

Two Saint Paris, Ohio, banking institutions—the First National Bank, capitalized at \$52,100, and the Central National Bank, with capital of \$50,000—were consolidated on June 29 under the title of the First Central National Bank of Saint Paris. The new organization is capitalized at \$50,000, with surplus of \$10,000.

The First National Bank of Fort Branch, Fort Branch, Ind., as of July 1, changed its location to Owensville, Ind., and its title to the First National Bank of Owensville.

As of June 29, the First National Bank of Randolph, Neb., went into voluntary liquidation. The institution, which was capitalized at \$50,000, was succeeded by the First State Bank of Randolph.

From the "Oklahoman" of July 2 it is learned that dividend payments to depositors of three Oklahoma banks in liquidation were announced on July 1 by the State Banking Department. We quote the paper:

Ten per cent. dividend, which amounts to \$23,579, was declared in liquidation of Bank of Picher, Picher. It is the first payment and will be made July 8.

Others are: First State Bank, Goodwell, 10%, total of \$1,598, July 8, and Bank of Adair, Adair, 25%, \$998.18, making payment in full to depositors July 5.

Gurney P. Hood, State Commissioner of Banks for North Carolina, announced on July 3 that liquidation of the Bank of Pee Dee, at Rockingham, N. C., had been completed, with depositors receiving about half their money and all other claimants being paid in full. In noting this, the Raleigh "News and Observer" of July 4 supplied further details as follows:

Depositors received \$139,537.53, or 44.5% of their money, in dividends, and an additional \$38,956.33 in offsets. Preferred claimants were paid \$39,165.77, and secured creditors received \$123,939.53 and \$1,710.11 in interest.

The Rockingham bank, which closed in December 1930, collected only \$385,089.23, or 46% of its assets of \$846,595.40. The income during liquidation amounted to \$31,200.45, leaving a liquidating profit of \$1,911.26 over expenses.

In its statement of condition as of June 29, the United States National Bank of Portland, Ore., shows deposits of \$94,573,693, or an increase of approximately \$7,000,000, since its March 4 statement, and of more than \$14,000,000 during the year from June 30 1934. From an announcement by the bank, we also take the following:

Resources in its current statement total \$102,400,756 as against slightly over \$91,000,000 a year ago. This is the first time the United States National of Portland has exceeded the \$100,000,000 mark in its resources, but it has been known that the totals have hovered in excess of \$100,000,000 for some months.

In addition to its five Portland units, the bank has nine branches located in the following important Oregon centers: Albany, McMinnville, Mount Angel, Oregon City, Pendleton, St. Helens, Salem, The Dalles and Eugene. This last-named branch was established June 17 by purchase of the United States National Bank of Eugene.

After a banking career extending over a period of nearly forty-five years, C. W. Frazee, Supervisor of Branches of the Royal Bank of Canada (head office Montreal) in Quebec, New Brunswick and Eastern Ontario, retired from the bank's service on June 30. In outlining Mr. Frazee's career, the Montreal "Gazette" of July 2, said in part:

Mr. Frazee entered the service of the Union Bank of Halifax at Halifax, N. S., in September 1890, and within six years, after periods of service at New Glasgow and Liverpool, he was appointed manager of the bank's branch in Dartmouth. Two years later he took over the management of North Sydney branch and in 1903, at the comparatively early age of twenty-nine years, he was appointed manager at Halifax, continuing in charge after the amalgamation of the Union Bank of Halifax with the Royal Bank of Canada in 1910. In February 1917, he was appointed Supervisor of the bank's branches in British Columbia where he remained until his appointment in 1926 to the position which he has recently relinquished.

The statement of accounts of Barclays Bank, Ltd., of London, as of June 30, shows substantial increases in deposits and total resources, deposits being quoted at £382,795,860 and total resources, £415,846,891, according to cable advices received at the New York representative's office. Cash items include cash in hand and with the Bank of England of £44,291,043; balances with other British banks and checks in course of collection in the amount of £12,239,946; money at call and short notice £24,682,400, and bills discounted, £44,360,170. The bank's investment account consists of almost exclusively of securities of, or guaranteed by, the British Government, representing £97,201,671 of an aggregate of £105,118,510. Total advances are reported as £163,266,305. Barclays Bank, Ltd., one of the "big five" English banks, recently declared dividends for the first half-year at the rate of 10% on the A shares and 14% on the B and C shares, these rates of dividend being the same as those maintained for many years past.

The directors of Westminster Bank, Ltd. (head office London), have declared an interim dividend of 9% for the half-year ended June 30 on the £4 shares, and the maximum dividend of 6¼% on the £1 shares for the same period. The dividend (less income tax) will be payable on Aug. 1.

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, July 13) bank exchanges for all cities of the United States from which it is possible to obtain weekly returns will be 3.4% above those for the corresponding week last year. Our preliminary total stands at \$5,326,725,317, against \$5,153,686,906 for the same week in 1934. At this center there is a gain for the week ended Friday of 3.0%. Our comparative summary for the week follows:

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph Week Ending July 13	1935	1934	Per Cent
New York	\$2,700,278,647	\$2,622,168,849	+3.0
Chicago	198,213,387	198,406,899	-0.1
Philadelphia	259,000,000	246,000,000	+5.3
Boston	164,000,000	145,000,000	+13.1
Kansas City	73,581,208	65,767,590	+11.9
St. Louis	62,700,000	58,500,000	+7.2
San Francisco	100,861,000	84,400,000	+19.5
Pittsburgh	76,768,355	84,537,618	-9.2
Detroit	65,527,254	52,539,234	+24.7
Cleveland	54,774,489	53,523,048	+2.3
Baltimore	47,395,227	43,041,608	+10.1
New Orleans	21,049,000	23,641,000	-11.0
Twelve cities, 5 days	\$3,824,248,567	\$3,677,525,846	+4.0
Other cities, 5 days	614,689,197	532,892,370	+15.3
Total all cities, 5 days	\$4,438,937,764	\$4,210,418,216	+5.4
All cities, 1 day	\$87,787,553	943,268,690	-5.9
Total all cities for week	\$5,326,725,317	\$5,153,686,906	+3.4

Complete and exact details for the week covered by the foregoing will appear in our issue of next week. We cannot furnish them to-day inasmuch as the week ends to-day (Saturday) and the Saturday figures will not be available until noon to-day. Accordingly, in the above the last day of the week in all cases has to be estimated.

In the elaborate detailed statement, however, which we present further below, we are able to give final and complete results for the week previous—the week ended July 6. For that week there is an increase of 26.8%, the aggregate of clearings for the whole country being \$6,301,488,068

against \$4,968,377,164 in the same week in 1934. Outside of this city there is an increase of 17.5%, the bank clearings at this center having recorded a gain of 32.5%. 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 show an expansion of 32.5%, in the Boston Reserve District of 23.7% and in the Philadelphia Reserve District of 13.1%.

In the Cleveland Reserve District the totals are larger by 13.8%, in the Richmond Reserve District by 8.5% and in the Atlanta Reserve District by 15.9%. The Chicago Reserve District enjoys an improvement of 24.3%, the St. Louis Reserve District of 12.3% and the Minneapolis Reserve District of 7.4%. In the Dallas Reserve District there is a loss of 0.3% but in the Kansas City Reserve District there is a gain of 5.7% and in the San Francisco Reserve District of 26.4%.

In the following we furnish a summary of Federal Reserve districts:

SUMMARY OF BANK CLEARINGS

Table with columns: Week Ended July 6 1935, 1935, 1934, Inc. or Dec., 1933, 1932. Rows include Federal Reserve Districts (1st Boston, 2nd New York, 3rd Philadelphia, etc.), Total (111 cities), Outside N. Y. City, and Canada (32 cities).

We now add our detailed statement showing last week's figures for each city separately for the four years:

Large table with columns: Clearings at—, Week Ended July 6, 1935, 1934, Inc. or Dec., 1933, 1932. Rows are organized by Federal Reserve Districts (First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, etc.) and list various cities within each district.

Large table with columns: Clearings at—, Week Ended July 6, 1935, 1934, Inc. or Dec., 1933, 1932. Rows are organized by Federal Reserve Districts (Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth) and list various cities within each district.

a Not included in totals. b No clearings available. c Clearing House not functioning at present. \* Estimated.

THE CURB EXCHANGE

Price movements on the New York Curb Exchange have been irregular during most of the present week. Profit taking, particularly in the public utilities group, has been in evidence from time to time but was, as a rule, quickly absorbed. Transactions were generally light, but there was a moderate drift to higher levels during most of the week.

Profit taking, due to week-end adjustments, gave the curb market an appearance of irregularity during the brief session on Saturday. There were a few stocks that showed an inclination to move against the trend, but throughout the general list there was a tendency to work down to lower levels. Public utility shares lost some of their gains of the previous days, but the recessions were usually fractional. Losses were also recorded by some of the prominent oil stocks and mining issues as well as by a number of popular industrials and specialties. The turnover for the day was 96,000 shares.

Irregularity again marked the curb trading on Monday, and while there was some profit-taking apparent from time to time, mining issues and specialties were fairly strong and advances ranging from fractions to a point or more were in evidence as the session came to an end. The best gains were registered by such trading favorites as Aluminium, Ltd., 2 1/4 points to 27; Celluloid Corp. 1st pref., 2 1/2 points to 75; Draper Corp., 2 points to 61 1/2; Driver Harris pref. (7), 2 points to 100; Consolidated Gas of Baltimore, 2 points to 84; Pacific Lighting pref., 2 points to 101; Pittsburgh & Lake Erie RR., 2 1/2 points to 59 1/2; A. O. Smith, 5 points to 67, and United Shoe Machinery, 1 3/4 points to 84 1/2.

Specialties assumed the leadership of the curb market on Tuesday and a number of prominent stocks in this group closed the session with modest gains. Merchandising shares also attracted considerable buying as the market continued its forward movement. Among the advances registered at the close of the market were Crane Co. pref., 2 points to 110; Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. non-voting, 2 points to 130; Commonwealth Edison, 1 1/2 points to 80 1/2; Lynch Corp., 2 points to 41; Mead Johnson, 4 points to 69, and A. O. Smith Co., 2 1/4 points to 62. The volume of trading was approximately 165,000 shares.

Price movements on the curb exchange were somewhat irregular and confused on Wednesday, some of the popular stocks among the liquor shares showing substantial gains, while many other active issues, particularly in the utilities group, were reactionary. The losses, however, were small and were without special significance. Outstanding among the gains were such stocks as Celluloid 1st pref., 4 points to 79; Commonwealth Edison, 1 point to 82; Consolidated Gas of Baltimore, 1 1/4 points to 85 1/4, and Hiram Walker, 1 3/8 points to 28 3/4.

Curb market prices were lower on Thursday due to early pressure in the public utilities which extended later on to a number of the regular trading favorites. Some of the mining and metal stocks and a few of the specialties showed an inclination to resist the downward swing, and in most cases the changes were comparatively narrow. Prominent among the recessions were Dow Chemical 6 1/2 points to 98, A. O. Smith 3 points to 62, Florida Power & Light (\$7.) pref. 2 1/4 points to 31 1/4 and Fajardo Sugar 2 1/2 points to 92.

The trend of prices was again toward lower levels on Friday. Public utilities continued under pressure, the losses in this group ranging from 1 to 3 or more points. Consolidated Gas of Baltimore was particularly weak and dipped 3 points to 82. Dow Chemical added 5 points to its loss of the preceding day and Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. pref. (7) slipped back 2 points to 126 1/2. As compared with Friday of last week, prices were lower, Allied Mills closing last night at 18 3/4 against 18 7/8 on Friday a week ago, American Gas & Electric at 29 3/4 against 30 1/4, American Light & Traction at 11 1/2 against 12 1/8, Canadian Marconi at 1 3/4 against 2, Carrier Corp. at 16 3/8 against 16 1/2, Cities Service at 1 5/8 against 2, Commonwealth Edison at 80 against 83, Creole Petroleum at 17 1/4 against 17 3/4, Electric Bond & Share at 8 1/2 against 9 5/8, Fairchild Aviation at 7 7/8 against 8, Fisk Rubber Corp. at 6 against 6 1/4, Ford of Canada A at 27 1/4 against 28, Glen Alden Coal at 17 3/4 against 18 3/4, Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines at 14 against 14 1/4, International Petroleum at 35 against 35 3/8, Lake Shore Mines at 50 3/4 against 51 and Niagara Hudson Power at 7 against 7 1/4.

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE

Week Ended July 12 1935	Stocks (Number of Shares)	Bonds (Par Value)			
		Domestic	Foreign Government	Foreign Corporate	Total
Saturday	96,040	\$2,261,000	\$9,000	\$33,000	\$2,303,000
Monday	164,605	4,706,000	39,000	45,000	4,790,000
Tuesday	235,450	4,972,000	82,000	52,000	5,106,000
Wednesday	232,700	5,306,000	20,000	31,000	5,357,000
Thursday	193,128	5,230,000	61,000	110,000	5,401,000
Friday	221,055	4,490,000	49,000	33,000	4,572,000
Total	1,142,978	\$26,965,000	\$260,000	\$304,000	\$27,529,000

Sales at New York Curb Exchange	Week Ended July 12		Jan. 1 to July 12	
	1935	1934	1935	1934
Stocks—No. of shares.	1,142,978	861,400	26,871,748	36,591,176
Bonds				
Domestic	\$26,965,000	\$18,660,000	\$654,766,000	\$534,592,000
Foreign government	260,000	788,000	9,242,000	19,852,000
Foreign corporate	304,000	699,000	6,767,000	16,482,000
Total	\$27,529,000	\$20,147,000	\$670,775,000	\$570,926,000

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of June 26 1935:

GOLD

The Bank of England gold reserve against notes amounted to £192,716,335 on the 19th instant, as compared with £192,663,934 on the previous Wednesday.

In the open market about £3,000,000 of bar gold changed hands at the daily fixing during the past week. Prices have included only small premiums over gold exchange parities and movements have again been within narrow limits.

Quotations during the week:

	Per Fine Ounce	Equivalent Value of £ Sterling
June 20	141s. 1 1/2 d.	12s. 0.47d.
June 21	141s. 2 1/2 d.	12s. 0.39d.
June 22	141s. 1d.	12s. 0.52d.
June 24	140s. 11 1/2 d.	12s. 0.65d.
June 25	141s. 1/2 d.	12s. 0.56d.
June 26	141s. 2d.	12s. 0.43d.
Average	141s. 1.17d.	12s. 0.50d.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of gold registered from mid-day on the 17th instant to mid-day on the 24th instant:

Imports		Exports	
British South Africa	£1,362,881	Germany	£54,200
British West Africa	107,069	Netherlands	154,218
British India	274,559	France	50,042
British Malaya	31,289	Belgium	189,200
Hongkong	35,503	Switzerland	13,036
New Zealand	31,542	U. S. A.	114,500
Germany	5,421	Other countries	6,239
Netherlands	259,459		
France	118,702		
Switzerland	28,132		
Spain	27,480		
Belgium	7,172		
Other countries	17,072		
	£2,306,281		£581,435

The SS. "Comorin" which sailed from Bombay on the 22nd instant carries gold to the value of about £487,000 consigned to London.

SILVER

The market developed a very weak tendency during the second half of the week and there was a sharp decline in prices. This was due mainly to heavy re-selling by the Indian Bazaars, but there was also re-selling by China and speculators generally. At the lower rates, substantial purchases were made presumably for the American Treasury and there has also been some buying on China account.

The bull position still remains large, but the liquidations made during the week should make for healthier conditions. The immediate outlook is uncertain and depends largely upon whether the Indian Bazaars continue their re-sales; America is showing no inclination to press, but it seems likely that further support from this quarter will be forthcoming, especially if prices seem inclined to sag.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of silver registered from mid-day on the 17th instant to mid-day on the 24th instant:

Imports		Exports	
British West Africa	£4,783	Bombay—via other ports	£10,695
British India	28,709	Sweden	3,800
Australia	33,206	Italy	8,503
New Zealand	5,724	Liberia	10,000
Egypt	115,521	U. S. A.	146,310
Soviet Union	77,794	Other countries	1,764
Belgium	30,121		
Switzerland	9,646		
Java	9,132		
Morocco	7,500		
Aden & dependencies	13,852		
Other countries	11,491		
	£347,479		£181,072

Quotations during the week:

IN LONDON			IN NEW YORK		
—Bar Silver per Oz. Std.—			(Per Ounce .999 Fine)		
	Cash	2 Mos.	June 19	June 20	June 21
June 20	32 5-16d.	32 9-16d.	72 1/2 c.	72 1/2 c.	72 3/4 c.
June 21	32 5-16d.	32 3/4 d.	72 1/2 c.	72 3/4 c.	72 3/4 c.
June 22	32 5-16d.	32 9-16d.	72 1/2 c.	72 3/4 c.	72 3/4 c.
June 24	31 1/2 d.	31 3/4 d.	70 1/2 c.	70 1/2 c.	70 1/2 c.
June 25	31 1-16d.	31 5-16d.	69 3/4 c.	69 3/4 c.	69 3/4 c.
June 26	31d.	31 1/4 d.			
Average	31.719d.	31.969d.			

The highest rate of exchange on New York recorded during the period from the 20th instant to the 26th instant was \$4.95 1/4 and the lowest \$4.92 1/4.

Stocks in Shanghai on the 22nd instant consisted of 280,000,000 dollars and 44,600,000 ounces in bar silver, as compared with 279,000,000 dollars and 44,600,000 ounces in bar silver on the 15th instant.

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., July 6	Mon., July 8	Tues., July 9	Wed., July 10	Thurs., July 11	Fri., July 12
Silver, per oz.	30 11-16d.	30 7-16d.	30 3/4 d.	31 1/2 d.	31 1/2 d.	31 1/2 d.
Gold, p. fine oz. 141s.	140s. 9d.	140s. 7d.	140s. 11d.	140s. 8d.	140s. 11d.	140s. 11d.
Consols, 2 1/2% Holiday	85 1/2	85 1/2	86	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2
British 3 1/2%—						
W. L. ———— Holiday	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 3/4	106 3/4	106 3/4	106 3/4
British 4%—						
1960-90 ———— Holiday	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 3/4	118 3/4	118 3/4	118 3/4

The price of silver per oz. (in cents) in the United States on the same days has been:

	Sat., July 6	Mon., July 8	Tues., July 9	Wed., July 10	Thurs., July 11	Fri., July 12
Bar N. Y. (Foreign)-----	68 3/4	68 3/4	68 3/4	68 3/4	69 3/4	68 3/4
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

CURRENT NOTICES

—James E. Sauter, formerly a partner of Theodore Prince & Co., and previously President of Bloomingdale-Prince Corp., textile bankers, and A. Putnam Humphreys of Denver, a grandson of the late Col. A. E. Humphreys prominent oil man of that city, have formed the firm of Sauter, Humphreys & Co., members New York Stock Exchange, with offices at 30 Broad Street, this city. Mr. Humphreys is a member of the New York Stock Exchange, and Mr. Sauter is a member of the Chicago Board of Trade and the New Orleans Cotton Exchange.

—The Securities Signing Corp. has moved its executive offices to Suite 1004, 40 East 49th Street, New York City. The main signing room is to be continued in the Kuhn Loeb Building, 52 William Street, in the heart of the New York financial district.

The corporation has recently appointed Schwabacher-Frey & Co. of 735 Market Street, San Francisco, Calif., as its western representative and signing equipment is being installed there for covering all Pacific Coast requirements.

—Riter & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange and dealers in investment securities, with offices in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and Boston, announce the admission to general partnership of Reinert M. Torgerson, and to limited partnership of Arthur Gwynne, formerly a partner of Gwynne Brothers. Mr. Torgerson will be the New York Stock Exchange member of the firm. Aubrey S. Whiteley has withdrawn from general partnership in the firm.

—F. Eberstadt & Co., Inc., 39 Broadway, New York, has prepared a special study of power and light preferred stocks which are now selling at substantial discounts.

TREASURY MONEY HOLDINGS

The following compilation, made up from the daily Government statements, shows the money holdings of the Treasury at the beginning of business on the first of April, May, June and July, 1935:

Holdings in U. S. Treasury	Apr. 1 1935	May 1 1935	June 1 1935	July 1 1935
Net gold coin and bullion..	1,052,106,149	1,018,584,787	1,038,883,274	995,044,850
Net silver coin and bullion	167,105,226	157,355,827	147,384,638	146,304,999
Net United States notes..	2,135,154	3,193,997	3,005,466	1,894,113
Net National bank notes..	20,393,321	20,100,816	21,263,833	29,652,823
Net Federal Reserve notes	15,446,170	15,139,585	14,525,705	16,024,045
Net Fed. Res. bank notes..	1,727,323	1,148,904	1,872,794	1,584,012
Net subsidiary silver.....	3,411,327	4,696,791	7,437,616	4,972,721
Minor coin, &c.....	10,033,827	7,425,689	8,610,344	18,150,402
<b>Total cash in Treasury..</b>	<b>1,272,328,497</b>	<b>1,227,646,396</b>	<b>1,242,983,670</b>	<b>*1213,627,965</b>
Less gold reserve fund....	156,039,431	156,039,431	156,039,431	156,039,431
<b>Cash balance in Treas...</b>	<b>1,116,289,066</b>	<b>1,071,606,965</b>	<b>1,086,944,239</b>	<b>1,057,588,534</b>
Dep. in spec'd depositories				
account Treas'y bonds..				
Treasury notes and cer-				
tificates of indebtedness	1,325,360,000	1,238,647,000	925,971,000	799,021,000
Dep. in Fed. Res. bank..	451,409,967	113,882,334	106,764,120	118,346,260
Dep. in National banks—				
To credit Treas. U. S..	8,179,142	9,920,633	7,580,596	9,028,448
To credit disab. officers..	27,636,908	26,374,452	27,496,290	26,960,972
Cash in Philippine islands	2,125,392	2,298,230	2,130,910	2,441,338
Deposits in foreign depts.	2,579,044	2,653,478	2,494,978	2,682,474
Dep. in Fed. Land banks.				
<b>Net cash in Treasury</b>	<b>2,933,579,520</b>	<b>2,465,883,092</b>	<b>2,159,382,133</b>	<b>2,016,069,026</b>
<b>and in banks.....</b>	<b>487,737,648</b>	<b>530,665,559</b>	<b>202,645,878</b>	<b>174,723,487</b>
<b>Deduct current liabilities..</b>	<b>2,445,841,872</b>	<b>1,934,717,533</b>	<b>2,956,836,255</b>	<b>1,841,345,539</b>

\* Includes in July \$134,193,184 silver bullion and \$4,585,305 minor, &c., coin, not included in statement "Stock of Money."

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE UNITED STATES TREASURY AS OF MAY 31 1935

The monthly report of the Treasury Department, showing assets and liabilities as of May 31 1935 of governmental corporations and credit agencies, financed wholly or in part by the United States, was contained in the Department's daily statement for June 29. The report is the twelfth such to be issued by the Treasury; the last previous one, for April 30 1935, appeared in our issue of June 8, pages 3836-3838.

The report for May 31 shows in the case of agencies financed wholly from Government funds a proprietary interest of the United States as of that date of \$3,187,248,354, which compares with \$3,119,732,460 April 30. In the case of these wholly-owned Government agencies, the proprietary interest represents the excess of assets over liabilities, exclusive of inter-agency items.

The Government's proprietary interest in agencies financed partly from Government funds and partly from private funds as of May 31 was shown to be \$1,119,603,739. This compares with \$1,103,817,174 as of April 30. In the case of these partly-owned Government agencies, the Government's proprietary interest is the excess of assets over liabilities exclusive of inter-agency items, less the privately-owned interests. The statement follows:

COMBINED STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF GOVERNMENTAL CORPORATIONS AND CREDIT AGENCIES OF THE UNITED STATES AS OF MAY 31 1935. COMPILED FROM LATEST REPORTS RECEIVED BY THE TREASURY SUMMARY (in Thousands of Dollars—Last Three Figures Omitted)

	Assets		Liabilities and Reserves		Excess of Assets Over Liabilities		Proprietary Interest		Distribution of U. S. Interests		
	United States Securities	All Other	Guaranteed by United States	Total	Not Guaranteed by United States	Total	Privately Owned	Owned by United States	Capital Stock	Surplus	Inter-agency Interests
<b>Loans</b>	\$ 1,386,252	869,807	38,673	2,300,608	2,035,197	269,406	2,035,197	2,035,197	500,000	\$ 673,341	\$ 1,461,856
I. Financed wholly from Government funds—	59,136	388	17	60,357	60,357	60	60,357	60,357	3,000	1,259	56,097
Reconstruction Finance Corporation..	289,503	13,732	2	14,245	14,245	404	13,843	13,843	13,750	93	6144,265
Commodity Credit Corporation..	289,582										24,848
Export-Import Bank..	70,507										41,879
Public Works Administration.....	1,665										44,500
Regional Agricultural Credit corporations..	687										120,963
Production Credit corporations.....	3,104										50,000
United States Shipping Board Merchant Fleet Corporation..	100,981										36,863
Federal Reserve Bank of New York..	5,141										133,040
War Emergency corporations and agencies, &c.	1196,648	3,423	3,108	14,858	13,835	10,818	12,783	12,783	455,495	631,361	650
Other..			2,438	427,909	80,118	80,118	347,790	347,790	448,384	7,494	64,098,088
<b>Total Group I.....</b>	<b>2,107,353</b>	<b>873,230</b>	<b>55,706</b>	<b>3,552,583</b>	<b>252,089</b>	<b>365,335</b>	<b>3,187,248</b>	<b>3,187,248</b>	<b>5,654,706</b>	<b>231,901</b>	<b>62,699,359</b>
<b>II. Financed partly from Govt. and partly from private funds—</b>											
Federal Land banks.....	2,104,294	44,029	43,719	2,365,663	1,964,619	1,964,619	401,044	259,999	124,958	177,227	57,812
Federal Intermediate Credit banks.....	188,412	15,281	4,497	202,458	202,458	202,458	79,240	79,240	70,000	3,918	624,848
Federal Reserve Corporation.....	716,242	3,880	18,557	1,216,159	23,594	1,216,159	203,911	203,911	125,000	3,452	3,452
Banks for co-operatives.....	31,741	5,181	693	3,617	3,617	3,617	180,255	180,255	81,645	1,761	1,761
Home Loan banks.....	75,836	26,152	464	3,617	3,617	3,617	83,407	83,407	100,000	1,339	1,339
Home Owners' Loan Corporation..	2,626,214	15,416	3,507	2,695,235	347,733	2,695,235	101,339	101,339	100,000	1,339	1,339
Federal Savings & Loan Insurance Corporation..		1,278	247	27,869	27,869	27,869	150,000	150,000	150,000	109	109
Federal Savings & Loan associations..		15,642	144	336,277	5,516	336,277	330,760	330,760	150,000	109	109
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation..		192		130	130	130	119	119	10	109	109
War Finance Corporation..		226,983	9,422	7,558,523	2,547,782	6,091,134	1,467,388	347,785	1,119,603	1,079,484	107,155
<b>Total Group II.....</b>	<b>5,743,349</b>	<b>873,230</b>	<b>109,506</b>	<b>6,456,469</b>	<b>3,795,441</b>	<b>6,456,469</b>	<b>4,654,637</b>	<b>347,785</b>	<b>4,306,832</b>	<b>6,734,190</b>	<b>339,037</b>
<b>Grand total.....</b>	<b>7,850,703</b>	<b>1,752,460</b>	<b>165,213</b>	<b>10,111,111.107</b>	<b>3,795,441</b>	<b>12,906,559</b>	<b>8,456,675</b>	<b>8,456,675</b>	<b>11,388,892</b>	<b>13,468,380</b>	<b>666,196</b>

For footnotes, see under tables which follow.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF GOVERNMENTAL CORPORATIONS AND CREDIT AGENCIES OF THE UNITED STATES AS OF MAY 31 1935, COMPILED FROM LATEST REPORTS RECEIVED BY THE TREASURY—Continued

DETAILS (In Thousands of Dollars—Last Three Figures Omitted)

	Financed Wholly from Government Funds										Total
	Reconstruction Finance Corp.	Commodity Credit Corp.	Export-Import Banks	Public Works Administration	Regional Agricultural Credit Corp.	Production Credit Corps.	Panama Railroad Co.	U. S. Shipping Board—Merchant Fleet Corp.	War Emergency Corp. and Agencies	Other	
<b>Assets—</b>											
<b>Loans:</b>											
Banks	523,481										523,481
Railroads	428,895			129,403							558,298
Insurance companies	49,992							50		31,442	81,432
Credit unions	341										341
Building and loan associations	10,385										10,385
Livestock credit corporations	1,343										1,343
Mortgage loan companies	146,426										146,426
Agricultural credit corporations	887										887
Co-operative associations										831	831
States, Territories, &c.	17,960			152,778						22,456	170,738
Joint Stock Land banks	3,166									576	3,742
Ship construction and reconditioning loans										390	390
Mortgage loans (not otherwise classified)								100,763			100,763
Crop livestock and commodity loans	22,153	59,136									81,289
Other loans	181,217		503		76,507					132,520	290,317
<b>Total loans</b>	<b>1,386,252</b>	<b>59,136</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>282,182</b>	<b>76,507</b>			<b>217</b>	<b>5,091</b>	<b>1,196,648</b>	<b>2,107,353</b>
<b>Preferred capital stock, &amp;c.:</b>											
Banks and trust companies	869,707										869,707
Insurance companies	100										100
Railroads											
Other									3,419		3,419
<b>Cash:</b>											
With Treasurer, United States	7,629	388	13,732		1,575	259		17,437	577	61,902	103,503
On hand and in banks	74	n	n		e90	229	3,104	207	53	11,698	15,458
In transit	e58									75	133
In trust funds						198					5,354
<b>Investments:</b>											
United States securities						2,091	10,361		123	11,362	23,939
Obligations guaranteed by United States:											
Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation					1	20,431					20,432
Home Owners' Loan Corporation						20,690	1,755				22,445
Federal Land bank bonds											
Federal Intermediate Credit bank secur's											
Production credit associations—class A stock											
Railroad bonds and securities						76,766					76,766
Ship sales notes							661		1,811		2,472
Other investments								20,005			20,005
Accounts and other receivables	677	n	n		303	11	89	803	n	2,318	3,922
Accrued interest receivable	37,996	874	2		2,967	366	130	5,758	2,447	660	11,938
<b>Real estate and business property:</b>											
Real estate and equipment	534	17	2		115	77	24,188	12,155	n	46,435	83,527
Vessels and rolling stock							1,342	36,079		15,929	53,351
Stores and supplies							1,321	1,370	54	3,361	6,107
<b>Real estate and other property held for sale</b>	<b>1,484</b>			<b>6,128</b>	<b>56</b>		<b>1,321</b>	<b>1,370</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>5,001</b>	<b>13,235</b>
Other assets	89	n	5		121	45	66	439		67,699	68,467
<b>Total assets other than Inter-agency</b>	<b>2,304,603</b>	<b>60,417</b>	<b>14,248</b>	<b>288,310</b>	<b>81,739</b>	<b>121,168</b>	<b>43,442</b>	<b>195,885</b>	<b>14,858</b>	<b>427,909</b>	<b>3,552,583</b>
<b>Inter-agency assets:</b>											
Due from governmental corps. or agencies	r123,462	n					574			3,618,742	3,742,779
Capital stocks and paid-in surplus of governmental corporations	78,570									1,902,913	1,981,483
Allocations for capital stock purchases and paid-in surplus	600,645			e84,265							684,911
Other allocations	1,353,431			e60,000						993	1,414,424
<b>Total, all assets</b>	<b>4,460,713</b>	<b>60,417</b>	<b>14,248</b>	<b>432,576</b>	<b>81,739</b>	<b>121,168</b>	<b>44,016</b>	<b>195,885</b>	<b>14,858</b>	<b>5,950,559</b>	<b>11,376,183</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>											
<b>Bonds, notes, and debentures:</b>											
Obligations guaranteed by United States	249,646										249,646
Other											
<b>Accrued interest payable:</b>											
Guaranteed by United States	2,443										2,443
Other											
<b>Other liabilities:</b>											
Deferred income	e16,729	60	404		369	204	818	2,136		102	17,389
Reserves:	586				42						287
For uncollectible items								5,857		17	5,874
Other operating reserves								5,840	75	322	6,238
<b>Total liabilities other than Inter-agency</b>	<b>269,406</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>404</b>		<b>412</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>818</b>	<b>13,835</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>80,118</b>	<b>365,335</b>
<b>Inter-agency liabilities:</b>											
Due to governmental corporations or agencies	3,617,965	56,097			24,848		116		650	1,424,561	5,124,240
<b>Total, all liabilities</b>	<b>3,887,371</b>	<b>56,157</b>	<b>404</b>		<b>25,260</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>13,835</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>1,504,680</b>	<b>5,489,575</b>
<b>Capital and surplus:</b>											
Capital stock	500,000	3,000	13,750	a432,576	44,500	120,000	7,000	50,000	a45,495	a4,438,384	5,654,706
Paid-in surplus					e11,239			s3,599,294		11,925	3,622,460
Reserves from earned surplus											
Reserve for dividends and contingencies	125										
Legal reserves					330	985				1,191	2,632
Earned surplus and undivided profits	e73,216	1,259	93		408	c21	36,081	c3,467,245	c31,361	c5,622	c3,393,191
<b>Total liabilities, capital, and surplus</b>	<b>4,460,713</b>	<b>60,417</b>	<b>14,248</b>	<b>432,576</b>	<b>81,739</b>	<b>121,168</b>	<b>44,016</b>	<b>195,885</b>	<b>14,858</b>	<b>5,950,559</b>	<b>11,376,183</b>

For footnotes see following page.

**Internal Revenue Collections Increased \$625,061,384 in Last Fiscal Year—All Classes Showed Collection Gains—Five States Paid More Than Half Total Taxes.**

Guy T. Helvering, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, announced on July 9 that internal revenue collections for the fiscal year ended June 30, including agricultural adjustment taxes, totaled \$3,297,300,579. This compared with \$2,672,239,195 in the preceding fiscal year, and represented an increase of \$625,061,384. All classifications showed an increase in collections. Mr. Helvering's analysis revealed that five States paid more than half of the internal revenue taxes in the latest fiscal year. These, in order, were New York, Illinois, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and California. A Washington dispatch of July 9 to the New York "Times" added the following regarding the survey:

These States paid \$1,690,391,072.69 of the total of \$3,279,549,374.20 paid from all States and Territories. This figure is exclusive of liquor excise taxes and sales of documentary stamps, which are not handled on a State-by-State basis.

With receipts from these sources included, the total internal revenue collections for the year were \$3,297,300,578.80, an increase of \$625,061,384.28 over 1934.

New York State led as in past years, with a total payment to the government of \$666,344,806.21, as compared with \$564,321,812.43 in the fiscal year 1934.

Last year North Carolina, a heavy contributor of tobacco levies, was the second highest taxpayer. Miscellaneous taxes for North Carolina were \$235,233,795.56, one of the highest amounts for this item for any State.

The only States showing a decrease in general collections in 1935, as compared with 1934, were Maine, Nevada, New Hampshire and Oklahoma. Hawaii and the Philippines also showed decreases.

All classifications of taxes showed large increases. Income taxes, corporate and individual together, were \$1,009,489,864.55, an increase of \$282,464,524.83 over 1934; miscellaneous internal revenue taxes were \$1,671,409,000, a rise of \$187,618,031.26, and agricultural adjustment taxes were \$526,401,713.83, a gain of \$154,978,828.19.

**CURRENT NOTICES**

—William L. Ross has been appointed Manager of the investment department of Abbott, Proctor & Paine's, Chicago office at 208 South LaSalle Street. Mr. Ross was previously Chicago Western Manager for Fenner & Beane, prior thereto having been President of William L. Ross & Co., Inc. of Chicago, Ross, Pratt & Batty, Inc., Ross Pratt & Co., Inc., All America Investors Corp. and Standard All America Corp., all in New York City.

—Melvyn H. Hecht, for the past eight years with Scholle Brothers, and Everard Kempshall, for the past 14 years with the same firm, announce the formation of Kempshall and Hecht, Inc., with offices at 111 Broadway, New York, for the transaction of a general investment business.

—John E. Sloane & Co., 41 Broad St., New York, have issued their monthly summary showing comparative earnings of 88 of the principal railroads in the country for the first five months of 1935.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF GOVERNMENTAL CORPORATIONS AND CREDIT AGENCIES OF THE UNITED STATES AS OF MAY 31 1935, COMPILED FROM LATEST REPORTS RECEIVED BY THE TREASURY—Concluded  
DETAILS (In Thousands of Dollars—Last Three Figures Omitted)

	Financed Partly from Government and Partly from Private Funds										Total
	Federal Land Banks	Federal Intermediate Credit Banks	Federal Farm Mortgage Corp.	Banks for Co-operatives	Home Loan Banks	Home Owners' Loan Corp.	Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corp.	Federal Savings and Loan Associations	Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.	War Finance Corp.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Assets—</b>											
<b>Loans:</b>											
Banks										4	4
Railroads											
Insurance companies											
Credit unions											
Building and loan associations					75,831						75,831
Livestock credit corporations											
Mortgage loan companies											
Agricultural credit corporations				31,741							31,741
Co-operative associations		26,419									26,419
States, Territories, &c											
Joint Stock Land banks											
Ship construction and reconditioning loans											
Mortgage loans (not otherwise classified)	2,104,894		716,178		4	2,626,214					5,447,290
Crop livestock and commodity loans		161,993	64								162,061
Other loans											
<b>Total loans</b>	2,104,894	188,412	716,242	31,741	75,836	2,626,214					5,743,349
<b>Preferred capital stock, &amp;c:</b>											
Banks and trust companies											
Insurance companies											
Railroads											
Other											
<b>Cash:</b>											
With Treasurer, United States			3,880	2,955	23,791	98,870	1,278		15,640	121	146,536
On hand and in banks	44,029	15,271		2,226	2,361	89			1	n	63,981
In transit		e9									9
In trust funds						16,456					16,456
<b>Investments:</b>											
United States securities	67,450	35,237		25,367	1,605				315,127		444,787
Obligations guaranteed by United States:											
Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation	11,344	38,167		43,372							92,884
Home Owners' Loan Corporation	2	8			6,863			99,999			106,873
Federal Land bank bonds			680,743								680,743
Federal Intermediate Credit bank secur's				23,858							23,858
Production credit associations—class A stock											
Railroads bonds and securities											
Ship sales notes						202					202
Other investments	77										77
Accounts and other receivables	11,114	3,088	155	5	5	4,609	3				18,981
Accrued interest receivable	32,605	1,409	18,402	687	458	33,833	244		2,883		90,525
Real estate and business property:											
Real estate and equipment	5,699	2	16	44	6	3,507			121	n	9,399
Vessels and rolling stock									22		22
Stores and supplies						192					192
Real estate and other property held for sale	87,375		43								87,611
Other assets	1,071	91	586	31	40		50	m27,869	2,450		32,221
<b>Total assets other than inter-agency</b>	2,365,663	281,698	1,420,071	130,291	111,171	2,783,773	101,575	27,869	336,277	130	7,558,523
<b>Inter-agency assets:</b>											
Due from governmental corps. or agencies	19,551	24,848									34,400
Capital stocks and paid-in surplus of governmental corporations						100,000					100,000
Allocations for capital stock purchases and paid-in surplus											
Other allocations											
<b>Total, all assets</b>	2,375,215	306,547	1,420,071	130,291	111,171	2,883,773	101,575	27,869	336,277	130	7,692,923
<b>Liabilities—</b>											
<b>Bonds, notes, and debentures:</b>											
Obligations guaranteed by United States	1,897,800	198,010	1,188,476			12,337,199					3,525,675
Other						323,192				10	2,419,012
<b>Accrued interest payable:</b>											
Guaranteed by United States			4,088			13,588					17,676
Other	17,542	880			4					n	18,427
Other liabilities	29,387	2,665	18,842	5	3,611	16,456	n		95		71,065
Deferred income	5,321	902	1,103	1				235			7,565
<b>Reserves:</b>											
For uncollectible items	14,566		3,604								18,171
Other operating reserves			43			8,074			5,421		13,539
<b>Total liabilities other than inter-agency</b>	1,964,619	202,458	1,216,159	7	3,616	2,698,510	235		5,516	10	6,091,134
<b>Inter-agency liabilities:</b>											
Due to governmental corporations or agencies	67,364										67,364
<b>Total, all liabilities</b>	2,031,983	202,458	1,216,159	7	3,616	2,698,510	235		5,516	10	6,158,498
<b>Capital and surplus:</b>											
Capital stock	233,745	70,000	200,000	126,783	104,679	200,000	100,000	27,869	289,299	10	1,352,387
Paid-in surplus	177,227	29,250							41,460		147,938
<b>Reserves from earned surplus:</b>											
Reserve for dividends and contingencies	11,056			78							11,135
Legal reserves	18,095				882					109	19,087
Earned surplus and undivided profits	3,106	4,838	3,911	3,423	1,992	14,736	1,339				3,875
<b>Total liabilities, capital, and surplus</b>	2,375,215	306,547	1,420,071	130,291	111,171	2,883,773	101,575	27,869	336,277	130	7,692,923

a Non-stock (or includes non-stock proprietary interests).  
 b Excess inter-agency assets (deduct).  
 c Deficit (deduct).  
 d Exclusive of inter-agency assets and liabilities (except bond investments).  
 e Adjusted for inter-agency items and items in transit.  
 f Excludes contingent assets and liabilities amounting to \$500,750 for guaranteed loans, &c.  
 g Includes U. S. Housing Corporation, U. S. Railroad Administration, U. S. Spruce Production Corporation, and notes received on account of sale of surplus war supplies.  
 h Includes Agricultural Adjustment Administration; Electric Home and Farm Authority, Inc.; Farm Credit Administration (crop production and other loans); Federal Housing Administration; Federal Prisons Industries, Inc.; Federal Subsistence Homesteads Corporation (taken over on June 15 1935 by Resettlement Administration); Inland Waterways Corporation; RFC Mortgage Corporation; Tennessee Valley Associated Co-operatives, Inc.; Tennessee Valley Authority, Inc.; loans to railroads, and inter-agency interests held by the U. S. Treasury.  
 i Net after deducting estimated amount of uncollectible obligations held by the Farm Credit Administration.  
 j Includes \$7,264,900 due to Federal Land banks from the U. S. Treasury for subscriptions to paid-in surplus.  
 k Preliminary statement.  
 l Includes unissued bonds covering loans in process.  
 m Assets not classified. Includes only amount of capital stock subscribed by the United States.  
 n Less than \$1,000.  
 o Includes assessments paid in by member banks and trust companies to the amount of \$41,460,645.  
 p In liquidation.  
 q Represents capital stock, paid-in surplus, and other proprietary inter-agency interests which are not deducted from the capital stock and paid-in surplus of the corresponding organizations.  
 r Includes loans to Federal Land banks amounting to \$67,364,447.  
 s Appropriation provided by Congress.

CURRENT NOTICE

The chances that the new revenue proposals of the President can be held within the bounds specified by him are very small, according to Edward B. Smith & Co. in their July "Outlook for Equities." The whole fiscal situation has been re-opened, in the opinion of the firm, and inflationist blocs in Congress will probably make every effort to atone for their earlier failures. "To the extent that the new tax proposals indicate the Government's intention to make a sincere effort to balance the budget," states the firm, "they may be construed as quite favorable from the longer term viewpoint,

but while Congress is discussing the character of the new levies, it will be surprising if business does not make a rather poorer showing than has heretofore appeared likely. "The powerful monetary and economic influences which have for some time been aligned on the side of recovery seem to be rapidly approaching a potency sufficient to dominate the business trend despite unfavorable political news. Business men do not seem to have lost confidence in the ultimate probability of further important recovery, but are inclined to await an agreement on the tax schedules and a clearer definition of what compromises the Administration will be willing to accept from Congress in its program of 'must legislation'."

FUNDS APPROPRIATED AND ALLOCATED TO EMERGENCY ORGANIZATIONS, EXPENDITURES THEREFROM, AND UNEXPENDED BALANCES AS OF JUNE 29 1935

The statement of funds appropriated and allocated as of June 29 1935, taken from the daily Treasury statement, is as follows (cents omitted) (see explanatory note below):

Table with columns: Organizations, Sources of Funds (Appropriations, Reconstruction Finance Corporation, Total), Expenditures (Fiscal Year 1935, Fiscal Year 1934 and Prior Years), and Unexpended. Rows include Agricultural Adjustment Administration, Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation, etc.

a The emergency expenditures included in this statement for the period prior to the fiscal year 1934 include only expenditures on account of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation... b Includes (a) \$350,000,000 specific appropriations from the General Treasury under the Acts of May 12 1933... c There are no statutory limitations on the amounts of funds which may be made available by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation...

is increased by the sums necessary for such purchases, not to exceed \$250,000,000. The purchase of such securities by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation is against expenditures of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and as credits against expenditures of the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works... NOTE—The expenditures in this statement are on the same basis as those exhibited on page 2 of the daily Treasury statement, but differ with respect to classification...

DETAILS OF REVOLVING FUNDS INCLUDED IN THE TABLE ABOVE

Table with columns: Organizations, This Month (Payments, Repayments and Collections, Net Expenditures), Fiscal Year 1935 (Payments, Repayments and Collections, Net Expenditures). Rows include Commodity Credit Corporation, Farm Credit Administration, etc.

COMPARATIVE PUBLIC DEBT STATEMENT

(On the basis of daily Treasury statements)

Table comparing public debt at different points in time: Mar. 31 1917 Pre-War Debt, Aug. 31 1919 Highest Post-War Debt, Dec. 31 1930 Lowest Post-War Debt, June 30 1934, a Year Ago, May 31 1935 Last Month, and June 30 1935.

PRELIMINARY DEBT STATEMENT OF THE UNITED STATES JUNE 30 1935

The preliminary statement of the public debt of the United States June 30 1935, as made upon the basis of the daily Treasury statement, is as follows:

Table listing Bonds: 2% Consols of 1930, 2% Panama Canal loan of 1916-36, etc. with amounts.

Table listing Treasury Notes: 1 1/4% series B-1935, maturing Aug. 1 1935, etc. with amounts.

Table listing Certificates of Indebtedness: 4% Adjusted Service Certificate Fund series, maturing Jan. 1 1936.

Table listing Treasury Bills (Maturity Value): Series maturing July 3 1935, July 10 1935, etc. with amounts.

Table listing Maturity Value: Total interest-bearing debt outstanding \$27,645,241,088.75; Maturity Value: Old debt matured...

TREASURY CASH AND CURRENT LIABILITIES

The cash holdings of the Government as the items stood June 29 1935 are set out in the following. The figures are taken entirely from the daily statement of the United States Treasury of June 29 1935.

Table listing CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES: GOLD. Assets: Gold, Silver, Silver dollars. Liabilities: Gold certificates, Treasury notes of 1890.

Table listing CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES: SILVER. Assets: Silver, Silver dollars. Liabilities: Silver cts. outstanding, Treasury notes of 1890.

Table listing CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES: GENERAL FUND. Assets: Gold (see above), Silver (see above), etc. Liabilities: Treasurer's checks outstanding, Deposits of Government officers, etc.

Note 1—This item represents seigniorage resulting from the issuance of silver certificates equal to the cost of the silver acquired under the Silver Purchase Act of 1934...

Note 2—The amount to the credit of disbursing officers and certain agencies to-day was \$1,292,582,772.24.

\$1,321,295 in Federal Reserve notes, \$1,584,012 in Federal Reserve bank notes, and \$29,567,983 in National bank notes are in the Treasury in process of redemption...

GOVERNMENT RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Through the courtesy of the Secretary of the Treasury we are enabled to place before our readers to-day the details of Government receipts and disbursements for June 1935 and 1934 and the 12 months of the fiscal years 1934-35 and 1933-34.

Table listing General & Special Funds: Receipts (Internal Revenue, Income tax, etc.) and Expenditures (Departmental, Public bldg. construction, etc.) for 1935, 1934, and 1934-35.













Weekly Return of the Federal Reserve Board

The following is issued by the Federal Reserve Board on Thursday afternoon, July 11, showing the condition of the twelve Reserve banks at the close of business on Wednesday. The first table presents the results for the System as a whole in comparison with the figures for the seven preceding weeks and with those of the corresponding week last year. The second table shows the resources and liabilities separately for each of the twelve banks. The Federal Reserve note statement (third table following) gives details regarding transactions in Federal Reserve notes between the Reserve Agents and the Federal Reserve banks. The Reserve Board's comment upon the returns for the latest week appears in our department of "Current Events and Discussions."

COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS JULY 10 1935

Table with columns for dates from July 10 1935 to July 11 1934. Rows are categorized into ASSETS and LIABILITIES, including gold, bills, deposits, and securities.

\* Other cash\* does not include Federal Reserve notes. a Revised figures.

x These are certificates given by the U S. Treasurer for the gold taken over from the Reserve banks when the dollar was devalued from 100 cents to 59.06 cents on Jan. 31 1934. 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.



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Quotations after decimal point represent one or more 32nds of a point.

Daily Record of U. S. Bond Prices. Large table with columns for date (July 6-12) and rows for various bond types like Fourth Liberty Loan, Treasury, and Home Owners' Loan.

Note—The above table includes only sales of coupon bonds. Transactions in registered bonds were:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Price. Lists registered bond transactions for various Treasury securities.

United States Treasury Bills—Friday, July 12

Rates quoted are for discount at purchase.

Table with columns: Date, Bid, Asked, Date, Bid, Asked. Lists Treasury bill rates for various dates from July 1935 to April 1936.

Quotations for United States Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness, &c.—Friday, July 12

Figures after decimal point represent one or more 32ds of a point.

Table with columns: Maturity, Int. Rate, Bid, Asked, Maturity, Int. Rate, Bid, Asked. Lists Treasury certificate rates for various maturities.

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. Columns: Week Ended July 12 1935, Stocks, Railroad and Mtsell. Bonds, Municipal & Foreign Bonds, United States Bonds, Total Bond Sales.

Table showing sales at New York Stock Exchange. Columns: Week Ended July 12 1935, 1934, Jan. 1 to July 12 1935, 1934. Rows: Stocks, Bonds, Government, State and foreign, Railroad & Industrial.

CURRENT NOTICES

- E. W. Clucas & Co., members New York Stock Exchange, announce that Frederick W. Nash has become associated with their new business department.
—Homer B. Hill, formerly associated with August Belmont & Co. has become associated with Edward Lower Stokes & Co. in their New York office.

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 £1 par. share for share.





HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday to Friday) and price ranges per share. Includes sub-headers for 'Saturday July 6', 'Monday July 8', etc.

Sales for the Week

Column of numerical values representing sales for the week, corresponding to each stock entry.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table listing various stock companies such as Arnold Constable Corp, Artloom Corp, Associated Dry Goods, etc.

Range Since Jan. 1 1935 to Jan 30 1935

Table showing price ranges for each stock from January 1, 1935, to January 30, 1935.

July 1 1933 to June 30 1935

Table showing price ranges for each stock from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1935.

For footnotes see page 230

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Range Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-share Lots

Main table containing stock prices, dates, and exchange information. Columns include dates from Saturday July 6 to Friday July 12, and various stock names like Chlckasha Cotton Oil, Childs Co., etc.

For footnotes see page 230



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'. Rows list various stocks with their respective prices per share.

Table titled 'STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE' listing various companies and their stock prices. Includes entries like 'Hays Body Corp.', 'Helm-Hals Glass Co.', etc.

Table titled 'Range Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-shares Lots' with columns for 'Lowest' and 'Highest' prices. Includes entries like 'Hays Body Corp.', 'Helm-Hals Glass Co.', etc.

For footnotes see page 230.



HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with 6 columns: Saturday July 6, Monday July 8, Tuesday July 9, Wednesday July 10, Thursday July 11, Friday July 12. Rows list various stock symbols and prices per share.

Sales for the Week

Table with 2 columns: Shares, \$ per share. Rows list various stock symbols and their sales figures.

STOCKS

Table with 2 columns: NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, Range Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-share Lots. Rows list various stock symbols and their price ranges.

July 1 1933 to 1935

Table with 2 columns: Range for Year 1934, Range for Year 1935. Rows list various stock symbols and their price ranges for these years.

Lowest

Table with 2 columns: Lowest, Highest. Rows list various stock symbols and their lowest prices.

Highest

Table with 2 columns: Highest, Low. Rows list various stock symbols and their highest prices.

Low

Table with 2 columns: Low, High. Rows list various stock symbols and their lowest prices.

High

Table with 2 columns: High, Low. Rows list various stock symbols and their highest prices.

FOR FOOTNOTES see page 230.

Main table containing 'HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT' and 'STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE'. It includes columns for dates from Saturday July 6 to Friday July 12, 'Sales for the Week', and 'Range Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-share Lots'. The table lists numerous stock tickers such as Royal Dutch Co, Standard Oil, and various other companies with their corresponding prices and ranges.

For footnotes see page 230.



HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Sales for the Week

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Ranges Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-share Lots

1933 to June 30 1935

Main table containing stock prices, sales, and ranges for various companies like Union Pacific, United Fruit, and West Penn Elec.

For footnotes see page 230.

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 with columns: U. S. STOCK EXCHANGE, Week's Range of Friday's Bid & Asked, Bonds Sold, July 1 1935 to June 30 1935, Range Since Jan. 1, BONDS, N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE, Week Ended July 12, Interest Period, Week's Range of Friday's Bid & Asked, Bonds Sold, July 1 1935 to June 30 1935, Range Since Jan. 1. Includes sections for U. S. Government, Foreign Govt & Municipals, and various international bonds.

For footnotes see page 245. 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. Bid 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".

BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended July 12				BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended July 12														
Foreign Govt. & Munic. (Contd.)	Interest Period	Week's Range or Friday's Bid & Asked		Bonds Sold	July 1 1933 to June 30 1935	Range Since Jan. 1	Low	High	No.	Low	High	No.	July 1 1933 to June 30 1935	Range Since Jan. 1	Low	High	No.	
		Low	High															Low
Rotterdam (City) extl 6s.....1964	M N	*112½	115	29	92½	112	139½											
Roumanian (Kingdom of Monopolies).....	F A	34	34½	29	20½	29	36½											
*7s August coupon off.....1959	F A	50	50	2	50	50	78											
Saarbruecken (City) 6s.....1953	J J	16½	16½	4	15½	15½	19½											
*8s May coupon off.....1952	M N	14½	15½	4	15½	14½	19½											
*External 6½s May coupon off 1957	M N	26	26½	4	15½	25	30											
*8s July coupon off.....1936	J J	17¼	17½	3	12½	17	23¼											
*External 8s July coupon off.....1950	J J	16¼	16½	19	12½	14½	21											
*External 7s Sept coupon off.....1956	J J	15½	16¼	5	10¾	14	21											
*External 6s July coupon off.....1968	J J	73¼	75¾	91	61	73¼	91¼											
*Secured at 7s.....1940	A O	58½	62	2	17	52	63¼											
*Santa Fe (Prov Arg Rep) 7s.....1942	M S	55½	59¾	2	38	49½	61											
*Stamped.....1961	F A	34	35	20	30	30	42¼											
*Saxon Pub Wks (Germany) 7s.....1945	F A	32½	33½	6	28½	30¼	40											
*Saxon State Mgtg Inst 7s.....1945	J D	40	41	7	40	40	55											
*Stinking fund g 5½s.....1946	J D	*39			38¾	38¾	52½											
Serbs Croats & Slovenes (Kingdom).....	M N	29	30	3	27	27	36											
*8s Nov 1 1935 coupon on.....1962	J J	28½	29	43	22½	28	36											
*7s Nov 1 1935 coupon on.....1962	J J	74¼	75	25	42	65½	75											
Silesian (Prov of) extl 7s.....1968	J D	46½	46½	2	25¼	43	61¼											
Silesian Landowners Assn 6s.....1947	F A	168			117	159	175½											
Solssons (City of) extl 6s.....1936	M N	91	91	2	47½	86	96½											
*7s Feb coupon off.....1946	F A	98½	99¼	23	75	95½	102½											
Sydney (City) at 5½s.....1955	F A	84¼	86½	25	58	74½	87¾											
Taiwan Elec Pow s f 5½s.....1971	J J	82	74	2	53¾	66½	76											
Tokyo City 6s loan of 1912.....1962	M S	83½	83½	52	59	74¾	86											
External s f 5½s guar 7.....1961	A O	10½	10½	1	8½	8½	12¼											
*Tollma (Dept of) extl 7s.....1947	M N	98¾	98¾	9	63¾	91	99											
Trondhjem (City) 1st 5½s.....1957	M N	108½	108½	3	51¾	95	110											
Upper Austria (Province of).....	J D	101	102	3	33	38½	47¾											
*7s unmatured coupon on.....1945	J D	40	40	3	33	33	40											
*Extl 6½s unmatured coupons.....1957	J D	38	39	46	26½	34¼	41½											
*Uruguay (Republic) extl 8s.....1946	F A	38	38	35	26½	34¼	41½											
*External s f 6s.....1960	M N	70	72	4	73	70¾	83											
*External s f 6s.....1964	M N	90	90	3	52½	84¾	86											
Venethan Prov Mgtg Bank 7s.....1952	A O	78½	78¾	34	41	63	73¾											
Vienna (City of).....1961	J D	88	89	9	63	80¼	90											
*6s May coupon on.....1952	M N																	
Warsaw (City) external 7s.....1958	F A																	
Yokohama (City) extl 6s.....1961	J D																	

For footnotes see page 245

**BOND BROKERS**  
**Railroad, Public Utility and Industrial Bonds**  
**VILAS & HICKEY**  
 New York Stock Exchange — Members — New York Curb Exchange  
**49 WALL STREET - - - NEW YORK**  
 Private Wires - Chicago, Indianapolis and St. Louis









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 (July 6 1935) and ending the present Friday (July 12 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, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to June 30 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935, STOCKS (Continued), Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to June 30 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists various stocks like Acme Wire, Adams Mills, Aero Supply, etc.

For footnotes see page 251.







STOCKS (Continued)	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week	July 1	Range Since			
	Low	High		1933 to June 30 1935	Jan. 1 1935	Low	High	
Stetson (J B) Co com	11 1/2	11 1/2	100	1 1/2	10 1/2	June	15 1/2	Mar
Stines (Hugo) Corp	1 3/4	1 3/4	100	1 3/4	1 3/4	May	2 1/4	Jan
Stroock (S) & Co	8 1/2	9 3/4	400	4 1/2	6 1/4	Jan	9 3/4	July
Stuts Motor Car	1	1 1/2	6,500	1 1/2	1	July	3 1/2	Feb
Sullivan Machinery	10 1/2	11	150	5 1/2	10	Mar	14 1/2	Jan
Sun Investing com				2 1/2	2 1/2	Mar	4 1/2	June
\$3 conv preferred				34	40	Mar	41 1/2	Feb
Sunway Oil	1 1/2	1 1/2	2,600	1 1/2	1 1/2	Apr	1 1/2	Jan
Sunshine Mining Co	22	23	15,700	20	21 1/2	Jan	25	June
Swanfinch Oil Corp	15			1 1/2	2 1/4	Mar	3	Feb
Swift International	31 1/2	33	5,100	31 1/2	31	Jan	36 1/4	Apr
Swiss Am Elec pref	50	50	150	32 1/2	45 1/2	Jan	58 1/2	Feb
Swiss Oil Corp	2 1/2	2 1/2	200	89	89	Apr	97	July
Syracuse Ltg 6% pref								
Taggart Corp com	1	1	100	3 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
Tampa Electric Co com	30 3/4	31 3/4	3,100	21 1/4	22 1/2	Mar	31 1/2	July
Tastyeast inc class A				3 1/4	3 1/4	Jan	5 1/4	Jan
Class A new	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	July	1 1/2	July
Technicolor Inc com	17 1/2	20 3/4	17,800	7 1/4	11 1/2	Jan	27	June
Teck-Hughes Inc com	4	4 1/2	1,900	3 1/2	3 1/2	Mar	4 1/2	Mar
Tenn El Pow 7 1/2% pf 100	75	65 1/2	35	45	48	Feb	76 1/2	July
Tenn Products Corp com	2 1/2	3 1/4	1,000	3 1/4	2 1/2	July	3 1/2	Jan
Texas Gulf Producing	2 1/2	3 3/4	6,600	7 1/2	7 1/2	Feb	9 3/4	Jan
Texas P & L 7% pref				100	100			
Texon Oil & Land Co	5 1/4	6	800	4 1/2	5	Mar	6	Mar
Thermoform 7% pref	67	67	350	37 1/4	60	Mar	67	Mar
Tobacco Allied Stocks				3 1/2	1 1/2	Feb	2 1/2	Jan
Tobacco Prod Exports	2 1/4	2 1/4	300	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
Tobacco Securities Trust								
Am dep rets ord reg	20 1/4	20 1/4	100	18 1/2	19 1/4	Apr	24	Jan
Am dep rets cl reg	5	5	100	5 1/4	5	July	7	Jan
Todd Shipyards Corp	28 1/4	28 1/4	100	18	23 1/4	Jan	33	Apr
Toledo Edison 6% pref								
7% preferred A				51	68	Jan	95	May
Tonopah Belmont Devel	3 1/2	3 1/2	400	3 1/2	3 1/2	Apr	3 1/2	Apr
Tonopah Mining of Nev	3 1/2	3 1/2	500	1 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Apr
Trans Air Transport	1	1	300	1	1	Jan	1	Jan
Stamped				1	1	Jan	1	Jan
Trans Lux Plot Screen								
Common	2 1/4	2 1/4	1,400	1 1/4	2	Apr	3 1/2	Feb
Tri-Continental warrants	1 1/2	1 1/4	700	1 1/4	1 1/4	Mar	1 1/4	Mar
Tripart Safety for ord								
Am dep rets for ord				11 1/2	16 1/2	Feb	17 1/2	Feb
Tubize Chatillon Corp	1 1/2	4 1/2	900	7 3/4	10 1/2	Jan	10 1/2	Apr
Class A	1 1/2	1 1/2	500	3	3	Jan	6 1/2	Jan
Tung-Sol Lamp Works	4 1/2	5	500	9 1/2	11 1/2	Jan	18	Jan
\$3 conv pref	35	35	400	12	29	Jan	37	Apr
Unexcelled Mfg Co								
Union American Inv	22 1/4	22 1/4	100	16	19 1/4	Mar	27 1/4	May
Un El Lt & Pow 6% pf 100				103 1/4	103 1/4	June	103 1/4	June
Union Gas of Can				3	4	May	5 1/2	Jan
Un Oil of Calif rights				1 1/2	1 1/2	June	1 1/2	June
Union Tobacco com				1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
Union Traction Co				1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
United Aircraft Transport								
Warrants	4 1/2	4 1/2	100	3	3 1/4	Mar	6	Jan
United Carr Fastener	18 1/2	18 1/2	200	5 3/4	14 1/4	Jan	19 1/4	May
United Chemicals com	6 1/2	7 1/4	600	2 1/4	2 1/4	Mar	7 1/2	Jan
\$3 cum & part pref				13	21 1/2	Apr	34 1/2	July
United Corp warrants	1 1/2	3 1/2	1,100	1 1/2	1 1/2	June	1 1/2	June
United Dry Docks com	1 1/2	1 1/2	200	1 1/2	1 1/2	Apr	1 1/2	Apr
United Founders	3 1/2	7 1/2	6,200	3 1/2	3 1/2	Mar	3 1/2	Jan
United Gas Corp com	2 1/2	2 1/2	35,400	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
Pref non-voting	68	71 1/2	4,700	15	35	Mar	70 1/2	July
Option warrants	1 1/2	1 1/2	5,800	1 1/2	1 1/2	Mar	1 1/2	Jan
United G & E 7% pref	77	80	20	46	54	Jan	80	July
United Lt & Pow com A	1 1/2	1 1/2	2,100	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	July
Common class B	1 1/2	1 1/2	4,300	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
\$6 conv 1st pref	8 1/2	10	9,700	3 1/2	3 1/2	Mar	10	July
United Milk Products				3	3	Jan	4 1/4	Apr
\$3 preferred				20	29	Jan	36 1/2	May
United Molasses Co								
Am dep rets ord reg	4 1/2	4 1/2	200	2 1/4	4 1/4	Jan	5 1/4	Jan
United Profit-Sharing				3 1/2	3 1/2	Mar	1 1/4	Apr
Preferred	7 1/2	7 1/2	100	6	7 1/4	Feb	7 1/4	Apr
United Shoe Mach com	82	84 1/2	1,400	47	70	Jan	84 1/2	May
Preferred	40	40	120	30 1/2	38	Jan	40 1/2	Apr
U S Dairy Prod cl B	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	July	3 1/2	Feb
U S Elec Pow with warr	1	1	300	1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
Warrants				1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
U S Finishing com				1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
U S Foli Co class B	12 1/2	13 1/2	4,100	5 1/2	10 1/2	Mar	13 1/4	Jan
U S Int'l Securities	1	1 1/2	1,100	5 1/2	10 1/2	Mar	13 1/4	Jan
1st pref with warr	59 1/2	60 1/2	600	39 1/4	41 1/4	Apr	60	July
U S Lines pref				1 1/2	1 1/2	Apr	1 1/2	July
U S Playing Card	37 1/2	37 1/2	50	14 1/2	30 1/4	Mar	38 1/4	May
U S Radior for Corp com	10	10	25	6	10	July	17	Jan
7% preferred				10	10	July	10	July
U S Rubber Retaining				3 1/2	3 1/2	Feb	3 1/2	Feb
United Stores v t e				400	400	Mar	1 1/4	Jan
Un Verde Extension	2 1/4	2 1/4	1,100	2 1/4	2 1/4	Apr	4 1/2	June
United Wall Paper				1	1 1/2	Jan	2 1/4	Jan
Universal Insurance	14	16	300	5 1/2	7	Jan	16	July
Universal Pictures com				1	1	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
Utah Apex Mining Co	3 1/2	3 1/2	200	1 1/2	4 1/4	Jan	5 1/2	June
Utah Pow & Lt 7% pref	29	29 1/2	625	13 1/4	16	Jan	31	May
Utica Gas & Elec 7% pf 100				77	84	Apr	95	July
Utility Equities Corp	2 1/2	2 1/2	900	1 1/2	1 1/2	Mar	2 1/2	June
Priority stock	62	62 1/2	75	30	43 1/4	Jan	62 1/2	July
Conv preferred				1 1/2	1 1/2	Mar	1 1/2	Jan
Utl Pow & Lt com	1 1/2	1 1/2	200	1 1/2	1 1/2	Apr	1 1/2	Apr
7% preferred	10	12	1,300	3 1/4	3 1/4	Mar	14 1/4	June
Venezuela Mex Oil Co								
Venezuelan Petroleum	1 1/2	1 1/2	9,400	1 1/2	1 1/2	Mar	3	May
Vogt Manufacturing				2 1/2	7 1/2	Jan	12	May
Waco Aircraft Co	4	6 1/2	8,300	3 1/4	3 1/4	Mar	6 1/2	July
Walt & Bond of A	9 1/2	9 1/2	200	3 1/4	4 1/2	Feb	9 1/2	May
Class B				1 1/2	1 1/2	Mar	1 1/2	Mar
Walker Co warrants				1 1/2	1 1/2	June	1 1/2	Mar
Walker Mining Co				1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	May
Walker (Hortons) & Co				1 1/2	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	May
Cumil preferred	26 1/2	31	25,300	20 1/4	23 1/4	Apr	32 1/2	Feb
Watson (J W) Co	18	18	400	12 1/4	16 1/4	Jan	18 1/4	Mar
Wenden Copper	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	June	1 1/2	Jan
Western Air Express	1	1	2,600	2	2	Jan	3 1/2	Mar
Western Auto Supply A	49	50	200	17	49	July	60 1/2	Mar
Western Cartridge pref	100 1/2	102	75	62 1/2	98	Jan	102	July
Western Maryland Ry				35	46 1/2	Mar	63	May
7% 1st preferred				65	74 1/2	Mar	83 1/4	May
Western Power 7% pf 100				8 1/4	12	Feb	14 1/2	Jan
Western Tab & Stat v t e	13	13 1/2	200	8 1/4	12	Feb	14 1/2	Jan
Westmoreland Coal Co				2 1/2	3 1/2	Jan	7 1/2	June
Westvaco Chlorine Prod								
7% preferred	102	102	75	80	99	Jan	105	June
West Va Coal & Coke	3 1/2	3 1/2	1,800	10	3	June	5	Apr
Williams (R C) & Co				10	10	Jan	17 1/2	Jan
Williams Oil-O-Matic Heat	3 1/2	3 1/2	300	2 1/2	3	Mar	3 1/2	Apr
Wil-loc Cafeteria Inc				2 1/2	2 1/2	Mar	2 1/2	Apr
Conv preferred				2 1/2	2 1/2	Jun	2 1/2	Jun
Wilson-Jones Co				9	18	Jan	27 1/2	May
Wolverine Port Cement				16	16	June	3 1/2	June
Woodley Petroleum	4 1/2	4 1/2	400	2	3 1/2	Jan	6	May

For footnotes see page 251.

Table with columns: BONDS (Continued), Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, July 1 1933 to June 30 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935, and Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Contains multiple columns of bond data including titles like 'Cumberland Co P & L 4 1/4 5/56', 'Dallas Pow & Lt 6s A-1949', 'Dayton Pow & Lt 5s-1941', etc. Includes various bond series, prices, and dates.

For footnotes see page 251.



Other Stock Exchanges

New York Real Estate Securities Exchange

Closing bid and asked quotations, Friday, July 12

Table with columns: Unlisted Bonds, Bid, Ask, Unlisted Bonds (Concluded), Bid, Ask. Lists various real estate securities like Alden 6s, Allerton N Y Corp 5 1/4s 1947, etc.

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Baltimore Stock Exchange

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Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Low, High, Shares, July 1 1933 to June 30 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists various stocks like Arundel Corp, Atl Coast Line, Baltimore Tube, etc.

Boston Stock Exchange

July 6 to July 12, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Low, High, Shares, July 1 1933 to June 30 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists various stocks like American Cont Corp, Amer Pneumatic Serv, etc.

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Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Low, High, Shares, July 1 1933 to June 30 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists various stocks like General Cap Corp, Gillette Safety Razor, Hygrade Sylvania, etc.

CHICAGO SECURITIES

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Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Low, High, Shares, July 1 1933 to June 30 1935, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Lists various stocks like Abbott Laboratories, Adams (J D) Mfg, Adams Royalty, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Low, High, Range Since Jan. 1 1935, Sales for Week, Shares, July 1 1933 to June 30 1935. Includes entries like Hall Printing Co com, Karnschferger Corp com, Hart-Carter Co conv pref, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Low, High, Range Since Jan. 1 1935, Sales for Week, Shares, July 1 1933 to June 30 1935. Includes entries like Carthage Mills pref, Champ Coated, Ist preferred, etc.

OHIO SECURITIES Listed and Unlisted GILLIS, WOOD & CO. Members Cleveland Stock Exchange Union Trust Bldg.-Cherry 6050 CLEVELAND, - - - OHIO

Cleveland Stock Exchange

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Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Low, High, Range Since Jan. 1 1935, Sales for Week, Shares, July 1 1933 to June 30 1935. Includes entries like Allen Industries Inc, City Ice & Fuel, Cleveland Ry, etc.

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Detroit Stock Exchange

July 6 to July 12, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Low, High, Range Since Jan. 1 1935, Sales for Week, Shares, July 1 1933 to June 30 1935. Includes entries like Auto City Brew com, Baldwin Rubber A, Bowler Roller Bearing com, etc.

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Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Low, High, Range Since Jan. 1 1935, Sales for Week, Shares, July 1 1933 to June 30 1935. Includes entries like Aluminum Industries, Amer Laundry Mach, American Products, etc.

For footnotes see page 255,

Established 1874

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Members New York Stock Exchange Philadelphia Stock Exchange

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Philadelphia Stock Exchange

July 6 to July 12, 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 American Stores, Bell Tel Co, Budd (E G) Mfg Co, etc.

Los Angeles Stock Exchange

July 6 to July 12, 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 Bandini Petroleum, Barker Bros, Bolsa Chica Oil, etc.

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St. Louis Stock Exchange

July 6 to July 12, 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 Amer Credit Indemnity, Brown Shoe, Burkart Mfg, etc.

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange

July 6 to July 12, 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 Allegheny Steel, Armstrong Cork, Braw-Knox, etc.

For footnotes see page 255.



Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Low, High, Shares, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Includes entries like Pittsburgh Screw & Bolt, Renner Co, Shamrock Oil & Gas.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Low, High, Shares, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Includes entries like Alaska Treadwell, Amer Tel & Tel, Amer Toll Bridge.

San Francisco Curb Exchange

July 6 to July 12, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Low, High, Shares, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Includes entries like Alaska Treadwell, Amer Tel & Tel, Amer Toll Bridge, Anglo Natl Corp.

DEAN WITTER & CO. Municipal and Corporation Bonds PRIVATE LEASED WIRES San Francisco Los Angeles Oakland Sacramento Fresno New York Portland Honolulu Tacoma Seattle Stockton

San Francisco Stock Exchange

July 6 to July 12, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Low, High, Shares, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1 1935. Includes entries like Alaska Juneau Gold M., Anglo Cal Nat Bk of S F, Assoc Insura Fund Inc.

\* No par value. c Cash sale. z Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights. s Listed. † In default. g Price adjusted to 100% stock dividend paid Dec. 29 1934 (Kalamazoo Stove Co.)

The National Securities Exchange 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

Southern California Gas Co. Files Registration Statement with SEC for \$15,000,000 First Mortgage and Refunding Bonds, 4% Series

The Securities and Exchange Commission announced July 10 that the Southern California Gas Co. had filed the previous day (July 9) a registration statement (No. 2-1542) under the Securities Act of 1933 for \$15,000,000 first mortgage and refunding bonds, 4% series, due 1965.

Bonds are to be redeemable at the company's option as a whole at any time, or in part on any interest payment date prior to maturity, upon at least 30 days' published notice, at the following prices and accrued interest:

- \$ 6,170,000 first and refunding mortgage gold bonds, 5 1/4%, series B of 1952, at 102 1/2.
\$ 8,646,000 first mortgage and refunding gold bonds, 5%, series due 1957, at 104.

No firm commitment to take the issue has as yet been made, according to the registration statement. It is expected that Blyth and Co., Inc., will be one of the several underwriters, and will act as manager of the underwriting group.

Canadian Markets LISTED AND UNLISTED

Provincial and Municipal Issues

Table listing Provincial and Municipal Issues with columns for Province, Date, Bid, Ask, and Price.

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Wood, Gundy & Co., Inc. Canadian Bonds 14 Wall St. New York Private wires to Toronto and Montreal

Industrial and Public Utility Bonds

Table listing Industrial and Public Utility Bonds with columns for Bond Name, Bid, Ask, and Price.

Railway Bonds

Table listing Railway Bonds with columns for Bond Name, Bid, Ask, and Price.

Dominion Government Guaranteed Bonds

Table listing Dominion Government Guaranteed Bonds with columns for Bond Name, Bid, Ask, and Price.

Montreal Stock Exchange

July 6 to July 12, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table listing Montreal Stock Exchange data with columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1 1935.

Montreal Stock Exchange

Table listing Montreal Stock Exchange data with columns for Stocks (Concluded), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1 1935.

Canadian Markets—Listed and Unlisted

HANSON BROS Canadian Government Municipal Public Utility and Industrial Bonds INCORPORATED ESTABLISHED 1883 255 St. James St., Montreal 56 Sparks St., Ottawa 330 Bay St., Toronto

CANADIAN SECURITIES GOVERNMENT, MUNICIPAL, CORPORATION and RAILROADS

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Montreal Curb Market

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Table of Montreal Curb Market stock prices. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), and Range Since Jan. 1 1935 (Low, High).

Toronto Stock Exchange

July 6 to July 12, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table of Toronto Stock Exchange stock prices. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), and Range Since Jan. 1 1935 (Low, High).

Toronto Stock Exchange

July 6 to July 12, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table of Toronto Stock Exchange Curb Section stock prices. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), and Range Since Jan. 1 1935 (Low, High).

Toronto Stock Exchange—Curb Section

July 6 to July 12, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table of Toronto Stock Exchange Curb Section stock prices. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), and Range Since Jan. 1 1935 (Low, High).

Canadian Markets—Listed and Unlisted

Toronto Stock Exchange—Curb Section

July 6 to July 12, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

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 Maltng com, Canada Vinegars com, etc.

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 Prospectors Airways, Read-Authier, Red Lake Gold Mines, etc.

Toronto Stock Exchange—Mining Section

July 6 to July 12, 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, Afon Mines Ltd, Alexandria Gold Mines, etc.

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Toronto Stock Exchange—Mining Curb Section

July 6 to July 12, 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 Alderman Mines, Brett Threthewey, Brownlee Mines, etc.

\* No par value.

Summary of Canadian Crop Situation by Dominion Bureau of Statistics—Reports General Situation in Prairie Provinces Unchanged in Week

On July 9 the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa, issued the seventh of 15 weekly telegraphic reports covering crop conditions in the three Prairie Provinces of Canada. The Bureau stated that 40 correspondents distributed over the agricultural area supply the information on which the reports are based. In a summary of the report the Bureau said:

The general crop situation in the Prairie Provinces has not changed to any extent during the past week. The general outlook remains satisfactory with reservations in respect to drought in limited areas, excessive moisture and lateness of crops in other districts. Generous rains were again received over wide areas in the Prairie Provinces, but districts in south-western, and western-central Saskatchewan and southern Alberta, where drought has been menacing crops, did not share in the rainfall of the past week to an appreciable extent. These areas have suffered further damage. Some heavy rains were again received in southern and western Manitoba and weather conditions have been such as to cause a certain amount of concern over the prospects of rust. Red stem rust has appeared in the Red River Valley. Cereals are showing a rank growth and hot weather is needed to hasten maturity. Haying is held up on account of rains. Crops have made good progress in Saskatchewan during the past week except in areas where moisture supplies are scanty. Grasshopper damage is limited and frequent rains have held this pest in check. Further damage was sustained in the drought-affected areas of southern Alberta during the past week but elsewhere crops have made good progress. Further rains were received in northern Alberta where hot weather is needed on account of the lateness of crops and the ample moisture supply now on hand. Heavy rains were received in the Peace River area during the past week and some flooding is reported.



Quotations on Over-the-Counter Securities—Friday July 12—Continued

Guaranteed Railroad Stocks

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Guaranteed Railroad Stocks (Guarantor in Parenthesis.)

Table with 4 columns: Security Name, Par, Dividend in Dollars, Bid, and Asked. Lists various railroad stocks like Alabama & Vicksburg, Albany & Susquehanna, etc.

OVER-THE-COUNTER SECURITIES BOUGHT—SOLD—QUOTED

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A. T. & T. Teletype N. Y. 1-1152 Digby 4-2290 Private Wire Connections to Principal Cities

Public Utility Bonds

Table with multiple columns for bond details including security name, par value, bid, asked, and other financial metrics. Includes entries like Albany Ry Co, American States, and various utility bonds.

EQUIPMENT TRUST CERTIFICATES

Quotations—Appraisals Upon Request

STROUD & COMPANY INC.

Private Wires to New York

Philadelphia, Pa.

Railroad Equipment Bonds

Table with 5 columns: Security Name, Bid, Ask, Bid, Ask. Lists railroad equipment bonds such as Atlantic Coast Line, Baltimore & Ohio, and others.

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Reports Rendered Without Charge

Gearhart & Lichtenstein

99 Wall Street, New York

A. T. & T. Teletype—New York-1-852 Tel. Whitehall 4-3325

Public Utility Stocks

Table with multiple columns for stock details including security name, par value, bid, asked, and other financial metrics. Lists public utility stocks like Alabama Power, Arkansas, and others.

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For footnotes see page 261.

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Quotations on Over-the-Counter Securities—Friday July 12—Continued

Table with columns: Par, Bid, Ask. Lists various securities including New Jersey Pow & Lt \$6 pf, New Oril Pub Serv \$7 pf, N Y & Queens E L P pf, etc.

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RAILROAD—PUBLIC UTILITY—INDUSTRIAL—MISCELLANEOUS

**Monthly Gross Earnings of Railroads**—The following are comparisons of the monthly totals of railroad earnings, both gross and net (the net before the deduction of taxes), of all the Class I roads in the country reporting monthly returns to the Interstate Commerce Commission:

Month	Gross Earnings				Length of Road	
	1934		1933		1934	1933
	\$	\$	Inc. (+) or Dec. (-)	Per Cent	Miles	Miles
January	257,719,855	226,276,523	+31,443,332	+13.90	239,444	241,337
February	248,104,297	211,882,826	+36,221,471	+17.10	239,389	241,263
March	292,775,785	217,773,265	+75,002,520	+34.44	239,228	241,194
April	265,022,239	224,565,926	+40,456,313	+18.02	239,109	241,113
May	281,627,332	254,857,827	+26,769,505	+10.50	238,983	240,906
June	282,406,507	277,923,922	+4,482,585	+1.61	239,107	240,932
July	275,583,676	293,341,605	-17,757,929	-6.05	239,160	240,882
August	282,277,699	296,564,653	-14,286,954	-4.82	239,114	240,658
September	275,129,512	291,772,770	-16,643,258	-5.70	238,977	240,593
October	292,488,478	293,983,028	-1,494,550	-0.62	238,937	240,428
November	256,629,163	257,376,376	-747,213	-0.29	238,826	240,836
December	257,199,427	245,092,327	+12,107,100	+4.94	238,570	239,833

Month	Net Earnings		Inc. (+) or Dec. (-)	
	1934		1933	
	Amount	Per Cent	Amount	Per Cent
January	\$62,262,469	\$44,978,266	+17,284,203	+38.43
February	59,923,775	40,914,074	+19,009,701	+46.46
March	83,939,285	42,447,013	+41,492,272	+97.75
April	65,253,473	51,640,515	+13,612,958	+26.36
May	72,084,732	73,703,351	-1,618,619	-2.20
June	74,529,256	92,967,854	-18,438,598	-19.83
July	67,569,491	98,803,830	-31,234,339	-31.61
August	71,019,068	94,507,245	-23,488,177	-24.85
September	71,781,674	92,720,463	-20,938,789	-22.58
October	80,423,303	89,641,103	-9,217,800	-10.28
November	59,167,473	65,899,592	-6,732,119	-10.22
December	62,187,963	58,350,192	+3,837,771	+6.58

**Abbott Laboratories, North Chicago**—To Issue 5,000 Shares of Stock—See under "Current Events and Discussions" on a preceding page.—V. 140, p. 3536.

**Acme Gas & Oil Co., Ltd.—Earnings—**  
Earnings for the Year Ended Dec. 31 1934

Net income	\$104,636
Previous surplus	77,460
Total surplus	\$182,096
Dividends paid	80,629
Surplus	\$101,467
Reserves for taxes, &c.	72,563
Surplus Dec. 31 1934	\$28,904

**Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**  
Assets—Cash on hand and in banks, \$24,630; call loan (secured), \$35,148; accounts receivable, \$21,898; investments at market value, \$10,786; royalties, \$36,619; oil and gas wells and leases in Canada and United States (less reserve for depreciation and depletion, \$150,000), \$386,063; total, \$515,146.  
Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$1,277; reserve for taxes, \$9,564; capital stock (2,015,732 shares of no par value, fully paid), \$475,400; profit and loss account, \$28,904; total \$515,146.—V. 139, p. 1544.

**Aeolian-Skinner Organ Co., Inc.—Comparative Balance Sheet Dec. 31—**

	1934	1933	Liabilities—	1934	1933
Cash	\$49,229	\$55,870	Accounts payable	\$4,495	\$5,739
a Notes and accts. receivable	378,563	407,990	Commissions pay.	1,637	3,229
Inventories, &c.	131,331	148,805	Salaries, wages, &c.	2,603	2,467
Interest accrued	6,994	8,465	Accrued State and Federal taxes	5,159	5,397
Investments	33,900	18,900	Reserve for guaranty work	-----	1,218
b Fixed assets	344,432	361,553	Res. for completion of contracts	4,673	3,450
Adv. to employees	12,344	12,280	General reserve	18,750	30,730
Musie library	346,128	346,128	c Capital stock	1,255,326	1,255,326
Patents	7,207	2,166	Capital surplus	101,050	101,050
Def'd charges and sundry items	7,961	10,381	Deficit	75,585	36,066

Total.....\$1,318,090 \$1,372,539 Total.....\$1,318,090 \$1,372,539  
a After reserve for doubtful receivables of \$33,043 in 1934 (\$22,330 in 1933). b After depreciation of \$47,507 in 1934 (\$30,744 in 1933). c Represented by 104,167 no par shares.—V. 138, p. 4451.

**Alton RR.—Seeks Extension of RFC Loan**—The company has applied to the Interstate Commerce Commission for approval of extension for five years of an Reconstruction Finance Corporation loan of \$1,894,632 maturing July 28.—V. 140, p. 4385.

**Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Co.—Earnings—**  
Period End. June 30— 1935—Month—1934 1935—6 Mos.—1934  
Gross earnings..... See x \$389,000 \$1,959,000 \$2,257,350  
Net profit after oper. exp. & development chgs. but before deprec. & depletion & Fed. tax. loss 24,000 212,700 954,600 1,204,950  
x Operations suspended on account of strike.  
A statement issued with report for June says: "Strike which forced suspension of operation May 22 was broken July 5, when 460 men returned to work on same conditions and wages which prevailed prior to the close-down."—V. 140, p. 4385.

**Allegheny Steel Co.—Seeks to Issue Stock**—See "Chronicle," July 6, p. 37.—V. 140, p. 3028.

**Allegheny Corp.—Earnings—**

Quarter Ended March 31—	1935	1934	1933
Dividends and interest received	\$971,289	\$809,817	\$685,595
Interest paid	969,037	1,014,951	1,007,584
General expenses, &c.	105,768	27,181	22,172

Net loss.....\$103,516 \$232,315 \$344,161  
x Exclusive of results from sale of securities. y After deducting reserves in respect of interest on \$11,152,000 Missouri Pacific RR. 20-year 5 1/2% convertible gold bonds and \$14,245,000 Terminal Shares, Inc., 5 1/2% notes.—V. 140, p. 4060.

**Allied Brewing & Distilling Co., Inc. (& Subs.)—**

Earnings for Year Ended Dec. 31 1934

Sales, less returns and allowances	\$1,718,028
Cost of goods sold	1,172,900
Gross profit	\$545,127
Selling expenses	278,586
General and administrative expenses	236,590
Operating profit	\$29,951
Income other than from trading	8,532
Gross income	\$38,483
Interest	11,053
Depreciation	41,510
Non-recurring expenses	2,616
Provision for Federal income tax	11,369
Net loss for the period	\$28,065
Loss from revaluation of inventories to present market	22,697
Total loss for the period	\$50,763

**Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**  
Assets—Cash on demand, \$30,648; notes and accounts receivable (less reserve for doubtful accounts of \$10,741), \$157,510; inventories, \$168,282; revenue stamps, \$1,047; other assets, \$24,152; land, buildings, machinery and equipment, &c. (less reserve for depreciation of \$48,518), \$1,007,974; prepaid expenses and deferred charges, \$24,632; patents and trade-marks, \$1,930; organization expense, \$69,122; good-will, \$1; total, \$1,485,301.  
Liabilities—Notes payable, \$32,961; mortgage instalments, (due within one year) \$3,275; reserved for taxes and contingencies, \$16,148; mortgages payable, \$141,500; containers charged to customers—subject to return, \$23,720; common stock (par \$1), \$353,214; paid-in surplus, \$941,184; deficit, \$130,063; total, \$1,485,301.—V. 140, p. 4385.

**Allied Mills, Inc.—Dividends Resumed**—The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable July 31 to holders of record July 20. This will be the first payment made on this issue since July 1 1930 when 15 cents was paid. The company states that further dividend payments this year will be contingent upon earnings.—V. 139, p. 1390.

**Ambassador Hotel Co. of Los Angeles—New Securities Ready, &c.**—See Ambassador Hotel Corp.

**Ambassador Hotel Corp., Los Angeles—Plan Operative**  
Securities of the newly organized Ambassador Hotel Co. of Los Angeles have been issued and are now ready for exchange for Ambassador Hotel Corp. 6% first mortgage sinking fund bonds dated March 21 1927 and certificates of deposit, it has been announced by the first mortgage bondholders' committee in a letter to all holders of record.

Under the terms of the reorganization which was effected under Section 77-B of the amended Bankruptcy Act, the exchange applies to both deposited and undeposited bonds. The American National Bank & Trust Co. of Chicago as depository and the Bank of America N. T. & S. A., Los Angeles, as sub-depository, are handling the exchange of certificates of deposit. Undeposited bonds are being exchanged by the Bank of America N. T. & S. A., the trustee under the original issue.

This exchange marks the final step in the reorganization of the \$5,820,000 Los Angeles hotel bond issue which constituted one of the largest real estate underwritings on the Pacific Coast.

In accordance with the reorganization plan which was approved by the Federal Court several weeks ago, the title to the property has been transferred to the newly organized Ambassador Hotel Corp. of Los Angeles.

New 15-year 5% income mortgage sinking fund bonds issued by the new company will be exchanged dollar for dollar for the present first mortgage bonds outstanding. In addition, all of the presently issued capital stock of the new company will be placed in the hands of voting trustees and voting trust certificates issued to bondholders at the rate of 10 shares for each \$1,000 bond held.

The new bonds bear interest at the rate of 5% per annum, payable semi-annually out of available income. Provision is made for the distribution of funds available for interest when such amounts represent a payment of 1% or more. After interest at the rate of 3% per annum has been paid upon the bonds, the remainder of the available funds will be applied one-half to bond retirement and one-half to additional interest payment until the interest for the particular period equals the rate of 5% per annum. After the payment of 5%, any additional earnings will be applied to bond retirement.

The reorganization which has just been completed covers only the Los Angeles Ambassador issue and does not alter the status of the Eastern Ambassador properties, which are still in reorganization proceedings. The personnel of the Los Angeles bondholders' committee, which have carried through the reorganization, consist of H. H. Cotton, Chairman, John Treanor and J. B. Van Nuys. Legal matters in connection with the plan and the formation of the new corporation have been handled by Paul Fussell of O'Melveny, Tuller & Meyers, counsel for the committee.—V. 139, p. 2037.

**American Aggregates Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—**

Earnings for Year Ended Dec. 31 1934

Net sales (after deducting allowances, trade & cash discounts, &c.)	\$907,056
Cost of sales	770,345
Gross profit on sales (before depreciation and depletion)	\$136,711
Profit from allied operations	46,559
Total profit	\$183,270
Selling and administrative expense	112,167
General expense	24,351
Net profit before int. earned and int. paid and deprec. & depl. interest earned and miscellaneous income	\$46,751
Total	\$81,729
Interest paid on real estate obligations and amortization of bond discount and expense	24,077
Interest on first mortgage bonds	57,794
Depreciation and depletion	289,161
Net loss	\$289,304

**Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**  
Assets—Cash, \$78,172; accounts and notes receivable, \$132,787; inventories, \$80,079; repaid insurance and royalties, \$17,491; mortgage notes, receivable and accrued interest, \$486,607; investments, advances, &c.,

\$329,683; plant and equipment (less reserve for depreciation of \$2,460,528), \$3,980,358; deferred charges, \$227,841; total, \$5,333,022.  
**Liabilities**—Notes payable due in 1935, \$8,300; accounts payable, \$44,618; real estate purchase contracts due in 1935, \$16,850; accrued taxes, interest, royalties, &c., \$67,127; deferred liabilities, \$142,476; first mortgage bonds, due Feb. 1, 1943, \$905,500; 15-yr. 6% skg. fd. g. debts., ser. A, due Feb. 1, 1943, \$103,000; 7% non-cum. preferred stock (par \$100), \$1,785,100; common stock (issued 227,345 shares, no par, \$2,273,450, less in treasury 23,437 shares, \$226,020), \$2,047,430; capital surplus, \$641,173; deficit, \$426,552; total \$5,333,022.—V. 139, p. 1859.

**American Car & Foundry Co.—Bookings**

The company now has between \$14,000,000 and \$15,000,000 of business on its books, the largest volume in several years. Charles J. Hardy, President told stockholders at the annual meeting held July 11. At this time last year the bookings were \$9,477,000, and on July 1 1933 the total was only \$622,000.—V. 140, p. 4385.

**American Community Power Co.—Final Distribution**

Holders of one-year (5 1/4% secured gold notes due Nov. 1 1931) are being notified that the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co. as trustee under the note agreement dated Nov. 1 1930 is prepared to make a further and final distribution on notes outstanding. Distribution will consist of 2 1/2 shares of common stock of General Public Utilities, Inc., and \$1.10 in cash in respect of each \$1,000 of notes.

The stock and cash to be distributed represent the net proceeds of the distributive share in the assets of American Community Power Co. received by trustee in respect of its proof of claim filed in proceedings in Chancery Court of Delaware. The total distributive share of trustee in these proceedings was 5,180 shares of common stock and 59 cents in cash. Scrip certificates are not available in the fractional denominations necessary for a pro rata distribution in kind of the full number of shares. Accordingly, and in order to defray the expenses of distribution, 680 shares were sold. The balance, which is distributable pro rata in full shares and half-shares, and the proceeds of the sale, after the deduction of expenses, are to be distributed at the rates set forth above.

In order to obtain their distributive shares, all holders of above notes should on or after June 28 1935 present the same to the trustee at 70 Broadway, New York City.—V. 136, p. 2418.

**American & Continental Corp.—Earnings**

Six Months Ended May 31—	1935	1934
Interest	\$84,058	\$174,805
Dividends (including no stock dividends)	165,975	117,169
Other income	-----	96
Gross income	\$250,033	\$292,071
Investment service fee	22,880	26,364
Miscellaneous expenses	19,146	12,284
Interest and amortization of discount—debs.	72,601	72,718
Miscellaneous taxes	648	773
Foreign Government taxes	-----	53
Net income (excl. profits & losses on sales of securities & liquidation of intermediate credits)	\$134,757	\$179,880
Dividend paid	225,000	225,000

**Comparative Balance Sheet**

	May 31 '35	Nov. 30 '34		May 31 '35	Nov. 30 '34
<b>Assets</b>			<b>Liabilities</b>		
Cash	828,676	202,723	Int. accrued on 5% debentures, &c.	20,192	20,250
Investments	8,541,854	8,166,547	Due for securities purchased	30,915	142,915
Intermed. credits	148,217	2,422,485	Sundry, &c., exps.	36,909	13,631
Corporation's debs. purch. at cost	-----	3,418,985	Accrued taxes	2,225	1,715
Accrued inc., com- mss. & sundry accts. receivable	72,998	81,777	5% debs. maturing April 1 1943	2,423,000	7,500,000
Due for secur. sold	1,864	16,032	Capital stock	450,000	450,000
Unamort. discount on debentures	18,974	197,917	Capital surplus	4,025,678	1,656,640
			Earned surplus	2,623,658	2,721,311
Total	9,612,577	12,506,462	Total	9,612,577	12,506,462

Represented by 25,000 shares class A stock (\$1 par in 1935 and no par in 1934) and 425,000 shares common stock (\$1 par in 1935 and no par in 1934). z After deducting reserves of \$1,270,889.

Note—The report also gives a balance sheet as of May 31 1935 on a market basis, the difference from the book basis (given above) being in securities, which are listed at \$8,183,641, and the elimination of the unamortized discount and expense on debentures, being offset by reduction in surplus by write-down of unrealized depreciation from cost or write-down values of securities of \$358,216 and unamortized discount and expenses on debentures of \$18,974.—V. 140, p. 2691.

**American Crystal Sugar Co.—Registrar**

The Guaranty Trust Co. of N. Y. has been appointed Registrar of the company's 6% first preferred stock (par \$100).—V. 140, p. 4386.

**American Factors, Ltd.—Earnings**

Calendar Years—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Profit for the year	\$1,225,275	\$1,323,002	\$1,045,962	\$1,335,449
Territorial excise, &c., taxes	145,000	157,770	47,000	123,530
Balance	\$1,080,275	\$1,165,232	\$998,962	\$1,211,919
Dividends paid during yr	1,000,000	900,000	800,000	1,000,000
Net income	\$80,275	\$265,232	\$198,962	\$211,919
Previous surplus	6,019,607	5,754,663	5,648,756	5,429,812
Misc. charges—Dr.	288,140	13,931	-----	-----
Special, &c., reserve written back	Cr12,130	Cr13,643	Dr93,056	Cr7,025
Total surplus	\$5,823,871	\$6,019,607	\$5,754,663	\$5,648,756

**Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**

Assets	Liabilities
Cash and short-term securities	Accounts payable
Accts. & notes receivable	Sundry accounts and drafts payable
Merchandise inventories	Earned taxes (est.)
Deferred items	Accrued surplus
Investments (at cost)	Capital stock (\$20 par)
Property and equipment (less depreciation)	
Total	Total

—V. 139, p. 3634.

**American National Co.—Earnings**

Earnings for Year Ended Dec. 31 1934	
Gross profit from sales before depreciation	\$828,283
Depreciation	57,112
Gross profit after depreciation	\$771,171
Administrative and selling expenses	533,504
Interest, discounts, &c., net	98,436
Federal income tax	21,994
Net profit	\$117,235
Preferred dividends	36,606
Surplus	\$80,629

**Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**

Assets—Cash, \$358,444; cash surrender value, life insurance, \$42,408; notes and accounts receivable, customers, \$741,187; coupons on treasury bonds, collected in Jan. 1935, \$2,535; merchandise inventory, \$684,122; investments, stock in other companies (at cost), \$55,610; other assets, \$67,436; supplies, prepaid insurance, &c., \$31,968; land, buildings, mach and equipment, &c. (less reserves for depreciation of \$1,099,462), \$783,677; patents and trade-marks, \$1; unamortized bond discount and expense, \$17,790; total, \$2,853,237.  
 Liabilities—Accounts and payroll drafts payable, \$181,647; accrued payroll, taxes, &c., \$93,147; dividends payable, preferred stock, \$5,744;

6% debentures due Jan. 1 1938, \$702,000; reserve for contingencies and losses, \$12,000; 7% cum. pref. stock, series A, par \$100 (after deducting 454 shs. in treasury at cost of \$31,400), \$208,600; 7% cumulative pref. stock, series B (after deducting 83 shs. in treasury at cost of \$8,300), \$110,600; common stock (par \$25), \$504,350; surplus, \$1,539,495; total, \$2,853,237.—V. 134, p. 137.

**American International Corp.—Asset Value**

The corporation reports net assets as of June 30 1935 of \$20,749,317, equivalent to \$1.501 per \$1,000 principal amount of debentures outstanding and indicating a liquidating value on common stock of \$6.87 per share. This compares with net assets of Dec. 31 1934 of \$19,437,122 equivalent to \$1.406 per \$1,000 principal amount of debentures outstanding and an indicated asset value on the common stock of \$5.57 per share.

Securities are valued on June 30 1935 on the same basis as in the audited report of Dec. 31 1934. Those carried at a nominal valuation in the report of Dec. 31 1934 are still so carried. Cash balances as of June 30 1935 were \$1,291,139 and United States Treasury bonds at market values were \$304,875.—V. 140, p. 2691.  
 There were outstanding as of June 30 1935, \$13,821,000 principal amount of debentures, and 1,007,973 shares of common stock.

**American Optical Co.—Consol. Bal. Sheet Dec. 31 1934**

Assets	Liabilities
Cash in banks and on hand	Accounts payable and accrued expenses incl. provision for Federal and State income taxes
Marketable securities	Reserve for foreign exchange
Customers' notes and accts. receivable, less reserves	Miscellaneous reserves
Miscell. notes and accounts receivable, less reserve	7% cum. pref. stock
Inventories	x Common stock
Due from employees (secured \$54,855)	Earned surplus
Other notes and accounts receiv. (secured \$104,709)	
Invest. in and advances to affiliated companies	
Plant and equipment	
Prepaid expenses and sundry assets	
Total	Total

Represented by 258,936 no par shares of which 915 shares are held in treasury.—V. 138, p. 4453.

**American Potash & Chemical Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings**

Earnings for Year Ended Dec. 31 1934	
Net sales	\$3,203,740
Cost of sales (exclusive of depreciation)	1,517,707
Gross profit	\$1,686,033
General administration, selling, and miscellaneous expenses	878,436
Profit from operations (before depreciation)	\$807,597
Other income credits	176,283
Gross income (before depreciation)	\$983,880
Income charges	83,325
Depreciation	440,814
Net income	\$459,741

**Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**

Assets—Cash, \$395,489; notes and accounts receivable, \$561,103; inventories, \$1,288,385; sundry investments, \$461; property (less reserve for depreciation of \$3,926,184), \$13,193,362; patents and trade-marks (less reserve), \$37,068; deferred charges, \$88,178; total, \$15,564,048.  
 Liabilities—Notes and accounts payable, \$601,684; capital stock (528,390 shares no par), \$8,670,536; surplus, \$6,291,826; total, \$15,564,048.—V. 137, p. 1767.

**American Seal-Kap Corp. of Del. (& Sub.)—Earnings**

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1934	1933
Net sales	\$534,011	\$489,621
Cost of sales selling delivery administrative and general expenses	461,084	420,780
Provision for depreciation	26,097	39,110
Balance	\$46,828	\$29,731
Interest received	5,156	7,814
Profit from sale of liberty bonds	5,218	-----
Balance	\$57,203	\$37,545
Interest paid	8,628	12,906
Loss on disposal of equipment	697	-----
Provision for Federal capital stock tax	1,330	6,180
Provision for Federal income tax	5,400	See x
Net profit	\$41,147	\$18,459
Dividends	416,871	-----
Deficit	\$375,724	sur\$18,459

x No provision for Federal income tax was made in respect of the above net profit for 1933 inasmuch as allowable deductions were expected to exceed the taxable income.

**Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**

Assets—Cash in banks and on hand, \$91,903; notes and accounts receivable (less reserve for doubtful notes and accounts of \$4,085), \$33,940; inventories, \$58,567; shop and plant supplies, \$1,963; receivable from officers and employees, \$706; secured demand note receivable, less reserve, \$10,775; land, buildings, machinery and equipment at cost (less \$141,708 written off to capital surplus in 1932 and reserve for depreciation of \$222,794), \$514,780; deferred charges, \$16,173; good-will, \$235,000; total, \$963,811.  
 Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$18,006; accrued interest, taxes, wages, &c., \$6,358; unclaimed dividends, \$3,549; reserve for 1934 Federal income and capital stock taxes (estimated), \$6,080; mortgages payable, \$144,750; reserve for contingencies, \$58,821; capital stock (par \$2), \$277,914; capital surplus, \$376,356; surplus, \$71,975; total, \$963,811.—V. 138, p. 2563.

**American Seating Co.—To Issue \$2,827,000 6% Conv. Notes and 56,540 Shares of Stock**—See under "Current Events and Discussions" on a preceding page.—V. 140, p. 3885.

**American States Public Service Co.—Second Reorganization Plan Proposed**

Two plans of reorganization have been prepared for the company. The first plan was submitted by J. B. Whitworth and F. D. F. Ahagen, trustees, to the Federal Court in Baltimore. The second prepared by the protective committee for holders of first lien bonds, headed by R. E. Swart and comprising George De B. Greene and Garretton Dulin will be presented to the same court if the committee has the support of 25% of the holders of the bonds.

The plan of the trustees was outlined in "Chronicle" June 22, p. 4223. Under the plan prepared by the committee there would be issued for each \$1,000 of first lien bonds \$500 of 4 1/4% first mortgage series A bonds, due in 1948, of American States Water Service Co. of Calif., an existing subsidiary; \$100 of 5% first mortgage series A bonds, due in 1948, of the Edison-Sault Electric Co., another subsidiary; \$400 of new 3% debentures of the reorganized company, due in 1960, and five shares of new common stock.

For each \$1,000 of existing debentures there would be given 15 shares of common stock of the reorganized company.  
 No specific provision is made in this plan for holders of the preferred stock, but 2,375 shares of new common stock might be issued to them if the Court so orders.

An underwriting agreement dated June 26 provides that the International Utilities Corp. purchase from any participant in the plan the new debs., carrying with them common stock of the reorganized company at the rate of

five common shares for each \$400 of debentures, at 36 1/4 a unit, or \$145, plus interest from May 1.

Since it was expected that the first mortgage bonds of the two subsidiary companies could be sold at or about par in the open market, any holder of first lien bonds would have the opportunity of liquidating his investment at about 7 1/2 under the committee's plan, it is stated.

American Sumatra Tobacco Corp.—Special Meeting—

The stockholders at a special meeting to be held on July 25, will vote on a proposed plan of extra compensation for the management and employees of the corporation.—V. 139, p. 2511.

American Telephone & Telegraph Co.—

Table with columns: Period End, 1935-Month, 1934, 1935-5 Mos, 1934. Rows: Operating revenues, Uncollectible oper. revs., Operating expenses, Operating taxes, Net operating income.

American Toll Bridge Co.—To Issue Bonds—

The company has filed a registration statement with the SEC seeking to issue \$4,300,000 5 1/2% first mortgage bonds due Aug. 1 1945. Underwriters and the amounts to be underwritten by each include Blyth Co., Inc., \$1,634,000; Dean, Witter & Co., \$817,000; Mitchum, Tully & Co., \$817,000; E. H. Rollins & Sons, Inc., \$645,000; Elworthy & Co., \$215,000; and William Cavalier & Co., \$170,000.

Amsterdam Trading Co.—Final Dividend Declared

The directors have declared a final dividend of 33 cents per share on the "American shares" payable July 20 to holders of record July 15. A dividend of 42 cents was paid on July 20 1934.—V. 139, p. 272.

American Water Works & Electric Co.—Weekly Output

Output of electric energy for the week ended July 6 1935, totaled 30,694,000 kwh., an increase of 6% over the output of 29,032,000 kwh. for the corresponding period of 1934.

Table with columns: Week Ended, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows: June 15, June 22, June 29, July 6.

Anglo-Persian Oil Co., Ltd.—Earnings—

Table with columns: Calendar Years, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows: Profit after deprec., int. and income taxes, Extra depreciation, New issue expenses, Reserves, Net profit, 1st preferred dividends, 2d preferred dividends, Ordinary dividends, Deficit, Brought forward, Carried forward, Earned on ordinary stock.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Table with columns: 1934, 1933. Rows: Assets (Inv. in & adv to assoc. co's, Property, Stock of stores, materials, Stock of crude oil, products, Debit balances, Govt. securities, Cash), Liabilities (1st pref. shares, 2d pref. shares, Ordinary shares, Debenture stock, Dep. by sub. co's, Credit balance, Reserves, Profit & loss surp.).

Animal Trap Co. of America, Inc.—Earnings—

Table with columns: Condensed Income Account for the Year Ended Dec 31 1934. Rows: Sales, Cost of sales, Operating expenses, Depreciation, Net operating profit, Other income, Total income, Other charges, Net income, Surplus Jan. 1 1934, Increase in cash surrender value life insurance, Total surplus, Preferred stock dividends paid, Canadian and Federal taxes, Life insurance premium, Miscellaneous adjustments, Surplus, Dec. 31 1934.

Condensed Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Cash on hand and deposit, \$93,747; accounts receivable, \$43,240; inventories, \$163,276; cash value of insurance (net), \$474; investments (at cost), \$3,364; land, building, machinery and equipment (less reserve for depreciation of \$529,310), \$541,280; patents (less amortization of \$200,000), \$50,000; deferred charges, \$9,976; good-will, trade names, trade marks, &c., \$250,000; total, \$1,155,360.

Argonaut Mining Co.—Resumes Dividends—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, par \$5, payable July 25 to holders of record July 19. This will be the first payment made on this issue since Aug. 23 1934 when 50 cents was paid. On May 23, and Feb. 24 1934, dividend of 25 cents per share were distributed, prior to which no payments were made since Feb. 1930 when a 20 cent dividend was disbursed.—V. 140, p. 1138.

Apollo Steel Co.—Resumes Dividends—

A dividend of 12 1/2 cents per share was paid on the common stock, par \$10, on July 1 to holders of record June 22; the first payment made since April 1 1931 when 15 cents per share was distributed.—V. 138, p. 1564.

Arkansas Power & Light Co.—Annual Report—

Table with columns: Calendar Years, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows: Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Rent for leased property, Balance, Other income, Gross income, Interest on mortgage bonds, Other interest and deductions, Interest charged to construction, Property retirement reserve approp., Balance available for dividends, Dividends on \$7 pref. stock, Dividends on \$6 pref. stock, Dividends on common stock.

Note—Dividends on the \$7 and \$6 preferred stock, which are cumulative, were in arrears \$4.67 and \$4 per share respectively, as of Dec. 31 1933. During 1934 there were declared on the \$7 and \$6 preferred stocks, dividends aggregating \$4.08 and \$3.50 per share, respectively. No provision has been made in the above statement for undeclared cumulative dividends amounting to \$727,999 (\$7.59 per share) on the \$7 preferred stock and \$301,015 (\$6.50 per share) on the \$6 preferred stock, to Dec. 31 1934.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Table with columns: 1934, 1933. Rows: Assets (Plant, property, franchises, Investments, Cash in banks, Notes & loans rec., Accounts receiv., Materials & suppl., Prepayments, Miscell. curr. assets, Miscell. assets, Unamort. debt disc. and expense, Other def. charges, Conting. assets, contra.), Liabilities (Capital stock, Capital stock subscribed, 1st & ref. mtg. 5s., Little Rock Ry. & Electric Co. 6s., Wilson Power & Light Co. 6s., Municipal oblig., Current liabilities, Matured and accrued interest, Deferred credits to income, Conting. liabilities, contra., Reserves, Capital surplus, Earned surplus).

Armour & Co. of Del.—\$48,000,000 Bonds Offered—

Kuhn, Loeb & Co., The First Boston Corp., Brown, Harriman & Co., Inc., Edward B. Smith & Co., Blyth & Co., Inc., Lee, Higginson Corp. and associates on July 9 offered at 98 1/4% and accrued int., \$48,000,000 1st mtg. 20-year 4% sinking fund bonds series B, due Aug. 1 1955. The company and its subsidiaries constitute one of the largest enterprises in the packing industry.

A prospectus affords the following:

Dated Aug. 1 1935; due Aug. 1 1955. Int. payable F. & A. Company agrees to reimburse owners resident in the respective States, upon application in the manner specified in the indentures, for the following taxes paid with respect to these bonds, or the interest thereon: Any Penn. personal property taxes not exceeding four mills on each dollar of assessed value in any year; any securities taxes in Maryland, not exceeding in the aggregate 45 cents on each \$100 of the assessed value thereof in any year; any personal property or exemption tax in Conn., not exceeding 4-10ths of 1% of the face amount thereof in any year; any property tax in Calif., not exceeding 2-10ths of 1% of the actual value thereof in any year; and any Mass. tax assessed or measured on income, not exceeding 6% of the interest thereon in any year. Coupon bonds in denominations of \$1,000 and \$500, registerable as to principal, fully registered bonds in denominations, as stated in the indentures. Coupon bonds and fully registered bonds are interchangeable. Principal and interests payable in N. Y. City and in Chicago in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for public and private debts. Series B bonds are redeemable, other than for the sinking fund and other than out of moneys received from property releases, at the company's option, in whole at any time upon 60 days' notice, or in part, selected by lot in amounts of not less than \$7,500,000, on any semi-annual interest date upon at least 30 days' notice as follows: at 105 on or before Aug. 1 1945, and thereafter and prior to Aug. 1 1954, at such premium reduced by 1/2% for each 12 months, or part thereof elapsed between Aug. 1 1945 and the date fixed for redemption, in each case with accrued interest.

Bonds of all series at the time outstanding are subject to redemption by lot at the option of the company out of moneys received upon the sale of properties released from the indentures, all as provided therein. Series B bonds are redeemable out of such moneys on any Aug. 1, at the then applicable sinking fund redemption price.

Sinking Fund—An annual sinking fund payable on June 20 in each year, commencing 1936, of (a) an amount sufficient to redeem, at the applicable sinking fund redemption price, 1% of the aggregate principal amount of series B bonds theretofore issued, plus (b) 4% of the principal amount of bonds theretofore retired through the sinking fund; payable in cash or at the option of the company in series B bonds at the applicable sinking fund redemption price, or partly in cash and partly in bonds. The series B bonds are redeemable for the sinking fund at the principal amount thereof plus a premium of 2 1/4% if redeemed on or before Aug. 1 1945, and if redeemed thereafter and on or before Aug. 1 1953, plus such premium reduced by 1/2% for each 12 months elapsed between Aug. 1 1945 and the date fixed for redemption, in each case with accrued interest.

Listing—Company has agreed to make application in due course for the listing of these bonds on the New York Stock Exchange and their registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Application of Proceeds—The estimated net proceeds, after deducting expenses, to be received by the company from the several underwriters from the issuance and sale of the series B bonds will be \$45,381,700 exclusive of accrued int., if any. Company intends to apply \$44,328,900 of such net proceeds to redeem at 105% its \$42,218,000 1st mtg. 20-year 5 1/2% guaranteed gold bonds, series A, due Jan. 1 1943. (Bonds have been called for redemption on Sept. 7 1935). The balance of such net proceeds is to be used for other corporate purposes.

History and Organization—Company was organized Dec. 27 1922 in Delaware. Armour & Co. (Ill.), through the ownership of all of the company's common stock, has 100% voting power.

Consolidated Income Statement for Stated Period

Table with columns: Fiscal Period Ended, Weeks, Total Income, Int. Chgs. Current Debt, Int. Chgs. on Fund. Dt., Depreciation, Net Income. Rows: Jan. 2 1926, Oct. 29 1927, Nov. 2 1929, Oct. 31 1931, Oct. 29 1932, Oct. 28 1933, Oct. 27 1934, Apr. 27 1935.

a Before deducting interest charges (incl. amortiz. of bond disc't & exp.), Deprec. & Federal income taxes. b Includes amortiz. of bond discount & expense. c Before deducting Federal income taxes.

Underwriters—The names and addresses of the several principal underwriters in respect of the issue of bonds, and the several amounts underwritten by them respectively are shown below:

Table with columns: Name, Amount, Name, Amount. Lists underwriters such as Kuhn, Loeb & Co., N. Y., First Boston Corp., N. Y., Brown, Harriman & Co., Inc., etc.

The underwriters have agreed severally to purchase from the company, the amounts of series B bonds set forth at 95 3/4 % and int. to the date of delivery and payment.

Funded Debt and Capitalization

Table with columns: Authorized, Outstanding. Rows include 1st mtge. bonds, 20-year 5 1/2 % guar. gold bond series, 7% guar. cum. pref. stock, etc.

Upon completion of the sale of the series B bonds and the retirement, out of the proceeds thereof, of the company's series A bonds, the funded debt of the company and its consolidated subsidiaries outstanding in the hands of the public will consist of the \$48,000,000 series B bonds offered by this prospectus and \$7,236,000 (excl. of \$1,844,000 held in the treasury of North American Provision Co.) of Morris & Co. 1st mtge. sinking fund 4 1/2 % gold bonds, due July 1 1939, which bonds have been assumed by North American Provision Co., a subsidiary.

Consolidated Statement of Profit and Loss

Table with columns: Apr. 27 '35, Oct. 27 '34, Oct. 28 '33, Oct. 29 '32. Rows include Gross sales, less disc'ts, returns & allowances; Cost of goods sold; Operating result; Other income; Net Income; etc.

Including sales by company and its subs. to parent company and its other subs. b And inter-co. transfers, incl. purchases by company and its subs. from parent company and its other subs.

Consolidated Balance Sheet, April 27 1935

Table with columns: Assets, Liabilities. Rows include Cash & cash items, Notes & acct. receivable, Inventories, Fixed assets, Total, etc.

Bonds Called—

All of the outstanding 1st mtge. 20-year 5 1/2 % guaranteed gold bonds, series A, due Jan. 1 1943 have been called for redemption on Sept. 7 next, at 105 and int. Payment will be made at the Continental Illinois National Bank & Trust Co. of Chicago or at the Chase National Bank of the City of New York.—140, p. 4387.

Asbestos Corp., Ltd.—Earnings—

Table with columns: Calendar Years— 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Profit from operations, Int. rec'd & sund. earns., Net profit, Bond interest, Directors fees, Provision for depreciation, Net loss.

x Includes settlement of obligations created in the year ending Dec. 31 1933, resulting in a net saving to the company of \$73,364.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Table with columns: Assets— 1934, 1933, Liabilities— 1934, 1933. Rows include Property, Trusts, Deferred charges, Investments, Inventories, Accts. and bills, Cash, Total.

x Represented by 130,390 shares of no par value in 1934 and 135,390 no par value shares in 1933. y After deducting depreciation of \$2,817,242 in 1934 (1933, \$2,685,865).—V. 140, p. 2692.

Asbestos Mfg. Co. (Ind.)—Earnings—

Income Account for the Year Ended Dec. 31 1934

Table with columns: Gross profit from sales, Selling, administrative and general expenses, Profit from operations, Other income, Total income, Interest paid, Discounts allowed, Allowance for loss on deposit accounts with closed banks, Loss on capital asset retired, Allowance for Federal income tax, Net income for the year, Preferred dividends, Common dividends, Surplus.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Table with columns: Assets—Cash in banks and on hand, \$8,691; accounts receivable, customers considered good, \$70,870; inventories, at the lower of cost or market, \$201,213; prepaid insurance, taxes, advertising, &c., \$4,878; accounts receivable; officers and employees, \$2,597; deposit accounts with closed banks (net of allowance of \$15,985 for loss), \$6,133; land, buildings, machinery and equipment (less deprec. of \$218,110), \$819,320; patents and trade marks, \$1,358; deferred charges, foreign advertising and sales expenses, \$4,114; total, \$1,119,679. Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$46,811; dividend on preferred stock, payable Feb. 1 1935, \$5,495; accrued taxes, commissions, wages, &c., \$37,970; accrued Federal income tax 1934, \$12,400; account payable, officer, \$37,500; preferred stock (\$1 par), \$15,700; common stock (\$1 par), \$320,000; surplus arising from revaluation of plant accounts, \$421,395; paid-in surplus, \$26,800; earned surplus, \$195,606; total, \$1,119,679.—V. 138, p. 3262.

Ashley Gold Mining Corp., Ltd.—Earnings—

Income Account for the Year Ended Dec. 31 1934

Table with columns: Value of production, less mining, milling and selling costs, Other income, Total income, Administration expenses, Development costs, Operating profit, Prior development costs written off, Reserve for taxes, Balance deficit, Balance at debit Dec. 30 1933, Balance deficit.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Table with columns: Assets—Cash in banks and on call, \$69,246; Bullion in transit, 36,371; Stores and prepaid expenses, 43,892; Plant and equipment, 343,721; Deferred development, 95,798; Mining rights, 1,500,000. Liabilities—Accounts payable, 18,997; Reserve for taxes, 450; Reserve for contingencies, 4,000; Capital stock (par \$1), 2,257,477; Deficiency, 191,894. Total: \$2,089,030.

Associated Breweries of Canada, Ltd.—Earnings—

Table with columns: Calendar Years— 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Net after all expenses & taxes, Previous surplus, Total income, Preferred dividends, Common dividends, Amount res. for contng., Losses on investments, Profit & loss surplus, A After deducting \$134,576 depreciation; \$8,400 directors' fees and \$73,572 Federal and Provincial income taxes.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Table with columns: Assets—Cash, acct. receivable, Inventories, mat'l's and supplies, Dom. of Can. bds, Listed stocks, Life insur. policies, Investments, Pref. shares purch. for redemption, Sunk fund for red. of pref. shares, Deferred charges, Fixed assets. Liabilities—Accounts payable, Income and other taxes, Dividends payable, Reserves, 7% preferred stock, x Common shares, Profit & loss acct.

x Represented by 224,600 shares (no par).—V. 139, p. 3635.

Associated Gas & Electric Co.—June Output Up 4.1%—

Associated Gas & Electric System reports net electric output for June of 232,437,209 units (kwh.), an increase of 4.1% above the same month a year ago. This is the largest percentage increase over the same month of 1934 reported for any month since January.

Gas production also shows improvement, sent out for June being 7.4% above the 1934 figure. For the year ended June 30, the increase was 5.6% above the previous 12 month's period.

5.0% Increase in Weekly Power Output—

Output of electricity by Associated Gas & Electric System for the week ended June 29, was 5.0% above the corresponding week last year. Output for the week amounted to 54,784,523 units (kwh.). This is a higher net output than any previously reported for the week under review.

Gross output, including sales to other utilities, was 66,041,738 units.—V. 141, p. 105.

Associated Quality Cannery, Ltd.—Earnings—

Table with 3 columns: Item, 1935, 1934. Rows include Operating profit, Depreciation, Interest on bonds and notes, Loss for year, Previous deficit, Loss on winding up Belleville Cannery, Ltd., Profit and loss deficit.

a Figures fully consolidated for purposes of comparison. b Figures not available.

Balance Sheet Feb. 28 1935

Assets—Cash on hand and in banks, \$2,047; trade accounts receivable, less reserve for bad debts, \$37,001; other accounts receivable, \$1,005; inventories, \$790,543; balances on deposit with mutual insurance company, \$7,412; investment in other companies, \$28,157; fixed assets (less depreciation of \$493,330), \$1,514,124; good-will, formulae, trademarks, &c., \$282,766; unexpired insurance and other prepaid charges, \$3,898; total, \$2,666,958.

Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.—Construction and Operation—

The Interstate Commerce Commission has issued a certificate authorizing (a) the company and the Alton RR. to construct a line of railroad from a connection with their respective main lines east of and near Pequot station in a westerly direction to a connection with the Elgin Joliet & Eastern, (b) to operate, under trackage rights, over the last-named railway from said connection in a general northerly direction to a point about 0.74 mile northerly therefrom, and (c) to construct a line extending westerly and northerly from the point last mentioned to a terminus in Section 17, Township 33 north, range 8 east, a total distance, including the proposed trackage rights operation, of 5.52 miles, all in Grundy County, Ill.—V. 140, p. 4387.

Automobile Banking Corp.—Earnings—

Table with 3 columns: Item, 1935, 1934. Rows include 6 Months Ended June 30—Net income after charges, Shares common stock outstanding, Earnings per share.

—V. 140, p. 4388.

Baltimore Transit Co.—New Name—

See United Rys. & Electric Co. of Baltimore below.

Bangor Hydro-Electric Co. (& Controlled Company)—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: Item, 1935—Month, 1934, 1935—12 Mos., 1934. Rows include Gross earnings, Operating expenses, Taxes accrued, Depreciation, Fixed charges, Dividend on pref. stock, Dividend on com. stock, Balance.

—V. 140, p. 4063.

Baton Rouge Electric Co.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: Item, 1935—Month, 1934, 1935—12 Mos., 1934. Rows include Gross earnings, Operation, Maintenance, Taxes, Interest & amortization, Balance, Appropriations for retirement reserve, Preferred dividend requirements, Balance for common dividend and surplus.

—V. 140, p. 3886.

Benjamin Electric Mfg. Co.—Annual Report—

Table with 4 columns: Item, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Profits for period, Federal income tax, Depreciation, Interest, incl. bond int., Net income, Previous surplus, Refund Fed. inc. tax, Adjustment of deprec., Total surplus, Fed. taxes (prior years), Comm. & discount on 1st pref. stock (prop), Adjust. of val. of patents, Tax on bonds, 1st pref. divs. pd. & accr., 2d pref. dividends, Profit and loss surplus.

Comparative Balance Sheet March 31

Table with 4 columns: Item, 1935, 1934, 1935, 1934. Rows include Assets—Cash, U. S. Lib. L'n bds., Tax antic. warrants, Accts. receivable, Insurance deposit, Merch. inventory, Investments, Def. & prep'd chgs., y Fixed assets, z Patents, Good-will, Treasury stock, Liabilities—Accounts payable, Accr. wages, int., royalties, &c., Accrued taxes, Reserves, 1st mtg. 6% gold bonds, 1st pref. stock, 2d pref. stock, Common stock, Surplus.

Total—\$3,547,239 \$3,296,857 Total—\$3,547,239 \$3,296,857 x Includes notes receivable, less reserve for doubtful accounts and notes of \$14,468. y Less reserve for depreciation of \$956,441 in 1935 (1934, \$1,057,179). z Less reserve for depreciation of \$122,875 in 1935 (1934, \$131,213).—V. 139, p. 1700.

Baldwin Locomotive Works—June Bookings—

The dollar value of orders taken in June by this company and sub. companies, including The Midvale Co., was announced on July 11, as \$1,721,359, as compared with \$1,166,449 for June 1934. These bookings brought the total for the first six months of the year to \$9,603,626, as compared with \$11,149,743 in the first half of 1934. Consolidated shipments, including Midvale, during June, aggregated \$2,040,173 as compared with \$1,436,410 in June of last year while for the first six months of 1935 they were \$12,337,860, or nearly double the shipments of \$6,826,816 reported for the first six months of 1934. The continuation of shipments at a rate in excess of bookings of new business resulted in a further decline in unfilled orders on hand. On June 30 1935, consolidated unfilled orders, including Midvale, amounted to \$6,637,678 as compared with \$5,462,712 on Jan. 1 1935, and \$8,634,335 on June 30 1934.

Court Orders Hearing on Interest Plea—

Negotiations between the company and the independent bondholders' committee representing the holders of the consolidated mortgage bonds to formulate an arrangement to satisfy the bondholders who are demanding payment of the \$313,158 interest due since March 1 have failed to materialize. As a result, Federal Judge Dickinson, on July 9, sent the matter to Howard Benton Lewis, Special Master for the Court, to take testimony and determine whether the company is in a position to pay the interest. Special Master Lewis has set July 22, at the date for hearing on the petition.—V. 140, p. 4388.

Birmingham Electric Co.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: Item, 1935—Month, 1934, 1935—12 Mos., 1934. Rows include Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Net rev. from oper., Other income, Gross corp. income, Int. & other deductions, Balance, Property retirement reserve appropriations, Dividends applicable to preferred stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid, Deficit, Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends, Dividends accumulated and unpaid to May 31 1935, before giving effect to dividends of \$1.75 a share on \$7 pref. stock and \$1.50 a share on \$6 pref. stock (aggregating \$107,311) which were declared in May for payment July 1 1935.—V. 140, p. 3539.

Bon Ami Co.—Listing of B Stock—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 200,000 shares of common B stock (no par), all of which have been issued and are outstanding in the hands of the public. The common A stock was approved for listing on Dec. 22 1926.

Consolidated Income Statement 3 Months Ended March 31 1935

Table with 2 columns: Item, 1935. Rows include Gross profit on sales, Net profit before depreciation and income taxes, Depreciation, Federal income tax, Canadian income tax, Loss on sales of marketable securities, Surplus, Surplus at beginning of period, Total, Common A dividends, Common B dividends, Balance, surplus.

Comparative Consolidated Balance Sheets

Table with 4 columns: Item, Mar. 31 '35, Dec. 31 '34, Mar. 31 '35, Dec. 31 '34. Rows include Assets—Cash, Marketable securities, Accts. receiv. (net), Inventories, Claim against closed bank (net), Capital stk. of co., Plant & equipment, Good-will, &c., Prepaid & def. chgs., Liabilities—Dividends payable, Accts. pay. (trade), Acrued liabilities, Res. for inc. taxes, Res. for conting., Minority int. in, Orford Soap Co., x Capital stock, Earned surplus, Total.

Total—\$6,927,693 \$6,967,202 Total—\$6,927,693 \$6,967,202 x Represented by 100,000 shares class A and 200,000 shares class B stock (no par value).—V. 140, p. 2855.

Booth Mfg. Co., New Bedford, Mass.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: Item, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Calendar Years—Net loss before depreciation, Comparative Balance Sheet—Assets—Real est. & mach., Merchandise, Cash and accts. rec., Investments, Prepaid items, Treasury stock, Profit & loss deficit, Liabilities—Preferred stock, Common stock, Mortgage payable, Notes payable, Accounts payable, Deprec. reserve, Total.

—V. 139, p. 2358.

British American Oil Co., Ltd.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: Item, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931. Rows include Calendar Years—Profit for year, Debenture interest, Depreciation, Director's fees, Dominion income tax, Net income, Previous surplus, Add—Dominion income tax, Total surplus, Amount written off to reduce good-will to \$1, Adjust. of prior years accounts, Dividends paid, Balance, Dec. 31, Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31—Assets—Refinery plant & equipment, Trucks & autos, Good-will, Mtges. receivable, Invest. in and advances to assoc'd and other co's., Cash, Discounts and bills receivable, Inventories, Deferred charges, Liabilities—x Capital stock, Surplus, 15-year 5% conv. sink. fund gold debentures, Mtges. payable, Amt. due to subs. in U. S. A., Reserve for sinking fund deb. purch., Dividend payable, Bank loan, Accts. payable and accrued charges, Int. acc. on debts, Res. for Dom. tax, Total.

Total—28,093,016 26,690,001 Total—28,093,016 26,690,001 x Represented by 2,622,642 no par shares. y After depreciation reserve of \$9,750,295 in 1934 and \$8,352,200 in 1933.—V. 140, p. 4391.

**Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit Co.—Orders 100 New Cars**

The company announced on July 8 that orders have been placed for the construction of 100 street cars at a total cost of approximately \$1,500,000 for use on the trolley lines of the Brooklyn and Queens Transit System. This is said to be the largest single order for street cars that has been placed by a street railway company in the United States in five years.

Delivery of the new cars is to begin within six months and be completed within 10 months. The car bodies are to be built by the St. Louis Car Co. at St. Louis, Mo., and the trucks by the Clark Equipment Co. of Battle Creek, Mich. Motor, control and brake equipment will be supplied by the General Electric Co.—V. 140, p. 4227.

**Transit Liens Transferred**

The Committee on Stock List of the New York Stock Exchange has received notice from the Chase National Bank, New York, as trustee under the trust indenture dated as of July 2 1923, securing the rapid transit security 6% gold bonds, series A, due July 1 1968 of the Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit Corp., that they have authenticated and delivered \$1,200,000 of the bonds at the request of the corporation and further advise that there has been deposited as collateral in connection with the authentication and delivery of the bonds, \$1,440,000 of New York Rapid Transit Corp. ref. mtge. 5% sinking fund gold bonds, series A, due July 1 1968.

As trustee they further advise that at request of corporation they have released from collateral held \$1,455,000 New York Rapid Transit Corp. ref. mtge. 6% sinking fund gold bonds series B, due July 1 1968 and there has been deposited as collateral in substitution for said released securities an additional \$1,455,000 New York Rapid Transit Corp. ref. mtge. 5% sinking fund gold bonds series A, due July 1 1968.—V. 140, p. 4227.

**Brown Shoe Co., Inc.—To Issue \$4,000,000 Debentures**

The company has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission seeking to issue \$4,000,000 sinking fund debentures, due Aug. 1 1950. The interest rate has not yet been determined.

Of the net proceeds, \$3,787,080 will be used to redeem the 31,559 shares of preferred stock. The remainder of the proceeds will be applied to payment of notes payable of the company.

Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Lehman Brothers will underwrite \$2,000,000 each of the bonds.—V. 140, p. 3887.

**(Edward G.) Budd Mfg. Co.—To Extend Bonds to 1941, &c.**—See under "Current Events and Discussions" on a preceding page.

**Listing of Additional Stock—Offering to Stockholders**

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 663,275 additional shares of common stock (no par) on official notice of issue upon the exercise of purchase warrants to be issued to stockholders on July 16 1935, making the total amount applied for 1,694,627 shares.

The company will offer to stockholders of record July 16 the right to subscribe, at any time within nine calendar months from the date of issuance, for the new common stock in the ratio of two shares of such common stock for each three shares of common stock held, upon the following terms: One-third at \$5 per share; one-third at \$7 per share, and one-third at \$9 per share; and subject to the further provision that the election to purchase, within the nine months' period, shares purchaseable pursuant to any such warrant at \$5 per share shall operate to extend by three calendar months beyond the nine months' period the period within which an equal number of shares may be purchased at \$7 per share, and an equal number at \$9 per share; and the further election, within the nine months' period or the extended period (if applicable) to purchase shares purchaseable at \$7 per share shall further operate to extend by an additional period of three calendar months the period within which may be purchased a number of shares equal to those so elected to be purchased at \$7 per share, so that in such event such shares may be purchased at \$9 per share up to the expiration of 15 calendar months from the date of issuance of such warrant. Such warrants shall be issued entitling the holders to subscribe only for multiples of three shares, the rights to additional shares less than three to be evidenced by scrip which shall be valid only when combined with other scrip aggregating three full shares.

As to this issue, the company has no underwriting at the present time. The company entered into a contract dated Dec. 15 1934 with Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., New York City, whereby Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. shall endeavor to assist the company in obtaining orders and in operating its business. The company is to pay Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. its expenses and the fair value of services rendered, but Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. is to remit all compensation beyond the sum of \$25,000 in case the company can secure from its stockholders and deliver to Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. waivers of rights to subscribe to common stock to be offered sufficient to deliver to Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. warrants to subscribe to 300,000 shares. The company has agreed to endeavor to procure warrants to subscribe to such amounts. 36,440 Treasury shares (which are now listed on the New York Stock Exchange) will be offered to Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. at the same prices and on the same terms called for by the warrants, in part performance of the agreement of Dec. 15 1934. No firm commitment to take the issue of stock and warrants offered has been made.

All subscriptions from stockholders under the warrants shall be received by Philadelphia National Bank, 421 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

The net proceeds of the issue which will amount to approximately \$4,838,007 in the event that the 663,275 shares and the 36,440 treasury shares are subscribed at the several rates at present authorized, will be used either to pay the outstanding indebtedness of the company or else for working capital to be devoted to the general purpose of the business.—V. 140, p. 4391.

**Burdine's, Inc.—Accumulated Dividend Declared**

A dividend of \$3 per share was paid on the \$2.80 cumulative preferred stock, no par value, on July 10 to holders of record June 29. Of this amount \$2.30 was on account of accumulations and 70 cents represented the regular quarterly dividend ordinarily due. A dividend of \$1.70 was paid on April 1 last.—V. 140, p. 1653.

**Calhoun Mills, Calhoun Falls, S. C.—Dividend Passed**

The directors have decided to omit the dividend ordinarily due at this time on the common stock, par \$100. Dividends of \$1 per share had been distributed each three months from Jan. 2 1934 to and including April 1 1935.—V. 137, p. 4016.

**California Oregon Power Co.—Earnings**

	1935	1934
12 Months Ended May 31—		
Operating revenues	\$3,807,073	\$3,678,587
Oper. exps., main't. & taxes (other than inc. taxes)	1,884,612	1,859,189
Appropriation for retirement reserve	300,000	277,638
Net oper. rev. (before prov. for income taxes)	\$1,622,460	\$1,541,759
Other income	5,029	8,941
Gross income (before prov. for income taxes)	\$1,627,490	\$1,550,701
Interest charges (net)	1,034,738	1,044,459
Amortization of debt discount and expense	157,087	157,256
Other income deductions	12,500	8,691
Net income	\$423,164	\$340,294

—V. 140, p. 4392.

**Callahan Zinc-Lead Co.—Stock Sale Plan Fails—Subscriptions to Be Refunded to Stockholders**

Failure of the company's plan to raise working capital by the sale of 748,592 shares of additional common stock (par \$1) to its stockholders was announced July 6 by the New York Stock Exchange, which ruled the scheme inoperative because a minimum of 250,000 shares of stock was not subscribed.

Under the company's agreement with the Exchange all subscriptions are to be refunded within 10 days by the Title Guarantee & Trust Co., which was named to hold them in escrow. The offer to holders expired on June 28. Proceeds from the sale of the additional stock were to have been used to equip and place in operation the Goldstone mining property in Lemhi County, Idaho, on which the company owed \$56,650 purchase money. The company planned to allocate \$200,000 to additional mining and milling operations, \$75,000 to the development of claims on flourspar lands and \$277,718 to general corporate purposes. The new issue had no underwriters.—V. 140, p. 4392.

**Canadian Marconi Co.—Earnings**

Calendar Years—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Operating deficit—z prof	\$228,386	x\$35,865	y\$56,618	pf\$136,078
Depreciation	152,838	137,659	131,467	234,729
Directors fees	13,061	-----	-----	-----
Interest on indebtedness	2,100	-----	-----	-----
Deficit	prof\$60,387	\$173,524	\$188,086	\$98,651
Previous surplus	def\$2,447	121,077	359,163	457,814
Balance surplus	\$7,940	def\$52,447	\$171,077	\$359,163
Doubtful debt	-----	-----	50,000	-----
Profit and loss balance	\$7,940	def\$52,447	\$121,077	\$359,163

x After taking into consideration revenue from investments, including dividend of \$31,250 declared by associated company. y After including revenue of \$93,125 from associated companies. z Includes income from investments, \$13,551; profit on sale of investments, \$4,850, and dividends declared out of profits and accumulated surplus of associated companies \$47,500.

**Balance Sheet Dec. 31**

Assets—	1934	1933	Liabilities—	1934	1933
Property	\$1,499,849	\$1,218,996	Overdraft	\$89,761	\$203,165
Patent rights	1,937,500	2,243,750	Accounts payable	97,170	149,110
Accts. receivable	414,286	413,658	Prov. for Dom. provincial and other taxes	10,256	-----
Inventories	460,468	443,320	Mortgage	35,000	49,000
Investments	259,312	358,562	Capital stock	4,554,682	4,554,682
Affiliated cos.	106,250	105,000	Surplus	7,940	-----
Cash	27,656	62,842			
Accts. rec. deferred	66,058	35,282			
Deferred charges	23,430	23,100			
Deficit	-----	52,447			
Total	\$4,794,810	\$4,955,957	Total	\$4,794,810	\$4,955,957

—V. 140, p. 4064.

**Canadian National Rys.—Earnings**

Earnings of System for First Week of July	1935	1934	Increase
Gross earnings	\$3,071,550	\$3,027,695	\$43,855

—V. 141, p. 108.

**Canadian Pacific Ry.—Earnings**

Earnings of System for First Week of July	1935	1934	Increase
Gross earnings	\$2,439,000	\$2,342,000	\$97,000

—V. 141, p. 108.

**Canadian Wineries, Ltd. (& Subs.)—Earnings for the Year Ended April 30 1935**

Net earnings from the sale of wine, cider, and grape juice, before providing for the following deductions	\$95,612
Deductions	1,376
Provision for depreciation	37,054
Provision for Dominion income tax	9,438
Net earnings for year	\$47,743
Earned surplus bought forward	123,997
Total surplus	\$171,740
Dividends paid	22,300
Balance, surplus April 30 1935	\$149,440

**Consolidated Balance Sheet April 30 1935**

Assets—Cash, \$14,265; accounts receivable (less reserve for doubtful accounts), \$77,933; stock of wine and supplies at the lower of cost or market, \$58,446; fixed assets (less reserve for depreciation, \$245,797), \$51,210; expenditures and advances in connection with the establishment of business, buildings, &c. at Lewiston, N. Y., \$231,548; deferred charges, \$9,614; total, \$1,433,019.

Liabilities—Notes payable, bank, \$100,000; trade and sundry creditors, \$77,828; taxes, \$18,772; notes payable for construction work, \$10,400; mortgage payable, \$5,250; capital stock (109,000 shares no par value), \$1,041,327, issued during year ended April 30 1935 5,000 shares without nominal or par value, \$30,000, \$1,071,327; earned surplus, \$149,440; total \$1,433,019.—V. 140, p. 4064.

**Carolina Coach Co.—Earnings**

Net Income for the Year Ended Dec. 31 1934	
Gross revenues	\$517,671
Operating expenses and taxes	395,641
Net earnings	\$122,029
Interest and other income charges	5,861
Provision for retirements	36,000
Net income	\$80,168

**Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**

Assets—Plant and franchises, \$1,026,572; cash, \$45,232; accounts receivable, \$5,898; materials and supplies, \$10,436; miscellaneous investments, \$1,000; special deposits, \$15,025; cash in closed banks, \$5,642; deferred debit items, \$14,068; total, \$1,123,876.

Liabilities—Equipment purchase obligations, \$44,112; accounts payable, \$32,351; accrued taxes, \$16,428; miscellaneous liabilities, \$1,521; retirement reserve, \$265,070; reserve for uncollectible receivables, \$3,322; other reserves, \$3,600; deferred credit item, unredeemed tickets, \$23,212; capital stock (preferred, 8,300 shares, on par, common class A, 2,500 shares, no par, common class B, 5,000 shares, no par), \$692,650; earned surplus, \$41,606; total, \$1,123,876.

**Carolina Power & Light Co.—Earnings**

[National Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]	1935—Month—1934	1935—12 Mos.—1934
Period End. May 31—		
Operating revenues	\$801,025	\$772,197
Operating expenses	403,894	367,762
Rent for leased prop. (net)	17,078	17,637
Balance	\$380,053	\$386,798
Other income (net)	1,816	2,782
Gross corp. income	\$381,869	\$389,580
Int. & other deductions	196,846	197,086
Balance	y\$185,023	y\$192,494
Property retirement reserve appropriations	960,000	960,000
z Dividends applicable to preferred stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid	1,255,237	1,255,237
Balance	-----	\$197,116
Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends z Dividends accumulated and unpaid to May 31 1935 amounted to \$1,306,987. Latest dividends, amounting to \$1.75 a share on \$7 pref. stock and \$1.50 a share on \$6 pref. stock, were paid on April 1 1935. Dividends on these stocks are cumulative.—V. 140, p. 4064.		def\$67,458

**Central Illinois Light Co.—Earnings**

[A Subsidiary of Commonwealth & Southern Corp.]	1935—Month—1934	1935—12 Mos.—1934
Period End. May 31—		
Gross earnings	\$587,839	\$540,853
Operating expenses	303,330	276,036
Fixed charges	65,822	70,791
Prov. for retirem't res'v'e	60,000	51,620
Divs. on pref. stock	57,751	57,751
Balance	\$100,935	\$84,653

—V. 140, p. 4064.

**Caterpillar Tractor Co.—Extra Dividend Declared**

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 25 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of like amount on the capital

stock, no par value, both payable Aug. 31 to holders of record Aug. 15. Similar payments were made on May 31, last, while on Nov. 30 1934 an extra dividend of 50 cents per share was paid.—V. 140, p. 4229.

**Central Maine Power Co.—Earnings**

12 Months Ended May 31—	1935	1934
Net income after deprec., taxes, int., amortization, sub. preferred dividends, &c.	\$1,246,068	\$1,386,116

—V. 140, p. 4064.

**Central Power & Light Co.—Preferred Dividends**

The directors have declared a dividend of 43¼ cents per share on the 7% cum. pref. stock, par \$100, and 37½ cents per share on the 6% cum. pref. stock, par \$100, both payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 15. Similar distributions were made in each of the four preceding quarters. No payments were made in May or February of 1934.

The company on Nov. 1 1933 paid a dividend of 43¼ cents per share on the 7% pref. stock, as against 87½ cents per share on May 1 and Aug. 1 1933 and \$1.75 per share previously each quarter. On the 6% pref. stock a dividend of 37½ cents per share was paid on Nov. 1 1933, as compared with 75 cents per share on May 1 and Aug. 1 1933 and \$1.50 per share in preceding quarters.—V. 140, p. 3382.

**Central Railroad Co. of New Jersey—Bonds**

The Interstate Commerce Commission has authorized the company to pledge and repledge from time to time and including June 30 1937 not exceeding \$1,074,000 of general mortgage 5%, 100-year gold bonds as collateral security for any note or notes which the company may issue under Section 20a (9) of the Interstate Commerce Act.—V. 140 p. 4394.

**Chain Store Investment Corp.—Accumulated Dividend**

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on account of accumulations on the \$6.50 preferred 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 and compares with 50 cents per share paid on Nov. 1, Aug. 1 and on May 1 1934, while on Feb. 1 1934 a distribution of 25 cents per share was made. Following the Aug. 1 payment, accruals on the preferred stock will amount to \$21.25 per share.—V. 140, p. 3033.

**Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.—Obituary**

John J. Bernet, President of this railroad, the Pere Marquette and the New York Chicago & St. Louis RR., died on July 5.—V. 140, p. 4394.

**Chicago Milwaukee St. Paul & Pacific RR.—Plan of Reorganization**

The plan of reorganization, dated July 1 1935, prepared by the company to effect reorganization pursuant to Section 77 of the Bankruptcy Act (briefly referred to in V. 141, p. 109) is given more fully below:

An introductory statement to plan says in part:

The company was vested with its present properties in January 1928, as the result of a reorganization of its predecessor company. Upon the consummation of that reorganization its annual fixed interest charges on funded debt, including short term equipment notes subsequently funded, were \$12,424,605, with contingent interest charges of \$9,143,685, as compared with corresponding fixed charges on funded debt of its predecessor of \$20,305,182. Its fixed interest charges on funded debt for 1934 were \$13,494,589.

Total operating revenues of the company and income available for interest on funded debt for the years 1928 to 1934, inclusive, have been as follows:

Year	Income Available for Interest on Funded Debt		Total Operating Revenues	Income Available for Interest on Funded Debt	
	Operating Revenues	Funded Debt		Operating Revenues	Funded Debt
1928	\$165,303,694	\$30,498,754	1932	\$4,900,833	def287,942
1929	171,361,385	29,076,068	1933	85,495,220	8,523,433
1930	142,569,632	17,901,207	1934	87,859,792	6,390,653
1931	111,423,772	9,190,517			

x Determined after payment of rental under Terre Haute lease. y Commencing Jan. 14 1928.

The company failed to earn its fixed interest charges on funded debt during the years 1931 to 1934, inclusive, by the total amount of \$31,167,460. During that period the company was enabled to meet its charges by means of the cash provided in the 1928 reorganization, the excess of earnings over fixed and contingent interest through the year 1929, and borrowings from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and Railroad Credit Corp. However, in view of decreasing earnings and depletion of its cash resources, the company did not pay \$1,457,000 of equipment obligations which matured April 1 and June 1 of this year, and, with a balance of income available for interest on funded debt during the first six months of 1935 estimated at approximately \$1,400,000 (as compared with \$2,603,485 for the corresponding period in 1934, and after crediting back in 1935 \$746,043 in respect of railroad retirement fund reserve set aside in 1934), will be unable to meet the interest payable July 1 1935, upon its general mortgage bonds, and will also be unable to provide for payment of \$3,275,900 (and accrued interest of \$133,118), due June 30 1935, on the RFC loans and \$609,000 of equipment obligations maturing July 1 1935. It is the belief of the board of directors of the company that further borrowings for the purpose of meeting fixed charges upon the present capital structure are inadvisable and that a readjustment of the present capital structure is necessary.

Realizing the probability of such a necessity, the board of directors has been studying the problem of reorganization for several months and prepared a tentative plan for readjusting the capital structure. Numerous conferences on this tentative plan were held with representatives of the largest security holders, resulting in important modifications which are incorporated in the following plan of reorganization. For the purpose of carrying out the plan, the company has filed in the U. S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, a petition under Section 77 of the Bankruptcy Act, and has requested the Interstate Commerce Commission to set an early date for a public hearing upon the plan as contemplated by that Act.

It is the belief of the directors that under present conditions no definite estimate of the future earning capacity of the properties of the company is possible, and that while current earnings do not indicate the existence of any earning power for the present stock of the road, it would be in equitable at this time to reorganize under a plan which eliminated entirely the investment of the stockholders. The properties held for and used in transportation, including the leased lines of Chicago, Terre Haute & Southeastern Ry., upon the basis of the ICC's valuation under Section 15a of the Interstate Commerce Act, have a value in excess of \$730,000,000, as against total indebtedness outstanding in the hands of the public of approximately \$551,000,000, including leased line bonds and accumulated interest on the adjustment bonds.

The plan is also predicated upon the opinion reported by the accounting officers of the company to the directors, that the properties leased from Chicago, Terre Haute & Southeastern Ry. have in recent years earned, and are to-day earning, more than the full rental under the lease (which includes interest upon the bonds secured by mortgages upon the leased lines) in addition to providing the lines directly owned by the company with traffic upon which a substantial profit is earned. The plan is also predicated upon the opinion reported by the accounting officers of the company to the directors, that the lines of railroad covered by the mortgages securing the bonds of Milwaukee & Northern RR. are earning to-day substantially the full amount of the interest payable upon such bonds, in addition to supplying profitable traffic to other lines of the company.

The holders of its securities, with whom conferences on the plan have been had, have included representatives of more than 20 insurance companies, trust companies and savings banks, owning in excess of \$100,000,000 of various issues of bonds affected by the plan. Conferences have also been had with representatives of the RFC concerning the plan and the participating therein of that corporation.

The plan represents compromises of numerous points of view and differences of opinion on various details. The soundness of the resulting capital structure will necessarily be determined by the earning capacity of the property in the future. The board of directors of the company believes that the plan equitably preserves the existing priorities and rights of the various classes of securities affected, making equitable compensation for sacrifices required by the situation, and may have the support of sufficient amounts of securities to permit of its consummation under the Federal Bankruptcy Act if approved by the ICC and the Court as herein provided.

Capitalization July 1 1935  
[Including RFC and RCC notes and accumulated int. on adjust't. bonds.]

	Principal Amount Outstanding June 30 '36	Int. Accruals (12 Mos. Ending June 30 '36)
(1) Fixed Interest Bearing—		
d Milwaukee & Northern RR. 1st 4½s	\$2,117,000	\$95,265
d Consolidated mortgage 4½s	5,072,000	228,240
Chicago, Milwaukee & Gary Ry. 1st 5s	3,000,000	150,000
Chic., Milw. & St. P. Ry. gen. mtg. bonds, 1939:		
Series A, 4%	48,241,000	1,929,640
Series B, 3½%	8,950,000	313,250
Series C, 4½%	42,597,000	1,916,865
Series E, 4½%	24,000,000	1,080,000
Series F, 4½%	15,000,000	712,500
Series G, 5%	11,212,000	
Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific RR. 1st & 50-year 5% mtg. bonds, due Jan. 1 1935	9,866,000	
50-year 5% mtg. bonds, due Feb. 1 1975	106,395,096	5,319,755
Equipment trust certificates, series A, C, D, E, F, G, H, J, K and L, due in varying amounts from 1935 to 1945 (\$1,457,000 overdue)	\$24,011,000	988,918
Equipment trust cfs., series M and series N, 4%	1,657,000	157,715
Reconstruction Finance Corp. loans	11,499,462	459,978
Fed. Emergency Admin. of Public Works 4%	2,291,000	191,640
Railroad Credit Corp. loans	2,995,316	45,679
General American Tank Car Corp. sub-lease	822,119	47,225
Aggregate principal and interest	\$298,647,993	\$13,434,669

(2) Contingent Interest Bearing—

5% conv. adjust't mtg. bonds, due Jan. 1 2000	182,873,693	9,143,685
Accumulated interest thereon from Jan. 1 1930 to June 1935	47,547,160	
Principal Amount Outstanding		Preferential Dividend

**Stock**

5% non-cum. participating pref. stock (\$100 par)	\$119,307,300	\$5,965,365
Common stock (1,174,060 shs. no par)	105,175,303	

Total C. M. St. P. & P. RR. capitalization, including RFC and RCC loans and accumulated interest on adjustment bonds—\$753,551,449

a Does not include \$38,000 of bonds pledged under C. M. St. P. & P. RR. 1st and refunding mortgage.

b Does not include \$20,000 of bonds pledged under C. M. St. P. & P. RR. 1st and refunding mortgage.

c Does not include \$2,700,000 of bonds pledged under C. M. St. P. & P. RR. 1st and refunding mortgage.

d Both these issues matured June 1 1934. All except \$39,000 of the 1st mtg. bonds and \$223,000 of the consol. mtg. bonds have been assumed by C. M. St. P. & P. RR. and extended to June 1 1939.

e Pledged for RFC loans.

f Pledged to secure RFC and RCC loans, \$6,000,000; pledged to secure PWA loan, \$2,665,000; pledged with trustee under equipment trust, series M, \$258,000; held in treasury, \$943,000.

g Annual maturities: \$3,364,000 in 1935; \$3,649,000 in 1936; \$3,649,000 in 1937; \$3,110,000 in 1938; \$2,210,000 in 1939; \$2,210,000 in 1940; \$1,592,000 in 1941; \$1,480,000 in 1942; \$1,480,000 in 1943; \$983,000 in 1944; \$284,000 in 1945.

h All held by Fed. Emergency Admin. of Public Works (series M and series N) and secured by pledge with the trustee of the equipment trust of \$258,000 of 1st & ref. mtg. 6% bonds, series A), series M due March 1 1936 to Sept. 1 1947 and 24 semi-annual installments, series N due May 1 1936 to May 1 1945 in 10 annual installments.

i Interest on series M commences to accrue on \$500,000 on May 11 1935 on \$800,000 on July 20 1935; and on \$237,000 on Nov. 9 1935; on series N, \$108,000 on June 21 1936.

j Evidenced by promissory notes, bearing interest presently at rate of 4%, due in varying amounts from June 30 1935, to Feb. 27 1936, secured by pledge of assignment of advances to Chicago Union Station Co. in the amount of \$3,793,360, and \$11,212,000 gen. mtg. 5% bonds, series G; \$6,000,000 1st & ref. mtg. 6% bonds, series A, and \$301,000 Bellingham Bay & British Columbia RR. 1st mtg. 5% bonds.

k Evidenced by promissory notes, due in varying amounts from Jan. 1 1937, to Jan. 1 1944, secured by the pledge of \$2,665,000 of 1st & ref. mtg. 6% bonds, series A.

l Interest commenced to accrue on \$1,160,000 on April 13 1935, and on \$1,131,000 on May 18 1935.

m Evidenced by promissory notes, interest at New York Federal Reserve Bank rediscount rate (now 1½%), secured by pledge of entire stock of Milwaukee Land Co. and agreement for application of proceeds of sale of timber by Milwaukee Land Co., the railroad company's distributive share in the fund established under the Marshalling and Distributing Plan, 1931, and subject to the RFC loans and any additional loans hereafter made by RFC, the collateral pledged to secure all such loans.

n Due monthly, in varying amounts to Oct. 1 1945, annual interest 5.9+%, subject to General American Tank Car Corp. equipment trust, series 21, securing an original issue of General American Car equipment trust certificates, series 21, in the principal amount of \$756,000, now outstanding in the principal amount of \$486,000, due in equal annual installments to June 1 1944.

Note—Company has also assumed liability in respect of the principal and interest of \$69,100,000 outstanding principal amount of bonds of Chicago Union Station Co. (jointly and severally with three other proprietary railroad companies); \$49,569,000 of bonds of Kansas City Terminal Ry. (jointly and severally with 11 other proprietary railroad companies); \$14,945,000 of bonds of St. Paul Union Depot Co. (jointly and severally with eight other proprietary railroad companies); \$9,225,000 of bonds of Indiana Harbor Belt RR. (jointly and severally as to \$5,000,000 outstanding principal amount thereof with three other proprietary companies, and as to \$4,225,000 outstanding principal amount thereof the railroad company and the Chicago & Northwestern RR. have agreed, each to the extent of 20% to protect the Michigan Central RR. and Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Ry. on the latter's guaranty thereof); \$2,036,000 of bonds of Minnesota Transfer Ry. (the railroad company with eight other proprietary railroad companies being liable, under the by-laws of the Minnesota Transfer Ry., to contribute toward a sinking fund for the bonds, each stockholder paying semi-annually its proportion (1-9th of 1/2 of 1% of the face value of all bonds issued). The agreements relating to the guaranty of the bonds of Kansas City Terminal Ry. and of St. Paul Union Depot Co., entered into by the railroad company's predecessor, have not been expressly assumed by the railroad company, although such agreements were not disaffirmed in the reorganization proceedings of the railroad company's predecessor, and the railroad company has continued to make the payments under such agreements. There is not included in the foregoing statement of capitalization the Austin Western Road Machinery lease in the amount of \$62,200 due in varying monthly amounts to July 1937.

C. T. H. & S. E. Ry. Co. (Leased Line)

The rental under the lease of Chicago, Terre Haute & Southeastern Railway Co. (a) dated July 1 1921, includes payment of interest upon the following bonds in the following amounts:

	Principal Amount Outstanding June 30 '36	Int. Accruals (12 Mos. Ending June 30 '36)
Bedford Belt Ry. 1st mtg. 5s, 1938	\$250,000	\$12,500
Southern Indiana Ry. 1st mtg. 4s, 1951	7,287,000	291,480
Chicago, Terre Haute & Southeastern Ry. 1st & ref. mtg. 5s, 1960	8,056,000	402,800
Income mortgage 50-year 5s, 1960	6,336,000	316,800
Aggregate principal and interest	\$21,929,000	\$1,023,580

a 40,470.95 shares of the stock of the Terre Haute (out of 41,729.95 shares outstanding) are owned by C. M. St. P. & P. RR. and 40,457.20 shares thereof are pledged under the C. M. St. P. & P. RR. 1st & ref. mtg.

b Does not include \$100,000 of bonds pledged under the Terre Haute refunding mortgage.

c Does not include \$1,515,000 of bonds pledged under C. M. St. P. & P. RR. 1st & ref. mtg.

d Entitled to one vote for each \$100 principal amount of bonds, representing voting power exceeding the outstanding shares.

Under the Terre Haute lease the lessee assumes payment of principal and interest of all the foregoing bonds, but the lease permits the lessee to extend



renew, or refund with new bonds of the lessor, all Terre Haute refunding bonds and Terre Haute income bonds upon maturity thereof. The Bedford Belt bonds and Southern Indiana bonds may be refunded with Terre Haute refunding bonds, and under the Terre Haute lease the lessee assumes payment of all Terre Haute refunding bonds mentioned therein and any additional Terre Haute refunding bonds issued pursuant to the terms of said lease. Under said lease the lessee agrees to pay absolutely the interest on the Terre Haute income bonds without regard to whether or not there are surplus net earnings or income of the leased properties sufficient therefor. The lease also requires the lessee to perform all of the covenants and obligations contained in the respective mortgages securing such bonds, including covenants with respect to the maintenance of equipment.

**Treatment of Existing Securities—C. M. St. P. & P. RR. Co.**

(1) *To Remain Undisturbed*

Gen. Amer. Tank Car Corp. equipment trust sub-lease..... \$822,119  
Equipment trust certificates, series N..... 122,000

(2) *To Remain Undisturbed as to Lien and Interest but the Collateral Pledged Therefor to Be Extended as to Principal and the Mortgage Securing the Collateral to Be Modified:*

Notes to Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works... \$2,291,000  
Equipment trust certificates, series M..... 1,537,000  
The \$2,665,000 1st & ref. mtge. 6s, series A, pledged for such notes, and the \$258,000 1st & ref. mtge. 6s, series A, pledged with the trustee of equipment trust, series M, shall be extended to June 1 1958, and the 1st & ref. mtge. shall be modified.

(3) *To Remain Undisturbed as to Lien and Interest but to Be Extended as to Principal and Changes to Be Made in the Collateral Pledged Therefor*

Notes to Reconstruction Finance Corporation.....\$11,499,462  
The maturity of all the existing notes shall be extended to July 1 1945, with interest thereon at the rate of 4% per annum, payable semi-annually, and the notes as extended shall be secured by the existing collateral now pledged for the existing notes and any additional collateral which may be pledged to secure any loans thereafter made by RFC to the reorganized company. The \$6,000,000 1st & ref. mtge. 6s, series A, now pledged for such notes shall be extended to June 1 1958, and the 1st & ref. mtge. shall be modified.

Notes to the Railroad Credit Corp.....\$2,995,316

The maturity of all the existing notes shall be extended to July 1 1945, with interest thereon, after the maturity of the existing notes, at the rate of 4% per annum, payable semi-annually, and the notes as extended shall be secured by the existing collateral now pledged for the existing notes, and shall be additionally secured by the pledge of a demand note of Milwaukee Land Co. to the railroad company in the amount of \$9,870,000. The R.C.C. shall surrender its right, as now provided in the existing notes, to a lien, subject to the prior lien of RFC, upon any collateral hereafter pledged by the reorganized company with RFC to secure any loans made by RFC to the reorganized company.

(4) *To Remain Undisturbed as to Lien and Interest but to Be Extended in Part as to Principal*

Equipm't trust cdfs., series A, C, D, E, F, G, H, J, K, and L...\$24,011,000  
The principal of each equipment trust certificate of each of said series presently maturing between April 1 1935, and Dec. 31 1940, inclusive, shall be extended to mature 20% on the date of the present maturity and 20% annually one, two three and four years, respectively, from said date. Upon such extension, the annual maturities of the equipment trust certificates will be as follows: 1935, \$672,800; 1936, 1,402,600; 1937, \$2,132,400; 1938, \$2,754,400; 1939, \$3,196,400; 1940, \$2,965,600; 1941, \$3,827,800; 1942, \$2,986,000; 1943, \$2,364,000; 1944, \$1,425,000; 1945, \$284,000. The extended equipment trust certificates shall be entitled to the benefit of a fund set aside for the purchase thereof out of available net income.

(5) *To Remain Undisturbed as to Lien and Interest but to Be Extended as to Principal, Certain Defaults to Be Waived and the Mortgages to Be Otherwise Modified:*

Milwaukee & Northern RR. 1st mtge. 4 1/2s, 1939.....\$2,117,000  
Milwaukee & Northern RR. consol. mtge. 4 1/2s, 1939..... 5,072,000  
Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific RR. 1st & ref. m. 6s, series A, due June 1 1943..... c9,866,000  
a \$38,000 of bonds pledged under C. M. St. P. & P. RR. 1st & ref. mtge. shall also be included in the plan.  
b \$20,000 of bonds pledged under the C. M. St. P. & P. RR. 1st & ref. mtge. shall also be included in the plan.  
c The maturity of such 1st & ref. bonds, presently pledged or held in the treasury shall be extended to June 1 1958 and the mortgage shall be modified.

The maturity of both such issues (including the bonds of both issues not heretofore extended and assumed pursuant to the plan of extension dated March 14 1934) shall be extended to June 1 1949, and payment of principal and interest of all bonds (including bonds not heretofore assumed by the railroad company) shall be assumed by the reorganized company.

(6) *To Remain Undisturbed as to Lien and Maturity of Principal, but Part of Interest to Become Contingent, Certain Defaults to Be Waived and the Mortgage to Be Otherwise Modified*

Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry. gen. mtge. bonds, series A, B, C, E, F, and G, due May 1 1939.....\$150,000,000  
Interest accruing on bearer gen. mtge. bonds from Jan. 1 1935 (and on fully registered gen. mtge. bonds from April 1 1935), to Jan. 1 1945, shall be two-thirds fixed, and one-third contingent, such one-third to be payable out of available net income provided, however, that if full interest on all gen. mtge. bonds outstanding (exclusive of any pledged gen. mtge. bonds) shall be earned for any three calendar years (whether or not in consecutive years) during the five years commencing on the Jan. 1 next succeeding the date of the final confirmation of the plan by the court, or shall be earned for the last two calendar years of such five-year period commencing on said Jan. 1, then and in either such case, interest on the gen. mtge. bonds shall, commencing at the end of said five-year period, cease to be contingent in part as aforesaid and all of the interest on the gen. mtge. bonds shall thereafter be and become fixed, or if full interest on all gen. mtge. bonds outstanding shall be earned for any period of three consecutive calendar years ending after such five-year period, then interest on the gen. mtge. bonds shall, commencing at the end of said three-year period, cease to be contingent in part as aforesaid and all of the interest on the gen. mtge. bonds shall thereafter be and become fixed. Payment of such contingent interest shall be mandatory to the extent of the existence of such available net income in any income period in excess of the amount applied to the contingency reserve fund, and shall be cumulative to the extent not paid. All accumulations of interest, not theretofore paid, shall be due and payable on Jan. 1 1945, but without interest thereon. That part of the interest upon the fully registered gen. mtge. bonds which continues as fixed interest shall continue to be payable quarterly as provided in the existing gen. mtge. bonds, but that part of the interest upon the fully registered gen. mtge. bonds which shall hereafter be contingent and payable out of available net income shall be dealt with on a semi-annual basis. The reorganized company may pay contingent interest on the gen. mtge. bonds at any time, whether or not there shall be available net income applicable to the payment thereof.  
The gen. mtge. bonds shall be entitled to the benefit of the sinking fund payable out of available net income. The gen. mtge. shall be modified.

(7) *To Remain Undisturbed as to Lien and Maturity of Principal, but All of Interest to Become Contingent, Certain Defaults to Be Waived and the Mortgages to Be Otherwise Modified*

Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific RR. 50-year 5% mortgage bonds, due Feb. 1 1975.....\$106,395,096  
Chicago, Milwaukee & Gary Ry. 1st mtge. 5% 40-year bonds, due April 1 1948.....\$3,000,000  
a \$2,700,000 of bonds pledged under the C. M. St. P. & P. RR. 1st & ref. mtge. shall also be included in the plan.

From the date of the last coupon paid (Feb. 1 1935, in the case of the 50-year mtge. bonds and April 1 1935, in the case of the Gary bonds) interest on the 50-year mtge. bonds and the Gary bonds shall be contingent and payable out of available net income. Payment of such contingent interest shall be mandatory to the extent of the existence of such available net income in any income period in excess of such amounts as may be applied out of the available net income during such

income period, to the contingency reserve fund, to the payment of contingent interest on the gen. mtge. bonds, to payments into the capital fund and to the purchase of extended instalments of equipment trust obligations. Such contingent interest shall be cumulative to the extent not so paid, and all accumulations of interest, not theretofore paid, shall be due and payable at the maturity of the principal of such bonds, but without interest thereon. If at any time the unpaid interest accumulated upon such bonds of either issue shall aggregate 10 years' interest thereon, the trustee under the mortgage securing the bonds of such issue may, and if so requested by the holders of at least 50% in principal amount of the outstanding bonds of such issue shall, declare the principal amount of the bonds of such issue to be immediately due and payable with the same rights and remedies provided in the mortgage securing the bonds of such issue as in the case of the failure of payment of principal of the bonds of such issue upon maturity thereof.

Such bonds of both issues shall be convertible into the new 5% non-cumulative pref. stock, at par, and shall be entitled to the benefit of the sinking fund payable out of available net income.  
The 50-year mtge. and the Gary mtge. shall be modified.

(8) *To Be Converted into New Stock*

Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific RR. 5% conv. adjustment mtge. bonds, due Jan. 1 2000.....\$182,873,693  
The holders of the adjustment bonds shall receive for each \$1,000 of adjustment bonds, together with \$260 accumulated interest thereon to June 30 1935, voting trust certificates for \$1,260 par value of new 5% non-cumulative pref. stock (par \$100), participating equally per share in dividends with the common stock after the latter has received 5% upon the par value thereof in dividends in any year, preferred as to assets as well as dividends, and entitled to one vote per share on all matters (2,304,208.53 shares).

(9) *To Be Exchanged for New Stock*

Preferred Stock—The holders of pref. stock shall receive for each share of pref. stock a voting trust certificate for one share of new common stock (par \$25) (1,193,073 shares).

Common Stock—The holders of the common stock will receive for each share of common stock a voting trust certificate for one-third share of new common stock (391,353 1-3 shares).

**C. T. H. & S. E. Ry. Co. (Leased Line)**

Bedford Belt Ry. 1st mtge. 5% bonds, due July 1 1938..... x\$250,000  
Southern Indiana Ry. 1st mtge. 4s, 1951..... 7,287,000  
Chicago, Terre Haute & Southeastern 1st & ref. 50-year 5s, 1960 y8,056,000  
Chicago, Terre Haute & Southeastern Ry. inc. 5s, 1960..... 6,336,000  
x \$100,000 of bonds pledged under the Terre Haute ref. mtge. shall also be included in the plan.  
y \$1,515,000 of bonds pledged under the C. M. St. P. & P. RR. 1st & ref. mtge. shall also be included in the plan.

The Terre Haute lease, and the obligations of the lessee thereunder to the holders of the bonds of each of the above-mentioned issues, shall be modified substantially as follows:

(a) All defaults, if any, in the performance of the covenants contained in the Terre Haute lease to be performed by the lessee thereunder which shall have occurred on or before June 30 1935, shall be waived, and the lessee shall not be obligated thereafter to remedy any such defaults, including replacement of equipment retired on or before June 30 1935.

(b) The lessee under the Terre Haute lease shall be entitled and obligated to replace at any time on or before July 1 1945, vacancies in equipment subject to the mortgages securing said bonds occurring on or after July 1 1935, and on or before July 1 1945, and in the performance of such obligation the lessee or the mortgagor company or companies under such mortgages shall be entitled to include equipment purchased under equipment trusts in principal amount not exceeding 80% of the original cost of the equipment covered thereby.

Holders of each of the foregoing classes of bonds shall also agree with the reorganized company, as lessee under the Terre Haute lease, not to take, or cause the trustee under any of said mortgages to take, any action or proceeding, whether against the lessee or against the lessor under the Terre Haute lease, and whether under said lease or under any of said mortgages, which shall have occurred on or before June 30 1935, or in respect of any default in respect of the maintenance or replacement of equipment under any of said mortgages, except a default by the lessee under the equipment maintenance provisions of said lease modified as provided in the foregoing clause (b).

If holders of each of the foregoing classes of bonds shall become bound by the foregoing modifications of the Terre Haute lease and agreements with the reorganized company as aforesaid, the reorganized company shall not elect to reject or terminate the Terre Haute lease.

**Comparative Capitalization and Interest Charges (Incl. C. T. H. & S. E. Ry. Co.)**

	x Present Capitalization	Present Interest Charges (12 Mos. Ending June 30 1936)	Fixed	Contingent
Bonds undisturbed as to interest.....	\$29,118,000	\$1,347,085		
Bonds disturbed as to interest.....	248,183,096	11,422,010		
Equipment trusts y.....	26,490,119	1,091,858		
RFC, R.C.C. and PWA loans z.....	16,785,778	597,297		
Adjustment bonds.....	182,873,693			9,143,685
(Accumulated int. to June 30 '35).....	47,547,160			
Preferred stock.....	119,307,300			
Common stock.....	105,175,300			
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$775,480,449</b>	<b>\$14,458,250</b>		<b>\$9,143,685</b>
	x Capitalization Giving Effect to Plan of Reorganization	Interest Charges Giving Effect to Plan of Reorganization (12 Mos. End. June 30 1936)	Fixed	Contingent
Bonds undisturbed as to interest.....	\$29,118,000	\$1,347,085		
Bonds disturbed as to interest.....	248,183,096	3,968,170		\$7,453,840
Equipment trusts y.....	26,490,119	1,234,594		
RFC, R.C.C. and PWA loans z.....	16,785,778	597,297		
Adjustment bonds.....				
(Accumulated int. to June 30 '35).....				
Preferred stock.....	230,420,853			
Common stock.....	39,610,658			
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$590,608,504</b>	<b>\$7,147,146</b>		<b>\$7,453,840</b>

x Excluding pledged bonds. y Not including new equipment trust certificates to be purchased by RFC. z Not including new RFC loans.

*Arrangements with RFC*

The existing RFC loans in the total amount of \$11,499,462 will be extended to July 1 1945, with interest at the rate of 4% per annum, secured by the existing collateral now pledged therefor (the maturity of such collateral to be extended to June 1 1958) and any additional collateral which may be pledged to secure any loans hereafter made by RFC.

RFC shall agree with the reorganized company from time to time to lend to it such additional sums as the board of directors of the reorganized company may request on or before July 1 1940, not exceeding an aggregate of \$12,000,000, to be used for general corporate purposes, upon the reorganized company's 10-year promissory notes, with interest at the rate of 4% per annum, payable semi-annually, secured by the pledge of the collateral now securing the existing RFC loans and additional 1st & ref. bonds of the reorganized company (with such interest rate, maturity and other provisions as the board of directors of the reorganized company may, subject to the limitations of the 1st & ref. mtge., determine with the approval of the RFC).

RFC shall also agree with the reorganized company from time to time to purchase from it, at their principal amount and accrued interest, such principal amount of equipment obligations as the board of directors of the reorganized company may request on or before July 1 1940, not exceeding an aggregate of \$12,000,000, principal amount, to provide for 80% of the cost of new equipment upon which such obligations shall be issued. Such equipment obligations shall mature in 15 equal annual instalments and shall bear interest at the rate of 4% per annum, payable semi-annually.

Voting Trusts—All of the pref. stock and common stock of the reorganized company shall be placed in a voting trust.—V. 141, p. 109.

**Citizens Gas Co. of Indianapolis—Tenders—**

The Bankers Trust Co. will until Aug. 6 receive bids for the sale to it of sufficient 1st & ref. mtge. bonds as will exhaust the sum of \$57,407 at prices not exceeding 108 and interest.—V. 140, p. 3208.

**Chicago Corp.—Earnings—**

Six Months Ended June 30—  
 Net income after expenses and taxes... x\$531,963 x\$477,122 y\$327,521  
 \* Exclusive of \$1,517,190 in 1935 (\$994,668 in 1934) profit on sale of securities carried to investment-reserve account. y Exclusive of \$229,510 loss on sale of securities charged to investment reserve account.  
 For the six months ended June 30 1935, net assets as of that date were equal to \$52.82 a share on 647,791 shares of \$3 convertible preference stock, against \$48.01 a share on 660,966 shares of preference stock on Dec. 31 1934, and \$46.73 a share on 680,466 shares of preference stock on June 30 1934.—V. 140, p. 3207.

**Chrysler Corp.—Sales—**

The company produced and shipped 486,758 passenger cars and trucks during the first six months compared with 387,684 in the first half of 1934. Shipments were larger than all 1933.  
 June shipments totaled 65,346, compared with 64,769 in the like 1934 month.  
 Shipments for the quarter ended June 30 totaled 237,330 units, the largest second quarter in the corporation's history and within 12,000 units of the record quarterly shipment peak, established in the first quarter.

**Plymouth Sales at New High—**

Retail deliveries of Plymouth cars during the week ended June 29 set a new record at 10,244 units, an increase of 7.7% over the previous week and 10.2% over last year. The week's sales compare with the previous peak of 10,055 units in the week ended April 27 1935 and marked the fourth week this year in which sales have passed the 10,000 figure. Sales during the first 26 weeks of the year amounted to 214,887 cars, a gain of 34.5% over the 159,725 units sold in the same 1934 period.—V. 141, p. 109.

**City of New York Insurance Co.—Initial Div. on New Stock—**

The directors have declared an initial dividend of 50 cents per share on the new \$10 par capital stock, payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 12. Previously semi-annual payments of \$5 per share were made on the old \$100 par value stock from Aug. 1 1933 to and including Feb. 1 1935.—V. 140, p. 2350.

**Cleveland Ry.—Seeks to Issue \$5,000,000 1st 5s—See under "Current Events and Discussions" on a preceding page.—V. 141, p. 110.**

**Colonial Ice Co.—Earnings—**

Calendar Years—	1934	1933
Total revenue	\$1,018,884	\$965,057
Operation	691,044	681,489
Maintenance	74,533	61,684
Taxes	32,716	32,444
Interest on 6% gold notes	1,190	7,608
Other interest	560	643
Amortization of discount on 6% gold notes	81	576
Amortiz. of organization expense	1,750	—
Depreciation—per resolution of board of directors	55,000	55,000
Provision for Federal income taxes for year 1934	12,000	—
Net income	\$150,009	\$125,611
Earned surplus at end of preceding year	\$8,342	\$1,847
Transferred to credit of plant, property & equipment account	—	Dr15,521
Adjustment for accrued dividends on pref. stock purchased in 1934	Cr983	—
Surplus debits—net	106	844
Dividends on cumul. pref. stocks	61,559	x52,750
Earned surplus at end of year	\$177,668	\$88,342

**Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**

**Assets**—Plant, property & equipment (including construction work in progress) \$1,791,135; notes receivable secured by real estate and chattel mortgages, \$22,000; cash in banks and working funds, \$134,366; notes receivable, \$12,801; accounts receivable, \$33,858; accrued storage charges receivable, \$30,324; accrued interest receivable, \$591; materials and supplies (less reserve), \$21,219; deposits for insurance premiums, \$8,621; other deposits, \$1,124; miscellaneous investments (at cost), \$8,681; cash in restricted and closed banks (less reserve), \$942; reacquired securities (207 shares series B pref. stock), \$3,613; prepaid expenses and deferred charges, \$15,670; total, \$2,084,949.

**Liabilities**—Current and accrued liabilities, \$67,291; note payable (due after one year), \$9,000; reserves, \$173,443; unearned cold storage revenue, \$12,546; \$7 cumul. pref. stock (750 shares, no par), \$75,000; \$7 cumul. pref. stock (10,000 shares, no par), \$1,000,000; common stock (15,000 shares, no par), \$300,000; capital surplus, \$270,000; earned surplus, \$177,668; total, \$2,084,949.

**Commercial Credit Co.—Buys Another Company—**

The company has concluded the purchase, for cash, of practically all of the common and preferred stock of the Protective Finance Corp., Denver, Colo. The Denver company was organized by its President, W. G. Schweigert, 12 years ago, and has been uniformly successful in financing automobile receivables, now having about \$1,750,000 of such receivables outstanding. The business of this company in due time will be consolidated with the Denver office of the subsidiary of Commercial Credit Co.—V. 141, p. 110.

**Commercial Investment Trust Corp.—Listing of Convertible Preference Stock and Additional Common Stock—Preference Stock to Be Offered Publicly—**

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 250,000 shares of conv. pref. stock, \$4.25 series of 1935 (no par) on official notice of issuance and distribution, and 312,500 additional shares of common stock (no par) on official notice of issuance, on conversion of the conv. pref. stock, \$4.25 series of 1935, making the total amounts applied for: 250,000 shares of conv. pref. stock, \$4.25 series of 1935, and 3,015,672 shares of common stock.

The directors at a meeting held July 8 1935, adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance of 250,000 shares of the authorized and unissued serial preference stock in a series to be designated as "convertible preference stock, \$4.25 series of 1935." The resolution, which fixed the dividend rate, the conversion rate, the redemption prices and other particulars of the series, as required by the certificate of incorporation, will be embodied in a certificate of designation, preferences and rights of such series, and such certificate will presently be executed and filed in accordance with the provisions of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

The directors, at the meeting also authorized the issuance from time to time of 312,500 shares of the authorized and unissued common stock on conversion of shares of such convertible preference stock, \$4.25 series of 1935, and reserved such common stock exclusively to satisfy the conversion rights pertaining to the 250,000 shares of such convertible preference stock, \$4.25 series of 1935.

It is contemplated that, shortly before the effective date of the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the corporation will enter into an underwriting agreement with Dillon, Read & Co., Lehman Brothers, Lazard Freres & Co., Inc., and Kuhn, Loeb & Co., providing for the sale of the 250,000 shares of convertible preference stock, \$4.25 series of 1935, at \$100 per share, plus accrued dividends from July 1 1935. The gross discount to the underwriters will, it is expected, not exceed \$3 a share. It is expected that the public offering will be made on or about July 19 1935. The proceeds to the corporation from the sale of such convertible preference stock, will be used for corporate purposes.—V. 141, p. 110.

**Consolidated Gas, Electric Light & Power Co. of Baltimore—Sells \$7,326,000 of 3½% Bonds—Calls Like Amount of 4½%—**

The company has arranged for the sale at par, subject to the approval of the P. S. Commission of Maryland, of \$7,326,000 30-year, series M, 3½% 1st ref. mtge. sinking fund bonds, according to an announcement

by Aldred & Co., New York, fiscal agent. A group of seven institutional investors comprised the list of purchasers of the new bonds. Negotiations were carried out through White, Weld & Co. and associates.

Directors also called for redemption on Sept. 10 at 105, plus int. from July 1, its outstanding \$7,326,000, series H, 4½% bonds. Holders of the called bonds may obtain immediate payment of \$1,050 per bond, plus the accrued interest from July 1 to Sept. 10, upon presentation of their bonds, with Jan. 1 1936 and all subsequent coupons attached, to the Bankers Trust Co., New York.

The current issue reduces still further the company's fixed charges, which will also be reduced by other refunding and exchange operations previously announced. In April, company retired its 4¾% series G 1st ref. mtge. sinking fund bonds, outstanding in an amount of \$9,943,000, following the sale on April 16 of \$10,440,000 25-year 3¾% 1st ref. mtge. sinking fund bonds, series L. On July 3 last, directors of the company also called for redemption on Oct. 1 1935, at \$110 a share, the 6% series D, and 5½% series E, preferred stocks of the company, outstanding at a total of \$5,000,000. The holders of these preferred shares are offered the opportunity to exchange the called shares for 5%, series A, preferred stock, share for share.—V. 141, p. 110.

**Consolidated Oil Corp.—Moves Offices—**

The corporation, holding company for all the Sinclair oil properties, has leased seven entire floors in the International Building, Rockefeller Center N. Y. City. It is also announced that as part of the same transaction a buyer has been found for the stock ownership of the 50-story Sinclair Building at 45 Nassau Street.

The executive and administrative headquarters of the Sinclair properties will move to the International Building on or about Sept. 1.—V. 141, p. 110.

**Consolidation Coal Co.—Plan Approved—**

Judge William Coleman in United States District Court at Baltimore on July 11 approved the proposed plan of reorganization. In giving approval to the reorganization, Judge Coleman upheld the constitutionality of Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act, pointing out that the reorganization committee had secured the requisite assents from a majority of each class of holders and two-thirds of the creditors.—V. 140, p. 3384.

**Continental Gas & Electric Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings**

12 Months Ended May 31—	1935	1934
Gross operating earnings of subsidiaries (after eliminating inter-company transfers)	\$31,433,228	\$29,901,632
Operating expenses	12,491,798	11,417,407
Maintenance, charged to operation	1,522,572	1,360,304
Depreciation	4,216,619	4,195,385
Taxes, general and income	3,401,939	x3,231,818
Net earnings from operations of sub. cos.	\$9,803,297	\$9,696,717
Non-operating income of subsidiary companies	801,187	651,394
Total income of subsidiary companies	\$10,604,485	\$10,348,111
Interest, amortiz. and pref. divs. of sub. cos.:		
Interest on bonds, notes, &c.	3,976,251	3,963,325
Amortization of bond and stock discount and exp	300,133	348,762
Dividends on preferred stocks	1,070,220	1,070,331
Balance	\$5,257,878	\$4,965,692
Proportion of earnings, attributable to minority common stock	8,580	x8,298
Equity of Continental Gas & Electric Corp. in earnings of subsidiary companies	\$5,249,298	\$4,957,394
Earnings of Continental Gas & Electric Corp.	40,325	47,641
Balance	\$5,289,623	\$5,005,036
Expenses of Continental Gas & Electric Corp.	155,935	150,118
Holding company deductions:		
Interest on debentures	2,600,000	2,600,000
Amortization of debenture discount and expense	164,172	164,172
Balance transferred to consolidated surplus	\$2,369,516	\$2,090,745
Dividends on prior preference stock	1,320,053	1,320,053
Balance	\$1,049,463	\$770,692
Earnings per share	\$4.89	\$3.59
* Adjusted on account of revision of Columbus (Ohio) Electric Rate Ordinance.—V. 140, p. 4230.		

**Crown Drug Co.—June Sales—**

Month of June—	1935	1934
Sales	\$671,198	\$592,155

Note—Above figures cover the 84 stores in operation in Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma.—V. 140, p. 4066.

**Crown Willamette Paper Co.—Bonds of Sub. Called—**

The Pacific Mills, Ltd., a subsidiary, has called for redemption on Aug. 1, at 102 and interest, all of its first mortgage serial 6% bonds of which there are approximately \$1,100,000 outstanding. Redemption will not require any outside borrowing and will leave the company with a 6% first mortgage issue of approximately \$1,400,000 outstanding as its only funded debt.—V. 140, p. 3544.

**Crystal Oil Refining Corp.—Earnings—**

Period—	3 Mos. End. Year Ended	
Sales	\$210,597	\$980,734
Cost of sales	198,583	901,254
Expenses	27,717	151,817
Net loss from operations before depreciation	\$15,703	\$72,336
Other income	2,815	16,537
Total loss	\$12,888	\$55,799
Interest charges and discount on sales	1,161	14,329
Depreciation	—	55,883
Net loss	\$14,050	\$126,013

**Earnings for the Quarter Ended Mar. 31 1935**

Net loss after expenses, int. & other charges, but before deprec.—\$14,055

**Balance Sheet March 31 1935**

**Assets**—Cash in banks and on hand, \$12,257; accounts receivable (less reserve for bad debts of \$6,500), \$40,389; inventories, \$12,296; prepaid expenses (rent and insurance), \$625; notes and other accounts receivable, (less reserve for bad debts of \$41,000), \$12,827; investments (at cost), \$156,795; property, plant and equipment (less reserve for depreciation and depletion of \$1,161,250), \$315,786; total, \$550,978.

**Liabilities**—Notes payable (legal fees), \$1,650; accounts payable and accrued expenses, \$63,201; deferred income, \$1,410; notes payable, \$190,461; 6% cumulative preferred stock (par \$100), \$2,503,500; common stock (102,587 shares, no par), \$10; deficit, \$2,209,254; total, \$550,978.—V. 130, p. 3361.

**Draper Corp.—Acquisition—**

An offer of \$300,000 for the plant and property of the Textile Machinery Corp., Spartanburg, S. C., free of encumbrance, provided 90% of the preferred stock could be secured, recently submitted by this company was accepted by stockholders of the Spartanburg concern at a meeting held July 6.—V. 140, p. 4397.

**Dome Mines, Ltd.—Value of Production—**

Month of—	1935	1934
January	\$545,789	\$641,637
February	494,553	634,307
March	545,771	621,195
April	558,129	587,238
May	574,176	619,429
June	623,375	601,004
Total six months	\$3,341,793	\$3,704,812

—V. 140, p. 4067.

**Dominion Scottish Investments, Ltd.—Earnings—**

Years, End, May 31—	1935	1934	1933	1932
Divs., int. and other inc.—	\$103,822	\$94,022	\$110,151	\$167,919
Rent, salaries, office and general expenses—	11,439	11,675	11,000	15,325
Directors' fees—	3,000	3,000	3,000	6,737
Interest, exchange, &c.—	910	331	606	530
Trustees', registrar's and auditor's fees—	1,632	1,583	2,607	2,859
Income taxes—	5,066	6,014	6,523	11,025
Net income—	\$81,775	\$71,419	\$86,414	\$131,443
Preferred dividends—	74,625	64,675	59,700	141,788
Balance, surplus—	\$7,150	\$6,744	\$26,714	def\$10,345
Earns. per sh. on 60,000 shs. com. stk. (par \$25)	\$0.12	\$0.11	Nil	Nil

**Balance Sheet May 31**

Assets—		Liabilities—			
1935	1934	1935	1934		
a Investments—	\$3,106,454	\$4,419,433	Sundry creditors—	\$1,050	\$4,485
Cash at bankers—	41,474	5,167	Prov. for Dominion & provincial taxes—	3,663	—
Sundry accounts receivable—	502	367	Dividend payable—	29,850	19,900
			Preference stock—	2,935,000	2,985,000
			Common stock—	60,000	60,000
			Capital surplus—	1,293,895	—
			Revenue account—	68,838	61,688
Total—	\$3,148,431	\$4,424,967	Total—	\$3,148,431	\$4,424,967

a Market value of investments as at May 31 1935, \$2,223,741 against \$2,116,757 in 1934.—V. 140, p. 3385.

**Duquesne Light Co.—Earnings—**

12 Months Ended May 31—	1935	1934
Operating revenues—	\$25,756,457	\$24,733,936
Oper. exps., maint. & taxes (other than income taxes)—	9,942,796	9,432,951
Appropriation for retirement reserve—	2,060,516	2,078,714
Net operating rev. (before prov. for inc. taxes)—	\$13,753,144	\$13,222,270
Other income (net)—	912,894	949,729
Gross income (before prov. for income taxes)—	\$14,666,039	\$14,171,999
Interest charges (net)—	3,151,669	3,145,172
Amortization of debt discount and expense—	167,280	167,250
Other income deductions—	95,041	80,746
Provision for Federal income taxes—	1,076,187	417,387
Net income—	\$10,175,859	\$10,361,412

—V. 141, p. 111.

**Eastern States Corp.—New Name—**  
The Eastern States Power Corp., by amendment to its certificate of incorporation, has changed its name to Eastern States Corp.—

**Eastern States Power Corp.—Name Changed—**  
See Eastern States Corp. above.—V. 140, p. 2532.

**Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.—Sales—**

Period End, June 30—	1935—Month—	1934—Month—	1935—6 Mos.—	1934—6 Mos.—
Sales—	\$1,410,250	\$1,236,691	\$7,715,005	\$6,984,567

—V. 140, p. 4232.

**Edwards Manufacturing Co.—Earnings—**

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1934	1933
Net sales—	\$2,896,764	\$2,837,082
Cost of sales—	2,743,598	2,492,002
Profit from operations—	\$153,166	\$345,079
Other income—	1,598	867
Total income—	\$154,764	\$345,946
Interest expense—	45,599	47,080
Prov. for Federal income and excess profits taxes—	16,072	42,400
Net profit for year—	\$93,094	\$256,466
Surplus at beginning of year—	1,079,210	\$26,285
Charges applicable against prior periods—	Dr1,990	Dr3,540
Surplus at end of year—	\$1,170,313	\$1,079,210

**Condensed Balance Sheet Dec. 29 1934**

**Assets**—Cash in banks and on hand, \$94,602; accounts receivable (less reserve for doubtful accounts), \$258,170; inventories, \$466,802; investments (book values), \$6,225; fixed assets (less reserve for depreciation of \$1,079,221), \$2,074,079; prepaid expenses, \$26,345; cash in closed bank, \$30; total, \$2,926,257.

**Liabilities**—Notes payable, banks, \$435,000; accounts payable (\$22,474 secured by machinery pledged), \$94,463; accrued liabilities, \$10,044; provision for Federal taxes, \$22,652; accounts payable, due after one year (secured by machinery pledged), \$35,441; notes payable (deferred and interest), \$33,341; reserve for extraordinary repairs to canal, \$25,000; capital stock (par \$100), \$1,100,000; surplus, \$1,170,313; total, \$2,926,257.—V. 139, p. 597.

**80 John Street Corp.—Earnings—**

Calendar Years—	1934	1933
Income—Rents—	\$380,358	\$385,262
Bank interest—	—	141
Miscellaneous—	209	243
Total income—	\$380,567	\$385,648
Expenses—	326,778	326,002
Depreciation—	55,000	55,000
Net profit—	loss\$1,211	\$4,645

**Comparative Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**

**Assets**—Cash in banks, \$99,625; rent arrears, \$1,283; real estate (less depreciation reserve of \$311,666), \$3,144,241; prepaid insurance, \$4,144; total, \$3,249,294.

**Liabilities**—1st mtge., \$1,619,500; general mtge. bonds, \$1,268,000; deferred income, \$21,228; accrued mtge. interest, \$40,848; capital and surplus (represented by 32,000 shares of no par value, less 752 shares in treasury), \$299,717; total, \$3,249,294.—V. 139, p. 1707.

**Eisler Electric Corp.—Earnings—**

Earnings for the Year Ended Dec. 31 1934	
Net sales—	\$653,674
Cost of sales—	542,595
Gross profit on sales—	\$111,079
Selling and shipping expense—	\$34,925
Administrative and general expense—	44,140
Net profit on operations—	\$32,013
Other income—	12,215
Gross income—	\$44,229
Interest and discount—	6,748
Interest paid on mortgages—	2,427
Provision for doubtful accounts—	13,571
Provision for Federal income taxes—	1,920
Net income, to surplus—	\$19,562

**Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**

**Assets**—Cash on hand and in banks, \$87,529; notes receivable (less reserve for bad and doubtful notes and accounts receivable of \$15,616), \$122,963; municipal bonds owned (at market), \$31,050; accrued interest receivable, \$607; inventory, \$242,315; investment in affiliated company, \$10,000; fixed assets (less reserves for depreciation of \$309,626); \$406,360;

patents (less amortization charged to date of \$23,277), \$751,018; deferred assets and charges, \$28,006; total, \$1,679,852.

**Liabilities**—Notes payable, \$13,671; accounts payable, \$58,032; expenses accrued, \$10,560; deposits payable, \$4,560; due to president of company, \$21,167; amortization payments on mortgages past due and due to March 1 1935, \$6,703; Federal income taxes payable, \$1,920; mortgages payable, balance due after March 1 1935, \$33,758; capital account (\$19,777 no par shares), \$1,883,374; capital surplus paid-in, \$100,000; deficit, \$453,896 total, \$1,679,852.—V. 137, p. 146.

**Electric Auto-Lite Co.—Wins Suit—**  
The patent suit filed against the company by the Hammond Clock Co. was recently decided in favor of this company by Judge George Hahn in U. S. District Court at Toledo. Judge Hahn ruled that electric clocks made by Auto-Lite did not infringe on the patent owned by Hammond.—V. 140, p. 3386.

**Electric Bond & Share Co.—Weekly Input—**  
For the week ended July 4, 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—	
			Amount	%
American Power & Light Co.—	90,855,000	68,781,000	22,074,000	32.1
Electric Power & Light Corp.—	38,378,000	37,126,000	1,252,000	3.4
National Power & Light Co.—	66,363,000	62,914,000	3,449,000	5.8

Note—Operations of the Montana Power Co., a subsidiary of American Power & Light Co., were at a low point a year ago because of an industrial strike. This accounts principally for the large increase in system input of subsidiaries of American Power & Light Co.—V. 141, p. 112.

**Electric Power Associates, Inc.—Passes Dividends—**  
The directors have decided to omit the dividends ordinarily payable Aug. 1 on the common and class A stocks, both of no par value. The last payments on these issues were made on May 1 last, and amounted to 8 cents per share. Distributions of 10 cents per share were made each quarter from Feb. 1 1933 to and including Feb. 1 1935, 15 cents on Nov. 1 and Aug. 1 1932 and 25 cents per share paid each three months from Feb. 1 1930 to and including May 2 1932.

**Period Ended June 30 1935—**

	3 Months	6 Months
Income from divs. and int. after exps., incl. taxes—	\$65,373	\$149,114
Dividends paid—	—	144,000

During the foregoing period the principal source of income was from dividends in American Water Works & Electric Co., Inc. common stock. No dividend was declared by this latter company on its common stock at its July 2 directors meeting.

Under the circumstances the directors of Electric Power Associates, Inc. decided to take no action on the declaration of a dividend on the company's stock at this time.—V. 140, p. 2534.

**Electrographic Corp. (& Subs.)—**

**Earnings for the Year Ended Dec. 31 1934**

Net sales—	\$2,986,903
Cost of sales—	1,935,993
Gross profit on sales—	\$1,050,910
Selling, administrative, &c.—	610,541
Operating profit, before depreciation and charges—	\$440,368
Other income—	17,349
Total income—	\$457,717
Depreciation, provision for losses, amortization of lease and plant expenses, &c.—	148,722
Net profit for the year—	\$308,994
Income and other taxes—	49,684
Proportion of net profit of sub. applicable to minority interest—	10,335
Consolidated net income for the year—	\$248,975
Operating deficit, Jan. 1 1934—	146,998
Dividends paid on 7% cumulative preferred stock for period Dec. 1 1931 to Nov. 30 1933—	89,876
Good-will and organization expense of subsidiary written off—	10,674
Adjustment—subsidiary accounts—	231
Balance—	\$1,194
Adjustments applicable to prior years—	3,754
Transferred from capital surplus—	210,087
Earned surplus, Dec. 31 1934 (consolidated)—	\$215,036
Earnings per share on 119,178 common shares, par \$1.—	\$1.86

**Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934**

**Assets**—Cash in banks and on hand, \$156,053; accounts and notes receivable—trade (less reserve), \$480,517; accounts and notes receivable—miscellaneous (less reserve), \$14,587; inventories, \$87,731; machinery, fixtures and equipment, \$798,809; land and building (subsidiary) at cost (less mortgage payable of \$7,036), \$23,959; deferred charges, \$49,670; cash in closed banks (less reserve), \$2,020; preferred stock and common stock of Electrographic Corp. (at cost), \$88,490; good-will purchased, \$97,986; total, \$1,799,826.

**Liabilities**—Accounts payable, \$29,292; expenses and wages accrued, \$41,333; provision for taxes, \$49,684; minority interest in stock of subsidiary company, \$23,796; 7% preferred stock (par \$100), \$753,800; common stock (par \$1), \$119,178; capital surplus, \$567,704; earned surplus, \$215,036; total, \$1,799,826.—V. 140, p. 1657.

**Elgin National Watch Co.—Earnings—**

**Income Account Year Ended Dec. 31 1934**

Profit from operations (after providing for depreciation of \$261,165)—	\$776,895
Other income—	160,874
Total income—	\$937,769
Pension fund contributions—	121,367
Provision for premiums paid on securities—	19,520
Elgin Watchmakers' College loss—	8,476
Employees' gymnasium expense—	2,047
Provision for Federal income tax—	50,000
Net profit for year—	\$736,358
Earnings per share on 400,000 shares capital stock—	\$1.84

**Balance Sheet Dec. 31**

Assets—		Liabilities—			
1934	1933	1934	1933		
Cash—	1,453,680	1,107,012	Accts. & wages pay	z281,438	225,315
Accts. & notes rec.	1,482,892	913,031	Accrued taxes—	131,977	114,293
Marketable secur.	3,423,098	2,888,210	General reserves—	880,000	440,000
Inventories—	1,824,830	1,151,385	x Capital stock—	5,982,102	5,970,170
Sundry part. in process—	1	537,831	z Earned surplus—	1,023,826	72,696
Other assets—	14,290	15,188	Capital surplus—	4,000,000	4,000,000
Deferred charges—	16,519	13,969			
y Ld., fact'y. bldgs. mach'y & equip.	4,084,032	4,193,850			
Total—	12,299,343	10,822,475	Total—	12,299,343	10,822,475

x After depreciation reserves of \$3,796,091 in 1934 and \$4,285,692 in 1933. y After deducting 5,000 shares of treasury stock at cost of \$29,830 in 1933 and 3,000 shares at cost of \$17,898 in 1934. z Includes pension fund contributions.—V. 140, p. 2704.

**Elgin Joliet & Eastern RR.—Wins Injunction Suit—**  
A five-year-old injunction suit begun by the Government against the road was ended July 3 in favor of the railroad. The Government sought to restrain the road from carrying products of fellow subsidiaries of the United States Steel Corp. under an Interstate Commerce Act clause which prohibits a railroad from transporting, in inter-State commerce, commodities in which it has any interest.

Federal Judge Charles E. Woodward, denying the injunction, in a decision July 3, held that the line was a separate corporate entity free from domina-

tion by the Steel Corporation, although the latter owns all of the road's capital stock. The Court held that ownership of the road, which extends from Waukegan, Ill., to Porter, Ind., by the Steel Corporation had not resulted in collusive rates or favoritism, that their relationship was that of corporation and stockholder, and the corporation maintained no control over the railroad, whose patrons were "treated all alike."

The suit was begun in 1930 when William D. Mitchell was United States Attorney-General. Sixty per cent of the railroad's tonnage comes from United States Steel subsidiaries, it is said.—V. 141, p. 112.

El Paso Electric Co. (Del.)—Earnings—

Table with columns: Period End. May 31—, 1935—Month—, 1934, 1935—12 Mos.—, 1934. Rows include Gross earnings, Operation, Maintenance, Taxes, Interest & amortization, Balance, Appropriations for retirement reserve, etc.

Farr Alpaca Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns: Years End. May 31—, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Loss from oper. & reduc. in mkt. price of inven., Depreciation, Inventory loss discharged against reserve, Balance, loss, Dividends paid, Res. for invent. fluct ns., Reduction of surplus, Previous surplus, etc.

Comparative Balance Sheet May 31

Table with columns: Assets—, 1935, 1934, Liabilities—, 1935, 1934. Rows include Real est. & mach., Inventory, Cash & debts rec., Insurance expired., Capital stock, Accts. payable and accruals, Capital surplus, Undivided profits.

Federal-Mogul Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns: Years Ended Dec. 31—, 1934, 1933. Rows include Gross profit from sales, Selling, administrative and general expenses, Interest paid, bad debt losses, Canadian exch. & miscellaneous deductions, Provision for contingencies, Provision for obsolescence of service inventory, Provision for loss on accounts with closed banks, Net income, Interest earned, royalties, profit on securities and miscellaneous income, Profit before depreciation and income tax, Depreciation, Federal and Canadian income taxes, Consolidated net profit, Surplus—Jan. 1, Surplus Dec. 31, Earnings per share on capital stock.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Table with columns: Assets—, 1934, 1933, Liabilities—, 1934, 1933. Rows include Cash, Listed corp. stock (market value), Notes, trade acceptance, contr., &c., Inventories, Other assets, Permanent assets, Patents & good-will, Deferred charges., Notes payable to banks, 6% serial debenture notes due Apr. 1, 1934, Accounts payable, Pay rolls & comms, Accrued expenses, Prin. payments on land contracts due during 1935, Federal & Canadian income taxes, Long-term indebted., Reserve for contg., Capital stock, Earned surplus.

First Boston Corp.—Larger Dividend Declared

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.20 per share on the capital stock, payable July 25 to holders of record July 12. An initial distribution of 50 cents per share was made on Jan. 21 1935. In a letter being forwarded to stockholders, the company advises that, for the period from Jan. 1 1935 through June 30 1935, the net income of the corporation is estimated at \$1,803,000, and that the payment of this dividend is not to be considered as establishing any regular dividend rate.—V. 140, p. 639.

Ferro-Enamel Corp.—Earnings—

Table with columns: Years Ended Dec. 31—, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Operating profit, Miscellaneous income, Profit, Plant depreciation, Loss on sale of assets, Loss on furnaces & equipmt. scrapped, Interest, discount, &c., Provision for Federal income tax, Profit for the year, Earnings per share on common, After deducting maintenance and repairs, \$24,458; depreciation and amortization, \$24,169; taxes and royalties, \$8,535; selling, general and administration expenses, \$357,078 and provision for doubtful accounts of \$21,610.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Table with columns: Assets—, 1934, 1933, Liabilities—, 1934, 1933. Rows include Cash, U. S. Treas. cfts., Marketable secur., Other bonds, Cash value life ins., Notes & accts. rec., Mdse. inventories, Accts. rec. & inv. in sub. cos., Deferred charges to operations, Plant & equip. less depreciation, Sundry receivable, Patents, Total, Notes payable, Accts. and accrued items payable, Other current liab., Notes receiv. disc., Deferred accts., Preferred stock, Common stock, Capital surplus, Earned surplus.

Total... \$1,052,356 \$1,073,235 Total... \$1,052,356 \$1,073,235 x After deducting 2,964 shares preferred treasury stock at cost of \$11,170 in 1934 and 2,162 shares at cost of \$7,882 in 1933. y After deducting 421 shares common treasury stock at cost of \$2,362.—V. 140, p. 2862.

(M. H.) Fishman Co.—Sales—

Table with columns: Month of—, 1935, 1934, 1933. Rows include January, February, March, April, May, June, Total six months.

Florida Power & Light Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns: Period End. May 31—, 1935—Month—, 1934, 1935—12 Mos.—, 1934. Rows include Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Net rev. from oper., Other income (net), Gross corp. income, Int. & other deducts., Balance, Property retirement reserve appropriations, Divs. applic. to pref. stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid, Deficit, Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends, Dividends accumulated and unpaid to May 31 1935, amounted to \$2,786,436. Latest regular quarterly dividends paid Jan. 3 1935. Dividends on pref. stocks are cumulative.

Note—Income account includes full revenues without consideration of rate reduction in litigation for which a reserve has been provided by appropriations from surplus in amount of \$813,994 for the 12 months ended May 31 1935, and of 702,777 for the 12 months ended May 31 1934.—V. 141, p. 113.

Follansbee Bros. Co.—Independent Bondholders' Committee Formed—

An independent committee has been organized for the protection of the holders of the 1st mtge. sinking fund gold 5% bonds of 1947. The committee, it is said, is entirely independent of the management and the bankers for the company, and has no connection with any other committee.

The members of the committee are: Professor John M. Chapman (Chairman), George Akerson, Jack Coles and William Rosenblatt, with Alfred E. Turner, Sec., 25 Broad St., N. Y. City, and Tachna & Pinkusohn, New York, and W. Denning Stewart, Pittsburgh, Counsel.

The committee, in a letter dated July 3, states: The company went into receivership in May 1934 and a month later filed a petition for reorganization under Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act. Although a year has now elapsed, there is no evidence whatsoever of any attempt being made to reorganize the company. The bondholders have been kept in the dark as to the status of its affairs, as no report has as yet been made since the proceedings were instituted. We maintain and insist that the bondholders should know what is being done with their property and what progress is being made toward a reorganization. We are of the opinion that sufficient time has elapsed to initiate reorganization proceedings.

It is, therefore, the intention of the committee to take steps to intervene in the reorganization proceedings now pending in the U. S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania. The committee also proposes to obtain and study the facts and then, in due course, present a plan of reorganization to the court, which will be fair to all interests.

A member of this committee has recently ascertained that the company was about breaking even, before deducting any depreciation or interest. The bondholders are entitled to know why the company is not making as satisfactory progress as its competitors manufacturing similar merchandise.

The committee is not asking for the deposit of bonds.—V. 140, p. 1311.

Ford Motor Co. of Canada, Ltd.—Earnings—

Table with columns: Income Account for the Year Ended Dec. 31 1934. Rows include Net profit from the operations of the Canadian factory and branches, after all charges for manufacturing, selling and general expenses (incl. depreciation of \$1,355,746), Income from investments, Dividends received from subsidiary companies, Profit on sale of investments, Total income, Directors' fees, Provision for income taxes, Net profit, Previous earned surplus, Total surplus, Prior years' adjustments—Income taxes, Other adjustments, Class A dividends, Class B dividends, Earned surplus, Dec. 31, Earnings per share on 1,658,960 shs. class A and class B stock.—\$1.13

Comparative Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Table with columns: Assets—, 1934, 1933, Liabilities—, 1934, 1933. Rows include Plant account, Patents, Cash, Can. Govt. bonds, Accts. receivable, Deferred charges, Inventories, Investments, Customs drawback & refund claims, Adv. to affil. cos., Interest accrued., Capital stock, Accounts payable, Res. for invest., Deprec. reserve, General reserve, Surplus, Total.

Total... 56,490,254 55,438,519 Total... 55,490,254 55,438,519 x Represented by 1,588,960 shares class A stock and 70,000 shares class B stock, both of no par value.—V. 140, p. 3041.

Ford Motor Co., Ltd. (England)—Earnings—				
Years Ended Dec. 31—	1934	1933	1932	1931
Trading profit, &c.	£1,427,492	£942,510	loss £160,637	£409,478
Sundry profit, rents, &c.	1,770	559	388	2,664
Profit on exchange	-----	443,649	-----	-----
Total income	£1,429,262	£1,386,719	loss £160,249	£412,142
Deprec. & obsolescence	619,800	526,091	273,620	115,712
Interest, &c.	29,647	65,754	7,128	6,269
Directors' fees	7,000	6,300	6,475	7,000
Super chgs. for cap. exp.	12,059	18,529	-----	-----
Res. for loss on exchange	84,829	-----	106,827	170,329
Loss on debt due from Ford Motor Co. of Cologne	152,755	-----	-----	-----
Loss arising on trading oper. outside Britain	15,007	14,250	127,527	29,905
Profit before approp. for income taxes	£508,663	£755,795	loss £681,828	£82,927
Previous surplus	388,171	def 354,045	371,870	506,360
Total surplus	£896,834	£401,750	def £309,958	£589,287
Approp. for income tax	25,000	13,579	44,087	217,417
Dividends (less tax)	348,750	-----	-----	-----
Carried forward	£523,084	£388,171	def £354,045	£371,870

  

Balance Sheet Dec. 31			
	1934	1933	
<b>Assets—</b>	£	£	
x Land, bldgs., factories, &c.	4,372,468	4,881,108	
x Machinery, plant, tools & equip't	3,752,759	3,148,711	
Inv. in & adv. to affil. companies	2,512,111	2,512,111	
y Fixed assets, inv. &c., outside Br.	-----	-----	
Isles	117,457	173,224	
Inventories	1,170,363	1,066,796	
Trade accts., &c.	848,009	1,644,991	
Cash	1,030,760	1,461,601	
Total	13,863,931	14,888,543	Total 13,863,931 14,888,543

x After depreciation, &c. y Leasehold land, buildings, plant, machinery, &c., connected with undertaking situated outside British Isles, at cost less depreciation and stock of autos, parts and stores, debtors, cash, &c.—V. 140, p. 2006.

Ford Motor Co. of Germany—Earnings—				
Income Account Year Ended Dec. 31 (Currency in Reichsmarks)				
	1934	1933	1932	1931
Gross profit	8,124,639	3,656,242	-----	-----
Extraordinary returns	7,107,148	6,971,482	-----	-----
Extraordinary income	1,116,251	-----	-----	-----
Total profit	16,348,039	10,627,724	-----	-----
Wages, salaries, deprec., int., taxes and all other changes	16,344,212	8,929,035	-----	-----
Net profit	3,825	1,698,689	-----	-----

  

Balance Sheet Dec. 31 (Currency in Reichsmarks)			
	1934	1933	
<b>Assets—</b>			
Property	12,408,497	18,348,127	
Patents	1,300,000	-----	
Investments	500,000	500,000	
Current assets	6,357,842	5,657,092	
Deferred charges	17,879	188	
Total	19,282,219	25,805,407	Total 19,282,219 25,805,407

—V. 140, p. 1828.

Foundation Co. of Canada, Ltd.—Earnings—				
Years Ended Apr. 30				
	1935	1934	1933	1932
Operating profits	x\$89,077	\$404,430	\$224,707	\$270,135
Common dividends	-----	21,150	-----	74,025
Prior year Fed. tax	-----	725	-----	5,421
Tax reserve	2,000	40,000	12,500	18,000
Depreciation	91,649	147,468	145,920	141,968
Directors fees	4,494	-----	-----	-----
Balance, surplus	loss \$9,066	\$195,087	\$66,287	\$30,721
Previous surplus	899,107	704,020	637,733	607,012
Additional Dominion inc. tax—Dr	2,632	-----	-----	-----
Profit & loss balance	\$887,409	\$899,107	\$704,020	\$637,734
Earned per share on no par common stock	Nil	\$2.56	\$0.78	\$1.24

x Includes profit on sale of capital assets, \$5,296; profit on sale of investments, \$7,121; and income from investments, \$13,593.

  

Consolidated Balance Sheet April 30			
	1935	1934	
<b>Assets—</b>			
Land, plant, &c.	\$1,843,117	\$1,899,357	
Good-will	1	1	
Inventory	22,987	29,278	
Sundry investm'ts	14,363	14,000	
Acc'ts receivable	257,605	354,192	
Deposits on contr.	8,525	-----	
Unemp. contr'ts	39,536	9,270	
Cash	264,290	273,056	
Investments	228,969	292,243	
Accrued interest	4,351	4,339	
Deferred charges	1,041	4,696	
Total	\$2,690,786	\$2,850,464	Total \$2,690,786 \$2,850,464

x Represented by \$4,600 no par shares.—V. 138, p. 4298.

**Fourth National Investors Corp.—Smaller Div.**  
 The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, par \$1, payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 22. This compares with 60 cents paid on May 14, last; 40 cents on July 1 1934, 45 cents on Jan. 1 1934, 40 cents on July 1 1933, 55 cents on Jan. 1 1933, 60 cents on July 1 1932 and 55 cents per share paid on Jan. 1 1932 and July 1 1931.—V. 141, p. 113.

**Frankfort Distilleries, Inc.—New President**  
 James F. Brownlee has been elected President and a director, succeeding Wm. H. Veeneman who has resigned as President to become Chairman of the Board.—V. 138, p. 690.

**Fraser Companies, Ltd.—Defers Interest**  
 Acting in accordance with the terms of the reorganization effected in 1932, the company did not pay interest due July 1 on the 6% first mortgage bonds of 1950. Similar action was taken last year. Deferred 1935 interest will be payable in five equal instalments, starting July 1 1940.  
 Announcement was also made that semi-annual interest would be paid in cash on Aug. 1 on the 6% sinking fund first mortgage bonds of Restigouche Co., Ltd. Interest on these bonds was also paid in cash last year.—V. 139, p. 1868.

**(Wm.) Freihoier Baking Co.—Smaller Preferred Div.**  
 A dividend of \$1 per share was paid on the 7% cum. preferred stock, par \$100, on July 1 to holders of record June 27. This is a reduction from the \$1.75 per share previously distributed.—V. 135, p. 1664.

**Frick Co.—Paid 50 Cent Dividend**  
 A dividend of 50 cents per share was paid on the no-par common stock on July 1 to holders of record June 20. Similar distributions were made on July 1 of 1934, 1933 and 1932 and on Dec. 20 of 1933 and 1932. In

addition a dividend of \$1.50 per share was paid on Dec. 20 1934.—V. 139 p. 3965.

**(Robert) Gair Co., Inc.—Acquisition**  
 (Gair Boston Containers, Inc., has acquired the Corrugated Container Division of Sherman Paper Products Corp.) It was announced on July 5. The Medford plant and container sales office of Gair Boston Containers, Inc., of which Gordon W. Olson is Vice-President and manager, will move to Newton Upper Falls, where the Sherman plant is located.—V. 140, p. 2863.

**Froedtert Grain & Malting Co., Inc. (Wis.)—Pref. Stock Offered**  
 Hammons & Co., Inc., New York, are offering 60,000 shares cum. partic. and conv. pref. stock at \$15.75 a share. A prospectus affords the following:

The 80,000 shares of preferred stock now outstanding are fully listed on the New York Curb Exchange and application will be made to list the additional shares included in this offering. Transfer agent, Registrar & Transfer Co., 7 Dey St., New York; co-transfer agent, Registrar & Transfer Co., 15 Exchange Place, Jersey City, N. J.; registrar, Continental Bank & Trust Co., 40 Broad St., New York.

Business—Company is one of the largest commercial producers of malt in the world. It manufactures three grades of malt for brewers' regular requirements and two grades of color malt used in the production of special beers as well as two grades of malt for distillers. Certain of these products are also used in the manufacture of breakfast foods, infant and other food yeast, vinegar and malt syrup.  
 The company and its predecessors have been in business under the control of the Froedtert family for approximately 67 years, without interruption. Beginning shortly after the Civil War, with a production of 55,000 bushels of malt per annum, the company has built up its malting capacity to approximately 8,600,000 bushels per annum. With the exception of \$700,000 capital stock paid for in cash or its equivalent prior to July 25 1922, the net worth of the company as of April 30 1935 of \$2,694,654, consists of reinvestment of earnings of the business.

The company and its predecessors have operated at a profit throughout their existence of 67 years, with the exception of two years. One of these was 1930, when the company sustained a loss of approximately \$108,000; the other year was approximately 1880.

The company operates three large malting plants which have a combined malting capacity of approximately 8,600,000 bushels a year. The largest of its plants is located in Milwaukee County, Wis., and the other two plants are located at Winona and Red Wing, Minn. The addition of a new unit to the plant in Milwaukee County was completed early this year. This new unit has a malting capacity of approximately 4,000,000 bushels per year and is regarded as the world's largest single malting unit. The older unit in Milwaukee County has a malting capacity of approximately 2,500,000 bushels per year; the Red Wing plant a malting capacity of approximately 497,000 bushels per year, and the Winona plant a malting capacity of approximately 1,630,000 bushels per year. The total storage capacity of all the plants is approximately 3,475,000 bushels, the storage capacity of the company having been increased by about 1,000,000 bushels in the winter of 1932-1933.

The combined properties and equipment of the company were appraised on a sound value basis at \$1,848,307 as of July 10 1933, by the American Appraisal Co. Since said date approximately \$855,000 has been expended in the construction and equipping of the new unit in Milwaukee County.

	Authorized	Outstanding
Preferred stock (\$15 par)	140,000 shs.	80,000 shs.
Common stock (\$1 par)	560,000 shs.	420,000 shs.

a The 60,000 shares of authorized, but unissued preferred stock, are the shares of preferred stock included in this offering. b 140,000 shares of common stock are reserved for the conversion of preferred stock.

At a special meeting of stockholders held April 26 1935 action was taken to amend the articles of organization (which amendment became effective May 5) to authorize an increase in the capital stock from \$1,700,000 to \$2,600,000 by increasing the number of authorized shares of preferred stock from 80,000 to 140,000 and by increasing the number of authorized shares of common stock from 500,000 to 560,000, and to provide that the increase of 60,000 shares of common stock shall be reserved as unissued excepting for the conversion on a share for share basis, in whole or in part, of the additional 60,000 shares of preferred stock.

**Purpose and Proceeds of Issue**—The net proceeds from the sale of the preferred stock included in this offering will be used to increase working capital of the company which was reduced to the extent of approximately \$855,000 expended on the construction and equipping of its new malting unit in Milwaukee County, which was recently completed.

Hammons & Co., Inc., the principal underwriter, has assumed all expenses involved in connection with the selling, marketing and distribution of the stock.

The company has agreed to reimburse Hammons & Co., Inc., for the expenses, other than selling, marketing and distribution expenses, upon the following terms and subject to the following conditions, to wit:

If all of the 60,000 shares offered are sold within 90 days after the effective date of the registration thereof, the company will reimburse Hammons & Co., Inc., for the expenditures, limited, however, to \$23,250. Accordingly, if the expenses equal or exceed \$23,250, the company will net, after eliminating all expenses, \$780,000. If expenses are less than \$23,250, the net proceeds to the company, after deducting all expenses, will be increased accordingly.

If less than 60,000 shares of stock are sold within the period, the company will reimburse Hammons & Co., Inc., for the expenditures, limited to \$23,250, only in that proportion as the actual number of shares sold bears to 60,000 shares.

Comparative Income Account for Stated Periods				
Period—	9 Mos. End. Apr. 30 '35	Fiscal Year Ended July 31— 1934	1933	1932
Gross sales of malt (less freight and allowances)	\$6,233,856	\$6,327,205	\$1,868,920	\$1,286,620
Cost of malt sold	5,174,997	4,829,778	795,281	920,772
Gross profit	\$1,058,859	\$1,497,428	\$1,073,639	\$365,849
Maintenance and repairs	29,607	43,958	24,119	37,279
Depreciation	42,482	44,380	41,613	38,257
Taxes—Real & personal property	26,611	16,434	12,809	13,772
Bonuses	20,167	33,053	185,948	16,196
Selling general & admin. expenses	311,947	321,290	179,787	163,731
Prov. for doubtful accts.	63,617	130,000	7,000	2,944
Elevator exps. charged to grain department	-----	-----	Cr5,004	Cr4,761
Gross inc. from sales of malt	\$564,429	\$908,314	\$627,369	\$98,433
Other income	17,070	18,953	60,865	\$53,587
Total income	\$581,498	\$927,267	\$688,234	\$152,020
Total income deductions	53,532	70,136	67,934	36,804
Federal income & capital stock taxes (estd.)	75,860	121,073	84,036	12,430
Wis. & Minn. income and surtaxes (estd.)	27,500	50,045	36,926	3,398
Net income	\$424,607	\$686,013	\$499,338	\$99,387
Earned surplus, beginning of period	722,116	\$1,145,670	663,831	634,444
Adjustment of income taxes for prior years	Dr68	3,233	-----	-----
Total	\$1,146,655	\$1,834,916	\$1,163,170	\$733,832
Dividends	-----	-----	-----	-----
On old common stock	-----	70,000	17,500	70,000
On new preferred stock	72,000	80,800	-----	-----
On new common stock	-----	42,000	-----	-----
a Transferred to cap. stk	-----	920,000	-----	-----
Earned surplus, end of period	\$1,074,655	\$722,116	\$1,145,670	\$663,832

a Through exchange of \$700,000 par value of old common stock for \$1,200,000 par value of new cumulative convertible participating preferred stock, and \$420,000 par value of new common stock.

Pro Forma Balance Sheet April 30 1935

Assets - Cash, Notes & accts rec., Inventories, Fixed assets, Deferred charges, Investments and sundry assets. Liabilities - Total notes payable, Accounts payable, Accrued accounts, Other current liabilities, Wisconsin Unemployment compensation reserve, Preferred stock, Common stock, Earned surplus.

-V. 141, p. 114.

Galveston Houston & Henderson RR.—RFC Loan Extended

The Interstate Commerce Commission on July 6 found the company "not to be in need of financial reorganization in the public interest at this time" and approved an extension for a period ending not later than April 1 1938, of time of payment of loan to the company by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, maturing July 14 1935, in the amount of \$1,061,000.

General American Investors Co., Inc.—Comparative Balance Sheet June 30—\$

Assets - Bonds owned at cost, Bonds, Pref. stocks, Com. stocks, Cash, Special deposit for tax in dispute, Divs. rec. and int. accrued, Deferred charges. Liabilities - \$6 pref. stock, a Com. stock, 25-yr. 5% debts., Int. accr. on debts., Reserve for taxes, Pref. divs. payable, Capital surplus, Loss on secs. sold, Undistributed inc.

x Dividends receivable only

a Represented by 1,300,220 no par shares. b The aggregate value as of June 30 1935 of securities owned at bid prices was less than the above value by \$186,184 in 1935 (1934, \$1,593,200).

Our usual comparative income statement for the six months ended June 30 was published in V. 141, p. 114.

General Asphalt Co.—New Director

Frank B. Foster has been elected a director to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Sidney F. Tyler.—V. 140, p. 3388.

General Foods Corp.—Changes in Personnel

Austin S. Igleheart, Vice-President and a director, has been placed in charge of sales and merchandising, it was announced on July 8. He succeeds James F. Brownlee, who has resigned as a Vice-President to become President and director of Frankford Distilleries, Inc.—V. 140, p. 2864.

General Motors Corp.—June Sales—The company on July 8 made the following announcement:

June sales of General Motors cars to dealers in the United States and Canada, together with shipments overseas, totaled 181,183 compared with 146,831 in June a year ago. Sales in May were 134,597. Sales for the first six months of 1935 totaled 888,560 compared with 750,276 for the same six months of 1934.

Sales of General Motors cars to consumers in the United States totaled 137,782 in June compared with 112,847 in June a year ago. Sales in May were 109,051. Sales for the first six months of 1935 totaled 648,835 compared with 494,972 for the same six months of 1934.

Sales of General Motors cars to dealers in the United States totaled 150,863 in June compared with 118,789 in June a year ago. Sales in May were 105,159. Sales for the first six months of 1935 totaled 710,224 compared with 592,867 for the same six months of 1934.

Total Sales to Dealers in U. S. and Canada Plus Overseas Shipments

Table with columns for months (January to December) and years (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) showing sales figures.

Sales to Consumers in United States

Table with columns for months (January to December) and years (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) showing sales figures.

Sales to Dealers in United States

Table with columns for months (January to December) and years (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) showing sales figures.

Unit sales of Chevrolet, Pontiac, Oldsmobile, Buick, LaSalle and Cadillac passenger and commercial cars are included in the above figures.

Buick June Sales Off Slightly

Buick retail sales in June totaled 7,033 units as against 7,468 in May. The low priced series 40 line made up 5,238 of these sales as against 5,192 in June last year, which was the first month this line was sold on a quantity basis. Sales of 2,835 in the last 10 days of June were up approximately 500 units over the previous 10 days and nearly 1,000 over the first 10 days of the month.

Pontiac Produced 17,067 Cars in June

Pontiac Motor Co. produced 17,067 cars in June, the largest for that month since 1929 and compared with 6,182 in June 1934. In May output was 19,406 cars.

Production for the year to May 31 totaled 107,038 cars, compared with 62,054 for the corresponding period a year ago. Production was largest for the five months since 1929 and compared with 76,533 in all 1934.—V. 141, p. 114.

General Public Service Corp.—Tenders

The company is notifying holders of its 5½% debentures, convertible series due 1939, that it will receive tenders until July 30 for the sale to it, for extinguishment, of its debentures. Tenders should be addressed to the corporation's office at One Exchange Place, Jersey City, N. J.

Table showing 6 Mos. End. June 30— 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Includes Cash divs. on stocks, Int. on bds., notes & cash, Rev. from option contrs., Total income, Expenses, Taxes, Interest & amortization, Net income.

Comparative Surplus Statement Six Months Ended June 30

Table comparing 1935, 1934, 1933 for Surplus (earned)—Income surplus, Balance beginning of period, Net income as above, Assessment for Fed. stk. transfer tax, Total surplus, Security profit surplus, Balance beginning of period, Net profit on sale of securities, Net profit on debentures reacquired and canceled, Surplus (earned) end of period.

Comparative Balance Sheet June 30

Table comparing 1935, 1934 for Assets—Common stocks, Preferred stocks, Notes, Bonds, Other investment, Cash, Interest and accts. receivable. Liabilities—Preferred stock, Common stock, Com. stock scrip., Convertible debentures, 5% 1933, 5½% 1939, Accounts payable, Tax liability, Unadjusted credits, Earned surplus.

Total—\$9,682,448 1935, \$9,563,091 1934, \$9,682,448 1933, \$9,563,091 1932. a The market value of investments June 30 1935 was \$7,919,081 and June 30 1934 was \$8,096,791. b Represented by: 24,640 shares \$6 dividend preferred and 280 shares \$5.50 dividend preferred of no par value. c Represented by: 669,886 shares common stock (1934, 669,391 shares) of no par value.—V. 140, p. 2535.

General Refractories Co.—Voting Trust Ended

Referring to the termination of the voting trust agreement and the issuance of certificates of capital stock in exchange for voting trust certificates and to the suspension from the dealings of the voting trust certificates on July 10 1935, the Committee on Securities of the N. Y. Stock Exchange has ruled that transactions in voting trust certificates for capital stock may be settled by delivery either of voting trust certificates or certificates of capital stock. The voting trust certificates for capital stock were suspended from dealings on the New York Stock Exchange on July 10.—V. 140, p. 3717.

Georgia & Florida RR.—Earnings

Table showing 4th Week of June— 1935, 1934, 1935, 1934. Gross earnings: \$34,700 1935, \$40,189 1934, \$520,984 1935, \$553,107 1934.

Glidden Co.—Listing of Additional Common Stock Rights to Stockholders

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 104,000 additional shares of common stock (no par) on official notice of issuance pursuant to an offer to stockholders, making the total amount applied for 754,000 shares.

The directors on April 18 1935 authorized the issuance of 150,000 shares of common stock, 104,000 of which are to be offered to common stockholders of record July 3, on the basis of 16 shares for each 100 shares held, at \$22 per share. The balance of 46,000 shares is to be offered to officers and key men at \$22 per share, provided more than two-thirds of the common stockholders waive their pre-emptive rights thereto by written consent. (Warrants expire 20 days from date of offering.) Subscriptions will be received at the office of the transfer agent, New York Trust Co., N. Y. City.

The net proceeds (estimated at \$3,172,800) are to be used for the purpose of improving the working capital position of the company by partial payment of bank indebtedness incurred in part for financing plant additions.

The underwriters have agreed for the sum of \$104,000 plus a sum equal to \$1 per share for each share that becomes deliverable to them to underwrite the purchase by the company's common stockholders of 104,000 shares of common stock. The underwriting group and members thereof have the right to purchase or sell in the open market or otherwise any of the common stock or other securities of the company.—V. 141, p. 114.

Listing of Rights Authorized

The Committee on Stock List of the New York Stock Exchange on July 10 authorized the listing of 650,000 rights to subscribe issued to holders of the common stock on the basis of 16 shares for each 100 shares held at \$22 per share. The Committee on Stock List thereafter certified its approval of listing and registration of these rights to the Securities and Exchange Commission. Trading in these rights on the New York Stock Exchange will not commence until the Exchange is advised that registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 has become effective.

Heretofore it has not been customary to give formal listing on the New York Stock Exchange to rights to subscribe distributable to holders of listed securities, such rights being admitted to dealings without listing. The action of the Committee on Stock List in listing Glidden rights represents the first such listing under authority granted to that committee by resolution of the Governing Committee at its meeting of July 10.

Sales for the Month and 8 Months Ended June 30

Table showing Period End. June 30— 1935—Month—1934, 1935—8 Mos.—1934. Sales: \$3,427,870 1935, \$2,567,817 1934, \$24,626,874 1935, \$19,248,019 1934.

(Adolf) Gobel, Inc.—Meeting Again Adjourned

The adjourned stockholders' annual meeting has been further adjourned until Aug. 9.—V. 140, p. 4400.

(B. F.) Goodrich Co.—President Urges Vote for Bonds

The proposed financing plan under which stockholders will be asked to authorize \$45,000,000 1st mtge. 4½% bonds and of which \$28,000,000 would be sold at this time, was characterized by J. D. Tew, President, in a letter mailed to stockholders July 11, as "so obviously in the interest of the stockholders that it is difficult to believe that any stockholder, acting solely in its interest as such, would object to or attempt to prevent the successful consummation of the financing plan."

Mr. Tew's letter was in reply to an appeal issued for proxies in opposition to the plan by Otis & Co. The special meeting of stockholders called to vote on the proposal will be held July 16. The Otis letter had criticized the financing plan as increasing the funded obligations ahead of the stockholders' investment, contended that the company's record in recent years compared unfavorably with that of Goodyear and Firestone and made other complaints.

Mr. Tew said that the proceeds of the proposed \$28,000,000 issue would be devoted to retire the outstanding Goodrich 6½% bonds and the 5½% and 7% notes of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Hood Rubber Co., these operations requiring more than \$22,000,000. The balance is to be used to retire certain current borrowings, to add to cash in its treasury or to purchase Goodrich 6% debentures. The annual interest charges on the new bonds would be \$1,260,000, compared with the existing annual charges of \$1,366,242 on the securities which would be retired, without any allowance for interest savings through application of the remaining proceeds, he stated.

"In late May, at a time when the officers and directors of the company were working with a responsible underwriting group upon the financing now proposed, Otis & Co., represented by Mr. Cyrus Eaton, of Cleveland, approached offers of the company and recommended that the company avail itself of the existing favorable market to refinance, and later urged that Otis & Co. be permitted to participate in any underwriting group which was formed in connection with the proposed issue." Mr. Tew said. "The Goodrich company decided that it was in the best interests of the company not to deal with Otis & Co. as an underwriter."

Otis & Co. Win Right to Inspect Books

The actions brought last week by Otis & Co. of Cleveland, a brokerage house, to force the company to permit an examination of its financial records, ended July 9 in Common Pleas Court, Akron, Ohio, when Judge Arthur W. Doyle, with consent of the management of the Goodrich company, granted the demand. Otis & Co. may also scan the list of Goodrich's stockholders. Judge Doyle stating that the laws of New York State, where the list is on file, provide for this.

Otis & Co. argued that the information sought concerning the Goodrich company's financial condition was necessary to enable them to form an intelligent opinion regarding \$45,000,000 refunding and refinancing program proposed by Goodrich.—V. 141, p. 114.

(W. T.) Grant Co.—Sales—

Table showing sales for Grant Co. from February to June, with columns for 1935, 1934, and 1933.

Gulf Power Co.—Earnings—

[A subsidiary of Commonwealth & Southern Corp.]

Table showing earnings for Gulf Power Co. from May 31, 1935, with columns for 1935, 1934, and 1933.

Gulf States Utilities Co.—Earnings—

Table showing earnings for Gulf States Utilities Co. from May 31, 1935, with columns for 1935, 1934, and 1933.

The bondholders at a meeting held on June 24 approved the plan of reorganization which provides for extension of serial maturities by 11 years, placing interest at 5 1/2% on an income basis until 1939 and thereafter at 4%, with 1 1/2% additional if earned. Arrears of interest were waived in exchange for new preferred shares. See also V. 140, p. 4069.

Hearst Magazines, Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Large table showing earnings for Hearst Magazines, Inc. from Dec 31, 1935, with columns for 1935, 1934, and 1933.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Consolidated balance sheet for Dec 31, 1935, showing assets and liabilities.

Hammond Clock Co.—Wins Suit—

Judge George Hahn recently ruled in the U. S. District Court at Toledo, O. in the patent suit filed by the company against the May Co., of Cleveland that the patents claimed by the Hammond company are valid.—V. 140, p. 4401.

(M. A.) Hanna Co.—Plans to Refinance Preferred—

The company is planning to file a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a new issue of \$5 cum. pref. stock, according to a letter to stockholders issued by H. M. Hanna, chairman.

The new \$5 pref. stock will be issued to holders of the present \$7 pref. issue at the rate of 1-20th shares of new for each old share held. Fractional shares will be compensated at rate of \$100 a share. The total issue will be for 200,000 no par shares, callable at \$105, of which approximately 137,620 shares will be outstanding. The shares not taken in exchange agreement will be underwritten by Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and Brown, Harriman & Co.

Upon declaring the plan of exchange effective the company intends to call for redemption, any of the present preferred stock which is not exchanged at its redemption price of \$105 per share. "In view of the low interest rate so generally prevailing in the investment market, the board of directors has decided that it is to the best interests of the company to refinance its outstanding preferred stock at a lower rate," Mr. Hanna said.

(Walter E.) Heller & Co.—Pays 2 1/2-Cent Extra Dividend

An extra dividend of 2 1/2 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of like amount was paid on the common stock, no par value, on July 2 to holders of record June 30. Like payments were made on April 2, last. An extra of 2 1/2 cents was paid on Jan. 2, 1935, and an extra of 10 cents per share was distributed on Jan. 2, 1934.—V. 140, p. 2356.

Hillcrest Collieries, Ltd.—Earnings—

Table showing earnings for Hillcrest Collieries, Ltd. from 1935, 1934, 1933, and 1932.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

Assets—Cash in banks, \$678; accounts receivable (less reserve for doubtful accounts), \$28,756; inventories, \$16,900; investments at cost (less reserve), \$7,915; investments in and advances to subsidiary companies, \$644,119; mines, mining rights, franchises and development, \$1,631,555; plant, machinery and equipment, \$193,880; buildings, \$62,098; miscellaneous, \$3,200; total, \$2,589,104.

Liabilities—Bank overdraft, \$2,631; accounts payable, \$5,565; wages accrued, \$1,560; bond interest accrued, \$5,416; reserve fund for compensation claims, \$10,073; first mortgage bonds, due March 1, 1940, \$325,000; common shares (\$100 par), \$1,000,000; preferred shares, non-cumulative (\$100 par), \$705,700; reserve for contingencies, \$300,000; earned surplus, \$233,156; total, \$2,589,104.—V. 139, p. 2365.

Holland Furnace Co.—Earnings—

Table showing earnings for Holland Furnace Co. from Mar. 31, 1935, with columns for 1935, 1934, 1933, and 1932.

Balance Sheet March 31

Balance sheet for March 31, 1935, showing assets and liabilities.

\* Loss. x After reserve for depreciation of \$1,125,966 in 1935, and \$1,141,030 in 1934. y Represented by 426,397 no par shares. z Includes cash in closed banks, \$62,163 in 1935 (\$110,826 in 1934), investments and advances \$480,452 in 1935 (\$527,606 in 1934), real estate not used in operations \$41,351 in 1935 (\$45,424 in 1934), and miscellaneous accounts \$2,965 in 1934 a After deducting reserve for losses of \$330,911 in 1935, and \$385,030 in 1934.—V. 140, p. 972.

Holly Development Co.—Balance Sheet March 31—

Balance sheet for March 31, 1935, showing assets and liabilities.

Total. —V. 140, p. 3390.

Home Insurance Co.—Five-Cent Extra Dividend Decl

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 5 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the capital stock, par \$5, both payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 12. Similar payments were made in each of the five preceding quarters. In addition an extra dividend of \$1 per share was paid to stockholders of record May 9.—V. 140, p. 3549.





Jr., has been temporarily appointed trustee by order of the U. S. District Court for the District of Delaware, dated June 25 1935.—V. 139, p. 2521.

**Independent (Subway) System of N. Y. City—Earnings—**

Table with columns: Period Ended April 30—, Month, 10 Months. Rows: Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Income from operations, Non-operating income, Net income.

**Indiana Harbor Belt RR.—Earnings—**

Table with columns: Period End. May 31—, 1935—Month—1934, 1935—5 Mos.—1934. Rows: Railway oper. revenues, Railway oper. expenses, Railway tax accruals, Uncollect. rwy. revenues, Equip. & jt. facil. rents, Net oper. income, Miscell. & non-oper. inc., Gross income, Deductions, Net income.

**Insull Utility Investments Inc.—Investors Lose Stock Suit—Court Rules Banks Have Right to Keep Pledged Securities**

A suit on behalf of 23,000 Insull investors seeking to recover about \$30,000,000 in the Federal Court was dismissed July 8 by Judge Julian W. Mack. He found that the Guaranty Trust Co., Irving Trust Co., Bankers Trust Co., Central Hanover Bank, the Commercial National Bank and the General Electric Co. had the right to keep the blocks of stock in operating utilities that Samuel Insull had pledged with them in 1931 for loans that he was unable to pay.

The Court found the investors mistakenly had relied on covenants restricting Mr. Insull's pledging and borrowing, engraved on the face of debentures of the now bankrupt Insull Utility Investments Corp., which Judge Mack characterized in his opinion as "misplaced securities". He said the debenture holders had relied on Mr. Insull's unsecured promises whereas the banks had not done so, and he found it impossible now to relieve their distress at the expense of the banks.

"For their misplaced reliance," Judge Mack said, "the investors must bear such consequences of the Insull company's broken promises as they cannot be made good by the company itself."

After reviewing the legal character of the debentures, and questioning whether the debenture holders ever appreciated what they had bought, he found "the making of the loans by the banks gave the debenture holders no legal or equitable rights against them, and the subsequent insolvency of the Insull Utility Investments Corp. did not create such rights."

He said that the remedy for the investors for a breach of the covenant, as provided in the debentures, was to demand the immediate repayment of their investment by the Insull corporation. Since this remedy was available at law and theoretically adequate, and since the banks had not "induced the breach," he said, it would be a "novel doctrine" to turn to the banks because the insolvency of Insull had robbed the contracted remedy against him of any practical value.

"Of course," Judge Mack continued, "these conclusions indicate no approval of the issuance and sale to the general public of debentures which might be thought to afford, but which actually fail to give, any real protection to the purchasers. On the contrary, these and other practices, so freely indulged in in financial circles during the so-called era of prosperity, undoubtedly call for correction and prevention. Legislation, State and Federal, is, however, essential to meet the evil. What the statutory remedies should be, I do not venture, in a judicial opinion, to consider."

The case which Judge Mack decided took two years to prepare, two months to present and a month to decide.

The banks which were cleared by Judge Mack have thus far reached no decision with respect to the sale at auction or otherwise of the collateral securing their loans to Insull Utility Investments.

Several of the same institutions participated in the loans made to the Corporation Securities Co. of Chicago, another Insull finance company similar to Insull Utility Investments in character. A case is pending in the Corporation Securities Co. matter and the banks have agreed not to sell their collateral without first advising the plaintiffs.

First scheduled to be held on May 5 1932, the dates for the auctions thus far have been advanced 57 consecutive times, with the next date set for the sale as July 17 1935.

Loans by four of the seven New York lenders to one or both Insull companies, wishing to sell their collateral at auction, were secured as follows: Guaranty Trust Co.—\$5,000,000 loan to Insull Utility Investments, secured by 16,512 Commonwealth Edison common shares, 22,238 Peoples Gas common shares, 7,900 no-par and 200 \$100 par Public Service of Northern Illinois common shares and 166,800 Middle West Utilities common shares; \$500,000 loan to Corporation Securities Co., secured by 2,093 Commonwealth Edison, 2,068 Peoples Gas, and 1,176 no-par Northern Illinois common shares.

Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co.—\$3,500,000 loan to Insull Utility Investments, secured by 12,300 Commonwealth Edison, 27,352 Peoples Gas, 700 no-par Northern Illinois, and 43,500 Middle West Utilities common shares; \$4,000,000 loan to Corporation Securities Co., secured by 17,925 Commonwealth Edison, 18,729 Peoples Gas, 8,751 no-par and 2,421 \$100-par Northern Illinois and 102,312 Middle West Utilities common shares.

Commercial National Bank & Trust Co.—\$1,500,000 loan to Insull Utility Investments, secured by 4,158 Commonwealth Edison, 5,061 Peoples Gas, 1,863 no-par and 366 \$100-par Northern Illinois common shares.

Chase National Bank—\$500,000 loan to Corporation Securities Co., secured by 2,093 Commonwealth Edison, 2,068 Peoples Gas, and 1,177 no-par Northern Illinois common shares.

The Irving Trust Co. loaned \$5,000,000 to Insull Utility Investments, Bankers Trust Co. loaned \$500,000 to the same company, and National City Bank indirectly loaned \$5,000,000 to Corporation Securities Co., but never announced the collateral for sale at auction.

The General Electric Co.'s loan to Insull Utility Investments was secured by 390 Peoples Gas, 15,000 North American Light & Power, 26,000 Midland United, common shares, and by 1,000 Midland Utilities 7% prior lien and 2,727 Midland Utilities 6% prior lien preferred shares.—V. 140, p. 2707.

**Insurance Co. of the State of Pennsylvania—Larger Semi-Annual Dividend—Declared**

A semi-annual dividend of \$4 per share was paid on the capital stock, par \$100, on July 1 to holders of record July 9; as compared with \$3 Jan. 16 1935 and July 11 1934; \$2.50, Jan. 10 1934; \$2 Oct. 30 1933 and \$3 Jan. 13 1933 and July 13 1932.—V. 140, p. 642.

**Interboro Beverage Corp.—Family of George Ehret Re-entering Brewery Business—**

The family of the late George Ehret, who for many years prior to his death in January 1927 was the leading brewer of N. Y. City and one of the leading brewers of the United States, has formed a corporation for the manufacture of beer.

Plans have been perfected for the re-establishment of the brewery business conducted by the late Mr. Ehret and it is expected that before many months have passed the new Yorkers will be enjoying the same quality of beer for which the name of Ehret was famous. Beer will be placed on the market under the familiar label of "George Ehret's Extra."

A contract has been made for the acquisition of the property of the Interboro Beverage Corp., formerly known as the Leonard Eppig Brewery. The property is located at Melrose and George Sts., in the Greenpoint section of Brooklyn. The plant throughout is thoroughly modern. It includes a brew house of the latest type. About a year ago a large addition was erected to the plant, which embraces what is said to be the finest racking cellar in the United States. The plant has a capacity in excess of half a million barrels yearly.

Louis J. Ehret, son of George Ehret, will be actively in charge of brewing operations. Identified with the management of the business will be other members of the Ehret family.

Upon the acquisition of the new plant, which is an all-cash transaction, the Interboro Beverage Corp. will cease to have any further interest therein. The new owners will make extensive alterations to adapt the plant to the manufacture of the Ehret brew. When the changes are completed, the Ehret brewing operations will be conducted at the new plant under the supervision of the members of the family.

The sale of the brewery plant was brought about through the Charles F. Noyes Co.

**International Bronze Products, Ltd.—Initial Dividend Declared**

The directors have declared an initial dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable July 15 to holders of record June 30.

**International Securities Corp. of America—Semi-Annual Report—**

The net assets at May 31 1935, taken at then current market quotations (or as otherwise indicated), were 119.93% of the total principal amount of the bonds and debentures outstanding. This compares with 115.52% at Nov. 30 1934.

The net assets at May 31 1935 applicable to the preferred shares (entitled to \$100 per share and cumulated dividends of \$21 on the 6% series and \$22.75 on the 6½% series not declared or paid) amounted to \$2,744,919, which was equivalent to \$46.17 per share on 59,450 shares of all series outstanding.

**Income Account Six Months Ended May 31**

Table with columns: 1935, 1934. Rows: Interest, Dividends (including no stock dividends), Other income, Gross income, Investment service fee, Miscellaneous expenses, Int. & amort. of discount—bonds and debentures, Miscellaneous interest paid, Miscellaneous taxes, Foreign government taxes, Net income (excl. prof. & losses on sales of secur.).

**Balance Sheet May 31**

Table with columns: 1935, 1934. Rows: Assets—Invest. (at cost, less reserve), Cash, Securities sold—not delivered, Accrued interest receivable, &c., Unamortized discount on bonds and debentures, Total. Liabilities—Pref. stock, C. I. A. com. shs., C. I. B. com. shs., Serial gold bonds, 5% debentures, Securs. purchased—not received, Taxes, Invest. service and sundry expenses, Deficit, Total.

Total market value of securities taken at market quotations May 31 1935 was \$15,168,264, against \$15,124,658 in 1934. b Represented by 600,000 shares of 10c. par value. c Represented by 591,156 shares of \$1 par value. d Represented by 44,736 shares of 6% series and 14,714 shares of 6½% series, all of \$100 par value.—V. 140, p. 478.

**Interstate Department Stores, Inc.—Sales—**

Table with columns: Month of—, 1935, 1934, 1933. Rows: February, March, April, May, June.

Five months ended June 30— \$8,000,052 \$8,275,440 \$6,780,288

Note—Above sales include company's own departments, but exclude groceries and leased departments.—V. 141, p. 117.

**Investment Co. of America—Net Worth—**

The company reports that as of June 30 1935, net worth or liquidating value of its common stock has approximately \$30.79 a share with securities adjusted to market values at that date and related adjustments with respect to reserves for management compensation contingently payable. This compares with liquidating value of \$28.83 per share on May 31 1935 and \$25.54 per share on June 30 1934.—V. 140, p. 3391.

**Johnson Motor Co.—Earnings—**

Table with columns: Income Account Year Ended Sept. 30 1934. Rows: Net sales, Cost of sales, Selling, general and administrative expenses, Profit before depreciation, Other income, Other deductions, Net income (before depreciation), Depreciation, Net income. Consolidated Balance Sheet Sept. 30 1934. Rows: Assets—Cash on hand and in banks, receivable (less allowance for possible losses of \$16,354), inventories, (less allowance for obsolescence of \$82,000), \$199,802; restricted funds in foreign bank and claim against liquidating trustee of domestic bank (less allowance for possible losses of \$1,405), \$4,552; advances to officers and employees, \$5,114; plant and equipment (less allowance for depreciation of \$553,171), \$694,356; deferred charges, \$107,573; treasury bonus, \$3,890; First National Bank of Waukegan, Ill. (stock), \$1,400; licenses, trademarks, good-will, &c., \$1; total, \$1,377,300. Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$19,605; accrued wages, royalties, bond interest, taxes, &c., \$34,318; allowance for advertising of foreign dealers and gratuitous service, \$4,000; reserve for amount of premium or Canadian net current assets converted and included herein at current rates of exchange, \$2,155; 1st mortgage 6% sinking fund gold bonds, \$160,500; deferred finance income, \$559; capital stock (represented by 81,717 shares, par \$10, after deducting 728 shares in treasury at cost of \$4,717), \$819,733; capital surplus, \$333,525; earned surplus, \$2,905; total, \$1,377,300.—V. 136, p. 503.

**Julian & Kocke Co.—Earnings—**

Table with columns: Period—, 6 Mos. End., Year End. Rows: Net profit after Federal taxes, Shares of capital stock outstanding, Earnings per share.

**Kelly-Springfield Tire Co.—Plan, Approved**

At the adjourned hearing on the amended plan of reorganization, Judge W. Calvin Chestnut, on July 5, denied the claims of the old 6% and 8% preferred stockholders who had not exchanged their holdings in the company's reorganization back in 1932.

After minor changes in the allocation of the \$250,000 fund, set up to take care of creditors' claims and reorganization expenses, the plan was confirmed by the Court.

Under the plan noteholders are to receive 80% in cash and preferred holders \$13 in cash and two shares of Goodyear common for each five shares of Kelly. The common is to receive 62 cents in cash and one share of Goodyear common for each 25 shares of Kelly.

The Court held that this was the best plan that could be devised. It is equitable and reasonable, Judge Chestnut declared. The Court pointed out that the company had lost money for several years, and that the Goodyear plan was the best offer that had been made available. Appeals will be heard up to Aug. 5.—V. 140, p. 4238, 4404; V. 141, p. 117.

Kentucky & Indiana Terminal RR.—Bonds Sold—Granberry, Safford & Co. of New York, and Whiting, Weeks & Knowles, Inc., of Boston, have sold an issue of \$651,000 1st mtge. 4½% bonds, due 1961.

Bonds are dated Jan. 3 1911; due Jan. 1 1961. Principal and int. (J. & J.) payable in N. Y. City. Coupon bonds in denomination of \$1,000, registerable as to principal.

Issuance—The sale of these bonds has been approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Listings—The bonds now outstanding in the hands of the public are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and the sterling bonds are also listed on the London Stock Exchange.

Purpose—Proceeds will be used, first, for the payment of \$59,680 of the equipment trust notes and \$300,000 of bank loans, and second the remainder will be applied pro tanto to the payment of advances to the Terminal company from two of the proprietary companies.

History and Property—Company was originally incorporated in Kentucky on Aug. 8 1900 as Kentucky & Indiana Bridge & RR. for the purpose of acquiring at foreclosure sale the properties of the former Kentucky & Indiana Bridge Co. and constructing and operating a bridge and ferry across the Ohio River from Louisville, Ky., and also railroad property including freight yards and terminals in the City of Louisville and vicinity.

On Jan. 3 1911, three trunk line railroads, Southern Ry., Baltimore & Ohio RR., and Chicago Indianapolis & Louisville Ry. (Monon Route), each of which is the owner of one-third of the capital stock of the Terminal company, entered into an agreement with the Terminal company for the use by the proprietary lines of the railroad properties and facilities of the Terminal company in perpetuity, and by which each of the proprietary companies agrees that during the full term of 50 years from Jan. 1 1911, it will make use of the properties of the Terminal company as granted under the agreement for all passenger and freight traffic within its control destined to cross the Ohio River at Louisville or destined to go through, to or from Louisville.

Chicago Indianapolis & Louisville Ry. is being operated under order of the Federal Court pursuant to proceedings under Section 77 of the Bankruptcy Act and payments under the agreement by said company (which has continued to use the facilities of the Terminal company) are now subject to such proceedings.

Facilities—The property owned by the Terminal company, includes the double-tracked steel railroad bridge across the Ohio River between Louisville, Ky., and New Albany, Ind., together with approaches and 25.4 miles of main track and 61.59 miles of yard tracks and sidings.

Rolling stock of the company, as of May 31 1935, included 26 switching locomotives and 10 miscellaneous and service cars.

Capitalization— Authorized Outstanding Capital stock \$75,000 \$75,000 Funded debt: First mortgage 4½% gold sterling bonds £2,000,000\* x \$1,351,000 Dollar bonds—previously sold \*\$467,000

This issue payable in current U. S. money x Of which £392,500 payable in sterling only and £958,500 payable in sterling under the terms of the first mortgage, but stamped payable in dollars, but also payable in pounds sterling upon 30 days' prior notice.

Key West Electric Co.—Earnings—

Table with 5 columns: Period End. May 31, 1935-Month, 1934, 1935-12 Mos., 1934. Rows include Gross earnings, Operation, Maintenance, Taxes, Interest & amortization, Balance, Appropriations for retirement reserve, Preferred dividend requirements, Deficit for common divs. and surplus.

(S. S.) Kresge Co.—Sales—

Table with 5 columns: Month of, 1935, 1934, 1933. Rows include January, February, March, April, May, June. Total six months: \$61,229,911; \$63,291,643; \$54,726,073.

The company had 688 American and 47 Canadian stores in operation on June 30, against 680 American and 44 Canadian at the end of June 1934.—V. 140, p. 3899.

(S. H.) Kress & Co.—Sales—

Table with 5 columns: Month of, 1935, 1934, 1933. Rows include January, February, March, April, May, June. Total six months: \$33,278,478; \$34,106,120; \$26,470,149.

Lane Bryant, Inc.—Sales—

Table with 5 columns: Month of, 1935, 1934, 1933. Rows include January, February, March, April, May, June. Total six months: \$6,629,325; \$6,813,338; \$5,679,433.

Lehigh Telephone Co.—Tenders—

The Markle Banking & Trust Co., trustee, will until Aug. 1, receive bids for the sale to it of sufficient 1st & ref. mtge. bonds as will exhaust the sum of \$37,500 at prices not exceeding 105 and interest.—V. 140, p. 1490.

Lawbeck Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with 3 columns: 1934, 1933. Rows include Interest on real estate loans, bonds, &c., Interest on obligations of Lyleson Corp., Interest on obligations of subsidiaries of Manhattan-Dearborn Corp., Interest on U. S. Government obligations, &c., Profits from oper. of hotel & apartment properties, Collection in 1934, applicable to prior years, Other income (net). Total income: \$231,266; \$356,090.

Table with 3 columns: 1934, 1933. Rows include Interest on bank and RFC loans, Administrative expenses. Total: \$180,524; \$180,982.

Net loss before providing for losses of subsidiaries not consolidated: \$14,972 prof.; \$94,515. Prov. for oper. losses of sub. cos. not consolidated: 59,013.

Net loss for year: \$73,985 prof.; \$94,515. Dividends on preferred stock: 300,000; 300,000.

Table with 5 columns: Assets—1934, 1933; Liabilities—1934, 1933. Rows include Cash in banks, U. S. Gov. obligs., Acqr. int. on real est. loans and U. S. Govt. oblig., Real estate loans, Inv. in & advs. to wholly owned subs. not consol., Real estate owned, Prepaid taxes, insurance, &c.

Total: \$9,335,890; \$9,137,544. x Represented by shares of \$100 par. y Represented by 300,000 no par shares.—V. 136, p. 4281.

Lehman Corp.—Earnings—

Table with 3 columns: 1935, 1934. Rows include Capital Surplus—Balance, June 30, Excess of proceeds over cost of 3,500 shares of treas. stock delivered upon exercise of option thereon.

Balance, (of which \$252,581 has been applied to purch. of 5,200 shs. of treas. stk.): \$81,294,067; \$81,256,887.

Profit and Loss Account— Balance (loss): 26,850,515; 28,728,171. Profit for fiscal year: 3,126,704; 3,509,895.

Total: \$23,723,812; \$25,218,276. Dividends declared: 1,804,405; 1,632,240.

Balance, loss: \$25,528,217; \$26,850,516. The income account for the year ended June 30 1935 was given in V. 141, p. 118.

Table with 5 columns: Assets—1935, 1934; Liabilities—1935, 1934. Rows include Secur. owned, Cash, x U. S. Govt. secur., x Invest. in real est., Real estate loans & equities, Loans & advances, Receiv. for securities sold, Divs. rec. and int. accrued, Prepaid taxes.

Total: \$60,014,837; \$58,430,209. x At cost. y Represented by 681,700 no-par shares, excluding 5,200 shares held in treasury, at cost of \$252,582.—V. 141, p. 118.

Lerner Stores Corp.—Sales—

Table with 5 columns: Month of, 1935, 1934, 1933. Rows include January, February, March, April, May, June. Total for six months: \$14,533,767; \$13,064,622; \$9,572,989.

V. 140, p. 4405.

Libby, McNeill & Libby, Chicago—To Issue \$12,500,000 1st Mtge. 4s—See details under "Current Events and Discussions."—V. 141, p. 118.

Loblaw Groceries Co., Ltd.—Earnings—

Table with 5 columns: Years End. May 31, 1935, 1934, 1933, 1932. Rows include Sales, Net profit, Prov. for Fed. inc. taxes, Add'l Fed. inc. taxes, Common dividends.

Surplus: \$47,245; \$94,895; \$293,475; \$501,273. Previous surplus: 2,874,397; 2,776,038; 2,292,194; 2,225,075. Proceeds of life ins. polys.: 270,000. Profit on sale of bonds: 3,464. Reduction of invest. res. to present requirements: 73,948.

Total surplus: \$2,921,643; \$2,874,397; \$2,929,617; \$2,726,348. Adjustments: 153,579; 434,154.

Surplus: \$2,921,643; \$2,874,397; \$2,776,038; \$2,292,193. Shs. com. stk. out. (no par): 830,631; 830,631; 838,026; 845,966. Earnings per share: \$1.08; \$1.03; \$1.35; \$1.40.

Table with 5 columns: Assets—1935, 1934; Liabilities—1935, 1934. Rows include Cash, Bonds at cost, Acrued interest, Guar. invest. cts., Sundry accts. rec., Inventories, Adv. on mdse. pur., Other investments, Deferred charges, x Capital assets.

Total: \$6,741,159; \$6,872,891. Total: \$6,741,159; \$6,872,891. x Less reserve for depreciation of \$1,708,182 in 1935 (\$1,499,807 in 1934). y Represented by 447,331 shares of class A stock no par value and 383,300 shares of class B stock of no par value.—V. 140, p. 3900.

Lone Star Gas Corp.—15 Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable Aug. 15 to holders of record July 20. A similar payment was made on Feb. 15 1935.

Quarterly distributions of 16 cents per share payable in 6% cum. conv. preference stock (\$100 par) were made on the common stock from June 30 1932 up to and including March 31 1934, while on March 31 1932 a dividend of 15 cents per share was paid in cash, prior to which quarterly cash divs. of 25 cents per share were distributed.—V. 140, p. 3219.

**Long Bell Lumber Corp.—Court Favors Plan.**—*Arrogant*  
Federal Judge Merrill E. Otis, on July 8 at Kansas City, gave tentative approval of a reorganization plan offered by the stockholders. He made his approval contingent on subsequent approval by two-thirds of each class of creditors and a majority of the stockholders. The plan was submitted on March 23.—V. 140, p. 2011.

**Los Angeles Gas & Electric Corp.—Bonds Called.**  
The company has called for redemption on Oct. 1 \$8,952,000 gen. & ref. 5½% gold bonds, series I, due 1949.—V. 140, p. 2710.

**Louisiana Steam Generating Corp.—Earnings—**

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month—	1934—Month—	1935—5 Mos—	1934—5 Mos—
Gross earnings	\$179,610	\$154,698	\$1,937,073	\$1,877,889
Operation	112,798	107,448	1,305,238	1,238,467
Maintenance	5,348	4,356	78,083	55,957
Taxes	8,592	5,749	97,925	69,041
Interest & amortization	16,750	17,995	207,398	225,309
Balance	\$36,119	\$19,148	\$248,427	\$289,112
Appropriations for retirement reserve			264,000	264,000
Balance for common dividends and surplus			def\$15,572	\$25,112

—V. 140, p. 3900.

**Louisville Gas & Electric Co. (Del.) (& Subs.)—Earnings.**

12 Months Ended May 31—	1935	1934
Operating revenues	\$10,047,032	\$9,885,327
Oper. exps., maint. & taxes (other than inc. taxes)	4,692,841	4,262,777
Appropriation for retirement reserve	1,025,000	945,000
Net oper. rev. (before prov. for income taxes)	\$4,329,191	\$4,674,549
Other income	392,897	402,133
Gross income (before prov. for income taxes)	\$4,722,088	\$5,076,683
Interest charges (net)	1,525,324	1,523,085
Amortization of debt discount and expense	141,976	141,942
Other income deductions	49,279	50,732
Provision for Federal income taxes	336,849	310,843
Divs. on pref. stock of Lou. G. & E. Co. (Ky.)	1,354,920	1,354,920
Net income	\$1,313,738	\$1,695,159

—V. 140, p. 4071.

**Lucky Tiger Combination Gold Mining Co.—Extra Dividend.**  
The directors have declared an extra dividend of 3 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of like amount on the capital stock, both payable July 20 to holders of record July 10.—V. 140, p. 4071.

**McCrary Stores Corp.—Hearing on Plan July 30.**  
Judge Goddard of the U. S. District Court on July 8 set July 30 as the date when hearings would begin before the special master on the reorganization plan submitted and sponsored by the preferred stockholders.—V. 140, p. 321.

**(R. H.) Macy & Co., Inc.—New Vice-President.**  
John E. O'Gara has been appointed an Executive Vice-President in charge of management operations.  
Mr. John E. Carroll, Delivery Superintendent, has been appointed Assistant General Manager in charge of non-selling service operations, succeeding Mr. O'Gara.  
Mr. F. A. Slocum, at present Assistant Delivery Superintendent has been appointed Superintendent of Delivery.—V. 140, p. 4405.

**(R. C.) Mahon Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—**

Income Account for Year Ended Dec. 31 1934

Profit from completed contracts and warehouse sales	\$363,144
Selling and administrative expenses	194,844
Operating profit before depreciation	\$168,300
Other deductions	21,615
Other income	19,421
Profit before depreciation and Federal income tax	\$166,107
Provision for depreciation	43,168
Provision for Federal income tax	6,000
Net profit	\$116,939
Earnings per share on 94,900 no-par shares common	\$0.69

Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1934

**Assets**—Cash on hand and on deposit, \$92,595; marketable securities, \$165,571; customers' accounts receivable, \$419,769; inventories, \$472,864; other assets, \$122,318; permanent assets (less depreciation of \$428,045), \$922,615; deferred charges, \$15,140; total, \$2,210,872.

**Liabilities**—Accounts payable for purchases, expenses, &c., \$341,484; accrued expenses and taxes (incl. Federal income tax), \$15,528; 1st mtge. bonds due Nov. 1 1935, \$17,300; reserve for maintenance work guaranteed, \$29,866; 1st mtge. sinking fund 6½% bonds, \$152,000; capital stock, \$1,356,251; capital surplus, \$178,504; earned surplus, \$119,939; total, \$2,210,872.

\*Capital stock is represented by the following: 23,120 shares of conv. pref. stock, no par, after deducting 11,880 shares held in treasury, and 94,900 shares of common stock, no par, after deducting 100 shares held in treasury.—V. 137, p. 1774.

**Manhattan-Dearborn Corp.—Earnings—**

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1934	1933
Net profit realized on sale of stock and bonds	\$81,251	\$82,260
Dividends received	26,701	26,511
Other income	520	5,095
Total income	\$108,473	\$113,866
Administrative expenses	69,046	51,521
Payment under guarantee of dividends on preferred stock of Lawbeck Corp. (net)	267,238	134,235
Interest paid on obligations of subsidiaries held by Lawbeck Corp.		31,492
Operating losses of real estate subsidiaries not consolidated (before depreciation)	141,532	
Net loss for year	\$369,344	\$103,381

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Assets	1934	1933	Liabilities	1934	1933
Cash in banks	513,144	549,557	Accounts payable	24,165	10,047
Listed stocks	560,196	802,827	Balance of reserve for losses in reallization of assets	166,708	190,633
Sundry receivables & prepayments	6,806	5,316	x Capital stock	5,650,720	5,650,720
Investments in and advances to wholly owned real estate subs. not consol.	2,178,735	2,433,818	Capital surplus	556,593	556,593
Real estate owned	71,451		Deficit	737,935	263,192
Other real est. loans					
Invest. & equities		98,696			
Invest. in Lawbeck Corp.	2,281,212	2,252,369			
Invest. in Obermeyer Construction Corp.	45,000				
y Treasury stock	3,707	2,216			
Total	5,660,252	6,144,801	Total	5,660,252	6,144,801

x Represented by 282,536 no-par shares. y Represented by 3,132 shares at cost of \$3,707 in 1934 and 1,812 shares at cost of \$2,216 in 1933.—V. 138, p. 2095

**Mangel Stores Corp.—Warrants Expired.**  
The common stock purchase warrants attached to the 6½% preferred stock expired and became void after July 1 1935.—V. 132, p. 1432.

**Maracaibo Oil Exploration Corp.—Stock Option Granted.**  
The company has granted an option on 25,000 shares of its capital stock to E. L. Wilson, Vice-President of the corporation at \$2.25 per share at any time within two years from July 1 1935.—V. 140, p. 4073.

**Marancha Corp.—Asset.**  
The financial statement as of June 30 1935 shows: Total assets, \$4,477,992, all cash, offset by paid-in surplus \$719,623, surplus, \$29,699, capital stock outstanding \$3,728,670 (represented by 745,734 shares of \$5 par value).—V. 141, p. 119.

**Marine Midland Corp.—Earnings—**

[Including constituent banks and trust companies and security affiliates]

Period End. June 30—	1935—3 Mos—	1934—3 Mos—	1935—6 Mos—	1934—6 Mos—
Net earnings after taxes	\$946,193	\$1,001,685	\$1,858,985	\$1,952,945

—V. 140, p. 2542.

**Market Street Ry. Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—**

12 Mos. Ended May 31—	1935	1934
Operating revenues	\$7,186,873	\$7,550,954
Operating expenses, maintenance and taxes (other than income taxes)	6,287,085	6,426,958
Appropriation for retirement reserve	361,445	555,110
Net oper. rev. (before prov. for income taxes)	\$538,342	\$568,885
Other income	9,078	11,034
Gross income (before prov. for income taxes)	\$547,421	\$579,919
Interest charges (net)	512,869	541,820
Amortization of debt discount and expense	27,593	29,441
Other income deductions	6,958	8,656
Net income	Nil	Nil

—V. 140, p. 4073.

**Masonite Corp.—Accumulated 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 Aug. 1 to holders of record July 25. A similar payment was made on June 1, last. Accruals after the current dividend will amount to \$3.50 per share.—V. 140, p. 3900.

**Maytag Co.—Cuts Arrearages.**  
The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.50 per share on account of accumulations on the \$3 cumulative preferred stock, par \$100, payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 15. A similar payment was made on May 1, last. Dividends of 75 cents per share were paid on Feb. 1 1935, Nov. 1 and Aug. 1 1934, this latter being the first dividend paid since Feb. 1 1932 when a regular quarterly payment of 75 cents per share was made. Accumulations after the Aug. 1 payment will amount to \$5.25 per share.—V. 140, p. 3049.

**Medusa Portland Cement Co. — To Issue \$2,200,000 Bonds.**—See under "Current Events and Discussions" on a preceding page.—V. 137, p. 4021.

**Memphis Power & Light Co.—Earnings—**

[National Power & Light Co. Subsidiary]

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month—	1934—Month—	1935—12 Mos.—	1934—12 Mos.—
Operating revenues	\$549,163	\$496,691	\$6,581,309	\$6,192,764
Operating expenses	345,435	298,878	4,170,111	3,793,480
Revs. from operation	\$203,728	\$197,813	\$2,411,198	\$2,399,284
Other income (net)	341	340	9,402	9,822
Gross corp. income	\$204,069	\$198,153	\$2,420,600	\$2,409,106
Int. & other deductions	64,797	70,309	804,869	848,718
Balance	y\$139,272	y\$127,844	\$1,615,731	\$1,560,388
Property retirement reserve appropriations			674,344	685,413
z Dividends applicable to preferred stocks for period, whether paid or unpaid			394,876	394,455
Balance			\$546,511	\$480,520

y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends. z Regular dividends on \$7 and \$6 pref. stocks were paid on April 1 1935. After the payment of these dividends there were no accumulated unpaid dividends at that date.—V. 141, p. 119.

**Mexican Light & Power Co., Ltd.—Earnings—**

[Canadian Currency]

Period End. Apr. 30—	1935—Month—	1934—Month—	1935—4 Mos.—	1934—4 Mos.—
Gross earnings from oper.	\$577,706	\$689,151	\$2,503,094	\$2,797,113
Oper. exps. and deprec.	450,234	453,281	1,785,284	1,758,425
Net earnings	\$127,472	\$235,870	\$717,810	\$1,038,688

Note—The decreases in gross and net earnings are caused by the lower rates arbitrarily imposed by the Mexican authorities and by increased taxes. The gross earnings in April were also affected by loss of revenue from Mexico Tramways Co. which did not operate owing to a strike on its system.—V. 140, p. 4240.

**Michigan Electric Power Co.—Accumulated Dividends.**  
The directors have declared dividends of 87½ cents per share on the 7% cumulative preferred stock, par \$100, and 75 cents per share on the 6% cumulative preferred stock, par \$100, both payable on account of accumulations on July 15 to holders of record June 29. Similar payments were made on April 15 and Jan. 15, last, these latter being the first payments made on these issues since April 1 1933 when regular quarterly payments of \$1.75 per share and \$1.50 per share were paid on the 7% and 6% stock respectively.—V. 140, p. 2361.

**Midland Counties Public Service Corp.—Bonds Called.**  
See Pacific Gas & Electric Co., below.—V. 132, p. 2582.

**Mineral Range RR.—Acquisition.**  
The Interstate Commerce Commission on June 12 approved the acquisition by the company of the properties of the Hancock & Calumet R.R. The Hancock was incorp. on Dec. 27 1884, in Michigan, for a period of 50 years; therefore, its charter expired on Dec. 27 1934, except for the purposes of liquidation. The Mineral Range owns its entire capital stock, and has operated and maintained its railroad since June 1 1901, under an agreement of that date, which provides that it shall continue during the corporate existence of the Hancock & Calumet. The Mineral Range is controlled by the Duluth South Shore & Atlantic Ry. through ownership of about 55% of its capital stock. The last-named company is controlled by the Canadian Pacific Ry. through stock ownership to the extent of about 50.9%. The Canadian Pacific owns all the outstanding bonds of the Hancock & Calumet. The Canadian Pacific has formally consented to the proposed acquisition.—V. 140, p. 2543.

**Minneapolis & St. Louis RR.—Receivers Abandonment.**  
The Interstate Commerce Commission has issued a certificate permitting the co-receivers of the company to abandon that part of company's line of railroad extending from Martinsburg in a generally easterly direction to Junction Switch, about 22.4 miles, all in Keokuk and Washington Counties, Iowa.—V. 140, p. 4407.

**Mississippi Power Co.—Earnings—**

[A Subsidiary of the Commonwealth & Southern Corp.]

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month—	1934—Month—	1935—12 Mos.—	1934—12 Mos.—
Gross earnings	\$228,028	\$235,880	\$2,667,051	\$2,772,507
Operating expenses	155,221	158,566	1,801,658	1,896,324
Fixed charges	37,340	42,309	450,374	617,661
Prov. for retire't res.	6,100	6,100	73,200	73,200
Dividends on pref. stock	21,098	21,099	253,182	253,950
Balance	\$8,269	\$7,805	\$88,636	def\$68,629

—V. 140, p. 4073.



settled tax claims, \$9,605; 1st pref. \$5.25 cum. stock (16,500 shares after deducting 2,500 shares held in treasury at a cost of \$176,000), \$1,320,250; \$8 conv. cum. pref. stock (7,000 shares), \$700,000; common stock, (150,000 shares), \$150,000 capital surplus, \$830,750; deficit, \$339,216; total \$2,688,130.—V. 139, p. 1876.

**(J. J.) Newberry Co., Inc.—Sales—**

Month of—	1935	1934	1933
January	\$2,344,989	\$2,360,766	\$1,883,121
February	2,528,508	2,294,272	1,976,225
March	3,021,008	3,329,179	2,117,309
April	3,521,565	2,876,783	2,710,174
May	3,365,749	3,408,136	2,740,152
June	3,520,525	3,608,094	2,900,065
Total six months	\$18,302,568	\$17,877,289	\$14,327,046

—V. 140, p. 3903.

**New England Telephone & Telegraph Co.—Earnings—**

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month—	1934—Month—	1935—5 Months—	1934—5 Months—
Operating revenues	\$5,745,253	\$5,682,782	\$27,837,095	\$27,702,301
Uncollectible oper. rev.	16,573	17,693	97,582	124,240
Operating expenses	4,172,852	4,051,407	20,191,937	19,664,444
Operating taxes	482,166	450,040	2,372,394	2,302,903
Net operating income	\$1,073,686	\$1,163,642	\$5,175,182	\$5,610,214

—V. 140, p. 4075.

**New Orleans Public Service, Inc.—Earnings—**

[Electric Power & Light Corp. Subsidiary]

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month—	1934—Month—	1935—12 Mos.—	1934—12 Mos.—
Operating revenues	\$1,242,701	\$1,208,586	\$15,100,724	\$14,977,562
Operating expenses	832,999	884,824	9,782,772	9,530,975
Net rev. from oper.	\$409,702	\$323,762	\$5,317,952	\$5,446,587
Other income (net)	3,873	2,220	23,481	26,965
Gross corp. income	\$413,575	\$325,982	\$5,341,433	\$5,473,552
Interest & other deducts.	240,798	245,839	2,902,470	2,925,404
Balance	y\$172,777	y\$80,143	\$2,438,963	\$2,548,148
Property retirement reserve appropriations			2,124,000	2,124,000
z Divs. applic. to pref. stock for period, whether paid or unpaid			544,586	544,586
Deficit			\$229,623	\$120,438

y Before property retirement reserve appropriations and dividends.  
z Divs. accumulated and unpaid to May 31 1935, amounted to \$1,248,010. Latest div., amounting to 87½ cents a share on \$7 pref. stock was paid April 1 1933. Divs. on this stock are cumulative.

**Hearing on Plan July 19—**  
A hearing will be held in the Eastern District Federal Court of Louisiana on July 19 on a petition of company for the extension of all general lien 4½% bonds until 1942, with interest at 5% on the balance due on the bonds, and for authorization of the New York Trust Co., trustee, to show on its books payment of 10% of the principal of the bonds, in accordance with the plan of reorganization.—V. 141, p. 122.

**New Orleans Texas & Mexico RR.—New Director—**  
See Missouri Pacific RR. above.—V. 141, p. 122.

**New York Central RR.—Earnings—**

(Including all Leased Lines)

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month—	1934—Month—	1935—5 Mos.—	1934—5 Mos.—
Railway oper. revenues	\$24,994,185	\$25,636,965	\$125,459,910	\$126,110,759
Railway oper. expenses	19,078,584	18,556,921	96,096,263	93,201,491
Railway tax accruals	2,108,543	2,362,211	9,893,521	11,791,496
Uncollect. ry. revenues	7,931	42,919	32,907	115,856
Equip. & Jt. fac. rents	1,325,021	1,435,185	6,354,461	6,963,957
Net income	\$2,474,103	\$3,239,726	\$13,082,756	\$14,037,967
Misc. & non-oper. inc.	1,599,440	1,854,976	8,239,011	8,965,884
Gross income	\$4,073,544	\$5,094,703	\$21,321,767	\$23,003,851
Deductions	4,917,910	5,022,611	24,744,964	24,643,925
Net income	def\$844,365	\$72,091	def\$3,432,197	def\$1,640,073

—V. 141, p. 122.

**New York Chicago & St. Louis RR.—Obituary—**  
See Chesapeake & Ohio RR. above.—V. 140, p. 4408.

**New York & Honduras Rosario Mining Co.—50-Cent Extra Dividend—**  
The directors have declared an extra dividend of 50 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the capital stock, par \$10, both payable July 27 to holders of record July 16. Similar distributions were made in each of the five preceding quarters as compared with extra dividends of 75 cents per share in addition to the regular payments on Jan. 30 1934 and Oct. 30 1933. A special distribution of \$1 per share was made Dec. 29 1934 and one of 50 cents per share on Dec. 29 1933.—V. 140, p. 3396.

**New York Telephone Co.—Earnings—**

Period End. May 31—	1935—Month—	1934—Month—	1935—5 Mos.—	1934—5 Mos.—
Operating revenues	\$16,108,041	\$16,023,583	\$78,127,084	\$78,533,237
Uncollectible oper. rev.	78,251	75,484	399,507	444,315
Operating expenses	11,700,471	11,314,484	56,115,315	54,757,846
Operating taxes	1,655,782	1,851,734	8,293,659	7,584,704
Net operating income	\$2,673,537	\$2,781,881	\$13,318,603	\$15,746,372

—V. 140, p. 3903.

**New York Water Service Corp.—Seeks to Issue \$2,300,000 1st Mfg. 5s—**See under "Current Events and Discussions" on a preceding page.—V. 141, p. 122.

**North American Trust Shares—Distributions—**

The City Bank Farmers Trust Co., as trustee, will distribute on July 15 to the bearers of Coupon No. 8 appertaining to North American Trust Shares, 1955, the sum of \$.048 per trust share and to the bearers of Coupon No. 8 appertaining to North American Trust Shares, 1956, the sum of \$.052 per trust share. The amount so to be distributed is in each case for the semi-annual period ending June 30 1935, and is classified as follows:

Source	Nats 1955	Nats 1956
Regular cash dividends	\$ .046830	\$ .046100
Extra cash dividends	.001830	.001750
Proceeds from the sale, pursuant to the terms of the trust agreement, of stock of Mission Corp. received in connection with holdings of Standard Oil Co. of N. J. and of stock of Radio Corp. of America received in connection with holdings of Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg. Co.	.000164	.002912
Carry-over from preceding distribut'n	.000164	.001785
Total	\$ .048824	\$ .052547
Deduct:		
Expenses paid by the trustee	.000009	.000009
Carry-over (minor fractions not practicable to distribute on this distribution date)	.000815	.000824
Total to be distributed	\$ .048000	\$ .052000

—V. 140, p. 323.

**North American Co.—Electric Output—**  
President J. F. Fogarty on July 9 made the following quarterly report of electric output:

"Electric output of subsidiaries of the North American Co. for the first six months of 1935 was greater than for any half-year period in the history of present subsidiaries. In spite of the usual seasonal decline, improvement in electric output has continued to be substantial, the kilowatt-hour volume during the second quarter being only slightly less than during the first quarter. The volume for the 12 months ended June 30 1935 exceeded 5,000,000 kilowatt-hours for the first time in any 12 month period since that ended March 31 1931. Compared with the 3-month, 6-month and 12-month periods ended June 30 1934, the increases shown by the corresponding periods ended June 30 1935 were 5½%, 6% and 5%, respectively."—V. 140, p. 3224.

**Northern Ohio Telephone Co.—To Issue \$1,600,000 4½% Bonds—**See under "Current Events and Discussions" on a preceding page.—V. 141, p. 122.

**Northern Pacific Ry.—Abandonment and Operation—**  
The Interstate Commerce Commission has issued a certificate (1) permitting Northern Pacific Ry., Great Northern Ry., Oregon-Washington RR. & Nav. Co. and Chicago Milwaukee St. Paul & Pacific RR. to abandon their jointly-owned line of railroad called the west-side line, extending southerly along the west side of the Cowlitz River from Vader Junction to a point near the freight house at Longview, 19.35 miles; (2) authorized the St. Paul to operate under trackage rights over that portion of the main line of the Northern Pacific extending along the east side of the Cowlitz River between Noguea and Longview Junction, 20.36 miles; and (3) granted the Longview Portland & Northern Ry. (a) permission to abandon operation under trackage rights over the west side line, and (b) authority to operate under trackage rights over the portion of the aforesaid main line of the Northern Pacific extending southerly from Vader Junction to Longview Junction, 21.93 miles, and over a line of railroad jointly owned by the Northern Pacific, Great Northern, Oregon-Washington and the St. Paul, extending northwesterly from Longview Junction to the Longview company's station 136, plus 54.7, at or near Longview, 0.96 miles, all in Lewis and Cowlitz counties, Wash.—V. 140, p. 4409.

**Northern States Power Co. (Del.) (& Subs.)—Earnings**

Period End. May 31—	1935—5 Mos.—	1934—5 Mos.—	1935—12 Mos.—	1934—12 Mos.—
Operating revenues	\$13,834,960	\$13,547,574	\$32,352,125	\$31,404,955
Oper. exps., maint. and taxes (other than income taxes)	7,432,933	7,051,710	17,822,753	16,477,075
Approp. for retire. res'v'e	1,126,666	1,126,666	2,900,000	2,900,000
Net oper. rev. (before prov. for inc. taxes)	\$5,275,361	\$5,369,197	\$11,629,372	\$12,027,879
Other income	44,476	47,055	103,737	116,606
Gross income (before prov. for inc. taxes)	\$5,319,838	\$5,416,252	\$11,733,110	\$12,144,486
Interest charges (net)	2,478,529	2,397,784	5,850,727	5,757,109
Amort. of dt. dis. & exp.	107,245	94,604	243,213	214,137
Other income deduct'ns	20,856	23,387	56,242	52,474
Minority int. in net income of sub. co.	11,718	11,037	28,439	26,353
Prov. for Fed. & State income taxes	253,036	257,530	562,521	637,982
Net income	\$2,448,450	\$2,632,087	\$4,991,965	\$5,456,430

The Board of Railroad Commissioners, State of North Dakota, on April 23 1934 ordered a reduction of 25% in electric and steam rates at Minot, N. D., and on April 18 1935 ordered a 25% reduction in electric, gas and steam rates at Fargo, and electric rates at West Fargo, N. D., pending a valuation of these properties for rate-making purposes. The orders permit the company to charge the rates then in effect until new rates are established, on condition that 25% of collections from above-mentioned services are segregated to provide for possible refunds on final determination of the cases. 25% of the electric and steam collections at Minot from April 23 1934 to May 31 1935 amounted to \$103,271.11; 25% of involved service collections at Fargo and West Fargo from April 18 1935 to May 31 1935 amounted to \$5,950.71. On April 10 1935 the Commission also ordered a reduction of electric rates at Grand Forks, N. D., which order has been appealed by the company in District Court. On May 8 1935 the Court ordered a stay and suspension, specifying that until final determination of this case collections in excess of amounts computed at rates established by the Commission's order be segregated and impounded. The amount so segregated for the period from April 10 to May 31 1935 is \$6,311.10. The company feels that these reductions are arbitrary and excessive and, pending determination of rates ultimately to be charged, it is impracticable to estimate what refunds, if any, may be made; therefore, no deductions have been made from earnings.—V. 140, p. 4076.

**Ontario Power Co. of Niagara Falls—Tenders—**  
The Toronto General Trusts Corp. will until July 20 receive bids for the sale to it of sufficient 5% 1st mtge. gold bonds as can be purchased for \$125,246 at prices not exceeding 110 and interest.—V. 139, p. 287.

**Pan American Petroleum Co. (of Calif.)—Court Ruling**  
Federal Judge William P. James on July 7 ruled against the Chase National Bank, New York, trustee for the Pan-American bonds, declaring the agreement dated Nov. 1 1931, under which the properties of Richfield and Pan-American have been jointly operated, to be in full force and effect and continuing such agreement as a working contract until further order of the Court. The Judge stated that the Court would entertain an order to show cause to terminate the operating agreement. In making his ruling, the Judge stated in part: "It would be unfortunate, indeed, with a favorable prospect present for concluding both receiverships, to have installed a new manager for Pan-American and separate the operating properties." See also Richfield Oil Co. of California below.—V. 140, p. 483.

**(J. C.) Penney Co., Inc.—Sales—**

Month of—	1935	1934	1933
January	\$12,904,502	\$12,440,233	\$8,689,376
February	12,038,869	11,741,901	8,455,073
March	15,507,487	16,484,080	10,234,073
April	17,596,845	15,475,133	14,591,329
May	16,979,741	17,084,631	14,431,647
June	17,929,310	16,796,586	14,628,193
Total six months	\$92,974,346	\$90,022,564	\$71,029,692

—V. 140, p. 4077.

**Pennsylvania Sugar Co.—Balance Sheet Dec. 31—**

Assets—	1934	1933	Liabilities—	1934	1933
	\$	\$		\$	\$
Cash	2,525,586	2,200,531	Capital sock.	4,985,400	4,985,400
Accts. receivable	1,861,562	1,110,247	Accounts payable	392,960	621,196
Inventories	5,637,868	3,698,818	Notes payable	4,745,000	1,800,000
Land	1,417,635	1,404,408	Accrued liabilities	311,577	173,694
Bldgs. & equip. &c.	8,994,479	8,718,558	Deprec. accounts	6,025,052	5,897,690
By products bldg. and equipment	1,469,770	1,585,972	Reserve for taxes & contingencies	169,997	127,056
Franco-American Chemical Works	447,646	447,646	Surplus	6,026,079	5,916,702
Fine Arts Food Corp.	19,250	25,754			
Prepaid and def'd items	282,267	329,807			
Total	22,656,065	19,521,738	Total	22,656,065	19,521,738

—V. 139, p. 126.

**Ohio Water Service Co.—Files Plan with Court—**  
The company filed on July 8, a reorganization plan, under Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act in the Northern District Federal Court of Ohio, providing that the bonds be left undisturbed. Under the plan, holders of 5½% and 6% preferred stocks would receive one new common share for each preferred share and the holders of 6% preferred stock would receive 83 cents in cash as additional compensation for the higher dividend rate. The Federal Water Service Corp. would receive 26,650 shares of new common stock for its advance of \$1,332,500 and its holdings of 58,746 shares of

present common stock. Certain shares of new common stock would be issued to subscribers to uncompleted partial payment stock purchase contracts.

Oklahoma Gas & Electric Co.—Earnings—
12 Months Ended May 31—
Operating revenues \$11,055,313
Operating expenses, maint. & taxes (other than income taxes) 5,781,103

Old Colony Insurance Co.—Semi-Annual Dividend—
The directors have declared a semi-annual dividend of \$4 per share of which \$2 is payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 20, and \$2 is payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 21.

Pacific Gas & Electric Co.—Bonds of Sub. Called—
The company announced on July 9 that all outstanding 1st mtge. 5% bonds of the Midland Counties Public Service Corp. have been called for redemption at 103 3/4 and int. on Aug. 1 1935.

Packard Motor Car Co.—June Shipments—
M. M. Gilman, Vice-President and General Manager, states that June's shipments reached the high mark of 6,513. The best previous month was Oct. 1928, when 5,805 cars were shipped.

Paramount Pictures, Inc.—Transfer Agent—
The Bankers Trust Co. has been appointed sole transfer agent for the 1st preferred stock, \$100 par value, and scrip agent for the same class of stock.

Pathe Exchange, Inc.—New Company—
The name of the new company to be formed under the plan of reorganization, which will acquire all the assets and assume all the obligations of Pathe Exchange, Inc., will be Pathe Film Corp.

Pathe Film Corp.—New Company—
See Pathe Exchange, Inc. above.

Pennsylvania Power & Light Co.—Earnings—
[Lehigh Power Securities Corp. Subsidiary]
Period End. May 31—
Operating revenues \$2,825,394
Operating expenses 1,551,713

Pennsylvania RR.—Sells \$6,000,000 P. B. & W. Bonds—
The company has sold \$6,000,000 Philadelphia Baltimore & Washington RR. gen. mtge. bonds series A, due April 1 1960. These bonds were acquired by the Pennsylvania in 1920, and were deposited under its collateral indenture dated Feb. 1 1921, as part security for the issue of its \$60,000,000 15-year 6 1/2% secured bonds, maturing Feb. 1 1936.

Peoples Drug Stores, Inc.—Sales—
Month of—
January \$1,466,958
February 1,428,201
March 1,558,292
April 1,537,724
May 1,561,023
June 1,535,034

Pere Marquette RR.—Obituary—
See Chesapeake & Ohio RR. above.—V. 140, p. 4412.

Philadelphia Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—
[Not incl. Beaver Valley Traction Co. (in Receivership) and Its Subsidiary]
12 Months Ended May 31—
Operating revenues \$47,028,751
Operating expenses, maint. & taxes (other than inc. taxes) 24,071,370

Philippine Ry.—Earnings—
Period End. Apr. 30—
Gross oper. revenue \$35,470
Oper. exps. and taxes 32,877
Net revenue \$2,593
Deductions 30,341
Net deficit \$27,748
Income approp. for invest. in physical property 3,371

Phillips Petroleum Co.—25-Cent Dividend—
The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable Aug. 30 to holders of record Aug. 2.

Phoenix Securities Corp.—Approve Dividend Plan—
At the adjourned special meeting of stockholders held on July 9, 71% of the preferred and 62% of the common shares were voted in favor of the plan of clearing up back dividends on the preferred stock up to June 30 by paying \$2 in cash and one-eighth share of additional preferred stock on each preferred share held.

Pineapple Holding Co.—May Liquidate—
The stockholders at their annual meeting to be held on July 30 will vote on liquidating and dissolving the company. Assets consist of 500,000 shares of Hawaiian Pineapple Co., Ltd., and \$36,300 cash.

Pioneer Gold Mines of British Columbia, Ltd.—
Month of June—
Gross \$271,000
Net after expenses, but before depreciation, depletion and taxes 207,560

Pittsburgh & Lake Erie RR.—Earnings—
Period End. May 31—
Railway oper. revenues \$1,340,260
Railway oper. expenses 1,048,766
Net rev. from ry. oper. \$291,493
Railway tax accruals 105,643
Uncollect. ry. revenues 1
Equip. & Jt. fac. rents 159,646

Ponce Electric Co.—Earnings—
Period End. May 31—
Gross earnings \$25,110
Operation 11,998
Maintenance 2,610
Taxes 2,545
Interest charges 146

Portland (Ore.) General Electric Co.—Bond Extension Effective—
Holders of more than 90% of the \$6,547,000 5% first mortgage bonds have accepted the 15-year extension offer made by the company, and the extension offer is closed.

Postal Telegraph & Cable Corp.—Management Continued in Control—
The management was granted permission in Federal District Court, July 11 by Judge Alfred C. Cox to continue in control during reorganization proceedings. The permission was termed by the Court as "not necessarily permanent and subject to be reopened at any time."

Prudential Investors, Inc.—Semi-Annual Report—
The net assets of the corporation, taking investments at market quotations as of June 30 1935, amounted to \$8,866,792, which was equivalent to \$191.52 per share on 46,296 shares of \$6 preferred stock outstanding.

Balance Sheet June 30
Assets—
Cash in banks \$1,046,967
Demand dep. 530,634
Invest. in sub. cos. 2,515
Other investm'ts:
Bonds 1,407,798
Preferred stocks 136,729
Common stocks 5,257,221
Accts. receivable 2,800
Accrued int. rec. 27,516
Furniture & fixt. 1

Balance Sheet June 30
Liabilities—
Accounts payable \$4,881
Pref. stock dividend payable 69,444
Reserve for taxes 13,981
Due for sec. bought 9,327
Capital stock 6,000,000
Surplus 1,793,242

Balance Sheet June 30
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(Howard) Smith Paper Mills, Ltd. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table of earnings for Howard Smith Paper Mills, Ltd. for years 1934, 1933, and 1931. Columns include Net profit from operations, Depreciation, Directors' fees, Mortgage interest, Provision for income tax, U.S. excise on bond int., Prov. for inc. tax (subs.), Reserve for conting., Miscell. adjustment, Reserve for inventories, Net profit, Preferred dividends, Common dividends, Total surplus, Minority interest, Income tax, prior periods, Adj. pertaining to minor stockholders' int. in subsidiary co., Adjustment prior pref., Balance at credit Dec. 31.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 for Howard Smith Paper Mills, Ltd. comparing 1934 and 1933 assets and liabilities. Assets include Cash, Accounts and notes, Inventories, Def. accts. receiv., Life insur. policies, Mtrg. receivable, Invest. in other cos., Inv. in sub. cos., bds. & pref. stk., Guarantee deposits, Cash with trustee, Cash held in sinking fund, Deferred charges, Fixed assets. Liabilities include Bank loans, Notes of affil. cos., Accts. & bills pay., Mortgages payable, Other loan payable, Oth. notes payable, Taxes due & acc'd, Accounts payable, Bonds outstanding, Pref. stock of sub., Min. stockholders' equity in com., stock & surpluses, Res. for deprec., depletion, &c., 6% pref. stock, Com. stock (220,000 shs. no par), Capital surplus, Earned surplus.

Southern California Gas Co.—To Issue \$15,000,000 4s—See under "Current Events and Discussions" on a preceding page.—V. 140, p. 4415.

Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Co.—Earnings—

Table of earnings for Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Co. for 1935, 1934, and 1933. Columns include Gross earnings, Operating expenses, Fixed charges, Prov. for retire. reserve, Divs. on pref. stock, Balance.

Southern Public Utilities Co.—Earnings—

Table of earnings for Southern Public Utilities Co. for 1935, 1934, and 1933. Columns include Gross income, Operating expenses, General expense, Renewals & replace. res., Interest on underlying & divisional bonds, Int. on S. P. U. Co. 5% bonds, Net income.

Southern Ry.—Earnings—

Table of earnings for Southern Ry. for 1935, 1934, and 1933. Columns include Gross earnings.

Sparta Foundry Co.—50-Cent Special Dividend—deal

The directors have declared a special dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 15. An extra dividend of 25 cents in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of like amount was paid on June 29, last. On March 30 1935 an extra dividend of 15 cents was distributed.—V. 140, p. 3909.

Spiegel, May, Stern Co., Inc.—To Issue Additional Stock—Rights to Stockholders—See under "Current Events and Discussions" on a preceding page.

Sales for Month and Six Months Ended June 30

Table of sales for Spiegel, May, Stern Co., Inc. for 1935, 1934, and 1933. Columns include January, February, March, April, May, June, Total six months.

Listing of Additional Common Stock—Rights to Stockholders—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of an additional 70,000 shares of common stock (no par) on official notice of issuance on subscription by common stockholders made pursuant to rights to be issued to such stockholders or on issuance to the underwriters of the offering (as to any portion not sold to stockholders); making the total number of common shares applied for 245,000 shares.

The directors on June 15, authorized the issue and sale of 70,000 shares. At the meeting the directors resolved to offer the 70,000 shares pro rata, at \$47.50 per share, to common stockholders of record on a date to be specified in notice of offering to stockholders in proportion to the number of shares held by each stockholder.

The offering has been underwritten and the underwriters have contracted with the company to take all shares not purchased by the stockholders at a price of \$47.50 per share. The registrant will pay an underwriting commission of \$175,000 representing \$2.50 for each of the 70,000 shares of such stock underwritten.

The purpose of the issue is to provide additional working capital for use in the ordinary course of the company's business. The net proceeds to be realized by the company after deduction of the underwriting commission will be \$3,150,000.

Preferred Stock Removed from Unlisted Trading—

The New York Curb Exchange has removed from unlisted trading privileges the 6 1/2% preferred stock, \$100 par.—V. 140, p. 4082.

Standard Gas & Electric Co.—Plans Extension of Notes—

The company has mailed to the known holders of its \$14,823,000 20-year 6% gold notes and its \$9,826,500 6% convertible gold notes, both due Oct. 1 1935, a prospectus relative to a plan for the extension to Oct. 1 1940 of the time for the payment of the principal of these notes. The plan of extension as outlined in the prospectus provides that the rate of interest shall continue at 6%.

The funded debt of the company other than that maturing in 1935, namely, the 6% gold debentures series A due Feb. 1 1951 and the 6% gold debentures series B due Feb. 1 1966, and the 6% gold debentures due Feb. 1 1957, issued by Standard Power & Light Corp. and assumed by the company, and the prior preference stock \$7 cumulative, prior preferred stock \$6 cumulative, \$4 cumulative preferred stock and common stock of the company will not be affected by the plan of extension.

It is proposed that the plan of extension will become operative when 95% of the outstanding notes maturing in 1935 have been deposited. However the plan may be declared operative at the election of the board of directors of the company, when 66 2/3% of such outstanding notes have been deposited. Following a recent practice in cases of similar extensions noteholders are requested, when depositing their notes, to accept and approve the plan as a plan of reorganization in the event of its presentation as such under Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act.

Noteholders desiring to participate in the plan may deposit their notes with any of the following depositories: The Chase National Bank, New York; Continental Illinois National Bank & Trust Co., Chicago; Fidelity Philadelphia Trust Co., Philadelphia; Old Colony Trust Co., Boston; Northwestern National Bank & Trust Co., Minneapolis; Bank of America National Trust & Savings Association, San Francisco, and Bank of America National Trust & Savings Association, Los Angeles.

Copies of the prospectus may be obtained from H. M. Bylesby & Co., First Boston Corp., W. C. Langley & Co., A. C. Allyn & Co., Inc., and other security dealers.

Weekly Output—

Electric output for the week ended July 6 1935 totaled 81,576,456 kwh., an increase of 8.7% compared with the corresponding week last year.—V. 141, p. 126.

Standard Oil Co. of Indiana—Stock Distribution to employees

The trustees of the fourth stock purchasing plan will shortly distribute to employees 255,096 shares of capital stock which have accrued to them under the plan as of June 30 1935. This distribution will bring the number of shares up to 1,634,870 issued to employees under purchasing plans consecutively operated since April 1 1921.—V. 140, p. 3403.

Sullivan Machinery Co.—Earnings—

Table of earnings for Sullivan Machinery Co. for 1934, 1933, and 1932. Columns include Loss for year, Depreciation reserves, Res. for possible shrinkage in inventory, Res. for contingencies, Net loss.

Solvay American Investment Corp.—Pref. Stock Called—

A total of 1,652 shares of 5 1/2% cumulative preferred stock have been called for redemption on Aug. 15 at \$110 per share and accrued dividend (\$1.37 1/2). Payment will be made at J. P. Morgan & Co., 23 Wall St., N. Y. City.—V. 141, p. 126.

Sonotone Corp.—Earnings—

Table of earnings for Sonotone Corp. for 1934 and 1933. Columns include Net sales, Cost of goods sold, Selling, general and administrative expense, Provision for doubtful accounts, Miscellaneous taxes, Provision for depreciation, Net gain from operations, Other income, Total income, Other charges, Provision for Federal income taxes, Extraordinary expenses due to change in sales policy, Net profit for period, Preferred dividends.

Condensed Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Condensed Balance Sheet Dec. 31 for Sonotone Corp. comparing 1934 and 1933 assets and liabilities. Assets include Cash, Dep. with Comm'l Invest., Tr. Corp Accts. receivable, Notes rec. (net), Merch. inventories, Furn. fixtures, dies mach., tools & equipment, Mailing list, Pats., pat. rights, excl. license agreements, development work, &c., Due from subscribers to common capital stock, Deferred charges. Liabilities include Accts. pay., trade, Trade acceptances, Accrued salaries & commissions, Battery & special deposits, Acrr. sales and franchise taxes, Fed. Res. Bk. of N. Y. loan pay., Notes rec. disc'ted, Dealers' deposits, Due to officers & directors, Res. for Fed. inc. tax, Oth. current liabil's, Reserves, Preferred stock, Common stock, Earned surplus, Capital surplus.

Soule Mills—Balance Sheet—

Table of balance sheet for Soule Mills for Dec. 29 '34 and Dec. 30 '33. Columns include Real estate, Merchandise, Cash, accts rec. & securities, Capital stock, Liabilities, Capital stock, Accts payable, Depreciation, Profit and loss.

Southern Colorado Power Co.—Earnings—

Table of earnings for Southern Colorado Power Co. for 1935, 1934, and 1933. Columns include Operating revenues, Operating expenses, maintenance & taxes (other than income taxes), Appropriation for retirement reserve, Net operating rev. (before prov. for inc. taxes), Other income, Gross inc. (before prov. for income taxes), Interest charges (net), Other income deductions, Provision for Federal income taxes, Net income.









# The Commercial Markets and the Crops

COTTON—SUGAR—COFFEE—GRAIN—PROVISIONS  
PETROLEUM—RUBBER—HIDES—METALS—DRY GOODS—WOOL—ETC.

## COMMERCIAL EPITOME

Friday Night, July 12 1935

**Coffee** futures closed 7 to 9 points higher on Santos contracts and 5 to 7 points higher on Rio owing to the improved exchange rate and higher Brazilian prices. Sales were 5,750 bags of Santos and 3,750 bags of Rio. Cost and freight offers were unchanged to 5 points higher with Santos 4s 7.65 to 7.90c. On the 9th inst. futures closed 6 to 7 points lower on Santos and 7 to 12 lower on Rio with sales of 16,750 bags of the former contract and 3,500 bags of the latter. Brazilian markets were weaker. Cost and freight offers from Brazil advanced 5 to 10 points with Santos 4s 7.70 to 8.00c.

On the 10th inst. futures were 3 to 5 points lower on Santos contracts and 2 to 3 points lower on Rio with sales of 3,750 bags of the former and 4,500 bags of the latter. Lower Brazilian futures and exchange caused the weakness. On the 11th inst. futures were quiet and easier Santos contracts closing 7 to 10 points lower and Rio 4 to 9 points lower; sales 8,250 bags of Santos and 4,000 bags of Rio. The Brazilian exchange rate was easier. Cost and freight offers from Brazil were generally unchanged with Santos 4s at 7.70 to 7.90c. To-day futures ended 4 to 5 points lower on Rio contracts and 7 to 17 points lower on Santos with sales of 21 contracts of Rio and 78 contracts of Santos.

Rio coffee prices closed as follows:

March	5.26	September	5.06
May	5.33	December	5.18
July	5.00		

Santos coffee prices closed as follows:

March	7.66	September	7.53
May	7.71	December	7.62
July	7.53		

**Cocoa** futures on the 8th inst. closed 5 to 6 points higher on good buying by manufacturers and a fair demand from Wall Street. Sept. ended at 4.56c., Dec. at 4.71c., Jan. at 4.76c., March at 4.86c. and May at 4.97c. On the 9th inst. futures closed 2 to 5 points higher with sales of 1,072 tons on a good demand from manufacturers. Sept. ended at 4.61c., Oct. at 4.66c., Dec. at 4.74c., March at 4.89c. and May at 4.99c.

On the 10th inst. futures closed 1 to 4 points higher with manufacturers good buyers. Sales were 2,023 tons. Sept. ended at 4.65c. Oct. at 4.70c. Dec. at 4.77c. March at 4.90c. and May at 5.00c. On the 11th inst. futures reversed its recent upward trend and ended 1 to 2 points lower after sales of 1,420 tons. Sept. ended at 4.64c. Dec. at 4.75c. Jan. at 4.80c. March at 4.89c. and May at 4.99c. To-day futures closed 2 to 7 points higher with sales of 85 contracts. Sept. ended at 4.71c. Oct. at 4.73c. Dec. at 4.79c. March at 4.91c. and May at 5.01c.

**Sugar** futures on the 8th inst. showed the sharpest break since May 31, being off 7 to 12 points at one time. They closed 4 to 10 points lower on sales of 300 tons of old contracts and 18,700 tons of new. Uncertainties regarding the Agricultural Adjustment Administration and a fear that Cuba may sell more sugar on a price-date-of-arrival basis in order to fill her quota before a possible adverse decision on the AAA and a possible increase in duty from 90 cents to \$1.50, caused the selling. Raws were quiet. On the 9th inst. futures closed 4 to 8 points higher, with sales of 14,050 tons of new contracts and 900 tons of old. Cane refiners deliveries for the first six months showed a gain of 270,000 tons over the same period last year according to the Sugar Institute and for the week ended June 29, they showed a gain of 35,000 tons over the same week last year. It was reported that Cuba would withhold shipping permits on sugar sold on a price-date-arrival basis.

On the 10th inst. futures closed 2 to 3 points lower on old contracts with sales of 1,000 tons and 3 to 4 points lower on new contracts with sales of 7,400 tons. Raws were easier. On the 11th inst. futures rose 5 to 7 points early on short covering but reacted slightly later in rather slow trading and ended unchanged to 4 points higher. Sales were 350 tons of old and 11,100 tons of new contracts. The Department of Agriculture estimated the beet sugar production at 1,377,000 short tons raw value against 1,239,575 tons last year and the quota of 1,550,000 tons. To-day futures closed 1 point lower to 1 point higher on old contract and 1 point lower to 1 point higher on new; sales, 8 contracts in the old and 103 contracts in the new.

Prices were as follows:

December	2.31	September	2.37
July	2.34	January	2.09
March	2.10	May	2.14

**Lard** futures on the 6th inst. ended 7 to 10 points higher reflecting the strength of corn and hogs. On the 8th inst. futures advanced 7 to 15 points on short covering and trade buying influenced by the strength in corn. On the 9th inst. there was a further rise of 18 to 15 points owing to the firmness of hogs, which were 10 points higher. Hogs receipts

were not large. On the 10th inst. futures ended 5 points lower to 10 points higher with near months showing the most strength. Hogs were 20 points higher. Shorts covered. On the 11th inst. futures ended 5 points lower to 5 points higher. Hogs were higher owing to small receipts. Cash lard was firmer; in tierces, 13.97c.; refined to Continent, 12½c.; South America, 12½c. To-day futures ended unchanged to 5 points lower.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July	13.52	13.62	13.80	13.90	13.90	13.90
September	13.37	13.45	13.62	13.70	13.75	13.75
December	12.45	12.60	12.75	12.70	12.65	12.60

**Pork** steady; mess, \$28.75; family, \$26.50 nominal; fat backs, \$25 to \$28.50. Beef firm; mess, nominal; family, \$23 to \$24; extra India mess, nominal. Cut meats easier; pickled hams picnic loose c. a. f., 4 to 6 lbs., 16¼c.; 6 to 8 lbs., 15½c.; 8 to 10 lbs., 15c.; skinned loose c. a. f., 14 to 16 lbs., 19½c.; 18 to 20 lbs., 19c.; 22 to 24 lbs., 17c.; pickled bellies, clear, f. o. b. N. Y., 6 to 12 lbs., 23½c.; bellies, clear, dry salted, boxed, N. Y., 14 to 16 lbs., 18¼c.; 18 to 30 lbs., 18½c. Butter, creamery, firsts to higher than extra and premium marks, 22¼ to 25c. Cheese, flats, 18½ to 19c. Eggs, mixed colors, checks to special packs, 22¼ to 29½c.

**Oils**—Linseed was in slow demand. The price was quoted at 8.7c. tank cars, but concessions of as much as 2c. could, it is said, be obtained in some directions. The recent weakness of grains caused a break in domestic seed of about 3c. on the 11th inst. Coconut, Manila, tanks, forward, 3¼c.; Coast, 3½ to 3½c. Corn, crude tanks, Western mills, 8¼c.; China wood, tanks, Aug. to Dec., 13.6 to 13.7c.; drums, spot, 15 to 15½c. Olive, denatured, spot Spanish, 85 to 86c.; other oils, 80 to 82c.; shipments, Spanish, 85 to 86c.; Greek, 83c. Soya bean, tanks, Western mills nearby, 7.3 to 7.5c.; C. L. drums, 9.1c.; L. C. L., 9.5c. Edible, coconut, 76 degrees, 10¾c. Lard, prime, 13c.; extra strained winter, 12¼c. Cod, Norwegian light, filtered, 34c.; yellow, 35c. Turpentine, 49 to 53c. Rosin, \$4.85 to \$6.65.

**Cottonseed Oil** sales, including switches, 57 contracts. Crude, S. E., 8½c. Prices closed as follows:

July	9.75@	9.82	November	9.80@	9.95
August	9.75@	9.95	December	9.88@	9.95
September	9.90@	9.92	January	9.94@	9.95
October	9.99@		February	9.85@	10.00

**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**—On the 8th inst. futures closed unchanged to 3 points lower on sales of 1,500 tons. Spot ribbed smoked sheets here fell to 12.17c. London closed quiet, but steady. Singapore was quiet and 1-16 to 3-32d. lower. Here Sept. ended at 12.30c.; Oct. at 12.37c.; Dec. at 12.51c.; Jan. at 12.58c.; March at 12.71c., and May at 12.87c. On the 9th inst. futures closed 12 to 14 points higher with sales of 1,830 tons. Spot ribbed smoked sheets rose to 12.27c. here. London and Singapore were steady. Sept. here ended at 12.43c.; Oct. at 12.50c.; Dec. at 12.65c.; Jan. at 12.72c.; March at 12.85c., and May at 12.99c.

On the 10th inst. futures ended 3 to 6 points lower after sales of 690 tons. Spot ribbed smoked sheets were lower at 12.25c. London was unchanged at 1-16d. lower while Singapore advanced 1-16d. Here Sept. closed at 12.40c. Dec. at 12.61c., Jan. at 12.68c. and March at 12.82c. On the 11th inst. futures closed 5 to 10 points lower; sales 1,410 tons. Spot ribbed smoked sheets were 12.18c. London and Singapore were easier. Here prices closed with July at 12.18c., Sept. at 12.30c., Dec. at 12.54c., Jan. at 12.61c., March at 12.75c. and May at 12.86c. To-day futures ended 4 to 6 points lower after sales of 43 contracts. July closed at 12.13c.; Sept. at 12.65c., Dec. at 12.49c., March at 12.69c. and May at 12.82c.

**Hides** futures on the 8th inst. were fairly active and closed unchanged to 10 points lower. Sales totaled 5,240,000 lbs. Sales of spot hides in the Chicago market on the 8th inst. totaled 10,000 bales at steady prices. Some 6,000 frigorifico steers sold in the Argentine market at 11½c. Here, Sept. ended at 10.63c., Dec. at 10.99c. and March at 11.33c. On the 9th inst. futures closed 13 to 21 points lower after sales of 1,960,000 lbs. Some 1,000 light native cows sold in the Chicago market at 10½c. of July take-off. Some 1,000 branded cows sold at 10c. Sept. ended at 10.50c., Dec. at 10.81c. and March at 11.12c.

On the 10th inst. futures ended 1 to 5 points lower with sales of 2,000,000 lbs. Sept. closed at 10.45c., Dec. at 10.80c. and March at 11.09c. On the 11th inst. futures closed 2 points lower to 2 points higher with sales of 1,160,000 lbs. Sept. ended at 10.47c., Dec. at 10.78c. and March at 11.11c. To-day futures ended 4 to 9 points higher after sales of 29 contracts. Sept. closed at 10.49c., Dec. at 10.84c. and March at 11.15c.

**Ocean Freights** were dull.

**Charters** included: Grain booked—3 loads to Antwerp at 5c.; 1½ loads to Antwerp at 5c.; 3 loads to Antwerp at 5c. Sugar—Aug., Cuba to United Kingdom-Continent, 12s. Trips—Atlantic range, redelivery United Kingdom, 75c.

**Coal** was in small demand. The price of chestnut was cut by a smokeless producer 20 cents to \$2. Bituminous output in the week ended July 6 was approximately 2,450,000 net tons, according to the National Coal Association. It compares with 5,012,000 tons in the same week in 1934 and 5,573,000 in 1933. The Bureau of Mines made the production in the week ended June 22, 4,831,000 tons and 6,482,000 tons in the week ended June 29. For the calendar year to July 6 the production was 185,315,000 tons against 187,320,000 in the same period last year.

**Copper** was more active and steady at 8c. for domestic delivery. Export prices were higher at 7.75c. c.i.f. European base ports, with a good demand. Bids will be opened on July 17 by the Navy Department for approximately 3,100,000 lbs. of copper. The outcome of the meeting of world copper leaders scheduled for July 15 in Brussels is awaited with much interest. In London on the 11th inst. spot rose 17s. 6d. to £31 6s. 3d.; futures advanced 16s. 3d. to £31 13s. 9d.; sales, 425 tons of spot and 2,700 tons of futures; electrolytic spot £34, up 10s.; futures, £35, up 10s.

**Tin** was firm at 52.20c. for spot Straits. Demand was light. In London on the 11th inst. spot was up 10s. to £231 10s.; futures rose 15s. to £224 15s.; Straits dropped 17s. 6d. to £245 2s. 6d.; Eastern c.i.f. fell 2s. 6d. to £230 12s. 6d.; sales, 35 tons of spot and 235 tons of futures.

**Lead** was in good demand and firm at 4.15c. New York and 4c. East St. Louis. In London on the 11th inst. spot was up 3s. 9d. to £14 2s. 6d.; futures up 3s. 9d. to £14 3s. 9d.; sales, 1,250 tons of futures.

**Zinc** was in better demand with prime western unchanged at 4.30c. East St. Louis. In London spot was 3s. 9d. higher at £13 18s. 9d.; futures advanced 2s. 6d. to £14 1s. 3d.; sales, 300 tons of futures.

**Steel** prospects are good. A brisk demand is expected from the automobile district by late August or early September, when contracting for new models begins. Predictions are being made that the automobile output next year will exceed that of this year, and the demand for steel rails by the railroads is expected to pick up in the fall. Public works and other enterprises are expected to furnish a good outlet. Quotations: Semi-finished billets, rerolling, \$27; forging, \$32; sheet bars, \$28; slabs, \$27; wire rods, \$38; skelp per pound, 1.70c.; sheets, hot rolled annealed, 2.40c.; galvanized, 3.10c.; strips, hot rolled, 1.85c.; cold rolled, 2.60c.; hoops and bands, 1.85c.; tin plate, \$5.25 per box of 100 lbs.; heavy steel, bars, plates and shapes, 1.80c.

**Pig iron** sales in June held up well and makers of iron and steel castings report a better than seasonal demand. Most of the business, however, is in small lots. Prices continued steady. Quotations: Foundry No. 2 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.

**Wool** was in moderate demand at firm prices. Boston wired a Government report on July 11 saying: "Trade in the Boston wool market is very moderate and sales are scattered, although occasionally transactions involve fair quantities. The bulk of the activity is on the finer Western grown wools. Other lines have a few calls. Prices appear mostly steady. French combing 58s-60s, half blood territory wool has been sold at prices that figure around 58c., scoured basis. Twelve months' Texas wools are reported moving at firm prices in the ranges 70 to 72c., scoured basis, for average, and 73 to 75c. for choice clips." In London on July 9 the fourth series of Colonial wool auctions opened; total offerings, 131,500 bales; sales close July 25. There was a large attendance of home and foreign buyers at to-day's sales, with English buyers the chief operators; prices firm. Compared with May, greasy merinos were 10 to 15% higher, scoured merinos 7½% dearer, greasy crossbreds 10 to 20% higher, while crossbred slipe prices were up 5%. In London on July 10 offerings were 10,210 bales, including 530 bales of English specially classed greasy and washed crossbred which sold on a par with the best New Zealand grades, best grades of each selling at 9¼d. and 14d., respectively. The Colonial selection met brisk sale chiefly to Yorkshire, greasy merinos frequently exceeding the opening advance. First offerings of Puntas and Falklands greasy crossbred sold at 5 to 10% above May levels. In London on July 11 there was a good selection of 10,150 bales; demand good, chiefly from Yorkshire. Prices firm. Details:

Sydney, 928 bales; scoured merinos, 10 to 22d.; greasy, 9 to 18d. Queensland, 2,946 bales; scoured merinos, 16½ to 26¼d.; greasy, 11 to 16d. Victoria, 1,295 bales; scoured merinos, 14 to 24d.; greasy, 15 to 18d.; scoured crossbreds, 9 to 17d. South Australia, 165 bales; scoured merinos, 17½ to 19¼d.; greasy, 12 to 16d. West Australia, 436 bales; greasy merinos, 10 to 16d. New Zealand, 4,380 bales; scoured crossbreds, 9½ to 19¼d.; greasy, 7½ to 12¼d. New Zealand slipe ranged from 5¼d. to 13¼d., the latter price for half-bred lambs. West Australia greasy comebacks sold at 12¼d. a pound.

**Silk** futures closed 1 to 3½c. higher on the 8th inst. with sales of 170 bales. Crack double extra spot rose to \$1.40½. Japanese cables were stronger. July here ended at \$1.34, August at \$1.34, Oct. \$1.35½, Dec. \$1.34½, Jan. \$1.34 and Feb. \$1.34½. On the 9th inst. futures ended

unchanged to 1½c. higher on sales of 1,130 bales. Crack double extra was \$1.41, up ½c. Cables from Japan were firmer. Here July ended at \$1.34½, Aug. at \$1.35, Sept., Nov., Dec. and Jan. \$1.35½ and Feb. \$1.36.

On the 10th inst. futures ended ½ to 2c. higher on sales of 1,550 bales. Crack double extra spot was 2c. higher at \$1.43. Japanese cables were stronger. Here July ended at \$1.35 and other months at \$1.37. On the 11th inst. prices fell ½ to 2c., after sales of 620 bales. Crack double extra spot rose ½c. to \$1.43½. July ended at \$1.34½; Aug. at \$1.35½; Oct. and Dec. at \$1.35; Jan. at \$1.36, and Feb. at \$1.35½. To-day futures advanced ½ to 1½c., but were quiet. Sales were only 43 contracts. July ended at \$1.35½; Aug. at \$1.36½; Sept. and Dec., \$1.36½; Jan., \$1.36½, and Feb. at \$1.37. Crack double extra spot rose to \$1.43½.

**COTTON**

Friday Night, July 12 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 13,918 bales, against 9,188 bales last week and 8,706 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since Aug. 1 1934 4,018,184 bales, against 7,327,042 bales for the same period of 1933-34, showing a decrease since Aug. 1 1934 of 3,308,858 bales.

Receipts at—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total
Galveston	136	274	669	501	301	423	2,304
Texas City	—	—	—	—	—	4	4
Houston	1	2	347	474	650	3,082	4,556
Corpus Christi	—	51	—	—	—	—	51
New Orleans	886	413	580	388	572	642	3,481
Mobile	236	168	200	210	510	1,311	2,635
Savannah	—	—	32	13	50	4	102
Charleston	473	—	121	18	—	40	652
Lake Charles	—	—	—	—	—	13	13
Wilmington	—	1	—	—	7	—	8
Norfolk	—	—	—	—	—	12	12
Baltimore	—	—	—	—	—	100	100
Totals this week.	1,735	909	1,919	1,604	2,090	5,631	13,918

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 July 12	1934-35		1933-34		Stock	
	This Week	Since Aug 1 1934	This Week	Since Aug 1 1933	1935	1934
Galveston	2,304	909,433	8,757	2,160,477	237,158	545,736
Texas City	4	62,895	98	178,507	3,196	5,854
Houston	4,556	1,082,935	7,295	2,239,359	358,384	877,116
Corpus Christi	51	275,073	230	322,484	34,374	46,994
Beaumont	—	4,693	—	10,464	768	3,790
New Orleans	3,481	1,041,987	9,524	1,499,791	329,185	596,188
Gulftport	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mobile	2,635	135,392	3,647	180,601	47,067	90,466
Pensacola	—	79,990	433	153,431	9,770	11,366
Jacksonville	—	6,883	3	13,911	2,949	3,811
Brunswick	102	115,863	2,106	183,372	75,925	107,417
Charleston	652	145,675	1,662	36,670	19,959	47,670
Lake Charles	13	57,233	41	104,152	8,087	20,428
Wilmington	8	18,921	40	23,798	16,525	15,750
Norfolk	12	53,486	638	45,244	17,723	13,581
Newport News	—	—	—	—	—	—
New York	—	—	—	141	6,872	59,395
Boston	—	—	—	—	1,234	9,301
Baltimore	100	27,266	148	35,159	1,421	2,470
Philadelphia	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	13,918	4,018,184	34,622	7,327,042	1,170,597	2,457,363

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	2,304	8,757	11,688	5,970	1,842	1,271
Houston	4,556	7,295	15,749	5,650	2,316	1,833
New Orleans	3,481	9,524	15,342	13,711	5,208	4,284
Mobile	2,635	3,647	9,450	2,238	1,406	203
Savannah	102	2,106	5,916	891	2,529	2,524
Brunswick	—	—	660	—	—	—
Charleston	652	1,662	4,610	213	2,143	1,862
Wilmington	8	40	599	101	87	—
Norfolk	12	638	1,303	305	408	208
Newport News	—	—	—	—	—	—
All others	168	953	17,618	2,216	237	913
Total this wk.	13,918	34,622	82,935	31,295	16,170	13,098
Since Aug. 1—	4,018,184	7,327,042	8,644,649	9,665,197	8,464,476	8,185,637

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 38,040 bales, of which 1,214 were to Great Britain, 1,921 to France, 10,725 to Germany, 5,930 to Italy, 7,228 to Japan, nil to China, and 11,022 to other destinations. In the corresponding week last year total exports were 54,598 bales. For the season to date aggregate exports have been 4,692,039 bales, against 7,275,804 bales in the same period of the previous season. Below are the exports for the week.

July 12 1935 Exports from—	Exported to—						Total
	Great Britain	France	Germany	Italy	Japan	China	
Galveston	—	1,921	1,665	—	—	—	8,816
Houston	—	—	6,326	3,209	—	—	3,841
Corpus Christi	—	—	—	398	—	—	398
New Orleans	—	—	—	2,323	—	—	1,535
Mobile	850	—	2,537	—	2,500	—	416
Norfolk	—	—	197	—	—	—	197
Los Angeles	126	—	—	—	4,728	—	4,854
San Francisco	238	—	—	—	—	—	238
Total	1,214	1,921	10,725	5,930	7,228	—	11,022
Total 1934	9,637	2,540	15,266	6,392	8,423	2,950	54,598
Total 1933	36,176	11,518	17,794	8,346	67,198	16,050	107,799

Table showing cotton exports from various ports (Galveston, Houston, Corpus Christi, etc.) to different countries (Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, China, Other) for the period Aug. 1 1934 to July 12 1935.

In addition to above exports, our telegrams to-night also give us the following amounts of cotton on shipboard, not cleared, at the ports named:

Table titled 'On Shipboard Not Cleared for-' showing cotton on shipboard for various ports (Galveston, Houston, New Orleans, etc.) as of July 12 at-.

Speculation in cotton for future delivery was not very active. The acreage estimate by the Government of 29,166,000 acres occasioned little surprise, for it was about in line with what was expected.

On the 6th inst. prices ended 10 to 14 points higher on scattered buying owing to better Liverpool cables and short covering and evening up before the Government acreage report which is scheduled to be published at 12 o'clock New York time on Monday.

On the 10th inst., after showing early weakness on light selling pressure, prices rallied towards the close on trade buying and local support, and ended 2 to 4 points higher. It was a narrow market, with fluctuations keeping within a range of 7 to 9 points in moderate trading.

On the 11th inst. prices declined 9 to 11 points in a dull and featureless market. Selling came from the South, commission houses, locals and Wall Street, and was influenced by good weather and relatively lower Liverpool cables.

continent and shorts. The New York Cotton Exchange Service estimated June domestic consumption at 395,000 bales against 469,000 bales in May and 363,000 bales in June last year.

To-day prices moved within a narrow range and ended 5 to 8 points higher, owing to better Liverpool cables and a scarcity of offerings. Buying came from the Far East, spot houses and the trade. Commission houses, the Continent, Wall Street and the South were selling.

Table titled 'Staple Premiums 60% of average of six markets quoting for deliveries on July 18 1935'.

Differences between grades established for deliveries on contract to July 18 1935 are the average quotations of the ten markets designated by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Table showing differences between grades of cotton (Middling Fair, Strict Good Middling, Good Middling, etc.) and their respective prices.

\*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:

Table showing daily official quotations for middling upland cotton from July 6 to July 12, including Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday prices.

Futures—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

Table showing futures prices for various months (July, Aug., Sept., Oct., Nov., Dec., Jan., Feb., Mar., April, May, June) from Saturday July 6 to Friday July 12, 1935.

n Nominal.

Range of future prices at New York for week ending July 12 1935 and since trading began on each option:

Table showing the range of future prices for various options (July 1935, Aug. 1935, Sept. 1935, etc.) from the beginning of trading to July 12, 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.

Table with columns for Year (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Stock at Liverpool, Stock at Manchester, Total Great Britain, Stock at Bremen, Stock at Havre, Stock at Rotterdam, Stock at Barcelona, Stock at Genoa, Stock at Venice and Mestre, Stock at Trieste, Total Continental stocks, Total European stocks, India cotton afloat for Europe, American cotton afloat for Europe, Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat for Europe, Stock in Alexandria, Egypt, Stock in Bombay, India, Stock in U. S. ports, Stock in U. S. interior towns, U. S. exports to-day, Total visible supply, and Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows:

Table with columns for Year (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Liverpool stock, Manchester stock, Bremen stock, Havre stock, Other Continental stock, American afloat for Europe, U. S. ports stock, U. S. interior stocks, U. S. exports to-day, Total American, East Indian, Brazil, &c., Liverpool stock, Manchester stock, Bremen stock, Havre stock, Other Continental stock, Indian afloat for Europe, Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat, Stock in Alexandria, Egypt, Stock in Bombay, India, Total East India, &c., Total American, Total visible supply, Middling uplands, Liverpool, Middling uplands, New York, Egypt, good Sakel, Liverpool, Broach, fine, Liverpool, Tinnevely, good, Liverpool.

Table with columns for Year (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932) and rows for Liverpool stock, Manchester stock, Bremen stock, Havre stock, Other Continental stock, Indian afloat for Europe, Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat, Stock in Alexandria, Egypt, Stock in Bombay, India, Total East India, &c., Total American, Total visible supply, Middling uplands, Liverpool, Middling uplands, New York, Egypt, good Sakel, Liverpool, Broach, fine, Liverpool, Tinnevely, good, Liverpool.

Continental imports for past week have been 116,000 bales. The above figures for 1935 show a decrease from last week of 155,258 bales, a loss of 2,452,535 from 1934, a decrease of 3,350,996 bales from 1933, and a decrease of 3,331,454 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:

Table with columns for Movement to July 12 1935, Movement to July 13 1934, Towns, Receipts (Week, Season), Shipments (Week), Stocks (July 12, July 13), Receipts (Week, Season), Shipments (Week), Stocks (July 12, July 13). Lists towns like Ala., Birmingham, Eufaula, Montgomery, Selma, Ark., Blythville, Forest City, Helena, Hope, Jonesboro, Little Rock, Newport, Pine Bluff, Walnut Ridge, Ga., Albany, Athens, Atlanta, Augusta, Columbus, Macon, Rome, La., Shreveport, Miss. Clarksdale, Columbus, Greenwood, Jackson, Natchez, Vicksburg, Yazoo City, Mo., St. Louis, N.C., Grnsboro, Oklahoma, 15 towns, S.C., Greenville, Tenn., Memphis, Texas, Abilene, Austin, Brenham, Dallas, Paris, Robstown, San Antonio, Texarkana, Waco, Total, 56 towns.

\* Includes the combined totals of 15 towns in Oklahoma.

The above totals show that the interior stocks have increased during the week 19,932 bales and are to-night 42,452 bales less than at the same period last year. The

receipts of all the towns have been 6,210 bales less than the same week last year.

New York Quotations for 32 Years

The quotations for middling upland at New York on July 12 for each of the past 32 years have been as follows:

Table with columns for Year (1935, 1934, 1933, 1932, 1931, 1930, 1929, 1928) and rows for Spot Market Closed, Futures Market Closed, SALES (Spot, Contr'd, Total).

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.

Table with columns for Day (Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday), Spot Market Closed, Futures Market Closed, SALES (Spot, Contr'd, Total), Total week, Since Aug. 1.

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:

Table with columns for Year (1934-35, 1933-34) and rows for July 12— Shipped—, Via St. Louis, Via Mounds, &c., Via Rock Island, Via Louisville, Via Virginia points, Via other routes, &c., Total gross overland, Deduct Shipments—, Overland to N. Y., Boston, &c., Between interior towns, Inland, &c., from South, Total to be deducted, Leaving total net overland \*.

\* Including movement by rail to Canada. h We withhold the totals since Aug. 1 so as to allow proper adjustments at the end of the crop year.

Table with columns for Year (1934-35, 1933-34) and rows for In Sight and Spinners' Takings, Receipts at ports to July 12, Net overland to July 12, Southern consumption to July 12, Total marketed, Interior stocks in excess, Excess of Southern mill takings over consumption to June 1, Came into sight during week, Total in sight July 12, North. spinn's takings to July 12.

\* Decrease. h We withhold the totals since Aug. 1 so as to allow of proper adjustments at the end of the crop year.

Quotations for Middling Cotton at Other Markets— Below are the closing quotations for middling cotton at Southern and other principal cotton markets for each day of the week:

Table with columns for Week Ended July 12, Closing Quotations for Middling Cotton on— (Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday), and rows for Galveston, New Orleans, Mobile, Savannah, Norfolk, Montgomery, Augusta, Memphis, Houston, Little Rock, Dallas, Fort Worth.

New Orleans Contract Market—The closing quotations for leading contracts in the New Orleans cotton market for the past week have been as follows:

Table with columns for Date (Saturday July 6, Monday July 8, Tuesday July 9, Wednesday July 10, Thursday July 11, Friday July 12) and rows for July (1935), August, September, October, November, December, Jan. (1936), February, March, April, May, June, Spot, Options.

**Agricultural Department's Report on Cotton Acreage**  
 —The Agricultural Department at Washington on July 8 issued its report on cotton acreage as of July 1. This report places the acreage of cotton in cultivation in the United States on July 1 as estimated by the Crop Reporting Board at 29,166,000 acres, which is 4.6% more than the acreage on July 1 1934, but 28.6% less than the average acreage for the five-year period 1929-33 and with the exception of last year is the smallest since 1905. The report in full follows:

The acreage of cotton in cultivation in the United States on July 1 is estimated by the Crop Reporting Board to be 29,166,000 acres, which is 4.6% more than the acreage on July 1 1934, but 28.6% less than the average acreage for the five-year period 1929-33. In spite of the increase over the 1934 acreage, with the exception of last year's acreage it is the smallest since 1905.

Increases are shown for all major States except Oklahoma, ranging from 4% in North Carolina to 10% in Louisiana. A decrease of 7% is estimated for Oklahoma, due partly to unfavorable weather conditions for planting and partly to a relatively high percentage of acreage under contract with the Agricultural Adjustment Administration for the first time. In all State increases permitted producers who signed two-year acreage reduction contracts last year are partly offset by reductions made by producers offering contracts this year for the first time.

The acreage of Pima Egyptian long-staple cotton in Arizona is estimated at 33,000 acres, compared with 28,000 acres in 1934.

No report on probable production of lint will be made by the Board until Aug. 8.

**COTTON REPORT AS OF JULY 1 1935**

The Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture, from the reports and data furnished by crop correspondents, field statisticians, co-operating State Boards (or Departments) of Agriculture and Agricultural Colleges, makes the following estimate of cotton acreage in cultivation July 1 1935.

U. S. acreage in cultivation, total 29,166,000 acres.  
 U. S. acreage in cultivation compared with last year 104.6%.

State	10-Yr. Aver. Abandonment 1925-34 Percent	Area in Cultivation		
		July 1 '34 Acres	July 1 1935	
			P. C. of 1934	Acres
Virginia	1.4	59,000	98	58,000
North Carolina	1.0	961,000	104	999,000
South Carolina	1.8	1,315,000	108	1,420,000
Georgia	1.6	2,124,000	106	2,251,000
Florida	3.0	92,000	102	94,000
Missouri	2.5	319,000	102	325,000
Tennessee	2.3	748,000	105	785,000
Alabama	1.1	2,144,000	109	2,337,000
Mississippi	1.2	2,510,000	106	2,661,000
Louisiana	1.4	1,172,000	110	1,289,000
Texas	3.2	10,816,000	105	11,357,000
Oklahoma	3.5	2,943,000	93	2,737,000
Arkansas	1.9	2,190,000	107	2,343,000
New Mexico	5.7	100,000	110	110,000
Arizona x	0.5	136,000	112	152,000
California	1.6	225,000	100	225,000
All other	2.4	29,000	79	23,000
United States	2.4	27,883,000	104.6	29,166,000
Lower Calif. (Old Mexico) z	2.5	66,000	174	115,000

x Including Pima Egyptian long staple cotton estimated at 33,000 acres this year compared with 28,000 acres in cultivation July 1 1934. z Not included in California figures, nor in United States total.

**Weather Reports by Telegraph**—Reports to us by telegraph this evening indicate that temperatures in the cotton belt are being watched closely by the trade because of the possibility of their rising too high, and causing serious damage to the cotton crop. However, up to the present time, it has been conceded that the hot weather has been more beneficial than detrimental.

State	Rain	Rainfall	Thermometer			
			high	low	mean	88
Texas—Galveston	dry		high 97	low 79	mean 88	
Amarillo	dry		high 100	low 70	mean 85	
Austin	dry		high 104	low 74	mean 89	
Abilene	dry		high 104	low 72	mean 88	
Brenham	1 day	0.16 in.	high 98	low 74	mean 86	
Brownsville	dry		high 94	low 76	mean 85	
Corpus Christi	dry		high 92	low 76	mean 84	
Dallas	dry		high 104	low 76	mean 90	
Del Rio	dry		high 98	low 74	mean 87	
El Paso	1 day	0.01 in.	high 100	low 74	mean 89	
Henrietta	dry		high 104	low 74	mean 89	
Kerrville	dry		high 100	low 64	mean 82	
Lampasas	dry		high 102	low 68	mean 85	
Longview	2 days	0.64 in.	high 102	low 72	mean 87	
Luling	1 day	0.12 in.	high 102	low 72	mean 87	
Nacogdoches	dry		high 98	low 70	mean 84	
Palestine	1 day	0.38 in.	high 102	low 74	mean 86	
Paris	dry		high 102	low 72	mean 87	
San Antonio	dry		high 102	low 70	mean 86	
Taylor	dry		high 102	low 72	mean 87	
Weatherford	dry		high 102	low 74	mean 87	
Oklahoma—Oklahoma City	dry		high 100	low 68	mean 84	
Arkansas—Eldorado	dry		high 98	low 74	mean 86	
Port Smith	dry		high 100	low 74	mean 86	
Little Rock	2 days	0.30 in.	high 96	low 72	mean 84	
Pine Bluff	1 day	0.01 in.	high 96	low 70	mean 83	
Louisiana—Alexandria	dry		high 97	low 72	mean 89	
Amite	1 day	0.02 in.	high 100	low 65	mean 83	
New Orleans	dry		high 98	low 78	mean 88	
Shreveport	dry		high 101	low 75	mean 87	
Mississippi—Meridian	1 day	0.12 in.	high 96	low 68	mean 83	
Vicksburg	dry		high 97	low 71	mean 84	
Alabama—Mobile	3 days	2.05 in.	high 96	low 68	mean 82	
Birmingham	dry		high 96	low 74	mean 85	
Montgomery	2 days	0.28 in.	high 96	low 74	mean 82	
Florida—Jacksonville	5 days	2.38 in.	high 90	low 70	mean 80	
Miami	3 days	1.20 in.	high 100	low 72	mean 80	
Pensacola	2 days	0.14 in.	high 94	low 74	mean 84	
Tampa	3 days	2.70 in.	high 94	low 74	mean 84	
Georgia—Savannah	7 days	4.17 in.	high 93	low 70	mean 82	
Athens	2 days	1.27 in.	high 97	low 70	mean 84	
Atlanta	1 day	0.08 in.	high 96	low 68	mean 87	
Augusta	4 days	3.24 in.	high 94	low 70	mean 82	
Macon	2 days	0.58 in.	high 98	low 72	mean 85	
South Carolina—Charleston	6 days	6.73 in.	high 91	low 66	mean 88	
Greenwood	3 days	2.71 in.	high 97	low 68	mean 85	
Columbia	5 days	1.54 in.	high 94	low 70	mean 82	
Conway	5 days	3.31 in.	high 93	low 70	mean 87	
North Carolina—Asheville	4 days	1.30 in.	high 88	low 64	mean 76	
Charlotte	4 days	0.74 in.	high 92	low 70	mean 81	
Newbern	6 days	7.21 in.	high 93	low 69	mean 81	
Raleigh	5 days	1.54 in.	high 90	low 68	mean 79	
Weldon	4 days	3.26 in.	high 93	low 68	mean 81	
Wilmington	5 days	2.84 in.	high 84	low 72	mean 78	
Tennessee—Memphis	dry		high 94	low 70	mean 82	
Chattanooga	1 day	0.02 in.	high 96	low 68	mean 83	
Nashville	1 day	0.28 in.	high 92	low 66	mean 79	

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:

	July 12 1935	July 13 1934
	Feet	Feet
New Orleans	17.1	1.2
Memphis	24.5	3.9
Nashville	10.8	9.6
Shreveport	15.7	3.7
Vicksburg	43.3	4.0

**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 July 8, is as follows:

**TEXAS**

**West Texas**

**Abilene (Taylor County)**—No rain for several days. Weather hot, just what we need. Crops doing fine, but if we get rain in the next week am afraid the plant will grow too fast. Would rather not see any more rain for two more weeks and then get heavy rains in August.

**Big Spring (Howard County)**—The past two weeks of warm and generally dry weather have been ideal, and have enabled the farmers to get their crop up and practically all cleaned out. A great deal more chopping than usual will be necessary this year. The plant is growing rapidly and no insect damage of any kind is reported so far.

**Clarendon (Donley County)**—Parts of county needing rain, not having had any since the first of June, but other parts faring better, having had some rain in last 10 days. Crop generally growing nicely, none suffering yet. Fields in good state of cultivation. Crop has overcome some of the late start and condition better with better prospect than same time last year. With adequate rains from now on could make bumper crop.

**Floydada (Floyd County)**—The weather the past week has been ideal for growing crops and has given the farmer a chance to clean fields of weeds and grass. All replanted cotton is about up to a good stand, old cotton is growing fine, ranging in size from three to 10 inches high. The ground is getting dry. We need a good general rain, but are not suffering.

**Haskell (Haskell County)**—Past week dry and hot. Farmers have made rapid progress in cleaning out grass and weeds. This has been a real cotton growing week. No insects so far. Cotton has begun to fruit nicely. We need two more weeks of dry hot weather.

**Lubbock (Lubbock County)**—Everything looks favorable for a good crop.

**Memphis (Hall County)**—.87 to 4-inch rain in parts of this county. Heavy rains preceded by hail over a small area. From 40% to 50% damage. Cotton, in general, has made wonderful progress the past week. Some cotton as high as 16 inches and is loaded with squares. Growing conditions have been excellent all week. Rain in July and August will make a normal crop or better.

**Quanah (Hardeman County)**—Prospects continue very flattering. Crop making rapid progress and looks fine. Two more showers this month and two or three in August will make a full crop.

**Shamrock (Wheeler County)**—Some cotton was washed out in the northeast part of this county Wednesday, but most of it is being replanted. Within another week this entire territory will need a slow general rain. Weather getting hot, average maximum temperature this week 94 degrees and average minimum 69 degrees. Total rainfall first six months this year 11.89 inches compared to 16.63 for same period last year.

**Stamford (Jones County)**—Weather has been favorable for cotton this week and it has made rapid progress. There is an abundance of moisture, if there is no more rain in July, it will be favorable to cotton. Crop prospects are good.

**Sweetwater (Nolen County)**—Past week favorable for cotton crop. Cotton progressing nicely.

**North Texas**

**Clarksville (Red River County)**—We have had two weeks of real cotton weather, and the stands are looking better. 75% chopped, fruiting fair, some blooms, height from 4 to 24 inches, 10% less acreage on July 1 than year ago. No insects.

**Dallas (Dallas County)**—Weather during past week has been very favorable. The plant has progressed very rapidly and fleas are disappearing due to the dry hot weather. Cotton is fruiting well and quite a number of points have reported blooms.

**Garland (Dallas County)**—Crop in this territory is growing nicely. Some farmers are complaining of fleas, but most say plants are fruiting as well as could be expected considering lateness of crop. Fields are clean with exception of some onion cotton. A rain would be helpful.

**Greenville (Lant County)**—Crop is worked out and is growing fast. Many squares on plants. All we need is about 10 days of hot weather. Have had one light rain since last report.

**Honey Grove (Fannin County)**—Weather favorable the past week. Cotton crop making splendid progress. Farmers have hoed and plowed over their crop during week. Fields are practically clean.

**McKinney (Collin County)**—Cotton has improved wonderfully the last 10 days as the weather has been ideal. We think about 20% has reached normalcy, 40% is from 20 to 25 days late, and 40% is from 35 to 40 days late with fair to poor stands, and probably one-fourth of the fields are still grassy and in a poor state of cultivation. We have had a few complaints of weevil and fleas, but if the weather continues hot and dry we don't believe they will do any great damage.

**Paris (Lamar County)**—Crops are growing nicely and most all fields are cleaned. Cotton very small for this time of year, but another week of sunshine will give the farmers a chance to get the crops in excellent condition.

**Sherman (Grayson County)**—Cotton past two weeks has made marked progress. About 75% has been chopped and beginning to grow, looks healthy, and very few insects. Acreage about 5% less, weather ideal.

**Sulphur Springs (Hopkins County)**—Weather for the week just ending has been ideal for cotton. Plants have made excellent progress, fields are being cleaned rapidly, stands fair, much improvement shown during the past 10 days.

**Terrill (Kaufman County)**—The weather for the past week has been favorable, but alight shower in the next few days would be beneficial. Few grass and weeds, except in the bottoms, and most replanting is completed. The old cotton has stalk 10 to 12 inches, and is fruiting nicely.

**Wills Point (Van Zandt County)**—Conditions more favorable past week, with the temperature running high and no rain. Plant is now making rapid growth. Most fields are clean of weeds and grass. Some weevil and flea damage. With another week of hot and dry weather, it is possible some of the lateness can be overcome.

**Central Texas**

**Cameron (Milam County)**—Hot and dry the past week, which is very favorable. Plants are beginning to fruit more, however, fleas and boll weevil are heavy in spots.

**Cleburne (Johnson County)**—Weather has been hot and dry. Most fields are clean and practically all chopped. Crop is late, but making excellent progress. Small increase in acreage, no abandonment in this area. Some insect talk, but damage will be slight if dry weather continues.

**Glen Rose (Somervell County)**—Crop doing fine. Lots of squares and some blooms. Weather ideal past week, some complaint of insects.

**San Marcos (Hays County)**—Weather favorable except two local showers first of week. Fields are clean and plant is growing and blooming. Insects are doing some damage. Expect first bale around Aug. 20.

**Waco (McLennan County)**—In our opinion, the crops have made rapid improvement in the past 10 days, the weather being very favorable. The fields are clean with about 75% chopped and plowed out. The crops are looking much better and we need about 30 days of hot dry weather. It is not putting on much fruit on account of the fast growth, and there is some little talk of fleas and weevil.

**Waxahachie (Ellis County)**—Weather conditions during past week have been ideal and crop has made rapid progress; however, all of the growth thus far is going to the weed, there is little or no fruiting. Acreage about the same as last year. Crop looks to be from two weeks to a month late. Some fleas and cutworms reported. We need another week of hot dry weather.

**East Texas**

**Timpson (Shelby County)**—Crops are doing fine. Weather is perfect for cotton.

**Tyler (Smith County)**—Crop conditions remain much the same as last week. This territory has had a few scattered showers during the past week, not

enough rainfall, however, to keep the farmers from working. No insects have as yet been reported.

South Texas

Corpus Christi (Neuces County)—This section had scattered rains on July 4, and since clear hot weather. Leaf-worms are active and farmers busy poisoning, some the second time, and some planters using aeroplanes to dust. Cotton continues to bloom and square and this section still has chance for a fair cotton crop. Scattered ginning now in this section, and expect about 18th to 20th to be going fairly good.

Haringen (Cameron County)—Weather favorable. Crop conditions excellent. Expect fairly good movement around the 10th.

Sequin (Guadalupe County)—Crop in this county is spotted. We have had some very damaging showers during the week. Growth is average, but fruiting is poor in places. Crop will be about two weeks late. Best opinion is that this county will gather about two-thirds as much cotton as last year; however, it is too early for a very accurate estimate.

OKLAHOMA

Chickasha (Grady County)—Weather fine this past week. Most fields cleaned out and crop is doing nicely. No complaint of insects as yet. Lateness is our only drawback.

Hugo (Choctaw County)—Weather favorable past week, days hot and most nights have been warm. Cotton that is up to a stand is looking fair, stalks range from six to 18 inches, depending on richness of soil. Crop is about 30 days late. Many lower lands are still grassy and weedy. Up to 40% of river section has been abandoned.

Manum (Greer County)—Past week was one of ideal weather for cotton, as was dry and hot. Much cultivating and chopping was done and plant looks healthy. For best results we need another week of like weather, then cotton showers. Consider our prospects above normal for good yield with normal weather hence.

McAlester (Pittsburg County)—The weather has been favorable for the past 10 days. Much cultivation and chopping has been done during the past week. Stands fair to poor. Plant from four to eight inches tall. Crop three to four weeks late. Very little cotton fruiting. Some complaints of weevil. Acreage reduced about 30% due to floods and abandonment.

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Ashdown (Little River County)—Local showers this week considered beneficial, farmers busy cleaning crops. About 85% chopped. Plant is very small, some 30 to 40 days late. Stands poor, 15% under last year. Weevil and hoppers taking most all fruit.

Conway (Faulkner County)—Weather the past two weeks has been mostly favorable. Stands are good. 80% of the cotton has been chopped out. Cultivation backward. Fields still grassy, but are fast being cleaned out. We will have a 5% to 7% decrease in acreage. About 12% to 15% of the best producing acreage lost on account of overflows. Crop about three weeks late.

Little Rock (Pulaski County)—The past week was again very favorable for the cultivation and growth of cotton and a very decided improvement was noted. Light scattered showers occurred on two days of the week. Cotton is rapidly overcoming its early backwardness, with some fields near normal. Reports coming in during the week indicated that the loss by overflowing of streams was probably not over a third of early estimates. Much cotton which was under water is now green and growing nicely, and with proper cultivation will show no ill effects of flood waters. The crop is now from five to 15 days late.

A. O. Wellman, of Boston, Elected to Membership in New York Cotton Exchange—At a meeting of the Board of Managers held July 8, Arthur Ogden Wellman of Boston was elected to membership in the New York Cotton Exchange. Mr. Wellman is associated with Nicols & Co., Inc., who are wool top manufacturers.

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 4 main columns: Week Ended, Receipts at Ports (1935, 1934, 1933), Stocks at Interior Towns (1935, 1934, 1933), Receipts from Plantations (1935, 1934, 1933). Rows range from Apr to July.

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 7,243,795 bales and in 1932-33 were 8,445,139 bales. (2) That, although the receipts at the outports from the past week were 13,918 bales, the actual movement from plantations was nil bales, stock at interior towns having decreased 19,932 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 showing Cotton Takings, Week and Season for 1934-35 and 1933-34. Rows include Visible supply, American in sight, Bombay receipts, Other India ship'ts, Alexandria receipts, Other supply, Total supply, Deduct, Visible supply July 12, Total takings, Of which American, Of which other.

\* Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c. h We withhold the totals since Aug. 1 so as to allow proper adjustments at end of crop year. 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 July 11 Receipts, 1934-35, 1933-34, and 1932-33. Includes sub-tables for Exports From (Bombay, Other India) and Total all.

According to the foregoing, Bombay appears to show a decrease compared with last year in the week's receipts of 19,000 bales. Exports from all India ports record a decrease of 21,000 bales during the week, and since Aug. 1 show an increase of 224,000 bales.

Alexandria Receipts and Shipments—We now receive weekly a cable of the movements of cotton at Alexandria, Egypt. The following are the receipts and shipments for the past week and for the corresponding week of the previous two years:

Table showing Alexandria Receipts and Shipments for July 10, 1934-35, 1933-34, and 1932-33. Includes Receipts (cantars) and Exports (Bales).

Table showing Exports (Bales) for Alexandria, Egypt, July 10, 1934-35, 1933-34, and 1932-33. Includes To Liverpool, To Manchester &c, To Continent and India, To America, and Total exports.

Note—A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weigh about 750 lbs. This statement shows that the receipts for the week ended July 10 were 7,000 cantars and the foreign shipments 17,000 bales.

Manchester Market—Our report received by cable tonight from Manchester states that the market in both yarns and cloths is steady. Demand for yarn is improving. We give prices to-day below and leave those for previous weeks of this and last year for comparison:

Table showing Manchester Market prices for 1935 and 1934. Columns include 32s Cop Twist, 8 1/2 Lbs. Shrtngs, Cotton Midd'g Upl'ds, and various price points (d., s. d.).

Shipping News—As shown on a previous page, the exports of cotton from the United States the past week have reached 38,040 bales. The shipments in detail, as made up from mail and telegraphic reports, are as follows:

Table showing Shipping News details with columns for destination and Bales. Includes GALVESTON, HOUSTON, and NEW ORLEANS.

		Bales	
CORPUS CHRISTI—To Genoa—July 6—Monstella, 398	-----	398	
MOBILE—To Liverpool—June 29—Afoundria, 350	-----	350	
To Manchester—June 24—Afoundria, 500	-----	500	
To Bremen—June 25—Karpfinger, 50	-----	50	
To Genoa—June 24—Montello, 155	-----	155	
To Naples—June 24—Montello, 300	-----	300	
To Venice—June 28—Clara, 1,332	-----	1,332	
To Trieste—June 28—Clara, 700	-----	700	
To Gyria—June 25—Karpfinger, 150	-----	150	
To Gothenburg—June 25—Karpfinger, 166	-----	166	
To Japan—June 29—Snestad, 2,500	-----	2,500	
To Rotterdam—June 30—City of Almo, 100	-----	100	
LOS ANGELES—To Liverpool—July 5—Lockstrine, 126	-----	126	
To Japan—July 8—President Coolidge, 4,728	-----	4,728	
SAN FRANCISCO—To Great Britain—?	-----	238	
NORFOLK—To Bremen—July 12—Frankenwald, 197	-----	197	
Total	-----	38,040	

**Cotton Freights**—Current rates for cotton from New York, as furnished by Lambert & Barrows, Inc., are as follows, quotations being in cents per pound:

	High Density	Stand-ard	High Density	Stand-ard	High Density	Stand-ard
Liverpool	.30c.	.45c.	.50c.	.65c.	.75c.	.90c.
Manchester	.30c.	.45c.	.50c.	.65c.	.75c.	.90c.
Antwerp	.35c.	.50c.	.55c.	.70c.	.85c.	.95c.
Havre	.36c.	.51c.	.56c.	.71c.	.86c.	.96c.
Rotterdam	.35c.	.50c.	.55c.	.70c.	.85c.	.95c.
Genoa	.40c.	.55c.	.60c.	.75c.	.90c.	1.00c.
Oslo	.46c.	.61c.	.66c.	.81c.	.96c.	1.06c.
Stockholm	.42c.	.57c.	.62c.	.77c.	.92c.	1.02c.

\*Rate is open. z Only small lots.

**Liverpool**—By cable from Liverpool we have the following statement of the week's imports, stocks, &c., at that port:

	June 21	June 28	July 5	July 12
Forwarded	41,000	60,000	61,000	50,000
Total stocks	532,000	587,000	574,000	554,000
Of which American	197,000	199,000	194,000	179,000
Total imports	60,000	59,000	31,000	5,000
Of which American	4,000	3,000	2,000	1,000
Amount afloat	138,000	111,000	126,000	105,000
Of which American	46,000	30,000	27,000	25,000

The tone of the Liverpool market for spots and futures each day of the past week and the daily closing prices of spot cotton have been as follows:

Spot	Saturday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Market 12.15 P. M.	A fair business doing.	Quiet.	Quiet.	More demand.	More demand.	Good Inquiry
Mid. Upl'ds	6.90d.	6.90d.	6.92d.	6.97d.	6.98d.	6.94d.
Futures opened	Quiet, 5 to 6 pts. decline.	Quiet, 1 pt. dec. to 1 pt. advance.	Quiet, but stdy., 1 to 3 pts. adv.	Quiet but stdy., 1 to 3 pts. adv.	Quiet but stdy., 1 to 2 pts. adv.	Quiet but stdy., 1 to 3 pts. adv.
Market 4 P. M.	Quiet, 4 to 7 pts. decline.	Quiet, 1 to 2 pts. decline.	Very stdy., 8 pts. advance.	Quiet but stdy., 2 to 3 pts. adv.	Quiet, 3 to 5 pts. decline.	Steady, 3 to 4 pts. advance.

Prices of futures at Liverpool for each day are given below:

July 6 to July 12	Sat.		Mon.		Tues.		Wed.		Thurs.		Fri.	
	12.15 p. m.	12.30 p. m.	12.15 p. m.	5.45 p. m.	12.15 p. m.	4.00 p. m.	12.15 p. m.	4.00 p. m.	12.15 p. m.	4.00 p. m.	12.15 p. m.	4.00 p. m.
New Contract	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
July (1935)	6.49	6.50	6.48	6.52	6.56	6.57	6.58	6.58	6.55	6.59	6.58	6.58
August	6.39	6.39	6.38	6.42	6.46	6.49	6.49	6.45	6.45	6.48	6.48	6.48
October	6.17	6.17	6.15	6.19	6.23	6.25	6.26	6.26	6.22	6.26	6.26	6.26
December	6.07	6.07	6.06	6.10	6.14	6.17	6.17	6.13	6.13	6.17	6.17	6.17
January (1936)	6.07	6.07	6.05	6.09	6.13	6.16	6.16	6.12	6.12	6.16	6.16	6.16
March	6.06	6.05	6.04	6.08	6.12	6.15	6.15	6.15	6.11	6.15	6.14	6.14
May	6.04	6.03	6.02	6.06	6.10	6.13	6.13	6.13	6.09	6.13	6.12	6.12
July	6.01	6.01	5.99	6.03	6.07	6.10	6.10	6.05	6.05	6.09	6.09	6.09
October	5.89	5.89	5.88	5.92	5.96	5.99	5.99	5.94	5.94	5.98	5.98	5.98
December	5.86	5.86	5.85	5.89	5.93	5.96	5.96	5.91	5.91	5.95	5.95	5.95
January (1937)	5.86	5.86	5.85	5.89	5.93	5.96	5.96	5.91	5.91	5.95	5.95	5.95

**BREADSTUFFS**

Friday Night, July 12 1935

**Flour** business was routine and prices recently held steady as a result of the strength of wheat, which many had expected would decline sharply owing to the big spring wheat crop forecast by the Government.

**Wheat** prices broke to new lows for the season on the 6th inst. and at the close were off 2 1/8 to 2 3/4c. A further slump in foreign markets and favorable harvesting weather over the winter wheat belt influenced selling. Commission houses gave fair support but hedge and stop-loss selling sent prices down to new lows for the season. On the 8th inst. short covering, owing to a renewal of the black rust scare from South Dakota and stronger markets at Liverpool, Kansas City and Minneapolis, caused a rise in prices of 1 3/8 to 1 5/8c. Disappointing threshing returns from the Southwest offset increased hedging pressure. Liverpool and Winnipeg closed higher. The weather was generally favorable over the belt. On the 9th inst. prices advanced 3 3/4 to 4 1/8c. on buying stimulated by a stronger Liverpool market, continued reports of black rust infection in the Northwest, and drought in parts of Montana. The Liverpool market was stronger. Kansas City and Minneapolis were sharply higher. Southwestern reports said that new crop hard winter wheat was bringing high premiums in Kansas and Oklahoma markets, and that the peak of the new wheat movement in Oklahoma had passed. New wheat was reported to be finding a market in Texas. A wire from Aberdeen, S. Dak., said that high south winds had covered the American and Canadian Northwest with rust spores and added that the infection had increased rapidly since June 22.

On the 10th inst. prices ended irregular, 1/4c. lower to 1/2c. higher. Many were evening up for the Government report, which will be issued after the close. Winnipeg was unchanged to 1/8c. lower, and Liverpool closed 1/4 to 3/4d.

lower. Kansas City was firmer, but Minneapolis closed 3/8c. lower to 3/4c. higher. The Government put the winter wheat crop as of July 1 at 458,000,000 bushels against the average of private estimates of 451,000,000 bushels. The spring wheat crop was estimated at 272,954,000 bushels against 256,000,000 bushels the average of private estimates.

On the 11th inst. prices dropped 3c. in the early trading under a bearish interpretation of the United States and Canadian crop reports, but regained about half of this loss later, on buying orders from Kansas City, covering by early sellers, and a good demand from commission houses stimulated by unfavorable weather in the Northwest. The Kansas City buying was believed to be removal of hedges against sales of cash wheat. Heavy rains fell over a large portion of the Northwest, but favorable conditions prevailed over the winter wheat area. Winnipeg fell to the pegged levels at one time, but rallied later and ended only 1/8 to 3/8c. lower. Liverpool dropped 1 1/8 to 1 7/8d., owing to the better crop prospects in this country.

To-day prices ended 1 1/8 to 2 1/8c. lower, influenced by the weakness of Kansas City and Minneapolis markets. Liverpool cables, too, were disappointing, and the weather continued ideal for harvesting in the Southwest. Australia had welcome rains, but more is needed. There was less talk of damage by black rust. The open interest was 69,820,000 bushels.

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK**

No. 2 red	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
-----	95 3/4	96 1/2	100 1/4	100 1/4	99 7/8	97 3/4

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO**

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July	78 3/4	79 1/4	84	84 1/4	83 3/4	81 3/4
September	79 1/4	80 3/4	84 1/4	85 1/4	84 1/4	82 1/4
December	81 1/4	83 1/4	86 3/4	86 3/4	85 1/4	83 1/4

**Season's High and When Made**

Season's High and When Made	Season's Low and When Made
July-----101 1/4	Apr. 16 1934
September---102 3/4	Apr. 16 1934
December----94	May 20 1935

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN WINNIPEG**

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July	80	80	80 1/4	80 1/4	80	80
August	80	80	81	81	80 3/4	80 3/4

**Corn** showed independent strength on the 6th inst., and closed 3/8 to 1 1/8c. higher owing to short covering influenced by the strength in cash corn. Weather conditions, however, were favorable. On the 8th inst. prices closed 1/4c. lower to 1 1/8c. higher with the near months showing the most strength. Cash corn advanced 1 to 1 1/8c. and was the chief reason for the strength in nearby futures. The December delivery showed distinct weakness owing to more favorable crop reports. Recently the weather has been ideal for corn progress. Illinois reports indicated that the new crop grew no less than eight inches between July 1 and 4th under the hot, forcing weather. The plant has had plenty of moisture. On the 9th inst. prices ended 3/4 to 1 1/4c. higher in sympathy with wheat. The advance, however, was checked by selling of December induced by favorable weather conditions.

On the 10th inst. prices ended unchanged to 3/8c. lower. There was considerable pre-bureau liquidation of December. The Government estimated the crop at 2,044,601,000 bushels against 2,151,000,000 bushels the average of private reports. Crop reports were favorable.

On the 11th inst. prices ended unchanged to 5/8c. lower. Fluctuations in corn reflected the action of wheat. Spreaders were buying corn and selling wheat, but the decline was less severe, and on the set-backs good support was noted which was attributed to the tightness of the old crop position. Some thought the Government underestimated the crop. To-day prices ended unchanged to 5/8c. lower, in sympathy with wheat. The open interest at Chicago was 33,964,000 bushels.

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK**

No. 2 yellow	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
-----	98 1/2	97 1/2	98 1/4	98	97 3/4	97 3/4

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO**

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July	80	81 3/4	82 1/4	81 3/4	81 3/4	81 3/4
September	74 1/4	74 3/4	76 1/4	75 3/4	74 3/4	74 1/4
December	62 1/4	62 3/4	63 3/4	63 3/4	63 3/4	62 3/4

**Season's High and When Made**

Season's High and When Made	Season's Low and When Made
July-----90 1/4	Dec. 5 1934
September---84 1/4	Jan. 5 1935
December----65	June 6 1935

**Oats** followed wheat downward on the 6th inst. and hit new lows for the season. They ended that day unchanged to 1/4c. lower. On the 8th inst. prices ended with net gains of 1/4 to 1/2c. in sympathy with the advance in other grains. On the 9th inst. prices closed 7/8 to 1c. higher on covering of shorts influenced by the strength in wheat. Commission houses bought moderately.

On the 10th inst. prices ended 1/4 to 3/8c. lower, influenced by the weaker tone of other grain. On the 11th inst. prices ended 1/4 to 3/8c. lower, with wheat sharply off. To-day prices ended 3/8 to 5/8c. lower.

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK**

No. 2 white	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
-----	45 3/4	45 3/4	46 3/4	46 3/4	46 3/4	45 3/4

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO**

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July	32 3/4	33 1/4	34 1/4	33 3/4	33 3/4	33 1/4
September	31	31 1/4	32 1/4	32	31 3/4	31 1/4
December	33 1/4	33 3/4	34 3/4	34	33 3/4	33

**Season's High and When Made**

Season's High and When Made	Season's Low and When Made
July-----51	Dec. 5 1934
September---44 3/4	Jan. 7 1935
December----35 1/4	June 4 1935



and substantial improvement in pastures, ranges and hay crops. Livestock that was on short rations is again feeding on green pastures. Milk production per cow on July 1 was about 12% above production at that time last year, this increase much more than offsetting the decrease in cows and giving the highest total milk production for that date on record. Egg production, while still low owing to the downward trend in the number of hens, was above production on July 1 in either of the last two years, the decreases in the number of hens being more than offset by the highest July production per hen that has been reported during the 10 years of record.

Prospects for crops are very uneven. In the West, livestock is rapidly recovering and in some areas thriving; there is nearly the usual supply of water for irrigation, about the usual acreage of crops is being grown, and ranges, while needing rain in some areas, are carrying nearly the usual quantity of feed. In the northern States of the 1934 drought area, farmers, encouraged by good spring rains, have overcome the handicaps of a shortage of seed, a shortage of working capital and workstock in no condition to do a day's work. By borrowing where they could, using Government loans and seeds so far as available and keeping their tractors chugging far beyond the usual hours of labor, they and their families have planted acreages of spring wheat, oats, barley, and flax that seemed impossible three months ago. These crops started well but the wheat faces a widespread rust infection, which may or may not prove serious, depending on weather conditions during the next few weeks. Farther to the Southwest where winter wheat is the principal crop, conditions are even less favorable, for about 12,000,000 acres of the wheat was killed before the drought was broken and much of the remainder was damaged. Pastures are recovering there and spring crops have been planted but they can hardly offset the heavy loss of wheat.

The central corn belt, which last year had one of the hottest and driest planting seasons on record, has just had one of the coldest and wettest. From southern Kansas westward to Colorado and southwestward to Texas about 1,500,000 acres of crop land in the main river valleys were flooded and there have been widespread losses of crops from excessive rains and flooded creeks. In this area the too frequent rains also interfered greatly with the planting of corn and cotton. In 11 of the principal corn States, a third of the intended acreage of corn had not been planted on the first of June, and in Missouri, where planting and conditions were worse, there was still one third not planted on the first of July. In most of the corn belt, corn is late and weedy and good weather during the remainder of the season will be needed to prevent a large proportion of soft corn next fall. In some areas the inability of farmers to plant their corn in season will result in a large acreage of soybeans, sorghum and other crops that can be planted late.

With several important crops late and largely dependent on weather conditions during the remainder of the season, prospects are still very uncertain, but it now looks as though the expected good yields of oats and barley would be far more than offset by a low yield of corn, resulting in a total production of feed grains about 9% smaller than the 10-year average prior to last year. As stocks of feed grains on farms are abnormally low, the total supply is expected to be about 15% below average. However, the number of units of grain consuming livestock and poultry to be fed next winter is expected to be about 15% below the 10-year average, so present indications are that farmers can feed the usual quantity of grain per head and still have a not unusually low supply of corn and oats on hand at the end of the season. During the last 12 months the disappearance of feed grain per unit of livestock on hand has been less than three-fourths the usual quantity.

Hay crops have had good weather for growth but poor weather for harvesting. The yield per acre is expected to be heavy and the total tonnage is expected to exceed that harvested in any year since 1929 but to be less than average production prior to that year. Much of the early crop is of poor quality due to frequent rains at harvest time. As there is very little old hay on the farms and farmers will probably carry over slightly more than the usual tonnage next spring, the quantity to be fed per unit of livestock is expected to be close to the average quantity fed during the 10 years prior to 1934. Wheat production should be ample for domestic requirements with a sizable margin for export, feed and carrying over. The acreage of beans is expected to be close to the high record set in 1930. It is too early to tell definitely whether or not bean production will be proportionately large but with small stocks on hand and some possibility that the demand may be increased by the shortage of meats, the indicated supply would not appear to be unduly excessive. Potatoes and sweet potatoes have been planted on about the usual acreages and show about average promise for this time of year. The orange and grapefruit crops that will be harvested beginning next fall will be below average due to light production in the Gulf States. Strawberries are nearly average. The production of most other fruits is expected to be close to the usual average and, taken together, their production is expected to be about 22% above the low production of last year.

While prospects may be expected to change somewhat as the season advances, the present outlook is for a fairly large crop of beans and for about average supplies of other principal food crops, including cereals, fruits, and vegetables. Except in limited areas ample pastureage is available. The supplies of feed grains, hay and forage are expected to be sufficient not only to permit feeding present numbers of livestock at the usual rate but to permit some increase in the supplies carried over as a reserve against future shortage.

On the whole, it is evident that the effects of the 1934 drought are gradually disappearing. The acreage of crops harvested is expected to be only about 6% below the usual average as compared with nearly 20% below average last year. Subsoil moisture has been at least partially restored over considerable areas where the shortage last spring threatened all crops. The production of livestock because of the shortage of feed has been checked. The production of milk is already heavy. The numbers of hogs and hens should show a substantial degree of recovery by the late fall of 1935. Cattle numbers will increase more slowly and in the area chiefly affected by the drought several good years will be required to offset the financial losses of farmers during the past season.

**Corn**—The acreage of corn for harvest in 1935 is estimated at 93,590,000 acres, an increase of 6.6% over last year's harvested acres of 87,795,000. In 1934, 95,020,000 acres of corn were planted but abandonment was unusually heavy due to drought. The five-year average (1928-32) acreage harvested was 102,768,000 acres. Corn planting was delayed by wet weather over most of the corn belt. In Missouri, Kansas and Illinois considerable acreage intended for corn was never planted because of weather interference. In Missouri the 1935 corn acreage is below 1932 by nearly 2,000,000 acres, or 30.1%, in Kansas by 2,600,000 acres or 35.4%.

The July 1 condition of 67.5% reflects not only the lateness and slow development of the crop, but also the danger of low yields and poor quality should frosts occur at average dates this fall. The 10-year average (1923-32) condition on July 1 is 79.5%. Very low condition figures are reported on July 1 1935, for all of the corn belt with the exception of Ohio. The indicated yield of 21.8 bushels per acre compares with a 10-year average yield of 25.7 bushels. In the recent similarly late wet years of 1924 and 1927, the final yields per acre were 22.9 bushels and 27.2 bushels respectively.

The July 1 condition indicates a corn crop of 2,044,601,000 bushels. In 1934, 1,377,126,000 bushels were produced and the five-year average production was 2,562,147,000 bushels.

**Wheat**—Production of all wheat in the United States in 1935 is forecast at 731,045,000 bushels as compared with 496,929,000 bushels produced last year and the five-year average (1928-32) production of 860,570,000 bushels.

Winter wheat production is forecast at 458,091,000 bushels, an increase of about 17,000,000 bushels over last month's forecast. The July estimate of the acreage of winter wheat is about 3% above the May estimate because rains during May and June permitted the recovery of some acreage in the hard red winter wheat area that appeared to be dead on May 1.

Prospective yield per acre of winter wheat increased slightly during June, most of the increase taking place in the Northern Great Plains States and in the northern half of the soft wheat belt. In much of the Great Plains region, weather conditions have been unfavorable for harvesting wheat and reports indicate that a considerable proportion of the crop will be of rather poor quality.

Production of all spring wheat in 1935 is forecast at 272,954,000 bushels, as compared with last year's extremely short crop of 91,377,000 bushels and the five-year average (1928-32) of 242,384,000 bushels.

As compared with last year, when the acreage of spring wheat was held down by unfavorable weather at seeding time and further reduced by severe drought conditions during the summer, the acreage of spring wheat increased in practically every State. The acreage of all spring wheat for harvest in 1935 is estimated at 20,837,000 acres as compared with 9,281,000 acres harvested in 1934 and the five-year average (1928-32) of 20,431,000 acres.

Condition of spring wheat on July 1 1935 was reported at 85.1% of normal, indicating a yield per acre of 13.1 bushels as compared with 9.8 bushels in 1934 and the 10-year average (1923-32) of 12.4 bushels. Yields above average are indicated in all of the important spring wheat producing

States except Montana and the Pacific Northwest. The latter areas have suffered from lack of moisture. In the Dakotas and Minnesota, weather conditions prior to July 1 were characterized by below normal temperature and plentiful moisture supplies, resulting in a good growth of spring wheat. During the first part of July, conditions over much of the main spring wheat area were favorable to the development of black rust and reports indicate that a light but general infection occurred in Minnesota, South Dakota and southeastern North Dakota. The appearance of rust at this late date would not ordinarily cause alarm but this year, with the spring wheat crop 10 days to two weeks late, the possibilities of damage range from negligible if cool dry weather prevails during the next few weeks to severe if weather conditions continue favorable to the development and spread of rust. The Board, in preparing its forecast of spring wheat production has assumed that losses from rust, will be about the average of losses in other recent years when early season conditions have been similar to this year.

Production of hard red winter wheat is forecast at 219,531,000 bushels; soft red winter 188,458,000 bushels; hard red spring 206,015,000 bushels; durum 39,511,000 bushels; white wheat of both winter and spring varieties 77,530,000 bushels.

**Oats**—Prospects for oats production are a little above average. The estimated acreage of 39,530,000 acres for harvest this year is much larger than the acreage harvested last year, but is 1% below the five-year average. Sharp increases in acreage occurred this year in the entire corn belt west of Ohio, the greatest gains being in the Dakotas and Nebraska which the area lost last year was very large. The oats crop is forecast at 1,266,243,000 bushels, while much larger than the small crop of last year is only 4% above the five-year average. Indicated yields in most States of large production are fairly close to average. The indicated average yield per acre of 32 bushels for the country as a whole compared with a 10-year average (1923-32) of 30.3. Crop correspondents generally report heavy straw and expect good oats production. In some eastern corn belt States seeding was delayed and thin stands and weeds are reported from some areas. Some rust is also reported, as well as extensive lodging and some weather damage. In the northern portion of the oats producing region, cool weather and ample moisture prior to July 1 were favorable to the crop. Because of good hay prospects it is probable that less oats will be cut for hay than in recent years when hay supplies were short.

**Stocks of Grain on Farms**—Stocks of wheat on farms on July 1 1935 are estimated to have been 41,926,000 bushels, the lowest figure since 1928. Farm stocks last year amounted to 60,323,000 bushels and two years ago 82,309,000 bushels.

Stocks of corn on farms on July 1 1935 amounted to 202,459,000 bushels, the lowest in many years. On July 1 1934, stocks of corn on farms were 474,370,000 bushels and on July 1 1933, they were 630,849,000 bushels. Stocks of oats on farms on July 1 1935 were 70,492,000 bushels as compared with 107,577,000 bushels on July 1 1934 and 204,372,000 on July 1 1933.

Disappearance of these grains from farms during the quarter ended July 1 was unusually small.

**Barley**—The second largest barley crop in history was in prospect on July 1. The forecast of production this year is 316,850,000 bushels compared with 118,348,000 bushels in 1934 and a five-year (1928-32) average of 282,841,000 bushels. The crop of 1928, the largest to date, amounted to 329,625,000 bushels. The area for harvest this season is placed at 12,957,000 acres compared with only 7,095,000 acres in 1934 when drought in the principal producing States greatly reduced the acreage. Yield per acre on July 1 was forecast at 24.5 bushels, the highest since 1928 when the average yield was 25.9 bushels.

**Rye**—The acreage of rye for grain is estimated to be 3,699,000 acres, which is 90.5% above the small acreage harvested last year, and is the largest acreage for harvest since 1925. Increases are especially large in the important producing States of North and South Dakota, Minnesota, and Nebraska where sharp reductions occurred last year. All rye production in the States show acreage for more acreage than in 1934 except Washington, Colorado and some of the Atlantic Coast States. The proportion of the total seeded acreage allowed to ripen for harvest as grain is larger than usual in most States.

Production of rye is forecast at 53,141,000 bushels which is larger than the crop for any year since 1924, and nearly 3½ times the small crop of last year. The indicated yield of 14.4 bushels is the highest since 1927, and it compares with a yield of 8.3 bushels last year. In nearly all of the important States, the crop has a heavy straw but in some regions the heads are unevenly filled. Thin stands are found in some areas where heavy grazing occurred, but crop correspondents are generally expecting good yields.

**Flaxseed**—Production of flaxseed in 1935 is forecast at 14,499,000 bushels as compared with a production of 5,213,000 bushels in 1934 and the five-year average (1928-32) production of 15,961,000 bushels.

The estimated acreage of flaxseed for harvest in 1935 is 2,138,000 acres, compared with 969,000 acres harvested in 1934, when over one-third of the seeded acreage was abandoned because of drought.

The yield per acre indicated by the July 1 1935, condition of 77.2% of normal, is 6.8 bushels, as compared with the 10-year (1923-32) average yield per acre of 6.9 bushels.

In sharp contrast to recent years, when the flax crop has suffered serious losses from weather and insect damage, conditions so far this season have been generally favorable except that seeding was somewhat later than usual.

**Rice**—The rice acreage of 789,000 acres in 1935 is a small increase over the 1934 acreage of 781,000 acres. In the South (Arkansas, Louisiana, and Texas) 700,000 acres are being grown compared with 676,000 acres harvested in 1934; \$686,000 acres in 1933, and 763,000 in 1932. In Texas, acreage increased 16,000 acres over last year and in Louisiana 8,000 acres.

The California acreage decreased 16,000 acres from last year. Probable production in that State is 5,696,000 bushels, on the basis of the July 1 condition of 87%. Last year California produced 7,665,000 bushels.

Production for the United States (four States), on basis of July 1 condition of 86.1% of normal, is forecast at 37,752,000 bushels (45 pounds each), compared with 38,296,000 bushels produced in 1934; 37,058,000 bushels in 1933 and 41,250,000 bushels in 1932.

**Tobacco**—The total acreage of tobacco of 1,501,700 acres this year is about 18% more than that harvested in 1934, when the acreage devoted to this crop was the smallest since 1914, but approximately 20% less than the five-year (1928-32) average harvested acreage. In 1934, 1,270,600 acres were harvested compared with the five-year average of 1,874,500 harvested acres. The condition of the crop on July 1 indicates a total production of 1,192,626,000 pounds compared with 1,074,160,000 pounds harvested in 1934 (including 28,500,000 pounds unmarketable by contracting growers), and the five-year average of 1,432,845,000 pounds.

An increase in acreage is shown for all classes of tobacco. The most significant increase is in fire-cured with an estimate of 893,000 acres representing 30% more than the 687,200 acres harvested in 1934 but approximately 10% less than the five-year average harvested acreage. Production of fire-cured is forecast at 684,248,000 pounds, compared with 556,930,000 pounds in 1934 and the five-year average of 679,274,000 pounds.

The acreage of fire-cured is estimated at 152,700 acres, compared with 149,200 acres harvested in 1934 and the five-year average of 206,340 acres. Production of fire-cured is forecast at 123,305,000 pounds which is about 9% less than the 1934 crop, of which about 8,500,000 was not marketed.

The acreage of Burley of 314,000 acres is not materially changed from that harvested last year. In 1934, 307,300 acres were harvested and the five-year average is 433,200 acres. July 1 conditions indicate a production of 247,938,000 pounds of Burley, compared with about 252,000,000 pounds harvested last year (including about 18,000,000 pounds unmarketed), and the five-year average production of 342,542,000 pounds. The indicated acreage and production of Maryland tobacco this year is not materially different from the 1934 crop.

**Hay**—The acreage of hay for harvest in 1935 is forecast at 66,096,000 acres, an increase of 8.8% over the 60,740,000 acres harvested in 1934, and 1.5% below the five-year (1928-32) average of 67,091,000 acres. Hay acreage has tended downward irregularly since 1922 when 75,432,000 acres were harvested. Due to the widespread drought in 1934, the harvested acreage was the lowest in many years.

Most of the recovery this year from 1934 is in the prospective increase in wild hay acreage which is placed at 13,086,000 acres for harvest in 1935 compared with 8,912,000 acres harvested in 1934, and a five-year (1928-32) average of 13,366,000 acres. The acreage of tame hay is 53,010,000 acres, 2.3% more than was harvested in 1934, but less than in 1930 or any other recent year. The five-year average is 53,725,000 acres.

The prospective total hay production of 85,645,000 tons is 50% larger than the extremely small 1934 crop and also larger than any crop since 1929 when 87,304,000 tons were harvested.

The July 1 condition of 84.0% for tame hay indicates a yield of about 1.41 tons per acre and a production of 74,538,000 tons compared with 52-269,000 tons in 1934 and a five-year (1928-32) average of 69,591,000 tons.

Potatoes—Potato production based on the July 1 reports is forecast at 367,589,000 bushels, which is nearly 5% smaller than the 385,421,000 bushels harvested in 1934 but is about 1% larger than the five-year average (1928-32) production.

The 17,832,000 bushels decrease in total potato production from the crop of 1934 reflects mainly the 18,628,000 bushels decrease in the 18 surplus late States.

The July 1 forecast does not take into account possible loss from floods in New York, since no data on such possible loss were included in the Board's information.

Sweet Potatoes—The acreage of sweet potatoes is estimated at 757,000 acres, or less than 1% below the acreage harvested each year in 1934 or 1933.

The 17,832,000 bushels decrease in total potato production from the crop of 1934 reflects mainly the 18,628,000 bushels decrease in the 18 surplus late States.

Sugar Beets—Production of beets for sugar is forecast at 8,472,000 short tons, compared with 7,481,000 short tons in 1934, and an average of 8,118,000 short tons for the five years, 1928-32.

The area that will probably be harvested, 768,000 acres, is about 2,000 acres more than the estimated harvested acreage of the 1934 crop, but 7% larger than the average of 717,000 acres harvested during the five years, 1928-32.

The condition of sugar beets on July 1 was 86.4% of normal. The 10-year (1923-32) average on July 1 is 85%.

Louisiana Sugar Cane—Sugar cane acreage is estimated at 258,000 acres compared with 249,000 acres in 1934, and a five-year (1928-32) average of 186,000 acres. About 206,000 acres are expected to be used for sugar and 27,000 acres for sirup.

Pasture—Pasture conditions continued to improve during June in all parts of the country, excepting some areas where June rainfall was unusually light, chiefly the Pacific Coast States, the far Southwest and the South east of the Mississippi River.

In the Pacific Northwest and in the Southeastern States pastures were poor on July 1, this year, but they were better than usual in the important dairy area extending from Missouri, Iowa and Minnesota eastward.

General Crop Report as of July 1 1935—The Crop Reporting Board of the U. S. Department of Agriculture makes the following forecasts and estimates for the United States, from reports and data furnished by crop correspondents, field statisticians, and co-operating State Boards (or Departments) of Agriculture and Agricultural Colleges:

Table showing Crop, Condition July 1 (Average 1923-32, 1934, 1935) and Total Production in Millions (Average 1928-32, 1934, Indicated June 1 1935, July 1 1935).

WINTER WHEAT

Table showing Winter Wheat by State, Acreage (1934, 1935), Condition July 1 (Avg. '23-'32, 1935), and Production (Average 1928-32, 1934, Indicated 1935).

a Yield per acre. b Allowance made for condition at harvest in Southern States.

DURUM WHEAT

Table showing Durum Wheat by State, Acreage (1934, 1935), Condition July 1 (Avg. '23-'32, 1935), and Production (Average 1928-32, 1934, Indicated 1935).

SPRING WHEAT (OTHER THAN DURUM)

Table showing Spring Wheat (Other than Durum) by State, Acreage (1934, 1935), Condition July 1 (Avg. '23-'32, 1935), and Production (Average 1928-32, 1934, Indicated 1935).

a Short-time average. b Yield per acre.

GRAIN STOCKS ON FARMS ON JULY 1

Table showing Grain Stocks on Farms on July 1 by Crop (Corn, Wheat, Oats), Acreage (1932, 1933, 1934, 1935), and Production (Per Cent, 1,000 Bush.).

a Excludes sweet clover and lespedeza. (Minor States excluded.) b Grown alone for all purposes. c "Planted" acreage. d Per cent of previous year's crop. Data based on corn for grain.

WHEAT, BY CLASSES

Table with columns: Year, Winter (Hard Red, Soft Red), Spring (Hard Red, Durum), White (Winter and Spring), Total. Rows include years 1929-1935 with production figures in thousands of bushels.

a Indicated July 1 1935.

CORN

Table with columns: State, Acreage (1934, 1935), Condition (Avg. '23-'32, 1935), Production (Average 1928-32, 1934, Indicated 1935). Rows list various states and the United States total.

OATS

Table with columns: State, Acreage (1934, 1935), Condition (Avg. '23-'32, 1935), Production (Average 1928-32, 1934, Indicated 1935). Rows list various states and the United States total.

a Yield per acre. b Allowance made for condition at harvest in Southern States.

Foreign wheat production in the Northern Hemisphere countries outside of Russia and China may be about 117,000,000 bushels or 5% greater than in the past season.

The wheat crop in the Prairie Provinces, Canada, made good progress during the latter half of June. Drought areas are limited. The most variable conditions now exist in Alberta where drought is an important factor in the South whereas excessive moisture is reported from the North.

Crop prospects in Europe improved definitely during June and a harvest somewhat above last year and above the average for 1929-1933 is now indicated. This would be the second largest crop for Europe, excluding Russia, since the war, being exceeded only by the record crop of 1933.

Table titled 'WHEAT—PRODUCTION, 1932-1935' showing production in bushels for United States, Canada, Europe, North Africa, and Asia for the years 1932, 1933, 1934, and 1935.

Barley—The area sown to barley for the 1935 harvest in 20 foreign countries reported to date is 2% above the acreage in the same countries in 1934.

Oats—The 1935 area sown to oats in 16 foreign countries is more than 1% below that of 1934 in the same countries. The estimate of production in Spain for 1935 shows a large decrease.

Corn—The four European countries which have reported corn acreage in 1935 show a net decrease of about 3% from that of the same countries in 1934.

Table titled 'FEED GRAINS—ACREAGE, ANNUAL 1932-1935' showing acreage in acres for Barley, Oats, and Corn in various countries for the years 1932, 1933, 1934, and 1935.

Table titled 'Weather Report for the Week Ended July 10' showing weather statistics for various regions and countries, including temperature and rainfall data.

The week had above normal temperatures rather generally east of the Rocky Mountains, but cool weather prevailed in the more Western States. Temperatures were especially high in the Great Plains and the west Gulf area, with the maxima reaching 100 degrees in much of Texas.

Chart I shows that the temperature averaged slightly below normal along most of the Atlantic seaboard, and much below normal in the far Western States. The extreme South had near normal warmth, but the weekly mean temperatures in most interior sections were decidedly above normal.

The table on page 3 shows that rainfall was substantial to heavy in nearly all districts from the Appalachian Mountains eastward and north-eastward. Many stations in this area reported from 1 to 2 inches or more. A few localities had excessive rains, among the largest weekly totals being that for Wytheville, Va., 4.8 inches; Elkins, W. Va., 6.3 inches, and Ithaca, N. Y., more than 9 inches.

Foreign Crop Prospects—The latest available information pertaining to cereal crops in foreign countries, as reported by the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics to the United States Department of Agriculture at Washington, and given out on July 10, is as follows:



## DRY GOODS TRADE

New York, Friday Night, July 12 1935

Continued hot weather in many sections of the country stimulated retail trade during the past week. In the metropolitan area the persistent firmness of the security markets was a contributing factor in spurring sales. Consumer buying of seasonal goods such as sportswear, accessories, beach articles, &c., was very active, and estimated gains in the volume of sales for the local district ran as high as 18%, while some other localities reported increases up to 50%. Although opinions of retailers differ as to the permanent character of the present spurt, it is predicted that numerous special sales promotions scheduled for the current month, particularly in low-prices apparel lines, will help to keep up the volume of sales. Sales of department stores for the month of June, according to the usual compilation of the Federal Reserve Board, gained 4% over June 1934, although in most cities the month had one less business day this year than last year. Best results were shown in the San Francisco District with a gain of 12%, while the Boston District disclosed the least favorable results, with a loss of 2%. The New York District recorded a gain of 1%.

Trading in the wholesale dry goods markets, following the National holiday, picked up appreciably with interest of buyers centered in the new fall apparel lines. Inasmuch as fall requirements of retailers as well as wholesalers are still largely uncovered, owing to the recent protracted lull in buying, fears have become widely spread that difficulties will be encountered in obtaining prompt deliveries of wanted merchandise. Prices in general continue to hold well, with indications that a stiffening of quotations in some lines may develop, as and when the expected rush for goods begins to materialize. Business in silk greige goods was a trifle better and some fall contracts for pure dye numbers were received. In line with higher raw silk quotations, prices stiffened appreciably. Finished goods continued quiet, with printed satins and cantons moving in moderate volume. While trading in rayon yarns was affected by talk of the possible imposition of a processing tax, shipment on old orders held up quite well, with indications that total July shipments may exceed the output for this month. Since the renewed injection of the question of a processing tax, little is heard of the previous rumors concerning a moderate advance in the price of weaving counts, although the imposition of a tax would, of course, result in a corresponding advance in quotations.

**Domestic Cotton Goods**—Trading in print cloths was temporarily more active, as sellers showed increasing willingness to grant appreciable price concessions. The easier tone of the raw cotton market following its recent steadier trend also was instrumental in making mills accede to the pressure of buyers for concessions. While earlier in the week rumors continued to circulate that the Government would continue the 12 cent loan policy, a later statement by the President revealed that no decision has been arrived at. As to the size of the accumulated stocks, although recent curtailments in output may have held these stocks down, the long lull in buying undoubtedly resulted in large increases in surplus stocks, estimated in some quarters at between 200,000,000 and 250,000,000 yards. As against these accumulations, however, little doubt is held that, conversely, buyers' own stocks have generally reached a very low point. Business in fine goods experienced a slight improvement, with a fair amount of staple fine yarn cloths being taken out of the market at full asking prices. Shirtings continued to move in moderate volume and some inquiry developed for sheer goods and lawns. Closing prices in print cloths were as follows: 39-inch 80s, 8½¢; 39-inch 72-76s, 8¢; 39-inch 68-72s, 6½¢; 38½-inch 64-60s, 5½ to 6¢; 38½-inch 60-48s, 5¼¢.

**Woolen Goods**—Trading in men's wear fabrics continued in its previous lull but prices held steady, reflecting the fact that mills remain busy on existing contracts as well as the expectation that the pending large Government orders for blankets and overcoatings will serve to take up the present slack in new orders by cutters. Rumors were in circulation that next year's lines of tropical worsteds and flannels scheduled to be opened within the near future would show moderate increases in prices. Reports from retail clothing centers, while commenting on the present seasonal slowness in sales, nevertheless stressed the good consumer demand for hot weather lines, such as sportswear, swim suits, &c. Trading in women's wear fabrics continued its recent improvement, with substantial orders being received for August and September deliveries, and with the new fall lines meeting with a good response on the part of retailers.

**Foreign Dry Goods**—A moderate amount of orders on dress linens and suitings continued to reach the market, and prices held steady, in line with the persistent strength in the foreign primary centers. No indications of a revival in household linens have appeared as yet. Under the influence of slightly easier Calcutta cables, burlap prices ruled a trifle lower. Inquiries were more numerous than heretofore, but actual business was confined to small lots. Domestically lightweights were quoted at 4.75¢; heavies at 6.25¢.

favorable features may be noted the mostly fair weather, with a high percentage of sunshine, over the interior valleys where there has been too much rain for a long time; this permitted much-needed cultivation in many fields that had become very weedy, though some localities continued too wet for active field work. Also generous rains occurred in the south-eastern dry area, though in some Piedmont localities of the Carolinas the amounts were light and insufficient; more rain is needed generally in the Southeast, especially for replenishing the subsoil. In the northern Plains, especially in North Dakota, timely general rains relieved the moisture situation that had caused apprehension.

West of the Great Plains the continued lack of rainfall is being rather seriously felt in several States. Southwestern Kansas, the Panhandle of Oklahoma, and some adjoining sections are now needing moisture badly, while the accumulated deficiencies in rainfall are becoming progressively apparent on vegetation in most States west of the Rocky Mountains. In Montana light to moderate showers brought temporary relief, but crops and vegetation, in general, are being adversely affected by dryness, especially in the north.

**Small Grains**—The week was mostly favorable for harvesting winter wheat, though there was some delay by rains in a few localities. Harvest is in progress as far north as Pennsylvania, the northern portions of Ohio and Indiana, extreme southeastern Iowa and eastern Nebraska. In more southern sections threshing is advancing, under mostly favorable conditions. Recent dry weather has been unfavorable for winter grains in Montana, the yields are reported as somewhat disappointing in California.

In the spring wheat belt the weather continued favorable in the central and eastern portions, with timely rains in North Dakota especially helpful. Some lodging is reported from Minnesota, and more moisture is needed for proper filling in western South Dakota. In Montana showers during the week relieved much of the dry-land grain that was burning, but the amounts were sufficient to give only temporary help. Additional moisture was beneficial in Washington, though some districts are still too dry there as well as in Oregon.

With ample moisture, progress of oats and other small grains continued satisfactory in the Central and Eastern portions of the country. Flax is making excellent growth in the northern Great Plains, while rice is doing well in Louisiana.

High temperatures and considerable sunshine made the best corn week of the season so far. Much delayed cultivation was possible, although some areas of the interior valleys continued too wet for field work, with complaint of weediness. A little additional corn was planted in Missouri, but about 40% of the normal acreage in that State has not been seeded; much is being planted to forage crops. In the Great Plains States the weather was mostly ideal for corn, and growth was unusually rapid; some fields as far north as South Dakota are reported as hip high.

In Minnesota the outlook has improved materially. In Iowa the warm, sunny weather, with less rain, promoted rapid growth in most of the State, especially in those sections where sufficient cultivation to keep weeds in check has been possible. The crop now averages 10 days late, and its condition in southern counties continues poor because of drowning or choking by weeds.

**Cotton**—In the cotton belt the temperature for the week averaged somewhat above normal with light to moderate precipitation in central and eastern portions, and a practically rainless week in the west, the weather was generally favorable.

In Texas cotton shows general improvement, and its condition is now mostly good, though locally only fair in some northern sections and it is generally rather late. In Oklahoma warm, sunny weather favored rapid growth and facilitated cultivation. While the weekly progress was very good in the eastern portion of the State the general condition is still rather poor and plants small.

In the central States of the belt temperature and moisture conditions were favorable, especially in some heretofore persistently wet sections of the north. In the eastern States timely rains brought improvement in the general situation though in some Piedmont sections of the Carolinas the amounts were light and insufficient.

The Weather Bureau furnished the following resume of conditions in the different States:

**Virginia**—Richmond: Temperatures near normal; showers light to heavy. Moderately favorable for growth and work. Rains delayed haying and harvesting in some localities; latter near completion. Meadows and pastures burning and other crops deteriorating in sections of north; good elsewhere. Cotton subnormal and corn uneven, but mostly good. Peanuts and sweet potatoes fair. Tobacco being laid by; lower leaves yellowing due to dryness. Most southeast truck good.

**North Carolina**—Raleigh: Good rains on several days helped corn, tobacco, truck, cotton, and other crops, though some parts of Piedmont had little rain and need more. Progress of cotton generally good. Dry, hot period latter part of June damaged some early corn and impaired quality and quantity of considerable early tobacco, but recent rains and moderate temperatures improved most late crops.

**South Carolina**—Columbia: Seasonable temperatures and general moderate to heavy rains favored greatly renewed crop growth and development, but considerable early corn, truck, and gardens severely damaged account previous dryness. Late corn, forage, and pastures reviving and stubble land seeded. Tobacco growth improved. Cotton blooming and setting bolls; progress and growth good, though some plants small.

**Georgia**—Atlanta: Seasonable temperatures in south to warm in north. Moderate to excessive rains in most places, but still dry in east-central. Cotton very good progress and condition good, though rather small and late in north. Corn where young very good progress after rains and the effect on other crops similar.

**Florida**—Jacksonville: Condition and progress of cotton fairly good; blooming continues, bolls forming, and some opening. Corn good and mostly matured. Some preparing ground for fall crops; celery seed beds being started. Citrus improved; scattered late bloom.

**Alabama**—Montgomery: Light to locally heavy showers, but mostly moderate. Cotton progress very good; condition in middle and south generally good and in north fair to good; locally small, but fruiting mostly very well. Corn improved, except in a few dry spots and condition good. Sweet potatoes generally good; vegetables fair to good and plentiful. Pastures and cattle good.

**Mississippi**—Vicksburg: Progress of cotton fair to good; blooming freely throughout, with weevil depredations somewhat checked by weather. Progress of corn poor to fair and needing rain in numerous localities. Progress of gardens, pastures, and truck irregular.

**Louisiana**—New Orleans: Light to moderate rains in most sections at beginning, followed by warm, dry weather mostly favorable, though some truck needs moisture. Progress and condition of cotton mostly good; blooming and setting bolls generally. Progress and condition of corn fair to very good; early hardening in extreme south. Rice, sugar cane, sweet potatoes, and pastures doing well.

**Texas**—Houston: Temperatures averaged normal to somewhat warm light, widely scattered showers. Cotton improved during week and condition now generally good, though locally only fair in some northern sections; crop, as a whole, rather late. Condition of wheat, oats, and minor grains only poor to fairly good; harvesting and threshing progressed rapidly. Corn mostly good to excellent condition; crop practically made. Truck, ranges, and cattle averaged generally good.

**Oklahoma**—Oklahoma City: Very favorable week for growth and cultivation. Harvest of oats and winter wheat nearing completion; threshing in full swing. Progress of cotton mostly very good, but condition still poor and plants small in east, but fair to good elsewhere; fields mostly clean. Progress of corn fair; condition fair, except poor in east; some planted on lowlands in east. Broomcorn heading nicely.

**Arkansas**—Little Rock: Progress of cotton good to excellent due to favorable weather, except in a few localities where heavy rains; fields being cleaned and cultivated rapidly; crop growing very rapidly. Progress of corn fair to very good and being cultivated; earing rapidly in south and tasseling in north; much late being planted. Very favorable for growth of all other crops.

**Tennessee**—Nashville: Threshing grains made good progress; condition of wheat fair. Cotton rather poor to fair in west and fairly good in central and east; some three weeks behind and some fields grassy in west. Progress and condition of corn very good, except condition poor in some western areas; size varies widely and planting continues. Alfalfa, clover, and other hay excellent.

**Kentucky**—Louisville: Irregular, light to heavy showers, in central and east, mainly beneficial on uplands aiding cultivation, but too much in places interfered with haying and threshing; otherwise week mostly favorable. General improvement in growth and state of cultivation. Progress and condition of corn fair to poor; marked improvement, but extremely variable in size; planting continued on bottoms in west.

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### NEWS ITEMS

**Alabama.—Revenue Bill Passed by Legislature**—A general tax bill which is estimated to yield about \$24,000,000 annually, was passed recently by the Legislature and forwarded to Governor Graves for his signature, according to Montgomery news reports. Amendments to objectionable features of the revenue bill are said to be planned by the Legislature.

In connection with this report we quote in part as follows from a Montgomery dispatch of July 3:

With House insurgents placated at a conference with Governor Graves, the general revenue bill, drawn to bring in at least \$24,000,000 a year, cleared the last obstacle in its path toward enactment Wednesday afternoon when the House accepted the Conference Committee's report and passed the amended bill.

By a vote of 79 to 14 the House, following a brief speech by Representative Sparks, Barbour, insurgent leader, in which he urged acceptance of the Conference Committee's report, concurred in the conference report and re-passed the bill in its amended form by virtually the same count.

Representative Sparks told the House that he had attended a conference in the Governor's office, along with a number of other legislators, a few minutes previously, in which it had been agreed by the Governor that he would sign any bills later on in the session to correct any defect in the bill.

This understanding, Representative Sparks said, was satisfactory to those who otherwise would have fought adoption of the Conference Committee report, and then adoption of the Conference Committee report was strongly advised by Mr. Sparks, although he told the House that he would himself vote against the passage of the bill.

**California—Voters to Pass on Authority to Issue Tax Anticipation Obligations**—The "Wall Street Journal" of July 9 carried a San Francisco dispatch dealing with the special election to be held Aug. 13, at which time the voters will pass on a proposal to give the State authority to issue short-term tax anticipation notes, instead of registering warrants in lieu of cash, which is the present practice. We quote in part as follows from the news report:

A matter of vital importance to the financial operations of the State of California will be decided by the people at a special election to be held Aug. 13.

The question to be settled is whether the State must continue the expensive practice of registering warrants in lieu of cash, or whether it will be authorized to issue short-term notes in anticipation of tax payments to fund the present deficit.

At the same election the voters will be asked to approve a bond issue of \$13,950,000, proceeds from which would be used for permanent improvements to State institutions and State administrative buildings in Sacramento and Los Angeles.

During the last two years the cash shortage of the State's general fund has been met by borrowing cash from other funds and by issuing registered warrants bearing interest at the rate of 5%. As of June 30 1934 the total of warrants outstanding had reached \$17,585,904 and at present the aggregate exceeds \$32,000,000.

Since the new tax measures recently enacted by the Legislature cannot accrue cash to the treasury for some time, it is estimated by State officials that no appreciable reduction in the outstanding amount of warrants can be made for a year or more. Meanwhile cash will be required to carry on the usual functions of the State Government.

The State Constitution has never contained a provision allowing the sale of tax anticipation notes, and it is this condition which is sought to be changed.

**High Point, N. C.—Debt Readjustment Plan Declared Operative**—It was announced on July 11 that the plan of readjustment of the debt of the above city has been declared operative. It is said to have been agreed to by creditors representing more than 94% of the principal amount of debt affected by the plan. The new securities will be ready for delivery before Aug. 1, according to the statement.

In connection with the above report the "Wall Street Journal" of July 11 had the following to say:

Having received agreements from more than 94% of the creditors affected, the City of High Point, N. C., has declared operative the plan of debt readjustment and expects to have new securities, to be issued under the plan, ready for delivery before Aug. 1. The plan affects all outstanding bonds and notes of the city, matured or maturing, before July 1 1938, with the exception of electric light bonds. It also affects the 10 earliest unpaid maturing coupons of bonds due on or after July 1 1938, excepting electric light bonds.

The depositaries, which include the State Treasurer of North Carolina, the Irving Trust Co. of New York and Wachovia Bank & Trust Co. of High Point, will not issue deposit receipts after Aug. 1. Creditors desiring to assent to the plan after that date are asked to communicate with E. M. Knox, City Manager.

Holders who have not yet deposited their securities are asked by city officials to take advantage of the plan in order to receive payment of past due interest.

**Louisiana—Senator Long Made Tax Dictator of State**—A resolution was adopted by the State Legislature in the closing hours of its brief session which will give the State Board of Liquidation, understood to be under the jurisdiction of Senator Huey P. Long, the power to rededicate State levies regardless of purpose, according to an Associated Press dispatch from Baton Rouge on July 7, from which we quote in part as follows:

A resolution interpreted by an opponent as giving Senator Huey P. Long power to expend any State fund for any purpose was adopted concurrently

by the Louisiana Legislature to-night as it pushed Long's latest list of "dictator" laws for final passage after midnight.

The Senate also amended a bill for control of the State's school teachers by giving the State Budget Committee the power to dismiss any instructor at any time.

Before the Senate concurred in the resolution, Senator Clement Moss of Lake Charles took the floor to declare that under it the "Board of Liquidation can meet to-morrow and set aside every dedication of taxes made in this State." Long controls the Board of Liquidation.

#### Terms of Resolution

"The Board would only act to protect the faith and credit of the State," replied Senator Harvey Peltier of Thibodaux, administration floor leader. The resolution was adopted, 27 to 7, by the Senate after an overwhelming House vote.

The resolution declares that the State Board of Liquidation, because of the "postponement of taxes, the unavoidable delay in the assessment of property, or for the protection of the faith and credit of the State" may suspend the provisions of any law of this State providing for the appropriation, deposit, expenditure or dedication of public funds.

The resolution also provides for suspension of laws dedicating funds if there "is any excess in any such appropriation or dedication," or in case of "unexpected revenue."

"Any finding of fact by the Board of Liquidation in proceedings under this Act shall be conclusive," the resolution stated.

#### Senator Makes Objection

The action came a few hours before the sixth extraordinary session of the last 12 months was scheduled to adjourn sine die, and topped off the most far-reaching legislative program yet devised by the Louisiana "dictator."

In connection with the above account we take the following brief report from a lengthy Baton Rouge dispatch to the New Orleans "Times Picayune" of July 9:

Given absolute domination of every appointive parish and city job in the State, including school teachers, and authority to shift State funds by the five-day extra session of the Legislature that adjourned early this morning, Senator Huey P. Long indicated that he will remain in Louisiana for a few days to consolidate his gains.

All of the 25 bills passed by the Senate in 50 minutes at its post-midnight session were signed by Governor O. K. Allen this afternoon and numbered by the Secretary of State. They become operative at noon Sunday, July 28.

Empowered to control the appointment of every employee of the City Government of New Orleans, except the Mayor and four members of the Commission Council, who are elective officers, Senator Long is expected to confer with his ward leaders and Dr. Joseph A. O'Hara, leader of his city organization, in the near future to work out a program of action.

**New Jersey—Court Reserves Decision in Sales Tax Injunction Suit**—A special news report from Trenton to the New York "Herald Tribune" of July 10 commented as follows on the postponement of decision by the Vice Chancellor on a suit to enjoin the collection of the recently enacted 2% State sales tax:

After several hours of argument, Vice Chancellor Malcolm G. Buchanan reserved decision to-day on a petition to restrain J. H. Thayer Martin, State Tax Commissioner, from collecting New Jersey's 2% sales tax and also on a motion by the State to dismiss the action for lack of jurisdiction.

The petitioner in the suit is John W. Schlegel, Trenton market proprietor, who charges that the law infringes both the Federal and the State Constitutions. Another suit to have the law set aside as unconstitutional is pending in the Supreme Court, having been filed by Charles W. Conrad, of Paulsboro, a member of the Gloucester Retail Merchants' League, in Supreme Court will be heard on Aug. 9.

Counsel for Mr. Schlegel based his application for a restraint upon nine contentions. He maintained that the Act imposed a tax on tangible property sold at retail and not a tax on business, as the State contended; that the law, by reason of exemptions, was not uniformly applied; that legislative and judicial powers had been delegated unlawfully to the State Tax Commissioner, and that the title of the Act was defective in that it failed to set forth the contents.

The State's argument was presented by John Solan, Assistant Attorney-General, who held that a question of equity was not involved, because no evidence had been offered to show that the petitioner had suffered irreparable injury and that, in the past, the Court of Chancery had refrained from passing upon the constitutionality of acts when the question did not exist.

Mr. Solan insisted that the tax was essentially a business tax and therefore did not conflict with the property tax laws, that the Legislature acted within its powers in granting exemptions and also in conferring enforcement authority upon the State Tax Commissioner. Arguments involving the title, he said, were irrelevant in view of the fact that the courts have held that the title of a law was nothing more than a label and need not be a complete index of its contents.

**New York City—Court of Appeals Upholds Utility Tax for Job Relief**—The New York City utility tax, levied for unemployment relief, was unanimously upheld on July 11 by the Court of Appeals in the New York Steam Corp. case and the 2% sales tax in the New York Telephone Co. case. In another decision affecting utilities the Court unanimously upheld the law requiring public service corporations to pay the costs of rate investigations conducted by the Public Service Commission. In the Steam and Telephone company cases lower court decisions upholding the constitutionality of the city utility tax were sustained. The steam corporation began its suit in October 1934 attacking the constitutionality of the Buckley Act, passed by the Legislature that year, imposing a 1½% tax on the gross monthly income of public utilities for relief purposes. The Buckley Act has since been extended to Dec. 31 1935.

In the Telephone company case the 2% sales tax on services of public utility corporations was also attacked on constitutional grounds. The Court of Appeals decided the Telephone company case on the authority of its decision in the Steam case, without a separate opinion.

**New York State—Attorney General Gives Ruling on Non-Callable Bonds**—An Albany dispatch to the New York "Herald Tribune" of July 4 reported as follows on the opinion given the previous day to the effect that the State cannot call its non-callable bonds for the purpose of refunding at a lower interest rate before maturity:

Attorney General John J. Bennett, Jr., held to-day in a formal opinion that New York State cannot call its non-callable high interest rate bonds for refunding purposes prior to maturity, and that to do so would be unconstitutional.

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The opinion was given at the request of H. D. Yates, Deputy State Comptroller, who referred to an opinion of the Attorney General of Missouri holding that that State could call its long-term high interest rate bonds in advance of maturity for refunding at low interest rate.

"There is no statute of this State (New York) which authorizes such action," Mr. Bennett wrote, "and any statute which should purport to do so would, in my opinion, violate the provision of Section 10 of Article 1 of the Constitution of the United States, which provides that no State shall pass any law impairing the obligation of contract."

"The opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Missouri holding that that State could call its long-term high interest rate bonds in advance of maturity and refund them through the sale of new low interest rate refunding bonds, to which you refer, was based upon a statute of that State which was enacted prior to the sale of the bonds in question, and the Attorney General held that the statute became a part of the contract between the State and the bondholders and rendered them callable, even though no provision for their call was contained in the bonds themselves."

**Ohio—Financial Crisis Threatened as Supreme Court Bars Fund Transfers**—An Associated Press dispatch from Columbus reported as follows to the New York "Herald Tribune" of July 11, regarding the effects of a State Supreme Court decision handed down the previous day in which it held illegal the transference of monies from one State fund to another in order to balance accounts:

Financial collapse of the State Government was threatened to-day by a decision of the Ohio Supreme Court. The Court ruled that the State Board of Control lacked power to transfer funds from one account to another to absorb Governor Martin L. Davey's veto cuts.

The Court decision means:

Most of the State's departments and institutions are without funds for postage, telephone and telegraph bills.

Ohio State University is deprived of money to buy coal or other fuel next year.

No funds will be available to purchase clothing for convicts and inmates of the State's welfare institutions.

Relief can be obtained only by special session of the Legislature.

Governor Davey's misconception of his veto powers was blamed by high State officials for the serious situation confronting Ohio's government. It was pointed out the Governor had neglected to consult the Attorney-General in vetoing items in the general appropriation bill.

In vetoing appropriations totaling \$8,800,000 Mr. Davey had proceeded on the theory that funds appropriated for the same departments could be reallocated by the State Board of Control so no essential functions of the State would be impaired.

The Court held that the sole question was the power of the Control Board to transfer money from items left in the appropriation bill to those vetoed out by the Governor.

The ruling stipulated that the veto of the Governor "entirely and absolutely removed" the items stricken out by him in his \$8,800,000 slash.

The decision further held the clause of the Appropriations Act, which gave the Control Board power to transfer to new classifications items in cases where proper code items were not provided by the Legislature, had no application.

The Court gave its decision on demurrers filed by Attorney-General John W. Bricker and State Auditor Joseph Tracy to a mandamus action brought by the Public Utilities Commission.

The Commission sought to compel Mr. Bricker and Mr. Tracy, both members of the Control Board, to vote on the transfer of \$500 from a salary item to a printing and binding item which had been knocked out of the Public Utilities Commission appropriation by the Governor's veto. In effect, the Supreme Court decision held that any transfer by the Board of Control to an item vetoed out of the appropriations bill by the Governor would constitute a legislative function.

The Constitution specifically limits the right to override a gubernatorial veto to the General Assembly, where a three-fifths vote would be necessary. The decision was concurred in by the entire Court of seven judges.

**Ohio—Court Approves Refunding Outside 10-Mill Limit**—

The city of Wellston has won a case before the Ohio Supreme Court to permit it to refund existing bonds without considering the 10-mill limitation, and thereby set precedent in the State for liberalization of the refunding bonds.

A decision was handed down by the Supreme Court holding that existing bonds can be refunded by a political subdivision without considering the limitation, provided the bonds had been issued prior to the adoption of the constitutional amendment.

The Wellston City Council recently passed an ordinance to refund certain street improvement bonds which were issued on special assessments. The bonds had become delinquent and it was the desire of the city to issue refunding bonds to strengthen the credit of the city and provide for eventual payment of the obligation.

When the time came for issuing the bonds, the city officials were told that unless the question of whether the bonds could be issued outside the 10-mill limitation was taken up and settled, the legality of the refunding bonds would always be in question.

**Parma, Ohio—Payment of Assessment Liens with Bonds Held Illegal**—

Federal Judge Paul Jones on July 2 ruled that the State law which authorizes the use of special assessment bonds in payment of special assessments was in violation of the United States Constitution clause providing for the sanctity of contracts and issued a permanent injunction restraining Cuyahoga County Treasurer John J. Boyle from accepting assessment bonds issued by the city in payment of the taxes which were levied for the purpose of providing for redemption of the bonds. The legislation involved in the matter is Statute No. 60, passed by the State Legislature on Dec. 12 1934 and effective 90 days thereafter. The constitutionality of the measure was attacked by the Norfolk & Western Railway Co., holder of defaulted city issues, and counsel for the complainant was Squire, Sanders & Dempsey of Cleveland. In connection with the ruling, we quote from the Cleveland "Plain Dealer" of July 3 as follows:

The ruling was handed down on the plea of the Norfolk & Western Railroad, the road having argued it expected to be "left holding the bag" if the Ohio law operated. It was said the railroad had Parma special assessment bonds to the value of \$114,001.87, and that the City of Parma was \$23,001.87 in default on the principal and was in arrears from Oct. 1 1934, on interest. The road's plea said that Parma had bonds totaling \$4,167,567.87 outstanding against the anticipated collection of special assessments. Of this, \$1,104,008 is against past due and unpaid special assessments, the road asserted.

The court indicated its opinion that the law gave a bargain rate to assessed taxpayers for settling their accounts with the county, but deprived bondholders who were not taxpayers in the county involved of some of the basic rights in the security behind the bond.

"The non-taxpaying bond holder has the right (among others) to the means of enforcement which are implicit in the receipt and application of money for the payment of special assessments," the decision read.

Ohio's legislation "lessens the efficacy of these means and to that extent impairs the obligations of these bonds," the ruling declared.

Improving the market for a fixed obligation does not fulfill or discharge it, it was said. Security of the bonds has not been improved by the demand of special taxpayers for the bonds with which to pay special taxes at a discount, the order said.

**Pennsylvania—Charter Referendum Bill Signed**—An Associated Press dispatch from Harrisburg on July 8 reported as follows on the Governor's approval, with reservations, of a bill providing for a referendum on a new State constitution:

Governor Earle signed a bill to-night giving Pennsylvania voters an opportunity to decide whether they want a new Constitution, but at the same time sharply criticized the Republican State Senate for changes made in the measure.

"I have signed it simply because it was somewhat better than no bill at all," the Governor said.

The bill provides for a referendum at the September primary on the question of a new charter. If the voters favor modernization of the Constitution, delegates would be elected at the November election. The convention would be held in Harrisburg Dec. 1 and the draft of the new Constitution submitted to the voters at next April's primary. If approved, it would become effective June 1 1936.

The bill gives the delegates power to rewrite the whole Constitution, dealing with such matters as the tax structure, the courts and Legislature.

**Tax Anticipation Act Upheld**—The \$50,000,000 Tax Anticipation Act approved recently by the Legislature was held constitutional on June 29 by the State Supreme Court, according to advices from Philadelphia. Upholding of the Tax Anticipation Act, which permits the Commonwealth to borrow up to \$50,000,000 for current expenses in anticipation of tax revenue of the current biennium, is said to assure clear financial sailing for the administration until May 31 1937, which will be the half-way mark in its term.

(This subject is treated in greater detail on a subsequent page of this section.)

**United States—National Survey Shows Increase in Debts of Cities**—

Debt structure of cities in the United States enlarged in 1934, according to a survey of 217 municipalities of 30,000 population or over, made for the National Municipal League by C. E. Righter, of Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. Between Jan. 1 1934, and Jan. 1 1935, the total debt of these cities increased from \$7,682,440,000 to \$7,774,861,000 or by \$92,421,000 the survey shows. At the same time 12 Canadian cities reduced their debt by \$7,527,000.

The returns, however, disclosed that while the total debt increased more cities reduced their budgets than increased them. A total of 118 cities showed contractions, while 99 expanded debt. Atlantic City was at the high with a per capita debt of \$377.13, while Springfield, Ill., was at the low with a per capita debt of \$4.52. Washington has no funded debt and was excluded from the computations.

Classified according to population the per capita spread is from \$84.14 for St. Louis to \$205.44 for Philadelphia, in cities of 500,000 and over; from \$67.80 for Seattle to \$194.27 for Newark in cities from 300,000 to 500,000 population; \$12.13 for Peoria to \$318.73 for Miami, in cities from 50,000 to 100,000; and in cities of 30,000 to 50,000, Sheboygan, Wis., with \$12.03 to White Plains, N. Y., with \$366.52.

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**BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS**

**ADA, Okla.—BOND ELECTION**—The citizens will be asked at an election to be held on July 16 to vote on a proposed \$38,500 water works extension bond issue.

**AIKEN SCHOOL DISTRICT, S. C.—BONDS VOTED**—At the election held on July 5 the proposal that the district issue \$125,000 high school building bonds was approved by a vote of 163 to 17.

**AKRON, Ohio.—BONDS NOT SOLD**—The several issues of bonds aggregating \$4,418,935.15 which were offered for sale on July 8—V. 140, p. 4265—were not sold as no bids were received.

**AKRON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio.—BOND ELECTION**—The State Tax Commission has given the Board of Education permission to submit a proposed \$2,900,000 school building bond issue to the voters on Aug. 13.

**ALBION SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Albion), Neb.—BOND SALE**—A \$40,000 issue of refunding bonds was sold by the School Board on July 1 to the Kirkpatrick-Pettis-Loomis Co. of Omaha, as 3 1/8s, paying a premium of \$550, equal to 101.375, a basis of about 3.20%, to optional date. Due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1935 to 1939, and \$2,000, 1940 to 1954. Optional after 5 years. These bonds were issued to take up an equal amount of 4 1/4% bonds.

**ALBANY, N. Y.—TAX COLLECTIONS HIGHER**—Tax collections for the first six months of 1935 are 2% better than they were a year ago on the same date. City Treasurer Frank J. O'Brien reported July 2.

The city treasurer said so far this year he has taken in 58% of the total tax levy of \$7,995,621.71, whereas a year ago July 1 he had been able to collect more than 56% of the 1934 tax levy of \$8,030,505.34. The collections represent 72.11% of the 1935 budget. Last year only 69% of the budget had been collected by July 1, he said.

Penalties of 2% are being added to July tax delinquencies, the figure increasing 1/8% per month until December when it will total 4%.

**ALLIANCE, Neb.—BOND ELECTION PETITIONED**—A petition has been presented to the City Council calling for a special election to vote

upon the proposition of issuing \$100,000 combined City Hall and Municipal Auditorium Building bonds. Ethel M. Nation is City Clerk.

**ALPHA, Pa.—REFUNDING ISSUE AUTHORIZED**—Borough Clerk Cleveland Rhen announces that the Borough Council has passed an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$68,000 refunding bonds to bear interest at no more than 6%. Denoms. \$1,000. Dated June 15 1935. Interest payable June 15 and Dec. 15. Due yearly as follows: \$3,000, 1940, 1941 and 1942; \$4,000, 1943 to 1946 incl.; \$5,000, 1947 to 1951 incl., and \$6,000, 1952, 1953 and 1954. The borough debt to be refunded with this issue of bonds includes \$9,000 bonds, \$1,500 fire apparatus notes, also various items of tax revenue notes and accumulated unpaid State, county and school taxes.

**AMANA SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Amana), Iowa—BOND SALE DETAILS**—It is stated that the \$16,500 school bonds purchased on July 2 at a price of 100.87—V. 141, p. 142—were sold to the Merchants National Bank of Cedar Rapids, as 2 3/4%.

**ANSONIA, Conn.—CORRECT PURCHASER**—The bid of Putnam & Co. of Hartford, which was reported in V. 141, p. 142—as successful in the competition for the purchase of \$75,000 municipal relief bonds on July 2, was rejected because it was not properly marked and was not received on time. The award was made to the R. F. Griggs Co. of Waterbury on a bid of 100.682 for 2s, a basis of about 1.91%.

Other bidders were:

	Price Bid	Int. Rate
Bancamerica-Blair Corp.	100.59	2%
Rutter & Co.	100.577	2%
Halsey, Stuart & Co.	100.304	2%
Kean, Taylor & Co.	100.109	2%
R. L. Day & Co.	100.07	2%
Hoffman, Adams & Co.	101.069	2 3/4%

**ASHTABULA COUNTY (P. O. Jefferson), Ohio—BOND OFFERING**—Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners will receive bids until July 29 for the purchase of \$51,000 delinquent tax bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due each six months from April 1 1936 to Oct. 1 1942 incl.; subject to call on and after Oct. 1 1940.

**ATHENA, Ore.—BONDS VOTED**—At the election held on June 11—V. 140, p. 3934—the voters approved the issuance of the \$15,000 in 3 1/2% water bonds by a count of 55 to 0. It is stated that the bonds are due in 20 years, callable in 10 years.

It is stated by B. B. Richards, Town Recorder, that these bonds will be offered for sale, probably about July 15th or 20th.

**ATLANTA, Ga.—BOND ELECTION AUTHORIZED**—It is stated in the Atlanta "Constitution" of July 7 that the Mayor and City Council have requested an early vote on the authorization of \$1,500,000 in sewer bonds in order to meet Federal Government proposals to completely modernize the city's sewer system, of which total amount \$500,000 would be set aside to make ample provision for storm water flow. It is stated that the city will have to pay only a portion of the total cost of the project, the Government having already set up \$4,599,079 for the sanitary sewer project.

**ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS, N. J.—BOND SALE**—On July 9 the issue of \$132,000 4 1/2% coupon refunding bonds offered on that date—V. 140, p. 4432—was awarded to the only bidder, Leach Bros., Inc., of New York, for a premium of \$300, equal to 100.227, a basis of about 4.47%. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Due \$7,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1936 to 1953, incl., and \$6,000 Aug. 1 1954.

**AUGUSTA, Kan.—BOND REFUNDING CONTRACTED**—The Prairie State Bank of Augusta at a recent meeting of the City Council, received the contract from the city to refund 30-year storm sewer bonds. These bonds will be replaced by 10-year serial bonds that will bear 3% interest.

**BAKER, Mont.—BONDS NOT SOLD**—We are informed by Karl I. Pleissner, City Clerk, that the \$125,000 not to exceed 6% refunding bonds offered on July 5—V. 140, p. 4101—were not sold as no bids were received. Bonds were to be either serial or amortization in form.

**BALL GROUND, Ga.—BOND ELECTION**—On Aug. 3 an election will be held for the purpose of voting on a proposed \$15,000 water works bond issue.

**BALTIMORE, Md.—DEBT SERVICE CHARGES TO REACH NEW HIGH**—Principal and interest charges on the city's debt will reach a new high level in 1936, Mayor Jackson informed members of the Board of Estimate on July 2. The charges will total about \$12,250,000, \$900,000 more than the sum required this year, he said. The increase represents lightly less than 9 cents on the tax rate, it is said.

**BALTIMORE, Md.—PENSION FUNDS TO BUY BONDS**—Mayor Jackson announced that the bonds to be issued in payment of the Howard St. and Fayette St. widening and extension projects will not be offered publicly but will be taken up by the Commissioners of Finance and the Board of Pension Trustees. The Mayor explained that there are ample funds in the two accounts to finance the expenditures and that "the city paper was as secure an investment as there is available."

**BARSTOW COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2, Tex.—BONDS VOTED**—The district has recently voted in favor of a \$75,000 bond issue for construction of new school.

**BARNSTABLE COUNTY (P. O. Barnstable), Mass.—NOTE SALE**—An issue of \$50,000 notes, due Nov. 15 1935, has been sold to the Hyannis Trust Co. of Hyannis at 0.21% discount. Chatham Trust Co., only other bidder, named a rate of 0.50%.

**BARNESVILLE, Ohio—BOND SALE**—The \$5,400 coupon street repaving bonds offered on June 22—V. 140, p. 3750—were awarded to J. S. Todd & Co. of Cincinnati as 5s, at par plus a premium of \$14.04, equal to 100.26, a basis of about 4.92%. Dated April 1 1934 and due \$600 on Oct. 1 from 1935 to 1943, incl. A bid of par was made by H. K. Hastings of Wheeling, W. Va. This report of the sale corrects that given previously in these columns under the caption "Martins Ferry, Ohio."

**BARNESVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BOND ELECTION**—The Board of Education has voted to submit a proposed \$75,000 bond issue to the voters on Aug. 13.

**BAYONNE, N. J.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**—The \$298,000 not to exceed 4 1/4% interest coupon or registered bonds being offered for sale on July 16, as stated in V. 141, p. 142—will be payable as to principal and (F. & A.) interest in lawful money of the United States at the City Treasurer's office or at the Hudson County National Bank, Bayonne.

**BEAR LAKE, Mich.—BOND OFFERING**—Hans C. Sorensen, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 7:30 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on July 15 for the purchase of \$17,000 4% coupon bonds, registerable as to principal only and divided as follows:

\$12,000 water works mortgage revenue bonds. Due July 1 as follows: \$300 in 1937 and 1938; \$400, 1939; \$500 from 1940 to 1957 incl. and \$1,000 in 1958 and 1959.

5,000 general obligation bonds. Due July 1 as follows: \$200 from 1936 to 1945 incl. and \$300 from 1946 to 1955 incl.

Each issue is dated July 1 1935. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable at the Village Treasurer's office.

**BEAVER, Pa.—BONDS APPROVED**—The \$50,000 3% operating expenses bonds recently sold to Van Alstyne, Noel & Co. of Philadelphia have been approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs.

**BELLEVUE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—NEW SCHOOL BUILDING PLANNED**—The School Board is considering a plan to construct new school building at a cost of \$566,000, of which \$350,000 would be obtained by a sale of bonds and the difference furnished by the Federal Government.

**BENTON COUNTY (P. O. Camden), Tenn.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The County Court is said to have approved recently the issuance of \$5,000 school bonds.

**BENTON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Mo.—BONDS VOTED**—By a vote of 253 to 39 the residents of the district at a recent election approved the issuance of \$17,500 school building bonds.

**BERLIN HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BOND ELECTION PLANNED**—The voters will be asked to vote on an issue of \$33,000 bonds to help finance an addition to a high school building.

**BERWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BOND OFFERING**—An issue of \$250,000 4 1/4% refunding bonds is being offered for sale on July 22 at 7 p. m.

**BETTENDORF, Iowa—MATURITY**—It is stated by the City Clerk that the \$6,847.59 improvement bonds purchased recently by the Central Engineering Co. of Davenport, as 5s at par—V. 141, p. 142—are due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1939; \$500, 1940; \$2,500, 1941, and \$2,847.59 in 1942.

**BIJOU IRRIGATION COMPANY, Morgan County, Colo.—BOND SALE**—The J. K. Mullen Investment Co. of Denver recently purchased \$80,000 5 1/2% ditch construction bonds. Due from 1936 to 1942.

**BILLINGS, Mont.—BOND SALE**—The \$64,000 issue of refunding bonds offered for sale on July 8—V. 140, p. 4101—was awarded to the Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, as 3s, paying a premium of \$257, equal to 100.401, according to O. W. Nickey, City Clerk. The second highest bid was submitted by the Wells-Dickey Co. of Minneapolis, offering \$832 premium on 3 1/4% bonds.

**BLUE ISLAND PARK DISTRICT, Ill.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The district authorities have authorized the issuance of \$30,000 bonds.

**BOONE, Colo.—BONDS VOTED**—Taxpayers of Boone recently voted in favor of a \$15,000 bond issue for construction of a water supply system.

**BOONE, Ia.—BOND SALE**—The \$17,000 issue of coupon funding bonds offered for sale on July 3—V. 140, p. 4256—was awarded to the Carleton D. Beh Co. of Des Moines, as 2 1/2s, paying a premium of \$100, equal to 100.58, a basis of about 2.41%. Dated May 1 1935. Due from Nov. 1 1936 to 1948. The other bids were as follows:

Bidders—

	Price Bid	
Boone State Bank & Trust Co.	\$17,095.00	for 2 1/2% bonds
Ia. Des Moines National Bank & Trust Co.	17,080.00	for 2 1/2% bonds
Jackley & Co.	17,060.00	for 2 1/2% bonds
Shaw, McDermott & Sparks	17,086.00	for 2 3/4% bonds
Glaspell, Vieth & Duncan	17,101.00	for 2 3/4% bonds

**BOSTON, Mass.—BOND SALE**—The following described bonds, totaling \$5,437,000 which were offered on July 9—V. 140, p. 4433—were awarded to a syndicate composed of Lehman Bros.; Paine, Webber & Co.; Kean, Taylor & Co.; R. H. Moulton & Co.; A. C. Allyn & Co.; Burr & Co.; The Chemical Bank & Trust Co.; Eastman, Dillon & Co.; Eldredge & Co.; Hemphill, Noyes & Co.; Schaumburg, Rebhann & Lynch and Rutter & Co., all of New York; Graham, Parsons & Co. of Philadelphia; the Equitable Securities Corp. of Nashville; Lawrence Stern & Co. of Chicago; the Mercantile Commerce Bank & Trust Co. of St. Louis; F. L. Putnam & Co. of Boston; the Wells-Dickey Co. of Minneapolis, and Stern Bros. & Co. of Kansas City, on an offer to pay a premium of \$5,437, equal to 100.10, for 2 1/2s, a basis of about 2.489%:

- Group A, Composed of Coupon Serial Bonds Aggregating \$1,925,000
  - \$50,000 police communications system. Payable \$10,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1940 incl.
  - 250,000 reconstruction of streets. 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. Payable \$5,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1955 incl.
  - 500,000 school, South Boston District. Payable \$25,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1955 incl.
  - 300,000 Hospital Department, new buildings and alterations and equipment bonds. Payable \$15,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1955 incl.
  - 150,000 water main construction bonds. 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. 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. 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. Payable \$300,000 annually, Aug. 1 1936 to Aug. 1 1945 incl.
  - 12,000 automatic traffic signals, North End Section, bonds. 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. 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.

All of the bonds are dated Aug. 1 1935. The second high bid was submitted by a syndicate composed of the National City Bank of N. Y.; the Bankers Trust Co.; E. B. Smith & Co.; Blyth & Co.; Lazarus Freres & Co.; and Reynolds & Co., all of New York; the First of Michigan Corp. of Detroit; the Illinois Co. of Chicago; and Washburn & Co. of Boston, which offered a premium of \$2,169.36 for \$4,937,000 serial 2 1/2s and \$500,000 sinking fund 2 1/2s, or a net interest cost to the city of 2.54%.

**BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT**—The successful bidders are offering the bonds for public investment on the following basis: the \$4,937,000 non-callable serial bonds are priced to yield from 0.50 to 2.70%, according to maturity, while the \$500,000 sinking fund issue, maturing Aug. 1 1965 but callable on Aug. 1 1955, is priced at 95 and accrued interest, to yield about 2.745% to maturity. The financial statement of the city shows an assessed valuation for 1935 of \$1,650,000,000. Its total bonded debt, as of June 26 1935, incl. the obligations just sold, amounted to \$170,205,333. Net debt stood at \$135,491,539.

**BOWLE CITY, S. D.—BOND REFUNDING ARRANGED**—Bowdle City has been successful in refinancing its indebtedness according to F. G. Grosz, City Auditor. The matter is being handled by the Northwestern Municipal Association of Minneapolis.

The bonded indebtedness of the city, including water, sewer and funding bonds, has been reduced to \$48,000. The first bonds will be due in 1937, and all bonds will mature over a period of 20 years. The interest rate has been cut 1% for the first five years.

**BRAINTREE, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN**—W. O. Gay & Co. of Boston were awarded on July 9 a \$100,000 revenue anticipation note issue at 0.59% discount. Due \$50,000 each on March 23 and April 20 1936. Other bidders were:

Bidder—

	Discount
National Shawmut Bank	0.62%
Merchants National Bank	0.64%
Faxon, Gade & Co.	0.67%
First National Bank of Boston	0.685%
Second National Bank	0.71%

**BRANCH TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT, Schuylkill County, Pa.—BOND ELECTION**—Secretary of the Board of School Directors Alva J. Dando announces that an election is to be called for Aug. 16 to vote on the question of issuing \$150,000 school bonds.

**BRIARCLIFF MANOR, N. Y.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Board of Trustees has authorized the issuance of \$50,000 bonds.

**BRECKINRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Mich.—BONDS VOTED**—At a recent special election the voters approved a proposed \$10,000 bond issue for school improvements.

**BRIARCLIFF MANOR, N. Y.—BONDS NOT TO BE ISSUED AT PRESENT**—Village Clerk Alfred H. Pearson informs us that the \$50,000 bonds recently approved by the Village Trustees are not to be issued at the present time, as approval of the voters must be obtained at the village election next March before issuance can be made.

**BRISTOL COUNTY (P. O. Fall River), Mass.—LOAN OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. on July 16 for the purchase at discount of a \$180,000 revenue anticipation loan, due Nov. 18 1936.

**BRONTE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Tex.—BONDS VOTED**—By a vote of 134 to 20 residents of the district recently approved the issuance of \$20,000 school building bonds.

**BUCYRUS, Ohio—BOND OFFERING**—Constance R. Keller, City Auditor, will receive bids until noon (Eastern Standard Time) July 25 for the purchase of \$35,000 6% intercepting sewer bonds. Denom. \$500. Dated Jan. 1 1935. Interest payable April 1 and Oct. 1. Due \$500 on April 1 and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in each of the years from 1936 to 1945 incl.; and \$1,000 on Apr. 1 and Oct. 1 in each of the years from 1946 to 1955.

incl. Bids may be submitted for bonds bearing less than 6% interest, but rate must be a multiple of 1/4%. Cert. check for 1% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the city, required. Legal opinion of Squires, Sanders & Dempsey, of Cleveland, will be furnished to the purchaser.

**BUFFALO, Okla.—BANKRUPTCY PETITION FILED**—The town went into Federal Court recently with a petition for bankruptcy. The municipal officials of the community alleged that it is unable to pay face value on \$174,000 of outstanding water works bonds, issued in 1921. An agreement with creditors was proposed whereby the bonds will be replaced by another issue at 50 cents on the dollar, to be paid in 25 years at an interest rate of 2%. Whether that deal goes through depends on the decision of U. S. Judge Edgar S. Vaught.

**BURR OAK Kan.—BONDS VOTED**—The city recently voted in favor of a \$30,000 bond issue for construction of a community building. J. A. Poppen is President of City Board.

**CALIENTE, Nev.—BOND OFFERING**—Sarah Gentry, County Clerk of Lincoln County, acting for the Town Board of Caliente, will receive bids at Pioche, until 2 p. m. July 29 for the purchase at not less than par of \$30,000 sewerage system and sewage disposal plant bonds, to bear no more than 5% interest. Prin. and annual interest (Jan.) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due \$2,000 yearly in Jan. from 1936 to 1950 incl. Certified check for 5% of amount of bid required.

**CAMBRIDGE, Md.—BOND SALE**—The \$40,000 coupon, registrable 1935 municipal bonds offered on July 8 were awarded to W. W. Lanahan & Co. of Baltimore on a bid of 101.219 for 3s, a basis of about 2.88%. Dated July 1, 1935. Due on July 1 as follows: \$5,000 in 1940; \$10,000 in 1945 and 1950 and \$15,000 in 1955. C. T. Williams & Co. of Baltimore bid 100.184 for 3 1/2%.

Other bids were as follows: C. T. Williams & Co. of Baltimore offered 100.184 for 3s, while Stein Bros. & Boyce of Baltimore bid 101.878 for 3 1/2s.

*Financial Statement*

Estimated value of real and personal property.....	\$12,000,000.00
Assessed value of real and personal property, 1934.....	8,846,205.00
Total bonded indebtedness May 31 1935.....	203,500.00
Amount of sinking fund May 31 1935.....	11,851.01
Total City tax rate 85c. per \$100.00, levy 1934-1935.....	
Population 1930—8,544; 1935—estimated 9,000.	

**CAMDEN, S. C.—BOND OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. on July 22, by J. C. Boykin, City Clerk, for the purchase of an aggregate of \$175,000 coupon refunding bonds, divided as follows:

- \$50,000 sewerage bonds. Said bonds issued to refund a like amount of bonds issued by the city on July 1 1907, maturing July 1 1947, with the privilege of redemption after July 1 1927.
- 35,000 electric light bonds. Said bonds issued to refund a like amount issued by the city on Oct. 1 1913, maturing Oct. 1 1953, with the privilege of redemption after Oct. 1 1933.
- 90,000 water works bonds. Said bonds issued to refund a like amount issued by the city on Oct. 1 1913, maturing Oct. 1 1953, with the privilege of redemption after Oct. 1 1933.

Interest rate is not to exceed 4%, payable semi-annually. Due in 40 years, with the privilege of redemption after 20 years. A certified check for \$1,000 must accompany the bid.

**CARSON COUNTY (P. O. Panhandle), Tex.—BOND OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. on July 15 by J. C. Jackson, County Judge, for the purchase of a \$40,000 issue of 5% road bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Apr. 1 1930. Due on April 1 as follows: \$5,000 in 1934; \$10,000, 1935; \$5,000 in 1938. Prin. and int. (A. & O.) payable in Panhandle. Legal approval by the Attorney General. No certified check is required with bid. (This report corrects that which appeared in these columns recently—V. 141, p. 142.)

**CARTER COUNTY (P. O. Elizabethton), Tenn.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—On July 1 the County Court is said to have voted an issue of bonds to retire school indebtedness, increasing the tax rate about seven cents. The Board is said to have also voted \$11,000 for school construction, increasing the school rate 10 cents.

**CARVER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 78 (P. O. Norwood), Minn.—BOND ELECTION**—An election is being held on July 9 for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing \$15,000 school building improvement bonds.

**CASS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17 (P. O. Union), Neb.—BOND ELECTION**—An election will be held on July 23 to vote upon the proposition of issuing \$7,000 high school gymnasium and auditorium building bonds. Edward Morris, is Secretary of the Board of Education.

**CAVALIER SCHOOL DISTRICT, N. D.—BONDS VOTED**—At an election on July 2, the proposition of issuing \$40,000 school building bonds carried by a vote of 273 to 35. Ross McIntosh is School Clerk.

Dated July 15 1935. Due from 1939 to 1955. No date of sale has been fixed as yet, according to the District Clerk.

**CHARLOTTE, N. C.—BOND SALE**—The Equitable Securities Corp. of Nashville, offering a premium of \$16.50, equal to 100.066 for 1 3/8s, a basis of about 1.72%, was awarded the \$25,000 coupon motor equipment bonds offered on July 9—V. 141, p. 143. Dated July 1 1935. Due \$8,000 on July 1 in 1936 and 1937; and \$9,000 on July 1 1938. F. W. Craigie & Co. of Richmond, the next best bidder, offered a premium of \$14.64 for 1 3/4% bonds.

**CHARLESTON, S. C.—REPORT ON PROPOSED BOND REFUNDING**—In connection with the report given in these columns recently, to the effect that Mayor Maybank intended to recommend to the City Council that it make plans for the refunding of \$3,350,000 bonds which mature July 1 1937 and 1938, we give the following statement from the Mayor, bearing date of June 24:

"In reply to your letter of June 19, it is our hope to be able to refinance the bonds referred to. At the present time we have no sinking fund and the bonds are not good for the payment of taxes or licenses, as are other bonds, but they are merely second mortgages; that is, the other bonds that are good for city taxes and other fees naturally are more valuable and saleable.

"The bonds we expect to refinance are old bonds sold at various times—some at 40c. to 50c. on the dollar to make good carpetbag money that was circulated in this section."

**CHICAGO SANITARY DISTRICT (P. O. Chicago), Ill.—REPORT SHOWS INCREASE IN DEFAULTED BOND INTEREST**—Semi-annual report of the Sanitary District of Chicago was made public on July 1, showing progress in getting in back taxes, and a decrease in principal in default more than offset by a jump in the interest in default as of June 1 1935, compared with the same date last year, according to the Chicago "Journal of Commerce" of the following day.

"The report is the one delivered to the Supreme Court of the United States under the terms of the decree under which sanitary district now is operating, and is for the purpose of recording progress made.

It is stated in the report, signed by Ross A. Woodhull, President and Philip Harrington, Chief Engineer, that the district reduced its amount in default by \$2,619,885 since the December 31 report. The figures, compared with the report of a year ago, however, make this showing of defaults as of June 1:

Principal.....	1935	1934
Interest.....	\$15,735,390	\$16,233,125
	1,110,460	126,382
Total.....	\$16,845,850	\$16,359,507

The financial condition of the district since the last report to the Court "has changed but little, but the local tax situation has improved slightly," it is stated. The following table of amounts of taxes extended for the district and collected up to May 31 1935, is appended:

	Total Taxes Extended	Amount Collected
1928.....	\$19,448,392	\$17,307,124
1929.....	24,466,998	20,111,873
1930.....	22,453,699	16,840,274
1931.....	20,517,562	14,860,876
1932.....	19,281,643	12,498,361
1933.....	18,037,167	10,346,119
	\$124,205,463	\$91,964,622

The extent of improvement in the Sanitary District tax collection is reflected in the figures this year and last, showing the percentage unpaid:

As of May 31—	1935	1934	As of May 31—	1935	1934
1928.....	11.01	12.10	1931.....	27.57	34.40
1929.....	17.80	20.40	1932.....	35.18	59.20
1930.....	25.00	29.80	1933.....	42.64	

As matters now stand, about 26% of all taxes extended in 1928-1933 remain uncollected. It is stated that of the \$91,964,622 collected for Sanitary District account by the County Collector, only \$88,253,531 has actually been turned over to the District.

In the last six months, \$12,593,851 in taxes has been collected, representing about 10% of the taxes levied and due, and this fund was used to redeem tax anticipation warrants, pay current expenses and meet defaulted principal and interest of bonds.

**CINCINNATI, O.—\$4,817,000 BONDS TENTATIVELY AUTHORIZED**—City Bond Committee on July 1 approved a tentative 1936-1937 bond program of \$4,817,000, including a \$350,000 University of Cincinnati issue.

**CLEARWATER COUNTY (P. O. Orofino), Ida.—BOND SALE**—The issue of \$50,000 North Fork Highway District refunding bonds offered on July 9—V. 140, p. 4434—was awarded to the Potlatch State Bank of Potlatch, on a bid of par for 4% bonds. There were no other bidders.

**CLEARWATER COUNTY HIGHWAY DISTRICT (P. O. Greer), Ida.—BOND SALE**—The \$130,000 general obligation highway district refunding coupon bonds offered on July 9—V. 140, p. 4434—were awarded to the Potlatch State Bank of Potlatch, as 4s. There were no other bidders.

**CLIFTON, N. J.—BOND REFUNDING BID RECEIVED**—H. Braverman & Co., Newark auditors, who were authorized several months ago to negotiate for refunding of maturing Clifton bonds, reported to the City Council on July 2 that a syndicate of New York bond houses would purchase \$2,700,000 worth of paper at an interest rate of 4.90, with an alternate offer of 4.72 if the City permits the syndicate to refund an additional \$1,700,000 worth of bonds maturing in 1936 and 1937.

The syndicate, represented by M. F. Schlater, Noyes and Gardner, submitted a check for \$5,000, urging immediate ratification, but an objection was voiced by several officials to certain clauses in the contract submitted by the bond houses. Mr. Braverman urged that the Council act on the offer immediately so that savings in interest could become effective at once, but the Council decided to table the matter until Friday evening, when a special meeting will be held.

The "catch" to which Clifton officials objected was that the syndicate was to be given until September 1 to dispose of the bonds and that if the syndicate finds itself unable to carry out its agreement, it can withdraw and reclaim its \$5,000 check.

**BOND SALE**—The offer made by M. F. Schlater, Noyes & Gardner of New York, and associates to purchase \$4,400,000 refunding bonds has been accepted by the City Council.

**CLOVERDALE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Santa Rosa) Calif.—PRICE PAID**—The \$31,000 school bonds that were purchased by the Bankamerica Co. of San Francisco—V. 140, p. 4434—were sold for a premium of \$39, equal to 100.125, according to the County Clerk.

**COFFEE COUNTY (P. O. Manchester), Tenn.—BOND REFUNDING APPROVED**—The County Court is said to have approved the refunding of \$18,000 highway bonds.

**COFFEVILLE, Miss.—BOND ELECTION**—It is reported that an election will be held on July 30 to vote on the issuance of \$15,000 in paving bonds.

**COLFAX COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS (P. O. Raton), N. Mex.—BONDS CALLED**—The County Treasurer is said to have called for payment at his office on July 1, the following bonds:

- Nos. 1 to 5 of School District No. 4 bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1912. Due on Sept. 1 1942.
- Nos. 1 to 6, 8 and 9, and 11 to 20, of School District No. 4 bonds, dated Jan. 1 1922. Due on Jan. 1 1952.
- Nos. 1 to 10 of School District No. 25 bonds, dated Jan. 1 1923. Due Jan. 1 1953.
- Nos. 1 to 5, 7 to 16, 19 and 20, and 23 to 30 of School District No. 25 bonds, dated July 1 1922. Due on July 1 1952.
- Nos. 29 to 62, 64 and 66 to 80, of School District No. 27 bonds, dated July 1 1920. Due on July 1 1950.

**COLUMBUS, Ohio—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**—We learn that the Northern Trust Co., F. S. Moseley & Co. and the Illinois Co. of Chicago participated with McDonald-Coolidge & Co. of Cleveland in the purchase of \$1,131,000 bonds as 3s at 100.091, a basis of about 2.99%, as stated in V. 141, p. 143. The bankers are offering the bonds for public investment at prices to yield from 2% to 3%, according to maturity.

The award comprised six issues, as follows: \$500,000 sewerage treatment works, \$100,000 Main St. bridge, \$14,000 incinerator fund, \$355,000 relief sewers, \$76,000 sanitary sewer and \$136,000 storm sewer. Other bidders and their bids were as follows:

- Banc Ohio Securities Co., Stranahan, Harris & Co., Mitchell, Herrick & Co., Boatman's National Bank, Otis & Co., Van Lahr, Doll & Ispording, Weil, Roth & Irving Co., Johnson, Kase & Co. and Breed & Harrison, Inc.—3 1/4% on sewerage treatment works fund No. 1 issue and 3% on remaining three issues, plus premium of \$1,827 on total.
- Lowry Sweney, Inc., Graham, Parsons & Co., Brown, Harriman & Co., Inc., Hayden, Miller & Co. and Wells-Dickey Co.—3 1/4% on total plus premium of \$10,155.42 on total.
- Field, Richards & Shepard, Inc., Halsey, Stuart & Co., First Cleveland Corp., Stifol, Nicolaus & Co. and The Milwaukee Co.—All or none: 3% on Main Street Bridge fund No. 1 issue and 3 1/4% on three remaining issues, plus premium of \$2,927 on total. Alternate bid: 3% on Main Street Bridge fund No. 1 and 3 1/4% on sewerage treatment works fund No. 1 and incinerator fund No. 1 issues; and 3 1/4% on the relief and sanitary sewers portions (\$431,000), and 3% on the storm sewers portion (\$136,000) of the relief, sanitary and storm sewers fund No. 1 issue, plus premium of \$465 on the total.
- Lehman Brothers, Stone & Webster and Blodgett, Hemphill, Noyes & Co., Morse Bros. & Co., Inc., Fox, Einhorn & Co., Inc., and Phelps, Fenn & Co.—3 1/4% plus premium of \$2,232.09 on total.

**COMMERCE, Ga.—BOND ELECTION**—An election is to be held for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing \$20,000 school building bonds.

**CONEHATTA CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Conehatta), Miss.—BOND OFFERING**—It is reported that sealed bids will be received until July 13, by C. C. Carson, District Secretary, for the purchase of \$10,000 issue of school bonds. These bonds were approved by the voters last October.

**CONESVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BONDS VOTED**—The issuance of \$25,000 school building bonds was approved by a vote of 415 to 91 at a recent election.

**CONNECTICUT, State of (P. O. Hartford)—NOTE SALE**—Day, Stoddard & Williams, Inc. of New Haven were the successful bidders for the \$2,000,000 notes offered for sale on July 11 by State Treasurer John S. Addison. The accepted bid fixed the rate of discount at 0.1475%. The issue is dated July 15 1935 and due Jan. 15 1936. Other bids, according to unofficial sources, were as follows:

Bidder.....	Rate
Rutter & Co.....	0.149%
Lincoln R. Young & Co.....	0.15%
Henry C. Robinson & Co. (plus \$31 premium).....	0.17%
Roy T. H. Barnes & Co. (plus \$1.01 premium).....	0.185%
Charles W. Scranton & Co. (plus \$1.11 premium).....	0.20%
Putnam & Co.....	0.24%

**COOK COUNTY (P. O. Chicago), Ill.—DEBT REPORT**—During the period from May 1 to June 6 the County collected a total of \$3,944,242 in fees, taxes and other items, while expenditures were \$4,269,277, leaving a deficit of \$325,035, according to the regular monthly report issued by Clayton F. Smith, President of the Board of Commissioners. The overdraft, according to the report, is offset by \$1,089,066, which is available in the working cash fund. The current and bonded debt of the County is placed at \$64,944,171, made up of the following items:

Bonds maturing after June 6.....	\$38,340,500
Defaulted bonds.....	8,945,410
Accrued interest on coupon.....	550,820
Outstanding tax warrants from bonds.....	592,361
Unpaid bills and judgments from the years 1930 to 1935.....	13,569,070
Less cash on hand.....	4,012,413
Net floating debt.....	136,404
	3,876,009

**CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex.—BOND REFUNDING PLAN APPROVED**—The program providing for the refunding of approximately \$3,166,000 in outstanding bonds, not including State, seawall and breakwater construction issues, over a period of years on a graduated scale, which was accepted by the Shaffer administration last January, was approved by the present administration recently. N. T. Waggoner, representing the bondholders, appeared before the Council, together with Marcellus Eckhardt, attorney, at two meetings recently to explain the program and report on its success to date.

The program as arranged will allow the city two years without payment on principal and annual payments after that time has been set down as not to overburden the city financially at any time. Under the contract, the balance now in default will be taken up and the payments so distributed that they come within the estimated tax collection limits. Final payment on the bonds would be made in 1969.

Before the present bonds may be taken up and issued under a new date the bondholders must approve the plan. The bondholders are being contacted by the bondholders' committee, including Mr. Waggoner, F. W. Hubbell and C. F. Coders.

The city now is faced with principal and interest default of \$98,000 and another principal and interest payment of \$56,000 is due this year.

**COTTE COUNTY (P. O. Paducah), Tex.—BONDS TO BE ISSUED**—The Commissioners' Court has given notice that it intends to authorize the issuance of \$35,000 warrant funding bonds on Aug. 12.

**CRAIGHEAD COUNTY (P. O. Jonesboro), Ark.—BOND ELECTION**—It is said that an election will be held on Aug. 13 to vote on the issuance of the county jail bonds, mentioned in these columns early in June—V. 140, p. 3936—in an amount of \$60,000.

**CRANE, Tex.—BOND ELECTION**—The City Council has decided to call an election for July 27 for the purpose of voting on a proposed bond issue to finance the construction of a water supply system.

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY (P. O. Fayetteville), N. C.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Board of County Commissioners has authorized the issuance of 77,000 refunding bonds.

**CUNNINGHAM, Kans.—BONDS VOTED**—At the election held on July 5 the voters by 154 to 47 gave their approval to the proposal that the city issue \$22,000 waterworks bonds.

**CURWENVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Board of School Directors have decided to issue \$22,000 school building bonds.

**CYPRESS SCHOOL DISTRICT, Calif.—BOND ELECTION**—On July 18 the residents of the District will be asked to vote on a proposition that the District issue \$38,000 school construction bonds.

**DALLAS, Tex.—BOND SALE**—The two issues of coupon bonds aggregating \$3,500,000, offered for sale on July 1, the award of which was postponed to July 5, as reported in these columns—V. 141, p. 143—were finally sold to a syndicate headed by Brown Harriman & Co., Inc., bidding a price of 98.859 for both issues as 3s, non-callable. The bonds are divided as follows:

\$3,000,000 park impt. bonds. Due \$100,000 annually from Feb. 1 1936 to 1965 incl.  
 500,000 Institute of Fine Arts bonds. Due \$17,000 annually, except \$16,000 each third year, from Feb. 1 1936 to 1965 incl.  
 Net interest cost of 3.076%. Associated with Brown Harriman & Co. were: Mercantile-Commerce Bank & Trust Co. of St. Louis; A. G. Becker & Co. of Chicago; the First National Bank & Trust Co. of Minneapolis; Mahan, Dittmar & Co. of San Antonio; the First Boston Corp., New York; Kelley, Richardson & Co. of Chicago; the Commerce Trust Co. of Kansas City; Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood, of Minneapolis, and A. W. Snyder & Co. of Houston.

**BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT**—The successful bidders offered the above bonds for public subscription at prices ranging from 0.40% to 3.15%, according to maturity.

**DANBURY, Conn.—PRICE**—Phelps, Fenn & Co. of New York paid a price of 100.25, a basis of about 2.97% for the \$100,000 3% welfare relief bonds awarded to them as reported in V. 141, p. 143.

**DANBURY, Conn.—BOND SALE**—An issue of \$80,000 3% sewer bonds was recently sold privately to the City National Bank & Trust Co. of Danbury. Due in 16 years.

**DANVILLE, Va.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The City Council recently authorized the issuance of \$120,000 refunding bonds.

**DAVIDSON, N. C.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Local Government Commission is said to have authorized the issuance of \$18,000 in sewage disposal bonds, to be used on a Public Works Administration project.

**DECATUR, Nebr.—BOND SALE**—An issue of \$18,000 4% refunding bonds has been sold to the State Board of Educational Lands and Funds.

**DEER PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BOND ELECTION**—The Board of Education has ordered the submission of an \$11,000 school site purchase bond issue at the Aug. 13 elections.

**DELAWARE (State of)—ENDS FISCAL YEAR WITH SURPLUS**—Governor C. Douglas Buck recently declared that the State closed the recent fiscal year with a cash surplus in the Treasury of about \$100,000. Despite the unsavory economic conditions of the past four years, the State has paid its bills and met all payrolls on schedule, he added.

**DELAWARE RIVER JOINT COMMISSION (P. O. Camden), N. J.—PLANS SALE OF BONDS**—The Commission is expected to offer for sale, probably sometime in September, an additional \$2,000,000 bonds of the authorized issue of \$41,000,000, according to report. Of the latter amount, \$35,620,000, bearing 4½% interest, have already been sold. It is expected that the projected loan of \$2,000,000 will bear the same coupon rate. Joseph K. Costello is general manager of the Commission. Of the \$35,620,000 bonds previously marketed, about \$30,962,000 of the proceeds has been used to make payment in full of the sums advanced by the States of Pennsylvania and New Jersey and the City of Philadelphia for the construction of the Philadelphia-Camden bridge, which is now being managed and operated by the Joint Commission. The balance of the funds is being applied to the cost of constructing a high-speed transit line across the bridge connecting the Philadelphia subway system with Camden.

**DELTA COUNTY (P. O. Escanaba), Mich.—BONDS PROPOSED**—Plans are under way for the issuance of \$160,000 courthouse building bonds. Rene H. Labre is County Auditor.

**DENVER (City and County), Colo.—BOND CALL**—William F. McGlone, Manager of Revenue, is reported to be calling for payment on July 31 at his office, various special improvement bonds.

**BOND ELECTION**—The city authorities are said to have called an election for Sept. 10 to vote on the issuance of \$5,400,000 not to exceed 3% 1963-1972 serial 1955 optional water projects bonds and \$1,000,000 3% relief bonds.

**DETROIT, Mich.—SALARY INCREASES TOTAL \$1,000,000**—Common Council recently voted pay increases to municipal employees which will increase the annual operating expenses of the city by about \$1,000,000, according to report.

**DUMONT, N. J.—BONDS APPROVED ON FIRST READING**—Ordinances providing for the issuance of \$715,000 general refunding and \$150,000 serial funding bonds were recently passed on first reading by the Borough Council.

**DURHAM, N. C.—NOTE SALE**—A \$25,000 issue of bond anticipation notes was awarded recently to the Security National Bank of Raleigh at 1½% plus a premium of \$525. The following is an official list of the bids received:

Bidder	Rate	Price Bid
Kirchofer & Arnold and Branch Banking & Tr. Co.	1½%	\$25,000.00
Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., Raleigh, N. C.	1½%	25,000.00
R. S. Dickson & Co., Raleigh, N. C.	1½%	25,000.128
Fidelity Bank, Durham, N. C.	1½%	25,005.00
* Security National Bank, Raleigh, N. C.	1½%	25,005.25

**DYER COUNTY (P. O. Dyersburg), Tenn.—BOND REFINANCING AUTHORIZED**—A resolution is reported to have been passed recently by the County Court, proposing to refinance the bonded indebtedness of the county, as agreed by holders of about \$2,500,000 of the county's \$4,500,000

bonded debt, and the refunding committee of the Court. It is said that the contract calls for a reduction in interest rates for the first 15 years.

**EAGLE PASS, Tex.—BONDS SOLD TO RFC**—The \$1,858,000 improvement bond issue recently voted, are said to have been sold to the Reconstruction Finance Corp.

**EAST HAVEN, Conn.—BONDS VOTED**—At a recent meeting of the taxpayers the issuance of \$10,000 right-of-way bonds was voted.

**EAST LIVERPOOL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BOND ELECTION**—On Aug. 13 the taxpayers of the District will be asked to vote on a proposal that the District issue \$385,000 school building bonds.

**EAST TUPELO (P. O. Tupelo), Miss.—BOND ELECTION**—It is reported that an election will be held on July 16 to vote on the issuance of \$20,000 in water and sewer bonds.

**EATONVILLE, Wash.—BOND ELECTION**—It is reported that an election will be held on July 30 to vote on the issuance of \$5,000 in utility revenue bonds to finance municipal light and power plant improvements.

**EMMETT, Ida.—BONDS CALLED**—Richard Sutton, City Treasurer, is reported to have called for payment on July 1, on which date interest ceased, various bonds of the city bearing dates in 1920, 1924 and 1925. The holders of the bonds are notified to present the same for redemption at the office of the City Treasurer, or at the First Security Bank of Idaho, at Emmett, on the date of redemption.

**ERVING, Mass.—LOAN OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until July 19 for the purchase of \$30,000 four months' tax anticipation notes.

**FAIRFIELD, Iowa—BONDS TO BE ISSUED**—The City Council expects to issue \$22,800 5% bonds to take up warrants held by banks.

**FAIRFIELD, Nebr.—BOND SALE**—The city has recently disposed of a block of \$14,500 4% refunding bonds to the State Board of Educational Lands and Funds.

**FAIRVIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Fairview), Okla.—BONDS DEFEATED**—The proposal that the district issue \$30,000 school building bonds which was submitted to a vote on July 2 was rejected.

**FALL RIVER, Mass.—MATURITY**—The \$300,000 notes sold at 0.95% discount to the Merchants National Bank and the National Shawmut Bank, both of Boston, mature Nov. 6 1935.

**FALLON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 55 (P. O. Plevna), Mont.—BONDS SOLD**—The \$5,000 refunding bonds offered on July 1—V. 140, p. 3589—were awarded to the Commissioner of State Lands, of Montana, at par as 5% amortization bonds. Dated July 1 1935.

**FANNIN COUNTY (P. O. Bonham), Tex.—BOND ELECTION AUTHORIZED**—We are informed by Smith S. Lipscomb, County Auditor, that at a meeting on July 8 the Commissioner's Court passed an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$1,054,000 bonds to take up the outstanding district bonds of the county and incorporate them into one single issue. He states that the election will be held on Aug. 24 and will be county-wide. The purpose of the election is to lower the interest rate on the bonds now outstanding.

**FERGUS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Lewistown), Mont.—BONDS CALLED**—It is reported that 6% school bonds, numbered 101 to 104, and 107 to 122, of an issue dated Jan. 1 1921, were called for payment at the City Bank-Farmers Trust Co. in New York City, on July 1, on which date interest ceased. Due from Jan. 1 1932 to 1941, optional six months prior to maturity.

**FITCHBURG, Mass.—BOND SALE**—The following two issues of coupon bonds offered on July 10 were awarded on that date to Tyler, Buttrick & Co. of Boston on a bid of par for 1½%:  
 \$100,000 macadam pavement bonds. Due \$20,000 on July 1 from 1936 to 1940 incl. Denom. \$1,000.  
 25,000 street construction bonds. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Due \$2,500 on July 1 from 1936 to 1945 incl.

Each issue is dated July 1 1935. The First Boston Corp. bid 100.212 for \$25,000 1½% and \$100,000 1½%.

**FLINT, Mich.—BOND SALE NOT COMPLETED**—Sale of the \$100,000 4% series A general refunding bonds to Stranahan, Harris & Co. of Toledo and the Bancamerica-Blair Corp., which was reported in V. 141, p. 144, was not completed on advice of the purchaser's attorneys.

**BOND SALE**—On July 8 the City Commission sold \$898,000 4% refunding bonds to Stranahan, Harris & Co. of Toledo, at par. These bonds are part of the \$1,575,000 bonds offered for sale on July 1 at which time only \$100,000 were awarded, but which award was later canceled.—V. 140, p. 144. The \$898,000 issue matures from 1938 to 1948, incl.

**FORSYTH COUNTY (P. O. Winston-Salem), N. C.—BOND SALE**—The issue of \$100,000 school refunding bonds offered on July 9—V. 141, p. 144—was awarded to the Interstate Securities Corp. of Charlotte, for a premium of \$13.68, equal to 100.01368. The successful bidder specified that \$65,000 maturing \$5,000 yearly on July 1 from 1937 to 1949 should bear 3½% interest, and \$35,000 maturing \$5,000 yearly on July 1 from 1950 to 1956, should bear 3% interest. At these terms the money is costing the county about 3.13% annually. Dated July 1 1935. The next best bid was submitted by R. S. Dickson & Co. of Charlotte, offering a premium of \$232.52 for \$50,000 3½% bonds maturing the first ten years and \$50,000 3% bonds coming due the second ten year period.

**FORT BEND COUNTY (P. O. Richmond), Tex.—BONDS TO BE ISSUED**—The County Commissioners' Court is planning to authorize the issuance of \$40,000 warrant funding bonds.

**FORT JENNINGS CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BOND ELECTION**—On July 30 the residents of the district will vote on a proposal to issue \$23,000 school building bonds.

**FORT MILL TOWNSHIP, York County, So. C.—BONDS SALE**—An issue of \$30,000 highway bonds was recently sold to the Bank of York at par and accrued interest.

**FRANKLIN, Tenn.—BOND SALE**—The \$15,000 issue of coupon public school building and equipment bonds offered for sale on July 5—V. 140, p. 4269—was awarded to the Union Planters National Bank & Trust Co. of Memphis, as 3½s, paying all expenses and a premium of \$16, equal to 100.10, a basis of about 3.24%. Dated July 1 1935. Due \$1,000 from 1936 to 1950, inclusive.

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP (P. O. Plain), Wis.—BONDS VOTED**—On June 25 the residents of the township voted by 221 to 107 in favor of the issuance of \$40,000 road surfacing bonds.

**FREDERICK COUNTY (P. O. Frederick), Md.—BOND CALL**—It is announced that the following described bonds are being called for retirement as of Aug. 1 1935, on which date the bonds should be presented at the Citizens National Bank at Frederick:

\$188,700 turnpike and bridge and almshouse bonds, 3½%, issued pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland of 1900, there being now outstanding and hereby called for redemption the entire original issue of \$188,700, the same being all dated July 1 1900, and of which 150 bonds, designated as series A, are for \$1,000 each; 70 bonds, designated as series B, are for \$500 each; 37 bonds, designated as series C, are for \$100 each.

54,000 school bonds, 4½%, issued pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 125 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland of 1910, there being now outstanding \$54,000 of the original issue of \$75,000, \$21,000 of said original issues having heretofore been retired, the same being \$18,000 dated May 1 1912; \$18,000 dated Sept. 1 1912; \$18,000 dated May 1 1913—being 108 bonds for \$500 each.

54,000 school bonds, 4½%, issued pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 404 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland of 1912, there being now outstanding \$54,000 of the original issues of \$75,000, \$21,000 of said original issues having heretofore been retired, the same being \$18,000 dated May 1 1912; \$18,000 dated Sept. 1 1912; \$18,000 dated May 1 1913—being 108 bonds for \$500 each.

26,000 school bonds, 4½%, issued pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 359 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland of 1914, there being now outstanding \$26,000 of the original issue of \$36,000, \$10,000 of said original issue having heretofore been retired—the same being all dated May 1 1914, being 52 bonds for \$500 each.

**FROMBERG, Mont.—BONDS VOTED.**—The taxpayers at a recent election voted favorably on the question of issuing \$26,000 street and building bonds.

**FULLERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.**—A proposition that the District issue \$156,000 school building impt. bonds will be placed before the voters at an election to be held on Aug. 13.

**GALLATIN COUNTY (P. O. Bozeman), Mont.—BONDS CALLED.**—It is reported that Nos. 164 to 204 of the 4½% funding bonds dated Dec. 1 1915, were called for payment at the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co. in New York on July 1.

**GALVESTON, Tex.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. on July 18, by A. J. Peterson, Commissioner of Revenue and Finance, for the purchase of a \$425,000 issue of coupon or registered refunding bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 4%, payable M. & S. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Sept. 1 1935. Due on Sept. 1 as follows: \$58,000, 1936; \$68,000, 1937; \$43,000, 1938; \$77,000, 1939; \$18,000, 1940; \$19,000, 1941 to 1943; \$20,000, 1944 and 1945; \$21,000, 1946 and 1947, and \$22,000 in 1948. Rate of int. to be stated in multiples of ¼ of 1%. No bid for less than par will be considered. Prin. and int. payable at the City Treasurer's office or at the National City Bank in New York. It is stated that the issuance of these bonds will not increase the debt of the city, nor will the term of such debt be extended. Purchaser must agree to have the bonds prepared at his expense by the Republic Bank Note Co. of Pittsburgh, Pa., which company has prepared all of the recent bonds issued by the city. All legal proceedings incident to this refunding operation are to be submitted to Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York, for their approving opinion, which is to be obtained at the cost of the purchaser, and is to be binding. A certified check for 2% of the amount bid, payable to the city, is required.

**BOND REDEMPTION CONTEMPLATED.**—We are informed by F. A. Quinn, City Auditor, that the city contemplates exercising its option and calling for redemption all of the outstanding issues of bonds, as follows:  
 5% General indebtedness funding 1897 bonds  
 5% Sewerage bonds of 1898.  
 4½% grading, filling and drainage 1908 bonds.  
 5% Public school 1908 bonds.  
 4½% Grading, filling and drainage 1909 bonds.  
 5% Public school 1909 bonds.  
 5% Grade raising 1909 bonds.  
 5% Seawall improvement 1910 bonds.

**GASTONIA GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT, No. Caro.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.**—The County Commissioners have authorized the district to refund \$52,000 of the district's bonds which are in default.

**GEORGETOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Georgetown), Tex.—BONDS CALLED.**—It is reported that a total of \$48,000 school house bonds, Series of 1922-B were called for payment at the First National Bank in Dallas, on May 29, on which date int. ceased, but they have not been presented as yet. Dated Feb. 10 1922. Due on Feb. 10 1962, optional in 1932. Prin. and int. payable at the National City Bank, or at the Chemical Bank & Trust Co. in New York.

**GIRARD, Ohio.—BOND ELECTION.**—At the Aug. 13 elections the residents of this city will vote on the question of issuing \$45,000 city building and community center bonds.

**GLASCO UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9, N. Y.—REPORTS \$10,000 SURPLUS.**—The annual report of receipts and expenditures for the school year ended June 30 1935 shows that receipts totaled \$36,883.14 against disbursements of \$26,462.68, the cash surplus amounting to \$10,420.46. Payments during the period included \$2,000 for redemption of bonds and \$3,015 in interest charges.

**GLASSBORO, N. J.—BOND REFINANCING COMPLETED.**—Refinancing of all of the Borough's outstanding indebtedness, totaling \$444,000, has been completed at a savings in interest and maturities of approximately \$12,000 a year.

This was the report made to Glassboro Council on June 25 by Councilman G. William Patton, Chairman of the Finance Committee. He said that the last of the new 4% bonds have now been placed. They were exchanged for old bonds or disposed of to other buyers for outstanding borough bonds or notes which bear interest from 4¾% to 6%. Mr. Patton said that the old bonds averaged higher than 5½%.

**GOSHEN, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Ray Kitson, City Clerk-Treasurer will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. on July 24 for the purchase of \$130,000 not to exceed 4% interest electric utility revenue bonds, payable solely out of the "Electric Utility Bond Fund," to which fund there has been pledged 25% of the gross revenues of the electric utility owned and operated by the city. Report of operations during the calendar year 1934 and monthly reports for 1935 may be obtained by the bidder upon application at the Clerk-Treasurer's office. The bonds will be dated July 15 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due as follows: \$10,000, Jan. 15 and July 15 1936 and 1937; \$12,000, Jan. 15 and July 15 in 1938 and 1939; \$12,000, Jan. 15, and \$10,000, July 15 1940; and \$10,000, Jan. 15 and July 15 1941. Bidder to name a single interest rate on the issue, expressed in a multiple of ¼ of 1%. Payment for and delivery of the bonds to be made at the office of the Clerk-Treasurer. A certified check for 3% of the issue bid for, payable to the order of the city, must accompany each proposal. Legal opinion of Matson, Ross, McCord & Clifford of Indianapolis will be furnished the successful bidder.

**GOSHEN, N. Y.—BONDS VOTED.**—At the election on July 2 the voters, by 148 to 54, approved the issuance of \$90,000 water works system improvement bonds.

**GRANBURY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Tex.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$12,000 school building bonds was recently purchased by the State Board of Education.

**GRAND FORKS, N. Dak.—BOND OFFERING.**—It is stated that both sealed and oral bids will be received at 1 p. m. on July 24, by Charles J. Evanson, City Auditor, for the purchase of a \$246,000 issue of sewerage disposal, first mortgage bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 4%, payable M. & N. Due on May 1 as follows: \$8,000, 1937 to 1951, and \$9,000, 1952 to 1965, all incl. Bids shall state that the bonds will be accepted by the bidder not later than 30 days after the acceptance of the successful bid by the city, or such time thereafter after as the city shall designate. No bids for less than par and accrued interest will be considered. All bids to be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check or bank draft to the amount of not less than 2% of the bid, payable to E. A. Fladland, of the Board of City Commissioners.

**GRAND JUNCTION, Colo.—BOND CALL.**—Wm. L. Sackett, City Treasurer, gives notice that the following bonds are called for payment on July 20 1935, interest to cease on that date:

- Bonds Nos. 11, 12 and 13, Alley Paving District No. 2, dated Sept. 1 1929;
- Bond No. 41, Paving District No. 11, dated July 1 1924;
- Bond No. 13, Paving District No. 12, dated Jan. 1 1926;
- Bonds Nos. 284 to 307, incl., dated May 1 1926;
- Bonds Nos. 95 to 98, incl., Paving District No. 16, dated March 1 1926;
- Bonds Nos. 37 to 38, incl., Paving District No. 17, dated Oct. 1 1926;
- Bonds Nos. 65 to 69, incl., Paving District No. 18, dated Sept. 1 1927;
- Bonds Nos. 66 to 71, incl., Paving District No. 20, dated July 1 1928;
- Bonds Nos. 58 to 67, incl., Paving District No. 21, dated July 1 1929;
- Bonds Nos. 17 and 18, Paving District No. 22, dated Aug. 1 1929;
- Bonds Nos. 18 and 19, Paving District No. 23, dated Sept. 1 1929;
- Bonds Nos. 24 to 26, incl., Sidewalk District No. 9, dated June 1 1925;
- Bond No. 8, Sidewalk District No. 10, dated July 1 1928;
- Bonds Nos. 119 and 120, Combined Sewer District No. 2, dated Aug. 1 1923;
- Bond No. 17, Combined Sewer District No. 3, dated Aug. 1 1924;
- Bonds Nos. 42 to 44, incl., Combined Sewer District No. 4, dated March 1 1926;
- Bond No. 4, Combined Sewer District No. 5, dated Aug. 1 1926;
- Bonds Nos. 2 and 3, Curb and Gutter District No. 2, dated Sept. 1 1934.

**GRAND LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Hot Sulphur Springs), Colo.—BOND SALE.**—The \$12,500 4% school building bonds that were approved by the voters recently—V. 140, p. 4436—have been purchased by Oswald F. Benwell of Denver. Denoms. \$500 and \$1,000. Dated June 1 1935. Due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$500, 1936 to 1948; and \$1,000, 1949 to 1954. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) payable at the office of the County Treasurer, or at the United States National Bank of Denver. Legality approved by Myles P. Tallmadge of Denver.

**GRANT COUNTY (P. O. Carson), N. D.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.**—The Board of County Commissioners has passed an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$200,000 4½% refunding bonds. Dated July 1 1935.

**GRANT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. John Day), Ore.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election is said to be scheduled for July 16 to vote on the issuance of \$14,400 in school construction bonds. (An allotment of \$20,200 has been approved by the Public Water Administration.)

**GRANVILLE COUNTY (P. O. Oxford), No. Caro.—BOND ELECTION.**—The Board of County Commissioners have ordered that an election be held on Oct. 1 for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing \$55,000 hospital building bonds.

**GREENE COUNTY (P. O. Bloomfield), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—The issue of \$8,486.97 6% coupon drainage bonds offered for sale on June 28—V. 140, p. 3938—was awarded to the Sullivan State Bank of Sullivan at par for 68. Dated May 15 1935. Due \$3,061.59 May 15 1936, and \$602.82 yearly on May 15 from 1937 to 1945 incl.

**GREENVILLE, Ohio.—BOND ELECTION.**—A proposed \$85,000 bond issue for construction of a sewage disposal plant is to be submitted to a vote of the people on Aug. 13.

**GREENWOOD, Miss.—BONDS VOTED.**—At the election held on July 2—V. 140, p. 4436—the voters approved the issuance of the \$192,000 in sewage disposal and electric distribution system bonds, by a wide margin. It is said that the bonds are to be sold to the Public Works Administration after the city's application is approved.

**GRUNDY COUNTY (P. O. Altamont), Tenn.—PROPOSED BOND ISSUANCE.**—A resolution is said to have been adopted by the County Court recently, requesting the Governor to include in his call for a special session of the Legislature, the right of the county to issue \$150,000 in school building bonds.

**GUILFORD COUNTY (P. O. Greensboro), N. C.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.**—The Local Government Commission is said to have authorized the county to issue \$155,000 in refunding bonds. (These bonds were approved by the County Commissioners early in June—V. 140, p. 3938.)

**HADDON TOWNSHIP (P. O. Haddonfield), N. J.—BOND REFUNDING AUTHORIZED.**—The Township Committee has authorized the refinancing of \$1,495,000 of indebtedness for the next 35 years at an interest rate of 4½%, and has instructed the Director of Finance and the Solicitor to make the necessary arrangements.

**HAMBURG, Wis.—BOND SALE.**—A \$15,000 issue of 4% road improvement bonds is reported to have been purchased by the Channer Securities Co. of Chicago. Denom. \$1,000. Dated June 1 1935. Due \$1,500 from June 1 1937 to 1946 incl. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) payable at the office of the Town Treasurer. Legality approved by Chapman & Cutler of Chicago.

**HAMMOND, Ind.—BOND SALE.**—City Comptroller M. A. McCormick recently sold \$25,000 viaduct land purchase bonds to Burr & Co. of Chicago on a 4½% interest basis.

**HAMPSTEAD, Md.—BONDS VOTED.**—The taxpayers voted on July 8 to issue \$35,000 bonds to finance part of the cost of constructing a water supply system. The balance of the cost is expected to be furnished by the Federal Government. The proposal was approved by a vote of 141 to 19.

**HARRIS CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Harris), Iowa.—BOND SALE.**—The \$14,000 school refunding bonds authorized by the Board of Education on July 1—V. 140, p. 4436—are reported to have been purchased by the White-Phillips Co. of Davenport, as 2¾s.

**HARTFORD CITY, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—City Clerk-Treasurer Von Braner will receive bids until 10 a. m. July 23, for the purchase at not less than par of \$8,000 4½% street improvement bonds. Denom. \$50. Dated July 23 1935. Interest, payable June 30 and Dec. 31. Principal and interest payable at the office of the City Clerk-Treasurer. Due \$1,000 each six months from June 15 1936 to Dec. 15 1939, incl. A certified check for \$100, payable to the city, required. (This report is in addition to that given in V. 141, p. 145.)

**HAWAII, Territory of—PLANS FOR REFUNDING OPERATION OUTLINED.**—Plans for a refunding operation by the said Territory involving early sale of a new bond issue of \$4,430,000, were outlined on July 10 by W. C. McGonagle, Treasurer of the Territory, who is in New York to arrange for the first major Hawaiian financing since 1929. Proceeds of the offering will be used to refund three issues of 4% bonds, which are callable, and a substantial saving in interest is expected. The new bonds, like all of those outstanding, will be tax exempt in the United States.

Bids will be called for within the next 10 days or so, Mr. McGonagle announced, and bidders will be asked to name the interest rate and the price. Serial maturities will be designated, with the first maturity not later than five years from the date of issue and the final maturity probably set for 1944. Three banking groups, including a number of Pacific Coast houses, have already indicated their intention to submit bids and others are expected to be formed when the sale date is announced.

"The outstanding indebtedness of Hawaii on June 21 1935 was \$31,715,000 and on the same date \$7,400,000 was held in the sinking fund," according to Mr. McGonagle. "The Territory has an unbroken record for the payment of principal and interest on all of its obligations." All bonds, new or refunding, must be approved by the President of the United States and all are general obligations, payable from the consolidated revenues of the Territory. Hawaii has never had any tax limitation laws or resorted to a tax moratorium. The Organic Act limits the bonded indebtedness of Hawaii to 10% of the value of its real property. The assessed value of both real and personal property for 1935 is \$383,990,500 and the net taxable base, after all deductions, is \$244,151,938."

Prospects for an early balancing of the Hawaiian budget are excellent, Mr. McGonagle said. The biennial deficit was reduced from \$1,809,251 for the period ended in 1933 to \$1,475,111 on June 30 1935 and it is estimated that this will be cut to approximately \$700,000 by 1937, without taking into account the interest saving from the refunding operation. Total revenues for the current biennial period are estimated at \$23,851,147 against estimated requirements of \$24,503,944.

"All evidence of recent business improvement in the Territory, Mr. McGonagle cited a 23% gain in income taxes collected in 1934 as compared with 1933 and an increase in internal revenue for the same period from \$3,067,249 to \$5,116,469. Current delinquencies in tax collections are less than 10%.

"The Territory of Hawaii has suffered less during the depression than the industrialized mainland," Mr. McGonagle said. "Its revenues are derived principally from its two great agricultural crops—sugar and pineapples. The outlook for sugar as a result of the quota plan of the Jones-Costigan Act and the operation of the processing tax is better than in several years. The co-operative movement among the pineapple growers has also improved the prospects for this product."

"The Hawaiian tourist trade, which is important enough to be called an industry, has enjoyed the best season since 1930. Hotels have been filled and steamships arriving at Hawaii this summer have continued to operate at capacity.

"Another source of revenue is the business incidental to Army and Navy operations in the Pacific. Expenditures by both branches of the service in the Territory have been larger than ever before. New construction projects include an air field for the Army and a drydock for the Navy. During the recent fleet operations the Navy had as many as 176 vessels at Pearl Harbor, all of which contributes to increased revenues and emphasizes the value of Hawaii as the real western outpost of our Nation."

Mr. McGonagle is making his headquarters at the offices of Bankers Trust Co., fiscal agent for the Territory.

**HAYWOOD COUNTY (P. O. Brownsville), Tenn.—BOND REFUNDING AUTHORIZED.**—A resolution is reported to have been adopted by the County Court, calling for the refunding of \$65,000 in road bonds.

**HAZELTON, Pa.—BONDS APPROVED.**—The Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs on July 3 approved a total of \$50,000 bonds, including \$40,000 funding obligations, \$8,000 for purchase of fire department apparatus and \$2,000 for improvements to the City Hall.

**HEBER CITY, Utah.—BOND ELECTION.**—The city will hold an election on July 9, to vote on Waterworks Revenue Bonds to the amount of \$25,000. Int. not to exceed 4%. Clarence Olson is City Recorder.

**HENRY COUNTY (P. O. Paris), Tenn.—BOND SALE.**—It is reported that the \$50,000 refunding bonds authorized last April, have been purchased by the Union Planters Bank & Trust Co. of Memphis, as 2¾s.

**HERNDON, Pa.—BOND ELECTION POSTPONED**—The election which was to have been held on July 16 to vote on the issuance of \$25,000 bonds has been deferred to Sept. 17.

**HIDALGO COUNTY WATER CONTROL & IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 6 (P. O. Mission), Tex.—REFINANCING ARRANGED**—Refinancing of \$1,218,000 in outstanding bonds of the Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No. 6 is expected to begin within the next 30 days, according to M. L. Hays, Business Manager for the district.

Hays has been advised by Emil Schram, Division Chief of Drainage for the Irrigation Department of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, that a grant of \$527,500 had been allowed for financing the district's bonds. The arrangement will effect a saving in principal alone of about \$90,000.

L. H. Ramey, Secretary of the district, who has been in Washington for the past three months, is expected to return within a week. He is now contacting officials of the Public Works Administration in connection with a loan and grant totaling \$399,900 for lining all main canals of the district with concrete. About \$305,000 will be in the form of a loan and the remainder of \$94,000 in the form of a grant. The loan and grant was authorized some time ago, but has been delayed during completion of details relating to the refinancing arrangement through the RFC.

**HILLSBORO, Wis.—BOND SALE**—The \$35,000 4% road impt. bonds that were approved by the voters recently—V. 141, p. 145—are said to have been purchased by the Channer Securities Co. of Chicago. Denoms. \$500 and \$1,000. Dated June 1 1935. Due \$3,500 from June 1 1936 to 1945 incl. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) payable at the office of the County Treasurer in Viroqua. Legality to be approved by Chapman & Cutler of Chicago.

**HILLSBORO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Hillsboro), Tex.—BONDS VOTED**—At the election on July 2—V. 140, p. 3938—the voters are stated to have approved the issuance of the \$21,000 in 4% school improvement bonds. Due in 20 years. It is said that these bonds will be offered for sale in about 30 days. (An allotment of \$28,000 has been approved by the PWA.)

**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY (P. O. Manchester), N. H.—BOND OFFERING**—Thomas F. Sheehan, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 2 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) July 29, for the purchase of \$300,000 3% coupon funding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1935. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable at the Manchester Trust Co. of Manchester. Due \$15,000 yearly on July 1 from 1936 to 1955 incl.

Bonds will be engraved under the supervision of and certified to as to genuineness by the Manchester Trust Co. of Manchester, will bear on face a certificate of registration signed by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hillsborough County, and their legality will be approved by Ropes, Gray, Boyden and Perkins of Boston, whose legal opinion will be furnished the purchaser. The valuation of Hillsborough County, as determined by the State Tax Commission, for 1934 was \$168,708,018. The valuation of County property, as given by the Board of County Commissioners Jan. 1 1935 was \$1,003,009.87. Outstanding funded debt \$521,000.

**HILLSDALE, N. J.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Borough Council has passed an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$170,000 general refunding bonds, to bear no more than 4½% interest. Dated June 15 1935. Interest payable June 15 and Dec. 15. Due yearly on Dec. 15 as follows: \$7,000 1936 to 1939 incl.; \$12,000 1940 and 1941; \$13,000 1942; \$14,000 1943 to 1949 incl.; \$3,000 1950, and \$4,000 1951.

**HOBOKEN, N. J.—BOND SALE**—Edward Hunter, City Comptroller, states that the amount of general funding bonds purchased by the Sinking Fund Commission was \$460,000, not \$465,000 as previously reported in these columns. The transaction was an exchange arrangement, the bonds having been substituted for a similar amount of 4% tax revenue bonds of 1934 which were held in the funds. The bonds are part of an original issue of \$464,600, the remaining \$4,600 having been sold on July 2 as 4s, at par, to C. C. Collins & Co. of Philadelphia.

**BONDS AUTHORIZED**—Two ordinances authorizing the issuance of \$298,000 bonds have been finally passed by the Board of Commissioners. One ordinance provides for the issuance of \$105,000 water bonds, and the other \$193,000 park bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 4½%. Dated August 1 1935.

**HOGANSVILLE, Ga.—BONDS VOTED**—At an election held on July 1 the voters approved the issuance of \$15,000 5% annual water system impt. bonds by a count of 344 to 4. Due \$3,000 from Jan. 1 1937 to 1941 incl. Dated Aug. 1 1935. It is said that these bonds will be offered for sale shortly.

**HOMINY, Okla.—UTILITY LOSES FIGHT ON CITY POWER PLANT**—A United Press dispatch from Washington, D. C., on June 28 had the following to say regarding a municipal electric plant projected by the above named city:

"A suit by the Oklahoma Utilities Co. to prevent the City of Hominy, Okla., from proceeding with a municipal electric project with Public Works Administration funds was dismissed to-day by Justice Daniel W. O'Donoghue in District of Columbia Supreme Court.

"The utilities company announced it would appeal and the case is expected to be heard in the District Court of Appeals in the fall.

"In questioning the right of the city to go ahead with its project the utilities company attacked Title II of the National Industrial Recovery Act under which the PWA was given authority to grant loans for such projects.

"Without passing on the merits of the company's contention Justice O'Donoghue ruled that the company had not sufficient legal interest in the matter to maintain the suit."

**HORNELL, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING**—Howard P. Babcock, City Chamberlain, will receive sealed bids until 3 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on July 18 for the purchase of \$70,000 coupon or registered bonds, divided as follows:

\$30,000 bridge bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1934. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Due \$1,500 on Nov. 1 from 1935 to 1954 incl. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable at the City Chamberlain's office or at holder's option at the Irving Trust Co., New York City.

25,000 public works bonds. Dated May 1 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due May 1 as follows: \$3,000 from 1937 to 1943 incl. and \$4,000 in 1944. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable at the Chamberlain's office.

15,000 emergency relief bonds. Dated May 1 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due May 1 as follows: \$2,000 from 1937 to 1943 incl. and \$1,000 in 1944. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable at the Chamberlain's office.

The \$30,000 issue is to bear int. at a rate of not more than 4%, while a coupon of not more than 5% may be named on the issues of \$25,000 and \$15,000. All of the \$30,000 bonds bear the same int. rate and this is also true in the case of the remaining \$40,000 bonds. Int. rates to be expressed in a multiple of ¼ or 1-10th of 1%. Bids on the \$30,000 loan must be accompanied by a certified check for \$600, payable to the order the city. In the case of the issues of \$25,000 and \$15,000, one check for \$800 is required. All of the \$70,000 bonds are direct general obligations the city, payable from unblighted taxes. Approving opinion of Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York will be furnished the successful bidder.

#### Financial Statement

The assessed valuation of the real property of said city subject to taxation as it appears on the last preceding assessment roll for State or county taxes is \$10,879,505 and the total contract debt of said city, including these issues if \$826,000. Deducting \$4,000 temporary loan in anticipation of the issue of \$25,000 public works bonds and \$70,000 water debt included in the total debt above stated, the net debt is \$752,000.

The population of said city (1930 census) was 16,250. The total debt above stated does not include the debt of any other subdivision having power to levy taxes upon any or all of the property subject to the taxing power of the city. There are such other subdivisions.

A detailed report of essential facts will be submitted to any interested bidder.

This city operates under a City Charter, which is Chapter 288 of the Laws of 1906, and amendments thereof.

#### Tax Data

Total amount of city taxes levied for preceding three fiscal years (including city taxes levied per Charter) was: 1932-1933, \$227,071.51; 1933-1934, \$216,471.60; 1934-1935, \$222,706.38.

Amount of such uncollected taxes at the end of each of said fiscal years, is: 1932-1933, \$12,203.85; 1933-1934, \$15,281.55; 1934-1935, \$16,362.20.

That the amount of such taxes uncollected as of July 1 is: 1932-1933; \$2,265.98; 1933-1934, \$4,150.25; 1934-1935, \$10,257.72.

The city taxes of the current fiscal year 1934-1935 amount to \$213,659.18 and to date \$151,711.63 thereof has been collected. Said taxes become delinquent Sept. 4 1935.

**SEEEKS \$308,000 FLOOD DAMAGE FUND**—David Noonan, Assistant State Highway Commissioner and Governor Lehman's personal representative, was requested by the Disaster Relief Committee of the city on July 10 to provide a fund of \$308,000 for the purpose of relieving the personal distress to its citizens and property damage caused by the recent rain storms which ranged over a large portion of the up-State area. Hornell is one of the communities which suffered heavily as a result of the torrential rains and one of the purposes of the request for funds is to provide trucks and men to clear the municipality of the debris occasioned by the storms. In soliciting the special fund, Mayor Leon F. Wheatley pointed out that there is no provision in the budget to meet the situation and pointed out that the city is already bonded to the limit. Press dispatches state that there are 1,000 families in distress in Hornell and 2,000 damaged houses that will need attention.

No word has been received as to whether any change has been made in the plans of the city to receive sealed bids on July 18 for the purchase of \$70,000 bridge, emergency relief and public works bonds, as stated above.

**HORTONVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Wis.—BONDS DEFEATED**—By a ballot of 168 to 62 the citizens at a recent election rejected a proposal that the District borrow \$27,000 on bonds for the purpose of building a new school gymnasium.

**HUDSON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Hudson), Ia.—MATURITY**—It is reported by the Secretary of the Board of Education that the \$17,500 3¼% semi-ann. refunding bonds sold recently to the Hudson State Bank—V. 141, p. 145—are due as follows: \$1,500, 1936 to 1940, and \$2,000, 1941 to 1945.

**HUMACAO, Puerto Rico—BOND SALE**—The \$77,000 issue of 4% coupon semi-annual public improvement bonds offered for sale on July 9—V. 140, p. 4105—was awarded to the Banco Popular de Puerto Rico, paying a premium of \$207.90, equal to 100.27, a basis of about 3.973%. Dated Jan. 1 1935. Due from July 1 1936 to 1960 incl. The next highest bid was an offer of \$77.85 premium, tendered by Seasgood & Mayer of Cincinnati.

**HUMBOLDT, Tenn.—BOND REFUNDING REPORT**—In connection with the report carried in these columns recently to the effect that the Board of Aldermen had approved the refunding of \$347,000 bonds, and also a \$20,000 note issue—V. 140, p. 4270—it is stated by the City Attorney that the First National Bank of Jackson, Tenn., has been designated as transfer and paying agent and most of the \$347,000 bonds have been deposited and are now being exchanged. He states that the \$20,000 notes have been sold locally. Interest on all bonds not included in the refunding plan is being paid by the city through the Merchants State Bank of Humboldt. He goes on to report that the city has about cleared up its current obligations and is well on the road to recovery.

**HUMESTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Iowa—BOND ELECTION**—An election has been called for July 30 to vote on the issuance of \$11,000 bonds to build a gymnasium-auditorium to cost \$18,500. Clyde C. Hutchinson is Secretary.

**IDAHO FALLS, Ida.—BOND SALE**—The \$20,000 issue of coupon refunding bonds offered for sale on July 5—V. 140, p. 4436—was awarded jointly to Edward L. Burton & Co., and the First Security Trust Co. both of Salt Lake City, as 2¼s, at 100.525, according to the City Clerk. Dated July 1 1935. Due from July 1 1937 to 1940, optional after July 1 1936.

**ILLINOIS (State of)—DELINQUENT DEBT FUNDING BOND ACT PASSED**—The Act which will permit issuance of bonds by cities to pay off delinquent indebtedness has been passed by the State Legislature.

**MINNESOTA (State of)—BOND FINANCING PLANNED**—N. W. Elsberg, State Highway Commissioner, is awaiting approval by the United States Bureau of Public Roads of a \$6,000,000 program of Federal aid highway construction for the fiscal year beginning July 1. Projects costing an additional \$800,000 will be submitted in a few days, completing the State's full program of \$6,800,000 under the regular Federal aid provisions. Of this amount the Federal Government will pay half and the State the balance. As soon as Federal approval of the program is received Commissioner Elsberg will ask the State Executive Council to authorize sale of bonds to provide for the State's share of the expense.

**INDIANAPOLIS SCHOOL CITY, Ind.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The School Board has approved the issuance of \$172,000 school construction bonds.

**JENNINGS CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BOND ELECTION**—A proposition that the district issue \$23,000 school building bonds will be submitted to the voters on July 30.

**JENNINGS COUNTY (P. O. Vernon), Ind.—BOND SALE**—The \$15,000 series No. 1 of 1935 "advancement fund" poor relief bonds offered on July 8—V. 140, p. 4436—were awarded to the Indianapolis Bond & Share Co. of Indianapolis as 2¼s. Dated July 15 1935. Due \$1,500 each six months from June 1 1936 to Dec. 1 1940 incl.

**JENNINGS SCHOOL TOWNSHIP, Scott County, Ind.—BOND SALE DATE POSTPONED**—Date of the sale of an issue of \$29,000 4½% coupon school bonds, originally planned for July 8, as stated in V. 140, p. 4271, has been postponed until July 18.

**JOHNSBURGH (P. O. North Creek), N. Y.—OFFERING OF NORTH CREEK WATER DISTRICT BONDS**—Charles S. Kenwell, Town Supervisor, will receive sealed bids until 3 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on July 24 for the purchase of \$12,000 not to exceed 6% interest coupon or registered water bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Feb. 1 from 1936 to 1947 incl. Bidder to name a single interest rate on the issue, expressed in a multiple of ¼ or 1-10 of 1%. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable in lawful money of the United States at the North Creek National Bank, North Creek. The bonds will be valid and legally binding obligations of the town and, as provided in Chapter 610, New York State Laws of 1935, will be payable from taxes to be levied upon all the taxable property in the North Creek Water District in the town. Proceeds of the issue will be used to retire a certificate of indebtedness issued to finance improvements and pay other expenses of the district. A certified check for 2% of the issue, payable to the order of the town, must accompany each proposal. Legal opinion of Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York will be furnished the successful bidder.

**JOHNSON COUNTY (P. O. Mountain City), Tenn.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The County Court is said to have approved the issuance of \$15,000 in school bonds.

**JONESBORO, Ark.—BOND ELECTION**—It is reported that an election will be held on Aug. 13 to vote on the issuance of \$100,000 in community center bonds. The issue will require a 3-mill levy for retirement, according to report.

**KANDIYOHI COUNTY (P. O. Willmar), Minn.—BOND SALE**—The \$30,000 issue of drainage refunding bonds offered for sale on July 8—V. 140, p. 4437—was awarded to Kalman & Co. of St. Paul, according to the County Auditor. Dated July 1 1935. Due \$5,000 from July 1 1937 to 1942 incl.

**KANE, Pa.—BOND SALE**—The issue of \$25,000 4% bonds offered on July 8—V. 140, p. 4271—was awarded to Singer, Deane & Scribner, Inc. of Pittsburgh at par plus a premium of \$1,562.50, equal to 106.25, a basis of about 3%. Dated July 1 1935 and due Oct. 15 as follows: \$3,000 from 1938 to 1944 incl. and \$4,000 in 1945. Second high bid of par and premium of \$1,478.54 was entered by Kane Trust & Savings Bank of Kane.

**KENDALL, Wis.—BOND SALE**—A \$7,500 issue of 4% sewage disposal plant bonds is said to have been purchased recently by the Channer Securities Co. of Chicago. Denom. \$500. Dated Oct. 1 1934. Due \$500 from Oct. 1 1939 to 1953 incl. Prin. and int. (A. & O.) payable at the office of the Village Treasurer. Legality to be approved by Chapman & Cutler of Chicago.

**KENTUCKY State of—BOND SALE**—The \$800,000 issue of bridge revenue bonds, Project No. 9, offered for sale on July 9—V. 140, p. 4271—was awarded by the State Highway Commission to the Kentucky-Illinois Bridge Co., the original owner of the bridge, as 3¼s at par. The bonds are issued to pay the said owner for the Paducah-Brookport bridge over the Ohio River at Paducah. The interest and principal of the bonds are to be paid from the tolls collected. Dated Aug. 15 1935. Due on July 1 1955. Redeemable on any interest payment date, on 30 days' advance notice.



**KINSLEY, Kan.—BOND SALE**—A block of water bonds, totaling \$50,000 have been purchased by the State School Fund Commission. They paid par and accrued interest for the bonds, which bear 3% interest.

**KLAMATH COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Klamath Falls), Ore.—BOND OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until 7 p. m. on July 24 by Ida M. Odell, District Clerk, for the purchase of an issue of \$125,000 refunding bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1935. Due on Sept. 1 1952, optional on Sept. 1 1948. A certified check for 5% of the bid is required.

**KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.—BOND OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until July 18, by Clifton Richmond, Police Judge, for the purchase of a \$273,417.39 issue of refunding improvement bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 4 1/2%, payable F. & A. Denom. \$1,000, one for \$417.39. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Due on Aug. 1 as follows: \$12,917.39 in 1938; \$14,500 1939; \$16,000, 1940; \$17,000, 1941; \$18,000, 1942; \$19,000, 1943; \$21,000, 1944; \$23,000, 1945; \$24,000, 1946; \$25,000, 1947; \$27,000, 1948; \$28,000, 1949 and 1950. The approving opinion of Teal, Winfree, McCulloch, Shuler & Kelley of Portland, will be furnished the purchaser. A certified check for \$6,000 must accompany the bid.

**BOND CALL**—It is stated by Ruth O. Bathiany, City Treasurer, that the following bonds are being called for payment.

Improvement bonds, series 54, dated Aug. 1 1928, and numbered 1 to 160, inclusive.

Improvement bonds, series 55, dated Aug. 1 1928, and numbered 1 to 172, inclusive.

Improvement bonds, series 56, dated Aug. 1 1928, and numbered 1 to 217, inclusive.

All of said bonds are redeemable at the option of the city on any interest paying date on and after one year from the date of issuance, and pursuant to said option to redeem, notice is given that all of said bonds will be redeemed on the first day of Aug. 1935, and said bonds are called for redemption and will be redeemed at the fiscal agency of the State of Oregon in New York City, New York, or at the office of the Treasurer of the City, the places of payment provided therein.

Interest on said bonds will cease on said date and no further interest will be paid thereon.

**KUTZTOWN, Pa.—BOND OFFERING**—Webster J. Frey, Borough Secretary, will receive bids until 7 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) Aug. 5 for the purchase of \$16,000 3% coupon park bonds. Denoms. 60 for \$100 and 20 for \$500. Dated Sept. 1 1935. Interest payable Mar. 1 and Sept. 1. Due \$2,000 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1940 to 1947 incl.; redeemable after Sept. 1 1936 on thirty days' notice.

**LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Tavares), Fla.—BONDS DEFAULTED**—It is reported that on July 1 the county defaulted in payment of principal on \$1,200,000 bonds. The County Commissioners are said to be hoping to arrange a refunding program in the near future.

**LAKE-MISSOULA COUNTIES JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 28 (P. O. Ronan), Mont.—MATURITY**—The \$100,000 refunding bonds that were purchased by the State Board of Land Commissioners, as 3 1/2% at par—V. 141, p. 145—are due in 1945, according to the District Clerk.

**LAKEWOOD, Ohio.—BONDS SOLD**—The \$75,000 street paving bonds which were recently authorized were purchased on July 1 by the City of Lakewood for investment of its Treasury funds.

**LAMAR, Colo.—BOND CALL**—It is reported that Nos. 121 to 235 of a 4% refunding bond issue dated Sept. 1 1930 are being called for payment at the International Trust Co. in Denver, on Aug. 1, on which date interest shall cease. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$23,000 from Sept. 1 1936 to 1940, optional at any time. (We reported in these columns recently the sale of \$115,000 3 1/4% refunding bonds—V. 140, p. 4437.)

**LANCASTER, N. Y.—BOND SALE**—The \$20,861.18 coupon or registered funding bonds offered on July 8—V. 141, p. 146—were awarded to the Marine Trust Co. of Buffalo as 3 2/5%, at par plus a premium of \$40.07, equal to 100.19, a basis of about 3.16%. Dated July 1 1935 and due July 1 as follows: \$5,000 from 1936 to 1938 incl. and \$5,861.18 in 1939. Leach Bros., Inc. of New York, second high bidders, offered a premium of \$10 for 3.90s.

**LANDER, Wyo.—PURCHASER**—The \$30,000 4 1/2% semi-ann. warrant funding bonds that were sold recently—V. 140, p. 4437—were purchased at par by the Stock Growers National Bank of Cheyenne, according to the Town Clerk. Denoms. \$500 and \$1,000. Dated June 15 1935. Due as follows: \$1,500 from 1936 to 1940; \$2,000, 1941 to 1944; \$2,500, 1945 to 1947; \$3,000, 1948 and \$4,000 in 1949.

**LAPORTE, Ind.—BOND SALE**—A block of \$90,000 Public Works Administration bonds for financing waterworks improvements has recently been sold to C. W. McNear & Co., Chicago, at a premium of \$3,375, equal to 103.75.

**LEA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS (P. O. Lovington), N. Mex.—BOND SALE DETAILS**—In connection with the sale of the bonds aggregating \$45,000 to the State Treasurer, at par—V. 140, p. 4437—it is reported by the County Treasurer that the bonds were sold as 4s.

**LEE COUNTY (P. O. Fort Madison), Iowa.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—A resolution authorizing the issuance \$52,000 refunding bonds was recently passed by the board of county supervisors. N. J. Tucker is County Auditor.

**LEIGHTON, Pa.—BOND ELECTION**—The residents will have an opportunity at the September primary election to vote on the question of issuing \$25,000 municipal building bonds.

**LEWIS COUNTY (P. O. Chehalis), Wash.—WARRANTS CALLED**—The County Treasurer is said to have called for payment at his office on June 25, various school district general fund, current expense, soldiers and sailors and Road District No. 1 warrants.

**LEWIS, LEYDEN, WEST TURIN AND HIGH MARKET, LEWIS COUNTY AND AVA, ONEIDA COUNTY CENTRAL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. West Leyden), N. Y.—BOND OFFERING**—The Board of Education will receive bids until 1 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) July 16 for the purchase at not less than par of \$25,000 coupon or registered school building improvement bonds, to bear no more than 4% interest. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1935. Principal and semi-annual interest (Jan. 1 and July 1) payable at the National Exchange Bank, in Booneville. Due \$1,000 yearly on July 1 from 1937 to 1961, incl. A certified check for 10% of amount of bonds, required.

Assessed valuation of the district subject to taxing power of issuer is \$268,279; total bonded debt including proposed issue is \$50,000; population by last U. S. census, 677; bonded debt does not include debt of any other subdivision of district, (is none); uncollected tax for last three fiscal years at end of fiscal year, to wit: 1932, \$1,553.78, now none; 1933, \$1,600.72, now none; 1934, \$1,334.25, now \$1,334.25.

**LIMA, Ohio.—REJECTS MUNICIPAL POWER PLANT**—City Council on July 4 rejected the proposal to ask the Public Works Administration for a loan and grant of \$225,000 to finance the construction of a municipal electric light plant.

**LINCOLN, Neb.—BOND SALE**—The \$68,000 issue of refunding bonds offered for sale on July 8—V. 141, p. 146—was awarded jointly to the First Trust Co. of Lincoln, and the Kirkpatrick-Pettis-Loomis Co. of Omaha, paying a premium of \$26, equal to 100.038, a basis of about 2.73%, on the bonds divided as follows: \$6,800 as 2 1/2s, maturing in 1945, the remaining \$61,200 as 2 3/4s, maturing \$15,300 from July 1 1946 to 1949 incl.

**LOCKPORT, N. Y.—BOND SALE**—F. D. McLean, City Treasurer, informs us that the \$25,000 coupon work and home relief bonds offered on July 9, were awarded to the Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. of Buffalo as 2.90s, at 100.1991, a basis of about 2.89%. Dated May 15 1935 and due May 15 as follows: \$3,000 from 1936 to 1943 incl. and \$1,000 in 1944. Prin. and int. (M. & N. 15) payable at the City Treasurer's office. Two other bids were received, as follows:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
Marine Trust Co. of Buffalo	3%	100.169
George B. Gibbons & Co., Inc.	3.50%	100.06

**LOCKPORT, N. Y.—BOND SALE**—The \$18,000 coupon public library bonds offered on July 12—V. 141, p. 146—were awarded to the Marine Trust Co. of Buffalo as 2 3/4s, at a price of 100.091, a basis of about 2.735%. Dated July 1 1935 and due \$2,000 on July 1 from 1937 to 1945 incl. The Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. of Buffalo bid 100.2991 for 2.80s.

**LODI, N. J.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Borough Council on July 1 passed on final reading an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$235,000 3% general refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated June 1 1935. Interest payable June 1 and Dec. 1. Due yearly on Dec. 1 as follows: \$2,000 1939; \$23,000 1940 to 1948 incl., and \$26,000 1949.

The bonds are to be issued to fund or refund all or any part of the following outstanding obligations of the borough: \$140,000 assessment bonds dated March 1 1933, payable \$20,000 of bonds on March 1 1935 and \$30,000 of bonds on March 1 in each of the years 1936 to 1939 incl. \$93,000 general improvement bonds dated March 1 1933, payable \$6,000 of bonds on March 1 of each of the years 1935 to 1939 incl.; \$8,000 of bonds on March 1 1940; \$9,000 of bonds on March 1 in each of the years 1941 to 1945 incl., and \$10,000 of bonds on March 1 1946.

**LOGAN, Utah.—BOND SALE**—The \$100,000 issue of 4% coupon semi-annual electric light and power plant revenue bonds offered for sale on July 5—V. 141, p. 146—was awarded to Snow, Bergin & Co. of Salt Lake City, according to the City Auditor. Denom. \$1,000. Dated May 1 1935. Due \$10,000 from 1938 to 1947, incl.

**LOGANSPOUT SCHOOL CITY, Ind.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The School Board has authorized the issuance of \$15,000 school improvement bonds.

**LONG BEACH, Calif.—COURT ORDERS TAX LEVY TO PAY JUDGMENT**—An Associated Press dispatch from San Francisco on July 1 reported as follows on a Supreme Court order, directing the above city to pay a judgment obtained some time ago by contractors:

"The State Supreme Court late to-day ordered the City of Long Beach and its officials to levy a 1935-36 tax sufficient to pay two-tenths of an \$83,726 judgment held against the city by C. J. Kubach Co., contractors.

The Kubach company was awarded a contract in 1929, on a bid of \$838,034, for harbor improvement works. The decision stated that the company protested against certain plans and specifications ordered, but was directed to proceed, and that later certain of the bulkheads constructed under the contract gave way.

"Kubach company ceased operations in August 1930, and the city took over the job, completing it at greater expense than the contract price. Kubach company filed a suit for \$213,970, and got a judgment of \$118,433, including costs. Only \$34,707 of this has been paid.

"Co-winner in the action with the Kubach company was the Title Guarantee & Trust Co., which was given the judgment for collection."

**LONG BRANCH, N. J.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**—In connection with the offering on July 16 of \$182,000 not to exceed 5% interest refunding bonds, details of which appeared in V. 141, p. 146, we learn that payment of principal and (F. & A.) interest on the bonds will be made in lawful money of the United States at the City Treasurer's office.

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 67 (P. O. Los Angeles), Calif.—REPORT ON DELAY IN REFUNDING PROCEEDINGS**—In connection with the report given in these columns last April, to the effect that \$43,000 refunding bonds would be exchanged with the holders of the original bonds—V. 140, p. 2742—it is stated as follows by the Secretary of the County Special Assessment Relief Committee:

"The County has been unable to proceed with the refunding of the bonds of this district for the reason that the California State Supreme Court has decided that the refunding Act, under which these proceedings have been taken, was unconstitutional.

"In the decision of the Court, the points which were objected to by the Court were clearly set forth. Amendments to the Act have just been passed by the State Legislature for the purpose of meeting the objections of the Court. Assuming that the Governor will sign the bill which includes these amendments, we are very optimistic about the possibility of being able to refund the bonds of this particular district and of other districts which are in trouble."

**LOWELL, Mass.—BOND SALE**—An issue of \$450,000 2 1/4% 1-10-year serial municipal relief bonds has been sold privately to F. L. Putnam & Co. and Brown Harriman & Co. both of Boston. Dated July 1 1935.

The bankers paid a price of 100.14 for the issue, the basis cost to the city being about 2.225%. Issue is dated July 1 1935 and due \$45,000 each July 1 from 1936 to 1945 incl. Public re-offering is being made by the bankers at prices to yield from 0.70% to 2.30%, according to maturity. They are stated to be legal investments for savings banks and trust funds in the States of New York and Massachusetts and, in the opinion of counsel to the bankers, constitute direct obligations of the city, payable from unlimited ad valorem taxes on all taxable property therein. City reports assessed valuation for 1935 of \$110,340,750 and net funded debt is \$4,820,447.

**LYNCHBURG, Va.—BOND OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a. m. on July 18 by George M. Bell, City Treasurer, for the purchase of a \$500,000 issue of coupon or registered city bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Due as follows: \$20,000, Feb. 1 and \$25,000 Aug. 1, 1936 to 1938; \$25,000, Feb. and Aug. 1 1939 to 1943; \$25,000, Feb. 1 and \$30,000 Aug. 1 1944, and \$30,000, Feb. and Aug. 1 1945. Bids will be taken on said bonds in blocks; block 1 covering all bonds maturing six months to five years incl., and block 2 covering all bonds maturing five years, six months to 10 years incl., after date; and "all or none" bids will be taken on the entire issue. All bids shall fix the interest rates in multiples of 1-10th of 1% on the two blocks of bonds separately, and on the two blocks of bonds as a whole on "all or none" bids. The interest rate on said bonds shall be fixed by resolution of the Council, after bids are received, at rate set forth in successful bid. All bids must be for par and accrued interest. Prin. and int. payable in lawful money at the Chase National Bank in New York. The approving opinion of Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York will be furnished. A certified check for 2% of the face value of the bonds bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, is required.

**LYNN, Mass.—TO ISSUE BONDS**—Mayor Manning plans to issue \$60,000 of bonds and to use the money, together with about \$35,000 cash from the city treasury, to buy mechanical equipment for municipal departments.

**MCCAMMON, Ida.—BOND OFFERING DETAILS**—In connection with the offering scheduled for 8 p. m. on July 22, of the \$16,000 not to exceed 4 1/2% semi-ann. refunding bonds, report on which appeared in these columns recently—V. 141, p. 146—it is stated by Franklin Wells, Village Clerk, that the bonds are due on July 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1937 to 1941, and \$3,000 in 1942 and 1943, optional on or after 5 years from date. Prin. and int. payable at the office of the Village Treasurer, or at the Chase National Bank in New York City. The approving opinion of Martin & Martin, of Boise, will be furnished.

**MADISON COUNTY (P. O. Jackson), Tenn.—BOND REFUNDING AUTHORIZED**—The County Court on July 1 is said to have voted to refund \$284,000 in road bonds. (A call for payment of road bonds outstanding as of July 1 was issued recently by the County Judge—V. 141, p. 146.)

**MANATI, Puerto Rico.—BOND SALE**—The \$58,000 issue of 4% coupon semi-annual sewer system bonds offered for sale on July 9—V. 140, p. 4106—was awarded to the Banco Popular de Puerto Rico, paying a premium of \$156.60, equal to 100.27, a basis of about 3.976%. Dated Jan. 1 1935. Due from July 1 1936 to 1959. The second highest bid was a premium offer of \$58.85, tendered by Seasongood & Mayer of Cincinnati.

**MANCHESTER, N. H.—TEMPORARY LOAN**—The \$500,000 tax anticipation loan offered on July 11 was awarded to Whiting, Weeks & Knowles of Boston at 0.57% discount. Dated July 11 1935 and due April 10 1936. Second high bid of 0.595% was submitted by the First National Bank of Boston.

**MANHATTAN, Kan.—BOND SALE**—It is stated by A. L. Hjort, City Clerk, that a total of \$11,558.80 4 1/2% general improvement bonds, dated Aug. 1 1917, and due on Aug. 1 1947, optional 10 years after date of issue, are being called for payment on Aug. 1, at the office of the State Treasurer in Topeka, interest to cease on date called.

**BONDS OFFERED**—On or about Aug. 1 Finance Commissioner Sam C. Chilson will sell \$11,558.80 2 1/4% coupon refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000 and \$568.80. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Principal and semi-annual interest (F. & A. 1) payable at the office of the State's fiscal agent in Topeka. Due in 10 years.

**MANASSA DRAINAGE DISTRICT, Colo.—BONDS DEFEATED**—By a vote of 11 "for" to 22 "against" the residents of the district on July 2 voted down the proposal that the district issue \$18,600 refunding bonds.

**MANNSVILLE, Okla.—BONDS VOTED**—At an election held on June 29 the voters are said to have approved the issuance of \$12,500 in 6% school building bonds by a count of 118 to 0. Due in 1955. The date of sale has not been set as yet.

**MAPLEWOOD TOWNSHIP, N. J.—BONDS RECEIVE FIRST READING**—An ordinance providing for the issuance of \$137,000 five-year refunding bonds was passed on first reading on July 2.

**MARBLEHEAD, Mass.—BOND SALE**—The \$40,000 coupon sewer construction bonds offered on July 11—were awarded to Tyler, Buttrick & Co. of Boston as 1 1/4s, at a price of 100.55, a basis of about 1.09%. Dated July 1 1935. Due \$8,000 on July 1 from 1936 to 1940, incl. Other bidders were:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
Kinsley & Adams	1.25%	100.511
Whiting, Weeks & Knowles	1.25%	100.483
Washburn & Co.	1.25%	100.36
Estabrook & Co.	1.25%	100.32
First Boston Corp.	1.25%	100.317
H. C. Wainwright & Co.	1.25%	100.314
Burr & Co.	1.25%	100.234
R. L. Day & Co.	1.25%	100.199
Bond, Judge & Co.	1.25%	100.124
Blyth & Co.	1.25%	100.10
Newton, Abbe & Co.	1.25%	100.01
Faxon, Gade & Co.	1.50%	100.35

**MARYLAND, State of (P. O. Annapolis)—BOND OFFERING**—Hooper S. Miles, State Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until noon on Aug. 7 for the purchase of \$100,000 3% certificates of indebtedness, known as "general bond issue of 1935." Dated Aug. 15 1935. Certificates in coupon form of \$1,000 each, registerable as to principal only. Due Aug. 15 as follows: \$6,000, 1938 to 1940 incl.; \$7,000, 1941 to 1943 incl.; \$8,000, 1944 to 1946 incl.; \$9,000, 1947 to 1949 incl., and \$10,000 in 1950. Interest payable F. & A. 15. Authority for the loan is contained in Chapter 89, Acts of the Maryland General Assembly of 1935. The loan and interest thereon is exempt from the Federal income tax and State, county and municipal taxation in Maryland. A certified check for 5% of the amount of the bid, payable to the order of the State Treasurer, must accompany each proposal. The certificates will be delivered to the successful bidder at the State Treasurer's office on Aug. 15 1935. It is one of the terms of the offering that the bonds when issued will be the legal and valid binding obligations of the State. The opinion of the Attorney-General of Maryland and the opinion of Ritchie, Janney, Ober & Williams and Mulliken, Stockbridge & Walters to this effect will be delivered to the successful bidder. Bidders may, if they wish, make the legality and validity of the bonds one of the terms of the bid by making the bid "subject to legality" or using any equivalent form of expression, but without leaving this question to the decision of the bidders or their counsel. All bids conditioned upon the approval of bidders or counsel, whether named or unnamed, will be treated as conditional bids and rejected, unless the condition is waived by the bidder to the satisfaction of the Board before the opening of the bid.

**MASON CITY, Ia.—BOND OFFERING**—Rena B. Mack, City Auditor, will receive bids until 9 a. m. July 15 for the purchase of \$25,000 coupon city hall purchase bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1935. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the City Treasurer's office. Due July 1 1943. Legal opinion by Chapman & Cutler, of Chicago.

**MASSACHUSETTS (State of)—BOND FINANCING OPPOSED**—The Boston Municipal Research Bureau has asked the joint legislative Ways and Means Committee to disapprove the program recently announced by Governor Curley, providing for the early issuance of \$25,000,000 bonds—V. 141, p. 146.—In letter to the Committee, the Bureau declared that sale of the bonds "will increase the direct debt of the State to a very dangerous extent."

**MATTOON, Ill.—BONDS DEFEATED**—At a recent election the voters rejected a proposal to issue \$77,000 filtration plant bonds.

**MEDINA COUNTY (P. O. Hondo), Tex.—BOND SALE**—Russ, Roe & Co. of San Antonio have purchased and are now offering to investors at prices to yield from 3% to 4.30% a block of \$26,000 4 1/2% road refunding bonds. Dated July 1 1935. Due from 1936 to 1950.

**MEMPHIS SCHOOL DISTRICT, Mo.—BOND ELECTION**—A special election is to be held on July 18 at which the residents of the district will be asked to vote on a proposal that the district issue \$18,000 bonds to finance the erection of a gymnasium and auditorium.

**MERCER COUNTY (P. O. Stanton), N. D.—BONDS NOT SOLD**—It is stated by Paul Leupp, County Auditor, that just one bid was received on July 2 for the purchase of the \$35,000 to \$50,000 funding bonds offered for sale at that time—V. 140, p. 4438—and that bid was rejected. It is expected that the State of North Dakota will purchase these bonds. The matter was continued until July 12.

**MERIDEN, Conn.—REFUNDING AUTHORIZED**—At a recent special borough meeting it was voted to refinance \$200,000 outstanding bonds at a saving in interest charges.

**MERIDIAN SCHOOL DISTRICT, Tex.—BOND ELECTION**—On July 20 the residents of the district will vote on a proposed \$11,200 bond issue for the purchase of school property.

**MIDDLEPORT, Ohio—APPROVES GAS BOND ISSUE**—City Council has voted to issue \$175,000 bonds to finance in part the cost of constructing a municipal gas distribution system. The Federal Government will be asked to furnish the remaining \$154,000 of the estimated cost of the project.

**MIDDLEPORT EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BONDS VOTED**—By a vote of 645 to 161 the electors on July 2 gave their approval to the proposition that the district issue \$60,000 school construction bonds.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY (P. O. New Brunswick), N. J.—\$10,500 BABY BONDS FORGED**—Recent discovery of \$10,500 in forged county baby bonds of \$10 denoms. has resulted in the decision by the municipal officials not to issue any further obligations of that nature, according to report. Such bonds have been issued in payment of salaries of municipal employees and have been accepted freely by merchants. The forged bonds were found in an oil can which was found by a 12-year old Linden boy in a vacant lot in that community. Examination by police and county authorities showed that the signature of County Treasurer William A. Allgar had been forged.

**MILLBRAE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Calif.—BOND ELECTION**—Residents of the district will be asked on July 24 to vote on the question of issuing \$32,000 bonds to finance school improvements.

**MINETTO, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING**—The town will offer for sale on July 22 an issue of \$67,000 tax equalization reimbursement bonds. The bonds will mature \$3,350 yearly for 20 years.

**MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—BOND OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a. m. on July 31, and open bids will be asked for after that hour, by George M. Link, Secretary of the Board of Estimate and Taxation, for the purchase of two issues of bonds aggregating \$640,000, divided as follows: \$500,000 public relief bonds. Due \$25,000 from Aug. 1 1936 to 1955 incl. 140,000 permanent improvement (work relief) bonds. Due \$7,000 from Aug. 1 1936 to 1955 incl.

Interest rate is not to exceed 8%, stated in a multiple of one-fourth or one-tenth of 1%. Denom. \$1,000. Coupon bonds, dated Aug. 1 1935. Bids should be on a single rate of interest for each issue. Principal and interest payable at the city's fiscal agency in New York City, or at the office of the City Treasurer, at the option of the holder. Legal approval will be furnished by Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York.

Said bonds may be registered both as to principal and interest upon application to the City Comptroller of the city of Minneapolis, and are subject to successive registrations or transfers at the option of the holder.

Said obligations will be issued pursuant to the terms of Sections 9 and 10 of Chapter XV of the Charter of the city of Minneapolis, will be payable in "lawful money of the United States of America," will be without option of pre payment and will be tax exempt in the State of Minnesota. The full faith and credit of the city of Minneapolis will be pledged for the payment thereof. The cost of preparing the obligations will be borne by the city of Minneapolis. Delivery will be made by the City Comptroller at the office of the City Treasurer in the City Hall, Minneapolis, Minn., or elsewhere in the United States at the option of the purchaser.

Said obligations will be sold to the bidder (or bidders) offering a bid or bids complying with the terms of this sale and deemed most favorable,

subject to the provision that the Board of Estimate and Taxation reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Each proposal and subscription must be addressed to the Board of Estimate and Taxation, 343 City Hall, Minneapolis, Minn., marked "Proposal for City of Minneapolis Bonds," and accompanied by a certified check (or bank cashier's check) payable to C. A. Bloomquist, City Treasurer, for an amount equal to 2% of the amount of the obligations bid for, to be forfeited to the city in case the purchaser refuses to pay for the obligations when ready for delivery. Proposals and subscriptions must state the total number of obligations bid for, and total amount offered therefor, including principal and accrued interest thereon from the date of said obligations to the date of delivery.

**MINNESOTA, State of—CERTIFICATE OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. on July 22 by Theodore H. Arens, Conservator of Rural Credit, for the purchase of a \$790,000 issue of certificates of indebtedness. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Due on Aug. 1 1936. It is stated that these certificates will be issued by authority granted to the Conservator under Section 10 of Chapter 429 of the Session Laws of the State for the year 1933. All bids shall be subject to accrued interest to date of delivery. An opinion regarding the legality of this issue, by the Attorney-General of the State, will be furnished to the successful bidder, free of charge. These certificates will be sold at face value at the lowest interest rate obtainable. A certified check for \$7,900, payable to the State Treasurer, must accompany the bid.

**MONTANA, State of—INCREASE SHOWN IN BONDED DEBT**—The bonded debt of Montana has increased by nearly \$3,500,000 in the last two years, according to Helena press advices of July 6. It is said that most of the increase was caused by bonds issued to pay for Public Works Administration construction loans to be used in the building of educational institutions.

**MONTPELIER, Ida.—BOND REFUNDING CONTEMPLATED**—The City Council is reported to have decided recently to refund outstanding bonds in the amount of \$19,500 at 4 1/2%, and also to retire warrant indebtedness, consolidating the two debts into one bond issue.

**MONTREAL METROPOLITAN COMMISSION (P. O. Montreal), Que.—TO BORROW \$2,500,000**—The Commission plans to come to market with an issue of \$2,500,000 bonds in the near future.

**MONTREAL METROPOLITAN COMMISSION, Que.—\$2,690,000 BONDS SOLD**—A syndicate headed by the Bank of Montreal purchased \$2,690,000 2 1/2% and 4% bonds of the Commission and effected rapid resale of the securities in Canada at prices to yield 2.90% and 4.21%. The bonds were heavily oversubscribed on July 11, the date on which they were placed on the market. They were offered in two series as follows: \$1,390,000 2 1/2% of May 1 1937, priced at 99.32, to yield 2.90% and \$1,300,000 4% of May 1 1947, offered at 98, yielding 4.21% to maturity. The City of Montreal and the municipalities under the control of the Commission are jointly and severally responsible for the loans made by the Commission by means of the bond sale, according to the bankers. All of the bonds are dated May 1 1935. Coupon in demoms. of \$1,000 and \$500, registerable as to principal only. Prin. and int. M. & N. payable in lawful money of Canada at the office of the Montreal Metropolitan Commission in Montreal, or at the principal office of the Bank of Montreal or of National Canadian Bank in Quebec, P. Q., or at the principal office of the Bank of Montreal in Toronto. Legal opinion, Meredith, Holden, Heward & Holden for the selling agents and Charles Laurendeau, K. C., for the Commission.

Syndicate Members: Members of the underwriting group follow: Bank of Montreal; National Canadian Bank; Royal Bank of Canada; Canadian Bank of Commerce; Bank of Nova Scotia; Dominion Bank; Imperial Bank of Canada; Bank of Toronto; Provincial Bank of Canada; Barclays Bank (Canada); L. G. Beaubien & Co., Ltd.; Mead & Co., Ltd.; Dominion Securities Corp., Ltd.; A. E. Ames & Co., Ltd.; Wood, Gundy & Co., Ltd.; Hanson Bros., Inc.; McTaggart, Hannaford, Birks & Gordon, Ltd.; Royal Securities Corp., Ltd.; Ernest Savard, Ltee.; Nesbitt, Thomson & Co., Ltd.; McLeod, Young, Weir & Co., Ltd.; Fry, Mills, Spence & Co., Ltd.; Bell, Gouinlock & Co., Ltd.; Collier, Norris & Henderson, Ltd.; W. C. Pitfield & Co., Ltd.; Rene-T. Leclerc, Inc.; Kerrigan, MacTier & Co., Ltd.; Drury & Co.; Credit Anglo-Francais, Ltd.; Green Shields & Co., Inc.; Societe de Placements, Inc.; Williams, Partridge & Angus, Ltd.; Societe Generale de Finance, Inc.; R. O. Sweezy & Co., Ltd.; A. T. Ross, Ltd.; Lajoie, Robitaille & Cie, Ltee.; Gairdner & Co., Ltd.; Henri Turgeon, Ltee.; A. S. McNichols & Co., Ltd.

**MOORHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Moorhead), Minn.—ELECTION DETAILS**—It is stated by the Superintendent of Schools that at the election scheduled for July 16, mentioned in these columns recently—V. 140, p. 4439—the amount of bonds to be issued to the Public Works Administration on this project will be \$150,000, to secure the loan portion of an allotment.

**MORGANTON, N. C.—NOTE SALE DETAILS**—It is stated by the Town Clerk that the \$12,000 6% tax anticipation notes purchased by the First National Bank of Morganton—V. 141, p. 147—are dated June 25 1935, and mature on Oct. 25 1935.

**MORRISON, Ill.—BOND ELECTION**—An election will be held on Aug. 27 to vote on the issuance of \$25,000 hospital bonds.

**MOSCOW, Ida.—BOND ISSUANCE NOT CONTEMPLATED**—It is reported by the City Clerk that a proposal to issue \$60,000 in refunding bonds did not receive favorable consideration by the City Council and the matter has been dropped.

**MOUND CITY, Mo.—BOND SALE DETAILS**—The \$12,800 refunding bonds that were purchased by the Martin-Holloway-Purcell Co. of Kansas City, as reported recently—V. 140, p. 4439—bear interest at 4 1/2% and mature in 1955, according to the City Clerk.

**MUSKOGON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Mich.—BOND OFFERING**—Mae A. Rockenbach, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on July 13 for the purchase of \$139,000 not to exceed 4% interest refunding bonds. Dated May 15 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due May 15 as follows: \$7,000, 1936; \$9,000, 1937 and 1938; \$14,000, 1939; \$15,000, 1940; \$14,000, 1941 to 1943 incl.; \$13,000, 1944; \$10,000, 1945; \$5,000, 1946 and 1947; \$4,000 in 1948 and \$2,000 from 1949 to 1951 incl. Int. payable M. & N. A certified check for \$2,000 is required. Legal opinion of Miller, Canfield, Padcock & Stone of Detroit will be furnished the successful bidder. Previously, the District had asked for bids until June 13 on an issue of \$159,000, but the sale was postponed.

**NASHUA, N. H.—TEMPORARY LOAN**—The \$50,000 temporary loan dated July 9 1935 and payable May 10 1936 offered on July 8—V. 141, p. 147—was awarded to Preston, Moss & Co. of Boston on a 0.43% discount basis. Leavitt & Co. of New York and E. H. Rollins & Sons of Boston each bid 0.53%.

Other bidders were:

Bidder	Discount
E. H. Rollins & Sons	0.53%
Second National Bank of Nashua	0.58%
Whiting, Weeks & Knowles	0.60%
Nashua Trust Co.	0.64%

**NATICK, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN**—The Merchants National Bank of Boston was awarded on July 8 a \$75,000 revenue anticipation loan at 0.82% discount. Dated July 8 1935 and due June 15 1936. Other bidders were:

Bidder	Discount
Faxon, Gade & Co.	0.88%
First National Bank of Boston	0.91%

**NEBRASKA (State of)—BONDED DEBTS DECREASED IN JUNE**—The following report is taken from a Lincoln dispatch to the "Wall Street Journal" of July 6:

Bonded debts of political subdivisions in Nebraska were decreased \$672,615 in June, reports State Auditor Price. Bonds totaling \$862,615 were paid off and retired, and only \$190,000 of new bonds issued. These consisted of \$175,000 school bond issue at Hastings and \$15,000 of park bonds by Norfolk. Refunding bonds registered during the month totaled \$317,500. A calculation by the auditor shows that these subdivisions have bonds outstanding to the amount of 92 millions. State has no bonded debt.

**NEWBERRY, S. C.—BONDS VOTED**—At the election held on July 2—V. 140, p. 4107—the voters approved the issuance of the \$37,000 in fire department bonds by a wide margin, according to report.

**NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.—PWA APPROVES SEWER PROJECT**—The Public Works Administration has approved the city's application

for a loan and grant of \$595,000 to finance the construction of a sewage disposal plant.

**NEW JERSEY (State of)—SELLS \$2,500,000 PORT AUTHORITY BONDS**—The \$2,500,000 3% series F, Port of New York Authority bonds offered for sale by the State on July 9 were awarded at par and accrued int. to a syndicate composed of B. J. Van Ingen & Co.; J. S. Rippe & Co., Newark; George B. Gibbons & Co., Inc.; Adams & Mueller, and Van Deventer, Spear & Co., Inc., both of Newark. The bonds are dated June 1 1935 and mature Mar. 1 1941.

The bankers are making public re-offering of the loan at a price of 101.25 and interest, to yield about 2.75%. Principal and interest (M. & S.) payable at the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., New York. Coupon bonds of \$1,000 each, registerable as to principal or as to principal and interest, and when so registered reconvertible into coupon form at the expense of the holder. Legality to be approved by Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York City.

**NEWPORT, R. I.—BOND OFFERING**—B. F. Downing, City Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 5 p. m. (Daylight Saving Time) on July 18 for the purchase of \$118,000 not to exceed 2 1/2% interest coupon improvement and pavement bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due Aug. 1 as follows: \$10,000 from 1937 to 1947 incl. and \$8,000 in 1948. Bidder to name a single interest rate on all of the bonds. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable at the City Treasurer's office or at the First National Bank of Boston, at holder's option. The bonds are to be engraved under the supervision of and authenticated as to genuineness by The First National Bank of Boston; their legality will be approved by Messrs. Ropes, Gray, Boyden and Perkins, whose opinion will be furnished the purchaser. The original opinion and complete transcript of proceedings covering all details required in the proper issuance of the bonds will be filed with The First National Bank of Boston, where they may be inspected. Bonds will be delivered to the purchaser on or about Thursday, Aug. 1 1935, at The First National Bank of Boston, 17 Court Street Office, Boston, Mass.

Financial Statement, (July 1 1935)

Valuation for year 1934		\$81,653,300.00
Sinking fund bonds	\$303,000.00	
Less sinking funds	186,089.24	116,910.76
Serial bonds (including issue advertised)		1,787,000.00
Net bonded debt		1,903,910.76
Population, 1930—27,430. Tax rate 1930 to 1933—\$24.00; 1934, \$23.50.		

**NEW YORK, N. Y.—OFFICIAL CALL FOR BIDS**—Official announcement is being made of the intention of Frank J. Taylor, City Comptroller, to receive sealed bids until noon (Daylight Saving Time) on July 16 for the purchase of \$38,000,000 corporate stock and serial bonds, described below:

- \$25,000,000 corporate stock, including a series of \$18,700,000 to provide for the construction of rapid transit railroads and one of \$6,300,000 to provide for the supply of water. Issued in coupon form and interchangeable; denoms. of \$1,000 for coupon bonds, or in registered form in any multiple of \$10. The entire \$25,000,000 issue will mature July 1 1975.
- 8,000,000 serial bonds, including a series of \$4,000,000 for dock improvements and \$4,000,000 for various municipal purposes. Each series matures July 1 as follows: \$136,000 in 1937 and \$138,000 from 1938 to 1965 incl.
- 3,300,000 school construction bonds. Due July 1 as follows: \$168,000 in 1937 and \$174,000 from 1938 to 1955 incl.
- 1,700,000 various municipal purposes bonds. Due July 1 as follows: \$188,000 in 1937 and \$189,000 from 1938 to 1945 incl.

The serial bonds will be issued in coupon form in \$1,000 denoms., or in registered form in denoms. of \$1,000 or multiple thereof. Coupon serial bonds may be exchanged for registered bonds, but are not interchangeable. The entire \$38,000,000 of stock and bonds will be dated July 1 1935. Interest payable J. & J. Bidder to name the rate of interest which each of the six series offered is to bear, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. A certified check for 2% of the amount of the bid must accompany each proposal. The sale will not add to the debt of the city as the proceeds will be used to redeem special corporate stock notes previously issued and outstanding.

**FINANCING IN JUNE**—The city borrowed a total of \$65,808,000 during the month of June. Sales of 4% bonds to the Public Works Administration accounted for \$308,000 of the total, while \$47,400,000 represented the purchase by the city's bankers of that amount of 3% revenue bills of 1935, which were paid off in two days, the securities having been dated June 27 1935 and with a maturity of June 29 1935. Other items making up the month's total were:

- \$8,400,000 1.20% special corporate stock notes. Due Nov. 14 1935.
- 3,000,000 1.15% special corporate stock notes. Due Nov. 19 1935.
- 6,700,000 1.25% certificates of indebtedness for home and work relief purposes. Due Oct. 30 1935.

**NEW YORK (State of)—SELLS \$75,000,000 NOTES**—A new record low cost for short-term financing was established by the State on July 8 when Comptroller Morris S. Tremaine allotted \$75,000,000 of 0.35% notes to various banks and investment banking houses throughout the State. The notes are dated July 9 1935 and mature May 9 1936. The lowest rate previously obtained on similar obligations was 3/8%. Proceeds of the current financing will be used for current operating purposes. In connection with the sale the Comptroller pointed out that similar note issues aggregating \$95,000,000 have been paid off in cash within the last two months, an issue of \$75,000,000 having been retired on May 15 and one of \$20,000,000 on June 28. Excluding the issue just sold, there are at present a total of \$130,000,000 State notes outstanding, according to the Comptroller. These mature as follows: \$40,000,000 in September; \$10,000,000 in October; \$40,000,000 in December 1935, and \$40,000,000 in February 1936.

Subscriptions to the current issue of \$75,000,000 notes were far in excess of the amount offered and allotments were made as follows:

Name	Amt. of Allotment	Name	Amt. of Allotment
Chase National Bank	\$2,500,000	George B. Gibbons & Co.	\$600,000
National City Bank	2,500,000	Phelps, Fenn & Co.	600,000
Bank of the Manhattan Co	2,500,000	Liberty Bank of Buffalo	500,000
Bankers Trust Co.	2,500,000	South Shore Trust Co.	500,000
Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co.	2,500,000	Brooklyn Trust Co.	300,000
Chemical Bank & Trust Co	2,500,000	Federation Bk. & Trust Co.	300,000
First National Bank	2,500,000	Harris Tr. & Savings Bk.	300,000
Guaranty Trust Co.	2,500,000	Kings County Trust Co.	300,000
Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co., Buffalo	2,500,000	Lawyers County Trust Co.	300,000
Marine Trust Co., Buffalo	2,500,000	Trust Co. of North Amer.	300,000
J. P. Morgan & Co.	2,500,000	A. C. Allyn & Co.	300,000
National Commercial Bk. & Trust Co., Albany	2,500,000	Blyth & Co.	300,000
New York State National Bank, Albany	2,500,000	C. F. Childs & Co.	300,000
Barr Bros. & Co.	2,500,000	Dominick & Dominick	300,000
Bancamerica-Blair Corp.	2,500,000	Emanuel & Co.	300,000
Brown Harriman & Co.	2,500,000	Ernst & Co.	300,000
Lehman Brothers	2,500,000	Estabrook & Co.	300,000
R. W. Pressprich & Co.	2,500,000	First of Michigan Corp.	300,000
Salomon Bros. & Hutzler	2,500,000	Goldman, Sachs & Co.	300,000
E. B. Smith & Co.	2,500,000	Hallgarten & Co.	300,000
Bank of New York Tr. Co.	1,000,000	Hanna, Ballin & Lee	300,000
City Bank Farmers Tr. Co	1,000,000	Heidelbach, Ichelheimer & Co.	300,000
Commercial National Bk. & Trust Co.	1,000,000	Hemphill, Noyes & Co.	300,000
Continental Bk. & Tr. Co.	1,000,000	Kidder, Peabody & Co.	300,000
Empire Trust Co.	1,000,000	W. E. Lauer & Co.	300,000
Fifth Avenue Bk. of N. Y.	1,000,000	Lazard Freres & Co.	300,000
Public National Bank	1,000,000	Morse Brothers & Co.	300,000
J. Henry Schroder Tr. Co.	1,000,000	F. S. Mosley & Co.	300,000
Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co.	1,000,000	G. M. P. Murphy & Co.	300,000
Speyer & Co.	1,000,000	Robinson, Miller & Co.	300,000
Irving Trust Co.	800,000	Roosevelt & Wigold, Inc.	300,000
First Boston Corp.	800,000	L. F. Rothschild & Co.	300,000
Halsey, Stuart & Co.	800,000	Rutter & Co.	300,000
J. & W. Seligman & Co.	800,000	Stone & Webster and Blodget, Inc.	300,000
		Van Alstyne, Noel & Co.	300,000
		Fulton Trust Co.	200,000
		Lee, Higginson & Co.	100,000

**NEW YORK (State of)—\$370,000 BONDS PUBLICLY OFFERED**—R. W. Pressprich & Co. of New York are offering a block of \$370,000 4% bonds to yield 2.60%. They include \$320,000 of registered securities, due from 1960 to 1967, incl. and \$50,000 in coupon form, maturing in 1972.

**NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The City Council on July 1 decided to issue \$1,210,000 bonds, the funds from which would be added to about \$990,000 Federal money which has been requested for the construction of a sewage disposal plant.

**NORTH CAROLINA, State of—SINKING FUND BOND SALE**—A \$1,523,000 total of 4, 4 1/4, 4 1/2 and 4 3/4% highway bonds is stated to have been purchased at private sale from the State Sinking Fund on July 10 by the Chase National Bank, Salomon Bros. & Hutzler, all of New York, and the Wachovia Bank & Trust Co. of Winston-Salem. Due in various amounts from July 1 1937 to Jan. 1 1940.

**BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT**—The successful bidders re-offered the above bonds on July 11 for public subscription at prices to yield from 1.20% on the earliest maturity to 2% on the 1940 maturities. They are said to be legal investments for savings banks in various States.

**NORTH NORWICH COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. North Norwich), N. Y.—BOND OFFERING**—Arthur G. Moore, sole trustee, will receive bids until 2 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) July 15 for the purchase of the following 4% coupon special appropriation bonds: \$1,000 series 1 bonds. Due July 15 1936.

9,000 series 2 bonds. Due \$1,000 yearly on July 15 from 1937 to 1945 incl. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 15 1935. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & N.) payable at the Chenango County National Bank & Trust Co., Norwich. Certified check for 10% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the trustee, required.

**NORTH WILDWOOD, N. J.—BONDS PASSED ON FIRST READING**—An ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$1,380,000 refunding bonds was passed on first reading at a meeting of the Common Council on July 2. The ordinance will come up for final consideration on July 16.

**NORTHWOOD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Northwood), Ia.—BOND ELECTION**—An election will be held on July 31, according to report, to vote on the issuance of \$25,000 in school construction bonds.

**NORWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BOND SALE**—The \$22,000 school building bonds offered on July 8—V. 140, p. 4440—were awarded to Grau & Co. of Cincinnati as 2 3/4%, at par plus a premium of \$156.20 equal to 100 7/8, a basis of about 2.43%. Dated July 2 1935 and due \$1,000 on Jan. 2 each year from 1937 to 1958, incl.

**OAK HILL, Ohio—BOND OFFERING**—Davis S. Brown, Village Clerk, will receive bids until noon July 20 for the purchase of \$22,000 5% sewer and sewage disposal works bonds. Denom. \$500. Dated July 1 1935. Interest payable Jan. 1 and July 1. Due \$500 each six months from July 1 1936 to Jan. 1 1959, incl. A certified check for 3% of amount of bonds bid for, required.

**OCEAN COUNTY (P. O. Toms River), N. J.—BOND SALE**—The county has disposed of \$465,000 4 1/4% refunding bonds at a private sale.

**OCEANSIDE, Calif.—BONDS TO BE SOLD TO UNITED STATES**—The \$45,000 swimming pool bonds recently authorized—V. 140, p. 4108—are to be purchased by the United States Government. Bonds will bear 4% interest. Denoms. 30 for \$1,000 and 30 for \$500. Dated Feb. 1 1935. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (Feb. 1 & Aug. 1) payable at the City Treasurer's office. Due \$1,500 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1936 to 1965 incl.

**OGDEN UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Spencerport), N. Y.—BOND OFFERING**—J. Thomas Osborne, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on July 26 for the purchase of \$30,000 not to exceed 6% interest coupon or registered school bonds. Dated July 15 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due Mar. 15 as follows: \$3,000 from 1937 to 1943 incl. and \$4,000 from 1943 to 1945 incl. Bidder to name a single interest rate on the issue, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 or 1-10th of 1%. Prin. and int. (J. & J. 15) payable in lawful money in the United States at the Central Trust Co., Rochester. Bonds are payable from a limited ad valorem tax. A certified check for \$600, payable to the order of the District, must accompany each proposal. Approving opinion of Reed, Hoyt & Washburn of New York will be furnished the successful bidder.

**OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla.—BOND ISSUANCE NOT SCHEDULED**—It is stated by M. Peshek, Jr., City Clerk, that no action has been taken regarding the construction of a city hall, municipal auditorium and county court house, previously mentioned in these columns.

**ORANGE COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICTS (P. O. Orlando), Fla.—BOND ELECTION**—The County School Board is said to have issued an order recently, calling for elections on Aug. 6, to have the voters pass on the issuance of \$115,501 in 4% bonds, divided as follows: \$46,500 Orlando Special Tax School District; \$25,000 Union Park Special Tax School District; \$21,000 Lochard Special Tax School District, and \$23,000 Apopka Special Tax School District. Due in 30 years. It is said that an application will be filed for a Public Works Administration allotment with these bonds as security.

**OSCEOLA TOWNSHIP, Stark County, Ill.—BONDS VOTED**—On June 29 the voters by 159 to 15 approved the issuance of \$25,000 road bonds.

**OSSINING (P. O. Ossining), N. Y.—CERTIFICATE ISSUE SOLD**—W. O. Gay & Co. of New York have purchased an issue of \$16,675.18 2 1/2% tax lien certificates of indebtedness at a price of par, plus accrued interest of \$6.95. They are dated June 25 1935 and mature July 15 1936. Interest payable at maturity.

**ORANGE CITY, Ia.—BOND OFFERING**—Herman Te Paske, Town Clerk, will receive bids until 7:30 p. m. July 22 for the purchase of \$20,000 general obligations bonds. Certified check for \$1,000 required.

**OREGON, State of—BOND OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on July 25 by H. B. Claisner, Secretary of the State Highway Commission, at the Benson Hotel in Portland, for the purchase of a \$3,000,000 issue of State highway bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 6%, payable A. & O. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1935. Due as follows: \$75,000, Oct. 1 1940 and on April and Oct. 1 from 1941 to 1959, and \$75,000 on April 1 1960. Prin. and int. payable at the State Treasurer's office or at the fiscal agency of the State in New York City. The approving opinion of Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston will be furnished. The bonds will be sold for cash to the bidder offering the price deemed the best in the opinion of the State Highway Commission, considering the interest rate bid and the premium. Bidders may submit bids in the total amount of \$3,000,000 or any part, provided that no bid will be received for less than \$1,000,000. None of said bonds will be sold for less than par and accrued interest. All bidders shall submit with their bids a typewritten schedule setting out the amount of semi-annual interest and the amount of the aggregate interest, less the premium which will fall due upon the bonds bid for. A certified check for 5% of the amount of the par value of the bonds bid for, payable to the Commission, is required.

It was later reported by the above named Secretary of the Commission that no bid will be considered for an interest rate greater than 6% per annum, nor will any bid which is less than 95% of the par value of the bonds for which bid is submitted be considered. Accrued interest must be paid from July 1 to date of delivery. The proceeds of such sale shall be paid at the Chase National Bank in New York City, on the date upon which the bonds are delivered to the purchaser or his authorized representative, either in Portland, or at the Chase National Bank, New York.

**OTTAWA COUNTY (P. O. Grand Haven), Mich.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The County Supervisors have authorized the issuance of \$129,000 bonds for the purpose of refunding a like amount of outstanding Covert road bonds.

**OXFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Iowa—BOND ELECTION**—An election has been called for July 26 to vote on the issuance of \$10,000 bonds to build a gymnasium-auditorium. C. C. Bireline is Secretary.

**PEABODY, Mass.—BOND OFFERING**—The City Treasurer will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. on July 16 for the purchase of \$25,000 street paving bonds, dated July 15 1935 and due serially from 1936 to 1940 incl. Bidder to name rate of interest.

**PENDLETON, Ore.—BOND CALL**—It is stated by Charles E. Burnett, City Recorder, that City Treasurer Dickson is calling for payment at his office on Aug. 1, on which date interest shall cease, various improvement bonds of Series 63, 64, 65, 69 and 70, of which 63 to 65 are dated Feb. 1 1928, and 69 and 70 are dated Feb. 1 1930.

**PEND OREILLE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 50 (P. O. Newport), Wash.—BOND OFFERING**—S. M. McGee, County Treasurer,

will receive bids until 10 a. m. Aug. 3 for the purchase of \$70,000 School District No. 50 bonds, to bear no more than 6% interest. To be dated date of issuance. Interest payable annually. Prin. and int. payable at the County Treasurer's office, at the State Treasurer's office in Olympia, or at the office of the State's fiscal agent in New York.

Bonds to run for a period of 18 years from date of issuance. The various annual maturities will commence with the second year after the date of issuance of the bonds and will, as nearly as practicable, be in such amounts as will, together with interest on the outstanding bonds, be met by equal annual tax levies for the payment of principal and interest.

Bidders are required to submit a bid specifying:

(a) The lowest rate of interest and premium, if any, above par, at which such bidder will purchase the bonds, or (b) The lowest rate of interest at which the bidder will purchase the bonds at par.

All bids, except the bid of the State of Washington, must be accompanied by a deposit of 5%, either cash or certified check, of the amount of the bid.

**PERTH AMBOY, N. J.—BONDS PASSED ON FIRST READING**—The Board of Commissioners on July 3 passed on first reading an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$200,000 refunding bonds. The question will be given final consideration on July 17.

**PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—SINKING FUNDS NOT FOR INVESTMENT IN CITY BONDS**—Declaring that "city government should not speculate", Mayor J. Hampton Moore on July 5 refused the plea of the Committee of Seventy that the \$12,000,000 of cash now idle in the sinking funds be used to purchase outstanding bonds. He stated that he would approve the purchase of city bonds at a price of par, but pointed out that at this time they are selling considerably above that figure. His reference to "speculation" was based on the thought that the actions of subsequent administrations might serve to depress the market value of municipal securities and result in a loss to the city. John H. Mason, Chairman of the Sinking Fund Commission, has long advocated the use of the cash funds for bond investments, while City Comptroller David S. Wilson, the other member in addition to the Mayor, has held that the money should be used in the purchase of authorized and unissued bonds.

**PIKE COUNTY (P. O. Petersburg), Ind.—WARRANT SALE**—An issue of \$30,000 6% warrants was sold on July 2 to the First National Bank and the Citizens State Bank, both of Petersburg. The warrants will mature on Dec. 15 1935.

**PONTOTOC COUNTY UNION GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Franks), Okla.—BONDS VOTED**—It is reported that the voters recently approved the issuance of \$18,500 in school construction bonds by a very wide margin. It is planned to request a Public Works Administration allotment on this project.

**PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY, N. Y.—RE-OFFERING OF \$2,500,000 BONDS**—B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Inc. of New York and associates made public re-offering this past week of \$2,500,000 3% Port bonds, due in 1941, at a price of 101.25, to yield about 2.75%. Further details of the issue are given in an item with a New Jersey (State of) caption on a preceding page.

**PORTSMOUTH CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BOND ELECTION**—The State Tax Commission has given the district authority to vote on a proposed \$457,996 school building bond issue at the Aug. 13 elections.

**POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY (P. O. Des Moines), Ia.—BOND SALE DETAILS**—In connection with the sale of the \$75,000 funding bonds to Jackley & Co. of Des Moines, reported recently—V. 141, p. 148—it is stated by the County Auditor that the bonds were sold as 3½s, at par, and mature on Nov. 1 as follows: \$5,000, 1939 and 1940; \$20,000, 1941; \$25,000, 1942, and \$20,000 in 1945.

**POTTS CAMP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Holly Springs), Miss.—BOND ELECTION**—It is reported that an election will be held on July 30 to vote on the issuance of \$7,500 in school construction and repair bonds.

**POTTSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BOND SALE**—The \$20,000 coupon or registered school bonds offered on July 10—V. 140, p. 444—were awarded to Singer, Deane & Scribner, Inc. of Pittsburgh as 2½s, at par plus a premium of \$264, equal to 101.32, a basis of about 2.37%. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Due \$5,000 on Aug. 1 in 1940, 1945, 1950 and 1955; callable on any interest payment date on or after Aug. 1 1950.

**PROSPECT PARK, Pa.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Borough Council recently approved a \$15,000 bond issue for the purchase of materials to be used in construction of a sewer and in street repairs.

**PROVIDENCE, R. I.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Common Council has authorized the construction of a combined incinerator unit and auxiliary municipal power plant at Fields Point from the proceeds of an issue of \$477,000 bonds.

**PRYOR, Okla.—BOND REFUNDING PLANNED**—It is planned to refund \$50,000 in bonds. A meeting is to be held with bondholders on July 8.

**PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATION—MORE LIBERAL BASIS ON HOUSING PROJECTS ANNOUNCED**—The following press release (No. 1475) was made public by the above Federal agency on July 8:

"A new and more liberal basis for financing Federal slum clearance and low-rent housing projects under the Public Works Administration program was announced by Administrator Harold L. Ickes.

"The new regulations provide that the recently authorized PWA grant of 45% shall apply to slum clearance and low-rent housing projects. The remaining 55% of a housing allotment is to be construed as a loan to the project, to be amortized by rents.

"Interest to be charged on the loan section of the allotment is not to exceed 3%. Amortization of the loan is to take place over a 60-year period. Land cost will not be amortized, but a 3% annual land rent item will be carried by each project.

"The new rules liberalize previous regulations, under which a 30% grant, 45-year amortization, 3% interest and amortization of land was required. The effect of the new regulations, Administrator Ickes pointed out, will be to reduce rents to be charged in the Federal projects.

"The new regulations will apply to some 74 slum clearance and low-rent housing projects under consideration by the Housing Division of PWA in more than 60 cities. Contracts for construction of five of these projects have been let, and bids are being invited on others. Land acquisition is under way in some 40 cities where projects are in advanced stages.

"On limited dividend housing corporation side of the program, six of the seven housing projects undertaken are occupied and the seventh is under construction.

**PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATION—FEDERAL AGENCY REITERATES STAND ON RETENTION OF OUTSIDE ADVISERS TO OBTAIN MUNICIPAL ALLOTMENTS**—The following is the text of a statement (Release No. 1481) just made public by the PWA as a re-affirmation of its policy on the advisability of retaining consultants in order to obtain municipal allotments:

Circulation of a leaflet which promised that "A conference with the engineers of McCrary will get you a PWA loan and grant" to-day resulted in a statement by Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes reiterating the PWA policy that no one need employ any lawyer, engineer, agent or lobbyist in order to obtain consideration of a Public Works project. The Administrator said:

"My attention has been called to a circular issued under the name of James B. McCrary Co., Engineers of Atlanta, which is apparently being sent to public officials in some of the Southern States. This circular makes unjustified claims of ability to secure PWA funds for local projects. Some of the statements are erroneous, and others highly exaggerated.

"It is not necessary for any municipality to send in an application for PWA funds through this firm of engineers, or through any other firm. In order to expedite our Public Works Program, we have set up in every State a full staff of engineers, lawyers and finance examiners. This staff, within reasonable limits, is prepared to give all the advice that it is necessary for a municipality to have in order to file an application. No charge will be made for this service. On the other hand, in studying an application, PWA will scrutinize it very closely in order to ascertain whether the amount of the loan includes unjustified fees for engineering or other purposes.

"As J. B. McCrary Co. must well know, from the very beginning PWA has adopted the policy that no one need employ any lawyer, engineer, agent or lobbyist in order to secure consideration of a Public Works project."

**MEETING HELD ON INCEPTION OF NEW WORKS PROGRAM**—The following is part of the text of a statement (Release No. 1486) made public on July 9 by the above named Federal agency:

"Meeting here for a two-day series of conferences in connection with the new \$4,000,000 works program, the Acting State Directors of PWA

to-day were addressed by Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes, Works Progress Administrator Harry L. Hopkins and Frank C. Walker, Director of the National Emergency Council.

"The Acting State Directors were received by President Roosevelt at the White House at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

"The purposes of the Washington conference are to acquaint the State Directors with new procedure and regulations, for discussion of common problems and exchange of ideas. The conferences are under the supervision of Col. Horatio B. Hackett, Assistant Administrator of Public Works."

**PUEBLO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 20 (P. O. Pueblo), Colo.—BOND CALL**—It is reported that the entire issue of 4¾% school bonds, scheduled to mature on Aug. 1 1943, is being called for payment on Aug. 1. (A \$599,000 issue of refunding bonds was sold on May 28—V. 140, p. 3759.)

**QUARRYVILLE, Pa.—BONDS APPROVED**—The Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs on July 1 approved an issue of \$30,000 refunding bonds.

**RAILROAD SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. San Pierre), Ind.—BOND OFFERING**—August Dust, Trustee, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. on July 26 for the purchase of \$17,000 not to exceed 5% interest school building bonds. Dated July 26 1935. Denom. \$850. Due \$850 July 2 1936, \$850 Jan. 2 and July 2 from 1937 to 1945, incl., and \$850 Jan. 2 1946. Rate of interest to be expressed by the bidder in a multiple of ¼ of 1%. Interest payable J. & J. 2. The bonds are direct obligations of the township, payable from ad valorem taxes on all the taxable property therein.

**RANCOCAS VALLEY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Mt. Holly), N. J.—BONDS VOTED**—The vote cast at the July 2 election on the proposal that the district issue \$300,000 high school building bonds resulted in approval of the question by a ballot of 968 to 41.

**RANDLETT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Okla.—BONDS VOTED**—The issuance of \$14,000 bonds by the District for school building purposes was approved by the voters at a recent election.

**RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION—REPORT ON LOANS MADE TO DRAINAGE DISTRICTS**—The following is the text of a statement issued by the above Corporation on July 5:

Loans for refinancing a drainage and levee district in Arkansas, two drainage districts in Mississippi, and a drainage district in Missouri, aggregating \$254,000.00 have been authorized by the RFC under the provisions of Section 36 of the Emergency Farm Mortgage Act of 1933, as amended. The districts are:

Laconia Drainage and Levee District Phillips County, Arkansas	\$66,000.00
Central Drainage District, Bolivar County, Mississippi	143,000.00
No. 8 Drainage Dist., Bolivar and Sunflower Counties, Miss.	31,000.00
Foley Drainage District, Lincoln County, Missouri	14,000.00

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.—PURCHASERS**—We are now informed by Mabel Rennolds, City Recorder, that the \$40,000 4% coupon semi-ann. refunding water bonds sold on June 28 at a price of 96.30, a basis of about 4.45%, as reported in these columns—V. 141, p. 149—were purchased jointly by the Baker, Fordyce Co. and Hess, Tripp & Butchart, both of Portland, not by the Baker, Fordyce Co. alone, as previously reported. Due from July 1 1936 to 1955 incl.

**REEDSBURG JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, Wis.—BOND ELECTION**—A proposal that \$100,000 school building bonds be issued will be submitted to a vote for the people on July 16.

**RHODE ISLAND (State of)—BOND ELECTION**—Governor Green has issued a proclamation calling for an election on Aug. 6, at which the residents of the State will be asked to vote on the issuing of \$3,000,000 unemployment relief bonds and \$600,000 voting machine bonds, and an \$8,000,000 State public works program.

**RICHMOND COUNTY (P. O. Rockingham), N. C.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The issuance of \$130,000 in school bonds is said to have been authorized recently by the Local Government Commission.

**RIPLEY, Tenn.—BOND OFFERING**—It is reported that sealed bids will be received until Aug. 1 by Mayor B. C. Durham, Jr., for the purchase of a \$63,000 issue of refunding bonds.

**RISON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36 (P. O. Rison), Ark.—BOND SALE**—The \$35,500 issue of 4% coupon school building bonds offered for sale on July 3—V. 140, p. 444—was purchased at par by the Public Works Administration. Dated July 1 1935. Due from July 1 1937 to 1955 incl. No other bid was received, reports the District Secretary.

**ROSCOE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Coshocton, Route 6), Ohio—BONDS VOTED**—Klines Foster, District Clerk, states that an issue of \$24,000 school construction bonds was approved by a vote of 432 to 173 at an election held July 2. They will be issued to mature in 15 years.

**ROSEBUD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 4 (P. O. Forsyth), Mo.—BONDS CALLED**—The County Treasurer is said to have called for payment at his office on July 1 the following 6% bonds: Nos. 1 to 18 of school bonds; Nos. 41 to 81 of school refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000.

**ROYAL OAK CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Mich.—REFUNDING AUTHORIZED**—The Board of Education has approved a plan to refund \$2,569,000 of the district's outstanding indebtedness. The new bonds would run for a 30 year period and would bear an average interest rate of 3.9%, the rate for the first three years being 2%, and increasing ¼% every three years until a maximum charge of 4½% is reached.

**ST. FRANCIS LEVEE DISTRICT (P. O. Piggott), Ark.—ADDITIONAL DETAILS ON BOND CALL**—In connection with the bond call notice which appeared in these columns recently, for the retirement of outstanding bonds on Jan. 1—V. 141, p. 149—we quote as follows from the Memphis "Appeal" of June 30:

"With the local municipal market already tight and believed to be facing an advancing trend, local trading circles yesterday heard with interest of the impending call of \$258,000 St. Francis Levee District bonds for payment Jan. 1.

"This is the second call within the past few months, the previous one having been in May for \$133,000 as of July 1. According to well informed circles another will be made on or about the first of the year for as many as may be paid off in advance of maturity.

"Although the official advertisement has not appeared, it was reported that it would stipulate 125 6s due in 1943, 125 dus in 1945 and eight 6s due in 1949.

"Announcement of the previous call said the bonds could be presented prior to call date and be paid off, so it was assumed by brokers that the same would apply to the latest one. However, they believed that holders would keep them as long as possible in view of the fact that the interest rates are so much above those now current."

**ST. PAUL, Neb.—BOND REFUNDING APPROVED**—It is said that the City Council has approved a plan to refund \$49,000 city paving and improvement bonds, which now bear 4½ and 5% interest, at a rate of 4% interest.

**SALEM, Ohio—BOND ELECTION**—The State Tax Commission has given its permission for the holding of an election on Aug. 13 to vote on the question of issuing \$50,000 city hall building bonds.

**SALINAS, Calif.—BOND OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p. m. on July 15, by F. E. Heple, City Clerk, for the purchase of an issue of \$140,000 municipal improvement bonds of 1935. Interest rate is not to exceed 5%, payable J. & J. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1935. Due \$5,000 from July 1 1936 to 1963 incl. Prin. and int. payable in lawful money of the United States at the office of the City Treasurer. The legal opinion of Orrick, Palmer & Dahlquist of San Francisco, will be furnished to the successful bidder without charge. Said bonds will be in coupon form but registerable as to both principal and interest. A certified check for \$5,000, payable to the City Treasurer, must accompany the bid. Bids will be received for all or any part of said bonds, at not less than par and accrued interest.

**SAND HILL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ga.—BOND ELECTION**—An election is to be held on July 20 to vote on the question of issuing bonds for the purpose of building a high school.

**SARASOTA COUNTY (P. O. Sarasota), Fla.—BOND TENDERS INVITED**—It is stated by J. R. Peacock, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, that at 10 a. m. on Aug. 5, he will receive open and, consider sealed offerings of county court house bonds, under the following terms and conditions:

(1) The bonds offered must be owned by parties who have agreed to accept the Sarasota County Refunding program being administered by the Sarasota County Refunding Agency, 1003 First National Bank Building, Chicago, Ill. The bonds need not be offered in the name of the actual owner but should include the date of issue and bond numbers.

(2) All bonds must be offered firm for a period of 10 days and must be made under cover of sealed envelope addressed to the undersigned and distinctly marked on the outside of the envelope as "Offering of Sarasota County Court House Bonds," the undersigned reserving the right to reject any or all bids and determine what amount or amounts of each of said offerings will be accepted, said bonds to be delivered to such place as may be designated by the undersigned.

**SAULTE STE. MARIE, Mich.—BOND SALE**—The \$39,570 special assessment paving bonds offered for sale on July 1—V. 140, p. 4442—were awarded to Stranahan, Harris & Co. of Toledo, as 3 3/4s for a premium of \$45.53, equal to 100.115, a basis of about 3.23%. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Due in ten annual installments.

**SCHENECTADY, N. Y.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Common Council has recently passed an ordinance which authorizes the issuance of \$210,000 street paving bonds.

**SCHENECTADY, N. Y.—BONDS PROPOSED**—The Board of Education has recently requested the Common Council to authorize the issuance of \$500,000 high school building bonds.

**SCHUYLKILL COUNTY (P. O. Pottsville), Pa.—BOND OFFERING POSTPONED**—The bond sale scheduled for July 8 has been postponed to July 22. R. D. Leidlich, County Comptroller, will receive bids until July 22 for the purchase of \$90,000 4% coupon coal land appeal bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Dec. 15 1933. Interest payable semi-annually. Due \$15,000 yearly on June 15 from 1939 to 1944 incl. Certified check for 2% required.

**SCOTT COUNTY (P. O. Davenport), Iowa—BOND SALE DETAILS**—It is stated by the County Auditor that the \$33,000 funding bonds purchased by the White-Phillips Co. of Davenport, and Glaspell, Vieth & Duncan, of Davenport—V. 141, p. 149—bear interest at 3%, were exchanged for poor fund warrants, and mature on Nov. 1 as follows: \$12,000, 1942 and 1943, and \$9,000 in 1944.

**SCOTTSBLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT, Neb.—BOND SALE**—The State Board of Educational Land and Funds has recently purchased \$71,000 3 3/4% refunding bonds of the District.

**SCOTTSBURG, Ind.—BOND SALE**—The \$17,000 5% water works revenue bonds offered on July 1—V. 140, p. 4110—were awarded to the Cities Securities Corp. and the Indianapolis Bond & Share Corp. of Indianapolis for a premium of \$311, equal to 101.829.

**SEAL BEACH, Calif.—BONDS SOLD**—It is stated by the City Clerk that the bonds aggregating \$132,000, authorized by the City Council on April 18—V. 140, p. 3089—were purchased by the Public Works Administration as 4s at par. The bonds are divided as follows: \$62,000 breakwater, \$40,000 sewage treatment plant, and \$30,000 water system bonds.

**SEATTLE, Wash.—BOND CALL**—H. L. Collier, City Treasurer, is reported to be calling for payment from July 11 to July 17, various local improvement district bonds and coupons.

**SEDGWICK COUNTY (P. O. Sedgwick), Kan.—BOND OFFERING**—Bids will be opened by Claude N. Cartwright, County Clerk, at 11 a. m. July 12 for the purchase of \$44,000 public relief bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated June 15 1935. Bids must be accompanied by a certified check for 2% of bid.

**SEGUIN, Tex.—BOND CALL**—Bettie Harington, City Secretary, announces that the city is calling for retirement as of August 10 \$27,000 sewer bonds dated Aug. 10 1916, bearing 5% interest, in denominations of \$1,000 each, and numbered from 10 to 36, incl.

**SHEFFIELD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Iowa—BOND ELECTION**—An election has been ordered to be held on July 15 to vote on a proposed \$4,500 bond issue.

**SHELTON, Wash.—BOND SALE**—The \$41,000 water revenue refunding bonds offered on July 5—V. 140, p. 4276—were awarded to Grande, Stolle & Co. of Seattle, as 3 3/4s for a premium of \$110.70, equal to 100.27, a basis of about 3.46%. Dated Oct. 1 1935. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$4,000 1938 to 1941, incl.; and \$5,000 1942 to 1946 incl. Harold H. Houston & Co. bid \$41,061.53 for 3 3/4s.

**SHILLINGTON, Pa.—BOND SALE**—The \$400,000 Mohnsville Water Co. purchase bonds offered on July 8—V. 140, p. 4276—were awarded to a group composed of Bancamerica-Blair Corp. of New York; E. W. Clark & Co. and Butcher & Sherrerd, both of Philadelphia, as 2 1/2s, at 100.321, a basis of about 2.475%. Dated July 1 1935 and due July 1 as follows: \$40,000, 1940; \$10,000, 1941 to 1950 incl.; \$15,000, 1951 to 1958 incl., and \$20,000 from 1959 to 1965 incl. All or any of the bonds numbered from 216 to 400 incl. are redeemable at par and accrued interest on July 1 1955 or any subsequent interest date.

Name	Bid
Halsey, Stuart & Co. and Graham, Parsons & Co.	2 1/2%—\$726.50 prem. Par and accrued interest.
Boening & Co., Chandler & Co., Stroud & Co. and Swart, Brent & Co.	3 3/4%—100.46 and accrued int.
Hemphill, Noyes & Co. and Hornblower & Weeks	2 3/4%—101.26 and accrued int.
Dougherty, Corkran & Co., E. H. Rollins & Sons, Inc., and Singer, Deane & Scribner	2 3/4%—Par and accrued int.

**SIERRA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7 (P. O. Hillsboro), N. Mex.—BONDS NOT SOLD**—We are informed by the County Treasurer that a \$3,000 issue of not to exceed 6% school bonds offered for sale on June 29 was not sold as no bids were received.

**SIoux CITY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Sioux City), Ia.—BOND ELECTION INDEFINITE**—The Secretary or the Board of Education confirms our recent report to the effect that petitions were presented to the Board on July 1, calling for an election to submit a \$320,000 school bond issue to the voters—V. 141, p. 149—but he goes on to state that no definite election date has been set as yet.

**SLIDELL SEWERAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Slidell), La.—BOND SALE**—The \$40,000 issue of sewer bonds offered for sale on July 8—V. 140, p. 4110—was purchased by the Bank of Slidell, at par. No other bid was received. Dated July 15 1935. Due from July 15 1936 to 1958.

**SMITH CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT, Kans.—BOND ELECTION**—The Board of Education will hold an election in July to vote on a bond issue for construction of a high school to cost about \$135,000.

**SMITH COUNTY (P. O. Raleigh), Miss.—BOND ISSUANCE CONTEMPLATED**—The Board of Supervisors are said to be planning the issuance of \$22,000 jail and court house bonds in the near future.

**SMITHFIELD, Pa.—BOND OFFERING**—H. B. Jackson, Borough Clerk, will receive bids until July 25 for the purchase of \$32,000 4% coupon waterworks bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated March 1 1935. Interest payable March 1 and Sept. 1. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1936 to 1963 incl., and \$2,000, 1964 and 1965. Certified check for \$1,000, payable to the Borough Treasurer, required.

**SODA SPRINGS, Ida.—BOND CALL**—It is announced by City Treasurer Jessie Gagon that the following bonds of the city are being called for payment on July 15: Bonds Nos. 41 to 80 of municipal water works coupon bonds dated July 15 1919, bearing interest at 6%, in denomination of \$1,000 each. Interest will cease after July 15.

**SOUTH CORNING, N. Y.—BONDS VOTED**—At a recent election the residents of the village by a vote of 98 to 27 authorized the issuance of \$18,000 water works bonds.

**SOUTH DAKOTA, State of—BOND SALE DETAILS**—In connection with the sale of the \$7,000,000 4% semi-ann. Rural Credit refunding bonds to a syndicate headed by Edward B. Smith & Co. of New York, at a price of 100.10 a basis of about 3.985%—V. 141, p. 149—it is reported

by the State Treasurer that the said bonds were issued to take up a loan of \$3,800,000 from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation at 4%, also \$2,500,000 6% series A rural credit bonds, due on Jan. 15 1936; \$200,000 5% rural credit, series E bonds, due on Jan. 15 1936, and \$300,000 5% series N rural credit bonds, due on Jan. 15 1936. The remainder of the proceeds will be used to meet interest payments due on Jan. 15 1936.

**STAMFORD (Town of), Conn.—BOND OFFERING**—Joseph P. Zone, Town Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on July 18 for the purchase of \$720,000 coupon or registered emergency bonds of 1935. Dated July 1 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$60,000 on July 1 from 1937 to 1948 incl. Bidder to name one rate of interest in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. Prin. and Int. (J. & J.) payable at the First National Bank of Boston or, at holder's option, the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., New York. These bonds will be engraved under the supervision of and authenticated as to their genuineness by the First National Bank of Boston. The legality of this issue will be examined by Messrs. Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins, a copy of whose opinion will accompany the bonds when delivered without charge to the purchaser. All legal papers incident to this issue, together with an affidavit certifying to the proper execution of the bonds will be filed with the First National Bank of Boston, where they may be inspected.

**STARK COUNTY (P. O. Dickinson), N. Dak.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The County Commissioners are said to have passed a resolution recently providing for the issuance of \$95,000 in 4% semi-annual court house and jail bonds. Due from 1938 to 1955.

**SUPERIOR, Neb.—BOND ELECTION**—Notice is given by City Clerk L. P. Gregory that a special election will be held on July 30 to vote on a proposal to issue negotiable bonds in amount of \$40,000 for erection of a city hall, auditorium and community house.

**SWISSVALE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BONDS APPROVED**—The Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs on July 1 approved an issue of \$70,000 operating expenses bonds. The bonds were sold on June 11 to Halsey, Stuart & Co. of Philadelphia as 2s, at 100.26, a basis of about 1.90%.

**TEXAS (State of)—WARRANTS CALLED**—The following report is taken from an Associated Press dispatch from Austin on June 30:

"State Treasurer Charley Lockhart Saturday called for payment \$837,050.96 of general revenue warrants, leaving a general fund deficit of \$6,339,234. Warrants through No. 105,812, issued last March 8, were included in the call.

"The Treasurer announced pension fund warrants issued through October, 1934, and not discounted, would be purchased, while those issued through October, 1933, would be paid regardless of discount. A deficit of \$4,747,960 was reported in the pension fund."

**THAYER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 24 (P. O. Alexandria), Neb.—BOND ELECTION**—It is reported that an election will be held on July 19 to vote on the issuance of \$5,000 in not to exceed 4% semi-annual school bonds. Due in 20 years.

**THOR, Iowa—BOND OFFERING**—The Town Council will sell \$8,000 bonds to complete the town hall at the Thor Savings Bank Building at 7:30 p. m. July 19. P. S. Lund is Town Clerk.

In connection with the above report it is said that the cost of the structure will be \$10,000, of which the Township of Norway will furnish the difference from its own funds, under the provisions of a law recently enacted which permits towns and townships to join in financing the construction of town halls.

**THURSTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 310 (P. O. Olympia), Wash.—BOND OFFERING**—R. J. Johnston, County Treasurer of Thurston County, on July 20, at 10 a. m. will sell for cash \$8,000 bonds of School District No. 310, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed 6%, payable serially. Bids must be accompanied by a deposit of 5% in either cash or certified check. Bonds will be payable at office of Thurston County Treasurer in Olympia.

**TIFFIN, Ohio—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The City Council on July 1 authorized the issuance of \$68,750 municipal building bonds.

**TOLEDO, Ohio—BOND REFUNDING HELD IMPERATIVE**—Unless the city undertakes immediately some plan for the refunding of the more than \$1,000,000 bonds maturing in September, October, November and December of this year, funds will not be sufficient to meet general operating expenses during that period, according to report.

**TOLEDO, Ohio—BABY BOND CASE TO BE APPEALED**—Consumation of the sale on June 25 of \$2,450,000 5% so-called "baby-bonds" to Stranahan, Harris & Co., Inc. of Toledo and associates is threatened as a result of the recent announcement that a local taxpayer will appeal to the higher courts for an injunction against the issuance of the obligations unless new legislation is enacted limiting the interest rate on the loan to 4%, according to the Toledo "Blade" of July 6. The original action was dismissed in Common Pleas Court and a \$50,000 appeal bond fixed. Ralph Doty, City Law Director, stated that the new attempt to stay the sale may occasion a delay of from 30 to 70 days in the issuance of the bonds and might even result in the collapse of the entire transaction.

**TOULON TOWNSHIP (P. O. Toulon), Ill.—BONDS VOTED**—At a recent election the voters by 126 to 22 approved the issuance of \$20,000 gravel road bonds.

**TRUMBULL COUNTY (P. O. Warren), Ohio—BOND ELECTION**—At the August 13 elections the voters of the county will be asked to approve a bond issue of \$325,600 for work relief.

**TYRONE, Pa.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The issuance of \$45,000 3 1/2% work relief bonds was recently authorized by the Borough Council.

**ULEN SCHOOL DISTRICT, Minn.—BONDS VOTED**—At a recent election the residents of the district voted by 174 to 96 in favor of the issuance of \$14,000 school building bonds.

**UMATILLA COUNTY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 9 (P. O. Hermiston), Ore.—BOND ELECTION CONTEMPLATED**—It is said that an election will be held in the near future to pass on the issuance of \$40,000 in school construction and gymnasium bonds.

**VALLEY TOWNSHIP, Stark County, Ill.—BONDS VOTED**—At a recent election the taxpayers voted 151 to 11 for the issuance of \$38,000 road bonds.

**VAN BUREN, Ark.—BOND SALE**—A block of \$11,000 property purchase and fire department bonds has been sold to the Peoples Bank & Trust Co. of Van Buren.

**VANDERBURGH COUNTY (P. O. Evansville), Ind.—BOND SALE**—The issue of \$300,000 poor relief bonds offered on July 8—V. 141, p. 150—was awarded to the National City Bank of Evansville and the Harris Trust Co. of Chicago, who took \$90,000 bonds as 1 3/4s, \$90,000 as 2s and \$120,000 as 2 1/4s. Due \$15,000 each six months from June 1 1936 to Dec. 1 1945 incl.

**VINITA, Okla.—BOND CALL**—It is stated by C. H. Webb, City Clerk, that the city has resolved to call for payment on Aug. 11, on which date interest shall cease, 5 1/2% water works extension and improvement bonds, numbered from 1 to 297. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 11 1922. These bonds are payable at the State's fiscal agency, the Manufacturers Trust Co. in New York City.

**VINITA, Okla.—BONDS CANCELED**—It is now stated that the \$36,000 warrant and judgment funding bonds reported in these columns recently as having been sold—V. 140, p. 4443—were ordered canceled by the District Court.

**WARD COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Barstow), Tex.—BONDS VOTED**—At a recent election—V. 140, p. 3761—the voters are said to have approved the issuance of the \$75,000 in school construction bonds.

**WARE, Mass.—NOTE SALE**—J. H. Walker, Town Treasurer, states that the \$38,000 town hall rebuilding and addition notes offered on July 9 were awarded to E. H. Rollins & Sons of Boston as 2 1/4s, at a price of 100.583, a basis of about 2.19%. Dated July 1 1935 and \$2,000 each year from 1936 to 1954 incl. Other bidders were:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
Hornblower & Weeks	2 3/4%	100.319
Faxon, Gade & Co.	3 1/4%	100.376
Ware Trust Co.	4%	Par

**WARREN BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Warren), Pa.—BONDS NOT SOLD**—The \$25,000 2% coupon school bonds offered for sale on July 8—V. 140, p. 4277—were not sold, as no bids were received.

**WASECA COUNTY (P. O. Waseca), Minn.—BOND SALE**—The County Board recently sold \$75,000 2½% refunding bonds to the First National Bank of St. Paul. Due \$15,000 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1937 to 1941 incl.

Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1935. Int. payable Feb. 1 and Aug. 1.

**WASHINGTON (State of)—REPORT ON PROCEEDS OF OCCUPATIONAL TAX**—A dispatch from Seattle to the "Wall Street Journal" of July 5 reported as follows on the expiration of the old occupational tax and the levying of the new tax:

"The Washington occupational tax, which expired May 1, produced a net income of \$9,484,900 during the 22 months of its effectiveness. The 1935 legislature enacted another occupational tax as part of the large revenue program. The new tax has slightly different rates, however, and is expected to raise only about \$4,000,000 annually.

"The Tax Commission reports that in addition to the \$9,484,000 actually collected, about \$2,000,000 in levies is tied up in court suits and \$500,000 is delinquent, which if realized would bring collections for the 22 months to around \$12,000,000.

**WATERVLIET, N. Y.—ABANDONS BOND ISSUE PROPOSAL**—The Board of Education recently rescinded the plan to hold a special election on the question of issuing \$53,000 bonds for remodeling School Building No. 3. This action followed condemnation of the plan by a member of the Board, who assailed the expenditure as excessive for an old structure and suggested that efforts be made to erect a new building.

**WAYNESBORO, Va.—BOND ELECTION**—An election will be held on Aug. 13 to vote on the question of issuing \$110,000 high school construction bonds.

**WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 64, Colo.—BONDS SOLD SUBJECT TO ELECTION**—An issue of \$40,000 4% school building bonds was recently sold to Brown, Schlessman, Owen & Co. of Denver, subject to being approved by the voters at an election on July 9. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$2,000 yearly beginning in 1936.

**WELLINGTON, Kan.—BOND OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received until 1 p. m. on July 15 by the City Clerk, for the purchase of \$50,000 issue of 2½% coupon water plant bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1935. Due \$5,000 from July 1 1936 to 1945 incl. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable at the State Treasurer's office. A certified check for 2% must accompany the bid.

**WEST CHILLISQUAKE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Montandon), Pa.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The School Board has recently authorized the issuance of approximately 10,000 bonds the proceeds from which together with a Public Works Administration grant would be used to build a high school.

**WESTFIELD, N. J.—BONDS PASSED AT FIRST READING**—Ordinances authorizing the issuance of \$60,000 improvement note refunding and \$79,000 general improvement bonds were passed on first reading by the Town Council in June 24.

**WESTHAMPTON BEACH, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING**—Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Trustees until 1 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on July 31 for the purchase of \$26,000 not to exceed 6% interest coupon or registered street improvement bonds. Lillian E. Witt is Village Clerk. The bonds will be dated July 1 1935. Denom. \$500. Due July 1 as follows: \$1,000 in 1935 and 1938 and \$1,500 from 1939 to 1954 incl. Bidder to name one rate of interest on the issue, expressed in a multiple of ¼ or 1-10th of 1%. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable in lawful money of the United States at the Seaside Bank, Westhampton Beach. The bonds are direct general obligations of the Village, payable from unlimited taxes. A certified check for \$500, payable to the order of the Village, must accompany each proposal. The approving opinion of Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York City will be furnished to the purchaser without cost.

*Financial Statement*

Assessed valuation of taxable property, according to last preceding assessment roll----- \$3,879,730  
Total bonded debt (including current issue)----- x104,000  
Water debt----- None

xNot including debt of any other subdivision having power to levy taxes upon any or all property subject to the taxing power of the Village.

Fiscal Year	Total Levy	Uncollected End of Fiscal Year	Uncollected as of July 1 1935
1932-1933	\$61,487.01	\$4,575.15	\$324.43
1933-1934	57,795.52	3,282.25	523.65
1934-1935	57,743.33	3,680.81	1,640.20

Note: Taxes for current fiscal year were levied May 15 1935 and amount to \$68,283.25, and to date \$51,564.67 has been collected. Said taxes become delinquent July 1 1935.

**WEST LEESPORT, Pa.—BONDS APPROVED**—The Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs on July 3 approved the \$16,500 refunding and funding bonds which were awarded on July 1 to the First National Bank of West Leesport as 3¼s, at 100.15, a basis of about 3.25%.

**WEST ORANGE, N. J.—PROPOSED BOND ISSUE**—An ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$54,900 improvement funding bonds was passed on first reading by the Town Commission on July 2. Of the issue \$23,900 is for West Orange's share in costs of the joint outlet sewer, \$27,000 for funding a like amount of anticipation notes previously issued for the Fourth Ward sewer improvement and \$4,000 for notes issued for drainage improvements to the east branch of the Rahway River.

**WEST SPRINGFIELD, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN**—Town Treasurer Henry E. Schmuck has recently negotiated with the Second National Bank of Boston for a temporary loan of \$25,000, on a 0.20% discount basis. The notes will mature Nov. 7 1935.

**WEST VIRGINIA, State of—BOND CALL**—It is reported by Mrs. J. Beverly Dooley, Assistant Secretary of the State Sinking Fund Commission that the following bonds are being called for payment on Aug. 1, on which date interest shall cease:

- \$4,000 Preston County, 5% Kingwood Road District bonds, numbered 63 to 70, bearing date of Aug. 1 1913. Denom. \$500. Payable at the Kanawha Valley Bank in Charleston.
- 52,000 City of Beckley 5% bonds, numbered 1 to 4, 6, 9 to 12, 17 to 29, and 31 to 60, bearing date of Aug. 1 1910. Denom. \$1,000. Optional on Aug. 1 1930. Payable at the Kanawha Valley Bank in Charleston.
- 1,000 Town of Hundred 5% bonds, numbered 61 to 70, bearing date of Aug. 1 1908. Denom. \$1,000. Optional on Aug. 1 1918. Payable at the Bank of Hundred.

**WHARTON COUNTY (P. O. Wharton), Tex.—BOND ELECTION POSTPONED**—It is reported that the election which was scheduled for June 22 to vote on the issuance of \$2,940,000 in lateral road and drainage bonds, mentioned in these columns early in June—V. 140, p. 3946—has been postponed to July 27.

**WHATCOM COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 301 (P. P. Bellingham), Wash.—BOND ELECTION CONTEMPLATED**—It is said that an election will be called to have the voters pass on the issuance of \$450,000 or \$500,000 in high school construction bonds as soon as the Public Water Works Administration approves a grant for the project, which is estimated to cost \$800,000.

**WHITEFACE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Whiteface), Tex.—BONDS VOTED**—The voters are said to have approved recently the issuance of \$25,000 in school construction bonds.

**WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.—NOTES AUTHORIZED**—The City Council has recently authorized the issuance of \$98,000 certificates of indebtedness to temporarily finance the sanitary sewer system.

**WHITING, Iowa—BOND SALE**—The \$20,000 issue of water works bonds offered for sale on July 5—V. 140, p. 4444—was awarded to the Toy National Bank of Sioux City as 3¼s, at par, according to report.

**WHITNEY POINT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Whitney Point), N. Y.—BONDS VOTED**—The taxpayers on June 28 approved by a vote of 681 to 125 the issuance of \$350,000 bonds to finance the construction of a new grade and high school.

**WHITTIER SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Boise), Ida.—BOND ISSUANCE NOT CONTEMPLATED**—Regarding reports to the effect that the

district was considering the issuance of \$200,000 in school construction bonds, it is stated by the District Clerk that no plans have been made for such issuance.

**WILSON COUNTY (P. O. Wilson), No. Caro.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—The Board of County Commissioners on July 2 passed an order authorizing the issuance of \$52,000 bonds for the purpose of refunding outstanding school bonds. (This supersedes a report which appeared in these columns recently—V. 140, p. 4444—to the effect that \$69,000 bonds had been authorized.)

**WINGVILLE TOWN (P. O. Montfort), Wis.—BONDS VOTED**—At a special election held on June 18 the town of Wingville voted \$10,000 bonds for highway improvement.

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY (P. O. Rockford), Ill.—SEEKING BUYER FOR BONDS**—The county authorities are seeking a buyer for \$200,000 bonds which are to be issued for the purpose of funding outstanding indebtedness.

**WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.—BOND SALE DETAILS**—It is stated by the City Treasurer that the \$42,000 4% semi-ann. abattoir bonds purchased by R. S. Dickson & Co. of Charlotte, at a price of 102.513—V. 140, p. 4444—are dated Oct. 1 1934, and mature Oct. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1937 to 1940, and \$2,000, 1941 to 1959, giving a basis of about 3.76%.

**WOODWARD SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Woodward), Okla.—BOND ELECTION**—It is reported that an election will be held on July 15 to vote on the issuance of \$26,000 in not to exceed 5% school building bonds.

**WORCESTER UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Worcester), N. Y.—BOND OFFERING**—Myrtle Ten Eyck, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on July 18 for the purchase of \$30,000 not to exceed 4½% interest coupon or registered school building bonds. Dated July 1 1935. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on July 1 from 1936 to 1965 incl. Bidder to name a single interest rate on the issue 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 Schenevus National Bank, Schenevus. A certified check for 2% of the issue, payable to the order of the Board of Education, must accompany each proposal. Legal opinion of Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York will be furnished the successful bidder. Bonds are payable from unlimited ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the district.

**WYCKOFF TOWNSHIP (P. O. Wyckoff), N. J.—BONDS AUTHORIZED**—On July 2 the Township Committee passed on first reading an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$103,500 general refunding bonds. The ordinance will be given final consideration on July 16.

**YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio—BOND SALE**—The \$120,000 parks and playground bonds offered on July 6—V. 140, p. 4278—were awarded to the Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co. of Cincinnati as 3¼s, at par plus a premium of \$12, equal to 100.01, a basis of about 3.49%. Dated June 1 1935 and due \$12,000 on Oct. 1 from 1936 to 1945 incl. Second high bid of par plus a premium of \$8 for 3¼s was entered by Van Lahr, Dol & Ispording, Inc., of Cincinnati.

**CANADA, Its Provinces and Municipalities.**

**BLACK LAKE, Que.—PAYMENT OF BOND INTEREST**—The city has been authorized by the Quebec Municipal Commission to pay coupons due May 1 1933 on bonds issued under by-laws 5 and 57, and due Aug. 1 1933 on by-law 11 bonds.

**CAPE DE LA MADELEINE, Que.—BOND INTEREST PAYMENT**—The city is paying interest coupons due July 1 1935. Holders of overdue bonds which carry no coupons have been requested to register with the City Clerk so that checks may be mailed.

**CHICOUTIMI TOWNSHIP, Que.—\$10,400 BONDS DRAWN FOR REDEMPTION**—Drawing of township bonds amounting to \$10,400 was held at the Quebec Municipal Commission office at Quebec. Twenty-four bonds of \$100 each and 15 bonds of \$500 each were drawn. They will be redeemable at par, plus interest on presentation at the bank as from July 1.

**HAMILTON, Ont.—\$3,000,000 BORROWING APPROVED**—The city has received permission to issue \$3,000,000 bonds.

**JOLIETTE, Que.—BOND SALE**—The \$48,000 public works bonds offered on July 8—V. 141, p. 150—were awarded to Beausoleil & Beausoleil of Montreal as 3¼s, at 96.77, a basis of about 3.88%. Dated May 1 1935 and due serially in 20 years.

**MONTREAL, Que.—VALIDITY OF SALES TAX QUESTIONED**—Validity of the city's sales tax was challenged in the Superior Court July 2 with institution of suit by W. B. Baikie, one-time aldermanic candidate in Notre Dame de Grace, asking that the tax be declared illegal because it is an indirect levy and therefore ultra vires of both city and provincial legislation.

Along with the attack on the status of the tax is sought refund of money paid under protest in the purchase of articles on which sales tax was exacted.

Neither the Province of Quebec nor the City of Montreal has power to impose on the seller the obligation to collect the taxes as the agent of the city. It is added:

It is charged that the tax is illegal in respect both of its exaction of tax on purchases made in the Montreal area and in exaction of tax on articles purchased outside the city area by citizens resident in the City of Montreal.

The writ of summons, taken on behalf of Baikie by the legal firm of Brown, Montgomery and McMichael, was served on city officials yesterday immediately following its issue from court.

**ONTARIO (Province of)—FISCAL AGENTS APPOINTED FOR MUNICIPALITIES IN DEFAULT**—Under the terms of a plan announced recently by Hon. D. A. Croll, Minister of Municipal Affairs, Thomas Bradshaw, President of the Toronto General Trust Co., and J. M. Macdonnell, General Manager of the National Trust Co., become fiscal agents for defaulting municipalities in the Toronto area. They will assist the Provincial Government and the municipalities themselves in preparing refunding plans in East York, Scarborough, North York, Mimico, York Township, New Toronto, Long Branch, Leaside and Weston.

In addition to his services in behalf of the Toronto suburban area, Mr. Bradshaw becomes financial consultant to the municipal affairs department.

**OTTAWA, Ont.—\$490,000 BONDS APPROVED**—A by-law providing for the issuance of \$490,000 relief bonds has been approved by Council.

**THREE RIVERS, Que.—BONDS APPROVED**—The ratepayers have voted to issue \$135,000 sewer construction bonds.

**VANCOUVER, B. C.—VALIDITY OF \$1,500,000 BOND ISSUE ATTACKED**—Validity of the city's issue of \$1,500,000 "baby bonds" was questioned in British Columbia Supreme Court June 30 when an injunction to restrain the City Council from proceeding with the issue was sought on behalf of Herbert Louis Smith, Vancouver.

Principal grounds are that the bonds are charged on water rates and they should have been charged on the rateable property of the city in accordance with the Vancouver Incorporation Act, and further that the city allegedly had already reached the limit of its borrowing power.

It was also contended the bonds are invalid because there is no provision for paying them off by equal instalments annually.

**BOND SALE ENJOINED**—An injunction restraining the city from selling the above issue has been granted by Justice D. A. McDonald of the British Columbia Supreme Court, pending trial of the suit attacking the validity of the obligations.

**WINDSOR, Ont.—CONCERTED ACTION FOR PROTECTION OF INTERESTS PLANNED BY BONDHOLDERS**—Arrangements have been completed whereby the various debenture holders' protective committee of the old city of Windsor will hold a meeting at Toronto this week, at which the affairs of the city will be discussed.

Up to the present each committee has been acting individually and has proceeded to invite the deposit of debentures with a trustee, and already a substantial proportion of the total debentures is on deposit. The desire of each committee is to increase the proportion deposited so as to strengthen its hands in effecting a satisfactory settlement.

It is understood from the Secretary of the Windsor debenture holders' protective committee that the various committees representing the debenture holders already have the information required by the fiscal agents and this information will be available to them.

Meanwhile, all debenture holders have been asked to deposit their debentures with the various protective committees.