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At a meeting of the Board of Directors held January 30, 1939, a dividend of twenty-five cents per share was declared on the common stock of the Company, payable March 15, 1939, to stockholders of record at the close of business February 21, 1939. Checks will be mailed.

January 30, 1939
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CONDENSED STATEMENT AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1938

ASSETS

Cash on Hand and in Banks, including Bank of Canada	\$ 25,811,061.
Deposit with Minister of Finance	304,500.
Government and Other Securities	55,424,072.
Call Loans	7,774,239.
	\$ 89,313,872.
Commercial Loans and Discounts	50,115,290.
Bank Premises	5,667,000.
Liabilities of Customers under Acceptances, Letters of Credit and Sundry Other Assets	3,283,842.
	\$148,380,004.

LIABILITIES

Deposits	\$122,336,237.
Deposits by Other Banks	2,361,012.
Notes in Circulation	5,260,489.
Acceptances, Letters of Credit and Sundry Other Liabilities	3,616,329.
	\$133,574,067.
Capital, Reserve and Undivided Profits	14,805,937.
	\$148,380,004.

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Offer to Holders of Certain

Hungarian Municipal, Ecclesiastical and Private Long-Term Bonded Debts

The Cash Office of Foreign Credits at Budapest, Hungary, hereby announces that pursuant to the Offer of the Cash Office, published on July 23, 1937, it will redeem coupons of the maturity, and with respect to the issues, hereinbelow specified, during the period stated, at the rate of \$8.75 per coupon detached from a \$1,000 bond. Such payment will be made through its Central Paying Agents in New York, SCHRODER TRUST COMPANY, 46 William Street, New York, N. Y.

This Offer does not apply to coupons attached to any of the securities below mentioned which shall have been stamped and registered as being in Hungarian ownership under the Decree of the Hungarian Cabinet Council, No. 300/1936 M. E. and is made only to persons resident outside of the Kingdom of Hungary or firms or corporations situated outside Hungary, excluding branches thereof in Hungary.

Coupons presented in acceptance of this Offer must be transmitted to SCHRODER TRUST COMPANY, as Central Paying Agents of the Cash Office of Foreign Credits, together with a form of letter of transmittal which is obtainable from such Paying Agents.

Name of Issue	Coupon Date	Offer Expires
HUNGARIAN-ITALIAN BANK LTD. 7½% Mortgage Bonds, Dollar issue, Series "A"	February 1, 1939	July 31, 1939
HUNGARIAN-ITALIAN BANK LTD. 7½% Mortgage Bonds, Dollar issue, Series "A-B"	February 1, 1939	July 31, 1939
NATIONAL CENTRAL SAVINGS BANK OF HUNGARY 7½% Series "A" Sinking Fund Gold Bonds, Dollar issue.....	February 1, 1939	July 31, 1939
RIMA STEEL CORPORATION (Rimamurany-Salgotarjan Iron Works Co.Ltd.) 7% Closed First Mortgage thirty-year Sinking Fund Gold Bonds, in Dollars.....	February 1, 1939	July 31, 1939
February 1, 1939.		

This announcement appears as a matter of record only.

This is not an offering prospectus. The offer of these securities is made only by the offering prospectus which, however, does not constitute an offer by any underwriter to sell these securities in any state to any person to whom it is unlawful for such underwriter to make such offer in such state.

These issues, though registered, are not approved or disapproved by the Securities and Exchange Commission, which does not pass on the merits of any registered securities.

The North American Company

\$20,000,000 3½% Debentures, Series due 1949
Due February 1, 1949

\$25,000,000 3¾% Debentures, Series due 1954
Due February 1, 1954

\$25,000,000 4% Debentures, Series due 1959
Due February 1, 1959

696,580 Shares Preferred Stock, 5¾% Series
\$50 Par Value (Entitled to Cumulative Dividends)

DEBENTURES: Dated February 1, 1939. Interest payable February 1 and August 1. Redeemable (otherwise than for the sinking fund) at the option of the Company, as a whole or as a whole of any series or in part by lot, on any day prior to maturity on at least thirty days published notice, at the following percentages of the principal amount prior to February 1, 1940: 3½% Series due 1949 at 103½%; 3¾% Series due 1954 at 103%; 4% Series due 1959 at 104%; thereafter at periodically reducing prices; in each case with interest accrued to the date of redemption.

The Supplemental Indenture provides for a sinking fund for each of the above series of Debentures, for the redemption on February 1, 1942 and on each semi-annual interest payment date thereafter and prior to the maturity of the Debentures of the particular series, of ¾ of 1% of the aggregate principal amount of the Debentures of such series theretofore issued; in lieu of cash payments for any such sinking fund, the Company may surrender Debentures of the appropriate series for credit at the principal amount thereof. Debentures are redeemable for the sinking fund as follows: at 101¾% prior to February 1, 1945 for the 3½% Debentures; at 101% prior to February 1, 1948 for the 3¾% Debentures; and at 101¼% prior to February 1, 1951 for the 4% Debentures; and at periodically reducing prices after such dates; in each case with interest accrued to the date of redemption.

PREFERRED STOCK: Entitled, before any payments on the Common Stock, to cumulative dividends at the annual rate of 5¾% of the par value thereof, payable quarterly (accruing as to these shares from February 1, 1939) on the first days of January, April, July and October in each year, and to \$52.50 per share on voluntary liquidation and to \$50.00 per share on involuntary liquidation, in each case plus an amount equal to accrued dividends. Redeemable at any time in whole or in part, on at least thirty days' published notice, at \$55.00 per share, plus an amount equal to accrued dividends.

The following is a brief outline of certain information contained in the offering prospectus and is subject to the more detailed statements in such prospectus and in the registration statement, which also include important information not outlined or indicated herein. The offering prospectus, which must be furnished to each purchaser, should be read prior to any purchase of these securities.

THE COMPANY: The North American Company is a public utility holding company, organized in 1890 under the laws of New Jersey, and owns stocks, bonds and other securities of subsidiaries (including public utility holding companies) and other corporations. The principal operating subsidiaries of the Company are electric utility companies; the principal cities served are St. Louis, Milwaukee, Cleveland and Washington, D. C. Certain subsidiaries are also engaged in other activities, including the furnishing of transportation, gas and heating services and the mining of coal. The Company has substantial minority investments in the common stocks of Pacific Gas and Electric Company and The Detroit Edison Company and controls North American Light & Power Company and Capital Transit Company. The investment in Pacific Gas and Electric Company and The Detroit Edison Company comprises a substantial part of the total investment of the Company and dividends received from such companies have constituted a substantial part of the Company's income.

The North American Company owns no plants or real property. Property and plant of utility subsidiaries include land, structures and equipment required in the electric light and power and auxiliary steam heating business, local and interurban transportation business and gas business. Substantially all of such properties and plants are subject to mortgages and other liens for the most part securing indebtedness of the respective subsidiaries.

The Company has registered as a holding company under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 which Act, among other things, imposes upon the Securities and Exchange Commission the duty to require steps to be taken to limit the operation of a holding company system to a single integrated public utility system (or, under certain conditions, one or more such systems) and to simplify the structure of holding company systems. In response to a request of the Commission addressed to a number of public utility holding companies for the presentation of plans, even though tentative, looking towards compliance with the provisions of the Act above referred to, the Company, under date of November 1, 1938, submitted such a tentative plan. The Commission has advised the Company that it would treat the plan as confidential, and the details of the plan have not been disclosed to the underwriters or in the registration statement or offering prospectus. For the purpose of this newspaper prospectus the Company makes no representation that the tentative plan complies with the requirements of the Act, or as to the position of the Commission with respect thereto, or as to the effect of the Act upon the operations of the Company and its subsidiaries.

The Company is informed that on December 30, 1938, about 9.85% of the Company's voting stock was owned beneficially by Harrison Williams and certain corporations controlled by him. The Company disclaims admission of the existence of control by Harrison Williams or by such corporations.

FUNDED DEBT AND CAPITAL STOCK (as of June 30, 1938, adjusted to give effect to the amendment of the Certificate of Organization of the Company, to the issue and sale of these securities and to the application of proceeds therefrom):

	Amount Authorized	Amount Outstanding Exclusive of Amount Held in Treasury
Funded Debt of the Company:		
3½% Debentures, Series due 1949	(1)	\$20,000,000
3¾% Debentures, Series due 1954	(1)	\$25,000,000
4% Debentures, Series due 1959	(1)	\$25,000,000
Capital Stock of the Company (2):		
Serial Preferred Stock, \$50 par value (cumulative)	5,606,678 shs.	
Preferred Stock, 6% Series		606,359 shs.
Preferred Stock, 5¾% Series		696,580 shs.
Common Stock, \$10 par value (including scrip)	50,000,000 shs.	8,574,429 shs.

(1) Additional Debentures of other series may be issued under the Indenture upon compliance with the provisions thereof.

(2) The Certificate of Organization of the Company was amended recently so as to change the previously authorized 5,000,000 shares of Serial Preferred Stock, without par value, and the 606,678 shares of Six Per Cent. Cumulative Preferred Stock, \$50 par value, into 5,606,678 shares of Serial Preferred Stock, \$50 par value, all of one class; to constitute the previously authorized Six Per Cent. Cumulative Preferred Stock as the initial series (designated Preferred Stock, 6% Series) of such Serial Preferred Stock; to change the authorized shares of Common Stock, without par value, into shares of Common Stock, \$10 par value; and to change the stock provisions in certain other respects.

As of June 30, 1938, the Company's funded debt and capital stock outstanding in the hands of the public, exclusive of amounts held in the treasury, consisted of \$23,913,000 principal amount of debentures (which are to be redeemed), 606,359 shares of Six Per Cent. Cumulative Preferred Stock, \$50 par value, and 8,574,429 shares (including scrip) of Common Stock, without par value.

The funded debt and capital stock of the Company's subsidiaries consolidated outstanding in the hands of the public on June 30, 1938 consisted of \$314,721,000 principal amount of funded debt (exclusive of \$1,640,000 payable within one year), \$128,699,512.50 par or stated value of preferred stock, and minority interests in common stock of subsidiaries consolidated amounting to \$8,786,278.17 (exclusive of surplus applicable to such common stock). As of June 30, 1938, after giving effect to the issue and sale of these securities and the application of the proceeds therefrom, such funded debt and capital stock consisted of \$272,156,000 principal amount of funded debt (exclusive of \$1,640,000 payable within one year), \$93,270,512.50 par or stated value of preferred stocks, and minority interests in common stock of subsidiaries consolidated amounting to \$8,786,278.17 (exclusive of surplus applicable to such common stock). The accounts of North American Light & Power Company and of Capital Transit Company are not consolidated with the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries consolidated.

APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS: The net proceeds to the Company from the sale of these securities will amount to a minimum of \$104,137,056.97 and a maximum of \$104,395,346.97, in each case exclusive of accrued interest and dividends and after deducting underwriting commissions and estimated expenses. The net proceeds, together with treasury funds of the Company to the extent necessary, are to be applied to the redemption of the outstanding debentures of the Company and of North American Edison Company (a subsidiary holding company) and the preferred stock of the latter company; the total redemption price of such debentures and preferred stock is \$105,628,810, exclusive of accrued interest and dividends. After such redemptions, North American Edison Company will be dissolved and its assets transferred in liquidation to the Company, which will assume its liabilities existing at the time of such transfer.

DEBENTURES: All of the Debentures are to be issued under an Indenture to Central Hanover Bank and Trust Company, as Trustee, and under an Indenture supplemental thereto, both dated February 1, 1939. Debentures of the 3½% Series due 1949, 3¾% Series due 1954, and 4% Series due 1959 are limited in aggregate principal amount to \$20,000,000, \$25,000,000, and \$25,000,000, respectively. The Debentures are not secured but the Company covenants in the Indenture not to secure other indebtedness of the Company (with certain exceptions) without securing the Debentures equally and ratably with such other indebtedness. Additional debentures of other series, and other funded debt, without limit as to amount, may be issued if consolidated income (computed as provided in the Indenture) for 12 months within the preceding 15 months is equal to at least 1½ times total annual consolidated interest charges and subsidiary preferred dividend requirements (both computed as provided in the Indenture) on total consolidated debt and subsidiary preferred stock to be outstanding after the issuance of such additional debentures or funded debt. In certain cases of refunding, such income requirement need not be complied with. The Supplemental Indenture contains a provision prohibiting the payment of dividends (other than dividends paid in Common Stock) on the Common Stock after the date of such Indenture, if the aggregate of the dividends so paid would exceed the amount of "net income of the Company, after provision for dividends on preferred stock, accumulated after December 31, 1938" (as defined), plus \$6,000,000. Certain provisions of the Indenture and indentures supplemental thereto may be modified as provided in the Indenture.

The brief outline of such Indenture provisions as are contained herein is subject to the more detailed statements in the Indenture and Supplemental Indenture, both filed as exhibits to the registration statement and hereby incorporated by reference.

PREFERRED STOCK, 5¾% SERIES: This is to be a series of the Serial Preferred Stock, which is issuable in one or more series in a total authorized amount of 5,606,678 shares. The Certificate of Organization, as amended, includes provisions to the effect that: the holders of shares of Serial Preferred Stock and Common Stock have one vote per share for all purposes, and without regard to class except as stated below or as otherwise required by statute; the Serial Preferred Stock-

holders, as a class and without regard to series, are entitled to elect one-fourth of the Board of Directors, and the Common Stockholders, as a class, are entitled to elect the remaining directors, unless and until dividends on the Serial Preferred Stock are in default in an amount equivalent to twelve full quarterly dividends, in which case, and until all dividends in default on the Serial Preferred Stock are paid, the Serial Preferred Stockholders, as a class and without regard to series, are entitled to elect the smallest number of directors necessary to constitute a majority of the full Board of Directors, and the Common Stockholders, as a class, are entitled to elect the remaining directors; certain amendments to the Certificate of Organization relating to the Serial Preferred Stock require a two-thirds class vote of the Serial Preferred Stock and, in certain instances, of separate series thereof; the Serial Preferred Stock has no preemptive rights.

The Board of Directors is authorized to issue the unissued balance of the authorized Serial Preferred Stock as Preferred Stock, 6% Series, as Preferred Stock, 5¾% Series, or as stock of other series and to fix, for each such other series, the distinctive serial designation, the annual dividend rate, the redemption price, the distributive amount per share payable on dissolution or any distribution of assets, and the terms or amount of any sinking fund. All shares of Serial Preferred Stock are to be of equal rank with each other, regardless of series.

The brief outline of such stock provisions as are contained herein is subject to the more detailed statements in the Certificate of Organization, as amended, filed as an exhibit to the registration statement and hereby incorporated by reference.

UNDERWRITING: Subject to certain terms and conditions, the underwriters named in the offering prospectus have agreed severally to purchase from the Company, not later than February 10, 1939, the Debentures, at 100%, 99%, and 99% for the 3½% Series, 3¾% Series, and 4% Series, respectively, or a total of \$69,500,000, plus accrued interest, and the Preferred Stock, 5¾% Series, at the public offering price of \$52.00 per share, or a total of \$36,222,160, plus accrued dividends. Such Debentures are to be offered to the public at the prices set forth below, or a total of \$70,912,500, plus accrued interest. The underwriting discount with respect to the Debentures is 1¼%, 2%, and 2¼% for the 3½% Series, 3¾% Series, and 4% Series, respectively, or a total of \$1,412,500. Subject to limitations arising out of applicable securities laws, holders of the outstanding preferred stock of North American Edison Company are afforded a prior opportunity until three o'clock P. M., Eastern Standard Time, February 2, 1939, to purchase Preferred Stock, 5¾% Series, at the public offering price, from the underwriters. Underwriting commissions with respect to the Preferred Stock, 5¾% Series, will be \$1.00 per share for each share so purchased by such holders and \$1.50 per share for each share not so purchased, or a minimum total commission of \$696,580 and a maximum total commission of \$1,044,870. The Company has agreed to reimburse the underwriters for transfer taxes in connection with the sale of Preferred Stock, 5¾% Series, pursuant to the prior opportunity referred to above, which it is estimated will not exceed \$90,000.

Prices:

101¾% for 3½% Debentures, Series due 1949
 101% for 3¾% Debentures, Series due 1954
 101¼% for 4% Debentures, Series due 1959
 \$52 per share for Preferred Stock, 5¾% Series

in each case plus accrued interest or dividends from
 February 1, 1939 to date of delivery

The offer of these securities is made only by the offering prospectus and is subject to the terms of offering set forth therein, and to approval of legal proceedings by counsel for the underwriters, Messrs. Wright, Gordon, Zachry & Parlin (who are relying with respect to the legality of the Preferred Stock, 5¾% Series, upon Messrs. Pitney, Hardin & Skinner of Newark, N. J., as to New Jersey law). It is expected that the Debentures, in temporary form, and Stock Certificates, in definitive form, will be ready for delivery on or about February 5, 1939 at the office of Dillon, Read & Co., New York, against payment therefor in New York funds.

As more fully set forth in the offering prospectus, the Principal Underwriters, including the undersigned, have authorized the purchase and sale, in the open market or otherwise, of Debentures and Preferred Stock, 5¾% Series, without restrictions as to terms, for their several accounts, either for long or short account, within the limits and during the period set forth in an agreement among themselves. The existence of such authorization is no assurance that any such transactions will be effected or, if effected, that they will not be discontinued at any time.

Further information, particularly financial statements, is contained in the registration statement on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and in the offering prospectus which must be furnished to each purchaser and is obtainable from any of the undersigned.

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February 1, 1939.

New Issues

\$30,800,000 City of New York

3¼% Serial Bonds 3% Corporate Stock

Dated February 1, 1939

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AMOUNTS, MATURITIES AND PRICES

(Accrued interest to be added)

			\$20,800,000 3¼% SERIAL BONDS					
Amount	Due	Price to Yield	Amount	Due	Price to Yield	Amount	Due	Yield or Price
\$950,000	1940	.50%	\$645,000	1946	2.20%	\$490,000	ea. yr. 1952-53	2.95%
950,000	1941	1.00	645,000	1947	2.40	490,000	" 1954-56	3.00
950,000	1942	1.40	645,000	1948	2.60	490,000	" 1957-59	3.05
950,000	1943	1.65	645,000	1949	2.75	490,000	" 1960-64	102½ (Price)
825,000	1944	1.90	490,000	1950	2.85	490,000	" 1965-69	102¼ (Price)
645,000	1945	2.00	490,000	1951	2.90	380,000	" 1970-74	102 (Price)
						250,000	" 1975-79	101¾ (Price)

\$10,000,000 3% CORPORATE STOCK—DUE FEB. 1, 1979

Price 98 and accrued interest

The above Corporate Stock and Bonds are offered when, as, and if issued and received by us and subject to the approval of legality by Thomson, Wood and Hoffman, Esqs., Attorneys, New York City

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The Financial Situation

IT IS evident that the time has now come when Congress and, still more important, the rank and file of the American people, must sit down calmly and make a dispassionate appraisal of the world situation by which we are faced and of our relation to it. It is true that most observers found the long-awaited address of Hitler somewhat less hysterically aggressive than some of his former utterances and less inflammatory than many had anticipated this one would be. At the same time the silence of Mussolini when a belligerent pronouncement had been expected has, along with the relative moderation of the German Fuehrer, tended to lessen the tension that developments in Spain had created throughout the western world. The European situation, however, still remains highly explosive, and, what is more important as regards our own position, the news from Washington during the past week has tended definitely to confirm fears as to the management of our own affairs in relation to all this and to center the attention of the general public upon these issues. Moreover, our armament program, current reports concerning the circumstances surrounding the purchase by France of airplanes in this country, and the disclosures of fact, or alleged fact, and of Administrative policy said to have been made by the President to appropriate Congressional groups have served to place the entire situation directly and rather dramatically before Congress, particularly the Senate, which is charged with peculiar responsibilities in connection with our foreign policies.

Precisely what the President told the Senate Military Affairs Committee on Tuesday has not been directly and officially revealed. On the contrary, the President is said to have urged secrecy upon his callers. Nonetheless, reports have emanated from this conference to which one can hardly fail to give substantial credence, and their general import is,

in our judgment, very disturbing. The President long ago formed the habit of giving public expression to views concerning the brutality, the aggressiveness and the tyranny of the "dictatorships" of Europe,

which most of us have thought he would have been wise to keep to himself—at least as far as general public utterances are concerned—and on more than one occasion his phrases have suggested lines of action pregnant with danger. As recently as his Annual Message to Congress he remarked rather enigmatically that "there are many methods short of war, but stronger and more effective than mere words, of bringing home to aggressor governments the aggregate sentiments of our own people." Whatever he may have told members of Congress in recent days, there is little room for doubt that those who have been in conference with him have learned a good deal of the President's idea of what these "methods short of war" are, and have been surprised, not to say deeply disturbed, upon learning the nature of these methods and the extent to which the President is already making use of them.

Vitaly Important and Urgent

Here is a situation of the utmost importance and urgency to every man, woman and child in the United States, and one concerning which the people of this country must not fail to do their own thinking. Obviously, many matters are in question about which only the people themselves have a right to pass judgment, and about which in the long run only they can pass final judgment. It is their right to know what is being done in their name, and what is planned for the future. This is no matter of "military secrets," certainly not only that, but is a question of international intrigue. It would be inexcusable and intolerable for the President, with or without the collabora-

The Layman Must Wonder

The Supreme Court has disposed of another so-called Tennessee Valley Authority case without considering the issue brought before it, namely, whether the law under which the Authority acts is or is not constitutionally valid.

This it succeeds in doing by holding that "complainants have no standing to challenge the validity of the Act" and by putting "aside as immaterial their claim that by defendants' unauthorized acts their properties are being destroyed," to use the words of the two dissenting Justices.

Yet the complaint, as summarized by the dissenting Justices, includes such allegations as these:

"Pursuant to a plan promulgated in 1933, defendants (the Tennessee Valley Authority et al) are conducting a systematic campaign for the purpose of disrupting the established business relations between complainants and their customers, destroying the goodwill built up by complainants, seizing their markets and inciting the residents of communities served by them to cooperate with defendants in their scheme to develop an absolute monopoly.

"With full knowledge of the non-compensatory and confiscatory character of the yardstick rates, they have represented to the inhabitants of communities served by complainants that these 'yardsticks' were fair measures of reasonable rates and have thereby attempted to incite the inhabitants to build publicly-owned systems using power furnished by the Authority, to lead them to believe that they are being charged unreasonable rates, to stir up political agitation against privately-owned utilities and to bring complainants into disrepute and disfavor.

"The defendants attempt to coerce complainants to sell distribution systems and transmission lines, in territories which defendants intend to appropriate at prices far below fair value, by threatening that, unless complainants accede, they will construct, or cause to be constructed, duplicate facilities subsidized in construction and operation by Federal funds and render complainants' properties wholly valueless. The Administrator of the Public Works Administration has cooperated with defendants. Defendants inform the owners that, unless they sell, either the Authority or the municipalities will build duplicate systems with Federal funds.

"At defendants' request, the Administrator authorizes and announces a gift to the municipality of from 30% to 45% of the cost of the duplicate system and agrees to lend the balance, repayable out of earnings, if any, of the duplicate plant, upon condition that the municipality will agree to use power of the Authority and will, as soon as possible, oust the existing utility. If the utility agrees to sell, the allotments are canceled without regard to the will of the municipality."

In view of these and similar complaints, supported by evidence, the ordinary observer must feel that, whatever the legal technicalities, the complainants, in the words of the dissenting Justices, "are entitled to have this Court decide upon the constitutional questions they have brought here."

If not, then one must wonder just what would entitle them to such a determination.

tion of small groups in the Senate and House, to proceed in closed chambers with devious endeavors to uphold the democracies of Europe and to disconcert the "dictatorships" of the world, only to have the people of this country awake some morning to find themselves so involved that to remain aloof from actual war—which the President seems horribly to fear—is almost a practical impossibility. That there is danger of some such development few informed observers can well doubt. Coercive measures "short of war" are always hazardous in the extreme. They are very likely to lead to a situation which does not stop "short of war." They should never be undertaken except in the presence of determination to go to war if necessary in behalf of the issues concerning which they are invoked.

Do the people of this country feel themselves in duty bound to embark upon another war, should the occasion arise, to "make the world safe for democracy"? We do not for a moment believe so. Yet the President seems either to suppose that we are under some such obligation to ourselves or to "democracy," or else fails most disturbingly to understand what course of action is indicated to avoid involvement. It is this fact which renders recent events in Washington so disturbing. We, of course, are well aware of the suspicions entertained in many quarters concerning the President's motives. He is regarded by some as desirous of diverting the public mind from his failures at home. He is known, of course, to be greedy for power, and is often charged with using the state of world affairs as an excuse to demand more power. These and various kindred suspicions or charges are, however, relatively unimportant. The real question is not why he is doing and saying all these things, but whether what he says is true and what he does is wise. Since he lets not his left hand know what his right hand doeth in these matters, it is not possible for the public to appraise specific actions, but good reason exists for demanding information as to what is going on, and to call sharply into question the premises upon which the President is acting as well as the general course of his behavior.

Our Position Not What Asserted

Viewed strictly in the light of our own interests and our own affairs, the world presents no such problems as those the President is fond of depicting. The greatest danger—again approaching the situation in light of our own affairs—is that we may, under the influence of such emotions as the President is succeeding in arousing, act, or permit the President to act, in ways not reconcilable with cold realism, which of course is the only reliable guide in such matters. It is in such times as these that smooth phrases are most likely to get us into trouble; yet it is in such times as these that avoidance of pitfalls set by fluent rhetoric is most essential. Let the average man, before accepting any of the fine phrases of the day, and, more important, before arriving at any conclusions as to the nature of the world situation and our relation to it, ask himself a few plain questions. Precisely what does he, as a citizen of the United States, fear from Germany or Italy? Exactly what harm is likely to come to him should we attend to our own affairs and leave Europe to attend to its business, including its quarrels?

If the President's ideas have taken deep hold of him, he will at once begin to think of the world as divided into two groups of countries, one group in the grip of tyrants, arbitrary, cruel, aggressive, the other governed by democracies, reasonable, kindly, alert to the welfare of the masses, jealous of the liberties of the people, and quite content with their place in the sun if only they are left alone. He will see his own country in the latter group, and see it threatened by the first. But let him stop to ask what substance there is in such an analysis of the current world situation. The Lord knows the governments of Germany and Italy have shown themselves tyrannical, cruel and aggressive enough, but in precisely what way does their tyranny, their cruelty or their aggressiveness imperil the United States and its interests? That is the real question. If the observer has been well tutored in the ideas of the Administration on the subject, he is likely to answer this question by beginning a discussion of the danger of a spread of the "dictatorship idea" to at present democratic countries and perhaps to assert that should Germany and Italy succeed either in marching over Great Britain and France or in relegating these nations to secondary or lower position in the scale of the world powers, nothing, or at least nothing more than the Atlantic Ocean, would stand between us and the aggressive dictatorships of the world which are apparently thought of as insatiable in their hunger for conquest and subjugation. From this premise it is usually argued that sooner or later we shall be obliged to face a struggle with these forces of evil, and that it is the part of wisdom to do so now while we have powerful allies in England and France than later when we may have to stand alone.

The Light of Realism

This picture is a trifle terrifying, and is all too likely to be effective when presented to people whose emotions are already aroused over the behavior of the so-called dictatorships, but it will not stand the light of realism. The President, for example, warns that "we know what might happen to us of the United States if the new philosophies of force were to encompass the other continents and invade our own. We, no more than other nations, can afford to be surrounded by enemies of our faith and our humanity." But how does a nation close its borders to "philosophies" or prevent its neighbors from becoming "enemies of its faith"? Certainly not by war, by inflicting punishment upon foreign peoples who espouse any ill-regarded "faith," or by limiting the area which may be occupied or controlled by people subscribing to condemned doctrines. Neither we nor other countries supposedly in danger of being "encompassed" by "philosophies of force" can defend themselves against an idea by force of arms, if what the President fears is the adoption of such "philosophy" by the peoples of these other countries and by our own people. Precisely such fears are entertained widely in European democracies, as is well known, but, so far as we have any reason to believe, no responsible government official there has given evidence of belief in being able to defend his country against such an invasion by force of arms, or by limiting the progress of nations which are in one way or another subject to such ideas.

Armed Attack?

If what the President fears is that we shall presently be invaded by armies whose leaders are champions of "philosophies of force," his position is equally untenable. He has had a good deal to say of late about changes that have come to pass in methods of conducting war, and in particular about the swiftness of modern attack and about the distances over which such attacks can operate—all of which has raised a great deal of discussion as to the feasibility of air attacks upon our centers by possible European enemies. As to the latter, the subject must be left largely to the technical experts, but the people should be told precisely why if we attend strictly to our own knitting Germany or Italy should desire to make any such assaults. If they should presently reduce England and France to a state of such impotency that they might reasonably feel themselves free to launch an attack upon us across thousands of miles of ocean, they would have obtained what they really want—more territory—and presumably would then be obliged to look around for some excuse to attack us. Does not this reduce the matter perilously close to absurdity?

It becomes quite absurd when it is intimated, as it sometimes is, that the differences in the forms of government and social organizations between the so-called dictatorship countries and those in force here need cause such attacks. One of the least admirable passages in the President's annual message is found where he asserts that "we have learned that long before any overt military act, aggression begins with preliminaries of propaganda, subsidized penetration, the loosening of ties of goodwill, the stirring of prejudice and the incitement to disunion." The observer on Olympus might well question whether the President has not himself been fully as guilty of such tactics as the head of any other government—if such tactics are in the present circumstances of any great importance. But the truth of the matter is that the conflicting forces now threatening to disturb the peace of the world are only incidentally related to forms of government. To describe the array of nations against nations today in terms of governmental forms is to leave the fundamentals of the situation unnoticed. There is reason enough to believe that democratic forms and procedures are as distasteful to Hitler and Mussolini as their type of government is to us, but there is no ground for believing that these "dictators" have any great interest in fixing their form of government upon other countries, certainly not the United States. Their major interests lie elsewhere.

The Real Problem

What they want is more land, foodstuffs, raw materials, and markets. It is their unfavorable ratio of population to their access to these things, plus the rate of growth of their populations, that drives them to aggression. Whatever may be thought of Hitler or what he is repeatedly saying, the fact is that his division of the world powers into the "haves" and the "have-nots" is far more realistic than the constant discussion of the "dictatorships" and the "democracies" of the world. It so happens that the "have-nots" among the major powers of Europe today are the so-called dictatorship nations, while the "haves" are the great dem-

ocracies, but the very fact that the democracies are the "haves" is evidence enough that dictatorial forms of government and imperialism have not always been synonymous. As a matter of fact, the dictatorships of Europe today (outside of Russia) are probably fully as much the result of the "have-not" status of the peoples enduring them as the dictatorships are the cause of the aggressive imperialism they represent.

International politics is an unsavory business, however viewed, but we may as well face the realities. When we do so we must come to the conclusion, since we are utterly without power to "clean up" world politics, that our safest and our only wise course is that of looking after our own interests, and leaving the other nations of the world to look after theirs. On this basis the only question that concerns us is how our interests are likely to be affected by any probable course of events. Danger from such a source—if any really exists—arises from the imperialistic ambitions of Germany and Italy, provided, of course, that we attend to our own knitting. This seems to bring the matter down to a question as to what designs the dictators of these two countries may have, or may presently develop, upon anything that is rightfully ours. In this connection vague fears are sometimes expressed concerning South America or perhaps some of the Central American areas. But Germany has the Rumanian oil and the Ukrainian granaries at her back door. They are certainly as easy to obtain as territories of less value in South America thousands of miles from her base of operations, and correspondingly more readily defended. Italy's eyes are turned to the south, and possibly (if not probably) toward Spain. Germany of late has a good deal to say about her former colonies, a subject concerning which it is doubtless easier to arouse feeling at home by reason of the fact that they were taken from her by force during the World War. But no European country has or ever has had, in recent times, very important colonial possessions in South or Latin America.

There is, moreover, no good reason to suppose that any of them harbor colonial ambitions there now. Desire for spheres of economic influence, perhaps economic dominance, there is without question, but such ambitions as these and intrigues designed to satisfy them are by no means confined to the dictatorship powers, and moreover they are in no small measure the outgrowth of world-wide restriction of normal and natural international flow of goods. In any event, South American countries are sovereign powers and are privileged to trade with whom they please in whatever way they please. We have no title to their markets or their materials, and could rightly ask for nothing more than equal treatment. To assume that Germany and Italy, having once encompassed England and France, taken what they want of colonial possessions now belonging to these democracies—to suppose the most extreme course of events—would with dispatch push forward in accord with their "philosophy of force" to tread upon our toes in ruthless disregard of the consequences is to borrow trouble, or so it seems to us. At any rate, there is certainly insufficient evidence of such intentions at present, and the whole possibility rather too remote, to afford a shadow of justification for our participation

in another world war. But if we wish to remain aloof if and when another major European war comes, we must *now* refrain from becoming entangled in European affairs. If the task of keeping us from involvements of this sort is to be undertaken, it is now clear that Congress and the people themselves must undertake it. That much the pronouncements of the President during the past two years, and his activities and plans evidently revealed to members of Congress this week, make clear beyond any question.

This is really the story, and this discussion would end here did we not feel loath to leave the subject of international peace and world progress without constructive comment. The hazard would in that event be too great of leaving the reader with the impression that we are convinced that the situation is fundamentally hopeless and without available remedy. This we do not for one moment believe—provided mankind can bring itself to a rational consideration of the matter. If international peace cannot be maintained or restored and if the world cannot proceed to better its economic status, it will not be because there is no way to achieve these highly desirable results but merely because the peoples of the world will not avail themselves of instruments lying at hand.

The situation having reached its present stage, it may well be questioned whether world appeasement will be achieved without important redistribution of the world's land and resources, but such redistribution hardly concerns us greatly. It will doubtless sooner or later take place in southeastern Europe, in the colonial areas of Africa and elsewhere where we have little direct interest. But real appeasement and real economic progress will not and cannot be fully served merely by such redistribution. Such redistribution, moreover, can be given a less important place on the calendar of world problems, and in this greatly to be desired achievement we can do our part—to our own advantage. Both the "haves" and the "have-nots" would be better off were the natural flow of goods and services across international boundaries made less difficult. Certainly the peremptory pressure upon the "have-nots" growing out of their relative lack of raw materials and markets would be greatly lessened and in consequence their insistence upon more and more territory weakened.

The British Prime Minister the other day called for action to supplement conciliatory words. What he apparently had in mind was disarmament agreements among nations, or at least willingness to enter into understandings which would limit armaments. Some observers are interpreting his words as meaning that Great Britain would undertake to consider the colonial question with Germany and Italy in return for definite concessions in the matter of armaments. If such was his meaning, and if Germany and Italy can bring themselves to enter such arrangements, so much the better. The whole world would doubtless be the gainer. To assure the greatest fruit from such international rapprochements, however, it would be necessary to carry negotiations further and include trade barriers and at least a partial abandonment of the world madness for national economic autonomy. It is precisely here that we could enter the picture without entangling involvements and with the

greatest helpfulness. No question of "free trade" need be involved. Whatever one's preferences in this matter may be, we fear that the abandonment of all trade barriers is in existing circumstances hardly more than a subject of academic interest. There is, however, no good reason why the nations of the world should not inject a measure of reason in their treatment of foreign goods and foreign services. Why should not we assume a position of leadership in such a movement? We could do nothing more effective to "make the world safe for democracy."

The international situation today is at bottom largely economic and must be dealt with as such if headway is to be made.

Federal Reserve Bank Statement

TEMPORARY influences this week interrupted the tendency toward increased credit resources, as reflected in recent banking statistics. Month-end currency requirements occasioned an addition of \$40,000,000 in the amount of money in circulation, according to the figures for the week to Feb. 1. In addition, the Treasury did \$114,000,000 of indirect borrowing through a public offering of United States Housing Authority notes, of which the proceeds were used to discharge debt of the agency to the Treasury. Chiefly by this means the Treasury increased its general account with the Federal Reserve banks. These factors more than offset, for the statement week, fresh acquisitions of gold and other items that in the long run can be counted upon to add to the huge total of idle funds. The Federal Reserve credit summary indicates a reduction of \$120,000,000 in excess reserves of member banks over legal requirements, with the total estimated at \$3,480,000,000. Demand for accommodation still is lacking, although a seasonal increase of business loans now can be anticipated. The combined condition statement of New York City reporting member banks for the weekly period ended Feb. 1 shows an increase of \$2,000,000 in business loans to \$1,356,000,000. The same banks found their loans to brokers on security collateral down \$39,000,000 to \$642,000,000.

The views of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on these essentials of the credit position were reiterated in the annual report submitted to Congress last Monday. It is somewhat reassuring that the Board remains keenly alive to the realities of the peculiar position. "The present and prospective volume of excess reserves may, at some time, become the basis of an injurious credit expansion," the annual report states. "If this should develop, the Federal Reserve System, with its present powers, might not be in a position to carry out the mandate of Congress to prevent such an expansion." Powers now possessed by the United States Treasury to influence member bank reserves outweigh those of the System, it is pointed out. But no specific recommendations are made for legislation to deal with the possibilities, apparently because the Board also is convinced that "there is no immediate prospect of excessive expansion of bank credit, and no reason to change the present policy of monetary ease adopted for the purpose of facilitating recovery." The belief was expressed "that the present is an appropriate time to review our banking, credit and monetary system in order that

Congress may consider such changes and improvements as appear desirable."

Turning to the weekly statistics, it appears that the monetary gold stocks of the country advanced \$54,000,000 in the statement period, to another record at \$14,694,000,000. Gold certificate holdings of the 12 regional banks were increased \$42,001,000 to \$11,947,218,000, but the outflow of cash into circulation offset this somewhat, and total reserves of the institutions increased only \$33,280,000 to \$12,397,801,000. Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation moved up \$27,758,000 to \$4,347,209,000. Total deposits with the 12 banks dropped \$267,000 to \$10,402,759,000, with the account variations consisting of a drop of member bank reserve deposits by \$119,252,000 to \$9,046,811,000; an increase of the Treasury general account balance by \$119,842,000 to \$887,021,000; an increase of foreign bank balances by \$14,195,000 to \$185,766,000, and a drop of other deposits by \$15,052,000 to \$283,161,000. The reserve ratio improved to 84.1% from 84.0%. Discounts by the regional banks advanced \$178,000 to \$4,873,000. Industrial advances receded \$320,000 to \$14,811,000, while commitments to make such advances dropped \$112,000 to \$12,892,000. Open market holdings of bankers' bills were unchanged at \$556,000, and holdings of United States Treasury securities were motionless at \$2,564,015,000.

The New York Stock Market

STOCK market performances in the New York area were mostly on the optimistic side, this week, with relaxation of the international tension the principal reason for the advance. The improvement was not especially emphatic for the week as a whole, as selling appeared at times and modified the upswings. Prices last night nevertheless represent a material gain over levels prevalent a week earlier, when fears of martial addresses in Europe prompted a sharp tendency toward liquidation. It became evident this week that the apprehensions had been overdone, at least so far as the immediate future is concerned. Some replacement buying quickly developed, and in the thin markets that currently prevail these orders occasioned smart advances in quotations. The first two sessions of this week were especially favorable, although trading ranged only around the 1,000,000-share level on the New York Stock Exchange. In dull trading periods on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday stocks merely backed and filled, without great changes in levels. Turnover in those sessions fell nearly to the 500,000-share mark.

All eyes were on Europe early this week, owing to several general statements of policy by Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain of England and Chancellor Adolf Hitler of Germany. The nervousness was dispelled in good part, however, when it appeared that Herr Hitler merely reiterated his time-worn demands for colonies and thus refrained from injecting new elements into the delicate situation. Talk of a "February crisis" died away and the markets turned to ordinary considerations. The utilities sustained a legal defeat in an action before the Supreme Court, Monday, but power and light stocks nevertheless were in good demand. American Telephone was a favorite at times and soared to a high for recent years. Railroad shares were in occasional demand. Some of the industrial leaders

showed sizable advances, while others hardly moved. Annual earnings reports for 1938 made their appearance in great numbers, and they dampened enthusiasm to a degree, for the results were quite as gloomy as the poor general state of business had led observers to believe probable.

In the listed bond market the principal tendency was toward higher quotations. United States Treasury issues came into renewed demand, and all indicative bonds of that series attained fresh highs. Best rated utility bonds climbed readily on institutional demand, while some interest also was taken in high-grade rail and industrial mortgages. Three series of North American Co. debentures, aggregating \$70,000,000, were offered on the capital market and met immediate oversubscription. Also favorable was the response to an offering of \$30,800,000 New York City serial and term bonds. Among speculative railroad and other bonds the upswing compared favorably with the movement in equities. Nor were foreign dollar bonds neglected, as such issues were released from the downward pressure that resulted last week from the dubious international outlook. In the commodity markets movements were small, with irregular advances the rule. Foreign exchange rates also were firm in most session, although the occasional reactions left quotations little changed for the week.

On the New York Stock Exchange 71 stocks touched new high levels for the year while 167 stocks touched new low levels. On the New York Curb Exchange 153 stocks touched new high levels and 91 stocks touched new low levels.

Call loans on the New York Stock Exchange remained unchanged at 1%.

On the New York Stock Exchange the sales at the half-day session on Saturday last were 582,530 shares; on Monday they were 790,220 shares; on Tuesday, 1,121,790 shares; on Wednesday, 581,920 shares; on Thursday, 698,080 shares, and on Friday, 542,570 shares. On the New York Curb Exchange the sales last Saturday were 93,140 shares; on Monday, 130,700 shares; on Tuesday, 155,755 shares; on Wednesday, 112,320 shares; on Thursday, 120,995 shares, and on Friday, 120,300 shares.

Impending talks scheduled for this week by leading European government heads had an unsettling effect on stock prices on Saturday last. Equities began the day moderately higher but with the approach of the final hour irregularly lower levels prevailed. The firm tone of European Exchanges on Monday provided the necessary stimulus to our home markets, and while trading volume was on a small scale, prices did manage to forge ahead and end the session with net advances ranging from one to five points. The unfavorable ruling of the Supreme Court on the Tennessee Valley Authority case was made known at mid-day, but only received passing notice in so far as the market was concerned. Further recovery marked the course of prices on Tuesday in keeping with the spirit of European markets, and in vigorous trading sales turnover on the Stock Exchange exceeded 1,000,000 shares. Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain's speech on peace in Europe proved a boon to all markets. Reaction caught up with trading on Wednesday as the market halted in its advance to survey the ground it already had covered. A sharp drop in sales turnover for the day indicated the lightness

of offerings as well as the lack of fresh demand. Prices at the close were slightly lower, with declines among prominent issues extending from fractions to two or more points. The temporary pause in the forward movement of stock prices came to an end on Thursday, and equities pushed through to further high ground, thus erasing all of the losses sustained the day before. The volume of business continued small, but prices ruled higher early in the day, with utility shares setting the pace. At the close gains approximated two points, with American Telephone & Telegraph finishing the session up $5\frac{3}{8}$ points, a new high record, exceeding that of 1938 and the year to date. Stocks were generally weaker yesterday on a small turnover in sales. Fractional recessions attended the opening, and further small declines continued to feature the course of trading. At the close quotations were up to one point lower on the day. Generally higher levels prevailed at the close yesterday as compared with Friday of last week, notwithstanding the market's periods of reaction. General Electric closed yesterday at $39\frac{3}{4}$ against $38\frac{3}{8}$ on Friday of last week; Consolidated Edison Co. of N. Y. at $33\frac{1}{2}$ against 31; Columbia Gas & Elec. at 8 against $7\frac{3}{8}$; Public Service of N. J. at $34\frac{3}{4}$ against $32\frac{5}{8}$; J. I. Case Threshing Machine at $84\frac{1}{2}$ against $82\frac{1}{4}$ bid; International Harvester at 58 against 55; Sears, Roebuck & Co. at $70\frac{1}{4}$ against $67\frac{3}{4}$; Montgomery Ward & Co. at $49\frac{3}{8}$ against $47\frac{1}{8}$; Woolworth at $49\frac{1}{4}$ against $47\frac{3}{8}$, and American Tel. & Tel. at $156\frac{1}{2}$ against $151\frac{1}{2}$. Western Union closed yesterday at $21\frac{5}{8}$ against $20\frac{3}{4}$ on Friday of last week; Allied Chemical & Dye at $171\frac{1}{2}$ against $173\frac{1}{2}$; E. I. du Pont de Nemours at $147\frac{1}{4}$ against 144; National Cash Register at $22\frac{1}{2}$ against 22; National Dairy Products at 14 against $12\frac{7}{8}$; National Biscuit at $24\frac{1}{8}$ against $23\frac{3}{4}$; Texas Gulf Sulphur at $31\frac{1}{4}$ against $30\frac{3}{8}$; Continental Can at $39\frac{1}{4}$ against $39\frac{1}{4}$; Eastman Kodak at 173 against $171\frac{3}{4}$; Standard Brands at $6\frac{3}{4}$ against $6\frac{3}{8}$; Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg. at $108\frac{1}{2}$ against 103; Lorillard at 22 against $21\frac{1}{8}$; Canada Dry at 18 against $17\frac{5}{8}$; Schenley Distillers at $15\frac{7}{8}$ against 14, and National Distillers at 26 against $24\frac{1}{4}$.

The steel stocks closed yesterday well above the levels of Friday a week ago. United States Steel closed yesterday at 59 against 55 on Friday of last week; Inland Steel at $84\frac{1}{2}$ against $81\frac{1}{4}$; Bethlehem Steel at $66\frac{3}{4}$ against $63\frac{3}{8}$, and Youngstown Sheet & Tube at $45\frac{1}{8}$ against $41\frac{3}{4}$. In the motor group, Auburn Auto closed yesterday at $3\frac{1}{2}$ against $3\frac{3}{8}$ on Friday of last week; General Motors at $46\frac{5}{8}$ against $44\frac{1}{2}$; Chrysler at $74\frac{1}{8}$ against $69\frac{1}{4}$; Packard at 4 against 4, and Hupp Motors at $1\frac{3}{4}$ against $1\frac{5}{8}$. In the rubber group, Goodyear Tire & Rubber closed yesterday at 32 against $30\frac{1}{2}$ on Friday of last week; B. F. Goodrich at $20\frac{3}{4}$ against $19\frac{1}{4}$, and United States Rubber at 44 against $32\frac{1}{2}$. The railroad shares reacted to higher levels this week. Pennsylvania RR. closed yesterday at $20\frac{3}{8}$ against $19\frac{5}{8}$ on Friday of last week; Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe at $35\frac{5}{8}$ against 34; New York Central at $18\frac{1}{8}$ against $17\frac{1}{8}$; Union Pacific at $95\frac{1}{2}$ against 90; Southern Pacific at $16\frac{3}{4}$ against $15\frac{3}{4}$; Southern Railway at $18\frac{1}{2}$ against $17\frac{1}{2}$, and Northern Pacific at $11\frac{1}{2}$ against $10\frac{5}{8}$. Among the oil stocks, Standard Oil of N. J. closed yesterday at $49\frac{7}{8}$ against $49\frac{7}{8}$ on Friday of last week; Shell Union Oil at

$13\frac{1}{4}$ against $12\frac{1}{8}$, and Atlantic Refining at 22 against $21\frac{1}{2}$. In the copper group, Anaconda Copper closed yesterday at $28\frac{5}{8}$ against $27\frac{1}{4}$ on Friday of last week; American Smelting & Refining at $43\frac{7}{8}$ against 43, and Phelps Dodge at $40\frac{1}{2}$ against $36\frac{3}{4}$.

Trade and industrial reports of the week were again inconclusive. Steel operations for the week ending today were estimated by American Iron and Steel Institute at 52.8% of capacity against 51.2% last week, 50.7% a month ago, and 30.5% at this time last year. Production of electric power was reported by Edison Electric Institute at 2,292,594,000 kilowatt hours for the week to Jan. 28 against 2,289,659,000 kilowatt hours in the preceding week and 2,098,968,000 kilowatt hours in the corresponding week of last year. Car loadings of revenue freight for the week to Jan. 28 were 594,379 cars, according to the Association of American Railroads. This was an increase of 4,020 cars over the previous week and of 41,203 cars over the similar week of 1938.

As indicating the course of the commodity markets, the May option for wheat in Chicago closed yesterday at $68\frac{5}{8}$ c. as against $69\frac{3}{4}$ c. the close on Friday of last week. May corn at Chicago closed yesterday at $50\frac{1}{4}$ c. as against $51\frac{1}{4}$ c. the close on Friday of last week. May oats at Chicago closed yesterday at $28\frac{1}{2}$ c., the close on Friday of last week.

The spot price for cotton here in New York closed yesterday at 9.04c. as against 8.98c. the close on Friday of last week. The spot price for rubber yesterday was 15.80c. as against 15.40c. the close on Friday of last week. Domestic copper closed yesterday at $11\frac{1}{4}$ c., the close on Friday of last week.

In London the price of bar silver yesterday was 20 pence per ounce as against 19 $15/16$ pence per ounce the close on Friday of last week, and spot silver in New York closed yesterday at $42\frac{3}{4}$ c., the close on Friday of last week.

In the matter of the foreign exchanges, cable transfers on London closed yesterday at \$4.68 as against \$4.67 $9/16$ the close on Friday of last week, and cable transfers on Paris closed yesterday at 2.64 $1/2$ c. as against 2.64 $1/8$ c. the close on Friday of last week.

European Stock Markets

SHARP advances were recorded this week on stock exchanges in the leading European financial centers, with the movement so pronounced at London and Paris that virtually all the losses suffered in anticipation of a "February crisis" quickly were made up. The reversal of the downward trend of last week was emphatic and well sustained. Advance intimations that Chancellor Hitler would adopt a reasonable tone in his Reichstag address late on Monday occasioned improvement in that session. This was followed by a strong and active series of sessions in the British and French centers, while Berlin also reflected relief and a better tone. Toward the end of the week the European markets settled into a quieter routine, at the improved figures that prospects for continued peace occasioned. In London the bookkeeping write-up of Bank of England gold stocks to the current market level acted as a tonic. Thursday, possibly because

the action removed any lingering doubts as to the ultimate downward valuation of sterling, in terms of gold. The Amsterdam market was active and generally cheerful, this tendency being regarded as of considerable significance because of the proximity of that center to the Reich. European business reports remain only mildly encouraging, despite the great sums being poured out for armaments increases, but the principal factor of the week was the improvement in the international outlook.

Business on the London Stock Exchange was fairly active last Monday, owing to the rumors of German reasonableness and to statements by Prime Minister Chamberlain which were regarded as encouraging. Gilt-edged issues drifted idly and closed lower in some instances, but British industrial stocks advanced sharply and good inquiry also appeared for mining issues and international securities. German and other Central European bonds especially were in demand. The London market moved upward in spectacular fashion on Tuesday, owing to the favorable view taken of the speech by Herr Hitler. British funds were advanced rapidly and sizable gains also were registered in industrial stocks, while gold and copper mining issues mounted sensationally. International securities resumed their advance under the leadership of Anglo-American favorites. Activity diminished on Wednesday, but the main trend again was toward improved levels. Gilt-edged stocks forged ahead and smaller gains were recorded in industrial issues and the gold mining specialties. Demand remained good for Anglo-American issues and other internationals. Announcement on Thursday of the decision to revalue the gold stocks of the Bank of England to current market levels acted as a tonic on the securities markets, even though the action was not unexpected. Gilt-edged issues resumed their advance and industrial stocks also were better until near the end, when profit-taking modified the gains. Gold-mining stocks were particularly strong, although other commodity issues lapsed into dullness. The international group attracted fresh buying. Quiet conditions prevailed yesterday, with gilt-edged issues and industrial stocks well supported. International securities were irregular.

Improvement was the rule on the Paris Bourse, as dealings were resumed for the week last Monday. Rentes advanced 1 to 3 francs, and French equities of all descriptions showed gains averaging 5% in the single session. Most encouraging of all was a steep gain in international securities. The upswing was resumed on Tuesday, aided by the optimistic view of Chancellor Hitler's address, and by a month-end settlement rate for money of only $\frac{1}{2}\%$, as compared with the preceding mid-month rate of $1\frac{3}{4}\%$. Rentes continued their advance, and French equities enjoyed another mild boom. International securities were better, with the exception of a few Dutch issues. Fresh advances were recorded Wednesday, on the improvement in the international atmosphere. The gains in rentes and French stocks were sizable, but modest in comparison with some of the jumps in international securities. Suez Canal shares were particularly in favor. Business was on a reduced scale in Paris, Thursday, with quotations steady despite some profit-taking. Net changes at the end were measured mainly in fractions. The subdued tone was considered due prin-

cipally to an expectation that Premier Mussolini soon would make known the nature of Italian demands on France. Small gains were recorded yesterday in rentes and French equities, while international issues were uncertain.

The Berlin Boerse started the week with a bullish demonstration, but the advances were less pronounced than those recorded in London and Paris. The gains recorded ranged from fractions to 2 points in equities, while fixed-interest issues were quiet but firm. The speech by Herr Hitler impressed the German market favorably, even though he admitted that the Reich was in a critical state in some respects. Accordingly, fresh gains were registered Tuesday in a rather active session. Equities moved up 1 to 3 points, while fixed-income securities were idle. The tendency on Wednesday was to await new developments and only small variations were noted on the German market. Gains and losses were small and about equally numerous in equities, while fixed-interest securities were again lacking in attraction. The German market drifted back into its usual dull state on Thursday, with price changes small and business almost non-existent. The session yesterday again was quiet, with prices firm.

British Gold Holdings

AT the instance of Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon, a bill was introduced in the British Parliament on Wednesday which affects profoundly the monetary arrangements of the United Kingdom. The measure is of general significance, moreover, in these days of international monetary agreements, rapid transportation and instantaneous communications. The legislation requested would empower the British authorities to revise upward to market levels the gold holdings of the Bank of England. Available reports indicate that such holdings, which amounted to £126,400,000 when the bill was introduced, will be immediately revalued to the market level which results from maintenance by the United States Treasury of a buying price of \$35 an ounce, or to approximately £221,000,000. The occasion for this action presumably is to be found in the transfer on Jan. 6 of £200,000,000 gold (old valuation of 84s $10\frac{1}{2}$ d, which makes the current valuation approximately £350,000,000) from the Bank of England to the British Exchange Equalization Fund. The export of capital from England and the consequent drain on the gold resources of the Exchange Fund doubtless made such a transfer advisable. The gold transfer made it emphatically clear that British authorities will continue cheerfully to make gold available in the settlement of international accounts, and a long step thus was taken toward exchange stability.

So far as British internal currency arrangements are concerned, the transfer of gold from the Bank to the Fund necessitated certain changes which are realized in the new legislation for a market valuation of the official gold stocks. Hand-to-hand British currency is backed traditionally and principally by gold, but in recent decades the circulating medium has been augmented by a "fiduciary issue" which is backed by British Government securities. The fiduciary issue is limited arbitrarily, and if gold supplies are modest then currency resiliency must suffer. After Great Britain dropped the fixed

gold standard in 1931 and until the recent episode, this consideration was of no moment, for British gold supplies were adequate for all internal currency requirements. The transfer of gold on Jan. 6, however, made necessary the bookkeeping transfer to the "fiduciary issue" of a large part of British currency, and the upward revaluation of Bank of England gold stocks corrects this situation. The action does a good deal more, however, for it signifies that old standards of gold valuation have been permanently abandoned by the country that for centuries was the model for currency stability and for rigidity in currency-gold relations. Since the market price for gold is largely dependent upon the United States buying price of \$35 an ounce, the British action amounts to an alignment with American practice. It is hardly to be supposed that this British step, taken after more than seven years of cautious survey of the international currency developments, would have been essayed unless the British authorities felt assured regarding future developments. In a very important sense, therefore, the revaluation of Bank of England gold stocks is a favorable and reassuring incident, even though the initiative clearly rests in the internal currency requirements.

Foreign Policy

IT HAS long been evident that the foreign policy pursued by President Roosevelt requires a good deal of clarification, and that need now has become the most pressing faced by the country. As the consequence of a series of incidents and disclosures, it appears that tendencies have been established and are being augmented which certainly would prejudice American freedom of action in the event of a European war and might even project us into any such conflict. The facts are not yet fully disclosed. It is quite possible, indeed, that full information will not be vouchsafed the country on this vitally important matter, for the conduct of foreign affairs rests in the hands of the Executive. The evidence already available, however, suggests that all previous criticisms of Mr. Roosevelt's foreign policy fall far short of the actuality. The "quarantine" speech which he directed against European and Asiatic dictatorships at Chicago, some 16 months ago, is revealed as the guiding sentiment of the program, even though the address evoked no echo among the European democracies. If available reports are correct, Mr. Roosevelt already has aligned this country fully with the British and French side of the European balance. This is most certainly contrary to American traditions of avoiding European commitments and entanglements.

An incident in California on Jan. 23 had much to do with the train of recent events. A new type American light bombing airplane was being tested there and "cracked up," causing injury to a French military representative who, it seemed, participated in the trial flight virtually by Executive permission. The furore occasioned by this disclosure of American military secrets was mild, however, compared with that which followed when President Roosevelt last Tuesday expounded some of his views to members of the Senate Military Affairs Committee, at a "secret meeting." Disclosures then made were so sensational as to necessitate open discus-

sion, and it was not long before information began to "leak" out to the public. It is apparent, moreover, that precisely this result was looked for by Mr. Roosevelt, who is said to have cautioned the Senators present at the White House conference against "petty criticism" of his handling of foreign affairs. The sequence of events leads some shrewd observers to the conclusion that one incidental effect desired by the President was to divert attention from the domestic troubles to which he has subjected the Nation to the even graver international outlook. Whether these suspicions are justified or not, Mr. Roosevelt has succeeded in accomplishing precisely that result.

"In his talk with the committee," said the Washington correspondent of the New York "Times," "President Roosevelt was reported to have asked its members to regard France as the actual frontier of America in an apparently inevitable show-down between democracies and dictatorships. He sketched the preparedness situation in France and Great Britain, and concluded that in case of conflict involving these frontiers of democracy the two countries might need aid in the way of munitions and materials. Committee members understood the President to propose the unlimited sale by American manufacturers of arms, munitions and airplanes to such countries as France and England on a cash-and-carry basis." The impression conveyed was that Mr. Roosevelt "would go to every possible length, short of war, to back the democracies of Europe in any conflict with the dictatorships." The view of world conditions which the President is said to have conveyed was described as "truly alarming." Secrecy was enjoined as to details of his comments, for fear they would alarm the people of this country. Other circumstantial reports of the presidential comments to the committee were sufficiently similar as to indicate beyond doubt that the general impression thus gathered was substantially correct.

Needless to say, reports of this incident circulated swiftly throughout European Chancellories, and reactions were typical. British official circles were said to view the tendency with extreme satisfaction. The French press was jubilant. In Berlin the reports from the United States aroused angry amazement, while in Italy the President was accused of "war-mongering." One section of the Italian press promptly proclaimed that the Panama Canal must be considered the frontier of the Rome-Berlin axis, in view of the President's comments. At least equally significant was the domestic reaction to the reported statements by Mr. Roosevelt. In the Senate the insistent demand was made that the veil of secrecy be lifted from the conduct of foreign affairs. "Good God, do you not, gentlemen, think the American people have the right to know if they are going down the road to war," Senator Johnson of California asked, on Wednesday. The storm of indignation was such as to overwhelm Administration defenders, who merely maintained that Mr. Roosevelt had entered no secret commitments and that nothing vital had been concealed from the public. Fortunately, the course of events gives ample assurance that the entire question of foreign affairs will be debated fully, and with a belated realization of the significance of recent developments.

The furore raised by the reported statements of President Roosevelt echoed with particular emphasis yesterday, at a press conference in which Mr. Roosevelt claimed that he was seriously misrepresented. He scored as a "deliberate lie" some rumors that he had referred to the River Rhine as the American frontier, and also denied that he had said the frontier of this country is in France. Without revealing what took place at the White House meeting with the Senate Military Affairs Committee, the President declared that his foreign policy was fully disclosed in his annual message to Congress. He presented a brief statement of his policy, which he permitted the press correspondents to quote. As given by Mr. Roosevelt, the program is "No. 1: We are against any entangling alliances, obviously. No. 2: We are in favor of the maintenance of world trade for everybody—all nations—including ourselves. No. 3: We are in complete sympathy with any and every effort made to limit or reduce armaments. No. 4: As a Nation—as American people—we are sympathetic with the peaceful maintenance of political, economic and social independence of all nations in the world." Informally, Mr. Roosevelt was reported to have excoriated bitterly and in unmeasured terms all "legislative and newspaper-owner agitators." This fresh confusion of the issue of American foreign policy points again to the need for clarification.

Apprehensive Europe

EUROPEAN events of the week now ending failed to bear out the apprehensions current late last month of a "February crisis" which might plunge the democracies and dictatorships into a general and civilization-destroying war. It may be that the situation has not improved, but it also can be said that it has not deteriorated, and in retrospect it appears that there was little actual warrant for the fears of an immediate clash that swept over Europe last week. A solution of the problem now presented by Spain is perhaps the most pressing need of Europe. There were no indications this week, however, of any intention by Premier Mussolini or Chancellor Hitler to rush matters while the insurgents still are engaged in that final conquest which almost all observers now hold to be the inevitable outcome. The German internal situation remains unclear, with the abrupt dismissal of Dr. Hjalmar Schacht from the Reichsbank presidency subject to all sorts of interpretations. Issues between France and Italy, which lately were raised by Premier Mussolini's henchmen, remained in the background, although they may well have been discussed in diplomatic exchanges.

Public statements by elected and self-appointed national leaders occupied Europe in recent days, and careful study of the declarations fails to disclose any variations of importance from policies and programs previously proclaimed. Chancellor Hitler addressed a special meeting of his subservient Reichstag on Monday, in commemoration of the sixth anniversary of National-Socialist rule. The speech was awaited with great apprehension in England and France, for the peaceful democracies feared demands that they could not meet with honor and that might result in war. Actually, Herr Hitler made what one commentator called "one of the

most confusing and oracular speeches of his career," which was strictly in line with his custom of lengthy disclosures on all problems affecting the Reich. The German Fuehrer reiterated his demands for colonies, reaffirmed the close ties with Italy and Japan, avoided the Eastern European questions, and declared that he hopes for a "long peace." The speech contrasted sharply, however, with the preliminary assertions in London and Paris that Herr Hitler might demand an immediate show-down on the basis of Italian demands for French territory, or even a return of the \$10,000,000,000 collected by the former Allies as reparations. Prime Minister Chamberlain expressed the British viewpoint last Saturday in an address that warned the dictatorships against excessive demands and warlike gestures, and the British Cabinet head elaborated somewhat on his remarks before the House of Commons, Tuesday. Anything and everything was read into these statements by those disposed to exaggerated attitudes.

That the European political situation remains parlous in the extreme is hardly to be denied, for all countries are arming to the teeth in preparation for a war that all dread. The fears of war are so acute, however, that imaginations have been overheated to a point which in itself constitutes a danger. Nothing is gained and much may be lost by anxious statements that the dictatorships possess all power and strength, and are determined to inflict their uncomfortable systems upon all the rest of the world. Boastful statements are vain enough in personal affairs, but a danger in international relations. Scrutiny of the European position suggests that there is actually a rather delicate balance of power, which almost of necessity will discipline both the dictatorial and the democratic States to a test of strength on the field. For the outcome of such a test is all too likely to be a complete collapse of all the governments concerned and perhaps of civilization itself.

Fears of Chancellor Hitler's intentions in the international field have been enhanced markedly, and not unjustifiably, by the march into Austria and the seizure of Czech territory. But the apprehensions appear to be outrunning reason, judging by the address which the German leader delivered last Monday. Much of the speech was devoted to a summary of the events of last year, and especially of the enlargement of the Reich. The usual fanatic assertions were made about Jews, and that part of the declaration was perhaps more deplorable than anything else. The German demand for colonies has been voiced often, and as yet to little purpose, but Herr Hitler restated such views with some acumen. He discoursed generally on a repartitionment of the riches of the world, in accordance with the number, courage and worth of peoples. Scathing comments were included regarding eminent persons in Great Britain and the United States who have expressed abhorrence of the methods used by Herr Hitler and of his fanatical tendencies. In other respects, however, little exception can be taken to those parts of the speech which dealt with international affairs. The German Fuehrer declared emphatically that the trade relations of his country with Latin America were of concern only to the immediate parties. An olive branch was held

out to the United States, despite the strain in relations which caused a mutual withdrawal of Ambassadors. The Rome-Berlin axis was praised in florid terms, and assurances were extended to Italy of German aid in the event of any unprovoked attack. Regarding Eastern Europe and the Spanish problem, the Chancellor preferred to remain vague. He admitted that the internal economic situation of the Reich is acute, and added that Germany must "export or die."

Prime Minister Chamberlain supplied an excellent analysis of the situation last Saturday, in a speech at Birmingham, which was regarded everywhere as a warning against extreme demands by the European dictatorships. Any aggressor who attempts to gain world power by war will find the democracies aligned against him, said Mr. Chamberlain. By means of flattering references to Mr. Roosevelt the impression was conveyed that the United States would back the European democracies in the event of a test. The British Prime Minister also made the sensible observation that "the air is full of rumors and suspicions which ought not to exist." In a full dress debate on foreign policy before the House of Commons, Tuesday, Mr. Chamberlain stated that his examination of the Hitler address had been perfunctory, but he "very definitely got the impression that it was not the speech of a man who was preparing to throw Europe into another crisis." The long period of European uncertainty and anxiety makes it difficult to reestablish confidence, he added, and he called for concrete evidence by others of a willingness to follow peaceful paths, "before we enter upon a general settlement of differences, satisfaction of aspirations and removal of grievances." Mr. Chamberlain made it clear that the evidence he would regard as conclusive would consist of disarmament, or at least of armaments limitation.

There were suggestions in the speeches by Herr Hitler and Mr. Chamberlain that problems of trade relations soon will be under official discussion between Great Britain and the Reich. With apparent reference to the German need for exports and improved trade, Prime Minister Chamberlain expressed sympathy for German views and added that desires for mutual confidence and cooperation are fully shared by the British Government and people. He noted with pleasure that representatives of industry in both countries recently have discussed various matters of mutual concern. In French circles the declaration by Herr Hitler and the several statements by Mr. Chamberlain were viewed with complacency, and apprehension regarding Signor Mussolini's aims were perceptibly diminished. In Italy, where only official views may be expressed publicly, much was made of the "loyal and profound friendship" which binds Germany and Italy in the famous axis. Japanese authorities seemed somewhat disappointed because Herr Hitler failed to make threatening gestures toward Russia, and some question thus is introduced as to the real significance of the anti-communist pact which is the only known written bond that unites Berlin, Rome and Tokio. In Central and Eastern Europe the belief prevailed that the next move in the diplomatic chess game would be up to Premier Mussolini, and a little uneasiness existed everywhere on this basis.

Spain

INSURGENT forces in Spain made the most, this week, of the military opportunity presented by the fall of Barcelona, and it appears ever more likely that the conflict will terminate before many more months in the establishment of a victorious fascist regime. Panic conditions prevailed over the last week-end in the small triangular area adjoining France which the collapse of the Barcelona defense left in loyalist hands. Refugees streamed over the border into France, with thousands of loyalist soldiers among them. A whole division of soldiers crossed last Saturday and surrendered its arms to the French authorities. The tragic flood of humans finally had to be halted by the French, who closed the frontier late last Monday. The insurgents meanwhile pushed rapidly northward on the heels of the flying refugees, meeting little resistance. The wedge-shaped slice of Spain left to the loyalists in that area narrowed continually. With typical bravado the loyalist Cortes met at Figueras, Wednesday, with 63 Deputies present. In an underground cavern of an old castle this forlorn group voted solemnly to continue the defense, after hearing Premier Negrin denounce the refusal of the democracies to supply arms to his faction. The Premier made the interesting disclosure that some German and Italian munitions had been obtained clandestinely by the loyalists. The international aspects of the war remained unchanged, with Italy and Germany apparently still providing the insurgents with all manner of war materials, while England and France continued the embargo which they, like the United States, maintain on shipments to either side. The Valencia-Madrid salient of Spain was quiet this week.

Far East

LITTLE change occurred this week in the Sino-Japanese military situation, possibly because wintry weather hampers operations. Chinese guerrilla forces continued their attacks against the Japanese invaders, with some reports from Shanghai indicating that large numbers of Japanese troops lately have been slain in the forays. A measure of confirmation is given such accounts by Japanese warning that foreigners in certain interior areas must be evacuated, so that formal operations can be carried out against known guerrilla haunts. The aggressors continued their efforts to find suitable leaders among the Chinese for the puppet-State which is to be set up at Nanking. Marshal Wu Pei-fu, who threatened some months ago to "climb into his coffin" rather than accept the dubious honor, was reported over the last week-end as having changed his mind and as expressing willingness to cooperate with the Japanese. Although this report has not been fully confirmed, General Wu Pei-fu issued a vague statement on Wednesday in which he was interpreted as urging peace. In Tokio the situation in which Japan has been thrust by her military clique again received some attention during Diet debates. In the course of such a discussion, on Tuesday, War Minister Seishiro Itagaki declared that Japan intends to maintain military forces in China indefinitely. This intention conflicts sharply with repeated Japanese assurances on equally high authority that Japan desires no more Chinese territory, but no

more than passing attention was paid the discrepancy, since the world long since has learned to place no confidence in Japanese peace declarations. Some clashes were reported on Thursday between Russian and Japanese troops on the long Siberian-Manchukuoan boarder. Whether this portends a change in the Far Eastern picture remains to be seen.

Discount Rates of Foreign Central Banks

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

Country	Rate in Effect Feb. 3	Date Established	Previous Rate	Country	Rate in Effect Feb. 3	Date Established	Previous Rate
Argentina	3½	Mar. 1 1936	--	Holland	2	Dec. 2 1936	2½
Batavia	4	July 1 1935	4½	Hungary	4	Aug. 29 1935	4½
Belgium	2½	Oct. 27 1938	3	India	3	Nov. 29 1935	3½
Bulgaria	6	Aug. 15 1935	7	Italy	4½	May 18 1936	5
Canada	2½	Mar. 11 1935	--	Japan	3.29	Apr. 6 1936	3.66
Chile	3	Dec. 16 1936	4	Java	3	Jan. 14 1937	4
Colombia	4	July 18 1933	5	Lithuania	5	July 1 1938	5½
Czechoslovakia	3	Jan. 1 1936	3½	Morocco	6½	May 28 1935	4½
Danzig	4	Jan. 2 1937	5	Norway	3½	Jan. 5 1938	4
Denmark	4	Nov. 19 1936	3½	Poland	4½	Dec. 17 1937	5
Eire	3	June 30 1932	3½	Portugal	4	Aug. 11 1937	4½
England	2	June 30 1932	2½	Rumania	3½	May 5 1938	4½
Estonia	4½	Oct. 1 1935	5	South Africa	3½	May 15 1933	4½
Finland	4	Dec. 4 1934	4½	Spain	5	July 15 1935	5
France	2	Jan. 3 1939	2½	Sweden	2½	Dec. 1 1933	3
Germany	4	Sept. 22 1932	5	Switzerland	1½	Nov. 26 1936	2
Greece	6	Jan. 4 1937	7	Yugoslavia	5	Feb. 1 1935	6½

Foreign Money Rates

IN LONDON open market discount rates for short bills on Friday were 9-16%, as against 9-16% on Friday of last week, and 9-16% for three-months bills, as against 9-16% on Friday of last week. Money on call at London on Friday was ½%. At Paris the open market rate remains at 2½% and in Switzerland at 1%.

Bank of England Statement

THE Bank's return for the week ended Feb. 1 shows a month-end expansion of £8,103,000 in note circulation, denoting also the end of the seasonal return flow of holiday currency which was in steady progress up until the Jan. 25 statement, since the peak reached Dec. 28 last. In the week ended Feb. 2, 1938 the statement showed a month-end rise of £3,496,207 in circulation. The latest statement shows a total of £471,948,000 currency outstanding compared with £476,694,175 a year ago. As the circulation rise was slightly offset by a gain of £110,085 in gold holdings, the loss in reserves amounted to £7,993,000. There was also a substantial reduction in total deposits, but the proportion of reserves to deposit liabilities dropped to 35% from 37.6% a week ago; last year the proportion was 31.5%. Public deposits decreased £657,000 and other deposits £9,459,247. The latter consist of bankers accounts which fell off £9,882,081 and other accounts which rose £422,834. Government securities decreased £4,105,000 and other securities increased £2,028,185. Other securities comprise discounts and advances which rose £2,529,774 and securities which fell off £501,589. Below we show the different items with comparisons for preceding years:

BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	Feb. 1 1939	Feb. 2 1938	Feb. 3 1937	Feb. 5 1936	Feb. 6 1935
Circulation	£ 471,948,000	£ 476,694,175	£ 457,311,181	£ 399,832,757	£ 376,987,922
Public deposits	12,261,000	11,404,084	12,214,103	10,989,105	16,534,575
Other deposits	145,442,460	147,973,442	134,379,254	139,901,921	143,416,826
Bankers' accounts	108,306,122	111,382,758	96,105,653	102,876,738	104,069,033
Other accounts	37,136,338	36,590,684	38,273,601	37,025,183	39,347,793
Govt. securities	77,901,164	98,078,165	80,449,242	79,415,001	82,911,413
Other securities	42,674,228	29,150,177	27,448,378	28,294,745	19,183,655
Disc't & advances	21,314,064	10,478,552	8,520,709	14,440,137	9,276,686
Securities	21,360,164	18,671,625	18,927,669	13,854,608	9,906,969
Reserve notes & coin	55,248,000	50,293,452	56,856,056	61,354,608	76,034,186
Coin and bullion	127,196,820	326,987,627	314,167,237	201,187,547	193,022,108
Proportion of reserve to liabilities	35%	31.50%	38.70%	40.66%	47.53%
Bank rate	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%

Bank of France Statement

THE statement for the week ended Jan. 26 showed an increase in note circulation of 107,000,000 francs which brought the total outstanding up to 109,377,952,925 francs. Notes in circulation a year ago aggregated 92,255,234,910 francs and the year before 87,687,989,135 francs. French commercial bills discounted and creditor current accounts also recorded increases, namely 584,000,000 francs and 591,000,000 francs respectively. A slight gain of 454,877 francs appeared in the Bank's gold holdings, the total of which is now 87,265,734,185 francs. Total gold holdings a year ago, prior to the revaluation decree of Nov. 13, 1938, stood at 58,933,039,089 francs. A loss of 21,000,000 francs appeared in bills bought abroad and of 29,000,000 francs in advances against securities, while temporary advances to State remained unchanged. The reserve ratio is now at 62.44%, compared with 49.66% a year ago. Below we furnish the various items with comparisons for previous years:

BANK OF FRANCE'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	Changes for Week	Jan. 26, 1939	Jan. 27, 1938	Jan. 29, 1937
Gold holdings	+454,877	87,265,734,185	58,933,039,089	57,358,742,140
Credit bals. abroad		*15,180,671	16,662,530	11,864,653
a French commercial bills discounted	+584,000,000	8,099,034,840	12,053,118,959	8,553,116,718
b Bills bought abrd.	-21,000,000	747,568,882	853,952,303	1,423,565,759
Adv. against secur.	-29,000,000	3,388,490,530	3,824,410,347	3,701,104,913
Note circulation	+107,000,000	109,377,952,925	92,255,234,910	87,687,989,135
Credit, curr. acc'ts.	+591,000,000	30,380,575,000	26,409,194,263	17,235,239,966
c Temp. advs. with-out int. to State	No change	20,627,440,096	31,903,974,773	19,772,095,857
Propor'n. of gold on hand to sight liab.	-0.31%	62.44%	49.66%	54.67%

* Figures as of Jan. 12, 1939. a Includes bills purchased in France. b Includes bills discounted abroad. c In the process of revaluing the Bank's gold under the decree of Nov. 13, 1938, the three entries on the Bank's books representing temporary advances to the State were wiped out and the unsatisfied balance of such loans was transferred to a new entry of non-interest bearing loans to the State. Revaluation of the Bank's gold (at 27.5 mg. gold, .9 fine, per franc), under the decree of Nov. 13, 1938, was effected in the Statement of Nov. 17, 1938; prior to that date and from June 20, 1937, valuation had been at the rate, 43 mg. gold, .9 fine, per franc; previous to that time and subsequent to Sept. 26, 1936, the value was 49 mg. per franc; and before Sept. 26, 1936, there were 65.5 mg. of gold to the franc.

Bank of Germany Statement

THE statement for the last quarter of January showed an increase in note circulation of 69,600,000 marks, which raised the total outstanding to 7,186,100,000 marks. Circulation a year ago totaled 5,199,115,000 marks and the year before 4,799,080,000 marks. Reserves in foreign currency and silver and other coin registered decreases of 100,000 marks and 61,833,000 marks, while an increase appeared in bills of exchange and checks, in advances, in investments, in other assets, in other daily maturing obligations and in other liabilities. The Bank's gold holdings remained at 70,773,000 marks; a year ago it was 70,770,000 marks. The proportion of gold and foreign currency to note circulation fell off to 0.98%, compared with 1.46% last year and 1.51% the previous year. Following are the various items with comparisons for back years:

REICHSBANK'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	Changes for Week	Jan. 31, 1939	Jan. 31, 1938	Jan. 30, 1937
Assets—				
Gold and bullion	No change	70,773,000	70,770,000	66,904,000
Of which depos. abrd.	No change	10,572,000	20,333,000	18,063,000
Res've in for'n currency	-100,000	5,500,000	5,304,000	5,591,000
Bills of exch. and checks	+558,000,000	7,160,100,000	5,519,092,000	4,858,062,000
Silver and other coin	-61,833,000	193,094,000	173,776,000	190,586,000
Advances	+15,900,000	51,900,000	65,682,000	64,718,000
Investments	+38,000,000	889,800,000	394,606,000	525,129,000
Other assets	+220,226,000	1,654,990,000	807,751,000	767,703,000
Liabilities—				
Notes in circulation	+69,600,000	7,186,100,000	5,199,115,000	4,799,080,000
Oth. daily matur. oblig.	+115,900,000	1,118,900,000	851,448,000	706,568,000
Other liabilities	+4,776,000	426,518,000	343,501,000	349,754,000
Propor'n. of gold & for'n curr. to note circul'n.	-0.08%	0.98%	1.46%	1.51%

New York Money Market

ONLY the usual dullness of the current extreme easy money period prevailed this week in the New York money market. Bankers' bills and com-

mercial paper held to former levels, with hardly any business done. The Treasury sold on Monday a further issue of \$100,000,000 discount bills due in 91 days, and awards were at an average of 0.002%, computed on an annual bank discount basis. Call loans on the New York Stock Exchange held to 1% for all transactions, and time loans again were 1¼% for maturities to 90 days, and 1½% for four to six months' datings.

New York Money Rates

DEALING in detail with call loan rates on the Stock Exchange from day to day, 1% was the ruling quotation all through the week for both new loans and renewals. The market for time money continues quiet. The only transactions reported were occasional renewals at rates previously reported. Rates continued nominal at 1¼% up to 90 days and 1½% for four to six months maturities. The market for prime commercial paper continued quiet this week. Trading has been quiet and the demand has been largely in excess of the supply. Rates are unchanged at ⅝@¾% for all maturities.

Bankers' Acceptances

THE market for prime bankers' acceptances has been extremely dull this week. The demand has been good, but few bills are available. There has been no change in rates. Dealers' rates as reported by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for bills up to and including 90 days are ½% bid and 7-16% asked; for bills running for four months 9-16% bid and ½% asked; for five and six months, ⅝% bid and 9-16% asked. The bill-buying rate of the New York Reserve Bank is ½% for bills running from 1 to 90 days. The Federal Reserve Bank's holdings of acceptances remain unchanged at \$556,000.

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 Feb. 3	Date Established	Previous Rate
Boston.....	1½	Sept. 2, 1937	2
New York.....	1	Aug. 27, 1937	1½
Philadelphia.....	1½	Sept. 4, 1937	2
Cleveland.....	1½	May 11, 1935	2
Richmond.....	1½	Aug. 27, 1937	2
Atlanta.....	1½	Aug. 21, 1937	2
Chicago.....	1½	Aug. 21, 1937	2
St. Louis.....	1½	Sept. 2, 1937	2
Minneapolis.....	1½	Aug. 24, 1937	2
Kansas City.....	1½	Sept. 3, 1937	2
Dallas.....	1½	Aug. 31, 1937	2
San Francisco.....	1½	Sept. 3, 1937	2

Course of Sterling Exchange

STERLING exchange continues to rule within comparatively narrow ranges and is slightly firmer in terms of the dollar, largely as the result of official measures taken in London a few weeks ago to strengthen the resources of the British stabilization fund, to check speculative pressure, and to prevent the movement of British owned funds into American and Canadian securities. The slightly firmer tone is also apparent due to the fact that Chancellor Hitler's anniversary speech on Monday carried no immediate threats of undue aggression. The range this week has been between \$4.67 9-16 and \$4.68 ¼ for bankers' sight bills, compared with a range of between \$4.67 3-16 and \$4.67 11-16 last week. The range for cable transfers has been between \$4.67 11-16

and \$4.68 7-16, compared with a range of between \$4.67 ¼ and \$4.67 ¾ a week ago.

Apart from the effect of the strenuous measures taken by the London authorities since the first week of January to strengthen the position of the pound, the underlying situation of the foreign exchange market is essentially unchanged.

Commercial factors still have only a minor influence on rates. The political situation in Europe is controlling and whatever may be hoped for, political unrest will be the chief factor in the exchange market for some time. So far as purely commercial factors are concerned, all the indications are unfavorable to improvement in sterling or any of the other currencies. Great Britain has had for the past three years a rising adverse trade balance, and 1939 appears to hold out no promise of improvement. British export trade has been declining, especially with respect to exports and re-exports to South America and the Far East, while her export trade to Continental Europe is continually threatened.

The only hopeful aspect of the outlook is the possibility of improvement resulting from the Anglo-American trade agreement, to which might be added with reasonable certainty some advantage from tourist trade during the summer. Preliminary figures supplied by the British Board of Trade a few weeks ago showed a balance of imports over exports and re-exports during December of £30,244,938, as compared with £20,991,358 in November and £45,467,000 in December, 1937.

Mr. Colin Campbell, Chairman of the National Provincial Bank, Ltd., of London, said a few days ago at the annual meeting of the bank: "When we come to consider the future course of world trade we are compelled to adopt a short-term view in face of international uncertainties with which we are surrounded. Given normal conditions guiding factors are price tendencies of stocks of goods for consumption and general demand. The course both of wholesale and retail prices during the past 12 months would seem to indicate that both have reacted to an extent that justifies us in thinking that prices now are on a much firmer basis."

The outstanding difficulty involved in Great Britain's adverse balance is without question the heavy importations made necessary by the rearmament program with its vast nonproductive expenditure. In the annual report of the Bank of France made last week in which the need for monetary stability was emphasized, it was pointed out that the increasing expenditures for arms were responsible for the prevailing unsettlement in the world's financial and monetary markets.

Aside from the materials entering to the construction of the more permanent forms of armament, Britain is accumulating large reserve supplies of food and perishable commodities against the eventuality of hostilities.

The League of Nations Armaments Yearbook issued at Geneva on Jan. 29 stated that an increase of \$1,500,000,000 former gold dollars in total world military expenditure took place in 1938 over 1937.

The figures did not include expenditures for semi-military public works such as roads and airports, or for stores of grain and other foodstuffs. Seven powers expended \$7,400,000,000, (pre-devaluation) or 78.7% of the total.

Despite the measures taken to arrest the flow of funds from London to New York, the outward move-

ment continues. Recent press dispatches show that since Jan. 27 provisional arrangements have been made for a series of shipments of gold to the United States which before the end of February will amount to £14,000,000.

These particular shipments can hardly be explained by the recent arbitrage purchases in London, which still continue. It is thought that the shipments may be the result of the exodus of capital from The Netherlands and that they are largely composed of refugee balances. Almost all Jewish refugee funds that have found lodgment in Amsterdam are being transferred to New York.

London reports that there is less hoarding of gold there, as is confirmed by the steady increase in the gold stocks of the United States. It is also reported that there is less hoarding of bank notes in London. If that is the case, the decrease is currently offset by a substantially increased demand for currency of large denominations which has developed in New York. It is understood that the increased demand for big notes is due to the desire of foreigners who have liquidated their security holdings to put their funds into currency. It is not known whether some of this increased supply of currency has been sent abroad. Doubtless it has, as during the Czech-German crisis requests for large notes jumped sharply and substantial shipments abroad followed.

On Feb. 1 a bill was presented to the House of Commons by the Chancellor of the Exchequer authorizing the recent increase in the fiduciary issue of the Bank of England. The bill makes provision for valuing the gold reserves of the Bank of England weekly on the basis of current prices rather than the statutory price of 84s 11d per fine ounce, at which the gold reserves have been carried since Great Britain went off the gold standard in September, 1931.

It is generally agreed in financial circles in London that the measure constitutes the most important step in the continuation of the managed currency policy since the departure from gold.

The bill does not necessarily carry the implication of stabilization, although it does imply that the British Treasury does not anticipate violent fluctuations in the future in the sterling-dollar rate.

Apparently the Treasury will derive a book profit of around £100,000,000 from the first writing up of the Bank of England's gold, which can be carried to capital account though not to revenue account. The immediate effect will be to increase the gold reserve of the Bank of England by about £95,000,000, increasing the Bank's bullion holdings from £127,086,730 on Jan. 25 to £222,086,735.

The fiduciary issue, which was increased a few weeks ago from £230,000,000 to a temporary £400,000,000, will be reduced to approximately £300,000,000.

The Bank's gold valuation according to present gold prices in the open market of around 148s. 6d. per ounce will be higher than the figure used by the British Exchange Equalization Fund, which values its gold at 140s. per ounce.

Provision is made in the bill to safeguard against variations in the London gold price arising from fluctuations in sterling exchange. In the event that the pound rises, bringing a decline in the value of gold in London, the subsequent loss to the Bank of England will be made good by the British Exchange Equalization Fund. Conversely, if sterling should

fall, with a resultant rise in the London gold price, the Bank of England will make good the loss to the equalization fund.

The bill also provides for the repeal of a section of the Bank Charter Act of 1844 which requires the bank to issue notes freely in return for gold.

Money in Lombard Street continues easy. Call money against bills is in supply at $\frac{1}{2}\%$. Two- and three-months bills are 9-16%, four-months bills are 19-32%, and six-months bills are $\frac{3}{4}\%$.

Gold on offer in the London open market this week was taken for unknown destinations. On Saturday last there was on offer £256,000, on Monday £645,000, on Tuesday £873,000, on Wednesday £547,000, on Thursday £609,000, and on Friday £330,000.

At the Port of New York the gold movement for the week ended Feb. 1, as reported by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, was as follows:

GOLD MOVEMENT AT NEW YORK, JAN. 26-FEB. 1, INCLUSIVE

Imports		Exports
\$14,255,000 from England		None
11,204,000 from Holland		
\$25,459,000 total		

Net Change in Gold Earmarked for Foreign Account
Decrease: \$2,854,000

Note—We have been notified that approximately \$9,549,000 of gold was received at San Francisco, of which \$5,514,000 came from Japan, \$3,991,000 from Australia, and \$44,000 from New Zealand.

The above figures are for the week ended on Wednesday. On Thursday, there were no imports or exports of the metal, but gold held earmarked for foreign account decreased \$350,000. On Friday \$3,351,000 of gold was received from England. There were no exports of the metal or change in gold held earmarked for foreign account. It was reported on Friday that \$832,000 of gold was received from China.

Canadian exchange continues relatively firm. Montreal funds ranged during the week between a discount of 23-32% and a discount of 17-32%.

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

MEAN LONDON CHECK RATE ON PARIS			
Saturday, Jan. 28.....	176.98	Wednesday, Feb. 1.....	176.98
Monday, Jan. 30.....	177.00	Thursday, Feb. 2.....	176.97
Tuesday, Jan. 31.....	176.89	Friday, Feb. 3.....	176.96

LONDON OPEN MARKET GOLD PRICE			
Saturday, Jan. 28.....	148s. 8½d.	Wednesday, Feb. 1.....	148s. 7½d.
Monday, Jan. 30.....	148s. 7½d.	Thursday, Feb. 2.....	148s. 7½d.
Tuesday, Jan. 31.....	148s. 6d.	Friday, Feb. 3.....	148s. 7½d.

PRICE PAID FOR GOLD BY THE UNITED STATES (FEDERAL RESERVE BANK)			
Saturday, Jan. 28.....	\$35.00	Wednesday, Feb. 1.....	\$35.00
Monday, Jan. 30.....	35.00	Thursday, Feb. 2.....	35.00
Tuesday, Jan. 31.....	35.00	Friday, Feb. 3.....	35.00

Referring to day-to-day rates sterling exchange on Saturday last was steady and slightly up from previous close. Bankers' sight was \$4.67 9-16@ \$4.67 13-16; cable transfers \$4.67 11-16@ \$4.67 15-16. On Monday the pound firmed up on minimum demand and official support. The range was \$4.67 9-16 @ \$4.68 ¼ for bankers' sight and \$4.67 ⅝ @ \$4.68 7-16 for cable transfers. On Tuesday sterling was steady. Bankers' sight was \$4.67 11-16@ \$4.68 ⅛; cable transfers were \$4.67 ¾ @ \$4.68 3-16. On Wednesday exchange continued steady. The range was \$4.67 ¾ @ \$4.68 for bankers' sight and \$4.67 13-16 @ \$4.68 1-16 for cable transfers. On Thursday the pound was steady with narrow fluctuations. Bankers' sight was \$4.67 11-16@ \$4.67 15-16; cable transfers \$4.67 ¾ @ \$4.68. On Friday the London authorities continued to hold the pound firm. The range was \$4.67 13-16 @ \$4.67 ⅞ for bankers' sight and \$4.67 ⅞ @ \$4.68 for cable transfers. Closing quotations on Friday were

\$4.67 15-16 for demand and \$4.68 for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at \$4.67⁵/₈, 60-day bills at \$4.66⁷/₈, 90-day bills at \$4.66⁵/₈, documents for payment (60 days) at \$4.66⁷/₈, and seven-day grain bills at \$4.67 7-16. Cotton and grain for payment closed at \$4.67⁵/₈.

Continental and Other Foreign Exchange

FRENCH francs have been exceptionally steady owing chiefly to the steadiness and firmer tone of sterling and also to the improved financial situation of Paris which began in October, bringing a large repatriation of French funds and an easier tone in the Paris money market. The Bank of France in the published report of its yearly meeting asserted the fact of the repatriation of French funds with the resulting increase in the gold reserves of the French equalization fund, but failed to state the amount in either case. However, officials let it be known that the repatriation movement declined sharply toward the end of December. The temporary ease in the Paris money market was reflected on the Bourse on Tuesday when, owing to the heavy liquidation of speculative positions there was little demand for money for the carry-over, and the rate was fixed at $\frac{1}{2}\%$, the lowest for many years.

Belgian exchange is exceptionally steady, ranging this week between 16.88 and 16.91 $\frac{1}{2}$ for cable transfers. The discount on forward belgas has narrowed to 1 point under spot for 30-day belgas and to 3 points below the basic cable rate for 90-day belgas against a discount of 6 points on Jan. 24.

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

	Old Dollar Parity	New Dollar Parity a	Range This Week
b c France (franc)-----	3.92	6.63	2.64 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2.64 11-16
Belgium (belga)-----	13.90	16.95	16.88 to 16.91 $\frac{1}{2}$
Italy (lira)-----	5.26	8.91	5.26 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 5.26 $\frac{1}{2}$
Switzerland (franc)-----	19.36	23.67	22.57 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 22.60
Holland (guilder)-----	40.20	68.06	53.61 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 54.06

a New dollar parity as before devaluation of the European currencies between Sept. 30 and Oct. 3, 1936.

b Franc cut from gold and allowed to "float" on June 30, 1937.

c On May 5, 1938, the franc was devalued on a de facto basis of 179 francs to the pound, or 2.79 cents a franc.

The London check rate on Paris closed on Friday at 176.96, against 177.01 on Friday of last week. In New York sight bills on the French center finished at 2.64 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 2.64 $\frac{1}{8}$; cable transfers at 2.64 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 2.64 $\frac{1}{8}$. Antwerp belgas finished at 16.88 $\frac{1}{4}$ for bankers' sight bills and at 16.88 $\frac{1}{4}$ for cable transfers, against 16.90 $\frac{3}{4}$ and 16.90 $\frac{3}{4}$. Final quotations for Berlin marks were 40.14 $\frac{1}{2}$ for bankers' sight bills and 40.14 $\frac{1}{2}$ for cable transfers, in comparison with 40.15 and 40.15. Italian lire closed at 5.26 $\frac{1}{4}$ for bankers' sight bills and at 5.26 $\frac{1}{4}$ for cable transfers, against 5.26 $\frac{1}{4}$ and 5.26 $\frac{1}{4}$. Exchange on Czechoslovakia closed at 3.42 $\frac{7}{8}$, against 3.42 $\frac{7}{8}$; on Bucharest at 0.73 against 0.73; on Poland at 18.92 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 18.92 $\frac{1}{2}$; and on Finland at 2.07, against 2.07. Greek exchange closed at 0.85 $\frac{7}{8}$, against 0.85 $\frac{7}{8}$.

EXCHANGE on the countries neutral during the war moves in close sympathy with sterling. However, Holland guilders have fluctuated widely and seemed to be under severe pressure during the past two weeks. The depression in the guilder is ascribed chiefly to the exodus of Continental refugee funds from Amsterdam, which with London was for a long time an important haven for these funds. In addition there has been a persistent movement of Holland investment money to the United States.

During the past six months or more the Bank of The Netherlands has been a large shipper of gold to the United States. Fully one quarter of the Bank's gold holdings are earmarked in New York. The Holland gold shipments have hardly been made for the purpose of supporting the guilder as there is no flight from that unit and the banking position of Holland is entirely sound. Doubtless the general political unrest in Europe has been the chief cause of the gold transfers.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam finished on Friday at 53.84 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 53.70 $\frac{1}{2}$ on Friday of last week; cable transfers at 53.85, against 53.70 $\frac{1}{2}$; and commercial sight bills at 53.80, against 53.65. Swiss francs closed at 22.58 $\frac{1}{2}$ for checks and at 22.58 $\frac{1}{2}$ for cable transfers, against 22.58 and 22.58. Copenhagen checks finished at 20.88 $\frac{1}{2}$ and cable transfers at 20.88 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 20.87 and 20.87. Checks on Sweden closed at 24.11 $\frac{1}{2}$ and cable transfers at 24.11 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 24.09 and 24.09; while checks on Norway finished at 23.50 $\frac{1}{2}$ and cable transfers at 23.50 $\frac{1}{2}$ against 23.49 and 23.49.

EXCHANGE on the South American countries is exceptionally steady. Argentine exchange shows improvement as a consequence of the firmness in sterling exchange. Brazil and other South American countries for the greater part hold their exchanges steady through the operations of control boards. Representatives of Argentina and Brazil are now holding conferences with United States representatives with a view to formulating trade agreements.

The Argentine Information Bureau recently reported that for the 1938-1939 season Argentina planted 45,125 acres to tobacco, an increase of 55% over the previous season. There are now more than 150 tobacco factories in Argentina. The amount involved in the industry is around 390,000,000 pesos per annum. Argentine cotton planting for the current season covers 1,016,750 acres, compared with a previous 5-year average of about 842,000 acres. Argentina expects a heavy export season. The exchange control aims to restrict imports of all kinds of luxury articles in order to retrieve the country's favorable trade position.

Argentine paper pesos closed on Friday at 31.21 for bankers' sight bills, against 31.18 on Friday of last week; cable transfers at 31.21, against 31.18. The unofficial or free market close was 22.90@23.00, against 23.05. Brazilian milreis are quoted at 5.90 (official), against 5.90. Chilean exchange is quoted at 5.19 (official), against 5.19. Peru is nominally quoted at 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ against 20 $\frac{1}{4}$.

EXCHANGE on the Far Eastern countries presents no new features. Whatever fluctuation there is in the Far Eastern rates is due to their close relationship to sterling. Consequently at the present time the firmer quotations for the sterling-dollar rate is reflected in the improved tone of these units.

Closing quotations for yen checks yesterday were 27.28 against 27.27 on Friday of last week. Hongkong closed at 29 3-16@29 $\frac{1}{4}$, against 29 3-16@29 5-16; Shanghai at 16.15@16 $\frac{1}{4}$, against 16 $\frac{1}{4}$ @16 $\frac{1}{2}$; Manila at 49.85, against 49.85; Singapore at 54.45, against 54.35; Bombay at 34.98, against 34.96; and Calcutta at 34.98, against 34.96.

Gold Bullion in European Banks

THE following table indicates the amounts of gold bullion (converted into pounds sterling at par of exchange) in the principal European banks as of respective dates of most recent statements, reported to us by special cable yesterday (Friday); comparisons are shown for the corresponding dates in the previous four years:

Banks of—	1939	1938	1937	1936	1935
	£	£	£	£	£
England...	127,196,820	326,987,627	314,167,237	201,187,547	193,022,108
France...	295,815,168	310,173,890	347,628,740	521,787,379	655,038,218
Germany b.	3,007,350	2,521,850	2,442,050	2,817,700	2,928,900
Spain.....	c63,667,000	87,323,000	87,323,000	90,123,000	90,714,000
Italy.....	a25,232,000	25,232,000	42,575,000	42,575,000	62,731,000
Netherlands	121,770,000	116,735,000	68,298,000	55,726,000	67,960,000
Nat. Belg.	98,085,000	101,417,000	105,401,000	97,088,000	72,860,000
Switzerland	115,585,000	80,744,000	83,495,000	46,825,000	69,112,000
Sweden....	32,856,000	26,172,000	25,504,000	23,677,000	15,953,000
Denmark...	6,534,000	6,544,000	6,551,000	6,555,000	7,395,000
Norway....	8,222,000	7,615,000	6,603,000	6,602,000	6,852,000
Total week..	897,970,338	1,091,365,367	1,089,988,027	1,094,963,626	1,244,566,226
Prev. week..	897,773,716	1,091,225,007	1,103,919,265	1,095,854,699	1,245,913,725

a Amount held Dec. 31, 1936, latest figures available. b Gold holdings of the Bank of Germany are exclusive of gold held abroad, the amount of which is now reported at £529,300. c As of April 30, 1938, latest figure available. Also first report subsequent to Aug. 1, 1936.

The value of gold held by the Bank of France is presently calculated, in accordance with the decree of Nov. 13, 1938, at the rate of 27.5 mg. gold, .9 fine, equals one franc; previously and subsequent to July 23, 1937, gold in the Bank was valued at 43 mg. gold, .9 fine, per franc; before then and after Sept. 26, 1936, there were 49 mg. to the franc; prior to Sept. 26, 1936, 65.5 mg. gold, .9 fine, equaled one franc. Taking the pound sterling at the rate at which the Bank of England values its gold holdings (7.9881 gr. gold 11-12ths fine equals £1 sterling), the sterling equivalent of 296 francs gold in the Bank of France is now just about £1; when there were 43 mg. gold to the franc, the rate was about 190 francs to the £1; when there were 49 mg., about 165 francs per £1; when 65.5 mg., about 125 francs equaled £1.

Italy

Many who do not at all like the surrender of individual initiative and liberty required under all dictatorships are, nevertheless, inclined to believe that such submission is the price of an exceptional national efficiency, a price that in times of abnormal difficulty may have to be accepted and paid rather than to endure its assumed only alternative, industrial inactivity and consequent degradation of standards of living accompanied by widespread privation and distress. President Roosevelt, in his address to Congress appealing for new billions to finance extraordinary expenditures for so-called "national defense," echoed this too-common and superficially-derived belief without signifying even the slightest doubt or dissent. But the impression itself, widely accepted as it may be and probably is, will not bear the test of comparison with ascertainable facts concerning the public finance, employment or unemployment, wages and conditions under which labor is carried on, standards of comfort and living, or other relevant and material facts under any of the contemporary dictatorships. This is true of Soviet Russia, and it is equally true of Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy. Extreme efforts to suppress the truth and to color and distort evidence that cannot be entirely hidden are characteristic of all these countries, as they are everywhere that liberty is submerged and arbitrary and personal government exalted. Yet occasionally it is possible to piece together fragmentary facts established upon undeniable authority until there emerges quite a complete picture of what daily life has come to be under the principal dictatorships, thus affording some answer to the inquiry whether the assertions of efficiency are in any degree warranted or must be dismissed as merely pretensions, plausible but baseless. If efficiency means an organization and utilization of all resources of man-power and capital for the highest and most general diffusion of comfort and security, it has not anywhere been demonstrated to exist under any modern autocracy.

For 16 years Mussolini has lured and led Italy by oratorical repetitions of his vision of a restored

and expanded Roman Empire, an empire exploiting for the benefit of its people a large share of Africa and transforming the Mediterranean into an Italian lake, a dominant world Power with its own people, ultimately and as a reward for prerequisite sacrifices, living in unprecedented comfort, generally well-fed, well-clothed, well-housed, happy and contented. Actually, while all these glowing anticipations are yet of the future, the present is universally one of inescapable sacrifice, general discomfort, and unrelieved privation. Not merely freedom has vanished, but with it has disappeared in large measure even what had previously been possessed of those comforts that it had been proclaimed that the sacrifice of freedom would buy. Food is diminishing in quantity and deteriorating in quality, while, at the same time, measured by the labor-equivalents determined by comparisons of wages and prices, it is steadily rising in cost. In consequence, Italian workers are more and more substituting canned meats and canned fish for fresh meats and fresh vegetables, and horse meat is increasingly eaten. With the lira valued at about 5¼c. (\$.0526), under the law of Oct. 5, 1936, the average earnings of approximately 1,400,000 workers in 22,290 establishments was 11½c. (2.17 lire) per hour, or \$18.95 (360.22 lire) per month. Among metal workers, the highest paid of any group, the average was about 15c. an hour, and in the silk industry, the lowest paid, it was around 5c. Agricultural workers earned less than \$12 a month. But these are gross receipts for labor, and before the workers really possess them their earnings have been diminished by fully one-tenth, which has been diverted to the Fascist party organization and to the State. This, of course, does not include indirect taxes that take heavy toll from each individual and family budget, but it does include levies for enrollment in the party, membership in the workers' syndicates, and the numerous and inescapable "voluntary" assessments for purposes imperiously indicated by the autocracy—such purposes as the lavish display that so impressed Herr Hitler upon his last visit to Rome. Between 1934 and the end of 1938 there were two increases, compelled by obligatory decrees, that, together, raised wages a trifle less than 11%, while fairly reliable figures as to the cost of living show an advance in the prices of consumers' goods of fully 34%. It is not surprising that, under these conditions, the sale of foodstuffs in Milan, an industrial center, decreased 28% between January, 1934, and January, 1938. Ethiopia has in no way relieved the tension. The number of Italian workers employed there was 115,144 in March, 1937, and has dwindled since; in May, 1938, it was only 27,662.

Labor, of course, it politically voiceless in Italy. Not only have the former organizations been destroyed and superseded by mere exploiting agencies of the Government, but even the individual who might dare to speak in his own interest has been intimidated to silence and effectively deprived of opportunity and courage to take his own part. He must work as, when, and where the dictator or his representatives determine and require, and accept with outward cheerfulness whatever wages are offered in return, just as he might be required to labor for nothing should it be thought, by those in control, that uncompensated servitude would lead

more rapidly to the aggrandizement of the autocrat. Employers, however, have in no way benefited from this condition, or, if they have, the whole gain, with considerable addition, has been absorbed and offset by the progressive encroachments of the Government. Italian private enterprise may have gained something at the expense of the workman, but it has lost much more to a ruthlessly demanding authority of Government that has itself been pushed on and on, by its own necessities, towards steadily increasing oppression of all the governed. The Government, through its Industrial Reconstruction Institute and a holding company, has taken over 82% of the capital invested in Italy's four great shipping companies; it has similarly acquired control of the steel industry, and it directs both the synthetic rubber and the cellulose industries. Under these conditions the general index of industrial production fell, between September, 1937, and January, 1938, from 117.9 to 105.0, the important metal industry apparently heading the descent.

Meanwhile Italy's perennially unfavorable balance of trade increased from 2,617,000,000 lire in 1935 to 5,640,000,000 lire in 1937, and it was 1,147,000,000 lire for the first quarter of 1938. The budgetary deficit of last year, so far not made public, is not likely to be less than the aggregate of the deficits incurred during the three years 1935 to 1937, combined, which was 30,971,000,000 lire. As early as 1936 Italian property owners were forced to take Government bonds, bearing 5% interest and presumably not otherwise saleable, to the extent of 5% of the Government's valuation of their respective property holdings, and, at the same time, with ingenious brutality, a tax varying from 3% to 5% of the same valuation of the same property was exacted, thus, in effect, by a single act obliging them to buy governmental obligations and to supply a fund for the future liquidation of the semi-annual interest which the purchase would entitle them to receive. Revaluation of Italy's gold reserve, in 1936, brought a paper "profit" of 1,694,000,000 lire, identical in character with the "profit" obtained by the United States by marking up its own stock of gold in connection with the devaluation of the dollar, in 1933. Also, 401,000,000 lire were exacted, by one sort of pressure or another, from Italian subjects as contributions of jewelry, gold, &c., to aid the financing of the Ethiopian adventure. Obviously, these are nothing but temporary and time-serving devices which impoverish the people without permanently enriching the Government, and they must tend ultimately to a condition of stagnation and decay. Efficiency lies not in such expedients, nor is it to be found where they are tolerated. It is not for long to be found in any region where despotism exists nor where liberty of the individual is extinct or in abeyance. Time is against all servitudes and against all dictatorships.

How Long Will Present Low Interest Rates Continue ?

By Edwin J. Schlesinger

Very little has been heard of late of the likelihood of a near-by change in interest rates. From this it would appear that those contending that current levels of interest will remain for some years have

succeeded in bringing the doubters to their way of thinking. However, the mere fact that outwardly everything is now quiet in no sense means that slow, but irresistible, forces, unassisted by artificial factors, are not steadily moving to bring interest to what may prove to be its normal level.

In more ways than one comparisons may be drawn with the 1929 period, when virtually everyone was convinced that the country had entered a new financial and economic period. It was noised about that the forces which formerly had made themselves felt had been definitely banished and that a new era had taken hold. Experience has demonstrated that every time a commodity has been maintained at a fixed level, in opposition to the time-tested law of supply and demand, something ultimately has happened which clearly proved the fallacy of the belief in a new economic theory.

Interest is a commodity; and, while it lacks body and many of the physical properties of other commodities, it nevertheless is subject to the same laws of supply and demand. There can be little dispute with the assertion that the Federal Government has pegged interest rates, and since it possesses what amounts to unlimited power, it seemingly can place interest at any level that strikes its fancy. How long the Government can keep interest at the chosen level is quite another story. It does not seem unreasonable to anticipate that in moving interest about at will, the Government, when least expected, will strike a snag which may cause the normal forces to reassert themselves.

The fact that banks hold billions of dollars of Government bonds, and that life insurance companies have hundreds of millions of these securities, in no way helps to strengthen the thought that cheap money is here to stay. Furthermore, the large amount of refunding bonds carrying 3%, 3¼% and 3½% proves very little. In this connection it may be well to remember that in July, 1920, cotton sold at over 40 cents, and has had all sorts of ups and downs since then.

Those who believe that good corporate 3½% bonds selling at levels of 110 or so will remain there indefinitely may have a rude awakening. It is no idle comment to say that what has happened before may well happen again. This may be demonstrated by the course taken over the last 20 years by a bond with the sterling character of the New York Gas & Electric Light, Heat & Power Co. 5s, 1948. This bond is selling currently at approximately 124. In 1920, when money was on a 7% basis, it sold as low as 74¾, and in 1926, with money roughly at 4¾%, it sold at 104. The fact that the bond sold at those levels was due entirely to the interest rates prevailing during those years.

There is no denying the fact that the Government is profiting handsomely by the present very low interest rates. Time and again it has been pointed out that with a greatly increased debt the carrying charges are the same or less than they were six or seven years ago. Perhaps this is more of a threat than a promise. If it were to cost the Government more to borrow money, the increase of the national debt might be slowed up appreciably. Inasmuch as the ability to borrow at present rates places comparatively little added burden on the shoulders of the Government,

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THE ST. LOUIS STOCK EXCHANGE—STOCKS AND BONDS

In the following we furnish a monthly record of the high and low prices on the St. Louis Stock Exchange for each month of the last two years. The tables include all stocks and bonds in which any dealings occurred during the years 1937 and 1938, and the prices are all based on actual sales. The number of shares traded in during the year 1938 was 304,399 shares (not including 8,228 warrants), as compared with 467,186 shares during the year 1937. The money value of transactions in 1938 was \$7,126,172 and in 1937 was \$11,608,765.

For the record of previous years see "Chronicle" of Feb. 5, 1938, page 817; Feb. 6, 1937, page 844; Feb. 8, 1936, page 850; Feb. 2, 1935, page 697; Feb. 3, 1934, page 739; Feb. 4, 1933, page 720; Feb. 6, 1932, page 912; Feb. 7, 1931, page 914; Feb. 1, 1930, page 695; Feb. 2, 1929, page 636; Feb. 4, 1928, page 632 and Feb. 5, 1927, page 697.

MONTHLY RANGE OF PRICES ON ST. LOUIS STOCK EXCHANGE FOR YEAR 1938

Table with columns for months (January to December) and rows for various stocks and bonds. Each cell contains low and high price values for that month. Includes a footnote: * No par value. a Removed May 18, 1938. b Removed May 6, 1938. c Removed Aug. 1, 1938. d Listed Nov. 21, 1938. e Listed Sept. 9, 1938.

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MONTHLY RANGE OF PRICES ON ST. LOUIS STOCK EXCHANGE FOR YEAR 1937—(Concluded)

STOCKS	January		February		March		April		May		June		July		August		September		October		November		December		
	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	
Central Breweries Inc com...	4	4 1/2	4 3/8	4 3/8	4 1/2	5 1/4	4 5/8	5 3/8	4 1/2	4 1/2									2 1/4	2 1/2	2	2	2	2 1/4	
Century Elec Co com (old)...	80	80	85	93	90	96	95	95	92	95	92	92									6 1/2	6 1/2	4 3/4	6 1/2	
Century Elec Co com (new)...	10																				4	4 1/2	3 3/4	4 1/4	
Chicago & So Airlines Inc pref 10	7 1/4	7 3/4	8	9	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/4	7 1/4	7	7															
Coca-Cola Bottling Co com (old)...	113	118	118	136	136	144	150	160	149 1/2	152															
Coca-Cola Bottling Co com (new)...	1								39 1/4	40	36 3/8	39	36 1/2	39	36 1/2	37 1/2	28	36	24 1/2	30	27	28	26	28	
Columbia Brewing Co com...	4 1/4	5	3 1/2	5	5	6	5	5 1/8	4	5	4	3 3/8	3 3/8	3 1/4	3 3/4	3	3 1/8	2 1/4	3 1/4	3	3 1/8	2 1/2	2 3/4		
Dr Pepper Co common...	25	35 1/2	34 1/2	46	42	48	37	43	34	38	34	35 1/4	34	35 1/4	30 1/2	35	27	31 1/8	19 1/4	28 1/4	22	26 1/2	22 1/2	23 3/4	
Elder Mfg Co common...	20	20			21 1/2	21 1/2	20	20 1/4	20	20	20	20	18	19											
"A" preferred...	100								74	74	76	76			71	71								58	62
1st preferred...	100								108	108									110	110					
Ely-Walker Dry Goods Co com 25	27 1/2	30 1/2	30	32	30	31 1/2	30	31	28 3/4	29	27 1/2	29	27 1/2	30	27 3/8	30	25	27 3/4	21 1/2	23	20	21 1/2	19 3/8	20	
1st preferred...	100								121 1/2	122	121 1/2	125	123	124	124	124	122	122 1/2	121 1/2	122	121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2	
2nd preferred...	100								102	106															
Emerson Elec Mfg Co pref...	103	112	110 1/2	118	113	125	105	110	100	110	101	105	101	105	112	115	117	119	100 3/4	102	100 3/4	98	100	95	98 1/2
Falstaff Brewing Co com...	8	10 1/4	9 3/8	10 1/4	10	11 1/2	9	10 3/4	8 3/8	9 1/2	8 1/2	9	9 3/4	11	9 1/2	10 3/4	8 1/4	10 1/8	11 1/8	11 1/8	7 1/2	8 1/2	7 1/2	8 1/2	
Globe-Democrat Pub Co pref 100	32	33 3/4	32 1/2	35	34 1/2	39	37	40 1/2	38	39	34 1/2	38	34 1/2	36 1/2	32	36 1/2	27 1/2	35	24	31	26	30	27	30	
Griesedieck-West Brew Co com...	3 3/8	4 1/2	4	6	4	5 1/8	3 3/8	4 1/4	3 1/4	3 3/8	2 1/2	3	2 3/8	3 1/4	2 1/2	3 3/8	2	2 3/4	2	2 1/4	1 1/2	2	1 1/2	1 3/4	
Hussmann-Ligonier Co pref																									
Series 1936...	50	50 3/4	50 1/4	52 1/2	51 1/4	55	51 1/2	52 1/2	50	50	50	54 3/4	52 1/2	57	56	56 1/2	50	50	50	50	45	47			
Common...	16 1/4	18	17	21 1/4	20	23	20	21	19 3/8	21	20	22 1/2	20 3/4	23	22 1/2	22 3/8	17	20 1/2	14 1/2	16 1/2	12	15	13	14 1/2	
Huttig Sash & Door Co com...	13	18	17 1/2	20 3/4	14 1/2	18	13 3/4	17 1/2	14 1/2	15	13 1/4	14 3/8	14 1/2	17	14 1/2	16 1/2	11	15	10	12	8	11	9	10 3/4	
Preferred...	85	85	85	90			90	90	75	75	85	85	85	85	85	85	85	85	85	85	84	85	84	85	
Hyde Park Breweries Assn com 10	17 3/4	18	17 3/4	20	20	20	18 1/2	18 1/2	20	21	24	25 1/2	26	26	26	26	25	25 1/2	24 1/2	25	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	26	
Hydraulic Press Brick Co com 100	3 1/4	3 3/8	2	3 1/4	1 3/8	3	2 1/4	2 1/2	2	2 1/4	1 1/2	1	1	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	1	1 1/2	1	1	50c	55c			
Preferred...	13	14	13 1/2	15 1/8	11 1/2	13	11	12	9 1/2	10 3/4			6	6	6	6	5	5	4	4	3	4			
International Shoe Co com...	48	49 1/2	47 1/2	48 3/4	45 3/8	48 1/2	44	46 1/4	42 1/4	44	41 1/2	44 1/4	41 3/4	45	42 3/8	44 3/4	40	43	33	40 3/4	31 3/8	36 1/2	31 1/2	33 3/4	
Johansen Bros Shoe Co com...	7		8	12	10	10																			
Johnson-Stephens & Shinkle Shoe Co common...	16	17 1/2	14 3/8	14 3/4	14 1/2	16	13	13	12	12	13	14	15	15	15	15	10	11	11	13	12	12	12	12	
Key Co common...	12	14 3/4	15	16	13 1/4	14 1/8	13	13	12	12	10 1/2	12	10	10 1/2	10	11	10	11							
Knap-Konarch Co com (old)...	23 1/2	25	27	34	35	35 3/8	35	39 3/8	38	39 1/2	39	40	40	40											
Common (new)...	18	21	15	18	18	21	18	21	18	21	18	21	18	21	18	21	18	21	18	21	18	21	18	21	
\$.50 preferred...	33 1/2	33 1/2	35	35	34 1/2	36	35	36	34	35	34	35	34	35	32 1/2	34	30	30 1/4	30	31	10 1/2	11	10	11	
Laclede Christy Clay Pd Co com*	14 3/4	20	18 3/4	20	19	22	19 1/2	21 1/2	18	20	16 1/2	19 3/8	17 1/2	18	16 1/2	18	14	17 3/4	11	14 3/4	11	13	10	11 1/2	
Laclede Gas Light Co pref...	100																								
Laclede Steel Co common...	24	27 1/4	26 1/2	31	28	32 1/2	26 1/2	29	25 1/8	27 3/4	24	25	24	25	24	26 1/2	21	24	12	19	14 1/4	17	13 3/4	17 1/2	
Landis Machine Co common...	18 1/2	18 1/2	19	22	21 3/8	21 3/8	19	19					17	18											
McQuay-Norris Mfg Co com...	53	55	53 1/2	55	53 3/8	58	53	53 3/8	50	50	49	50	48	49	42	47	37	42	32	40	29 1/4	32	28 1/2	32	
Meyer-Blanke Co common...	16	16 1/2	15	19 1/4	19 1/2	22 1/2	19	20 1/2	19	19	19	19	17	18	17	18	17	17	17	17	15	15	15	15	
Preferred...	100								101	101															
Midwest Pipe & Supply com...	17 3/4	25	24	26	22	26 1/2	20	23 1/2	20	21 1/8	19 1/4	20 1/4	19 1/4	20 1/4	11 3/4	13	9 1/2	11 1/8	7 1/2	10 1/2	8	8 1/2	8	9 1/2	
Missouri Portl Cement com...	17 3/4	25	24	26	22	26 1/2	20	23 1/2	20	21 1/8	19 1/4	20 1/4	19 1/4	20 1/4	11 3/4	13	9 1/2	11 1/8	7 1/2	10 1/2	8	8 1/2	8	9 1/2	
Natl Bearing Metals Co com...	50	51	49	70	57	70	51 1/8	57	50	51 1/2	49 3/4	49 3/4	48	50	48 1/2	48 3/4	30	35	28	31	23	35	23 1/4	24 1/8	
Preferred...	100								115 1/2	116	113	114	114	115 1/4	115 1/4	115 1/4	115	115	113 1/4	115	106	113 1/2	106	108	
Natl Candy Co common...	12 1/2	13	12 1/2	13 3/4	12	13 3/4	10 1/4	11 1/8	9 3/4	11	7	9 1/2	7 3/4	9	8	9	7 1/2	8 3/4	5	7 1/2	6 1/2	7	5 1/8	6	
1st preferred...	118 3/4	119	117	118	117	117	115	115			107	111	106	106	109 1/2	109 1/2	110	110 1/2							
2nd preferred...	100	100 3/4	100	100			100	101			94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	95	95	95	94 1/2	94 1/2							
Natl Oata Co common...	27 1/2	29	28 1/2	29	27	27	26 1/2	27	24 1/4	24 1/4	21 3/4	21 3/4	21 3/4	21 3/4	18	19	16	19	15 3/4	16	16	16	16	16 1/2	
Nichols-Beazley Airpl Co com...	1 1/2	1 1/2	1	1 1/8	1 1/4	2	1 1/4	2	7 5c	7 5c	60c	60c	60c	60c	60c	60c	60c	60c	60c	60c	60c	60c	60c	60c	
Pedigo Co common...	6 1/2	6 1/2			6	7																			
Rice-Stix Dry Goods Co com...	10 1/2	12 1/2	10 1/2	11 1/2	10 3/4	13 1/8	10 3/8	12	9 1/8	10	9	10 3/8	9	11 1/2	9	11 1/2	9	9 1/2	8	8 1/4	5	6	5	7	
1st preferred...	115	115			117 1/4	117 1/4	115	115	115	115 1/2	115	115	114 1/4	114 1/4	115 3/8	117 3/8	115	117 1/2	110	115	110	115	110	115	
2nd preferred...	100	100					100	100	100	100	100	100	100	101	100 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	100	100	100	100	100	100	
St. Louis Bk Bldg & Equip com*	5	7 1/8	6 3/8	8 1/4	6 1/2	7 1/8	5	6 1/2	4 3/4	6 1/4	5	6 1/4	4 1/2	5 1/2	5	5 1									

St. Louis Real Estate Review for the Year 1938

By L. E. MAHAN

In summing up the real estate activity for the year 1938, we would be safe in saying that the factors in St. Louis would be approximately those of the nation's average, and as I have stated in previous reports, St. Louis is never greatly affected by booms or depressions. All in all, its growth is very consistent, and its activities are usually dependent upon the general business activity throughout the country.

There were issued during the year 1938, permits for \$7,700,890 in new construction, and \$1,739,367 in alterations, a total of \$9,440,257. This volume was slightly over that for the year 1937. These figures apply to the City of St. Louis, and according to data supplied by the F. W. Dodge Corporation, and reported in our local press, our Metropolitan Area had a rise of \$3,000,000, or from \$55,051,000 in 1937 to \$58,234,000 in 1938. Of this amount \$24,131,000 was in residential structures.

One of the most important features of local interest is the increased lending by the Federal Housing Administration. As to just what effect this program will have upon future construction, rents, interest rates, &c., can only be determined by several years of experience. We feel, however, that the chief benefits of the F. H. A. in our immediate territory are in the improved and standardized construction of small homes. The convenient plan furnished by the Administration affords an opportunity to the wage earner and others to purchase homes on convenient terms. This has had a favorable effect upon small home construction in our area during the past year, which should continue for some years in the future.

Of the above new construction, in the City of St. Louis alone, there was \$3,389,350 paid for brick dwellings costing less than \$20,000. This year, new construction afforded accommodations for 1,041 families. We have had only one major development in our metropolitan area under the Federal Housing Administration Section 207, a development known as Manhasset Village, affording accommodations to

354 families, this being located in St. Louis County, and is not included in the above totals.

There were 12,095 deeds of trust recorded in St. Louis, totalling \$82,437,939, compared to 12,711 loans aggregating \$119,505,504 in the year 1937, and \$61,601,845 in 1936.

Industrial development in the City of St. Louis is indicated by 88 new industries being established during the year, and 115 expansions. Added industrial investment in the city amounted to \$6,525,725. There was 742,250 square feet of new floor space and 1,582,684 square feet of existing space absorbed during the year. The added number of employees in the above new industries and expansions amounted to 1,849.

While figures are not available, our entire trade area has been influenced by decentralization of industries in nearby towns and cities which have shown considerable growth during the year.

A concerted effort has been made on the part of the local interests to eliminate the smoke nuisance in our city, and the Smoke Commission established by the City of St. Louis has been very effective in its program, and even greater improvement should be made in the year 1939 and the years to follow.

The number of real estate transfers in the City of St. Louis during the year 1938, amounted to 15,776, as compared to 16,520 in the year 1937, and 15,306 in the year 1936.

Taking into consideration all business factors in the City of St. Louis, we are entering the year 1939 with encouraging prospects, particularly in the field of new home construction. Real estate loans, both of the conventional type, and the FHA insured mortgage are in great demand by insurance companies, individuals, banks and trust companies, and others. We look for no great change in interest rates during the current year, and we believe that St. Louis is particularly favored with mortgage money because of the very favorable lending laws in the State of Missouri, and because of the stability of the city in its wide diversity of industry.

Annual Report of Board of Governors of Federal Reserve System—Commenting on Member Banks' Excess Reserves of \$3,600,000,000 Views It as Possible for Speculative Situation to Develop—Regards Present as Appropriate Time to Review Banking System to Permit Consideration by Congress of Desirable Changes

In its annual report to Congress on Jan. 30, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System observes that "the present, when our banking system is under no stress, is an appropriate time to present to Congress a picture of the banking problems of today." The report calls attention to "defects in our banking machinery from the monetary, credit and supervisory point of view" which "still exist, notwithstanding the important improvements that have been made by Congress in recent years" and it points to the need of preparing "the ground for such further improvements, within the general framework of our State and National banking systems as Congress may deem advisable in order to enable the banking mechanism better to withstand stresses and strains to which it may be subjected in the future as it has been in the past." In part the report goes on to say:

Banking is a business vested with a public interest. The current financial needs of commerce, industry, and agriculture are met largely through the individual actions of the 15,000 separate banks in operation in this country. The volume of their loans and investments has a direct relationship to the volume of business activity, and the deposits created by these loans and investments, as they pass from hand to hand, are the medium through which the bulk of the Nation's payments are made.

Successful operation of our banking institutions is, therefore, necessary to the orderly functioning of the Nation's business. It is not merely the concern of those who have invested their money in the banking business, nor merely of those who have entrusted their deposits to the banks. It is also a matter of public concern, both because of the importance of safeguarding deposits and because of the part that the banks play in maintaining the flow of goods and services through the channels of production and distribution, from the farm, the forest, and the mine to the ultimate consumer. Interference with the orderly functioning of banks, whether through bank failures or otherwise, results in the elimination of an habitual source of financial assistance on which the banks' customers have relied, and in the loss or tying up of deposits belonging to the depositors who have made their business and personal plans in the assurance that they have this money at their disposal. The degree of eagerness of banks to extend credit and their ability to do so have an important influence on the course of business, because these factors result in an expansion or a contraction of loans and investments, and in changes in the volume of deposits, which are the country's principal medium of exchange.

One of the subjects discussed in the report is "the problem of reserves," and it is noted by the Board of Governors that "member banks at present have excess reserves of \$3,600,000,000." The report continues:

To absorb these reserves the System has the power to raise reserve requirements by \$800,000,000, and to make sales out of its portfolio of United States obligations, which amounts to \$2,560,000,000. The use of these available means of absorbing reserves would still leave the banks with a volume of excess reserves upon which it would be possible for an injurious credit expansion to develop.

While stating that it is "convinced that there is no immediate prospect of excessive expansion of bank credit," the Board "believes that the present is an appropriate time to review our banking, credit and monetary system in order that Congress may consider such changes and improvements as appear desirable."

In part we also quote as follows from the report:

Supervisory Responsibility Diffused—Forty-eight State authorities and the Federal Government share the responsibility for bank supervision. Within the Federal Government authority over the banks is scattered among several agencies. The Comptroller of the Currency has the responsibility for the chartering and closing of National banks and the primary responsibility for their examination and supervision. The Federal Reserve System has some degree of supervision over all member banks, but in matters relating to National banks the primary responsibility is with the Comptroller, and in those pertaining to State member banks it is with State supervisory authorities. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has definite responsibilities in regard to all insured banks, and exercises its supervisory powers particularly in the case of insured banks which are not members of the Federal Reserve System. The Treasury Department, under the emergency laws of 1933, still has the responsibility for licensing member banks and for approval of the purchase of bank stock by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. This Corporation, because of its authority to make loans to banks and to purchase preferred stock and debentures from them, has proprietary and contractual powers of supervision over such banks as receive loans or capital from the Corporation.

As a consequence of this diffusion of authority, the banks themselves are frequently confused about the agency with which they must deal and by the variety of regulations. While cooperative arrangements have been worked out among the various governmental agencies by which banks are generally not subjected to separate examinations by more than one authority, the power to examine banks is possessed by several agencies and this power can be used. There are many regulations relating to various banking operations, the responsibility for which is divided between several authorities. For example, the power to determine maximum rates of interest to be paid on time deposits is divided between the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the FDIC. The same division exists in connection with enforcement of the law prohibiting the paying of interest on demand deposits. The power of granting and supervising the exercise of trust powers by National banks is divided between the Board of Governors and the Comptroller of the Currency. There are many other similar instances.

As a consequence of the diffusion of responsibility and diversity of authority over the banks there is often uncertainty of decision and delay in action where promptness is important in the public interest.

Problem of Uniformity in Examination Policy—Diffusion of authority has also been responsible for difficulties in establishing uniform policies in connection with bank examinations. While a voluntary agreement has been worked out between the three principal Federal supervisory agencies—the Comptroller of the Currency, the FDIC, and the Board of Governors—the permanence of this arrangement depends on continuous agreement between the agencies on the policies involved, and its effectiveness depends on a uniform interpretation of the policies adopted. The interpretation, however, may vary from time to time in accordance with the points of view of those responsible for the policies of the three agencies.

Relation Between Supervisory and Credit Policies

The Board wishes to raise a broad question as to the relationship that should exist between general credit policies and policies pursued in the examination and supervision of banks. There have been times in the past when these policies have worked in opposite directions, with a consequent aggravation of deflationary and inflationary trends.

This report presents for consideration the problem whether and, if so, by what method examination policies could be so harmonized with credit policies as to become jointly a stabilizing force in the national economy.

Nature and Function of Bank Reserves

The Federal Reserve System's power to influence credit conditions as an aid to greater economic stability arises largely out of its ability to regulate the volume of member bank reserves. This subject was discussed at length in the annual report for 1936.

To state it briefly, under our system member banks are obliged to keep reserves in an amount equal to a definite proportion of their deposit liabilities. Consequently, in order to extend more credit, a bank must have reserves in excess of its existing requirements or be able to obtain such reserves. By increasing or decreasing the amount of reserves available to the banks, the Federal Reserve authorities may encourage or discourage the expansion of bank credit, particularly at times when the banks have a limited amount of unused reserves. Changes in the amount of unused reserves of member banks can be effected by the System through purchases or sales of United States Government securities in the open market, through discounts for member banks at the discount rate, and through changes in reserve requirements.

Growth of Reserves in Recent Years—Bank reserves, however, are influenced also by developments over which the System has no control, such as gold imports and issues of silver certificates by the Treasury. Since the amount of money that remains in circulation is determined by the people's habits and needs for cash and not by the amount of currency issued, currency of any kind issued not in direct response to current needs of the public is deposited in the banks and is added to bank reserves.

In considering the problems of credit regulation in the future, the banking authorities are faced with the effects of the rapid growth of bank reserves in recent years. In the five years from 1933 to 1938 this growth has amounted to \$6,000,000,000, due to additions to the gold stock and the issuance of silver certificates by the Treasury. When gold comes into the country and the Treasury purchases it, the funds thus released by the Treasury come into possession of the banks and become bank reserves, and when silver certificates are issued by the Treasury this also adds an equivalent amount to the reserves of member banks. The amount of reserves needed by banks has been augmented by the increase in reserve requirements and by the growth in deposits, but their reserves now exceed requirements by \$3,600,000,000. This amount of excess reserves can be more than doubled, even without further gold imports or silver purchases, through disbursement by the Treasury of amounts equivalent to the gold it holds in the Stabilization Fund and elsewhere, by a reduction of its unusually large balances with the Federal Reserve banks, and by the issuance of silver certificates against the free silver bullion now in the Treasury's possession. This leaves out of consideration the Treasury's authority to issue United States notes. The Treasury can also absorb member bank reserves by increasing its cash holdings and its Federal Reserve balances. Under existing conditions the Treasury's powers to influence member bank reserves outweigh those possessed by the Federal Reserve System.

System's Powers to Control Excess Reserves—Under the present law the Federal Reserve System can absorb excess reserves only to the extent of approximately \$800,000,000, the amount by which it can increase member bank reserve requirements, and the additional amounts that could be taken up by such sales out of its portfolio of \$2,560,000,000 of Government securities as may be in the public interest. After the System had done all in its power to absorb excess reserves, a considerable amount would remain at the disposal of the banks. In view of the many changes in bank assets and in money market condition that have occurred in recent years, only experience can determine at what level of excess reserves banks will be responsive to Federal Reserve policy. It is clear, however, that the present and prospective volume of excess reserves may at some time become the basis of an injurious credit expansion. If this should develop, the Federal Reserve System with its present powers might not be in a position to carry out the mandate of Congress to prevent such an expansion.

The Board is convinced that there is no immediate prospect of excessive expansion of bank credit and no reason to change the present policy of monetary ease adopted for the purpose of facilitating recovery. It believes, however, that the present is an appropriate time to review our banking, credit, and monetary system in order that Congress may consider such changes and improvements as appear desirable.

THE PROBLEM OF RESERVES

Reserves and Credit Regulation

The Federal Reserve System's power to influence the volume and cost of bank credit arises largely out of its authority over member bank reserves. Under our system member banks are obliged to keep an amount equal to a prescribed proportion of their deposit liabilities in the form of reserve balances with the Federal Reserve banks. Reserve requirements for non-member banks are determined by State authorities and are generally lower in effect than those prescribed for member banks. In order to extend more credit without themselves borrowing, member banks must have reserves in excess of their legal requirements. By increasing or decreasing the amount of reserves available to the banks, therefore, the Federal Reserve System can encourage or discourage the expansion of bank credit and bank deposits, particularly at a time when banks have little or no unused reserves. For a complete exposition of the functions of reserves and of reserve requirements, reference is made to the Board's Annual Report for 1936.

The usual situation in years gone by, when the pressure for credit expansion was considerable and the volume of reserves limited, was for the banks generally to have no reserves in excess of legal requirements. In other words the banks were at all times practically loaned up. An aggregate increase in their loans and investments, therefore, involved borrowing from the Federal Reserve banks in order to acquire additional reserves. When the banks are borrowing, they are less willing to make loans and they become subject to the discount rate and to other measures of regulation of their operations under provisions of the Federal Reserve Act. When the System wished to encourage the expansion of bank credit, it could take the initiative in increasing bank reserves by buying Government securities in the open market, which would place at the disposal of banks funds with which to pay off debt at the Reserve banks or to expand their own credit. On the other hand, when the System wished to restrain expansion, it could sell Government securities, thereby taking money out of the market and reducing reserves to the point where banks would have to borrow in order to expand. By further sales the System could reduce member bank reserves even below the amount needed to maintain the existing aggregate volume of loans and investments, and put the banks in a position of having the alternative of borrowing from the Reserve banks or contracting their loans and investments.

This was the main line of action in encouragement and restraint as long as the banks did not have a volume of reserves far in excess of their current needs. In recent years banks have had continuously a large amount of excess reserves. This is true at present, notwithstanding the fact that, in accordance with authority under the Banking Act of 1935, reserve requirements have been increased by approximately 75% above the percentages stated in the statute.

The entire technique of influencing changes in the volume of bank credit needs to be reconsidered in the light of changed banking and money market

conditions. It is probable that the increased importance of holdings of Government securities and the shrinkage of the Street-loan account, through which individual banks were in the habit of making adjustments in their position in response to changing commercial demands, as well as other changes in the situation, have made the banking system more responsive than formerly to measures of restraint. One influence in this direction would come from the fact that sales of Government securities by the Reserve System, in addition to their effects on bank reserves, would have a direct effect on the capital market of which these securities now constitute an important part. The large holdings by the banks of such securities make the banks more sensitive to changes in bond prices. For these reasons it may not prove necessary in the future, as it has been in the past, for banks to be without excess reserves and actually to be borrowing from the Reserve banks in order to make them responsive to restraining influences.

Only experience can determine to what extent these changes in conditions have altered the effectiveness of existing methods of regulation. There is no doubt, however, that such a volume of excess reserves as is held by the banks today and as is likely to be at their disposal in the near future presents an important problem to the country's credit and monetary authorities.

Sources of Reserves

Since the end of 1933 reserve balances of member banks have increased three-fold and at the end of 1938 totaled \$8,700,000,000, of which \$3,200,000,000 were excess reserves. As shown in the table, this growth in reserves has been due principally to the extraordinary inflow of gold from abroad. The country's monetary gold stock in dollars has increased during the five years by \$10,500,000,000, of which \$2,800,000,000 represents the effect of revaluation and \$7,700,000,000 additions of new gold from abroad and from domestic mines. A portion of this additional gold is still held by the Treasury in the Stabilization Fund and otherwise and some of it was used to retire National bank notes in a manner that did not add to member bank reserves.

FACTORS OF CHANGE IN MEMBER BANK RESERVES—DEC. 30, 1933 TO DEC. 31, 1938

(Approximate figures)

Additions due to:	
Gold operations.....	\$7,422,000,000
Issue of silver certificates.....	1,221,000,000
Total additions.....	\$8,643,000,000
Deductions due to increase in money in circulation, growth in Treasury and non-member deposits at Federal Reserve banks, &c.....	2,648,000,000
Total increase in member bank reserves.....	\$5,995,000,000
Increase in required reserves due to:	
Increase in percentage requirements.....	\$2,342,000,000
Increase in member bank deposits.....	1,307,000,000
Increase in excess reserves.....	2,346,000,000
Changes in reserve position from Dec. 30, 1933, to Dec. 31, 1938:	
Total reserves.....	Increased from \$2,729,000,000 to 8,724,000,000
Required reserves.....	Increased from 1,870,000,000 to 5,519,000,000
Excess reserves.....	Increased from 859,000,000 to 3,205,000,000

Of the inflow of gold from abroad, about two-thirds has resulted from the movement of foreign capital to the United States. Large and erratic movements of floating capital from country to country at a time of political uncertainty and financial disorganization have been one of the most disturbing factors in the financial fabric of post-war years. Such movements are not like capital movements for long-term investment or seasonal movements in connection with foreign trade, nor like movements in response to differences in interest rates, which have long been a part of the international financial mechanism. Large and sudden capital withdrawals tend to cause contraction of credit and to retard business activity in the country from which the capital is withdrawn. At the other end, accumulation of foreign funds in the money market which appears for the time to offer the best security or the greatest opportunity for profit is disturbing to the monetary and credit systems of the country where this market is located. These movements accentuate speculative changes in the security market and create either a condition of artificial monetary ease or the need of absorbing excess reserves at public or private expense. International capital movements account for the greater part of the reserve problem with which this country has to contend.

In addition to the gold inflow another source of reserves amounting to \$1,200,000,000 has been the issuance by the Treasury of silver coin and certificates in connection with domestic and foreign silver purchases.

Additions to member bank reserves from the above sources have been absorbed to the extent of \$2,600,000,000 by increases in the demand for currency and through growth of Treasury and non-member bank deposits at the Federal Reserve banks.

As a net result of all these developments and transactions, \$6,000,000,000 was added to member bank reserves in the five years 1934-1938. Of this amount \$3,650,000,000 was absorbed by increases in required reserves, due both to the increase in the prescribed ratios of reserves to deposits and to the growth in the banks' deposit liabilities. Excess reserves of member banks increased by \$2,350,000,000 and at the end of 1938 were \$3,200,000,000. In the early weeks of 1939, with a return flow of currency from circulation and a decline in Treasury balances, excess reserves increased to \$3,600,000,000. A continuation of gold inflow and of silver purchases would further add to excess reserves.

The volume of excess reserves now in existence, furthermore, can be greatly increased by actions of the United States Treasury. By disbursements of funds equivalent to the gold held in the Stabilization Fund and elsewhere, by reduction of its unusually large balances with the Federal Reserve banks, and by the use of its authority to issue silver certificates against silver bullion now in its possession, the Treasury could more than double existing excess reserves of member banks. In addition, the Treasury has authority to issue up to \$3,000,000,000 of United States notes which would also be added to member bank reserves. The Treasury also has power to absorb member bank reserves; it can do so by increasing its cash holdings and Federal Reserve balances. With these powers and the general gold and silver policies in the hands of the Treasury, its power to influence the volume of member bank reserves under existing conditions outweighs that of the Federal Reserve System.

Long-View Problem Raised by Excess Reserves

In considering the problem of reserves at this time the Board wishes to emphasize that the long-view problem created by the existing large volume of bank deposits and bank reserves is distinct from the immediate problem of making ample bank credit available for the expansion of business from current levels.

In recent years it has been the policy of the Government and of the Federal Reserve System to encourage the expansion of credit. This has constituted the so-called policy of monetary ease, which has been directed at keeping banks supplied with an abundant volume of reserves, so as to encourage them to expand their loans and investments. This policy has been one of the factors in the creation of the existing large volume of deposits in the hands of business enterprises and of individual and corporate investors, and has resulted in reducing interest rates to the lowest level in history. It has been reflected in a decline in the carrying charges on mortgage debt for farmers and urban householders, has enabled many corpora-

tions to refund their debt at lower rates, and has lightened the cost of current financing to commerce, industry and agriculture.

Nor is there any immediate reason for considering a reversal of this policy. There is nothing in the present monetary or banking situation that would point to a proximate danger of injurious credit expansion. It is in such a period as this, however, when there is no call for quick action to meet emergency situations, that problems that may arise in the future should be analyzed and the efficiency of existing machinery appraised.

It is from this point of view that the System's existing powers to absorb excess reserves should be considered. Member banks at present have excess reserves of \$3,600,000,000, and this total may be doubled in the future. To absorb these reserves the System has the power to raise reserve requirements by \$800,000,000 and to make sales out of its portfolio of United States Government obligations, which amounts to \$2,560,000,000. The use of these available means of absorbing reserves, to the extent that it may be in the public interest to do so, would still leave the banks with a volume of excess reserves upon which it would be possible for an injurious credit expansion to develop.

The ability of the banks greatly to expand the volume of their credit without resort to the Federal Reserve banks would make it possible for a speculative situation to get under way that would be beyond the power of the System to check or control. The Reserve System would, therefore, be unable to discharge the responsibility placed upon it by Congress or to perform the service that the country rightly expects from it.

In view of this situation the Board has deemed it its duty to point out to Congress the present and prospective reserve position of our banking system and the limitations on the powers of the System to regulate it.

From the report we also quote:

GOLD AND CAPITAL MOVEMENTS

The year 1938 was marked by a reversal of the gold outflow that developed in the final quarter of 1937. At that time, with the onset of business depression and declining prices in this country, the possibility that the United States might once more resort to devaluation of the dollar began to be discussed abroad and there were large-scale withdrawals of foreign short-term balances. In three months foreigners withdrew \$500,000,000 net from their accounts in American banks, an amount roughly equivalent to the volume of funds accumulated during the preceding spring when a reduction in the price of gold was widely anticipated. The altered economic situation in the United States led also to the development of an excess of merchandise exports amounting to about \$100,000,000 a month in the final quarter of 1937. Increased agricultural output in the United States resulted in larger exports and smaller imports of certain agricultural commodities, and the business recession was reflected in sharply reduced imports of industrial raw materials. Although payment for the excess of merchandise exports absorbed more than half the dollar balances that were being offered in the exchange market, the total volume of balances withdrawn was such that the United States lost a substantial amount of gold.

The outward gold movement did not continue long in 1938. Repatriation of foreign funds diminished while the excess of merchandise exports was maintained close to the level of \$100,000,000 a month reached in 1937. For about two months these opposing factors were about in balance in the exchange market, and little gold moved. With the German entry into Austria in March, however, the outflow of funds from the United States was sharply curtailed and ceased to offset the continuing surplus of merchandise exports, with the result that there was an inflow of gold at the rate of about \$40,000,000 a month from March through July.

In the second half of the year there was pronounced recovery in American business conditions. The British position, meanwhile, had been somewhat weakened by industrial recession at home and by less favorable conditions in the foreign trade of the United Kingdom and of those British Empire and other countries that customarily hold the bulk of their international reserves in London. The shift in the position of these areas was in part a consequence of the extensive decline that had occurred in American purchases of industrial raw materials and grains.

Toward the end of July the withdrawal of European short-term money from the United States largely ceased, and early in August foreigners began to send their funds back to this country. The inflow of capital was small at first, but as the Czech crisis developed in August the movement of funds was intensified, and during the critical September weeks it reached unprecedented proportions. The inflow continued on a substantial scale through October and thereafter intermittently to the end of the year. During these developments the international flow of funds served to reinforce the influence of the surplus of merchandise exports, with the result that the United States gained about \$1,450,000,000 of foreign gold in a period of five months.

Most of the capital inflow that began in August represented a transfer of funds from the United Kingdom. Part of these funds were owned by British nationals but to a large extent they represented foreign short-term money that had previously been accumulated in London. It is probable that British gold losses were by far the largest experienced since suspension of the gold standard in 1931. Between the end of March and the end of September, the only dates in 1938 for which figures are available, the gold holdings of the British Stabilization Fund declined \$730,000,000, and in the last quarter there were undoubtedly substantial further declines. Sterling exchange rates declined from over \$5.00 at the beginning of 1938 to below \$4.70 in the last few weeks of the year. Early in January, 1939, the Bank of England transferred to the fund gold valued at about \$1,650,000,000, thus raising the resources available for the support of sterling.

Other countries appear to have lost little gold in the latter part of 1938. For a while in August there was a substantial movement of capital from France to England. This movement was associated with internal French difficulties and was largely brought to a halt with reiteration by the French Government on August 21 that the franc would not be permitted to fall below 179 francs to the pound, the limit of depreciation established by the Government in May, and that there would be no exchange control. There was little subsequent movement of capital out of France, and beginning in November, when the Government adopted additional measures to deal with the country's economic and financial difficulties, there was a substantial repatriation of capital.

How Long Will Present Low Interest Rates Continue?

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the need and wisdom of increasing the debt is perhaps not viewed as seriously as otherwise might be the case. But there is a limit to everything, even to

government borrowing, no matter how good the credit of that government may be. This of itself, however, is not likely to be the determining factor in forcing interest from its protected position out into the open where it will be compelled to seek its normal level.

Three possible avenues confront the future of business and financial developments in this country. One is a decided improvement in business, which should bring about an increased demand for money and resultant higher interest rates. The second is a decline of business from current levels with the consequence that corporations will earn their interest by a smaller margin; this should depress the prices of bonds and cause new bond issues to carry higher interest rates. The third course is a continuation of conditions carrying an unending train of uncertainties in their wake, which should prove anything but helpful to the prevailing rates of interest. Regardless of which road business, industry and finance may travel, it is quite certain that when it is once noticed that interest has hardened, it may be discovered that the hardening process had been going on underground for a long time before finally reaching the surface. It will then be realized that comparatively little had been learned from the trying years of 1929 through 1933 in being able to recognize that the law of supply and demand insists upon asserting its inherent position in the economic life of the country.

The Course of the Bond Market

General improvement in price has been the rule this week in the bond market. U. S. Governments have advanced to former highs and corporates have been strong. High grades, on the average, have gained about all of the ground lost in last week's decline, whereas medium grades have advanced only part way back to the highs of two weeks ago. Utilities have made substantial gains but the Baa rails, for instance, have recovered only about half of last week's losses.

High-grade railroad bonds have displayed fractional improvement. Union Pacific 4s, 2008, were up $\frac{5}{8}$ at 107; while Norfolk & Western 4s, 1996, gained $\frac{1}{8}$ at 119 $\frac{3}{8}$. Carloadings for the week ended January 28 aggregated 594,000 cars, a gain of 7% over last year, heavy coal shipments (both anthracite and bituminous) serving to augment losses in other carloading classifications. Optimism regarding the present trend of traffic, together with favorable January earnings estimates, served to stimulate medium-grade and speculative rail bonds this week. Louisiana & Arkansas 5s, 1969, advanced 2 points to 81. Delaware & Hudson 4s, 1943, were up 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ points at 59 $\frac{1}{8}$.

The successful flotation of \$70,000,000 debenture bonds by North American Company, representing the first financing undertaken by a holding company in several years, has undoubtedly been the feature of the week. During this period utility bonds have been in demand and a firm market has been witnessed all along the line. The Supreme Court decision upholding the Government's power program of the Tennessee Valley Authority had a temporarily adverse effect on obligations of utilities operating in that area but was followed by sizable advances along with other issues in their respective investment classifications.

Bonds of industrial companies have shown some moderate price improvement this week. Fractional gains have been the rule among steel issues although Wheeling Steel 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ s, 1966, declined 1 to 94. To a lesser extent, oils also improved. A 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ -point advance to 93 $\frac{3}{8}$ for Warner Bros. Pictures 6s, 1939, led the list of gains among amusement bonds. International Mercantile Marine 6s, 1941, gained 2 $\frac{5}{8}$ points at 53.

Foreign bonds have advanced on a broad front after last week's break, with gains recorded in most sections. The recovery in German bonds averaged about 2 points, with United Steel Works 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ s gaining over 8 points, apparently in response to the new interest arrangement. Italian and Japanese issues scored gains up to 5 points for some of the government bonds, while Australian issues firmed up with advances of from 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 3 points. Renewed interest in Brazilian bonds imparted some strength to this section, while some Argentine issues—those of the Province of Buenos Aires—registered gains up to 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ points. Moody's computed bond prices and bond yield averages are given in the following tables:

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

1939 Daily Averages	U. S. Govt. Bonds	All 120 Domestic Corp.*	120 Domestic Corporate* by Ratings				120 Domestic Corporate by Groups*		
			Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	RR.	P. U.	Indus.
Feb. 3	113.16	102.84	119.47	113.68	100.88	83.19	89.10	108.66	113.48
2	113.20	102.84	119.47	113.89	100.70	83.06	88.50	108.66	113.48
17	113.10	102.84	119.69	113.89	100.53	82.79	88.51	108.46	113.68
Jan. 31	113.10	102.48	119.25	113.27	100.35	82.66	88.22	108.27	113.48
30	112.78	102.12	119.25	113.27	100.00	82.13	87.93	108.08	113.07
28	112.63	102.12	119.25	113.07	100.00	82.00	87.93	107.88	113.07
27	112.59	101.94	119.03	113.07	99.83	82.00	87.93	107.88	112.86
26	112.59	102.12	118.81	113.07	100.35	82.00	88.22	107.88	112.86
25	112.83	102.48	119.47	113.27	100.18	82.53	88.36	108.08	113.27
24	112.93	102.48	119.47	113.27	100.35	82.66	88.51	108.08	113.27
23	113.05	102.84	119.69	113.48	100.53	83.19	89.10	108.27	113.48
21	113.17	103.20	119.69	113.68	101.06	83.73	89.55	108.66	113.68
20	113.18	103.20	119.69	113.48	101.06	83.87	89.55	108.66	113.48
19	113.08	103.20	119.69	113.68	101.06	83.73	89.40	108.66	113.68
18	113.11	103.02	119.92	113.48	100.70	83.46	89.40	108.46	113.68
17	113.10	102.84	119.69	113.48	100.70	83.33	89.25	108.27	113.48
16	113.06	102.84	119.69	113.27	100.70	83.19	89.40	107.88	113.48
14	112.95	102.66	119.47	113.07	100.53	83.06	89.10	107.88	113.27
13	112.93	102.66	119.47	113.07	100.53	83.06	89.10	107.88	113.07
12	112.90	102.48	119.47	112.45	100.53	83.06	89.10	107.88	113.07
11	112.88	102.66	119.69	112.66	100.70	83.19	89.25	107.88	113.07
10	112.92	102.66	119.47	112.66	100.70	83.19	89.25	107.88	113.07
9	112.93	102.48	119.47	112.25	100.70	82.93	89.10	107.69	112.86
7	112.92	102.48	119.47	112.25	100.53	83.19	88.95	107.69	112.86
6	112.95	102.48	119.25	112.25	100.53	83.06	88.80	107.69	112.86
5	112.79	102.48	119.03	112.25	100.70	83.06	88.95	107.69	112.66
4	112.83	102.12	118.81	111.84	100.53	82.93	88.80	107.30	112.45
3	112.78	101.94	118.60	111.87	100.18	82.40	88.36	107.30	112.45
2	Stock Exchange Closed								
High 1939	113.20	103.20	119.92	113.89	101.06	83.87	89.55	107.30	112.45
Low 1939	112.59	101.94	118.60	111.84	99.83	82.00	87.93	108.66	113.68
High 1938	112.81	101.76	118.60	111.43	100.18	82.27	88.36	107.11	112.05
Low 1938	109.58	88.80	112.45	102.66	89.10	62.76	71.15	96.11	104.30
1 Yr. Ago									
Feb. 3 '38	110.18	94.97	114.51	108.27	95.13	71.25	81.87	98.62	107.11
2 Yrs. Ago									
Feb. 3 '37	112.24	105.22	116.00	112.05	103.56	91.66	100.18	105.22	110.63

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

1939 Daily Averages	All 120 Domestic Corp.	120 Domestic Corporate by Ratings				120 Domestic Corporate by Groups		
		Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	RR.	P. U.	Indus.
Feb. 3	3.84	3.01	3.23	3.95	5.10	4.68	3.53	3.29
2	3.84	3.01	3.27	3.96	5.11	4.70	3.53	3.29
17	3.84	3.00	3.27	3.97	5.13	4.72	3.54	3.28
Jan. 31	3.86	3.02	3.30	3.98	5.14	4.74	3.55	3.29
30	3.88	3.02	3.30	4.00	5.18	4.76	3.56	3.31
28	3.88	3.02	3.31	4.00	5.19	4.76	3.57	3.31
27	3.89	3.03	3.31	4.01	5.19	4.76	3.57	3.32
26	3.88	3.04	3.31	3.98	5.19	4.74	3.57	3.32
25	3.86	3.01	3.30	3.99	5.15	4.73	3.56	3.30
24	3.86	3.01	3.30	3.98	5.14	4.72	3.56	3.30
23	3.84	3.00	3.29	3.97	5.10	4.68	3.55	3.29
21	3.82	3.00	3.28	3.94	5.06	4.65	3.53	3.28
20	3.82	3.00	3.29	3.94	5.05	4.65	3.53	3.29
19	3.82	3.00	3.28	3.94	5.06	4.66	3.53	3.28
18	3.83	2.99	3.29	3.96	5.08	4.66	3.54	3.28
17	3.84	3.00	3.29	3.96	5.09	4.67	3.55	3.29
16	3.84	3.00	3.30	3.96	5.10	4.66	3.57	3.29
14	3.85	3.01	3.31	3.97	5.11	4.68	3.57	3.30
13	3.85	3.01	3.31	3.97	5.11	4.68	3.57	3.30
12	3.86	3.01	3.34	3.97	5.11	4.68	3.57	3.31
10	3.85	3.00	3.33	3.96	5.10	4.67	3.57	3.31
9	3.85	3.01	3.33	3.96	5.10	4.67	3.57	3.31
7	3.86	3.01	3.35	3.96	5.12	4.68	3.58	3.32
6	3.86	3.02	3.35	3.97	5.10	4.69	3.58	3.32
5	3.86	3.03	3.35	3.96	5.11	4.69	3.58	3.32
4	3.88	3.04	3.37	3.97	5.12	4.70	3.60	3.34
3	3.89	3.05	3.37	3.99	5.16	4.73	3.60	3.34
2	Stock Exchange Closed							
High 1939	3.89	3.05	3.37	4.01	5.19	4.76	3.60	3.34
Low 1939	3.82	2.99	3.27	3.94	5.05	4.65	3.53	3.28
High 1938	4.70	3.34	3.85	4.68	6.98	6.11	4.23	3.76
Low 1938	3.90	3.05	3.39	3.99	5.17	4.73	3.61	3.36
1 Year Ago								
Feb. 3, 1938	4.30	3.24	3.55	4.29	6.10	5.20	4.08	3.61
2 Years Ago								
Feb. 3, 1937	3.71	3.17	3.36	3.80	4.51	3.99	3.71	3.43

* These prices are computed from average yields on the basis of one "typical" bond (4% coupon, maturing in 30 years), and do not purport to show either the average level or the average movement of actual price quotations. They merely serve to illustrate in a more comprehensive way the relative levels and the relative movement of yield averages, the latter being the truer picture of the bond market.
† The latest complete list of bonds used in computing these indexes was published in the issue of July 23, 1938, page 488.

Indications of Business Activity

THE STATE OF TRADE—COMMERCIAL EPTOME Friday Night, Feb. 3, 1939.

Business activity showed a slight slowing up for the week, this being the first time since the turn of the year that the business index has failed to show a gain. Industrial activity during the current month will show little variation from the January level, according to the prevailing view among business analysts. For February a rise of a point in the index is expected seasonally. Hence, if business activity merely continues on about an even keel the Reserve Board's revised index could decline to 98 or so for the current month, it is said. Late in the month concrete signs of the spring seasonal rise will probably make their appearance. The "Journal of Commerce" business index figure declined fractionally to 86.8, and compares with a revised figure of 87.0 for a week ago and 70.6 for a year ago. Gains for electric output and bituminous coal production failed to offset declines in automotive activity, steel operations and petroleum runs to stills. Although total car loadings showed a gain over a week ago, merchandise and L.C.L. items were lower, according to the above-mentioned source. With an easing of political tension in Europe, the steel trade is confident of further improvement during February and March, said the "Iron Age" in its recent survey. January showed some modest gain, according to this authority, resulting in an upturn this week in ingot production after the previous week's decline. Railroad buying is being counted on as one of the steel industry's most cheerful prospects, though automobile purchases by late February are also looked forward to as one of the developments that will assist in pushing steel production upward. Outstanding railroad orders of the current week were cited as 40,507 tons of rails placed by the Southern Pacific and 30,000 tons by the Milwaukee, 300 flat cars for the Union Pacific, 25 tank cars for the Great Northern, 20 cars for the Mexican Government railroads, and two streamline trains for the Chicago and North Western. Ten ships have recently been awarded to Eastern shipbuilders by the Maritime Commission, and these will require 43,700 tons of steel. Production of electricity by the electric light and power industry for the week ended Jan. 28 totaled 2,292,594,000 kilowatt hours, a new record for 1939, according to the figures released by the Edison Electric Institute. The total compares with 2,289,659,000 kilowatt hours in the preceding week and 2,098,968,000 kilowatt hours in the week ended Jan. 29 a year ago, or an increase of 9.2% over the 1938 weekly figures. This was the largest increase this year over the weekly figures of a year ago. Production of electricity reached a record high of 2,362,947,000 kilowatt hours in the week ended Dec. 24 last. The Association of American Railroads reported 594,379 cars of revenue freight were loaded during the week ended last Saturday. This was an increase of 4,020 cars, or 0.7%, compared with the preceding week; an increase of 41,203 cars, or 7.4%, compared with a year ago, and a decrease of 58,643 cars, or 9%, compared with 1937. Fuller reflection of rising industrial em-

ployment and the indicated improvement in farm income in retail sales volumes is confidently expected by trade observers within the next few weeks. The disruption of retail trade late in January and so far this month was due entirely to adverse weather conditions in many important consuming regions, it is stated. The strengthened purchasing power of the country is best illustrated by the fact that total national income paid out in December was only 2% below the preceding year, while retail prices were more than 5% lower than a year previous. Automobile production for the current week slumped to 79,410 units, 10,000 units below last week's total, but maintained a lead of 64.9% over figures for the corresponding week last year, Ward's reports said today. Seasonal factors and Monday's blizzard were held jointly responsible for the decline in production. Plymouth and Dodge factories lost a day's production when snowbound roads made it impossible to clear finished cars from the assembly line. Ford's Chicago plant was closed Monday and Tuesday because of the blizzard, and Chevrolet's Buffalo branch production was also delayed, according to "Automotive News." The number of telephone subscribers jumped 65,600 in January, taking the total in service for the Bell System as of Jan. 31 to 15,825,600, the highest in history, the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. reported today. The gain this January in number of "stations" compares with a gain of 31,400 in January, 1938. Current business of American Telephone & Telegraph along all lines is running ahead of a year ago, and company officials look for a gradual increase in the year to year gain during the remainder of the first half of this year. Retail sales recorded a moderate recovery this week, despite severe snow and rain storms throughout the country, Dun & Bradstreet's, Inc., reported today. Sentiment of business was reported "more cheerful," but level of activity in some lines of industry failed to show improvement. Wholesale business was in moderate decline, "as merchants left central markets after their initial purchasing for the season." The credit agency noted that most of the buying had been in small orders and was based almost entirely on actual rather than potential needs. The outstanding feature of the weather this week was one of the worst storms in eight years which swept eastward from the Great Lakes region, causing 31 deaths and injuring scores. Snow and high winds did immense damage. The blizzard killed at least 12 in Chicago and 19 elsewhere. Drifts from three to ten feet deep crippled Chicago traffic and closed most city and suburban schools. More than 14.8 inches of snow fell in 14½ hours in the City of Chicago, and traffic was paralyzed. Hundreds of cars were trapped. Because of stormy weather and frequent precipitation, outside work on farms was largely at a standstill from the Mississippi Valley eastward. However, the additional precipitation was decidedly favorable in the Ohio and lower Mississippi Valleys, but still insufficient to be of material benefit in the western Great Plains; in the southern Plains south of Kansas the topsoil now has sufficient moisture for present needs. During the past week minimum tem-

peratures were reported as not going below freezing farther south than south-central Georgia, central Alabama, western Tennessee and northern Texas. In the New York City area the weather for the week has been rather unsettled, with snow and intermittent rains, though temperatures showed no extraordinary drop. Today it was raining and cold here, with temperatures ranging from 36 to 45 degrees. The forecast was for rain tonight, probably changing to snow late tonight and continuing into Saturday forenoon. Somewhat colder tonight. Overnight at Boston it was 26 to 32 degrees; Baltimore, 40 to 42; Pittsburgh, 28 to 48; Portland, Me., 20 to 26; Chicago, 18 to 28; Cincinnati, 28 to 48; Cleveland, 26 to 48; Detroit, 24 to 40; Charleston, 56 to 74; Milwaukee, 28 to 46; Savannah, 62 to 72; Dallas, 30 to 42; Kansas City, 20 to 30; Salt Lake City, 18 to 22; Seattle, 40 to 44; Montreal, 18 to 26, and Winnipeg, 26 below to 2 above.

Continued Improvement in Domestic Business Conditions During December Reported by "Annalist"

Business conditions continued to improve during December, according to the review of domestic conditions by E. H. Hansen in the annual review and forecast number of the "Annalist" (New York). Most major indexes of business activity, however, showed reduced rates of recovery, it is stated. An important exception, it is added, was construction contracts awarded which, after allowance for seasonal fluctuations, rose sharply to the highest level since June, 1930. Industrial production, employment and payrolls closed the year with moderate gains. Department store sales were unchanged from November, but total retail trade improved. The price indexes moved divergently, retail prices rising to the October level, while wholesale prices continued to decline. Economic changes for the entire year made a poor showing, but that was of less significance than the favorable results for the last six months. The "Annalist" announcement went on to say:

Industrial activity reports for December were very spotty, but the Federal Reserve Board's production index is estimated to have increased slightly as compared with a fractional decline in the "Annalist" business activity index. Considerable irregularity was noted in both durable and non-durable goods industries.

Some expansion in forward buying was visible toward the close of the year, as inventories of most finished goods previously had been considerably reduced. The action of wholesale prices, however, indicated no great forward buying, the price situation in turn offering little incentive for a general inventory expansion.

National employment and payrolls indexes for December, based on New York State figures, made a better showing than industrial production, but were still lagging for the entire recovery period.

The greater rise in payrolls than in employment last month was probably due to a lengthening in the work week, which in November, according to National Industrial Conference Board figures, was 12.8% greater than for last May.

Because of a slight downward trend in living costs during most of the recovery period, real wages increased at a faster rate than dollar income. As a result our preliminary index of real wages for December had recovered almost as much of its depression decline in industrial production and stood at the highest level since November, 1937.

The dollar volume of retail trade continued to improve in December and, despite no gain in department store sales, rose to the highest level since the fall of 1937. Chain stores had a good record in December and sales generally stood at a higher level than for department stores. The sharpest gain was recorded in rural retail trade, the index, based largely on mail-order sales reports, rising to the highest level since October, 1937.

Of much more significance than a rise in sales of food and other necessities has been increased activity in luxury and heavy goods. Variations in the demand for these goods and retail price changes largely account for cyclical fluctuations in retail trade.

Despite the downward trend in farm income, retail trade activity for all agricultural regions, as indicated by the index of rural retail trade and department store sales, rose to a comparatively high level. It is apparent, however, that in some sections the pinch of declining income has been felt, and observers predict that this will become more noticeable, while retail sales in industrial regions will follow the trend of business activity.

Recovery in the "Annalist" index of business activity was checked last month. Largely because of a sharp drop in seasonally adjusted steel ingot production, the combined index declined to 94.9 (preliminary) from 95.2 for November and 88.8 for October. Other factors in the decrease were lower rates of operations in the automobile, boot and shoe, and silk industries. Nearly offsetting these decreases were gains in the adjusted indexes of pig iron production, electric power production, cotton consumption, rayon consumption, lumber production and zinc production. Freight carloadings, seasonally adjusted, were unchanged, a fractional gain in miscellaneous shipments being offset by a slight decline in all other loadings.

TABLE I—THE "ANNALIST" INDEX OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY AND COMPONENT GROUPS

	Dec., 1938	Nov., 1938	Oct., 1938
Freight car loadings.....	84.2	84.2	81.5
Miscellaneous.....	81.0	80.9	76.4
Other.....	90.7	90.8	91.8
Electric power production.....	*99.8	a98.9	97.9
Manufacturing.....	*99.7	a102.7	88.7
Steel ingot production.....	85.1	85.4	74.5
Pig iron production.....	91.5	85.4	73.8
Textiles.....	*119.8	a115.3	101.4
Cotton consumption.....	128.4	123.4	108.3
Wool consumption.....	---	132.1	97.4
Silk consumption.....	71.9	78.7	64.6
Rayon consumption.....	98.5	86.6	100.4
Boot and shoe production.....	*125.2	a139.0	a128.3
Automobile production.....	104.8	a114.5	101.3
Lumber production.....	76.0	68.3	74.2
Cement production.....	---	71.6	64.8
Mining.....	---	75.3	62.6
Zinc production.....	78.7	73.4	63.8
Lead production.....	---	79.0	60.2
Combined index.....	*94.8	a95.2	88.8

TABLE II—THE COMBINED INDEX SINCE JANUARY, 1933

	1938	1937	1936	1935	1934	1933
January.....	79.5	104.2	92.3	87.2	79.6	67.5
February.....	78.5	105.7	89.0	78.7	83.2	66.1
March.....	77.5	106.9	89.5	84.4	84.6	62.5
April.....	74.2	107.1	94.1	82.8	85.9	69.2
May.....	73.9	109.0	85.9	81.8	86.4	77.3
June.....	74.4	107.8	97.6	82.0	83.8	87.5
July.....	79.0	105.9	102.4	82.7	78.0	94.0
August.....	82.8	111.2	102.5	84.9	75.1	87.5
September.....	85.2	106.5	102.9	86.1	71.4	82.0
October.....	88.8	98.4	103.3	89.1	74.6	78.5
November.....	a95.2	87.8	107.1	92.0	76.0	75.3
December.....	*94.8	81.3	110.5	96.7	82.4	77.5

* Preliminary. a Revised.

Revenue Freight Loadings Total 594,379 Cars in Week Ended Jan. 28

Loading of revenue freight for the week ended Jan. 28 totaled 594,379 cars, the Association of American Railroads announced on Feb. 2. This was an increase of 41,203 cars or 7.4% above the corresponding week in 1938 but a decrease of 58,643 cars or 9% below the same week in 1937. Loading of revenue freight for the week of Jan. 28 was an increase of 4,020 cars or 7-10ths of 1% above the preceding week. The Association further reported:

Miscellaneous freight loading totaled 218,397 cars, a decrease of 3,258 cars below the preceding week, but an increase of 19,487 cars above the corresponding week in 1938.

Loading of merchandise less than carload lot freight totaled 146,428 cars, a decrease of 158 cars below the preceding week, but an increase of 4,248 cars above the corresponding week in 1938.

Coal loading amounted to 140,646 cars, an increase of 9,263 cars above the preceding week, and an increase of 10,876 cars above the corresponding week in 1938.

Grain and grain products loading totaled 32,202 cars, a decrease of 827 cars below the preceding week, but an increase of 591 cars above the corresponding week in 1938. In the Western districts alone, grain and grain products loading for the week of Jan. 28, totaled 19,864 cars, a decrease of 912 cars below the preceding week, but an increase of 660 cars above the corresponding week in 1938.

Live stock loading amounted to 12,966 cars, a decrease of 873 cars below the preceding week, but an increase of 76 cars above the corresponding week in 1938. In the Western districts alone, loading of live stock for the week of Jan. 28, total 9,653 cars, a decrease of 584 cars below the preceding week, and a decrease of 192 cars below the corresponding week in 1938.

Forest products loading, totaled 27,935 cars, an increase of 695 cars above the preceding week, and an increase of 3,176 cars above the corresponding week in 1938.

Ore loading amounted to 7,640 cars, a decrease of 1,324 cars below the preceding week, but an increase of 667 cars above the corresponding week in 1938.

Coke loading amounted to 8,165 cars, an increase of 502 cars above the preceding week, and an increase of 2,082 cars above the corresponding week in 1938.

All districts reported increases compared with the corresponding week in 1938 except the Southwestern which reported a decrease. All districts reported decreases compared with the corresponding week in 1937 except the Pocohontas and Southern which reported increases.

	1939	1938	1937
Week of Jan. 7.....	530,849	552,568	700,046
Week of Jan. 14.....	586,877	580,740	696,035
Week of Jan. 21.....	600,350	570,233	665,346
Week of Jan. 28.....	594,379	553,176	653,022
Total.....	2,302,464	2,256,717	2,714,449

The first 18 major railroads to report for the week ended Jan. 28, 1939 loaded a total of 280,064 cars of revenue freight on their own lines, compared with 279,429 cars in the preceding week and 257,873 cars in the seven days ended Jan. 29, 1938. 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—		
	Jan. 28 1939	Jan. 21 1939	Jan. 29 1938	Jan. 28 1939	Jan. 21 1939	Jan. 29 1938
	Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.....	18,379	19,249	18,830	5,161	4,908	4,623
Baltimore & Ohio Ry.....	25,135	24,843	22,474	14,469	13,543	12,525
Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.....	21,223	19,364	19,800	7,426	7,245	6,244
Chicago Burlington & Quincy RR.....	14,580	14,367	13,838	6,567	7,010	6,319
Chicago Milw. St. Paul & Pac. Ry.....	17,970	18,497	16,151	6,966	7,245	6,318
Chicago & North Western RR.....	12,665	13,138	11,961	9,003	9,082	8,378
Gulf Coast Lines.....	2,853	3,422	3,631	1,452	1,377	1,570
International Great Northern RR.....	1,761	1,686	1,702	1,950	2,170	2,338
Missouri-Kansas-Texas RR.....	3,745	3,919	3,684	2,498	2,525	2,543
Missouri Pacific RR.....	12,722	13,009	13,317	7,992	8,515	8,411
New York Central Lines.....	34,597	34,246	30,107	36,738	35,523	32,127
N. Y. Chicago & St. Louis Ry.....	4,574	4,642	3,783	9,475	9,363	8,437
Norfolk & Western Ry.....	20,042	18,665	15,308	4,365	4,262	3,594
Pennsylvania RR.....	52,554	52,491	48,327	33,533	32,790	30,675
Pere Marquette Ry.....	4,654	4,909	4,029	4,790	4,885	4,223
Pittsburgh & Lake Erie RR.....	4,446	4,389	3,349	4,382	4,489	3,797
Southern Pacific Lines.....	23,162	23,612	22,965	8,113	8,081	7,578
Wabash Ry.....	5,002	4,981	4,717	8,306	8,220	7,650
Total.....	280,064	279,429	257,873	173,186	171,233	157,350

TOTAL LOADINGS AND RECEIPTS FROM CONNECTIONS (Number of Cars)

	Weeks Ended—		
	Jan. 28, 1939	Jan. 21, 1939	Jan. 29, 1938
Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Ry.....	22,222	21,706	21,553
Illinois Central System.....	28,902	28,022	29,096
St. Louis-San Francisco Ry.....	11,021	11,320	11,717
Total.....	62,145	61,048	62,366

In the following we undertake to show also the loadings for separate roads and systems for the week ended Jan. 21, 1939. During this period 66 roads showed increases when compared with the same week last year.

REVENUE FREIGHT LOADED AND RECEIVED FROM CONNECTIONS (NUMBER OF CARS)—WEEK ENDED JANUARY 21

Table with multiple columns: Railroads, Total Revenue Freight Loaded (1939, 1938, 1937), Total Loads Received from Connections (1939, 1938). Includes Eastern District, Southern District, Northwestern District, Central Western District, and Southwestern District.

Note—Previous year's figures revised.

Moody's Commodity Index Higher

Moody's Commodity Index advanced slightly, from 142.3 a week ago to 143.2 this Friday. There were no pronounced changes for individual commodities.

The movement of the index was as follows:

Table showing index values for various days of the week and periods (e.g., Fri., Jan. 27, Sat., Jan. 28, etc.).

Decrease of 0.3 Point Noted in "Annalist" Index of Wholesale Commodity Prices During Week Ended Jan. 28—Average for January Again Below Previous Month

Slack demand and a recurrence of European "war scares" brought about a general decline in commodity prices during the week ended Jan. 28 and the "Annalist" index ended at 79.1, a drop of 0.3 of a point as compared with the previous week and 4.2 points under a year ago.

Many of the minor commodities were under heavy pressure last week. Egg prices declined drastically in a very weak market. Cottonseed oil continued its long decline.

In contrast, several of the grains were slightly higher. Hogs and allied products enjoyed a good week with prices rising to the highest level in a month or more.

Commodity prices continued to decline during January and our monthly index for that month is only 79.2, the lowest since December, 1934, and 0.4 of a point under the December average.

"ANNALIST" WEEKLY AND MONTHLY INDEXES OF WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES (1926=100)

Table with columns for dates (Jan. 28, 1939; Jan. 21, 1939; Jan. 26, 1938; Jan., 1939; Dec., 1938; Jan., 1938) and rows for various commodity groups like Farm products, Food products, Textiles, etc.

Wholesale Commodity Prices Advanced 0.1% During Week Ended Jan. 28, According to United States Department of Labor Index

The United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics' index of wholesale commodity prices rose 0.1% during the week ended Jan. 28, largely because of advancing prices of livestock, fruits, and vegetables.

The farm products group registered an advance of 0.6% during the week. Textile products and building materials rose 0.3%. Hides and leather products declined 0.5%.

Average prices of raw materials advanced 0.4% as a result of higher prices for agricultural commodities, raw silk, raw jute, and Pennsylvania crude petroleum.

The index for semi-manufactured commodities declined 0.1% to 74.7, and is 0.4% and 3.0% lower than it was a month ago and a year ago re-

spectively. Wholesale prices of finished products also dropped 0.1%. The group index, 80.2, is 0.2% below the level for the last week of December and is 4.6% lower than it was at this time last year.

The indexes for "all commodities other than farm products" and "all commodities other than farm products and foods" remained unchanged at last week's level and each is 0.1% lower than a month ago. Compared with a year ago, the former group is down 4.4% and the latter group is down 3.7%.

The Department of Labor, in its announcement quoting Commissioner Lubin as above, also stated:

The advance of 0.6% in the farm products group was caused largely by an advance of 3.1% in the livestock and poultry subgroup. Quotations were higher for calves, cows, steers, hogs, live poultry (New York), wheat, apples, lemons, oranges, and wool. Grains declined 1.2% because of lower prices for corn, oats, and rye. Lower prices were also reported for cotton, eggs, and potatoes (New York). The farm products index, 67.3, is 1.5% below a month ago and 4.9% below a year ago.

Continued advances in prices of raw silk and silk yarns, together with higher prices for print cloth, cotton yarns, burlap, and raw jute, caused the textile products index to rise 0.3% to the highest point reached in the past 8 weeks. Average wholesale prices of clothing, hosiery and underwear, and woolen and worsted goods were steady.

The building materials group index rose 0.3% as a result of higher prices for yellow pine timbers and flooring, turpentine, sand, and gravel. Lower prices were reported for yellow pine lath, hemlock and spruce lumber, and rosin. No changes were reported in prices of brick and tile and structural steel.

As a result of weakening prices for hides, skins, and leather, the hides and leather products group index fell 0.5% to the level of early October. Wholesale prices of shoes and other leather manufactures were firm.

In the fuel and lighting materials group, a sharp decrease in prices for Oklahoma fuel oil together with a slight decline in prices of bituminous coal more than offset higher prices for Pennsylvania crude petroleum and caused the group index to decline 0.3%. Wholesale prices of anthracite and coke remained steady.

The chemicals and drugs group index declined 0.3% because of lower prices for fats, oils, and alcohol. The fertilizer materials and mixed fertilizer subgroups remained unchanged at last week's level.

Lower prices for butter, cheese, lamb, fresh pork, eggs, and vegetable oils, resulted in the foods group index declining 0.1% to the lowest level of the past 4½ years. Prices were higher for flour, apples, bananas, citrus fruits, cured pork, and lard. The food's group index, 71.2, is 1.8% below a month ago and 4.6% below a year ago.

A decline of 0.3% in the nonferrous metals subgroup, including antimony, pig lead, pig tin, and solder, did not affect the index for the metals and metal products group as a whole. It remained at 94.5% of the 1926 average. Quicksilver prices advanced and no changes were reported in prices for agricultural implements, iron and steel, and plumbing and heating fixtures.

The index for the housefurnishing goods group remained unchanged at 87.2. Average prices of furniture and furnishings were steady.

Wholesale prices of cattle feed declined 1.1%, during the week. Crude rubber dropped 0.9% and paper and cardboard prices fell 0.1%.

The following table shows index numbers for the main groups of commodities for the past five weeks and for Jan. 29, 1938, Jan. 30, 1937, Feb. 1, 1936, and Feb. 2, 1935.

Commodity Groups	(1926=100)									
	Jan. 28, 1939	Jan. 14, 1939	Jan. 14, 1939	Jan. 7, 1939	Dec. 31, 1938	Jan. 29, 1938	Jan. 30, 1937	Jan. 1, 1936	Feb. 2, 1935	
All commodities	76.7	76.0	76.8	77.0	76.9	80.3	85.4	80.5	79.1	
Farm products	67.3	66.9	67.3	67.6	68.3	70.8	91.4	79.5	78.3	
Foods	71.2	71.3	71.3	72.6	72.5	74.6	86.9	83.2	81.5	
Hides and leather products	93.3	93.8	94.1	93.9	93.6	96.3	102.8	97.5	86.8	
Textile products	65.8	65.4	65.3	65.3	65.3	68.9	76.9	79.9	69.9	
Fuel and lighting materials	73.4	73.6	73.7	73.8	73.7	79.0	77.0	77.1	74.4	
Metals and metal products	94.5	94.5	94.6	94.6	94.8	96.3	90.7	86.0	85.2	
Building materials	89.4	89.1	89.7	90.0	89.2	91.2	91.2	85.4	84.0	
Chemicals and drugs	76.1	76.3	76.4	76.3	76.3	79.2	87.6	80.5	80.2	
Housefurnishing goods	87.2	87.2	87.2	87.5	87.6	90.7	85.8	82.3	82.2	
Miscellaneous	73.0	73.0	73.1	73.1	73.6	75.2	75.7	67.9	70.2	
Raw materials	70.7	70.4	70.8	71.1	71.0	74.1	88.0	73.9	*	
Semi-manufactured articles	74.7	74.8	75.0	75.0	75.0	77.0	85.4	74.8	*	
Finished products	80.2	80.3	80.3	80.5	80.4	84.1	84.6	82.3	*	
All commodities other than farm products	78.8	78.8	78.9	79.1	78.9	82.4	84.1	80.7	79.2	
All commodities other than farm products and foods	80.4	80.4	80.5	80.6	80.5	83.5	83.2	79.1	77.9	

* Not computed.

Decrease of 1.5% in Department Store Sales in December as Compared with December, 1937, Reported by New York Reserve Bank—Sales During 1938 Declined 7% from 1937

For the month of December, total sales of the reporting department stores in the Second (New York) District were only 1½% lower than in December, 1937, but in December, 1938, there were five shopping Saturdays as compared with three in 1937. In noting this in its "Monthly Review" of Feb. 1, the New York Federal Reserve Bank also had the following to say:

Stores in Northern New Jersey, Bridgeport, Westchester and Stamford, and the Hudson River Valley District reported sales somewhat higher than in December, 1937, while small reductions in sales were reported by the New York and Brooklyn, Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Northern New York State, Southern New York State, and Central New York State department stores, and sales of apparel stores were about 1% lower.

For the year 1938, total sales of the reporting department stores in this district were approximately 7% lower than in 1937, as compared with an increase of 3.7% from 1936 to 1937. Apparel store sales were 9.2% lower than in 1937, following little change between 1936 and 1937.

Stocks of merchandise in the department stores, at retail valuation, were about 8% lower at the end of December, 1938 than at the end of December, 1937; the decline in December, 1938 makes the 13th month of decrease in the year-to-year comparison of stocks. Collections of accounts outstanding were lower in December than a year previous, both in the department and apparel stores.

Total sales of the reporting department stores in this district during the first three weeks of January were about 12% below the corresponding period of 1938, but there was one less shopping day in the 1939 period. On the basis of the three weeks' figures, it appears that more than the usual seasonal decline from the December average has occurred.

Locality	Percentage Change From a Year Ago			Per Cent of Accounts Outstanding Nov. 30 Collected in December	
	Net Sales		Stock on Hand End of Month	1937	1938
	Dec.	Feb. to Dec.			
New York and Brooklyn	-2.1	-7.3	-8.5	43.8	42.5
Buffalo	-3.4	-9.3	-6.4	43.6	41.8
Rochester	-4.1	-4.4	-12.4	82.0	80.7
Syracuse	-3.9	-6.5	-7.4	44.0	41.0
Northern New Jersey	+3.0	-6.6	-5.4	42.6	44.6
Bridgeport	+5.0	-7.2	+0.7	42.6	44.6
Elsewhere	-1.9	-7.5	-4.4	36.6	36.4
Northern New York State	-7.6	-8.1	---	---	---
Southern New York State	-0.6	-8.9	---	---	---
Central New York State	-1.8	-9.3	---	---	---
Hudson River Valley District	+0.2	-2.8	---	---	---
Westchester and Stamford	+1.8	-9.1	---	---	---
Niagara Falls	-12.3	-12.6	---	---	---
All department stores	-1.5	-7.1	-7.9	46.1	45.3
Apparel stores	-0.9	-9.5	-6.8	46.1	45.5

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

Classification	Net Sales Percentage Change December, 1938 Compared with December, 1937	Stock on Hand Percentage Change Dec. 31, 1938 Compared with Dec. 31, 1937
Musical instruments and radio	+12.0	+35.0
Silverware and jewelry	+5.0	-1.9
Shoes	+3.0	-14.2
Toilet articles and drugs	+3.0	+2.3
Furniture	+2.7	-14.7
Women's and Misses' ready-to-wear	+1.6	-7.7
Books and stationery	+0.4	+0.8
Hosiery	0	-17.0
Home furnishings	-1.3	-4.5
Luggage and other leather goods	-2.9	-10.8
Women's ready-to-wear accessories	-3.0	-9.9
Linens and handkerchiefs	-3.3	-8.1
Men's furnishings	-4.3	-6.3
Men's and Boys' wear	-4.1	-16.3
Silks and velvets	-6.8	-13.8
Toys and sporting goods	-6.9	-9.1
Woolen goods	-9.4	-7.2
Cotton goods	-10.9	-3.2
Miscellaneous	-3.9	+0.9

Wholesale Commodity Prices Declined Slightly During Week Ended Jan. 28, According to National Fertilizer Association

Reversing the upward trend of the previous week, the wholesale commodity price index of the National Fertilizer Association dropped during the week ended Jan. 28 to 72.8% from 72.9% in the preceding week. A month ago the index (based on the 1926-28 average of 100%) registered 73.4%; a year ago, 77.0%, and two years ago, 84.6%. In October last it dropped to 72.3%, the lowest point reached since 1934. The Association's announcement, under date of Jan. 30, went on to say:

Lower prices for foodstuffs were largely responsible for last week's decline in the all-commodity index. The food and farm product indexes both fell off moderately after advancing in the preceding week. Price changes in the food group were mixed during the week, with declines in some of the more important commodities resulting in the downturn of the group average. Farm product prices have moved in a rather narrow range in recent months; the group index has fluctuated between 63.8% and 66.0% since last August. A small decline in the metal price average, reflecting lower quotations for tin and lead, took it to the lowest point reached since last October. Declines during the week were also registered by the indexes representing the prices of chemicals and drugs and miscellaneous commodities. Fractional increases took place in the textile and fertilizer material averages.

Twenty-two price series included in the index declined during the week and 21 advanced; in the preceding week there were 23 declines and 29 advances; in the second preceding week there were 31 declines and 19 advances.

WEEKLY WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICE INDEX
Compiled by the National Fertilizer Association. (1926-1928=100)

Per Cent Each Group Bears to the Total Index	Group	Latest Week	Preced'g Week	Month Ago	Year Ago
		Jan. 28, 1939	Jan. 21, 1939	Dec. 31, 1938	Jan. 29, 1938
25.3	Foods	70.4	70.9	72.7	74.0
	Fats and oils	52.6	52.3	54.2	62.8
	Cottonseed oil	66.9	66.9	69.8	71.2
23.0	Farm products	64.1	64.2	65.8	67.2
	Cotton	47.5	47.5	47.8	47.5
	Grains	55.0	55.5	55.5	72.7
	Livestock	69.9	70.1	72.9	69.5
17.3	Fuels	75.5	75.5	75.5	84.6
10.8	Miscellaneous commodities	77.2	77.8	78.4	81.3
8.2	Textiles	59.5	59.3	58.8	61.6
7.1	Metals	90.4	90.6	90.6	97.5
6.1	Building materials	84.3	84.3	84.0	81.8
1.3	Chemicals and drugs	92.4	92.6	92.7	95.3
.3	Fertilizer materials	71.7	71.6	71.5	72.5
.3	Fertilizers	78.2	78.2	78.0	79.7
.3	Farm machinery	95.1	95.1	95.3	97.9
100.0	All groups combined	72.8	72.9	73.4	77.0

New York Reserve Bank Reports Gain of 5% in Chain Store Sales in December as Compared with December, 1937

"Total December sales of the reporting chain store systems in the Second (New York) Reserve District were approximately 5% higher than in December, 1937," states the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in its "Monthly Review" of Feb. 1, "a relatively favorable comparison apparently induced at least in part by the fact that there were five shopping Saturdays in December, 1938, as compared with three in 1937." The Bank also had the following to say in its "Review":

The grocery and ten-cent and variety chain stores recorded moderate advances in sales from the December, 1937 levels, while the shoe and candy chains reported small reductions in sales.

Owing to reductions by the grocery and candy chains in the number of units operated, there was a net decrease between December, 1937 and December, 1938, of about 4% in the total number of chain stores in operation, with the result that total sales per store in December were about 10% higher than in December, 1937, in contrast with an increase of approximately 5% in total sales.

For the year 1938 total sales of the reporting chain stores were 3% lower than for the year 1937, as compared with an increase of about 3% between 1936 and 1937, and a rise of approximately 8½% from 1935 to 1936.

Type of Store	Percentage Change, December, 1938 Compared with December, 1937			Percentage Change Year 1938 from Year 1937	
	No. of Stores	Total Sales	Sales per Store	Total Sales	Sales per Store
Grocery	-11.0	+7.2	+20.4	+0.1	+11.9
Ten-cent and variety	+0.7	+5.1	+4.4	-3.5	-4.3
Shoe	+2.1	-3.9	-5.8	-9.6	-10.7
Candy	-7.1	-3.7	+3.8	-10.2	-4.2
All types	-4.2	+5.1	+9.8	-3.0	+1.1

Electric Output for Week Ended Jan. 28, 1939, 9.2% Above a Year Ago

The Edison Electric Institute, in its current weekly report, estimated that production of electricity by the electric light and power industry of the United States for the week ended Jan. 28, 1939, was 2,292,594,000 kwh. The current week's output is 9.2% above the output of the corresponding week of 1938, when production totaled 2,098,968,000 kwh. The output for the week ended Jan. 21, 1939, was estimated to be 2,289,659 kwh., an increase of 8.6% over the like week a year ago.

PERCENTAGE INCREASE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR

Major Geographic Regions	Week Ended Jan. 28, 1939	Week Ended Jan. 21, 1939	Week Ended Jan. 14, 1939	Week Ended Jan. 7, 1939
New England	14.9	12.7	12.8	NOT AVAILABLE
Middle Atlantic	9.0	7.2	6.1	
Central Industrial	11.9	11.4	9.4	
West Central	0.8	1.2	0.6	
Southern States	5.9	6.3	5.5	
Rocky Mountain	3.3	4.8	3.1	
Pacific Coast	7.7	7.6	5.6	
Total United States	9.2	8.6	7.3	1.4

DATA FOR RECENT WEEKS (THOUSANDS OF KILOWATT-HOURS)

Week Ended	1938	1937	Percent Change 1938 from 1937	1936	1932	1929
Nov. 5	2,207,444	2,202,451	+0.2	2,175,810	1,525,410	1,815,740
Nov. 12	2,209,324	2,176,557	+1.5	2,169,480	1,520,730	1,798,164
Nov. 19	2,270,296	2,224,213	+2.1	2,169,715	1,531,584	1,793,584
Nov. 26	2,183,807	2,065,378	+5.7	2,196,175	1,475,268	1,818,169
Dec. 3	2,285,523	2,152,643	+6.2	2,133,511	1,510,337	1,718,002
Dec. 10	2,318,550	2,196,105	+5.6	2,242,916	1,518,922	1,806,225
Dec. 17	2,332,978	2,202,200	+5.9	2,278,303	1,563,384	1,840,863
Dec. 24	2,362,947	2,085,186	+13.3	2,274,508	1,554,473	1,860,021
Dec. 31	2,120,555	1,998,135	+6.1	2,080,954	1,414,710	1,637,683
	1939	1938	1939 from 1938			
Jan. 7	2,169,470	2,139,582	+1.4			
Jan. 14	2,269,846	2,115,134	+7.3			
Jan. 21	2,289,659	2,108,968	+8.6			
Jan. 28	2,292,594	2,098,968	+9.2			

DATA FOR RECENT MONTHS (THOUSANDS OF KILOWATT-HOURS)

Month of	1938	1937	Percent Change 1938 from 1937	1936	1932	1929
January	9,300,383	9,785,174	-5.0	8,634,336	7,041,926	7,585,334
February	8,405,129	8,922,551	-5.8	8,029,046	6,502,755	6,850,855
March	9,137,970	9,930,252	-8.0	8,351,233	6,787,923	7,380,263
April	8,617,372	9,589,639	-10.1	8,371,498	6,320,551	7,285,359
May	8,800,414	9,699,161	-9.3	8,536,837	6,240,881	7,486,635
June	8,934,086	9,791,569	-8.8	8,706,984	6,168,781	7,220,279
July	9,262,484	10,074,083	-8.1	9,239,027	6,175,627	7,484,727
August	9,894,489	10,366,839	-4.6	9,359,167	6,339,283	7,773,878
September	9,593,670	9,962,122	-3.7	9,256,053	6,277,419	7,523,395
October	9,975,343	10,111,605	-1.3	9,662,847	6,596,023	8,133,485
November	10,005,534	9,534,868	+4.9	9,293,742	6,488,507	7,681,822
December		9,719,582		9,968,343	6,625,298	7,871,121
Total		117,487,445		107,409,113	77,574,474	90,277,153

November Statistics of the Electric Light and Power Industry

The following statistics for the month of November, covering 100% of the electric light and power industry, were released on Jan. 27 by the Edison Electric Institute:

SOURCE AND DISPOSAL OF ENERGY DURING MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Source of Energy	1938	1937	Per Ct. Change
Kilowatt-hours generated (net):			
By fuel-burning plants	6,497,524,000	5,923,609,000	+9.7
By water power	3,213,146,000	3,391,049,000	-5.2
Total generation	9,710,670,000	9,314,658,000	+4.3
Net purchases:			
From other sources	355,668,000	320,402,000	+11.0
Net international imports	113,486,000	94,490,000	+20.1
Total purchased power (net)	469,154,000	414,892,000	+13.1
Total input	10,179,824,000	9,729,550,000	+4.6

Disposal of Energy

	1938	1937	Per Ct. Change
Total sales	8,475,090,000	8,185,272,000	a
Energy not reported as sold:			
Used in electric railway departments	33,349,000	53,352,000	a
Used in electric and other departments	139,221,000	141,330,000	a
Furnished free or exchanged in kind	1,720,000	Not shown	a
Total not reported as sold	174,290,000	194,682,000	a
Total energy accounted for	8,649,380,000	8,379,954,000	+3.2
Losses and energy unaccounted for	1,530,444,000	1,349,596,000	+13.4
Total output (to check above "input")	10,179,824,000	9,729,550,000	+4.6

Classification of Kilowatt-Hour Sales

Based on FPC Classification November, 1938		Based on EEI Classification November, 1937	
Residential or domestic	1,722,644	Domestic	1,609,107
Rural	*	Commercial	
Commercial and industrial	5,849,203	Small light and power	1,543,065
Public street & h'way lighting	196,628	Large light and power	4,235,966
Other public authorities	193,527	Municipal street lighting	226,094
Sales to railroad & railways	478,719	Street & interurban railways	375,681
Inter-departmental	25,071	Electrified steam railroads	103,884
Other sales	9,298	Municipal and miscellaneous	91,475
Total sales	8,475,090	Sales to ultimate customers	8,185,272

Classification of Customers

Based on FPC Classification Nov. 30, 1938		Based on EEI Classification Nov. 30, 1937	
Residential or domestic	23,123,742	Domestic	22,465,206
Rural	*	Commercial	
Commercial and industrial	4,590,264	Small light and power	3,878,003
Public street & h'way lighting	27,297	Large light and power	567,189
Other public authorities	75,733	Municipal street lighting	35,113
Railroad and railways	286	Street & interurban railways	317
Inter-departmental	283	Electrified steam railroads	26
Others	3,558	Municipal and miscellaneous	37,942
Total customers	27,821,163	Total ultimate customers	26,983,886

Revenue (b)

Based on FPC Classification November, 1938		Based on EEI Classification November, 1937	
Revenue from sales, excl. sales to other public utils.	\$189,818,200	Revenue from ultimate customers	\$186,941,000
Other revenue	2,359,900		
Total revenue	\$192,178,100		

Estimated Domestic Electric Service Ratios

	12 Months Ended Nov. 30		
	1938	1937	% Change
Kilowatt-hours per customer	847	795	+6.5
Average annual bill	\$35.97	\$35.18	+2.2
Revenue per kilowatt-hour	4.25c	4.43c	-4.1

a Data for two years not strictly comparable. b Data not comparable because of an unascertainable amount of "revenue" in November, 1938, which may or may not have been included in the 1937 data. * Allocated to other classes.

Value of Building Permits Issued for Cities, Excluding New York, During December Increased 58% Above Same Period Last Year, According to Secretary of Labor Perkins—New Building Code in New York City

Building permit valuations for cities excluding New York were 58% higher during December than in the corresponding month of 1937, Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins reported on Jan. 28. "This increase was brought about by a gain of 65% in the value of new residential buildings and of 94% in the value of new non-residential buildings," she said. "A decrease of 7% was shown in the value of additions, alterations, and repairs," Secretary Perkins added.

A new building code became effective in New York City the latter part of January, 1938. This caused a large influx of applicants for permits during the months of December, 1937, and January, 1938, which normally would have been spread over a much greater period. In studying the cyclical trend of building, therefore, the data excluding New York City are of much greater significance than are the data for all cities including New York. When the New York figures are included, there is a decline of 6% in total building construction, comparing the current month with December, 1937.

There was a decrease of one-half of 1% in total permit valuation in December as compared with November. This decrease is considerably smaller than the usual seasonal decline. The value of new residential buildings decreased 15% and the value of additions, alterations, and repairs showed a decline of 3%. In contrast, there was an increase of 23% in the permit valuation of new non-residential buildings. These data are based on reports received by the Bureau of Labor Statistics from 2,078 cities having an aggregate population of 60,230,000.

During the calendar year 1938 permits were issued in cities reporting to the Bureau for buildings valued at \$1,694,345,000. This is an increase of 3% as compared with the year 1937. The value of new residential buildings over the same period showed a gain of 14%. There was a fractional decline in the value of new non-residential buildings and a decrease of 16% in the value of additions, alterations, and repairs.

The announcement by the Department of Labor, from which the foregoing is taken, continued:

The percentage change from November to December in the permit valuation of the various classes of building construction is indicated in the following table for 2,078 cities having a population of 1,000 or over:

Class of Construction	Change from Nov. 1938 to Dec. 1938	
	All Cities	Excl. New York
New residential	-14.8	-21.5
New non-residential	+22.5	+33.2
Additions, alterations, repairs	-3.3	-5.8
Total	-0.5	+1.1

There were 16,753 family-dwelling units provided in the new housekeeping dwellings for which permits were issued during December in these cities. This is a decline of 17% compared with November.

The percentage change from December, 1937, by class of construction, is given below for 1,607 cities having a population of 2,500 or over:

Class of Construction	Change from Dec. 1937 to Dec. 1938	
	All Cities	Excl. New York
New residential.....	-3.0	+65.2
New non-residential.....	-2.4	+93.7
Additions, alterations, repairs.....	-20.5	-7.2
Total	-5.8	+57.9

Compared with December, 1937, there was an increase of 3% in the number of family-dwelling units provided.

The changes in permit valuation occurring between the calendar years 1938 and 1937 are indicated below:

Class of Construction	Change from 12 Months in 1937 to 12 Months in 1938	
	All Cities	Excl. New York
New residential.....	+14.1	+4.4
New non-residential.....	-0.1	+8.1
Additions, alterations, repairs.....	-15.7	-14.0
Total	+2.8	+1.5

The data collected by the Bureau of Labor Statistics show, in addition to private and municipal construction, the value of buildings for which contracts were awarded by the Federal and State governments in the cities included in the report. For December 1938, the value of these buildings amounted to \$12,426,000, for November, 1938, to \$17,496,000, and for December, 1937, to \$6,479,000.

Permits were issued during December for the following important building projects: In Providence, R. I., for a fire station to cost over \$500,000; in Bloomfield, N. J., for a school building to cost \$1,230,000; in New York City—in the Borough of The Bronx, for apartment houses to cost nearly \$4,000,000; in the Borough of Brooklyn, for apartment houses to cost over \$2,200,000; in the Borough of Manhattan, for apartment houses to cost over \$3,000,000; in the Borough of Queens, for apartment houses to cost over \$6,500,000 and for one-family dwellings to cost nearly \$2,000,000; in Pittsburgh, Pa., for school buildings to cost over \$1,000,000; in Coatesville, Pa., for a school building to cost nearly \$600,000; in Millin Township, Pa., for a school building to cost over \$600,000; in Chicago, Ill., for a school building to cost \$1,250,000 and for factory buildings to cost approximately \$300,000; in Muncie, Ind., for school buildings to cost nearly \$400,000; in Ann Arbor, Mich., for school buildings to cost approximately \$2,000,000; in Detroit, Mich., for one-family dwellings to cost nearly \$3,000,000; in Grosse Point Park, Mich., for a school building to cost over \$600,000; in Traverse City, Mich., for a State hospital building to cost \$750,000; in Cincinnati, Ohio, for a school building to cost \$450,000; in Green Bay, Wis., for a school building to cost nearly \$800,000; in Madison, Wis., for a school building to cost over \$400,000; in Topeka, Kan., for municipal buildings to cost approximately \$750,000; in Washington, D. C., for apartment houses to cost nearly \$700,000; in Gainesville, Fla., for a school building to cost nearly \$500,000; in Jacksonville, Fla., for the Brentwood Housing Project under the supervision of the United States Housing Authority to cost over \$700,000; in Baltimore, Md., for a school building to cost \$450,000; in Raleigh, N. C., for an office building to cost more than \$500,000; in Norfolk, Va., for a school building to cost nearly \$400,000; in Richmond, Va., for office buildings to cost nearly \$700,000; in Dallas, Texas, for school buildings to cost more than \$500,000; in Alexandria, La., for a municipal building to cost over \$500,000; in Denver, Colo., for a Federal jail to cost over \$1,000,000 (contract awarded by the United States Department of Justice); in Los Angeles, Calif., for one-family dwellings to cost over \$2,500,000; and in Corvallis, Ore., for a chemistry building for the State Agricultural College to cost \$400,000.

PERMIT VALUATION OF BUILDING CONSTRUCTION, TOGETHER WITH THE NUMBER OF FAMILIES PROVIDED FOR IN NEW DWELLINGS, IN 2,078 IDENTICAL CITIES IN NINE REGIONS OF THE UNITED STATES, DECEMBER, 1938

Geographic Division	No. of Cities	New Residential Buildings			
		Permit Valuation		Families Provided for in New Dwellings	
		Dec., 1938	Nov., 1938	Dec., 1938	Nov., 1938
All divisions.....	2,078	\$63,372,090	\$74,350,052	16,753	20,088
New England.....	139	\$2,646,445	\$3,089,451	534	653
Middle Atlantic.....	532	24,662,759	25,126,952	6,332	6,588
East North Central.....	452	9,616,229	14,085,692	1,899	2,817
West North Central.....	193	2,369,488	4,341,654	596	1,184
South Atlantic.....	245	6,816,519	7,528,681	1,872	2,385
East South Central.....	84	726,925	1,550,377	318	552
West South Central.....	128	3,746,093	4,647,103	1,219	1,592
Mountain.....	93	1,039,066	1,396,663	372	445
Pacific.....	212	11,948,566	12,683,679	3,611	3,872
Percentage change.....		-14.8		-16.6	

Geographic Division	New Non-residential Buildings Permit Valuation		Total Construction (Incl. Alterations and Repairs) Permit Valuation		Population (Census of 1930)
	Dec., 1938	Nov., 1938	Dec., 1938	Nov., 1938	
	All divisions.....	\$60,013,610	\$49,009,275	\$144,902,709		$145,621,671	60,229,535
New England.....	\$3,105,774	\$3,261,265	\$7,505,999	\$8,445,805	5,533,008
Middle Atlantic.....	7,652,922	9,913,150	37,934,692	42,208,922	18,409,402
East North Central.....	16,112,619	12,200,286	29,570,972	29,575,127	14,932,360
West North Central.....	4,282,989	3,392,027	8,428,930	9,560,387	4,516,103
South Atlantic.....	11,192,653	4,769,861	20,123,533	14,602,522	5,065,598
East South Central.....	1,133,860	2,428,389	3,636,185	4,636,953	2,003,992
West South Central.....	5,019,717	2,272,826	9,834,184	7,813,206	3,248,650
Mountain.....	3,257,480	1,076,294	4,733,364	2,913,094	1,193,759
Pacific.....	8,255,596	9,695,177	22,954,850	25,865,655	5,326,663
Percentage change.....	+22.5		-0.5		

December Production of Electric Energy in the United States

The production of electric energy for public use during the month of December, 1938, totaled 10,542,147,000 kwh., according to reports filed with the Federal Power Commission. This is an increase of 5.5% when compared with the previous month and is 8% more than was produced during the same month of the previous year. The normal change from November to December is +1.3%. The production of electric energy by electric railway, electric railroad, and other plants which generate principally for

their own use totaled 282,336,000 kwh., making a total production reported to the Commission for the month of December of 10,824,483,000 kwh.

The production by water power in December amounted to 3,824,777,000 kwh., or 36% of the total output for public use.

The total capacity of generating plants available for service amounted to approximately 38,844,000 kw. as of Dec. 31, 1938. This is an increase of 319,000 kw. reported during January, 1939, over that previously reported. This figure includes plants owned by electric railways, electric railroads, Federal and State organizations as well as that portion of manufacturing plants which is allocated to the production of electric energy for public use.

PRODUCTION OF ELECTRIC ENERGY FOR PUBLIC USE IN THE UNITED STATES
(In Thousands of Kilowatt-Hours)

Division	By Water Power			By Fuels		
	Oct., 1938	Nov., 1938	Dec., 1938	Oct., 1938	Nov., 1938	Dec., 1938
New England.....	281,993	276,880	332,995	353,651	372,305	358,421
Middle Atlantic.....	558,909	568,828	742,179	1,869,603	1,853,735	1,865,294
East North Central.....	192,650	222,530	195,801	2,146,750	2,187,920	2,347,820
West North Central.....	140,921	149,634	126,195	478,443	450,053	497,157
South Atlantic.....	278,597	364,243	495,475	842,274	793,769	722,700
East South Central.....	326,211	346,649	368,841	215,501	187,996	205,577
West South Central.....	10,853	14,824	15,705	545,069	498,563	509,146
Mountain.....	419,359	430,230	445,037	93,872	102,368	114,314
Pacific.....	1,112,271	1,088,726	1,102,549	98,963	81,168	96,941
Total United States	3,321,764	3,462,544	3,824,777	6,644,126	6,527,877	6,717,370

Production of Electric Energy for Public Use

The production of electric energy for public use by 12-month periods for each of the preceding 12 months is given below.

12 Months Ended—	Production Kilowatt-Hours	% Change from Previous Year
Jan. 31, 1938.....	117,282,000,000	+7
Feb. 28, 1938.....	116,768,000,000	+6
Mar. 31, 1938.....	116,008,000,000	+4
Apr. 30, 1938.....	115,068,000,000	+2
May 31, 1938.....	114,185,000,000	—
June 30, 1938.....	113,323,000,000	-1
July 31, 1938.....	112,515,000,000	-3
Aug. 31, 1938.....	112,069,000,000	-4
Sept. 30, 1938.....	111,687,000,000	-5
Oct. 31, 1938.....	111,504,000,000	-5
Nov. 30, 1938.....	111,940,000,000	-5
Dec. 31, 1938.....	112,735,000,000	-4

Note—Since the above data show production by 12-month periods, all seasons of the year are included in each total, and the effect of seasonal variations is largely eliminated.

TOTAL MONTHLY PRODUCTION OF ELECTRICITY FOR PUBLIC USE

Month	1937	1938	% Change		% Produced by Water Power	
			1936 to 1937	1937 to 1938	1937	1938
January.....	8,939,000,000	9,330,000,000	+13	-5	39	38
February.....	8,956,000,000	8,442,000,000	+12	-6	39	42
March.....	9,946,000,000	9,186,000,000	+18	-8	39	43
April.....	9,609,000,000	8,669,000,000	+14	-10	43	46
May.....	9,719,000,000	8,836,000,000	+13	-9	44	43
June.....	9,820,000,000	8,958,000,000	+12	-9	38	41
July.....	10,090,000,000	9,282,000,000	+9	-8	33	39
August.....	10,381,000,000	9,935,000,000	+11	-4	31	38
September.....	9,981,000,000	9,599,000,000	+7	-4	32	36
October.....	10,149,000,000	9,966,000,000	+4	-2	32	35
November.....	9,554,000,000	9,990,000,000	+2	+5	38	35
December.....	9,747,000,000	10,542,000,000	-3	+8	37	36
Total.....	117,791,000,000	112,735,000,000	+9	-4	37	39

Note—Above data are collected from all plants engaged in generating electric energy for public use and, in addition, from electric railways, electrified steam railroads, and miscellaneous Federal, State, and other plants. Accurate data are received each month representing approximately 98% of the total production shown; the remaining 2% of the production is estimated and corrections are made as rapidly as actual figures are available. Thus, the figures shown for the current month are preliminary while those for the preceding months are corrected in accordance with actual reports received and vary slightly from the preliminary data.

Coal Stock and Consumption

The total stock of coal on hand at electric utility power plants on Jan. 1, 1939, was 9,701,746 tons. This was an increase of 0.3% when compared with Dec. 1, 1938, and a decrease of 7.8% from Jan. 1, 1938. Of the total stock 8,490,978 tons were bituminous coal and 1,210,768 tons were anthracite. Bituminous coal stock increased 0.9% while anthracite stock decreased 4.2% when compared with Dec. 1, 1938.

Electric utility power plants consumed approximately 3,883,971 net tons of coal in December, 1938, of which 3,684,385 tons were bituminous coal and 199,586 tons were anthracite, increases of 4.2% and 14.4%, respectively, when compared with the preceding month.

In terms of days' supply, which is calculated at the current rate of consumption, there was enough bituminous coal on hand Jan. 1, 1939, to last 71 days and enough anthracite for 188 days' requirements.

Construction Awards in January Highest Since May, 1930

Engineering construction awards for January, \$311,693,000, are the highest for any January since 1929, and average \$77,923,000 per week for the month, the highest weekly average for any month since May, 1930, as reported by "Engineering News-Record." On the basis of weekly averages, January construction is 15% higher than December, and 64% above January, 1938.

Public construction is 16.5% above a month ago and 136% above the corresponding month last year. Private awards top December by 7.5%, but are 35.5% below last January. Values of awards for the three months are:

	Jan., 1938 (4 Weeks)	Dec., 1938 (5 Weeks)	Jan., 1939 (4 Weeks)
Total.....	\$190,186,000	\$339,250,000	\$311,693,000
Private.....	79,467,000	59,657,000	51,291,000
Public.....	110,719,000	279,593,000	260,402,000
State and municipal.....	97,807,000	240,204,000	229,050,000
Federal.....	12,912,000	39,389,000	31,352,000

January weekly averages in each class of construction compared with those of December show gains in streets and roads of 55%; public buildings, 8%; commercial building and large-scale housing, 22%; bridges, 8%; waterworks, 28%; earthwork and drainage, 23%; and losses in industrial buildings of 34%; sewerage, 2%; and unclassified construction, 7%.

Comparisons with averages for January, 1938, show increases in streets and roads of 121%; public buildings, 134%; bridges, 330%; waterworks, 1,037%; sewerage, 62%; earthwork and drainage, 106%; unclassified construction, 15%. Industrial buildings and commercial building and large-scale housing are 67 and 34% lower, respectively, than a year ago.

Geographically, all sections gain over their January, 1938 volumes. New England reports the largest gain, 280%, and South the smallest, 12%. On the weekly average basis, all sections except South report increases over December. Far West is 22% higher, New England and Middle Atlantic are 20% higher, and Middle West and west of Mississippi, 17% higher.

New Capital

New capital for construction purposes for January totals \$69,550,000, a 57% increase over a year ago, but 40% below last month. The current month's volume is made up of \$42,867,000 in State and municipal bonds, \$18,645,000 in corporate security issues, and \$8,038,000 in Rural Electrification Administration loans.

Seasonal Index of Ordinary Life Insurance Sales Compiled by Life Insurance Sales Research Bureau

A seasonal index of ordinary life insurance sales in the United States and Canada (based on average 1930-1937 percentages) has been compiled by the Life Insurance Sales Research Bureau, Hartford, Conn., and appears in the current issue of "Manager's Magazine." Supplementing the index, the peak production months for each State are graphically presented in a series of maps, the Bureau announced on Jan 28; it further reported:

The index shows that for the period covered sales receptivity in the United States has proved to be highest in March with 9.4% of the average year's business being sold in this month. December ranks second with 9.2%, and in September the smallest amount (6.8%) is sold.

It is pointed out in the article in "Manager's Magazine" accompanying the index that although life insurance is not a seasonal business to the extent that some industries are, yet there is a definite pattern which is followed year after year, and which varies in different parts of the United States and Canada. A knowledge of this usual seasonal pattern, it is suggested, will more effectively aid not only in judging past results but more especially in planning for the future.

The sales of ordinary life insurance during 1938 were given in these columns of Jan. 28, page 398.

One Percent Increase Noted in Bank Debits

Debits to individual accounts, as reported by banks in leading cities for the week ended Jan. 25, aggregated \$7,512,000,000, or 10% below the total reported for the preceding week and 1% above the total for the corresponding week of last year.

Aggregate debits for the 141 cities for which a separate total has been maintained since January, 1919, amounted to \$6,924,000,000, compared with \$7,680,000,000 the preceding week and \$6,872,000,000 the week ended Jan. 26 of last year.

These figures are as reported on Jan. 30, 1939, by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

SUMMARY BY FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICTS

Federal Reserve District	No. of Centers Incl.	Week Ended—		
		Jan. 25, 1939	Jan. 18, 1939	Jan. 26, 1938
1—Boston	17	\$436,529,000	\$483,941,000	\$400,299,000
2—New York	15	3,311,614,000	3,685,720,000	3,317,153,000
3—Philadelphia	18	368,730,000	414,115,000	379,657,000
4—Cleveland	25	475,237,000	497,751,000	470,752,000
5—Richmond	24	256,994,000	297,606,000	258,262,000
6—Atlanta	26	227,645,000	260,212,000	250,444,000
7—Chicago	41	1,038,478,000	1,159,334,000	1,002,116,000
8—St. Louis	16	224,839,000	236,843,000	220,872,000
9—Minneapolis	17	129,869,000	144,054,000	130,242,000
10—Kansas City	28	244,553,000	283,004,000	240,205,000
11—Dallas	18	189,708,000	218,066,000	212,002,000
12—San Francisco	29	607,993,000	692,283,000	594,812,000
Total	274	\$7,511,989,000	\$8,372,929,000	\$7,456,816,000

Weekly Report of Lumber Movement, Week Ended Jan. 21, 1939

The lumber industry during the week ended Jan. 21, 1939, stood at 56% of the 1929 weekly average of production and 63% of average 1929 shipments. Production was about 62% of the corresponding week of 1929; shipments, about 71% of that week's shipments; new orders about 60% of that week's orders, according to reports to the National Lumber Manufacturers Association from regional associations covering the operations of important softwood and hardwood mills. Reported production and shipments were respectively 3 and 4% greater than in the preceding week, new orders were 3% less, but were 12% above the corresponding week of 1938. Reported production was 33% above last year's week; shipments were 20% above. For softwoods—production, shipments and new orders were respectively 36% greater, 18% greater, and 11% greater than in corresponding week of 1938.

New business (hardwoods and softwoods) was 14% above output and shipments were 11% above output in the week ended Jan. 21. Reported production for the three weeks of the year to date was 33% above corresponding weeks of 1938; shipments were 17% above the shipments, and new orders were 13% above the orders of the 1938 period. The Association further reported:

During the week ended Jan. 21, 1939, 532 mills produced 183,602,000 feet of softwoods and hardwoods combined; shipped 203,136,000 feet; booked orders of 209,925,000 feet. Revised figures for the preceding week were: Mills, 537; production, 178,460,000 feet; shipments, 196,221,000 feet; orders, 216,792,000 feet.

All regions but Southern Cypress, Northern Hemlock, and Northern Hardwood reported new orders above production in the week ended Jan. 21, 1939. All regions but these and West Coast reported shipments above output. All regions but Southern Pine, Northern Pine, and Northern Hemlock reported orders above those of corresponding week of 1938. All regions except Southern Pine reported shipments above last year, and all except Northern Pine and Northern Hardwood reported production above the 1938 week.

Lumber orders reported for the week ended Jan. 21, 1939, by 449 softwood mills totaled 200,885,000 feet, or 14% above the production of the same mills. Shipments as reported for the same week were 193,537,000 feet, or 10% above production. Production was 175,802,000 feet.

Reports from 100 hardwood mills give new business as 9,040,000 feet, or 16% above production. Shipments as reported for the same week were 9,599,000 feet, or 23% above production. Production was 7,800,000 feet.

Identical Mill Reports

Last week's production of 434 identical softwood mills was 174,295,000 feet, and a year ago it was 128,097,000 feet; shipments were respectively 191,554,000 feet, and 161,720,000 feet; and orders received 198,961,000 feet and 179,779,000 feet. In the case of hardwoods, 88 identical mills reported production last week and a year ago 6,390,000 feet and 7,378,000 feet; shipments 7,791,000 feet and 4,504,000 feet, and orders 7,743,000 feet and 5,181,000 feet.

Sugar Futures Trading on New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange During January 60% Above Year Ago—Coffee Futures Trading Below Last Year

Trading in sugar futures on the New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange during January totaled 389,100 tons, approximately 60% better than January, 1937, and 450 tons above December trading, it was announced Feb. 1. December's total was 388,650 while 244,850 tons were done in January, 1937, the Exchange reported, adding:

Domestic contracts contributed 260,250 tons, last month, against 269,900 in December and 151,300 in January, 1937 while the "world" contract trading totaled 128,850 tons in January against 118,750 in December and 93,500 in January a year ago.

Trading in coffee futures totaled 268,500 bags, last month, against 265,500 bags in December and 363,000 bags in January, 1937. Trading in the "D," or Santos contract last month totaled 255,500 bags against 301,500 a year ago while the "A" contract turnover was but 13,000 bags against 61,500 bags in January, 1937.

New Coffee Futures Contract to Be Submitted for Vote of New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange Membership on Feb. 28—To Replace Present "A" Contract

A new coffee futures contract, replacing the present "A" contract, will be submitted to a vote of the members of the New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange on Feb. 28, with trading destined to start on March 1 in contracts for delivery in May, 1939, and thereafter, if favorably approved, the Board of Managers announced Jan. 27. Trading in the current "A" contract will thereupon be prohibited in contracts for delivery beyond February, 1940. The new contract has required many months of thorough study by a special committee and is believed more nearly to meet the requirements of the trade.

The Exchange's announcement of Jan. 27 continued:

Since 1882 the Exchange has had a contract which provided for hedging and other operations against the "run of the mill" coffees of the world. In 1928 a strictly Santos contract, nominated the "D" contract, was adopted which provides that the coffee shall meet definite specifications as to roast and drinking quality. This contract has ably met the demands of the dealers in the "better grades" of coffee. The "A" contract, on the other hand, only requires that the coffee delivered be within the growths enumerated; be commercially sound, and come within the grading specifications set out in the rules. During the 57 years of Exchange trading, the "A" contract has been very little changed. As a rule coffees from nearly every part of the world constitute a good delivery, only coffees of new or unknown growth or coffees with definitely undesirable characteristics being barred. The necessity for change has resulted from the radical change in relative prices among the various growths and the rapid expansion of production of "low" grade coffees in Africa.

Deliverable growths under the proposed new "A" contract will be: coffee of the growths of North, South or Central America, Africa (growth of Uganda, Kenya, Tanganyika and Portuguese West Africa, unless grown from Liberian seed), West or East Indies, Washed Robusta grown in any of the aforesaid localities, or Natural Robusta only of the growth of Netherlands East Indies, and the aforesaid localities of Africa (but excluding Surinams, Java, Liberians, Abyssinians, coffee of similar character and coffees originating from the seed of same wherever produced, and coffees of new or unknown growth).

Farm Price Index of United States Department of Agriculture Dropped 2 points During Month Ended Jan. 15

The Government index of prices of farm products dropped 2 points during the past month, falling to 94% of pre-war in mid-January, compared with 96 on Dec. 15 and with 102 on Jan. 15 a year ago, it was announced Jan. 30. The Bureau of Agricultural Economics, United States Department of Agriculture, attributed the decline chiefly to a sharp break in egg prices and a greater-than-seasonal de-

cline in prices of dairy products. These price reductions more than offset higher prices for grains, meat animals, some fruits, cotton and cottonseed. The following is from the announcement by the Department of Agriculture:

The major farm products now selling higher than a year ago at local farm markets are beef cattle, potatoes, apples, cotton and cotton seed. Lower priced are the truck crops, chickens, eggs, dairy products and grains. Grains as a group are 25 points down from the Government index a year ago.

The Bureau estimated that farmers in mid-January were paying 20% more than pre-war prices for the things they buy, and receiving 6% less than pre-war for the things they sell. The decline in the exchange value of farm products as compared with pre-war amounts to 82%.

Cotton prices advanced about one-half the usual amount at this time of year, but wheat prices did better. Factors helping wheat prices were reports of reduced winter wheat acreage and poor growing conditions. Southern rice markets strengthened during the past month. Corn prices were up more than usual, as were prices of other feed grains.

Petroleum and Its Products—House Seeks Full Details on Mexican Oil Seizure—Eastern States Tangles with Mexican Eagle in Court Fight—Pennsylvania Crude Again Advanced—Daily Average Crude Oil Output Off, Stocks Decline—Other States Join Conservation Drive

The Mexican oil question overshadowed all other developments in the petroleum industry this week as Representative M. J. Kennedy, of New York, introduced a resolution in the House of Representatives Monday calling upon the State Department to lay before the House its full diplomatic correspondence on Mexico expropriations and Mexico's relations to the Fascist powers and to answer certain specific questions on the general Mexico-American relations.

Under the House procedure, Mr. Kennedy explained, the resolution was referred to the Foreign Affairs Committee, and if this committee does not report it within seven days, he has the right to move to discharge the committee and to have the House direct the Secretary of State to answer the inquiries. Included in the "resolution of inquiry" are questions dealing with reported barter deals between the three Fascist nations—Germany, Italy and Japan—and their possible implications.

"I have resorted to this summary procedure provided for in the rules of the House so that the country might have a clear understanding of what appears to be a dangerous situation from the viewpoint of the safety and welfare of this country," Mr. Kennedy's statement declared. "This resolution should serve to clarify the Mexican situation. The American people, unlike people living under dictators, insist on the true facts concerning this most serious situation.

"The country realizes that secret diplomacy often has led to war," he continued, "and that there has been entirely too much mystery about our own diplomatic relations with Mexico and the relations of Mexico with foreign dictators." Last week, Mr. Kennedy introduced a resolution calling for an inquiry by seven members of the House of Representatives into the Mexican situation, but this procedure would take a long time, he explained.

While fireworks were popping in the House of Legislature, New York Federal courts were drawn into the controversy in spectacular fashion. A temporary injunction was granted Tuesday in United States District Court in favor of the Eastern States Petroleum Co. against the Royal Dutch Shell group—the Asiatic Petroleum Corp., Harold Wilkinson, its President; the Anglo-Mexican Petroleum Corp. and others. On the same day, the Mexican Eagle Oil Co., which was drawn into the original suit as a third party defendant, filed a counter-claim against the Eastern States Petroleum Co. for \$1,700,000.

The legal battle started late in 1938 when Eastern States asked an injunction and damages against the Royal Dutch Shell group, which it charged with conspiring to interfere with its operations in violation of the Sherman and Clayton anti-trust laws. Just prior to the filing of the counter-claim, Judge Robert P. Patterson granted a temporary injunction, pending trial, enjoining the defendant oil companies from coercing, threatening or otherwise intimidating Eastern States' customers, mostly in foreign countries, as is charged in the complaint.

The court made it clear in its decision that "redress against any injustice involved in the confiscation must be left to the political branches of our Government and to the British Government." "The courts will not take such alleged injustice into account," the court added, in granting the temporary injunction. However, later in the day, the Mexican Eagle Oil Co. raised the question of the court's position on expropriation when in its counter-claim, it charged that the Eastern States company illegally appropriated more than 1,700,000 barrels of crude belonging to the Mexican Eagle Co. Valuing each barrel at \$1, the company thus sued for \$1,700,000.

In the domestic market outlook, the picture presented was much more cheerful. The second advance within 10 days in the price of Pennsylvania grade crude oils was posted on Jan. 31 by the Joseph Seep Purchasing Agency of the South Penn Oil Co. The previous advance, posted on Jan. 31, was the first increase in prices in this area since 1937. Increased demand from refineries which in turn reflected rising industrial demand for the lubricants which form the principal product for this type of crude was responsible for the reversed price trend.

The advances, which became effective Feb. 1, lifted prices from 8 cents to 15 cents a barrel in the several fields affected by the move. Crude from the Bradford and Allegheny districts increased in value by 8 cents a barrel to \$1.88. Southwest Pennsylvania Pipelines crude went up 10 cents to \$1.53 while a similar raise for Eureka Pipeline crude lifted this grade to \$1.47. Buckeye Pipeline prices went up 15 cents to \$1.45. Corning grade crude held unchanged at \$1.05. The previous advance ranged from 9 to 12 cents a barrel, with Corning also moving up 5 cents a barrel from its closing 1938 price of 97 cents a barrel.

Daily average crude oil production for the third week of January was off 16,200 barrels to 3,248,250 barrels, according to the American Petroleum Institute report. This compared with estimated daily average market demand during January of 3,270,600 barrels set by the U. S. Bureau of Mines in its regular monthly market forecast. A decline of 10,500 barrels in California production, as operators there acted jointly to bring down production, played a major part in the slump with the West Coast State slipping off to 621,700 barrels. Kansas was off 6,600 barrels to 148,600 barrels. Oklahoma was up 3,900 barrels to a daily average of 430,850 barrels; Louisiana up 2,450 barrels to 262,700 and Texas up 550 to 1,290,800 barrels.

Inventories of both domestic and foreign crude held in the United States were drawn upon during the Jan. 14 period, the U. S. Bureau of Mines reported on Jan. 31. Stocks were off 709,000 barrels to a total of 271,110,000 barrels at the half month mark. Domestic stocks were off 615,000 barrels during the week, withholdings of foreign crude easing off some 94,000 barrels.

No change from the January daily average allowable was made in the February quota for California, fixed by the Central Committee of California Oil Producers at 600,000 barrels with a maximum increase for newly-completed wells of 5,000 barrels. The maximum quota for new wells, regardless of size, is 250 barrels daily.

Support for the general move to curtail crude oil production to keep output in line with today's market demand came from Indiana and Michigan during the week. A measure was introduced in the Indiana House of Representatives to give the conservation department the power to regulate the oil and gas well industry and provide for limitation of production. Plans for similar legislation to be introduced in the Michigan Legislature were completed.

Representative price changes follow:

Jan. 31—The Joseph Seep Purchasing Agency of the South Penn Oil Co. posted increases in Pennsylvania grade crude oil ranging from 8 to 15 cents a barrel, effective Feb. 1.

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

Bradford, Pa.	1.88	Eldorado, Ark., 40.	1.05
Lima (Ohio Oil Co.)	1.25	Rusk, Texas, 40 and over.	1.02
Corning, Pa.	1.02	Darst Creek.	1.09
Illinois	1.25	Michigan crude.	1.82
Western Kentucky	1.20	Sunburst, Mont.	1.22
Mid-Cont't., Okla., 40 and above.	1.02	Huntington, Calif., 30 and over.	1.24
Rodessa, Ark., 40 and above.	1.25	Kettleman Hills, 39 and over.	1.25
Smackover, Ark., 24 and over.	.75	Petrolia, Canada.	2.15

REFINED PRODUCTS—STANDARD OF NEW JERSEY CUTS HEATING OIL PRICES—GASOLINE PRICES FIRM—MOTOR FUEL INVENTORIES SPURT—REFINERY OPERATIONS ARE LOWER

The Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey posted reductions of ¼ cent a gallon in the local prices for domestic heating oils, both tank cars and barges, on the final day of January. The company's new schedule posts New York tank car prices for No. 2 oil at 4 cents a gallon, at the plant. Barge prices dropped to 3 7/8 cents a gallon, against 4 1/4 cents previously.

In addition to the cut in the New York market, the company also made two other reductions. No. 2 oil in bulk was cut ½ cent to 4 cents a gallon, in tank cars, at Boston. The same company cut the price for No. 2 heating oil in tank wagons delivered to the trade ¼ cent a gallon to 6 cents a gallon, in northern New Jersey.

Gasoline prices in New York's bulk and retail markets showed little change. The generally unfavorable weather stimulated local price-shading somewhat, but the general market was firm. Uneasiness over the outlook for motor fuel prices in the Spring has arisen over the sustained rise in stocks of finished and unfinished gasoline throughout the nation.

Stocks of finished and unfinished gasoline rose 1,824,000 barrels during the week ended Jan. 21, the American Petroleum Institute report disclosed, with the total reaching 77,279,000 barrels. On the basis of current market demand, this is equal to approximate 66 days' supplies. A year ago, stocks were 85,013,000 barrels, which was equal then to about 75 days' market requirements. Production of gasoline also was stepped up during the week, rising 128,000 barrels to 9,790,000 barrels.

The rise in motor fuel stocks was all the more unsettling in view of the fact that it developed despite a sharp reduction in refinery operations which were off 2.1 points to 78.5% of capacity. While this decline pared daily average runs of crude oil to stills by 75,000 barrels to 3,235,000 barrels, this is still some 100,000 barrels a day higher than they should be if the industry is to maintain a stable statistical position.

The statistical position of the gas and fuel oil industry was strengthened greatly by the mid-week report of the American Petroleum Institute which showed a decline of 1,742,000 barrels in stocks to 139,349,000 barrels. Continued cold weather such as hit much of the country during the past

ESTIMATED UNITED STATES PRODUCTION OF COAL, WITH COMPARABLE DATE ON PRODUCTION OF CRUDE PETROLEUM (In Thousands of Net Tons)

	Week Ended			Coal Year to Date d		
	Jan. 21, 1939	Jan. 14, 1939c	Jan. 22, 1938	1938-39	1937-38	1929-30
Bituminous Coal a--						
Total, including mine fuel.....	8,170	8,030	7,316	280,516	328,284	422,641
Daily average.....	1,362	1,338	1,219	1,140	1,335	1,715
Crude Petroleum b						
Coal equivalent of weekly output.....	5,229	5,106	5,613	220,475	238,887	186,222

a Includes for purposes of historical comparison and statistical convenience the production of lignite, semi-anthracite and anthracite outside of Pennsylvania. b Total barrels produced during the week converted to equivalent coal assuming 6,000,000 B.t.u. per barrel of oil and 13,100 B.t.u. per pound of coal. c Revised. d Sum of 42 full weeks ended Jan. 21, 1939, and corresponding 42 weeks of 1938 and 1929.

ESTIMATED PRODUCTION OF PENNSYLVANIA ANTHRACITE AND BEEHIVE COKE (In Net Tons)

	Week Ended			Calendar Year to Date		
	Jan. 21, 1939	Jan. 14, 1939	Jan. 22, 1938	1939	1938c	1929c
Penn. Anthracite--						
Total, including colliery fuel a.....	1,176,000	990,000	1,327,000	3,081,000	3,341,000	4,546,000
Daily average.....	196,000	165,000	221,200	181,200	196,500	267,400
Commercial production b.....	1,117,000	941,000	1,261,000	2,927,000	3,174,000	4,219,000
Beehive Coke--						
United States total.....	18,400	16,500	28,600	51,800	81,800	341,400
Daily average.....	3,067	2,750	4,767	2,878	4,544	18,967

a Includes washery and dredge coal, and coal shipped by truck from authorized operations. b Excludes colliery fuel. c Adjusted to make comparable the number of working days in the three 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--					Jan. Ave. 1923e
	Jan. 14, 1939p	Jan. 7, 1939p	Jan. 15, 1938r	Jan. 16, 1937r	Jan. 12, 1929	
Alaska.....	2	2	2	2	s	s
Alabama.....	259	249	233	276	382	434
Arkansas and Oklahoma.....	58	80	102	121	168	93
Colorado.....	168	140	164	238	276	226
Georgia and North Carolina.....	2	1	1	1	s	s
Illinois.....	982	975	1,143	1,305	1,686	2,111
Indiana.....	386	370	328	382	439	659
Iowa.....	92	88	98	118	96	190
Kansas and Missouri.....	144	142	172	199	180	607
Kentucky--Eastern.....	630	657	631	835	929	607
Western.....	171	174	201	192	417	240
Maryland.....	33	30	24	41	63	55
Michigan.....	72	70	77	80	75	82
Montana.....	11	30	29	48	61	73
New Mexico.....	57	63	70	60	s59	s50
North and South Dakota.....	446	410	374	552	435	814
Ohio.....	1,856	1,675	1,547	2,614	2,928	3,402
Pennsylvania bituminous.....	94	92	85	112	108	133
Tennessee.....	18	16	17	14	24	26
Texas.....	77	76	56	139	156	109
Utah.....	244	260	212	302	258	211
Virginia.....	42	43	37	54	62	74
Washington.....	1,473	1,365	1,426	1,945	2,106	1,134
West Virginia--Southern.....	582	520	426	614	789	762
Northern.....	112	107	110	170	166	186
Wyoming.....	2	2	1	1	s5	s7
Other Western States.....						
Total bituminous coal.....	8,030	7,648	7,581	10,433	11,884	11,850
Pennsylvania anthracite.....	990	915	1,263	999	1,085	1,968
Grand total.....	9,020	8,563	8,844	11,432	13,569	13,818

a 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. b Rest of State, including the Panhandle District and Grant, Mineral, and Tucker counties. c Includes Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada and Oregon. d Data for Pennsylvania anthracite from published records of the Bureau of Mines. e Average weekly rate for entire month. p Preliminary. r Revised. s Alaska, Georgia, North Carolina, and South Dakota included with "Other Western States."

Non-Ferrous Metals—Lead Advanced During Week as London Strengthens and Buying Here Improves

"Metal and Mineral Markets," in its issue of Feb. 2, reported that sentiment in non-ferrous metals improved moderately during the last week, reflecting slight betterment in London quotations and lessened anxiety over the European political situation. Demand for lead was fairly active and the domestic price was raised \$2 per ton. Copper producers felt encouraged as the export quotation steadied. Inquiry for zinc broadened. Tin broke sharply at the outset of the week, on rumors of selling by the pool, but prices more than regained early losses in the last few days. Quicksilver was higher, following an advance in the foreign quotation. The publication further stated:

Copper

Sentiment in copper circles as the week ended reflected an improved undertone because of less threatening news about the European political situation. Prices in London were higher, and producers here found better inquiry for copper from small domestic consuming interests. Sales in the domestic market during the week totaled 4,356 tons, against 4,104 tons in the previous week. Total sales of domestic copper in January were 15,507 tons against 15,080 tons in December.

Producers held to the 11.25c. quotation, Connecticut Valley basis. During the last week Louis S. Cates, President of Phelps Dodge Corp., said that production of copper is being curtailed at the company's mines to meet the present decrease in the demands of customers. The statement, issued in Bisbee, Ariz., added that production schedules have been arranged with a view to providing for a minimum reduction in personnel.

Exports of refined copper (domestic and foreign) during December amounted to 37,510 short tons, which compares with 27,694 tons in November. Out of the total shipped during December, 3,911 tons went to France; 6,050 tons to Germany; 2,517 tons to Italy, and 19,844 tons to Japan.

Lead

Encouraged by a steadier London market, buyers of lead purchased a good tonnage during the last week. This activity brought about an advance in the price on Jan. 31 of 10 points, establishing the quotation at 4.85c. per pound, New York, and 4.70c., St. Louis. Sales for the week amounted to 7,061 tons, which compares with 2,874 tons in the preceding seven-day period. A substantial proportion of the week's business came from battery makers, the sheet and pipe division, pigment and oxide producers, and the cable industry.

The industry is counting on deliveries for January of at least 40,000 tons. From present indications, consumers are about 60% covered against their estimated February requirements.

The American Smelting & Refining Co. established its settling basis at 4.85c., New York, on Jan. 31.

Zinc

Zinc sales, covering the common grades, were in better volume during the last few days. For the week ended Jan. 28, 1,384 tons of common grades of zinc were sold, and shipments for the same period involved 3,460 tons. Shipments for January in common metal are expected to be around 17,000 tons. Galvanizers report a steady volume of business and zinc producers were encouraged by slightly higher markets abroad.

Quotations for Prime Western remained unchanged on the basis of 4.50c., St. Louis.

Tin

Early in the week the market broke on liquidation in London that accompanied rumors to the effect that the Buffer Pool had sold tin. These rumors were promptly denied, and, as the international situation seemed to improve, prices recovered. On Tuesday, Jan. 31, a fair volume of tin was bought by domestic consumers. Tin-plate operations have moved up to about 45% of capacity.

The January statistics showed an increase in the world's visible supply of tin of 3,686 long tons. This news had no influence on the market. United States deliveries for January amounted to 4,330 tons, against 3,400 tons in December and 5,550 tons in January last year.

Chinese tin, 99%, was nominally as follows: Jan. 26, 43.450c.; Jan. 27, 44.150c.; Jan. 28, 44.150c.; Jan. 30, 44.200c.; Jan. 31, 44.650c.; Feb. 1, 44.625c.

DAILY PRICES OF METALS ("E. & M. J." QUOTATIONS)

	Electrolytic Copper		Strait's Tin	Lead		Zinc
	Dom., Refy.	Exp., Refy.	New York	New York	St. Louis	St. Louis
Jan. 26.....	11.025	9.775	45.200	4.75	4.60	4.50
Jan. 27.....	11.025	9.725	45.500	4.75	4.60	4.50
Jan. 28.....	11.025	9.725	45.900	4.75	4.60	4.50
Jan. 30.....	11.025	9.750	45.950	4.75	4.60	4.50
Jan. 31.....	11.025	9.850	46.400	4.85	4.70	4.50
Feb. 1.....	11.025	9.925	46.375	4.85	4.70	4.50
Average.....	11.025	9.792	45.954	4.783	4.633	4.500

Average prices for calendar week ended Jan. 28 are: Domestic copper, f.o.b. refinery, 11.025c.; export copper, 9.775c.; Straits tin, 45.908c.; New York lead, 4.767c.; St. Louis lead, 4.617c.; St. Louis zinc, 4.500c.; and silver, 42.750c.

The above quotations are "M. & M. M.'s" appraisal of the major United States markets, based on sales reported by producers and agencies. They are reduced to the basis of cash, New York or St. Louis, as noted. All prices are in cents per pound.

Copper, lead and zinc quotations are based on sales for both prompt and future deliveries; tin quotations are for prompt delivery only. In the trade, domestic copper prices are quoted on a delivered basis that is, delivered at consumers' plants. As delivery charges vary with the destination, the figures shown above are net prices at refineries on the Atlantic seaboard. Delivered prices in New England average 0.225c. per pound above the refinery basis.

Export quotations for copper are reduced to net at refineries on the Atlantic seaboard. On foreign business in copper sellers usually name a c.i.f. price—Hamburg, Havre and Liverpool. The c.i.f. basis commands a premium of 0.325c. per pound above f.o.b. refinery quotation.

Daily London Prices

	Copper Std.		Copper Electro.	Tin Standard		Lead		Zinc	
	Spot	3M	(Bid)	Spot	3M	Spot	3M	Spot	3M
Jan. 26.....	42	42 ¹ / ₁₆	47 ³ / ₄	208 ³ / ₄	209 ³ / ₄	14 ¹ / ₁₆	14 ⁵ / ₁₆	13 ³ / ₈	13 ⁹ / ₁₆
Jan. 27.....	41 ¹ / ₂	42 ³ / ₈	47 ³ / ₄	211 ³ / ₄	211 ³ / ₄	14 ³ / ₁₆	14 ³ / ₁₆	13 ¹¹ / ₁₆	13 ¹¹ / ₁₆
Jan. 30.....	42 ⁵ / ₁₆	42 ³ / ₈	47 ³ / ₄	213 ³ / ₄	212 ³ / ₄	14 ³ / ₁₆	14 ³ / ₁₆	13 ¹¹ / ₁₆	13 ¹¹ / ₁₆
Jan. 31.....	42 ³ / ₈	43 ³ / ₈	48 ³ / ₄	216 ³ / ₄	215 ³ / ₄	14 ¹¹ / ₁₆	14 ³ / ₁₆	13 ³ / ₈	13 ¹¹ / ₁₆
Feb. 1.....	42 ¹ / ₁₆	42 ³ / ₈	48 ³ / ₄	216	214 ³ / ₄	14 ¹ / ₁₆	14 ¹¹ / ₁₆	13 ³ / ₈	13 ¹¹ / ₁₆

Prices for lead and zinc are the official buyers' prices for the first session of the London Metal Exchange; prices for copper and tin are the official closing buyers' prices. All are in pounds sterling per long ton (2,240 pounds).

Tin Industry in 1938 Had Less Favorable Year Than 1937—Estimate of World Production and Consumption Below Year Ago

The January issue of the "Statistical Bulletin" published by The Hague Office of the International Tin Research & Development Council said that although figures for the whole year just ended are available for a few countries only, it is possible to form an opinion of the tin industry in 1938. The International quota of tin production averaged 53³/₄% during the year which is just half of that in 1937. Considering that this percentage is inclusive of the Buffer Stock Quota it is clear that the year 1938 was a far less favorable one to the tin industry than 1937.

As to estimated production and consumption in 1938, the New York Office of the Council had the following to say, in an announcement issued Jan. 27 (figures in parentheses refer to the corresponding period of the previous year):

World production in 1938 is estimated at 148,000 tons against 208,300 tons in 1937. The decrease is accounted for by the signatory countries which produced 119,000 (179,740) tons.

World apparent tin consumption in 1938 is estimated at 152,000 (198,700) tons being a decrease of 24% as compared with 1937. Apparent consumption in the United States shows a decrease of 41% to about 50,700 (86,663) tons; in the United Kingdom there was a decrease of 30% to 18,290 (25,971) tons; in the U. S. S. R. of 36% to 16,174 (25,125) tons.

World tinplate production in 1938 is estimated at over 2,900,000 (4,259,000) tons. In the United States there was a heavy decline of 43% to 1,380,000 (2,420,000) tons. In the United Kingdom the decrease was 35% to approximately 620,000 (958,000) tons. In Germany tinplate production decreased by only 20,000 tons, whereas in France there was a slight increase.

The world output of automobiles shows a decrease from 6,358,000 vehicles in 1937 to 3,980,000 vehicles in 1938. Output during the last month was, however, the highest for the year.

The visible supply of tin increased during 1938 by 1,300 tons to 20,900 tons. The carry-over with the Straits and Arnheim Smelters increased by 2,500 tons. The total visible stocks averaged 23,050 tons during the year and were therefore the highest since 1933. The total visible stocks at the end of 1938 was 29,494 tons representing a consumption of approximately 11 weeks.

The average cash price for Standard tin in 1938 was sterling £189.12.1 (sterling £242.6.7) being the lowest since 1932. The average cash price for Straits tin in Singapore was \$95.43 (\$119.75) and in New York \$42.26 (\$54.24).

Steel Ingot Rate Higher as Orders Improve Slightly

The "Iron Age" in its issue of Feb. 2 reported that a gradual improvement in steel buying during January has turned ingot production upward after last week's minor recession. This week's rate is estimated at 53½%, a gain of a point and a half. With an easing of the political tension in Europe, the steel trade is confident of further improvement during February and March. The "Iron Age" further reported:

Railroad buying is still counted on as one of the most cheering prospects, though automotive purchases of steel by late February are also looked forward to as one of the developments that will assist in pushing steel production upward. Tin plate buyers are cautious because of the large carry-over of canned goods, but they cannot delay much longer in whatever preparations are to be made for the 1939 canning season. Tin plate production is about 45% of capacity, with a rising trend indicated for sometime in the near future.

Outstanding railroad orders of the week were 40,507 tons of rails placed by the Southern Pacific and 30,000 tons by the Milwaukee Road, 300 flat cars for the Union Pacific, 25 tank cars for the Great Northern, 20 cars for the Mexican Government Railways and two streamline trains for the Chicago & North Western. Contemplated purchases for which inquiries may appear soon are 700 box cars for the Denver & Rio Grande Western and streamline trains for the Chicago Rock Island & Pacific. The Wabash has been authorized to buy 10,000 tons of rails. Orders for steel from car builders and railroad repair shops are growing to be a more important factor each week in steel mill rollings.

In steel buying the automobile industry continues to pursue a cautious policy in the midst of the winter lull in motor car sales, but car assemblies are maintaining a good pace. Last week's assemblies of 89,200 units compared with 59,385 in the corresponding week last year and with 76,620 in the corresponding week of 1937, which was a 5,000,000-car year.

Sales have been running well ahead of those of January, 1938. Last week's slight loss in assemblies as compared with the previous week was due entirely to the temporary shutdown of one plant, other manufacturers holding to their established schedules.

Although fabricated structural steel awards reached their largest 1938 total in December, 163,445 tons, as reported by the American Institute of Steel Construction, the January total will be considerably lower. The past week's awards were about 22,500 tons and new projects in the market amounted only to 13,500 tons. However, there were reinforcing lettings of 21,500 tons, including 14,000 tons, mostly rods, for the Boston aqueduct, and plate awards of 10,750 tons included 4,000 tons for the same job, which also takes 8,000 tons of sheets, the entire project requiring about 28,000 tons of steel. Siphons at Corbett, Wyo., also took 4,000 tons of plates.

Ten ships awarded to Eastern shipbuilders by the Maritime Commission will take 43,700 tons of steel.

Bids have been invited by the Navy Department by March 22 for the construction of an airplane carrier, which will take 5,000 tons of steel.

It appears likely that some of the smaller mills, particularly in the East, will refrain from bidding on Government work which comes under the Walsh-Healey Act, or, if they do bid and obtain contracts, the work will be segregated in their plants to comply with the 62½¢ per hr. wage minimum, which the Public Contracts Board will put into effect March 1. There is no indication that such mills will raise the minimum pay on non-Government work to 62½¢.

Scrap exports in 1938 totaled 3,003,523 gross tons, the largest on record excepting those of 1937, which were 4,092,590 tons.

The domestic scrap market has not responded this week to the slightly higher steel production rate. The average price in down 12½¢ a ton at Pittsburgh and 25¢ a ton at Chicago, bringing about a reduction in the "Iron Age" composite price of 12½¢ to \$14.875, which is the lowest since early November. A leading producer at Pittsburgh bought about 23,000 tons at \$15.25, though other interests in that territory are still paying as high as \$16. The recent sale at Pittsburgh, together with smaller transactions in the past few weeks, has created an apparent shortage of the No. 1 grade in that area. At Chicago the range on No. 1 steel has become \$13.50 to \$14 instead of a flat \$14, making a 25¢ decline in the average.

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 represent 85% of the United States output.	
	High	Low	
Jan. 31, 1939, 2.286c. a Lb.			
One week ago	2.286c.		
One month ago	2.286c.		
One year ago	2.512c.		
1938	2.512c.	May 17	2.211c. Oct. 8
1937	2.512c.	Mar. 9	2.249c. Mar. 2
1936	2.249c.	Dec. 28	2.016c. Mar. 10
1935	2.062c.	Oct. 1	2.056c. Jan. 8
1934	2.118c.	Apr. 24	1.945c. Jan. 2
1933	1.953c.	Oct. 3	1.972c. May 2

Pig Iron		Based on average of basic iron at Valley furnace and foundry irons at Chicago, Philadelphia, Buffalo, Valley and Southern iron at Cincinnati.	
	High	Low	
Jan. 31, 1939, \$20.61 a Gross Ton			
One week ago	\$20.61		
One month ago	20.61		
One year ago	23.25		
1938	\$23.25	June 21	\$19.61 July 6
1937	23.25	Mar. 9	20.25 Feb. 16
1936	19.73	Nov. 24	18.73 Aug. 11
1935	18.84	Nov. 5	17.83 May 14
1934	17.90	May 1	16.90 Jan. 27
1933	16.90	Dec. 5	13.56 Jan. 3

Steel Scrap		Based on No. 1 heavy melting steel quotations at Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and Chicago.	
	High	Low	
Jan. 31, 1939, \$14.875 a Gross Ton			
One week ago	\$15.00		
One month ago	14.92		
One year ago	14.00		
1938	\$15.00	Nov. 22	\$11.00 June 9
1937	21.92	Mar. 30	12.92 Nov. 16
1936	17.75	Dec. 21	12.67 June 9
1935	13.42	Dec. 10	10.33 Apr. 23
1934	13.00	Mar. 13	9.50 Sept. 25
1933	12.25	Aug. 8	6.75 Jan. 3

The American Iron and Steel Institute on Jan. 30 announced that telegraphic reports which it had received indicated that the operating rate of steel companies having 98% of the steel capacity of the industry will be 52.8% of capacity for the week beginning Jan. 30, compared with 51.2% one week ago, 50.7% one month ago, and 30.5% one year ago. This represents an increase of 1.6 points or 3.1% from the estimate for the week ended Jan. 23, 1939. Weekly indicated rates of steel operations since Jan. 3, 1938, follows:

1938		1938		1938		1938	
Jan. 3	25.6%	Apr. 18	32.4%	Aug. 1	39.8%	Nov. 14	62.6%
Jan. 10	27.8%	Apr. 25	32.0%	Aug. 8	39.4%	Nov. 21	61.9%
Jan. 17	29.8%	May 2	30.7%	Aug. 15	40.4%	Nov. 28	60.7%
Jan. 24	32.7%	May 9	30.4%	Aug. 22	42.8%	Dec. 5	69.9%
Jan. 31	30.5%	May 16	30.7%	Aug. 29	44.0%	Dec. 12	67.6%
Feb. 7	30.7%	May 23	29.0%	Sept. 6	39.9%	Dec. 19	61.7%
Feb. 14	31.0%	May 31	26.1%	Sept. 13	45.3%	Dec. 26	68.8%
Feb. 21	30.4%	June 6	26.2%	Sept. 19	46.7%		
Feb. 28	29.3%	June 13	27.1%	Sept. 26	46.7%	1939	
Mar. 7	29.9%	June 20	28.0%	Oct. 3	47.9%	Jan. 2	50.7%
Mar. 14	32.1%	June 27	28.7%	Oct. 10	51.4%	Jan. 9	51.7%
Mar. 21	33.7%	July 5	22.4%	Oct. 17	49.4%	Jan. 16	52.7%
Mar. 28	35.7%	July 11	32.3%	Oct. 24	53.7%	Jan. 23	51.2%
Apr. 4	32.6%	July 18	36.4%	Oct. 31	56.8%	Jan. 30	52.8%
Apr. 11	32.7%	July 25	37.0%	Nov. 7	61.0%		

"Steel" of Cleveland, in its summary of the iron and steel markets, on Jan. 30 stated:

Steel demand, slow to gather momentum, is receiving better support from railroads, while building and engineering construction continues a major outlet for heavy products.

Buying elsewhere is somewhat hesitant. This situation is seen as only temporary, however, since consumption generally is steady or rising slightly. Absence of major changes in specifications is reflected in slight variations in steelmaking since the initial post-holiday recovery. Operations last week were unchanged at 51.5%.

So far this month, nothing has developed to alter expectations of a moderate upturn in steel production later this quarter. Because of surplus stocks at the opening of the year, some consumers have deferred new buying of sheets and strip. Mills have reduced heavy backlogs accumulated in these products last quarter, and quiet in new ordering is tending to curtail output.

Influence of prices on purchases was slight prior to recent circulation of a report that the structure had weakened. Despite absence of confirmation, and vigorous denials by producers, this rumor has contributed to buyer hesitancy. Chronic weakness still prevails in some products, principally in resale markets, but quotations on most commodities are steady.

Rails ordered last week totaled more than 151,000 tons. Backlog of one producer already is in excess of its total 1938 production, but since shipment will be spread over several months, immediate effect of recent orders on operations will be moderate.

Latest purchases include 25,000 tons for Southern Ry., 40,472 tons for Southern Pacific, 6,000 tons for Soo Line, 5,200 tons for Seaboard Air Line, in addition to 8,000 tons placed previously, and 74,214 for Union Pacific. The last named also ordered 26,000 tons of fastenings.

Railroad equipment buying is quiet. Several thousand freight cars remain pending and repair work is slightly more active, but conservatism still dominates expenditures by the carriers.

Structural shape awards and inquiries are lighter, as the contracting phase of the public works program is waning, but large tonnages are to be shipped against previous orders. Reinforcing bar orders were bolstered sharply last week by the placing of 14,000 tons for an aqueduct in the Boston district. For the same work 16,000 tons of sheets and 5,000 tons of plates were awarded. Structural bookings include 6,550 tons for the Delaware aqueduct, New York.

Automobile production remains unusually heavy, all factors considered. Last week's output of 89,200 was a decrease of only about 1,000 units and left assemblies more than 50% larger than a year ago. A January total almost equal to that of the corresponding 1936 month is indicated. Seasonal slackening is seen for February, although heavier orders for steel are in prospect, following only small purchases the past few weeks.

An upturn in tin plate production, currently about 45% of capacity, is looked for shortly, since heavier buying for can requirements of food packers is due. Expressions at last week's canners' convention point to a 25% increase in tin plate output this year.

Operations at most steelmaking centers were unchanged last week. Pittsburgh increased 4 points to 46% and Cleveland was up 1 point to 60. On the other hand, Chicago was down 2.5 points to 45.5, Youngstown dropped 7 points to 45, and Cincinnati was off 3 points to 52. Indicative of wide variation in activity of different steel products, three Chicago mills are operating at better than any rate attained in 1938, while two plants are at the lowest level since last summer.

Steady schedules continued in other districts, including eastern Pennsylvania at 34, Wheeling at 64, Buffalo at 44, Birmingham at 77, New England at 70, St. Louis at 40, and Detroit at 88.

Scrap is more active on mill purchases at Chicago and Pittsburgh, but a 50-cent reduction in heavy melting steel in the latter market lowers the scrap composite 8 cents to \$14.71. The finished steel composite continues \$56.50.

Steel ingot production for the week ended Jan. 30, is placed at 52% of capacity according to the "Wall Street Journal" of Feb. 2. This compares with 53% in the previous week and 52% two weeks ago. The "Journal" further reported:

U. S. Steel is estimated at 49%, against 48% in the week before and 49% two weeks ago. Leading independents are credited with 54%, compared with 57% in the preceding week and 54% two weeks ago.

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

	Industry	U. S. Steel	Independents
1939	52	49	54
1938	32½ + 1½	32½ + 1	32½ + 1½
1937	80	74	85
1936	50½ - ½	43	57
1935	54	47	59
1934	36½ + 2½	32	40
1933	19	16½ + ½	21
1932	26½ - 2	27	26
1931	47	51	44
1930	76½ + 3	80	73
1929	86	88	83½
1928	84	89	79
1927	78	86½	71

Current Events and Discussions

The Week with the Federal Reserve Banks

During the week ended Feb. 1 member bank reserve balances decreased \$119,000,000. Reductions in member bank reserves arose from increases of \$40,000,000 in money in circulation, \$16,000,000 in Treasury cash and \$120,000,000 in Treasury deposits with Federal Reserve banks, offset in part by increases of \$54,000,000 in gold stock and \$5,000,000 in Treasury currency. Excess reserves of member banks on Feb. 1 were estimated to be approximately \$3,480,000,000, a decrease of \$120,000,000 for the week.

The statement in full for the week ended Feb. 1 will be found on pages 686 and 687.

Changes in the amount of Reserve bank credit outstanding and related items were as follows:

	Increase (+) or Decrease (-) Since		
	Feb. 1, 1939	Jan. 25, 1939	Feb. 2, 1938
Bills discounted.....	5,000,000		-6,000,000
Bills bought.....	1,000,000		
U. S. Government securities.....	2,564,000,000		
Industrial advances (not including \$13,000,000 commitments—Feb. 1).....	15,000,000		-3,000,000
Other Reserve bank credit.....	-2,000,000	-1,000,000	-2,000,000
Total Reserve bank credit.....	2,582,000,000	-1,000,000	-12,000,000
Gold stock.....	14,694,000,000	+54,000,000	+1,939,000,000
Treasury currency.....	2,817,000,000	+5,000,000	+160,000,000
Member bank reserve balances.....	9,047,000,000	-119,000,000	+1,798,000,000
Money in circulation.....	6,663,000,000	+40,000,000	+340,000,000
Treasury cash.....	2,770,000,000	+16,000,000	-878,000,000
Treasury deposits with F. R. bank.....	887,000,000	+120,000,000	+744,000,000
Non-member deposits and other Federal Reserve accounts.....	725,000,000	-1,000,000	+82,000,000

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

Below is the statement of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System 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 will not be available until the coming Monday.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN CENTRAL RESERVE CITIES

(In Millions of Dollars)

	New York City			Chicago		
	Feb. 1, 1939	Jan. 25, 1939	Feb. 2, 1938	Feb. 1, 1939	Jan. 25, 1939	Feb. 2, 1938
Assets—						
Loans and investments—total.....	7,587	7,589	7,823	2,111	2,092	1,933
Loans—total.....	2,901	2,946	3,285	524	523	615
Commercial industrial and agricultural loans.....	1,356	1,354	1,703	343	339	410
Open market paper.....	125	127	175	17	17	29
Loans to brokers and dealers.....	642	681	611	32	35	37
Other loans for purchasing or carrying securities.....	187	190	211	65	66	73
Real estate loans.....	116	116	127	13	13	13
Loans to banks.....	78	79	36	---	---	---
Other loans.....	397	399	422	54	53	52
U. S. Gov't direct obligations.....	2,648	2,670	3,123	1,149	1,132	958
Obligations fully guaranteed by United States Government.....	903	863	398	116	114	101
Other securities.....	1,135	1,110	1,017	322	323	259
Reserve with Fed. Res. banks.....	4,395	4,368	2,764	702	754	592
Cash in vault.....	50	54	49	31	33	22
Balances with domestic banks.....	73	74	65	210	206	167
Other assets—net.....	411	412	472	51	49	61
Liabilities—						
Demand deposits—adjusted.....	6,777	6,797	5,852	1,593	1,610	1,421
Time deposits.....	617	617	651	470	469	469
United States Govt. deposits.....	116	116	343	83	83	62
Inter-bank deposits:						
Domestic banks.....	2,706	2,689	2,125	683	695	562
Foreign banks.....	507	480	379	9	9	6
Borrowings.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other liabilities.....	310	318	337	13	16	15
Capital account.....	1,483	1,480	1,486	254	252	240

Complete Returns of 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 given out on Thursday, simultaneously with the figures of the Reserve banks themselves and covering the same week, instead of being held until the following Monday, before which time the statistics covering the entire body of reporting member banks in 101 cities cannot be compiled.

In the following will be found the comments of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System 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 Jan. 25:

The condition statement of weekly reporting member banks in 101 leading cities shows the following principal changes for the week ended Jan. 25: A decrease for the week of \$24,000,000 in commercial, industrial and agricultural loans, and increases of \$51,000,000 in reserve balances with Federal Reserve banks and \$28,000,000 in demand deposits—adjusted.

Commercial, industrial and agricultural loans declined \$17,000,000 in New York City and \$24,000,000 at all reporting member banks. Loans to banks increased \$6,000,000 in New York City.

Holdings of United States Government direct obligations declined \$15,000,000 in New York City, and increased \$11,000,000 in the Chicago district and \$4,000,000 at all reporting member banks. Holdings of obligations fully guaranteed by the United States Government increased \$10,000,000 in New York City and \$1,000,000 at all reporting member banks. Holdings of "Other securities" declined \$15,000,000 in New York City and \$7,000,000 at all reporting member banks.

Demand deposits—adjusted increased \$13,000,000 in the Chicago district and \$28,000,000 at all reporting member banks, and declined \$10,000,000 in the Boston district. Time deposits increased \$5,000,000.

Deposits credited to domestic banks increased \$21,000,000 in New York City and declined somewhat in most of the other districts, all reporting member banks showing a net decrease of \$8,000,000 for the week.

Weekly reporting member banks reported no borrowings on Jan. 25.

A summary of the principal assets and liabilities of reporting member banks, together with changes for the week and the year ended Jan. 25, 1939, follows:

	Jan. 25, 1939	Increase (+) or Decrease (-) Since	
		Jan. 18, 1939	Jan. 26, 1938
Assets—			
Loans and investments—total.....	21,428,000,000	a-11,000,000	+153,000,000
Loans—total.....	8,281,000,000	-9,000,000	-757,000,000
Commercial, industrial and agricultural loans.....	3,765,000,000	-24,000,000	-630,000,000
Open market paper.....	327,000,000	+2,000,000	-132,000,000
Loans to brokers and dealers in securities.....	835,000,000	+9,000,000	+29,000,000
Other loans for purchasing or carrying securities.....	540,000,000	a-3,000,000	-77,000,000
Real estate loans.....	1,173,000,000	+3,000,000	+11,000,000
Loans to banks.....	101,000,000	+6,000,000	+34,000,000
Other loans.....	1,540,000,000	a-2,000,000	+8,000,000
U. S. Gov't direct obligations.....	8,186,000,000	a+4,000,000	+10,000,000
Obligations fully guaranteed by United States Government.....	1,733,000,000	+1,000,000	+594,000,000
Other securities.....	3,228,000,000	-7,000,000	+306,000,000
Reserve with Fed. Res. banks.....	7,596,000,000	+51,000,000	+1,861,000,000
Cash in vault.....	427,000,000	+3,000,000	+122,000,000
Balances with domestic banks.....	2,580,000,000	a-4,000,000	+534,000,000
Liabilities—			
Demand deposits—adjusted.....	16,152,000,000	+28,000,000	+1,569,000,000
Time deposits.....	5,179,000,000	+5,000,000	-34,000,000
United States Government deposits.....	630,000,000	---	-23,000,000
Inter-bank deposits:			
Domestic banks.....	6,347,000,000	-8,000,000	+1,025,000,000
Foreign banks.....	545,000,000	+4,000,000	+120,000,000
Borrowings.....	---	---	-1,000,000

a Jan. 18 figures revised.

Japan Plans to Keep Troops in China Indefinitely—War Minister Itagaki Announces Intentions to Diet—Japanese Forces Continue Conquest Around Hankow, While Chinese Flee Chungking

Lieutenant-General Seishiro Itagaki, Japanese War Minister, told the Diet in Tokyo on Jan. 30 that Japan intends to maintain military forces in China indefinitely. A previous reference to this question was made on Dec. 22, when former Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye stated that troops would be retained at "certain specified points" in China as a defense against Communism. A reference to the Sino-Japanese conflict appeared in these pages Jan. 14, page 205. Two Japanese columns this week are said to have continued to increase their conquest area around Hankow, while about 30,000 Chinese were reported fleeing daily from Chungking, Chinese provisional capital, to escape raiding Japanese bombers. As to this, Associated Press, Jan. 31, advices from Shanghai said:

Far to the north, Japanese were reported yesterday to be reinforcing garrisons, leading Chinese military officials to believe a long-threatened offensive designed to subjugate Mongol areas was imminent.

General Fu Tso-yi, Chairman of the Suiyuan Provincial Government and Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese Northern Army, reported to Chungking, however, that his defenses were ready for the expected onslaught, which would menace the munitions route from Urga, south of the Siberian-Mongolian border, across the Gobi Desert to Lanchow and Sian.

Chungking, 1,400 miles from the mouth of the Yangtze River, is located on a rocky promontory between the Yangtze and Chialing Rivers. It is backed by high mountains. Most of the refugees, utilizing every possible craft for crossing the Chialing, are fleeing deeper into the interior.

About 800,000 persons have been crowded within the five-mile ancient wall that encircles the city.

With fighting flaring on widely scattered fronts, the Japanese again are engaging in their favorite tactics of extensive bombing operations designed to destroy defenses and undermine Chinese morale before throwing their infantry into action. Chinese military officials estimated 1,200 enemy aircraft now are engaged in the far-flung raids.

Besides Chungking, Japanese targets include:

Yenan, Communist center, in Shensi Province, where the casualties in a series of attacks are estimated at 1,200.

The 80-mile stretch of the Lung-Hai Railway linking Sian, Shensi Province, with Tungkwan, to the east near the point where Shensi, Shansi and Honan Provinces come together.

Along the Canton railway and South China military bases, especially Kweilin, capital of Kwangsi Province; Kweiyang, capital of Kweichow; and Chuchow, in Hunan, junction of the Canton railway and the recently opened Pingsiang Railroad.

The Canton sector, especially around Tsungta and Samshui, where the Japanese infantry has been stalemated for six weeks.

Strategic points in Southwestern China, especially Pakhoi, where Japanese have been threatening to land troops, and Wuchow, astride the route into Kwangsi from Canton.

Kuomin, Chinese news agency, reported from Chungking that a Japanese who asserted he was the Japanese Consul in Hanoi had been arrested in Kwangsi, near the French Indo-China border, while allegedly attempting to obtain information on Chinese military transportation. He was brought to Chungking for trial, the dispatch said.

In the interior, Japanese driving northwest of Hankow occupied Kingshan, about 75 miles from the fallen provisional capital.

Admiral Harry E. Yarnell, Commander of the United States Asiatic Fleet, and Consul General Clarence E. Gauss declared today they saw no reason why the lower Yangtze River should not be opened to trade of all nations.

They returned aboard the patrol boat Isabel from an inspection tour begun Jan. 18, the first joint voyage of ranking American naval and diplomatic officials up the river since the Japanese occupation.

The cruise showed the river quiet, at least to Wuhu, 50 miles above Nanking, with most of the booms that the Chinese had erected against

the invaders done away with. A huge section of the one at Kiangyin remained, but a Japanese warship was at hand to conduct all ships through the barrier. This appeared to be unnecessary, since there was a sufficiently broad opening to permit skirting the boom, it was said.

Another Associated Press dispatch of Jan. 30, from Tokio, added the following regarding Minister Itagaki's announcement:

The War Minister, in response to a question, said the army would station troops over wide areas of China "for a considerably long time," and added that it was impossible to tell just how long. "The stationing of Japanese troops (in China) is necessary from various viewpoints, particularly the strategic," he said. "The army already has made full preparations for this. Construction of the necessary barracks is under way, and the army is studying measures to furnish provisions, clothing and medical services for the troops."

The questioner then asked the views of the Navy Minister, Admiral Mitumasa Yonai, who replied: "The navy considers the Yangtze Valley especially important, has dispatched a strong fleet to this area and plans to strengthen this even after the end of the (China) incident." (Japan's closing of the Yangtze to foreign traffic because of "military necessity" has been a point of friction between Tokio and Western Powers.)

Another point of Japanese policy, the anti-Communist pact with Germany and Italy, came up for Diet discussion in questions asked of Premier Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma and Foreign Minister Hachiro Arita. Both said that the pact would be strengthened but added: "It is impossible at present to disclose what steps are contemplated."

It was reported from Peiping on Jan. 31 that General Wu Pei-pu, former Chinese military leader, was prepared to conduct peace negotiations with Japanese army commanders. Associated Press Peiping advices of Jan. 31 revealed this report as follows:

"If I am to lead a peace movement as requested by both Japanese and Chinese I must be given adequate power to accomplish this difficult task," he declared.

"Negotiations in this direction are now going on with Japanese military headquarters here. I am confident that everything will be arranged satisfactorily to me if I agree to assume leadership.

"My record shows my constant efforts for peace."
General Wu said nothing regarding a new Central Government for Japanese-occupied areas of China, and his statements committed him to no new official position. There have been reports that he had agreed to head such a government.

The General, who once was considered anti-Japanese, appeared calm and unruffled as more than 100 Japanese correspondents surged around him. Non-Japanese correspondents at the interview were searched as many as three times by Chinese police guards.

Odd-Lot Trading on New York Stock Exchange During Week Ended Jan. 28

The Securities and Exchange Commission on Feb. 2 made public a summary for the week ended Jan. 28 of the corrected figures on odd-lot stock transactions of odd-lot dealers and specialists on the New York Stock Exchange, continuing a series of current figures being published weekly by the Commission. The figures for the week ended Jan. 21 were given in our Jan. 28 issue, page 509.

The data published are based upon reports filed with the Commission by odd-lot dealers and specialists.

ODD-LOT STOCK TRANSACTIONS OF ODD-LOT DEALERS AND SPECIALISTS ON THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, WEEK ENDED JAN. 28, 1939

Trade Date	SALES (Customers' Orders to Buy)			PURCHASES (Customers' Orders to Sell)		
	No. Ord.	Shares	Value	No. Ord.	Shares	Value
Jan. 23	11,592	316,071	\$10,438,665	8,774	244,811	\$8,007,127
Jan. 24	10,071	272,803	8,608,613	9,406	269,313	8,225,750
Jan. 25	5,670	148,714	4,937,942	4,489	122,770	3,876,100
Jan. 26	9,358	251,195	8,036,085	7,332	211,837	6,715,768
Jan. 27 & 28	9,828	263,900	8,395,821	9,781	268,414	8,110,797
Total for week	46,519	1,252,883	\$40,417,126	39,782	1,117,145	\$34,935,542

Member Trading on New York Stock and New York Curb Exchange During Week Ended Jan. 14

Trading by all members of the New York Stock Exchange and the New York Curb Exchange (except odd-lot dealers on the stock market) for their own account during the week ended Jan. 14 was below the previous week, it was announced yesterday (Feb. 3) by the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Stock Exchange members traded for their own account in amount of 2,706,617 shares, an amount which was 23.17% of total transactions of 5,840,840 shares on the Exchange during the week ended Jan. 14. During the preceding week ended Jan. 7, trading by the Stock Exchange members amounted to 2,968,539 shares, or 23.28% of total transactions of 6,375,110 shares.

On the New York Curb Exchange total round-lot transactions for account of all members during the week ended Jan. 14 were 414,125 shares; as total transactions on the Curb Exchange during the week amounted to 953,410 shares, the member trading for their own account was 21.72% of total transactions, which compares with a percentage of 23.57% in the preceding week ended Jan. 7, when member trading amounted to 469,610 shares and total transactions to 996,345 shares.

The data issued by the SEC is in the series of current figures being published weekly in accordance with its program embodied in its report to Congress in June, 1936, on the "Feasibility and Advisability of the Complete Segregation of the Functions of Broker and Dealer." The figures for the week ended Jan. 7 were given in our issue of Jan. 28, page 508-509. In making available the data for the week ended Jan. 14, the Commission said:

The data published are based upon weekly reports filed with the New York Stock Exchange and the New York Curb Exchange by their respective members. These reports are classified as follows:

	New York Stock Exchange	New York Curb Exchange
Total number of reports received	1,083	817
1. Reports showing transactions as specialists	207	107
2. Reports showing other transactions initiated on the floor	279	57
3. Reports showing other transactions initiated off the floor	293	103
4. Reports showing no transactions	493	571

Note—On the New York Curb Exchange the round-lot transactions of specialists in stocks in which registered are not strictly comparable with data similarly designated for the New York Stock Exchange, since specialists on the New York Curb Exchange perform the functions of the New York Stock Exchange odd-lot dealer, as well as those of the specialist.

The number of reports in the various classifications may total more than the number of reports received because, at times, a single report may carry entries in more than one classification.

STOCK TRANSACTIONS ON THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE FOR ACCOUNT OF MEMBERS* (SHARES)
Week Ended Jan. 14, 1939

	Total for Week	Per Cent a
A. Total round-lot volume	5,840,840	
B. Round-lot transactions for account of members (except transactions for odd-lot accounts of specialists and odd-lot dealers):		
1. Transactions of specialists in stocks in which they are registered—Bought	656,100	
Sold	684,610	
Total	1,340,710	11.48
2. Other transactions initiated on the floor—Bought	441,500	
Sold	474,500	
Total	916,000	7.84
3. Other transactions initiated off the floor—Bought	215,147	
Sold	234,760	
Total	449,907	3.85
4. Total—Bought	1,312,747	
Sold	1,393,870	
Total	2,706,617	23.17
C. Transactions for the odd-lot accounts of specialists and odd-lot dealers:		
1. In round lots—Bought	202,400	
Sold	102,230	
Total	304,630	2.61
2. In odd lots—Bought	722,235	
Sold	837,640	
Total	1,559,875	

STOCK TRANSACTIONS ON THE NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE FOR ACCOUNT OF MEMBERS* (SHARES)
Week Ended Jan. 14, 1939

	Total for Week	Per Cent a
A. Total round-lot volume	953,410	
B. Round-lot transactions for account of members:		
1. Transactions of specialists in stocks in which they are registered—Bought	138,105	
Sold	150,430	
Total	288,535	15.13
2. Other transactions initiated on the floor—Bought	37,755	
Sold	36,725	
Total	74,480	3.91
3. Other transactions initiated off the floor—Bought	25,940	
Sold	25,170	
Total	51,110	2.68
4. Total—Bought	201,800	
Sold	212,325	
Total	414,125	21.72
C. Odd-lot transactions for account of specialists—Bought	75,201	
Sold	67,709	
Total	142,910	

* The term "members" includes all Exchange members, their firms and their partners, including special partners.

a Shares in members' transactions as per cent of twice total round-lot transactions. In calculating these percentages the total of members' transactions is compared with twice the total round-lot volume on the Exchange for the reason that the total of members' transactions includes both purchases and sales while the Exchange volume includes only sales.

Market Value of Listed Stocks on New York Stock Exchange Jan. 31, \$44,884,288,147, Compared with \$47,490,793,969 Dec. 31—Classification of Listed Stocks

The New York Stock Exchange announced on Feb. 2 that as of the close of business on Jan. 31, 1939 there were 1,235 stock issues aggregating 1,424,782,189 shares listed on the New York Stock Exchange, with a total market value of \$44,884,288,147. This compares with 1,237 stock issues aggregating 1,424,252,369 shares listed on the Exchange Dec. 31, 1938, with a total market value of \$47,490,793,969, and with 1,259 stock issues, aggregating 1,422,402,089 shares with a total market value of \$39,242,676,837 on Feb. 1, 1938. In making public the Jan. 31 figures the Exchange said:

As of the close of business Jan. 31, 1939, New York Stock Exchange member total net borrowings in New York City on collateral amounted to \$666,496,878. The ratio of these member total borrowings to the market value of all listed stocks on this date was, therefore, 1.48%. Member borrowings are not broken down to separate those only on listed share collateral from those on other collateral; thus these ratios usually will exceed the true relationship between borrowings on all listed shares and their market values.

As of Dec. 31, 1938, New York Stock Exchange member total net borrowings in New York City on collateral amounted

\$666,496,877 Jan. 31 from \$717,084,329 Dec. 31. As compared with Jan. 31, 1938, when the loans outstanding amounted to \$597,418,040, the figure for the end of January, 1939, represents an increase of \$69,078,837.

Demand loans outstanding on Jan. 31 were below the Dec. 31 figure but above the Jan. 31, 1938, total, while time loans were below both a month and a year ago. The demand loans on Jan. 31 totaled \$632,513,340, as compared with \$681,885,192 Dec. 31 and \$490,954,040 at the end of January, 1938. Time loans at the latest date were reported at \$33,983,537, against \$35,199,137 and \$106,464,000, respectively, a month and a year ago.

The monthly compilation of the Stock Exchange for Jan. 31, 1939, as issued by the Exchange Feb. 2, follows:

New York Stock Exchange member total net borrowings on collateral, contracted for and carried in New York as of the close of business Jan. 31, 1939, aggregated \$666,496,877. The detailed tabulation follows:

	Demand	Time
(1) Net borrowings on collateral from New York banks or trust companies.....	\$589,997,440	\$33,558,537
(2) Net borrowings on collateral from private bankers, brokers, foreign bank agencies or others in the City of New York.....	42,515,900	425,000
	\$632,513,340	\$33,983,537
Combined total of time and demand borrowings.....		\$666,496,877
Total face amount of "government securities" pledged as collateral for the borrowings included in items (1) and (2) above.....		21,906,500

The scope of the above compilation is exactly the same as in the loan report issued by the Exchange a month ago.

Below we furnish a two-year compilation of the figures

	Demand Loans		Time Loans		Total Loans	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1937—						
Jan. 31.....	719,105,327	307,266,765	1,026,372,092			
Feb. 27.....	734,435,343	340,396,796	1,074,832,139			
Mar. 31.....	792,419,705	366,264,500	1,158,684,205			
Apr. 30.....	804,749,884	382,529,500	1,187,279,384			
May 29.....	777,836,642	374,376,346	1,152,212,988			
June 30.....	818,832,335	367,495,246	1,186,327,581			
July 31.....	836,864,420	336,893,088	1,173,757,508			
Aug. 31.....	872,462,148	313,987,000	1,186,449,148			
Sept. 30.....	732,505,016	366,615,500	1,099,120,516			
Oct. 30.....	493,340,168	232,282,704	725,622,872			
Nov. 30.....	498,567,175	189,219,404	687,786,579			
Dec. 31.....	511,885,305	147,331,000	659,219,305			
1938—						
Jan. 31.....	490,954,040	106,464,000	597,418,040			
Feb. 28.....	492,198,814	84,763,000	576,961,814			
Mar. 31.....	455,549,419	65,567,500	521,116,919			
Apr. 30.....	413,578,029	53,188,500	466,766,529			
May 30.....	418,490,405	40,873,500	459,363,905			
June 30.....	431,926,400	37,961,000	469,887,400			
July 30.....	459,217,933	34,398,000	493,615,933			
Aug. 31.....	508,992,407	32,498,000	541,490,407			
Sept. 30.....	484,019,538	40,183,000	524,202,538			
Oct. 31.....	540,439,140	40,302,497	580,741,637			
Nov. 30.....	577,444,170	42,514,100	619,958,270			
Dec. 31.....	681,885,192	35,199,137	717,084,329			
1939—						
Jan. 31.....	632,513,340	33,983,537	666,496,877			

* Revised.

Cleveland Stock Exchange Lengthens Trading Day 15 Minutes

The Board of Governors of the Cleveland Stock Exchange on Jan. 30 decided upon a 15-minute extension of the daily trading period to 3:15 p. m. and 12:15 p. m. on Saturdays. It was explained that odd-lot traders will be enabled to complete deals made just before the close of the New York Stock Exchange and that investors will be given the opportunity to act after the New York market has closed. The Cleveland Exchange will give this arrangement a 90-day trial, starting Feb. 1.

Problem of Relief Important Factor in General Business Situation Says Guaranty Trust Co. of New York—Stresses Need of Bringing Within "a Balanced Federal Budget" That Part of Burden Which Is Unavoidable

As long as 21,300,000 of our inhabitants, according to current estimate, constituting nearly one-sixth of the entire population, are receiving one or more forms of public relief, it is evident that a situation exists that is strongly inimical to economic and social progress, says the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York in discussing the rising cost of relief and business recovery in the June 30 issue of "The Guaranty Survey," its monthly review of business and financial conditions. "The Survey" says:

If the experience after the 1921-22 depression is repeated in the present instance, the effects will, of course, be much more serious, since the relief burden has reached a point where it involves a heavy drain on the public treasuries. For this reason, the problem of relief has become an important factor in the general business situation. Yet it is only through business recovery that the need for relief can be diminished and the ability of the Nation to carry the burden increased.

Considerations of this kind explain the deep concern with which people in general have come to view the relief question. It is undeniable that there is a burden which must be borne in critical emergencies. But it is equally clear that the present situation cannot be allowed to continue, and there is reason to doubt whether the necessary improvement can take place without radical changes in the approach to the problem. That part of the load which is unavoidable and permanent, or semi-permanent, must be placed on a sound financial basis and brought within a balanced Federal budget. To achieve this aim it will probably be necessary, and certainly desirable, to administer relief as such, instead of combining it with other objectives. It may be possible to decentralize, in whole or in part, both the administration and the financial burden of relief by returning the task to the State and local governments. And it would certainly contribute to a sound solution of the problem to create a closer coordination between the relief and the reemployment agencies of the various governmental units.

Either by these or other means, the Nation must be relieved of the superfluous part of the relief load and must be placed in a position to carry the remainder as long as may be necessary without incurring the risk of permanent damage to the quality of its population and the soundness of its economic system.

It is noted in "The Survey" that "no civilized country today will voluntarily allow any of its citizens to remain in want of the necessities of life as a result of conditions beyond their control." It adds:

But the very necessity of relief makes it essential that its administration be placed on a permanently practical basis, and to this end it is indispensable that the principal features of the existing situation be understood as widely as possible.

President Roosevelt estimated in his budget message this month that Federal expenditures for unemployment relief in the current fiscal year will be 37% greater than a year ago and 8½% above the previous peak two years ago. Not only have these expenditures increased at a time of expanding business activity; but, viewed in longer perspective, the rise represents a continuation of an irregular upward trend in aggregate relief payments covering the entire recovery period to date and running concurrently with a general downward tendency in unemployment.

Estimates of the Social Security Board indicate that obligations incurred from Federal, State, and local funds for payments to recipients of public relief in November, the latest month for which figures are available, amounted to \$275,167,000, the highest monthly figure on record, exceeding for the eighth successive month the previous peak in March, 1936.

Strictly relief expenditures by Federal, State and local governments from the beginning of 1933 to the end of November, 1938, according to the figures of the Social Security Board, totaled slightly more than \$12,600,000,000. The great bulk of this total was expended by the Federal Government.

After the 1921-22 depression, relief expenditures did not return to the pre-depression level. There was a temporary recession from the depression peak; but relief expenditures continued to mount in subsequent years, despite the fact that the period was generally considered the most prosperous in the history of the country.

Change in Form on Which Banks Submit Statement of Condition—Revised with Respect to Information for Depositors and Stockholders and That Required for Supervisory Purposes—New Classification of Loans

A change in the condition reports of banks is noted in the Federal Reserve Bulletin for January, issued Jan. 13. It is announced therein that the form has been revised both as to information required to be published in behalf of depositors and stockholders, and also as to that needed for supervisory purposes. From the Bulletin we quote as follows:

In order to improve the statistical information obtained from banks and to simplify somewhat the task of reporting, the Comptroller of the Currency, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System have together worked out a revised report of condition for banks. This report has been adopted by each of the Federal agencies in a nearly identical form, most of the differences among the adopted forms being required for statutory and administrative purposes. In addition, the Executive Committee of the National Association of Supervisors of State Banks approved this report form and recommended that, so far as practicable, it be adopted by State banking departments. The form is being used by the Federal agencies for the current call for reports of condition.

The general use of a standard condition report form will simplify the problem of preparing reports for State banks, since most of them submit reports to either the Reserve System or the FDIC as well as to their State banking departments. Many State bank members of the Federal Reserve System will also be relieved of the obligation of publishing two different reports for the same call date. This duplication occurred when there was a difference in the form of the reports required for publication by the State authorities and by the Federal Reserve. With the standardized condition report a single publication may be made to satisfy all legal requirements for any one call date.

The report form has been revised both with respect to the general statement of condition which is required to be published for the information of depositors and stockholders and with respect to the special schedules that supply information needed for supervisory purposes and for analysis of banking and credit developments. Additional information of importance will be supplied by the new report. At the same time some less important sections of the previous form have been condensed or eliminated so as to simplify for banks the preparation of the report.

With respect to banking and credit statistics the most important changes in the form are a revision in the classification of loans and the reporting of information regarding maturities of security holdings. The new classification of loans is similar to that used in weekly reports obtained from member banks in 101 leading cities and is based more on purpose of loan than on type of collateral. Information will be obtained on commercial and industrial loans, on agricultural loans, and on loans made for the purpose of purchasing and carrying securities, as well as on open-market paper, brokers' loans, and real estate loans.

Security holdings will be reported with practically the same detailed classifications as to issuers as before and, in addition, for the broad classifications figures will be given as to holdings of securities maturing in five years or less. For United States Government obligations additional maturity groupings will be shown.

On the report to be published additional information to be given includes holdings of obligations of State and political subdivisions and also the deposits of these bodies. Investments and other assets indirectly representing bank premises or other real estate are to be reported separately, rather than being included in loans or investments as heretofore. Borrowings, which recently have been small, are to be reported in one rather than four items. The reporting of the capital account has been greatly simplified, primarily to enable depositors to see at a glance the amount and principal kinds of the bank's capital funds. Secured and preferred liabilities, as well as pledged assets heretofore published, are included in the new form of published report.

A short schedule for reporting whether or not the bank has any affiliates is contained in the body of the report, so as to make it unnecessary for most banks, which have no affiliates, to submit a separate schedule on affiliates.

The standardized condition report is to be accompanied by detailed instructions for the preparation of the report. These instructions are for the purpose of assisting banks in preparing their reports of condition. Particular attention is given to those sections of the report which have previously caused confusion. For this reason the instructions should reduce the amount of correspondence and revision which heretofore has been necessary in the tabulation of such reports and should improve the comparability of the reported figures.

This standardization of the condition report and of the accompanying instructions is the result of work and negotiations extending over several

years, and important contributions have been made by several groups outside the Federal agencies, such as the National Association of Supervisors of State Banks, the Reserve City Bankers Association, and the National Association of Bank Auditors and Comptrollers.

Stock of Money in the Country

The Treasury Department in Washington has issued the customary monthly statement showing the stock of money in the country and the amount in circulation after deducting the moneys held in the United States Treasury and by Federal Reserve banks and agents. The figures this time are for Dec. 31, 1938, and show that the money in circulation at that date (including, of course, what is held in bank vaults of member banks of the Federal Reserve System) was \$6,856,408,515, as against \$6,786,994,297 on Nov. 30, 1938, and \$6,550,274,478 on Dec. 31, 1937, and comparing with \$5,698,214,612 on Oct. 31, 1920. Just before the outbreak of the World War, that is, on June 30, 1914, the total was only \$3,459,434,174. The following is the full statement:

KIND OF MONEY	MONEY HELD IN THE TREASURY		MONEY OUTSIDE OF THE TREASURY		Population of Continental United States (Estimated)
	Total	Am't. Held as Security Against Certificates of 1890	Field for Federal Reserve Banks and Agents	All Other Money	
Gold	14,511,623,988	11,872,756,933	2,581,444,500	2,815,444,500	0.57
Gold certificates	b(1,872,756,933)	458,760,236	2,853,086	41,558,222	0.32
Stand. silver dollars	507,079,218	1,137,623,911	256,215,332	1,339,001,043	10.25
Silver bullion	b(1,137,623,911)	3,465,116	1,167,772	1,167,772	0.01
Silver certificates	376,226,654	3,237,444	15,438,647	357,322,891	2.73
Trees, notes of 1890	159,057,029	346,681,016	87,418,306	257,209,189	1.16
Subsidiary silver	346,681,016	13,904,632	370,795,085	4,408,347,343	33.71
Minor coin	4,790,017,060	174,436	287,500	27,617,540	2.1
United States notes	28,079,476	732,871	1,596,820	200,634,166	1.53
Fed. Reserve notes	202,963,857	13,469,141,100	6,554,452,641	6,856,408,515	52.46
Fed. Res. bank notes	22,099,352,209	156,039,431	3,498,435,102	6,786,994,297	51.96
National bank notes	21,771,069,452	156,039,431	3,575,362,490	6,560,274,478	90.46
Tot. Dec. 31 1938	16,175,513,829	13,469,141,100	10,285,429,399	10,125,636,968	130,614,000
Comparative totals:					
Nov. 30 1938	15,950,024,654	13,261,472,075	8,797,087,474	8,797,087,474	130,614,000
Dec. 31 1937	14,233,535,437	10,613,544,761	6,313,878,326	6,313,878,326	129,818,000
Oct. 31 1920	2,436,864,530	718,074,378	1,212,360,791	1,212,360,791	107,096,000
Mar. 31 1917	2,952,020,313	2,681,691,072	1,173,850,216	1,173,850,216	103,716,000
June 30 1914	3,878,825,099	1,507,178,879	1,842,669,804	1,842,669,804	99,027,000
Jan. 1 1879	1,007,084,483	21,602,640	90,817,762	90,817,762	48,231,000

* Revised figures.

a Does not include gold other than that held by the Treasury.

b These amounts are not included in the total, since the gold or silver held as security against gold and silver certificates and Treasury notes of 1890 is included under gold, standard silver dollars, and silver bullion, respectively.

c This total includes credits with the Treasurer of the United States payable in gold certificates in (1) the Gold Certificate Fund—Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System in the amount of \$8,972,275,185 and (2) the redemption fund or Federal Reserve notes in the amount of \$9,873,139.

d Includes \$1,800,000,000 Exchange Stabilization Fund and \$142,218,462, balance of increment resulting from reduction in weight of the gold dollar.

e Includes \$59,300,000 lawful money deposited as a reserve for Postal Savings deposits.

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

The money in circulation includes any paper currency held outside the continental limits of the United States.

Note—There is maintained in the Treasury—(i) as a reserve for United States notes and Treasury notes of 1890—\$156,039,431 in gold bullion; (ii) as security for Treasury notes of 1890—an equal dollar amount in standard silver dollars (these notes are being canceled and retired on receipt); (iii) as security for outstanding silver certificates—silver in bullion and standard silver dollars of a monetary value equal to the face amount of such silver certificates; and (iv) as security for gold certificates—gold bullion of a value at the legal standard equal to the face amount of such gold certificates. Federal Reserve notes are obligations of the United States and a first lien on all the assets of the issuing Federal Reserve bank. Federal Reserve notes are secured by the deposit with Federal Reserve agents of a like amount of gold certificates or of gold certificates and such discounted or purchased paper as is eligible under the terms of the Federal Reserve Act, or, until June 30, 1939, of direct obligations of the United States if so authorized by a majority vote of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Federal Reserve banks must maintain a reserve in gold certificates of at least 40%, including the redemption fund which must be deposited with the Treasurer of the United States, against Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation. "Gold certificates" as herein used includes credits with the Treasurer of the United States payable in gold certificates. Federal Reserve bank notes and National bank notes are in process of retirement.

New Record Figures for Assets, Deposits and Depositors of Mutual Savings Banks of 17 States Reported by National Association—Deposits in 1938 Increased \$109,050,300

New record figures for assets, deposits and number of depositors were announced on Feb. 2 by the National Association of Mutual Savings Banks, representing about one-fifth of all American bank deposits. Although the increase was moderate in each case, it reflected the present steady trend of savings, as pointed out by Henry R. Kinsey, President of the Association. Mr. Kinsey stated:

The fact that mutual savings accounts were so well maintained in a difficult year provides a basis for confidence in the year ahead. No indicator reflects public welfare more accurately than its savings accounts and the fact that millions of citizens find even a small surplus to put aside shows the public will toward thrift. We do not look for any large increase of savings, but every sign points to a continued steady trend.

As to the figures for the past year, the Association's announcement of Feb. 2 said:

On Dec. 31 total deposits in mutual savings banks which operate in 17 States amounted to \$10,235,431,452, an increase for the year of \$109,050,300. This was the top figure for mutual institutions in more than a century of operation. The three leading States were New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

On the same date accounts numbered 15,156,553, a gain of 578,367 for the year. These figures included all classes of deposits. In this case leading States were New York, Massachusetts and Washington.

Assets on Dec. 31 reached the new high mark of \$11,571,017,036, the gain for 1938 being \$70,392,732. New York led, followed by Pennsylvania and Washington.

The composite surplus account of mutual institutions declined slightly, by \$15,043,115 to \$1,304,174,434, which provided 12.7c. reserve for every dollar of deposits, one of the highest ratios ever established for any large accumulation of capital. The average interest rate paid to depositors was 2.36% per bank, a decrease of seven points in the year, further emphasizing the difficulty of profitable investment under current conditions.

The average account stood at \$675.31, a decrease of \$19.32 in the year. Mr. Kinsey said that the increase of accounts was the true measure of saving, and the gain of more than half a million depositors in the year he pronounced a satisfactory barometer of public thrift.

Increase of 44% in Home Mortgage Loans Made by New York State Savings and Loan Associations During December Over a Year Ago

An increase of 44% in the number of mortgage loans on homes made by all savings and loan associations in New York State during December, 1938 over December, 1937, was reported on Jan. 25 by Zebulon V. Woodard, Executive Vice-President of the New York State League of Savings and Loan Associations. This large increase in loans for December it is stated is especially significant following the announcement last month of an increase of 23% in home loans by these associations during November, 1938, over a like period in 1937. The League also says:

The increase of 44% in number of loans for December is further augmented by an increase of 30% in the amount of money loaned. This is arrived at from figures submitted by 105 of the State League's 225 members. The reporting institutions, with assets totaling \$179,591,443, show 705 actual loans, amounting to \$1,930,190, from which is estimated the total for all savings and loan associations in the State of 1,487 loans in a grand total of \$4,072,700.

The 705 loans reported include 383, totaling \$1,343,235, for construction and purchase of new homes; 156, totaling \$394,932, refinanced; 59, totaling \$73,169 for modernization, repairs, &c.; and 107 other loans totaling \$118,854.

The savings figures reported by the 105 associations show that 178,453 thrifty persons paid in a total of \$3,441,849 during December, 1938, in share accounts.

New Offering of \$100,000,000, or Thereabouts, of 91-Day Treasury Bills—To Be Dated Feb. 8, 1939

Tenders to a new offering of \$100,000,000, or thereabouts, of 91-day Treasury bills to be received at the Federal Reserve Banks, or the branches thereof, up to 2 p. m., Eastern Standard Time, Feb. 6, were invited on Feb. 2 by Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr. Tenders will not be received at the Treasury Department, Washington. The bills, which will be sold on a discount basis to the highest bidders, will be dated Feb. 8 and will mature on May 10, 1939; on the maturity date the face amount of the bills will be payable without interest. There is a maturity of a similar issue of bills on Feb. 8 in amount of \$100,729,000. The following is from Secretary Morgenthau's announcement of Feb. 2:

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 Feb. 6, 1939, 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 Feb. 8, 1939.

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.

Treasury Department Circular No. 418, as amended, and this notice prescribe the terms of the Treasury bills and govern the conditions of their issue.

Tenders if \$302,689,000 Received to Offering of \$100,000,000 of 91-day Treasury Bills—\$100,587,000 Accepted at Average Rate of 0.002%

A total of \$302,689,000 was tendered to the offering of \$100,000,000 or thereabouts of 91-day Treasury bills dated Feb. 1 and maturing May 3, 1939, it was announced on Jan. 30 by Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr. Of this amount, Secretary Morgenthau said, \$100,587,000 was accepted at an average rate of 0.002%.

The tenders to the offering of Treasury bills were received at the Federal Reserve banks and the branches thereof up to 2 p. m., Eastern Standard Time, Jan. 30. Reference to the offering appeared in our issue of Jan. 28, page 511. The following regarding the accepted bids to the offering is from Secretary Morgenthau's announcement of Jan. 30:

Total applied for, \$302,689,000. Total accepted, \$100,587,000.
 Range of accepted bids:
 High, 100.000.
 Low, 99.999; equivalent rate approximately 0.004%.
 Average price, 99.999; equivalent rate approximately 0.002%.
 (63% of the amount bid for at the low price was accepted.)

Subscriptions Totaling \$2,774,480,000 Received to \$100,000,000 Offering of United States Housing Authority 1 3/8% Notes—\$114,146,000 Allotted

The subscription and allotment figures with respect to the offering last week of \$100,000,000, or thereabouts, of 1 3/8% notes of Series B of the United States Housing Authority were announced by the Treasury Department on Feb. 1. Total subscriptions received to the offering totaled \$2,774,480,000, of which \$114,146,000 were allotted. The sale which was over-subscribed nearly 28 times is said to have set a new high record for any issue offered publicly by the Treasury. Reference to the offering was made in our Jan. 28 issue, page 511.

Subscriptions and allotments, as announced by the Treasury Department, were divided among the several Federal Reserve Districts and the Treasury as follows:

Federal Reserve District	Subscriptions	Allotments	Federal Reserve District	Subscriptions	Allotments
Boston	\$149,836,000	\$6,120,000	Minneapolis	45,468,000	2,037,000
New York	1,421,605,000	57,049,000	Kan. City	61,877,000	2,653,000
Philadelphia	171,303,000	6,992,000	Dallas	54,675,000	2,635,000
Cleveland	194,705,000	8,047,000	San Fran	123,665,000	4,996,000
Richmond	90,241,000	3,955,000	Treasury	9,500,000	380,000
Atlanta	75,986,000	3,518,000			
Chicago	292,712,000	12,340,000			
St. Louis	82,909,000	3,694,000			
			Total	\$2,774,480,000	\$114,146,000

Treasury to Offer \$300,000,000 of RFC Notes on Feb. 6

The Treasury Department will offer on Feb. 6 \$300,000,000 of notes of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, it was made known Feb. 1. The notes will be dated Feb. 15, 1939, and will mature on Jan. 15, 1942. The interest rate and other details will be made public Monday (Feb. 6). This issue will be the second in which the Treasury has acted as fiscal agent for the RFC; the previous one being for \$200,000,000 of three-year 7/8% notes sold last July 11 (as was reported in these columns of July 23, page 507). The new notes will be guaranteed by the Government both as to principal and interest and will be exempt from all taxation (except surtaxes, estate, inheritance and gift taxes).

Treasury Department Issues New Bulletin—Similar Publications Will Be Compiled Monthly in Future—Contains Data on Receipts and Disbursements, Public Debt, Capital Movements, &c.

The Treasury Department on Feb. 1 issued a new publication entitled "Bulletin of the Treasury Department," containing statistical analysis of receipts and disbursements, composition of the public debt, capital movements and

monetary data, and other Treasury statistics. The current "Bulletin" is for the month of January. In a foreword, Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau said that similar publications will be issued monthly, and that there will be incorporated in them information additional to that which is included in the first issue. He added:

The purpose of the "Bulletin" is to extend knowledge of the public finances, monetary developments and activities of the Treasury Department by making information available in a more compact and usable form. The material herein contained supplements or recapitulates data contained in the "Daily Treasury Statement" and other publications and press releases of the Treasury Department.

Only a limited number of copies is being prepared, for the present distribution will be restricted in the main to periodical publications desiring to make use of the material and to public officers. Other requests may be filled only to the extent of the limited supply.

I shall be glad to receive and to give careful consideration to suggestions for improving the "Bulletin" so as to make it serve its purpose more adequately.

The January "Bulletin" contains 36 pages of tables. In almost all cases, the data are brought down to Dec. 31, 1938.

Treasury Department Statement Showing Amount of Government Securities Held as Investments in Trust Funds as of Dec. 31

Figures showing the amount of Government and other securities held in governmental trust accounts and by governmental agencies and corporations as of Dec. 31 were made available on Jan. 31 by Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr. This is the eleventh in a new series of monthly reports issued by the Treasury Department. The previous statement was given in our issue of Jan. 14, page 212. The present statement—as of Dec. 31—shows a total of \$5,032,381,000 of securities held as investments in trust funds and in accounts of governmental agencies, of which \$4,716,758,000 were Government securities, \$271,291,000 Government-guaranteed securities, and \$44,332,000 other securities. The statement in full is given below:

SECURITIES HELD AS INVESTMENTS IN TRUST FUNDS AND IN ACCOUNTS OF CERTAIN GOVERNMENTAL CORPORATIONS AND AGENCIES

Fund or Agency	Government Securities	Government-guaranteed Securities	Other Securities *
<i>As of Dec. 31, 1938—</i>	\$	\$	\$
Postal Savings System	957,415,000	166,834,000	-----
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation	369,094,000	-----	-----
Individual Indian trust funds	42,470,000	80,000	21,000
Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund and Housing Insurance Fund	19,686,000	-----	-----
Federal Savings & Loan Insurance Corp.	10,809,000	104,267,000	-----
Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund	459,900,000	-----	-----
U. S. Govt. Life Insurance Fund (1)	778,832,000	-----	41,999,000
D. C. Teachers' Retirement Fund (2)	6,006,000	95,000	1,694,000
Allen Property Custodian Fund	31,010,000	-----	-----
Panama Canal Zone funds (1)	1,850,000	5,000	290,000
General Post Fund, Veterans' Admin.	1,067,000	-----	1,000
Library of Congress Trust Fund (2)	1,000	-----	273,000
D. C. Workmen's Compensation Fund (1)	10,000	-----	11,000
Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Fund (1)	117,000	10,000	43,000
German Special Deposit Account	3,957,000	-----	-----
National Institute of Health Gift Fund	83,000	-----	-----
Comptroller of the Currency Employees' Retirement Fund	1,243,000	-----	-----
Pershing Hall Memorial Fund	198,000	-----	-----
National Park Trust Fund (2)	12,000	-----	-----
Ainsworth Library Fund, Walter Reed General Hospital	10,000	-----	-----
District of Columbia Water Fund	736,000	-----	-----
Unemployment Trust Fund	1,064,000,000	-----	-----
Railroad Retirement Account	75,700,000	-----	-----
Old-age Reserve Account	862,300,000	-----	-----
Foreign Service Retirement and Disability Fund	3,519,000	-----	-----
Canal Zone Retirement and Disability Fund (1)	4,001,000	-----	-----
Adjusted Service Certificate Fund	22,200,000	-----	-----
Alaska Railroad Retirement and Disability Fund	532,000	-----	-----
Totals	4,716,758,000	271,291,000	44,332,000
<i>As of Dec. 31, 1938—</i>	\$	\$	\$
Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation	-----	-----	761,630,000
Federal Land banks	64,729,000	-----	-----
Federal Intermediate Credit banks	69,000,000	5,000,000	-----
Banks for Cooperatives	64,037,000	23,495,000	6,000,000
Production Credit corporations	16,176,000	3,619,000	25,853,000
Production Credit associations	6,138,000	6,862,000	75,347,000
Joint Stock Land banks, a	2,055,000	6,897,000	25,000
Federal Home Loan banks	37,401,000	8,255,000	-----
Home Owners' Loan Corporation	1,100,000	-----	-----
Reconstruction Finance Corporation	48,029,000	-----	-----
Inland Waterways Corporation, a	3,487,000	-----	-----
U. S. Spruce Production Corporation	125,000	-----	-----
U. S. Housing Authority	350,000	-----	-----
Total	312,618,000	54,128,000	868,855,000

Note—All trust funds may be invested in Government and Government-guaranteed securities, and certain funds may also be invested in additional securities as indicated: (1) In Federal Farm Loan bonds; (2) no limitations.
 * Consist principally of Federal Farm Loan bonds and Federal Intermediate Credit Banks debentures. a Latest figures available.

Treasury Gold Receipts and Silver Receipts by United States Mints and Assay Offices for Fourth Quarter of 1938

The Treasury net gold receipts during the fourth quarter of 1938 amounted to \$751,870,000, it was announced on Jan. 29. Included in this total was \$49,120,000 of newly-mined domestic gold, \$701,000,000 of imports and \$1,750,000 of miscellaneous (secondary and other) gold. During the third quarter the receipts totaled \$796,430,000.

The Treasury also reported that purchases of silver during the fourth quarter were 141,456,200 fine ounces, compared

with 74,341,600 fine ounces in the third quarter. Of the total amount reported in the fourth quarter 17,429,400 fine ounces was newly-mined domestic silver, received under the Executive Proclamation of Dec. 21, 1933, while 124,026,800 fine ounces was received under the Silver Purchase Act of June 19, 1934.

The official figures, as made available by the Treasury Department on Jan. 29, showing the gold receipts and silver receipts by the United States mints and assay offices for the fourth quarter, follow:

TREASURY GOLD RECEIPTS * (NET)

	Oct.-Dec., 1938
Newly mined domestic	\$49,120,000
Imports	701,000,000
Miscellaneous (secondary and other)	1,750,000
Total	\$751,870,000

SILVER RECEIPTS BY UNITED STATES MINTS AND ASSAY OFFICES (Fine Ounces)

	Quarter Oct. Dec., 1938	Aggregate Dec. 31, 1938
Newly mined domestic silver (Executive Proclamation Dec. 21, 1933)	17,429,400	253,142,900
Nationalized silver (Executive Proclamation Aug. 9, 1934)		113,032,900
Purchase Act silver (Act June 19, 1934)	124,026,800	1,535,699,800

* Figures on basis of \$35 per fine ounce. The figures for the third quarter of 1938 were given in these columns of Oct. 29, page 2612.

Less Than Half of Corporations Making Income Tax Returns for 1936 Had Net Income—275,696 Out of 530,779 Reported Deficits—Treasury Publishes Tabulations Based on Internal Revenue Survey

Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau on Jan. 23 made public the first of a series of tabulations on income for 1936, prepared under the direction of Guy T. Helvering, Com-

missioner of Internal Revenue, showing that of 530,779 corporate returns filed for 1936 only 203,161 showed net income, 275,696 showed no net income and 51,922 represented inactive corporations for which there were no income data. The aggregate gross income reported by all active corporations was \$132,277,933,226. The total net income of corporations in the net income classification was \$9,478,241,475, while the deficit of corporations with no net income amounted to \$2,152,023,715. Returns with net income showed normal tax of \$1,024,792,938, surtax on undistributed profits of \$144,972,284, excess-profits tax of \$21,612,551, and a total tax of \$1,191,377,773. Other extracts from the Treasury statement are given below:

The returns were filed under the following Revenue Acts: Those for the calendar year 1936 and for a fiscal year or part year ended in the period January through June, 1937, have data relating to the normal tax and surtax on undistributed profits under the provisions of the Revenue Act of 1936, and excess-profits tax data under the provisions of the Revenue Acts of 1935 and 1936; those with fiscal year or part year ended prior to Dec. 31, 1936, have income tax data under the provisions of the Revenue Act of 1934, and excess-profits tax data under the provisions of the Revenue Act of 1935.

The tabulations include returns for the calendar year 1936, returns for a fiscal year ended in the period July, 1936, through June, 1937, and part year returns for which the greater part of the accounting period falls in 1936. For the tabulations of the returns with a year ended prior to Dec. 31, 1936, which show income tax data under the provisions of the Revenue Act of 1934, the gross income, deductions, net income and deficit have been arbitrarily adjusted to conform to the definitions of these items under the Revenue Act of 1936, but the income tax and excess-profits tax have not been adjusted according to the provisions of the Revenue Act of 1936.

Preliminary corporation income tax figures for 1936, as made public by the Internal Revenue Department in August, were referred to in our issue of Aug. 13, 1938, page 975. Details of the figures shown in the 1936 returns were made public as follows by the Treasury Department on Jan. 23:

CORPORATIONS, 1936, BY MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUPS—NUMBER OF RETURNS, GROSS INCOME, NET INCOME OR DEFICIT, NORMAL TAX SURTAX ON UNDISTRIBUTED PROFITS, AND EXCESS-PROFITS TAX, FOR RETURNS WITH NET INCOME AND WITH NO NET INCOME. (Money Figures in Thousands of Dollars)

Industrial Groups	Total Number of Returns	Returns with Net Income (*)				Returns with No Net Income (*)					
		Number	Gross Income (x)	Net Income (y)	Normal Tax (z)	Surtax on Undistributed Profits	Excess-Profits Tax (z)	Number	Gross Income (x)	Deficit (y)	
Agriculture and related industries	9,860	2,920	523,992	65,837	7,666	989	328	6,025	201,757	32,707	
Mining and quarrying	18,174	5,146	2,069,330	300,048	35,083	3,025	504	8,642	998,165	124,146	
Manufacturing:											
Food and kindred products	13,057	6,233	8,824,076	417,565	53,544	5,221	1,310	6,028	1,566,015	37,743	
Liquors and beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic)	3,333	1,767	1,473,579	176,013	23,074	5,080	649	1,294	198,162	13,324	
Tobacco products	379	153	1,188,166	127,968	17,825	538	69	211	27,440	1,198	
Textile mill products	7,827	3,903	3,596,772	221,904	29,697	5,476	863	3,782	914,367	44,055	
Clothing and apparel	8,203	3,633	1,759,677	56,344	7,219	1,226	232	4,455	523,088	14,044	
Leather and its manufactures	2,401	1,200	1,043,709	50,647	6,683	974	134	1,144	239,163	14,272	
Rubber products	618	330	910,991	54,771	7,377	1,143	119	259	50,872	3,183	
Forest products	6,722	3,145	1,291,734	86,841	10,771	1,927	559	3,360	456,523	37,950	
Paper, pulp and products	2,371	1,440	1,437,416	123,346	16,367	2,986	276	848	291,362	15,816	
Printing, publishing and allied industries	12,735	5,469	1,792,311	188,475	23,307	4,064	452	3,508	275,689	18,769	
Chemicals and allied products	7,174	3,303	3,649,269	479,278	57,408	6,681	1,063	53	389	888,562	21,110
Petroleum and other mineral oil products	852	357	3,716,885	224,627	20,723	2,895	53	507	193,925	16,607	
Stone, clay and glass products	3,970	1,781	1,196,817	161,516	21,187	2,813	507	2,015	183,925	17,915	
Metal and its products	19,772	10,467	10,501,257	1,113,920	147,102	24,552	3,777	8,563	2,068,625	74,915	
Motor vehicles, complete or parts	801	367	4,621,105	433,348	59,700	5,778	696	390	163,117	11,654	
Manufacturing not elsewhere classified	6,021	2,378	1,370,245	155,967	19,143	3,899	534	3,047	293,020	17,878	
Total manufacturing	96,236	45,926	48,373,998	4,072,531	521,125	75,243	11,294	46,104	8,580,830	370,993	
Construction	17,997	6,202	1,309,003	74,136	9,082	2,030	661	10,443	703,504	37,305	
Transportation and other public utilities	27,486	11,196	8,756,897	1,376,520	164,155	8,516	757	13,657	4,055,288	353,885	
Trade	149,805	69,263	34,810,717	1,136,419	143,572	25,107	4,868	76,257	8,460,652	213,049	
Service—Professional, amusements, hotels, &c.	64,426	18,445	2,545,580	232,164	26,028	5,506	912	41,258	2,103,413	243,235	
Finance—Banking, insurance, real estate, holding companies, stock and bond brokers, &c.	132,715	43,866	6,371,607	2,219,938	118,006	24,550	2,286	71,828	2,405,346	771,494	
Nature of business not given	14,080	197	2,630	648	76	7	2	1,482	5,222	5,200	
Grand total	530,779	203,161	104,763,755	9,478,241	1,024,793	144,972	21,613	275,696	27,514,178	2,152,024	

* Unlike former years, "net income" or "deficit" represents the amount for excess-profits tax computation (item 27, p. 2 of return), which is equal to the difference between "total income" and "total deductions" (item 14 and 26, respectively, p. 2 of return) and also between "gross income and "deductions" in this table. Net income or deficit includes dividends received on stock of domestic corporations subject to taxation under Title I of the effective Revenue Acts (item 12(a), p. 2 of return) and interest received on certain Government obligations, which is subject to excess-profits tax (item 8, p. 2, of return), and excludes contributions or gifts (limited to 5% of net income before deduction of contributions or gifts).

x "Gross income" and "deductions" (these we omit; equal difference between gross and net income.—Ed.) correspond to "total income" and "total deductions" (items 14 and 26, respectively, p. 2 of return), plus, in each instance, "cost of goods sold" and "cost of operations" (items 2 and 5, p. 2 of return). Unlike former years, "gross income" includes interest received on certain Government obligations, which is subject to excess-profits tax (item 8, p. 2, of return), and "deductions" include contributions or gifts (limited to 5% of net income before deduction of contributions or gifts) and exclude dividends received on stock of domestic corporations (item 12(a), p. 2, of return).

y Includes the following amounts: Income tax of \$59,289,827 reported on returns with fiscal year or part year ended prior to Dec. 31, 1936; graduated normal tax of \$930,438,197, and flat normal tax of \$35,064,914, for corporations exempt from the graduated rates, reported on returns for the calendar year 1936 and for fiscal year ended in period January through June, 1937.

z Corresponds to item 28, p. 2, of return. To secure "net income for income tax computation" (item 29, p. 2, of return), this amount of excess profits tax is subtracted from the "net income for excess-profits tax computation" (item 27, p. 2, of return).

President Roosevelt Urges Americans to Contribute to Red Cross to Help Chilean Earthquake Victims

President Roosevelt in a statement issued Feb. 1 urged the American people to help those suffering from the Chilean earthquake disaster which occurred Jan. 24 by making contributions to the American Red Cross. The President said that the effects of the catastrophe become hourly more serious and that the need for hospital supplies, food and clothing is imperative. He concluded by saying that the disaster "is of such tragic proportions as to merit the most prompt and generous response from the American public." The President's statement follows:

The effects of the catastrophe which has overtaken the people of Chile become hourly more serious. The need for hospital supplies, food and clothing is imperative. Perhaps greater than all else is the need for prompt and practical help that may further strengthen the magnificent morale shown by a people afflicted by an appalling calamity.

It is desirable not only to make the best effort we can to help our friends and neighbors who are in distress, but to make this effort in the most effective way. Therefore, I urge all those individuals, institutions and organizations whose sympathies are aroused by the grief and suffering of thousands in Chile to coordinate their efforts and to make their contributions through the American Red Cross which, from the outset of this disaster, has been giving assistance through its sister society, the Chilean Red Cross.

Some days ago I instructed the United States Army and Navy to cooperate in every practical way. Since medicines and other hospital supplies are of paramount importance, I am glad to say that United States army planes have already landed in Chile with emergency supplies. This cooperation on the part of this government will be continued.

In accordance with their traditional practice, the American people will surely wish to give such assistance as they can to peoples of other lands who are in distress, particularly when, as in the present case, those suffering from disaster are the nationals of an American republic bound to the people of the United States by close ties of understanding and of friendship. The Chilean disaster is of such tragic proportions as to merit the most prompt and generous response from the American public.

A reference to Chilean earthquake and the President's offer of aid made last week was given in our Jan. 28 issue, page 508.

Re-Statement by President Roosevelt of United States Foreign Policy—Reported as Characterizing as Misrepresentation of Facts Accounts of White House Conference with Senate Military Affairs Committee—Sale of Planes to France

In Associated Press advices from Washington yesterday (Feb. 3) it was stated that President Roosevelt permitted

newspaper men to quote him directly on what he described as his re-statement of United States foreign policy. These advices continued:

"The policy," he said, "has not changed and it is not going to change. If you want a comparatively simple statement of the policy, I will give it to you, and Kannee (Henry Kannee, official stenographer) can copy it out afterwards:

"No. 1.—We are against any entangling alliances, obviously.

"No. 2.—We are in favor of the maintenance of world trade for everybody—all nations—including ourselves.

"No. 3.—We are in complete sympathy with any and every effort made to reduce or limit armaments.

"No. 4.—As a Nation—as American people—we are sympathetic with the peaceful maintenance of political, economic and social independence of all nations in the world."

Usually reporters are required to refrain from quoting directly what the President says at his press conferences. Instead they quote him indirectly.

This re-statement of policy was prompted by reports which had gained currency as to discussions which had taken place at a conference which the President held at the White House on Jan. 31 with members of the Senate Military Affairs Committee; this meeting followed reports that the French Government was planning to purchase 600 military airplanes in the United States. As to the President's press conference in the matter yesterday, we quote the Associated Press in part as follows:

The President's long discussion of foreign policy followed a question which suggested that some people were confused about what actually took place at his conference with the Senate Military Affairs Committee and also his meeting yesterday with a House Appropriations Sub-Committee on the Army bill.

Mr. Roosevelt said his foreign policy had been completely covered in his messages to Congress.

He added that the people were confronted by the simple fact that many persons, some members of the House and Senate and some newspaper owners, were deliberately putting before the public a deliberate misrepresentation of facts.

Mr. Roosevelt said that he always had believed foreign policy should not be involved in politics, and he did not think the 1940 campaign should enter into the situations as to foreign policy and American defense in the year 1939.

All the people had to do, he declared, was to read the headlines to realize the pure guesses in connection with his conferences. He added that these guesses became dressed up the next day to assume a factual position.

The same advices said:

Asked whether the purchase of planes in this country by France had been discussed at his conference with the Senators, the President said the only reference to it was a question as to whether they were to be paid for in cash and his reply was in the affirmative.

The following is from United Press advices from Washington yesterday (Feb. 3):

President Roosevelt today branded as "a deliberate lie" a report that he had placed America's new defense frontier on the Rhine.

Mr. Roosevelt, speaking to more than 100 newspaper reporters who crowded his office, presented a statement of the Administration's foreign policy in answer to a flurry of Congressional criticism which has arisen in the last week.

His (the President's) repudiation of reports that he had placed the Nation's defensive frontier at the Rhine was directed at statements emanating from Congressmen who discussed foreign policy with the President earlier this week. Several Congressmen said after these conferences that they received the impression that the President was anxious to aid the French rearmament program because he regarded France as the defensive outpost of the United States and the Rhine as our defensive frontier.

House Passes Resolution Continuing for Another Year Inquiry Into Un-American Activities

The House of Representatives yesterday (Feb. 3) voted to continue the investigation of un-American activities for another year. The vote on the resolution was announced by Speaker Bankhead as 344 to 35. The House Rules Committee had voted approval of the resolution on Feb. 2 after two days of hearings by members of Congress. The investigating Committee, which will be re-established until Jan. 3, 1940, was under the Chairmanship of Representative Martin Dies, Democrat, of Texas, last year and it is expected that he will again head the group. In Associated Press advices from Washington yesterday (Feb. 3) it was stated:

The resolution provides no funds for a further inquiry, but Chairman Warren, Democrat, of North Carolina, obtained permission for the accounts committee to hold afternoon sessions next week to discuss a measure to supply more funds. Representative Dies has asked for \$150,000, but the House is expected to compromise on \$100,000.

The final report of the Committee issued on Jan. 3 was reported in these columns of Jan. 21, page 370. A report of the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York, urging Congress to prolong the life of the Dies Committee was referred to in our Jan. 7 issue, page 52.

\$725,000,000 Emergency Relief Legislation as Agreed on in Conference Adopted by Congress and Sent to the President

Congress this week disposed of the legislation providing an appropriation of \$725,000,000 for work relief and relief for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1938. The appropriation is \$150,000,000 less than the amount asked for by President Roosevelt, in his special message to Congress on Jan. 5; this message, given in our issue of Jan. 7, page 47, called for a deficiency appropriation of \$875,000,000 to meet the needs of the Works Progress Administration's work relief program.

Final approval by Congress of the \$725,000,000 appropriation was registered on Feb. 2, when the House accepted the conference report, previously (Feb. 1) approved by the

Senate. With the House action the measure was sent to the President.

The legislation is in the form of a resolution which was passed by the House on Jan. 13, by a vote of 397 to 16. The Senate, without record vote, approved the emergency measure on Jan. 28 in much the same form as it had been reported by the Senate Appropriations Committee, the action of which was noted in these columns Jan. 28, page 514. After the Senate passed the resolution a week ago, it was sent to House and Senate conferees to reconcile the differences between the two measures. The Senate passed the resolution on Jan. 28 by a voice vote, amending it to include restrictions on the use of Federal funds for political purposes, said the Washington "Post" of Jan. 29, from which we also quote:

The provisions designed to insulate Federal employees from political coercion go far beyond the Hatch amendment, which failed of passage last year. The far-reaching clauses in yesterday's amendments, extending to all Federal workers restrictions on political activities originally intended only for Works Progress Administration employees, were proposed by Majority Leader Barkley.

Defines Felonies

As they now stand—subject to House approval—the provisions make it a felony to promise a Government job as a reward for political activity or to ask a campaign contribution from any Federal employee.

The amendments also forbid anyone to threaten to deprive WPA workers of their employment on account of race, creed, color or political activity. Furthermore, WPA administrative employees are forbidden to take party officially in political campaigns.

In addition to the anti-politics amendments, the Senate yesterday approved a last-minute proposal of Senator Clark (Democrat), of Missouri, prohibiting use of any part of the \$725,000,000 for military or naval purposes, except in construction of barracks.

Differentials a Question

The only alteration in the House bill likely to arouse serious opposition among the Representatives is elimination of a provision limiting to 25% the differentials in wage rates paid for the same type of work in various parts of the Nation.

Although the wage-rate differential provision was dropped in the Senate Appropriations Committee, several Southerners, led by Senator Russell (Democrat), of Georgia, made a determined but futile effort to restore the 25% limitation on the floor. They were downed in a voice vote.

Reporting the Senate action Feb. 1 the Washington "Post" (Feb. 2) stated that that body approved, with the exception of the wage differential, the conference report, and returned it to the House for action. The same paper, went on to say:

The wage differential proviso, limiting WPA pay differentials for the same type of work, will be put to a separate vote in the House. If the House insists on the limitation, that section of the bill will go back to conference.

A plea for permanent legislation extending legislative bans on political activities to all Government employees and to State workers paid partly from Federal funds, was made in the Senate by Senate Majority Leader Barkley.

Barkley Defends Restriction

Barkley's amendment for that purpose was modified by relief bill conferees.

The administration leader said State employees paid from social security, unemployment compensation and Federal highway funds have been "left without protection from coercion" by the change.

Barkley denied his amendment would prevent future subscriptions to Jackson Day dinners, declaring that would be a "strained construction." He said the \$100-plate dinners were held "in honor of Jackson" and revenue therefrom was an incidental consideration.

Senator Adams (Democrat), Colorado, Chairman of the sub-committee which handled the relief bill, replied that the amendment was too broad for inclusion in a relief appropriation bill. Adams said it would have gone so far that the Democratic State Chairman of Colorado would have been prohibited from asking him for a contribution. He said the conferees were "unwilling to say that no man holding office shall make a contribution."

Following the debate the Senate without record vote approved the conference action in modifying the Barkley politics ban.

From the Washington dispatch Feb. 2 the following is also taken:

Provisions in Bill

As submitted for Presidential approval the bill provides:

An appropriation of \$725,000,000 for the WPA for the rest of the current fiscal year under the present method of spending, but with the provision that there shall be no administrative reduction of more than 5% before April 1.

An invitation to the President to seek additional funds before July 1 if he finds an "emergency has arisen.

Earmarking of \$15,000,000 of the total to provide employment for "needy persons" not now on the relief rolls.

Earmarking of \$5,000,000 to be spent by the Railroad Retirement Board to employ some 25,000 unemployed railroad clerks and other railroad workers on the Board's studies.

A limitation of \$93,000,000 on the amount which can be spent on wholly Federal projects.

A stipulation that none of the Act's funds shall be used to carry into effect the President's executive order by which he had proposed to give civil service status to WPA employees as of Feb. 1.

A ban on use of funds to pay aliens or persons who decline to accept private employment at the prevailing wage in the locality.

Provisions that it shall be unlawful to promise employment on relief as a reward for political activity; to deprive or threaten any one with loss of employment on work relief because of political activity support, or of opposition to any candidate; that it shall be unlawful for any one in a supervisory capacity in the work relief agency to use official authority to interfere with or influence an election, and for any person knowingly to solicit contributions from employees paid out of relief funds.

O'Mahoney Attempts Fails

A futile effort was made by Senator O'Mahoney (Democrat), of Wyoming, to modify the 25% wage differential limitation in the House bill, but it was ruled out on a point of order.

Features of the report approved by the Senate yesterday provide \$725,000,000 for WPA for the next five months, with a stipulation that no more

than 5% of workers be removed from relief rolls in February and March. The President is authorized to come to Congress for more funds if an emergency develops. WPA Administrator Harrington was directed to make a sweeping investigation of his rolls to those not in need of relief.]

The conclusion of Congressional action came on Feb. 2, (we quote from a Washington dispatch of that date to the New York "Herald Tribune") when the House adopted the Senate-House conference report after voting 252 to 140 to drop its fight to put a limitation on the geographical wage differentials now imposed by the WPA. The same advices stated:

The conference report, which was adopted by the Senate yesterday, was presented to the House with only one point in disagreement, the so-called Traver amendment to place a 25% limitation on wage differentials on work projects of similar type in different localities. Representative Woodrum said he had promised the House a vote on this provision, and acknowledged that he believed the contentions of WPA officials that it would disrupt the temporary program contemplated under the bill.

The record vote was taken on the preferential motion to recede and concur in the Senate's action eliminating this amendment, made by Representative John J. Cochran, Democrat, of Missouri.

Townsend Bill Providing for Cancellation of Administration's Powers to Acquire Silver

The sale of silver by the United States Treasury and the immediate cancellation of all Administration powers to acquire silver or to further issue silver certificates is provided for in a bill introduced on Jan. 17 by Senator John G. Townsend Jr., of Delaware. Excepting only certain powers designed to protect the coinage in the unlikely event that silver pieces should ever become more valuable as bullion than as currency, the bill furthermore will, if enacted, revoke the President's power to revalue silver, says an announcement regarding the proposed legislation issued in behalf of Senator Townsend, which also has the following to say:

Senator Townsend's bill thus is aimed at removing certain important inflationary powers granted by Congress to the Executive during the period of emergency legislation. In a unique provision the bill grants to the Secretary of the Treasury one important power: the power to sell over 1,700,000,000 ounces of silver at such prices as he deems in the best interests of the United States. The bill is believed to constitute the first occasion when a member of Congress has urged government sales of silver without a provision for its subsequent repurchase.

Another unique feature of Senator Townsend's bill is that it sets aside a reserve of 500,000,000 ounces of the Government's present silver holdings for the purpose of meeting future subsidiary silver coinage requirements of the Mint. The sum mentioned, based on past consumption for such purpose during six and one-half decades, Senator Townsend estimates will insure an adequate supply of silver bullion until approximately the year 2039.

Inasmuch as the public has generally refused to use standard silver dollars, the Townsend bill envisages the withdrawal of the unwanted silver from the monetary reserves and its sale as opportunity presents.

To facilitate the ultimate sale of the unneeded silver the Senator, recognizing that the New Deal silver policy has resulted in the complete rejection of silver as a standard of value abroad, provides in the bill for an appropriation of a \$250,000 fund to be used by the Bureau of Standards in an effort to expand the industrial market for the white metal.

To protect the home market for surplus silver now held here the bill provides for an embargo on silver imports.

A bill recently introduced by Senator Pittman of Nevada, which would in effect continue the present silver policy of the Government has brought opposition from Richard W. Lawrence, President of the New York State Chamber of Commerce, his views having been referred to in our issue of Jan. 28, page 520.

Cotton Legislation Proposed by Senator Smith—Proposes 5-Point Plan to Reduce Surplus—Senator Bankhead Proposed Return to Cotton Growers of Cotton Held in Warehouses Under Government Loans

Several proposals designed to reduce the present cotton surplus have been made the current week. On Jan. 30, a group of Senators representing cotton producing States was called to confer with Senator Smith of South Carolina on his new bill proposing a 5-point plan to reduce the present cotton surplus by both increasing consumption at home and relating the markets abroad. Advices from Washington Jan. 30, to the New York "Times," in indicating this stated the Smith bill, in tentative form, provides the following:

1. Transfer from the Commodity Credit Corporation to the Surplus Commodity Corporation of 1,600,000 bales of cotton now held by the Government under the 1934 loan scheme—1,100,000 of this to be used for experiments in new uses for cotton and the remaining 500,000 bales to be converted into cloth for free distribution to the needy.
2. Cotton price adjustment payments to farmers who cooperate under the soil conservation program to assure the grower 75% of parity, or around 12 cents a pound, provided that no payments shall be made in excess of 5 cents.
3. Liquidation by the CCC of Government holdings of cotton by moving into the market each year between 1,500,000 and 2,500,000 bales, but not during the season when the farmer is marketing his crop.
4. Continuation of the optional loan feature of the present law, with the provision that farmers receiving the price adjustment payments could not obtain loans. This is designed to keep cotton out of loan storage and move it normally into the market.
5. Extension to the producer who desires to reduce his production below the Agricultural Adjustment Administration allotments of the right to obtain Government cotton at 6 cents a pound in lieu of production. It would be expected that farmers would choose to take a total of around 3,000,000 bales of loan cotton at 6 cents a pound instead of trying to produce it at that price. This, according to Senator Smith's calculations, would result in a probable 1939 crop of between 8,000,000 and 9,000,000 bales, as at present prices growers would realize a profit of \$10 a bale on this cotton.

It was added in the "Times" account that Senator Bankhead (Dem.), of Alabama, also an authority on cotton legislation, had a plan in keeping with some parts of the Smith proposal. According to Associated Press advices from Washington Jan. 30, Senator Bankhead predicted that cotton prices would increase if Congress accepted a proposal to return to growers several million bales of cotton now held in warehouses under Government loans. In part the Associated Press added:

Under the proposal, suggested by a group of southern Senators and House members, cotton growers could refrain from planting a portion of the amount allotted to them by the Government in exchange for the equivalent in loan cotton. Cotton grower spokesmen and Agriculture Department authorities have estimated that about 4,000,000 bales would be removed from Government loan stock of about 11,000,000 bales.

Senator Bankhead said the program should increase the price of cotton "because the whole proposal aims at reducing the present surplus." He added that legislation would be offered this week, probably in both Houses of Congress. Mr. Bankhead said the Government now has an investment in the loan cotton of about \$45 a bale, which would be used for benefit payments, with a resulting write-off or loss of about \$180,000,000.

He declared the loan cotton would not "be dumped on the market" because of a provision in the proposed legislation that the Secretary of Agriculture must direct its marketing "in an orderly manner calculated to avoid so far as possible any disturbance in the cotton market."

Including the 11,000,000 bales of loan cotton, Mr. Bankhead said there was a surplus of 14,500,000 bales of American cotton. The Government has limited this year's production to 12,000,000 bales. Thus, if 4,000,000 bales of loan cotton were distributed, production would be cut to 8,000,000 bales.

The Alabama Senator recently discussed the proposal with President Roosevelt and Secretary Wallace.

"I'm not authorized to speak for the Administration but I am quite confident that if Congress passes this bill it will be approved," he said. He added that the program was first advanced by the cotton growers.

Senator Bankhead disputed the contention that the loan program had held American cotton prices above world levels and contributed to a sharp decline in export sales.

"We could not greatly increase exports if we sold cotton at 2 cents a pound," he said. "Germany, Italy and Japan have simply quit buying our cotton."

Under a bill drafted by Senator Bankhead, small cotton growers with a minimum quota of 5 acres or less could refrain from planting any cotton and receive their entire quota from loan stock. Other larger growers could receive loan cotton for from 25 to 75% of their quotas.

The Senator said growers who took advantage of the proposal probably would have to agree not to use their cotton lands "for production of other soil depleting crops for market."

Constitutionality of 1935 Federal Tobacco Inspection Act Upheld by United States Supreme Court—Justices Butler and McReynolds Dissent—Other Tribunal Rulings, Including that Affecting Bituminous Coal Commission

The United States Supreme Court in a five-to-two decision on Jan. 30 sustained the constitutionality of the 1935 Federal Tobacco Inspection Act. The majority opinion was delivered by Chief Justice Hughes, with Justices Butler and McReynolds dissenting.

The Supreme Court decision on the same day in the suit brought by private utilities against the Tennessee Valley Authority is noted elsewhere in this issue of the "Chronicle." The opinion in the tobacco case and in other principal issues upon which rulings were rendered on Jan. 30 was summarized as below, in an Associated Press Washington dispatch of that date:

The measure provides for Federal inspection of tobacco sold at designated markets, provided this is approved in a referendum by the growers who sell on the market. Approval of two-thirds of the voting is required.

Tobacco ready for auction at warehouses is examined by the Federal inspector, who then places the government grade upon it. The legislation was designed by Congress to stabilize tobacco prices.

Operators of four tobacco warehouses at Oxford, N. C., challenged the legislation. They contended, among other things, that the tobacco auctioned had not gone into interstate commerce and the Federal Government had no authority over it.

The Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals sustained the act. This decision was affirmed today by the Supreme Court in an opinion delivered by Chief Justice Hughes.

Justices McReynolds and Butler dissented.

Decisions Bearing on Elkins Act Outlawing Freight Rate Concessions

The Supreme Court sustained the action of the New Jersey Federal District Court in quashing indictments charging Durjee Famous Foods, Inc., of New York, the Manhattan Lighterage Corp., and Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Co., of Jersey City, N. J., with violating the Elkins act outlawing freight rate concessions.

Prior indictments were quashed on Jan. 14, 1937, on the ground that the instruments were not properly drawn. The Government obtained new indictments at the same term of court.

The District Court held that under 1934 legislation the new indictments should have been obtained at the following term of court. It added that the three-year period allowed for prosecution also had expired.

It was contended by the Government that as a result of a secret agreement with the lighterage corporation the other two companies had obtained a concession of two cents a hundred pounds on a shipment of palm oil in 1932.

Justice McReynolds delivered today's opinion that affirmed the decision of the New Jersey District Court. No dissent was announced.

National Bituminous Coal Commission

The Court ruled that the National Bituminous Coal Commission may disclose cost data submitted by 19 coal companies. In a decision delivered by Justice McReynolds, the tribunal affirmed a ruling by the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia denying an injunction against the Commission.

Mr. McReynolds's opinion concluded: "Obviously, publication may be harmful to petitioners, but as Congress had adequate power to authorize it and has used language adequate thereto we can find here no sufficient basis for an injunction."

No dissent was announced. Justice Black concurred in the result.

The Utah Fuel Co., and 18 other concerns contended that the 1937 Bituminous Coal Act, providing for fixing minimum prices, specified that data submitted would be kept confidential.

It was contended by the Government that the Act permits disclosure of cost data in evidence in hearings before the Commission. The Supreme Court enjoined publication of the data pending its decision.

Mackay Radio & Telegraph Co.

The Court ruled that the Mackay Radio & Telegraph Co., Inc., had not infringed a radio antenna patent held by the Radio Corp. of America. In a decision by Justice Stone, the tribunal reversed a ruling against Mackay by the Federal Circuit Court at New York.

Mackay contended that, under the Circuit Court decision, the Radio Corp. "becomes vested with a complete monopoly in public service radio telegraph communication." It added that its antennas "differ radically" from those used by R. C. A.

No dissent was announced. Justice Roberts did not participate.

United States Not to Fortify Guam Now, According to Assistant Secretary of the Navy Charles Edison—Tells House Committee \$5,000,000 Asked in Vinson Bill Would Be Used to Improve Island's Naval Base

The United States does not plan to fortify the Island of Guam at the present time, Assistant Secretary of the Navy Charles Edison told the House Naval Affairs Committee on Jan. 31, at a hearing on the Vinson Bill which would authorize \$65,000,000 for improvements to air and naval bases. Included in that authorization would be \$5,000,000 for work at Guam. From a Washington dispatch, Jan. 31, to the New York "Herald Tribune," reporting Mr. Edison's testimony we quote in part:

Mr. Edison explained that the Navy "reserved the right" to request authorization for the conversion of the far Pacific island into a major fleet base "if unforeseen changes in the international situation should indicate a necessity for further development."

The Assistant Secretary's statement immediately drew the announcement from Representative Melvin Maas, of Minnesota, ranking Republican leader, that he would offer an amendment to the bill to permit the Navy Department, "when necessary," to fortify all twelve air bases which the bill contemplates, including Guam.

Sees Defense Helped

Mr. Edison said that the proposed expenditures at Guam, while falling "far short" of the recommendations of the Hepburn board, would "add materially to the defensive power of the fleet." The \$5,000,000 contemplated would be spent over a period of three years for harbor dredging and construction of breakwaters and of shore establishments.

In his formal statement Mr. Edison said: "With specific reference as to whether the project for the Island of Guam is the first step in a program of fortification or whether it is a development separate and distinct from the recommendations of the Hepburn report, I will state that while the developments now proposed would be useful in connection with any future development of the harbor and shore facilities at Guam, nevertheless, the \$5,000,000 project in the bill before the committee falls so far short of meeting the requirements of the Hepburn board that it can, in reality, be considered a separate and distinct development which is an entity in itself and which will be useful to the Navy and to commercial air traffic, whether or not any further development is made.

"The proposed development will permit the operation of airplanes that may at any future time be in that area.

"It is impossible to look into the future and see whether or not there will be need for further development of Guam as an airplane base, but we may hope that the future international situation will make it unnecessary to use Guam except as a commercial airport.

"It is the present policy of the Navy Department now to ask for development only to the extent stated in the bill before this Committee. If unforeseen changes in the international situation should indicate a necessity for further development of an airplane base, then the Congress will be so informed. We hope that there will be no necessity for further development—none is contemplated at the present time."

Federal Appeals Court Sustains Injunction Against Mayor Hague of Jersey City—Tribunal at Philadelphia Upholds C. I. O. in Contending City Ordinances Are Unconstitutional

The Federal Circuit Court of Appeals at Philadelphia, in a two-to-one decision, on Jan. 26 ruled against Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City and his associates in upholding an injunction by Federal Judge William Clark preventing the city from interfering with Congress for Industrial Organizations meetings or speakers. The controversy between Mayor Hague and the C. I. O. was referred to in the "Chronicle" of Nov. 26, 1938, page 3241, when it was noted that the United States Supreme Court on Nov. 21 denied a petition by the C. I. O. that the court take immediate jurisdiction over that organization's civil rights dispute with Mayor Hague, but added that a new request for a review may be filed "in accordance with the rules of this court." In Associated Press accounts from Philadelphia, Jan. 26, it was stated that the decision of the Third United States Circuit Court of Appeals made certain modifications in Judge Clark's decree which did not affect the general object of the injunction. From the same advices we quote:

The modifications included:

1. Holding unconstitutional the Jersey City ordinance regulating public meetings; Judge Clark had not decided whether the ordinance was valid.
 2. Holding unconstitutional an ordinance prohibiting the distribution of circulars; Judge Clark also had not ruled on the validity of this local law.
 3. Striking out of Judge Clark's decree a clause that the police could not halt C. I. O. meetings unless all similar public meetings were banned.
- The opinion was written by Judge John Biggs of Delaware and con-

curred in by Judge Albert B. Maris. Judge J. Warren Davis dissented in part from the conclusions of the majority opinion.

The majority opinion stated that even if the ordinance regulating meetings were constitutional, the Jersey City authorities acted in a discriminatory and unconstitutional manner.

The Assistant Corporation Counsel of Jersey City said that he would come to Philadelphia and ask the Third United States Circuit Court of Appeals for a stay from its decision, preliminary to an appeal to the Supreme Court.

The Jersey City ordinance regulating meetings required a permit by the Director of Public Safety for public outdoor assemblies. He was empowered to grant or refuse such permits.

The Circuit Court decision said that ordinance was unconstitutional, because it "permits the imposition of previous restraint upon the right of the individual to speak before an assembly of his fellows in a public place" and "therefore prohibits peaceable assembly except upon terms repugnant to free speech."

"The interpretation of the rights of free speech and free assembly contended for by the appellants is shocking," the decision said, "and places these rights in the hands of those who would destroy them. Applying the appellants' doctrine literally, political speakers might not stump a city in election if their opponents objected."

The court also held that the ordinance against posting of placards violated fundamental civil rights and the freedom of the press.

The dissenting opinion did not concur in declaring unconstitutional the ordinance relating to public meetings and also did not agree that the Jersey City authorities acted in a discriminatory and unconstitutional manner.

Mayor Hague's fight with the C. I. O. started a year ago last month when the police broke up rallies the union called to organize workers. Speakers were deported from the city.

W. L. Willkie Appeals to Congress for Final Clarification of TVA Policy—Issues Statement on Supreme Court Decision Concerning TVA—Conferences on Sale of Utilities Resumed

In answer to inquiries concerning the TVA decision of the Supreme Court, Wendell L. Willkie, President of the Commonwealth & Southern Corp., on Feb. 1 made an appeal to Congress for final clarification of the Authority's policy and practice. Mr. Willkie in his statement said:

"In its TVA decision the Supreme Court did not pass upon the constitutionality of the Tennessee Valley Authority. The Court specifically stated that this issue of constitutionality was not under consideration.

"The decision makes it entirely clear, however, that the utilities have exhausted their legal remedies in seeking to protect their properties from the TVA. As the Court stated: 'The appellants . . . have no standing in this suit.'

"Presumably, therefore, a test of constitutionality could only be brought by a State aroused by the millions of dollars lost in taxes because of the properties withdrawn by the TVA from the State tax rolls. In the absence of such State action, the issue ceases to be a legal one and becomes one of economic and social policy.

"The question is whether it is wise for the government to engage in subsidized competition with private industry in which American citizens have invested their funds. This is a question for Congress to decide, in its function as the guardian of the public welfare.

"The Supreme Court stated that 'its (The TVA's) acts have resulted and will result in the establishment of municipal and cooperative distribution systems competing with those of some or all the appellants. . . . and in direct competition with the appellants' enterprises through the sale of power to industries in areas now served them.' The Court pointed out that both parties to the suit admitted that the result of this would be substantial damage to the utilities.

"The economic and social wisdom of a law is the responsibility of Congress. If the TVA is to continue to sell its power at less than cost and if the government is to provide the cities with a free gift of 45% to duplicate existing distribution systems, the Congress which created the TVA should determine what rules should govern TVA operations for the public good. Moreover, if the utilities are forced to sell out their properties as at present and if the Congress believes that the public will accept this extension of government ownership, then a tribunal should be created to determine the fair value of these properties. Finally, Congress should clearly define the area of TVA competition, so as to free private industry in general from the fear of a similar government competitor.

"I aim, of course, under a compelling obligation to do what I can to protect the several hundred thousand investors in the Commonwealth & Southern System. But I make this appeal also on behalf of general economic recovery.

"The Congress of the United States has emphatically demonstrated its concern for a reduction in unemployment and for a revival of industry. At the present time, despite the combined efforts of government and industry, recovery makes little progress. There are still nearly 10,000,000 unemployed, and there is no sign of a real break in the log-jam. The vitally important heavy industries are at a standstill. There is a great need for machinery and heavy materials of all kinds, but the investor is afraid to supply industry with the new capital necessary to finance these requirements.

"It is my understanding that at the present time no large investment banking house in the country has for sale, or has any immediate prospect of selling, any material new issue of securities for construction purposes. Yet the utility industry alone needs to spend more than a billion dollars for expansion and new equipment—and it will make that expenditure as soon as investment confidence is restored. This would mean that this one industry would be able to provide 400,000 new jobs—in addition to the hundreds of thousands of jobs which would be created in other industries.

"I doubt if there is any economist of standing who does not believe that a major factor in this country's recovery is a fair settlement of the controversy between the utilities and the TVA. Yet, my repeated proposals for arbitration, which I shall be glad to continue, have been rejected, despite the fact that we have offered to meet the expenses involved, and despite the fact that any technical legal objections could easily be eliminated by Congressional action.

"I, therefore, appeal to Congress for a final clarification of TVA policy and practice, so that the American people may know that the money invested in American industry and the jobs which that industry has created and can create are safe from the people's Government."

The Corporation at the same time made it known that conferences with TVA officials regarding the possible sale of certain properties to the Authority had been resumed on Feb. 1. The brief announcement in the matter said:

J. A. Krug, Joseph Swidler, representing the Tennessee Valley Authority and Wendell L. Wilkie, President of The Commonwealth & Southern Corporation, have been in conference today with reference to the situation affecting both parties in the Tennessee Valley. No final conclusions were reached. There will probably be later conferences within a week or ten days.

United States Supreme Court in TVA Ruling Holds That Utilities Have No Legal Standing to Bring Action—Justices Butler and McReynolds Dissent—Constitutionality of Act Not Passed on

While rendering no decision as to the constitutionality of the law creating the Tennessee Valley Authority, the United States Supreme Court, by a five-to-two decision, on Jan. 30 dismissed a suit by 14 private utility companies on the technical ground that they had no legal standing to bring action. While the majority decision, read by Justice Roberts, concluded by saying that "in no aspect of the case have the appellants standing to maintain the suit," the dissenting opinion, written by Justice Butler and concurred in by Justice McReynolds, declared that the "complainants are entitled to have this court decide upon the constitutional questions they have brought here." The minority also contended:

The decision just announced goes too far. It excludes from the courts complainants seeking constitutional protection of their property against defendants acting, as it is alleged, under invalid claim of governmental authority in setting up and carrying on a program calculated to destroy complainants' business. The issues joined by the parties, tried below and fully presented to this court, included the question whether, when construed to authorize the things done and threatened by defendants, the challenged enactment is authorized by the Constitution or repugnant to the Fifth, Ninth and Tenth Amendments.

The majority decision said:

A distinct ground upon which standing to maintain the suit is said to rest is that the acts of the Authority cannot be upheld without permitting Federal regulation of purely local matters reserved to the States or the people by the Tenth Amendment and sanctioning destruction of the liberty said to be guaranteed by the Ninth Amendment to the people of the States to acquire property and employ it in a lawful business.

The proposition can mean only that since the Authority sells electricity at rates lower than those heretofore maintained by the appellants such sale is an indirect regulation of appellants' rates. But the competition of a privately-owned company authorized by the State to enter the territory served by one of the appellants would, in the same sense, constitute a regulation of rates.

The sale of Government property in competition with others is not a violation of the Tenth Amendment. As we have seen, there is no objection to the Authority's operations by the States, and, if this were not so, the appellants, absent the States or their officers, have no standing in this suit to raise any question under the amendment.

These considerations also answer the argument that the appellants have a cause of action for alleged infractions of the Ninth Amendment.

From the majority opinion we also take the following:

Eighteen corporations which generate and distribute electricity in Tennessee, Kentucky, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, and one which transmits electricity in Tennessee and Alabama, filed a bill in equity, in the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tenn., against the Authority and its three executive officers and directors. The prayers were that the defendants be restrained from generating electricity out of waterpower created, or to be created, pursuant to the Act and the Authority's plan of construction and operation; from transmitting, distributing, supplying or selling electricity so generated, or to be generated, in competition with any of the complainants; from constructing, or financing the construction of, steam or hydro-electric generating stations, transmission lines or means of distribution, which will duplicate or compete with any of their services; from regulating their retail rates through any contract, scheme or device; and from substituting Federal regulation for State regulation of local rates for electric service, more especially by incorporating in contracts for the sale of electricity terms fixing retail rates.

The defendants removed the cause to the United States District Court for Eastern Tennessee and there answered the bill. As required by the Act of Aug. 24, 1937, a court of three judges was convened which, after a trial, dismissed the bill.

Fourteen of the complainants are here as appellants. They contend that water power cannot constitutionally be created in conformity to the terms of the Tennessee Valley Authority Act, and the United States will, therefore, acquire no title to it, because it will not be produced as an incident of the exercise of the Federal power to improve navigation and control floods in the navigable waters of the Nation.

They affirm that the statutory plan is a plain attempt, in the guise of exerting granted powers, to exercise a power not granted to the United States, namely, the generation and sale of electric energy; that the execution of the plan contravenes the Fifth, Ninth and Tenth Amendments of the Constitution, since the sale of electricity on the scale proposed will deprive the appellants of their property without due process of law, will result in Federal regulation of the internal affairs of the States, and will deprive the people of the States of their guaranteed liberty to earn a livelihood and to acquire and use property subject only to State regulation.

The appellees contest these contentions. For reasons about to be stated we do not consider or decide the issues thus mooted.

The charters of the companies which operate in the States of their incorporation give them legal existence and power to function as public utilities. The like existence and powers of those chartered in other States have been recognized by the laws of the States in which they do business permitting the domestication of foreign corporations. The appellants say that the franchise to be a public utility corporation and to function as such, with incidental powers, is a species of property which is directly taken or injured by the Authority's competition. They further urge that, though non-exclusive, the local franchises or easements, which grant them

the privilege to serve within given municipal subdivisions, and to occupy streets and public places, are also property which the Authority is destroying by its competition. Since what is being done is justified by reference to the Tennessee Valley Authority Act, they say they have standing to challenge its constitutionality.

The franchise to exist as a corporation, and to function as a public utility, in the absence of a specific charter contract on the subject, creates no right to be free of competition, and affords the corporation no legal cause of complaint by reason of the State's subsequently authorizing another to enter and operate in the same field.

The local franchises, while having elements of property, confer no contractual or property right to be free of competition either from individuals, other public utility corporations or the State or municipality granting the franchise. The grantor may preclude itself by contract from initiating or permitting such competition, but no such contractual obligation is here asserted.

The appellants further argue that even if invasion of their franchise rights does not give them standing, they may, by suit, challenge the constitutionality of the statutory grant of power the exercise of which results in competition. This is but to say that if the commodity used by a competitor was not lawfully obtained by the corporation with which it competes may render it liable in damages or enjoin it from further competition because of the illegal derivation of that which it sells.

If the thesis were sound, appellants could enjoin a competing corporation or agency on the ground that its injurious competition is ultra vires, that there is a defect in the grant of powers to it, or that the means of competition were acquired by some violation of the Constitution. The contention is foreclosed by prior decisions that the damage consequent on competition, otherwise lawful, is in such circumstances *damnum absque injuria*, and will not support a cause of action or a right to sue.

Finally, it is asserted that the right to maintain this suit is sustained by certain allegations of concerted action by the officials of the Authority and the Public Works Administrator. The bill alleges that having adopted an unlawful plan the defendants have cooperated and threatened to continue to cooperate in its execution, with Harold L. Ickes, as Administrator of the Federal Administration of Public Works, in a systematic campaign to coerce and intimidate the complainants into selling their existing systems in municipalities or territory in which the Authority desires to seize the market for electricity; that, in order to make this coercion effective, Mr. Ickes has, in cooperation with, or on request of, the Authority, announced loans and grants of Federal funds to municipalities.

Error is assigned to the trial court's refusal to permit the taking of the deposition of the Public Works Administrator. In view of the prior opportunity which the claimants had to take this deposition, the lateness of the application, and other factors, permission to take the deposition was a matter within the court's discretion and it does not appear that the discretion was abused.

The only findings on this subject requested by the appellants were to the effect that the Public Works Administration has cooperated with and assisted the Tennessee Valley Authority in the furtherance of the latter's power program and that the former has made contracts and allotments, for loans and grants to 23 municipalities in the States of Alabama, Mississippi and Tennessee, amounting to about \$14,000,000, for the purpose of constructing municipal systems to distribute the Authority's power in competition with the appellants; that the applications for loan and grant in some instances specify that the municipal system will duplicate a privately-owned system; in others that a large business will be done by the municipal plants because of the low promotional rates of the Authority; that some of the applications state they were filed to take advantage of the low rates offered by the Authority and that, with few exceptions, they state that the electricity to be distributed in the city will be purchased from the Authority.

Cooperation by two Federal officials, one acting under a statute whereby funds are provided for the erection of municipal plants, and the other under a statute authorizing the production of electricity and its sale to such plants, in competition with the appellants, does not spell conspiracy to injure their business. As the court below held, such cooperation does not involve unlawful concert, plan, or design, or cooperation to commit an unlawful act or to commit acts otherwise lawful with the intent to violate a statute.

In no aspect of the case have the appellants standing to maintain the suit and the bill was properly dismissed.

The decree is affirmed.

(Mr. Justice Reed took no part in the consideration or decision of this case.)

The dissenting opinion of Justices Butler and McReynolds stated:

Defendants have taken over Wilson Dam and the nitrate plant and have commenced, or recommended to Congress, the construction of 10 other dams; their program calls for 11 completed dams by July 1, 1943. They have prepared plans for the construction of high-tension transmission lines from the dams to at least 14 cities and indeed to the whole area. They have purchased or are attempting to purchase distribution systems in at least 15 cities. They have entered into contracts to sell power to various communities and industries for a 20-year period, and have agreed to supply firm power to other and larger cities.

The avowed purpose of the program is to effect a Federal regulation of intrastate electric rates and service by a so-called "yardstick" method or "regulation by competition." The yardstick for wholesale rates is the wholesale rate charged by the Authority.

It is unreasonable and confiscatory as a measure of complainants' rates in that it excludes the cost of the major part of the investment necessary to render the service and excludes necessary operating expenses. The yardstick for retail rates is the sum of the wholesale rate and the amount which the Authority allows municipalities to add to the wholesale rate to cover cost of local distribution; it excludes many items of necessary cost of rendering the service.

The defendants attempt to coerce complainants to sell distribution systems and transmission lines, in territories which defendants intend to appropriate at prices far below fair value, by threatening that, unless complainants accede, they will construct, or cause to be constructed, duplicate facilities subsidized in construction and operation by Federal funds and render complainants' properties wholly valueless. The Administrator of the Public Works Administration has cooperated with defendants. Defendants inform the owners that, unless they sell, either the Authority or the municipalities will build duplicate systems with Federal funds.

At defendants' request, the Administrator authorizes and announces a gift to the municipality of from 30% to 45% of the cost of the duplicate system and agrees to lend the balance, repayable out of earnings, if any, of the duplicate plant, upon condition that the municipality will agree

to use power of the Authority and will, as soon as possible, oust the existing utility. If the utility agrees to sell, the allotments are canceled without regard to the will of the municipality.

This policy has already been applied in certain cities. The defendants and Administrator also cooperate to force municipalities to agree to purchase power furnished by the Authority by threats that otherwise Federal allotments for public works will be canceled or denied.

Defendants have caused bills, designed to forward their power program, to be submitted to the Legislatures of various States in the area and have lobbied for and brought about their passage. They have installed Authority personnel throughout the area to disseminate propaganda in behalf of the program. The Electric Home and Farm Authority, a corporation set up as a governmental agency of which the individual defendants are directors, finances sale of electrical devices, prints and circulates costly advertising in praise of the Authority program.

The bill prays invalidation of the Act as unconstitutional and injunction and other relief against defendants.

Unquestionably, the bill shows that complainants are not asserting a right held or complaining of an injury sustained in common with the general public. They allege facts that unmistakably show that each has a valuable right as a public utility, non-exclusive though it is, to serve in territory covered by its franchise, and that, inevitably the value of its business and property used will suffer irreparable diminution by defendants' program and acts complained of.

If, because of conflict with the Constitution, the Act does not authorize the enterprise formulated and being executed by defendants, then their conduct is unlawful and inflicts upon complainants direct and special injury of great consequence. Therefore, they are entitled to have this court decide upon the constitutional questions they have brought here. See *Massachusetts v. Mellon*, 262 U. S. 447, 488; *Frost v. Corporation Commission*, 278 U. S. 515, 521.

Arguments in the case were reported in these columns Nov. 26, 1938, page 3240.

Secretary Wallace Defends Administration of Sugar Act of 1937—Lists Benefits to Domestic Producers, and Calls Reference to "Record Low Prices" Misleading

The Department of Agriculture on Jan. 26 made public the text of a letter from Secretary Wallace to Representative Marvin Jones, Chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, replying to Congressional criticisms of the Secretary's administration of the Sugar Act of 1937. Mr. Wallace said that references to "record low prices" were misleading, and declared that the law has been enforced so as to benefit domestic producers. The Secretary mentioned current fears that "the small reduction in the duty on Cuban sugar from .90 to .75 cents per pound, raw value, now under consideration," might curtail producers' income, and suggested that incident thereto attention should be given to the protection and benefits for the sugar industry as conferred by the law. These he listed as follows:

1. Limitation through quotas on the admission of foreign and insular sugars, which limitations have been fully effective and restrictive each year since 1934, and limitations on marketings of the mainland sugarcane and sugar beet industries which have been nominal since 1935 because production was generally below the quotas for such areas established in the legislation.

2. Limitation through quotas on the imports of liquid sugars from Cuba and Santo Domingo and outright prohibition or embargo on the importations of such sugars from other foreign countries in excess of 10 short tons.

The effect of these quota limitations has been to maintain a differential in the price of sugar in the United States above the price of unprotected sugars (seaboard basis) and in favor of domestic production of 2.17 cents per pound in 1937 and 1.80 cents in 1938, equal to an ad valorem protection of 168% and 159%, respectively, not including the Federal payments to growers.

3. Federal conditional payments to producers of 60 cents per 100 pounds of recoverable sugar, pursuant to Title III of the Act, which, on the basis of average yields of beets in the United States equal about \$24 per acre. For the 1937 and 1938 crops of sugar beets payments were made under the Act on the total production of the growers without any limitation of acreage or production. For the 1937 crop \$16,966,000 has been paid out to date, covering 46,700 applications for payment comprising practically all producers of sugar beets, an average of \$362 per farm and for the 1938 record crop of approximately 1,700,000 tons of refined sugar, it is estimated that the Government payments will aggregate \$20,300,000. These payments are, of course, supplementary to the payments made to growers by the processors.

4. Special payments to producers in the event of abandonment of acreage or deficiency in production under certain conditions as the result of natural causes beyond control of producers, such as freeze, drouth, insect pests, &c. Producers are not required to pay premiums in money or in kind for this form of crop insurance.

Mr. Wallace added, in part:

It is to be noted that because the sugar processing season is a short one, there are considerable stocks of sugar throughout the year in the hands of processors, refiners, importers, speculators, and dealers. The Department is subject, therefore, to continuous pressure, in direct and indirect form, to utilize whatever power these interested parties believe it to possess to enhance the inventory value of such stocks. As of Jan. 1, the total value of the visible supply of sugar alone is about \$170,000,000, and a quarter of a cent increase would mean \$10,000,000 additional to the owners of such sugars. The Congress, however, embodied in the Sugar Act certain standards limiting the discretion of the Secretary in fixing consumers' requirements.

FHLBB Reports Increase of 7.3% in Non-Farm Real Estate Foreclosures During November Over October

The 7.3% rise in non-farm foreclosures during November over October (an exceptionally low month) was precipitated by the larger communities, and was counter to a 2.7 decrease manifested by the October to November 4-year average movement, according to an announcement recently issued by Corwin A. Fergus, Director of the Division of Research & Statistics of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board. However, in foreclosure activity, Mr. Fergus said, November, 1938

was the third lowest month of this year and stood nearly 15% below the same month of last year. Director Fergus further reported:

The October to November rise, which brought the non-farm foreclosure index 1934=100) from 45.2 in October to 48.4, was reflected in six of the FHLB districts; Boston, New York, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Portland, and Little Rock. The first five of these districts, and Des Moines, showed October to November changes which compared unfavorably with their respective 4-year average movements.

There were 21 States and the District of Columbia reporting declines from October aggregating 625 cases; 24 States reporting increases totaling 1,257; and 3 States reporting no change in the number of foreclosures for the 2 months. Thus, for the country as a whole, there was a net increase of 632 cases. The net increase in Pennsylvania alone was 573.

There were 35 States reporting fewer foreclosures this November than during the same month of last year; the declines ranging from 82.6% to 4.9%. Of the 12 FHLB districts, only the New York District registered an increase for this period, 24.2%.

Despite its rise over October, November was nearly 15% under the corresponding month of the preceding year, was the third lowest month thus far for 1938, and stood below the average month of 1928.

With only 7 States, Maine, Vermont, New York, New Mexico, Oregon, Wyoming, and Nevada, reporting more foreclosures in the first 11 months of 1938 than in the same period of 1937, it appears that the non-farm real estate foreclosure records will show the current year about 22% below 1937 which, in turn, was 18% below 1936.

Report of Operations of RFC, Feb. 2, 1932, to Dec. 31, 1938—Loans of \$13,054,097,066—\$2,184,539,812 Canceled—\$7,268,982,733 Disbursed for Loans and Investments—\$5,289,366,332 Repaid

In his monthly report, issued Jan. 26, Jesse H. Jones, Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, stated that authorizations and commitments of the RFC in the recovery program during December amounted to \$149,399,653, rescissions of previous authorizations and commitments amounted to \$9,294,483, making total authorizations through Dec. 31, 1938, and tentative commitments outstanding at the end of the month of \$13,054,097,066. This latter amount includes a total of \$1,051,501,066 authorized for other governmental agencies and \$1,800,000,000 for relief from organizations through Dec. 31, 1938.

Authorizations aggregating \$3,238,299 were canceled or withdrawn during December, Mr. Jones said, making total cancellations and withdrawals of \$2,184,539,812. A total of \$782,658,456 remains available to borrowers and to banks in the purchase of preferred stock, capital notes and debentures.

During December \$100,699,339 was disbursed for loans and investments and \$38,398,412 was repaid, making total disbursements through Dec. 31, 1938, of \$7,268,982,733 and repayments of \$5,289,366,332 (approximately 73%). The Chairman continued:

During December, loans were authorized to seven banks and trust companies (including those in liquidation) in the amount of \$1,843,981. Cancellations and withdrawals of loans to banks and trust companies (including those in liquidation) amounted to \$731,955, \$1,752,528 was disbursed and \$4,618,173 repaid. Through Dec. 31, 1938, loans have been authorized to 7,533 banks and trust companies (including those in receivership) aggregating \$2,546,413,966. Of this amount \$504,882,432 has been withdrawn, \$21,156,258 remains available to borrowers and \$2,020,375,276 has been disbursed. Of this latter amount \$1,890,686,454, or 93.5% has been repaid. Only \$8,941,918 is owing by open banks and that includes \$7,696,978 from one mortgage and trust company.

During December authorizations were made to purchase preferred stock, capital notes and debentures of five banks and trust companies in the aggregate amount of \$45,360,000, including \$25,000,000 of the Export-Import Bank of Washington. Through Dec. 31, 1938, authorizations have been made for the purchase of preferred stock, capital notes and debentures of 6,772 banks and trust companies aggregating \$1,325,370,459 and 1,121 loans were authorized in the amount of 23,322,755 to be secured by preferred stock, a total authorization for preferred stock, capital notes and debentures in 6,850 banks and trust companies of \$1,348,693,214, \$169,593,552 of this has been withdrawn and \$32,685,500 remains available to the banks when conditions of authorizations have been met.

During December loans were authorized for distribution to depositors of seven closed banks in the amount of \$1,843,981, cancellations and withdrawals amounted to \$731,955, disbursements amounted to \$1,752,528 and repayments amounted to \$4,191,615. Through Dec. 31, 1938, loans have been authorized for distribution to depositors of 2,772 closed banks aggregating \$1,331,376,136. \$326,794,237 of this amount has been withdrawn and \$21,007,458 remains available to the borrowers. \$983,574,441 has been disbursed and \$915,685,869 approximately 93% has been repaid.

During December the authorizations to finance drainage, levee and irrigation districts were increased \$59,384, authorizations in the amount of \$150,500 were withdrawn and \$249,825 was disbursed. Through Dec. 31, 1938, loans have been authorized to refinance 632 drainage, levee and irrigation districts aggregating \$142,785,052, of which \$20,419,978 has been withdrawn, \$38,253,633 remains available to the borrowers and \$84,111,441 has been disbursed.

Under the provisions of Section 5(d), which was added to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act June 19, 1934, and amended April 13, 1938, 141 loans to industry aggregating \$15,295,512 were authorized during December. Authorizations in the amount of \$1,365,552 were canceled or withdrawn during December. Through Dec. 31, 1938, including loans to mortgage loan companies to assist business and industry in cooperation with the National Recovery Administration program, the Corporation has authorized 5,799 loans for the benefit of industry aggregating \$289,770,025. Of this amount \$66,317,332 has been withdrawn and \$80,218,901 remains available to the borrowers. In addition, the Corporation agreed to purchase participations amounting to \$28,959,073 in loans to 78 businesses during December and similar authorizations aggregating \$1,116,291 were withdrawn. Through Dec. 31, 1938, the Corporation has authorized or has agreed to the purchase of participations aggregating \$93,597,091 of 1,241 businesses, \$14,805,382 of which has been withdrawn and \$65,885,397 remains available.

During December seven loans in the amount of \$2,013,036 were authorized to public agencies for self-liquidating projects. Cancellations and

withdrawals amounted to \$77,500, disbursements amounted to \$8,055,662, and repayments amounted to \$15,385,976. Through Dec. 31, 1938, 269 loans have been authorized on self-liquidating projects aggregating \$490,962,615. \$39,401,243 of this amount has been withdrawn and \$108,510,677 remains available to the borrowers. \$343,050,695 has been disbursed and \$156,087,672 has been repaid.

During December the Corporation purchased from the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works eight blocks (seven issues) of securities having a par value of \$7,002,000 and sold securities having par value of \$4,678,000 at a premium of \$17,526. The Corporation also collected maturing PWA securities having par value of \$451,582. Through Dec. 31, 1938, the Corporation has purchased from the PWA 4,018 blocks (2,968 issues) of securities having par value of \$629,579,549. Of this amount securities having par value of \$435,023,296 were sold at a premium of \$12,763,774. Securities having a par value of \$171,463,188 are still held. In addition the Corporation has agreed with the Administrator to purchase, to be held and collected or sold at a later date, such part of securities having an aggregate par value of \$63,830,000 as the PWA is in a position to deliver from time to time.

The report listed as follows disbursements and repayments for all purposes from Feb. 2, 1932, to Dec. 31, 1938:

Table with columns: Disbursements, Repayments. Rows include: Loans under Section 5 (Banks and trust companies, Railroads, etc.), Total loans under Section 5, Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works security transactions, Allocations to Governmental agencies, For relief, Interest on notes issued.

to and repaid by each, are shown in the following table (a) of Dec. 31, 1938), contained in the report:

Table with columns: Authorized, Withdrawals, Disbursed, Repaid. Rows include: Aberdeen & Rockfish RR. Co., Ala. Tenn. & Northern RR. Corp., Alton RR. Co., Ann Arbor RR. Co., Ashle & Drew & Northern Ry. Co., Baltimore & Ohio RR. Co., Birmingham & So' eastern RR. Co., Boston & Maine RR., Buffalo Union-Carolina RR., Carlton & Coast RR. Co., Carolina Clinchfield & Ohio Ry., etc.

Totals 735,300,217 106,393,556 625,100,661 194,506,674. * The loan to Minneapolis St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Ry. Co. (The Soo Line) was secured by its bonds, the interest on which was guaranteed by the Canadian Pacific Ry. Co. and when the "Soo Line" went into bankruptcy, we sold the balance due on the loan to the Canadian Pacific, receiving \$662,245.50 in cash and Canadian Pacific Ry. Co.'s notes for \$5,500,000, maturing over a period of 10 years.

In addition to the above loans authorized the Corporation has approved, in principle, loans in the amount of \$66,716,175 upon the performance of specified conditions.

Elimination of Jurisdictional Labor Disputes and Revision of Building Industry Practices Urged in Annual Report to Congress by FHLBB to Solve Nation's Housing Problem

Elimination of labor's jurisdictional disputes and a revision of building industry practices to give the home buyer more value for his dollar are prime essentials for a solution of the urgent housing problem in this country, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board said on Jan. 21 in its sixth annual report which has been filed with Congress. The report, covering the fiscal year 1937-38, also urged a cut in the "burden" of present taxes on homes, and modernization of wasteful foreclosure laws. A revision of real estate taxes would be a "desirable incentive for the revival of private building activity," the report declared. In announcing this, the FHLBB on Jan. 21 added:

Among its outstanding activities during the last year, the board mentioned the further extension to many more communities of the Federal Home Building Service Plan, under which mortgage lending institutions, architects, and builders cooperate to assure the home owner of sound construction value. It also was emphasized that the board has started what it hopes will become a nationwide campaign to prevent the growth of blighted areas in cities by a coordinated plan of modernization and repair.

The board's report estimated the Nation's accumulated housing shortage at between 1,500,000 and 3,000,000 dwelling units. Added to that, the current need "based on the normal annual rate of replacement and the normal increase of families, is conservatively estimated to be about 500,000 dwelling units each year," the board said.

Labor and industry shared equally in criticism by the board, and in pleas of the board for the fullest cooperation. Of labor, the report said:

Cooperative agreements which will eliminate jurisdictional labor disputes and bring about a revision of prevailing wage rates for the sake of steadier employment and higher annual income would help to reduce the cost of building.

Regarding industry, and the relation of high costs to building, the board stated:

High building costs are not due exclusively to prices of materials and labor. Equally responsible among other factors are excessive waste, faulty construction, poor methods of distribution, the present small-scale operation of the building industry, lack of standardization, and frequently extravagant profits of contractors and sales agents.

The report reviewed the growth and activities of agencies under the board with together "constitute the largest institution dealing with housing and home mortgage finance in the United States." These include:

1. Federal Home Loan Bank System, with its 12 Regional Reserve banks and their approximately 4,000 member savings and loan associations, savings banks and insurance companies.
2. Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, which insures the safety of savings up to \$5,000 per person in about 2,100 national and State-chartered savings and loan associations.
3. Approximately 1,400 Federal savings and loan associations, which the board has chartered and supervises.
4. Home Owners' Loan Corporation, which is now collecting on the \$3,000,000,000 worth of distress home mortgage loans it made up to June, 1936, and managing and disposing of the properties it has been forced to acquire.

Briefly summarizing HOLC activities, the board said:

The experience of the Corporation during the fiscal year 1938 has demonstrated once more that the large majority of HOLC borrowers are able and willing to meet their loan obligations upon the liberal terms established by Congress. Despite the recession, the Corporation has made further progress in liquidation.

As on other occasions, the board voiced its opposition to certain proposals in Congress for a reduction in the present 5% interest rate and other changes in loan terms.

Tobacco Acreage Allotments Apportionment Among States Announced by AAA

Apportionments of tobacco acreage allotments, under the 1939 Agricultural Conservation Program, among the tobacco-producing States were announced on Jan. 26 by the Agricultural Adjustment Administration. These apportionments are for flue-cured, Burley, fire-cured and dark air-cured, cigar filler and binder, and Georgia-Florida Type 62 tobacco, and represent a division among the States of the respective national allotments provided in the 1939 Agricultural Conservation Program. The Administration's announcement continued as follows:

In the case of Burley tobacco, the 1939 acreage allotments are larger than those anticipated at the time the 1939 program was announced, owing to the fact that information now available indicates a substantially smaller 1938 production of Burley than was previously estimated. The 1939 allotments for other kinds of tobacco represent a division among the States of national acreage allotments originally provided for in the 1939 program. The State allotments will be divided among counties and individual farms within the respective States.

Farmers planting within their acreage allotments will be eligible for payments provided by the 1939 Agricultural Conservation Program.

The acreage allotments for the various kinds of tobacco as given by the AAA are as follows:

Flue-Cured Tobacco		Fire-Cured and Dark Air-Cured Tobacco	
State—	Allotment	State—	Allotment
Alabama.....	500	Indiana.....	473
Florida.....	14,600	Kentucky.....	83,578
Georgia.....	86,000	Missouri.....	100
North Carolina.....	588,500	Tennessee.....	51,498
South Carolina.....	96,000	Virginia.....	24,001
Virginia.....	90,000		
National Reserve.....	8,800		
United States total.....	884,400	United States total.....	160,100
		Cigar Filler and Binder Tobacco	
		State—	Allotment
		Connecticut.....	12,051
		Illinois.....	20
		Indiana.....	133
		Massachusetts.....	4,961
		Minnesota.....	760
		New Hampshire.....	47
		Ohio.....	1,087
		Kansas.....	17,487
		Kentucky.....	277,191
		Pennsylvania.....	26,532
		Missouri.....	6,094
		Vermont.....	35
		North Carolina.....	8,377
		Wisconsin.....	24,887
		Ohio.....	14,082
		Oklahoma.....	6
		South Carolina.....	112
		Tennessee.....	66,468
		Virginia.....	11,292
		West Virginia.....	4,345
		National Reserve.....	5,000
		United States total.....	88,000
		Georgia-Florida Type 62	
		State—	Allotment
		Florida.....	2,349
		Georgia.....	551
		National Reserve.....	100
		United States total.....	3,000

Dividends of 12 Federal Home Loan Banks During 1938 Totaled \$2,405,622, J. H. Fahey, Chairman of FHLBB, Reports

Dividends totaling nearly \$2,500,000 were declared by the 12 Federal Home Loan banks during 1938, John H. Fahey, Chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, announced on Jan. 28. The size of these dividends, Mr. Fahey commented, indicates the extensive lending activity of these

banks, which act as credit reservoirs for nearly 4,000 thrift and home-financing institutions throughout the United States. The board's announcement went on to say:

Of the \$2,405,622 paid in dividends by the 12 banks during 1938, Mr. Fahey said, \$1,845,635 was remitted to the U. S. Government as the majority stockholder while \$559,987 went to savings and loan associations, life insurance companies and mutual savings banks which are members of the banks. At the end of the year the Government's holding of the banks' stock was valued at \$124,741,000 while that held by private institutions was worth \$37,971,125.

"The percentage of private institutional investment in the banks in proportion to Government holdings has grown constantly larger during the last few years," Mr. Fahey said, "and this trend may be expected to continue."

During 1938, according to Mr. Fahey, the 12 banks made advances to their member institutions totaling \$81,958,343, while repayments during the year totaled \$83,210,533. Total cumulative outstanding advances from the banks to their members at the end of the year were \$198,842,438.

SEC Report Analyzing Performance of Closed-End Management Investment Trusts—Survey of 49 Companies Finds Action Closely Similar to "Unmanaged" Funds, as Represented by Common Stock Index—Open-End Trusts also Surveyed

Continuing the study of investment trusts and investment companies, the Securities and Exchange Commission on Jan. 31 transmitted to Congress "Chapter VI of Part Two of its over-all report on the study of investment trusts and investment companies, which it has conducted pursuant to Section 30 of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935."

The Commission's announcement states:

Chapter VI deals with the performance of the large management investment companies proper—closed-end and open-end investment companies popularly regarded as investment trusts, for the period 1927-1937. It merely recapitulates the conclusions contained in an appended statistical report prepared by L. C. Vass with the assistance of Irwin Friend. The remaining two chapters of Part Two, which will contain various statistical compilations relating to the experience of investors in investment trusts and investment companies and to the portfolios of such organizations, will be transmitted to the Congress in the near future.

In its statistical survey of the performance of 49 closed-end management investment trusts or companies, from 1927 to 1937, inclusive, the SEC concluded that enterprises of this type in an average year performed not much differently from an "unmanaged" fund represented by a stock index for 90 common stocks as compiled by Standard Statistics Company. It was indicated that in times of declining prices the average closed-end management company performed better than the index, partly due to the fact that portions of the companies' funds were kept in cash and some of them also invested in preferred stocks and bonds. In periods of rising prices, the index performed better than did the average company.

An SEC summary quoted in part from the Survey as follows:

Although a managed fund is necessarily subject to expenses to which the index is not subject, much of this expense is an integral part of the cost of management and would not be incurred in an unmanaged fund as represented by an index. It is estimated that the cost of operating such an unmanaged fund by a trustee operating under a suitable trust indenture would only be a fraction of one per cent of the net assets per annum. Although this is a systematic bias in favor of the index, it is almost negligible in size and does not invalidate the comparison.

"In regard to the possibilities for excelling the performance of the index, this can be accomplished by investment companies by investing in stocks whose 'performance' excels that of the index and by shifting into and out of common stocks. There were ample opportunities for both of these activities during the period studied. Whether or not these are real possibilities in a particular company depends, of course, upon the avowed purposes and policies of that company, but, realistically, these companies did engage in such practices to a considerable extent."

The following table gives the percentage increase or decrease in the funds of the average closed-end company for each year and the annual percentage increase or decrease in the level of the common stock index. Both of these percentages are adjusted for distributions to security holders.

	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932
Closed-end companies.....	25.0	29.1	-2.7	-22.5	-36.4	-6.3
Common stock index.....	36.3	42.4	-8.2	-24.1	-41.6	-9.1

	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
Closed-end companies.....	25.1	8.9	40.4	31.6	-33.1
Common stock index.....	52.1	-2.1	46.0	31.7	-34.3

The average or typical closed-end management investment company proper performed worse than the index in each of the years 1927, 1928, 1933 and 1935; performed better than the index in 1929-1932 and 1934; and performed about the same as the index in 1936 and 1937. In the years of rising stock prices, the average closed-end investment company performed worse than the common stock index, and in years of declining stock prices the average company performed better than the index. Only one-fourth or less of these investment trusts and companies performed better than the common stock index in 1927, 1928, 1933 and 1935 (years of rising stock prices), whereas two-thirds or more of these companies excelled the indexes in 1929-1932 and 1934 (years of declining stock prices). Slightly less than half of the companies excelled the index in 1936 (a year of rising stock prices), while in 1937 (a year of declining stock prices) slightly more than half the companies excelled the index.

The Commission, in discussing the comparison of the performance of the average company with the behavior of the common stock index, stated:

"Although the typical large closed-end investment company proper performed better than the common stock index in years of declining security prices and performed worse in years of rising security prices over the period studied, the typical company in the typical year, over this period of rising and declining security prices, did not perform significantly better or worse than the 90 common stock index. In other words, for the years 1927-1937, which included years or rising and

clining prices, the typical large closed-end management company proper in a typical year performed not much differently from an "unmanaged" fund represented by the 90 common stock index. Using the 90 common stock index as a basis of comparison, management of the typical investment company made no substantial performance contributions in the typical year to the investors in these companies. However, it may be pointed out that the investor, by purchasing the securities of investment trusts or investment companies, obtained some degree of diversification, and therefore, the individual investor who did not possess this diversification may have fared worse than either the index or the management investment company.

Regarding the performance of open-end management investment companies, the SEC summary says:

An analysis was made of the performance of large open-end management investment companies proper similar to the survey made for the closed-end companies. The following table gives the percentage increase or decrease in the funds of the average open-end company and in the level of the common stock index for each of the years 1929-1937:

	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
Open-end companies	-6.2	-24.5	-33.6	-7.0	30.6	7.1	33.2	29.5	-32.0
Com. stock index	-8.2	-24.1	-41.6	-9.1	52.1	-2.1	46.0	31.7	-34.3

This year to year shifts in the average level of performance for open-end companies are at least as marked as for the closed-end companies. The typical open-end company during this period manifested the same tendency as closed-end companies, although not so pronounced, to perform better than the common stock index in years of declining stock prices and to perform worse than the index in years of rising stock prices. In each of the years 1929-1932 the performance of at least one-half of the open-end companies excelled the index; in 1934 virtually all the companies performed better than the index. In 1933 and 1935 very few open-end companies performed better than the index. In 1936 and 1937 approximately one-half of the companies excelled the index. However, the average open-end company did not perform better or worse than the common stock index in a typical year over the period.

Annual Performance of Individual Open-End Companies

A comparison of the annual performance of individual open-end companies with the common stock index indicates that these companies, like the closed-end companies, did not systematically perform better or worse than the index. Most of the individual open-end companies performed about the same as the average open-end company, which did not behave much differently from the index. There is no indication of consistency in annual performance for the open-end company group over the eight years 1930-1937.

Performance of the Typical Open-End Company for the Period 1930-1937

An analysis of a small group of large open-end management investment companies proper showed that the average company, for the period 1930-1937, had an 18% shrinkage in its fund as compared with a 24.2% shrinkage for the common stock index. The company with the best performance had an increase of 29% in its fund while each of the two companies with the worst performance had a shrinkage of 39% in its fund. Half of these companies performed better than the index while half performed worse.

The detailed analysis of the performance of management investment companies proper did not include all companies of this type. The companies omitted were small investment companies proper, companies which went out of existence prior to Dec. 31, 1935, companies in the Atlas Corporation and The Equity Corporation groups, and a few companies excluded on purely mechanical grounds. These were mainly closed-end companies.

Companies with large bank debt, treated rather briefly in the chapter and statistical appendix, constitute the only other group of management investment companies proper not included in the detailed analysis. Though the number of these companies, which are all closed-end, is quite small their omission from the computation of average performance is distinctly favorable to the group of management investment companies proper.

Performance of Fixed and Semi-Fixed Investment Trusts

A brief analysis of the performance of a group of fixed and semi-fixed investment trusts indicates that typical performance over the 1930-1935 period was below the performance of the common stock index, although not by a large margin. Virtually all fixed and semi-fixed trusts invested almost all of their funds in common stocks. Consequently, their performance was worse in years of declining stock prices and better in years of rising stock prices than that of the large closed-end and open-end investment companies proper. The typical fixed trust over the period 1930-1935 performed an estimated 10% to 15% below the index. This typical performance of fixed trusts was inferior to that of the management investment companies proper which have been analyzed, although not significantly so.

Earlier references to the SEC study of investment trusts appeared in these columns Sept. 24, page 1857 and Nov. 5, page 2811.

SEC Releases Second Report of "Census of American Listed Corporations"—Covers Five Meat Packing Companies

The Securities and Exchange Commission on Jan. 25 made public the second of a series of reports based on a "Census of American Listed Corporations", (a Works Progress Administration project carried on in New York City under sponsorship of the Commission) begun in January, 1936. It was designed to abstract the more significant data available in registration statements filed with the Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The study covers about 2,000 companies having securities listed on national securities exchanges. The Commission's announcement of Jan. 25 went on to say:

The report released today contains a summary of selected data on five meat packing companies with assets of over \$50,000,000 each registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. It provides individual data for each of the companies and also combined data for all companies in the group. Included in the data on individual companies are a general survey, the names of the parents and subsidiaries of each company, the outstanding security issues of each company; 16 financial and operating ratios for each company; salary data for each company; and individual balance sheets, profit and loss statements and surplus reconciliations. The combined data for the group as a whole include a balance sheet, a profit and loss statement; a surplus reconciliation; totals of selected expense items, and 16 financial and operating ratios.

Forthcoming summaries will cover data on registered companies in other major industries, including automobile manufacturing; heavy chemicals; building equipment; chain merchandising; petroleum refining, etc. The

census does not cover railroads and other carriers reporting to the Interstate Commerce Commission, communications companies reporting to the Federal Communications Commission, insurance companies, banks and trust companies, bank holding companies, bondholders protective committees and foreign companies other than Canadian and Cuban.

The preface to the report points out that these summaries are an attempt in some measure to bridge the gap between the data available in the files of the SEC and the many potential users to whom the data are now relatively inaccessible. Accordingly, the study has been confined to factual presentation of basic data, plus ratios and percentages derived from the data, with no attempt to draw conclusions or to indicate opinion.

Copies of the summary on meat packers, as well as of the previous summary on steel companies, are available upon request. Such requests as well as requests to be placed on the mailing list for future summaries should be addressed to the Publications Unit, Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D. C.

Further Study of Insurance Started by SEC in Monopoly Inquiry—Commission Sends Investment Questionnaire to 26 Legal Reserve Life Insurance Companies

The Securities and Exchange Commission announced on Feb. 2 through the Temporary National Economic Committee that it has sent a comprehensive investment questionnaire to a group of 26 legal reserve life insurance companies. The questionnaire is designed to further the Commission's study of insurance which it is conducting under the direction of the Committee. Full and complete information as to the investment policies and practices of the insurance companies, the sources through which their investments originate, details concerning the functioning of committees primarily responsible for investments, and facts with respect to accounting practices in connection with such investments has been requested. A large proportion of the information sought has not been heretofore available from any public source, according to the Commission's announcement, which continued:

Representatives of the Commission stated that they have been discussing the general nature of the questionnaire in recent weeks with officials of certain of the companies to which it is directed, and have been assured that the bulk of the information sought can be readily supplied from available company records. Completed replies to the questionnaire have been requested for by April 1, 1939, and the Commission has indicated to the companies its willingness to expedite such replies by making members of its staff available to the companies for consultation. A list of the legal reserve life insurance companies to which the questionnaire has been sent is as follows:

Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.	New England Mutual Life Insurance Co.
The Prudential Insurance Co. of America	Union Central Life Insurance Co.
New York Life Insurance Co.	Provident Mutual Life Insurance Co.
Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States	Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co.
The Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York	Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Co.
Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co.	Connecticut General Life Insurance Co.
The Travelers Insurance Co.	Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Co.
John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co.	Bankers Life Co. (Iowa)
The Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co.	Nat'l Life Insurance Co. (Vermont)
Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co.	State Mutual Life Assurance Co.
Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co.	Equitable Life Insurance Co. of Iowa
Aetna Life Insurance Co.	Western and Southern Life Insurance Co.
	Lincoln National Life Insurance Co.
	The Guardian Life Insurance Co. of America

The foregoing companies have approximately \$24,000,000,000 total admitted assets representing over 85% of the total admitted assets of all legal reserve life insurance companies.

It was announced that the Investment Questionnaire might be sent to other legal reserve life insurance companies as the study progresses.

The Questionnaire requests the companies to furnish the actual market value and book value of all securities carried in their portfolios as of the close of each calendar year since 1931. Detailed information with respect to real estate acquired through foreclosure has been requested.

Due to the very substantial proportion of new corporate security issues being purchased directly from the issuers by insurance companies, the Commission is requesting a complete list of such issues and the amounts thereof, purchased since Jan. 1, 1932, together with information concerning any agreements or private understanding which the companies may have with the issuers covering future issues and with respect to the control of management or financial policies of such issuers.

Complete information concerning the farm and city real estate held by the companies is also sought. Detailed breakdowns of mortgages and real estate owned by types and location are asked for, in addition to the following: the dates of the latest appraisals, the basis upon which and by whom such appraisal was made; the amounts of interest delinquent and the periods of their delinquency; the amount of rehabilitation expense charged to income and the amount of such expense added to the capital cost of the properties. Another section of the Questionnaire asks for detailed data pertaining to real estate sold under contract and foreclosed real estate subject to redemption. Information is requested as to the amount of funds invested in housing projects. A detailed statement of income and expenses covering recent years of such projects is also requested.

This is the second Questionnaire which the Commission has forwarded to legal reserve companies. The first Questionnaire was more general in nature and received a wider distribution.

The Commission points out that the study in which it is engaged covers the entire private insurance field. For the present it is devoting its attention primarily to the legal reserve life insurance companies.

The first questionnaire was sent to 406 legal reserve life insurance companies on Sept. 7, as was reported in these columns of Sept. 10, page 1578.

Real Estate Bonds Showed Gain of One-half of 1% in January, According to Burr Index

Real estate bonds in January, 1939 resisted the general down trend in speculative markets and showed a gain of one-half of 1%, according to the Burr Real Estate bond index of 250 Eastern issues, released by Burr & Co., Inc., New York City. In comparison with the one-half of 1% increase in

the realty bond market as shown by the Burr index, practically all other speculative indexes showed sharp down trends. For example, it is stated, the Dow Jones industrial averages declined by over 7% in January, rail stock averages by 12½% and second-grade rail bond averages by about 4½%. In announcing this, Burr & Co.'s announcement went on to say:

There is a strong undertone of confidence in the near term outlook for realty bond markets, according to Burr & Co., Inc., analysts, because of the maintenance of earning power and bond interest payments during the last year. With at least partial clearing up of January uncertainties, an upward trend in realty bond markets may confidently be anticipated, particularly with respect to the New York City properties, such as hotels, theatres, &c., which will receive a tremendous earnings stimulus from the World's Fair to commence within the next three months.

During January the hotel and theatre issues covered by the Burr index showed the largest percentage increases of the main types of property with a 2.2% gain for hotel issues and 1.9% increase for theatre issues. Both the hotel and theatre groups broke into new high ground for 1938-1939 during January.

A recent analysis of these realty bonds by Burr & Co., Inc. indicated a steady increase in the average rate of interest return and showed that based on 1938 interest payments a current yield of about 8½% is available in the realty bond field.

Semi-Annual Survey of Real Estate Market by National Association of Real Estate Boards—Activity Somewhat Better Than Year Ago—Capital Supply Reported Best in Years with Continued Tendency to Lower Rates

The real estate market nationally comes into the year 1939 with a pace that in most factors already matches or surpasses its pre-recession gait, said the National Association of Real Estate Boards, in making available on Jan. 14 the 32nd semi-annual survey of the real estate market, compiled from confidential reports of member boards in 274 cities. The Association's announcement, bearing on its survey said, in part:

Four things stand out in the survey findings:

1. Increased supply of capital available for real estate loans, and, even more important, continued tendency to lower interest rates. The survey shows the most generally favorable situation in respect to both interest rates and mortgage money supply that has ever been recorded in the country's real estate history.

2. Beginning, however, of a differential between old and new residential properties due to difference in outlook for financing for these types of properties, a differentiation that city after city reports will be accentuated if Federal Housing Administration financing for existing homes is allowed to go out of existence on July 1, 1939 as it will unless Congress acts to extend the date.)

3. Undersupply of single family dwellings in 34% of cities, despite the revival of home building and despite the appreciable new doubling up of families which accompanied business recession.

4. Substantial activity in the market for homesites, evidence of preparation of family after family for new home building. Measurable up swing here, despite the recession in general business activity which began in the last month of 1937, is symptomatic of the underlying strength of the real estate outlook.

Other cardinal points as to today's situation.

Market activity higher than last year at this time in 33% of the cities reporting, and abreast with the rate which opened last year in 38% of the cities. The like survey of six months ago found only 9% of cities more active and 74% less active than they had been a 12-month earlier. That was in comparison with the post-depression peak activity reached for real estate in May 1937.

Selling prices steady in 64% of the cities. Up a median of 10% in about one-eighth of the cities. Still affected by the recession in almost a quarter of the cities. Where they are down the median drop is 10%. (Prices for residential property are forecast to rise during 1939 in 55% of the cities reporting. Rise expected is ordinarily about 15%.)

Rents in the most stable situation of the post-depression period.

Capital for mortgage loans seeking investment in 77% of the cities; loans seeking capital in only 13% of the cities. This favorable situation is even more general than at the May, 1937 peak.

Interest rates in 29% of the cities lower than last year at this time, when they were already the lowest in history. In 69% of cities, steady at last year's level. Rising in only 2% of the cities.

Market for subdivision or suburban lots, improved over last year at this time in one-third of the cities reporting. (Decline is shown in only one-sixth of the cities.)

Vacant lots sold for homesites during the year exceeded considerably the number of homes built in the cities reporting. One hundred lots were sold for every 73 homes built. Homesite sales averaged one lot for every 243 persons in the urban population.

Home building reported by the identical cities averaged one new single family dwelling for every 337 people.

Supply, Residential

A shortage of apartments is felt in one quarter of all cities reporting. Not quite a sixth of the cities now have an over-supply. While 34% of cities report shortage of single-family dwellings, 5% in addition, have a prospective shortage. Only 6% have an over-supply.

Commercial Rents Beginning to Advance

Supply of commercial structures is in balance with demand in two-thirds of the cities surveyed, but effect of the recession in general business is still visible in the fact that 25% of cities show excess of space over demand, whereas only 18% so reported as of May, 1937. Business property rents, however, already reflect the expectation of general business advance. While 73% of the cities show stabilized rents, in 18% the rates are higher than they were a year ago, and in only 9% of cities have they had a drop.

Office space lags behind business space in rent recovery but it, also, is beginning to advance. While 88% of cities have stabilized office rents, a rise has taken place in 8% of the cities, a drop in only 4% of cities.

The largest cities lead in respect to rising market activity, the small cities in respect to price rise. Outlook for 1939 is for advanced volume in 88% of cities.

The 31st semi-annual survey issued by the Association was referred to in our July 23 issue, page 514.

Floyd D. Cerf on Recent Events Affecting Chain Store Industry—Cites Farmer, Labor and Real Estate Groups Opposed to Legislation Affecting Chain Stores—Consideration of Patman Bill Regarded Unlikely

In the opinion of Floyd D. Cerf, investment banker, "the danger of serious consideration of the Patman Licensing bill—or any similar legislation has been removed; thereby assuring the uninterrupted prosperous growth of that economically sound institution—the chain store industry." Mr. Cerf, who is a member of the Chicago Board of Trade, and President of Floyd D. Cerf Co. commenting on "the expensive and unwarranted fight against chain stores," says in part:

Small store owners contributed financial support to a campaign to fight chain store competition, but in reality they unwittingly contributed to a national pressure campaign that threatened to rob them of their business independence and affected their business adversely because of price fixing tactics.

The attacks on chain stores revealed their potential strength as established factors in this country's marketing picture. . . . The real economic value of this modern method of merchandising is recognized in its true light today by consumer, employer and owner. Chain stores can buy their merchandise freely in the best markets available.

Nationwide organizations of wholesaling, transportation, processing and sales within broad business units gave the consumer the benefit of the Nation's bounty.

The tide has turned since the day, over a year ago, when the Miller-Tydings Bill became law, contrary even to President Roosevelt's sentiments. The bill itself masqueraded as a rider to the District of Columbia Revenue bill and was passed by an unwilling Congress under pressure of professional lobbyists. . . . The President was forced to sign the bill because it originally was intended to only provide funds to operate the capital. But, in defense he stated:

"The present hazard of undue advances in prices, with a resultant rise in the cost of living, makes it most untimely to legalize any competitive or marketing practice calculated to facilitate increases in the cost of numerous and important articles which American householders and consumers generally buy."

Already the Courts of the State of New Jersey have declared the Fair Trade Acts of that State unconstitutional, and in the opinion of the Court the operation of these laws was detrimental to public interest because it increased the cost of living.

The fear that had been engendered in the minds of many that the Patman Chain Store Licensing bill might be passed, has been overcome by . . . the repudiation of such legislation by the general public and Congress. The . . . annual licensing fees were designed at such a high level that no chain store unit of any size could survive. For example—Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. would be required to pay an estimated annual license fee in the amount of \$550,000,000 under the proposed Patman legislation . . .

Such forthright jurists as District Court Judge Berthold Vorsanger in New Jersey recently declared local falsely termed "Fair Trade" laws unconstitutional. A number of consumer groups now exist and are taking an active voice when any legislation is introduced which might affect the consuming public. Farmer, labor and real estate groups are opposed to any type of legislation tending to affect chain stores. The American Federation of Labor is openly opposing discriminating and punitive anti-chain store legislation. The return to the fundamental American principle of legitimate competition is being reestablished.

Criticism by Arthur A. Ballantine of Free Spending Theory of Federal Finance—Former Under-Secretary of Treasury Addresses New York State Chamber of Commerce

Criticizing on Feb 2 the free-spending theory of Federal finance, Arthur A. Ballantine, former Under-Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York that "talking about the national debt as if payment does not need to be made" was a danger signal which would invite disaster to the people of the United States if it were ignored.

Naming President Roosevelt and Chairman Eccles and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System as the outstanding advocates of the free-spending theory, Mr. Ballantine said:

"Any process of repudiating the debt, whether by inflation or otherwise, would destroy the results of individual thrift and prudence and weaken the springs of all economic effort. Repudiation would for a time, at least, wholly upset the economic machine and would probably lead, as it did in Germany, to a degree of government intervention in the daily affairs of the people that is wholly inconsistent with the maintenance of our liberties."

In part, Mr. Ballantine added:

1940 will be the tenth year of continuous federal deficits. It is officially estimated that at the close of that year the deficits will aggregate over 27 billions: that the national debt will then stand at nearly 45 billions, or over twice where it stood in 1933, with well over five billion of guaranteed obligations in addition. Interest charges alone will run next year at over a billion. That is more than it cost to run the whole government back in 1916.

Up to now deficits were apologized for as departures from sound and desirable practice. Deficits were described as due to the emergency; they were temporary, for recovery and relief; they were never ordinary financial procedure. In the President's message of this year, however, we find deficits at once domesticated and glorified.

According to the new theory, deficit spending will increase the income of the people—the national income—by amounts far greater than the amount of the deficits, and will, sooner or later, increase the Government's own revenues under an existing tax structure, so as to catch up with the deficits. Expenditure from deficit dollars is conceived of as more potent than expenditure from revenue dollars, as it is said to represent a new addition to purchasing power.

Mr. Eccles in his advocacy of this theory still maintains that he would like to balance the budget. It is obvious, however, that serious reliance upon the new theory makes the attainment of balance impossible. . . .

Governor Eccles earnestly maintains that it was not natural economic forces that brought about the upswing from the great depression which occurred in 1933, but rather Government spending and Government measures. As a matter of fact, economic recovery from the depression

was much in evidence in 1932, was halted in the fall of that year, but was resumed and attained its greatest rapidity shortly after the New Deal came to office, and before the policies of deficit spending and excessive experimentation had developed. If it was contraction of Government deficit spending that brought about the slump of 1937-38 it would seem clear that business activity developed by such spending is dangerously short-lived.

As a matter of fact, increase in the national income depends upon the more active functioning of all industry and agriculture, all along the line. Of course, spending of the deficit dollar by the Government results in some business activity, but that Government spending may prevent the spending of two or three dollars or more by private individuals or agencies. The total business activity depends in large measure upon the effect of the sum total of all Government measures and policies. More important than spending policies are policies making for peace in labor relations, for adjustment of the great difficulties of the railroads and of the public utilities, and for a general atmosphere which would be favorable to business development and expansion. The necessity of such policies has been obscured by the very process of deficit spending.

Under the terminology of the new theory, the Government is not spending but is investing; the disturbing word "spend" is stricken out and the comforting word "invest" is substituted. It is suggested that in accordance with recognized business practices the Government can place upon a balance sheet many items resulting from outgo, now classed as current expenditure, and show that what appears as a deficit is in reality a surplus. . . .

We can all agree that we wish to have the unemployed kept from want; that we wish the farmers to have the farmers' special needs met; that old age security must be cared for; that Government administration is more expensive and costly than it used to be. Yet the fact remains that continued deficit financing makes the whole conduct of national affairs a great gamble—gambling far more serious than the private gambling of the late twenties. Then at least we had a relatively strong government to fall back upon. The Administration leaves us now with no guiding principle for the sound conduct of Government finances—only a vague hope that the easy way may prove to be the safe way. . . .

To promote the idea that we do not need to worry about spending and deficits is not a humanitarian service, but the reverse. It will be true in the future, as in the past, that in the end spending in excess of revenues produces chaos and threatens our form of economic life and the liberties which depend upon it. To destroy that conviction is to invite disaster.

Proposed New York State Tax Program Criticized

The tax program of Governor Lehman which was submitted to the New York State Legislature on Jan. 30, calling for new tax levies totaling \$64,000,000 to balance the budget during the current fiscal year, has brought criticism from the President of the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York and the President of the Merchants' Association of New York as well as many others.

Richard W. Lawrence, President of the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York, on Jan. 31 issued the following statement on Governor Lehman's tax program:

Governor Lehman's tax program must come as a shock to the constructive business enterprise of the State. Anything which adds to the burden of business means a lessening of the opportunity for the laboring man. Every one is concerned with the huge number of unemployed and common sense dictates that they can only be absorbed through expansion of the activities of private industry.

The program of liberal expenditures of the Governor in previous years is responsible for the prospective State deficit of \$33,000,000 by June 30 of this year. There must be a pruning of expenditures. Who can tell whether the taxes now proposed by the Governor will be sufficient to avoid another deficit at the end of the 1940 fiscal year?

The effect of the Governor's program upon other States must be regarded with grave apprehension. The fact that the leading State of the Nation through its Governor proposes to boost its next year's budget some 18 million dollars and would pile new levies of 64 million dollars upon the already over-burdened taxpayers cannot but help to break down the resistance to increased expenditures in other States which took to New York for leadership.

While Governor Lehman's expressed pay-as-you-go policy is commendable, his failure to propose economies which would substantially reduce the expenditures of government and enable the State to live within its income without swelling that income by additional taxation must invite criticism.

That budgets can be slashed has just been strikingly demonstrated by one of the counties in Governor Lehman's own State—Westchester, where a united protest of the taxpayers against proposed increases in the county budget brought a reduction of 5 million dollars in departmental estimates and lowered the budget one million dollars below that of 1938. It can be done.

It is the hope of business men that the Legislature will prove responsive to the wishes of the taxpayers and take a firm stand for reduction in the cost of State government and against further taxation which cannot but retard recovery and prevent private industry from lightening the load which unemployment and relief are placing on the government.

Louis K. Comstock, President of The Merchants' Association of New York, issued the following statement on Jan. 31 in reference to the budget and program for new taxes presented to the Legislature by Governor Lehman:

I have conferred today with members of the Tax Committee of The Merchants' Association and with some of the members of the Board of Directors.

They have expressed themselves as astounded that there should be any proposal from the Governor for increasing the taxes on business or real estate at this time.

One of the reasons for existing unemployment is the imposition of taxes which have forced concerns out of business, have deprived others of funds with which to expand and add to their pay rolls and have helped wipe out the owners of real estate. More taxes mean an aggravation of this situation. We need home ownership and we cannot have home ownership if taxes deprive people of their homes. We need more jobs and we cannot have more jobs unless we have better business. Each new tax is a fresh obstacle to better business.

Obviously, the thing for the Legislature to do is to attack the problem from the other angle. Are all the expenditures proposed in the Governor's budget absolutely necessary? Has the State budget been made up on the

basis of what is desirable or of what the State can afford? Has it been confined to absolute needs? We believe that by deferring certain projects and that by giving to the budget the emergency treatment which is justified, it is possible to reduce it by many millions without hardship to any one. We shall have something more to say on that subject.

Meanwhile it is enough to remind the Governor and the Legislature that the only relief to our situation can come through an improvement in business and that it will be folly for the State to put any further obstacles in the way of that improvement.

Governor Lehman in his annual budget message submitted to the State Legislature said that declining State revenues, due to the recession last year and the increases in the cost of unemployment relief combined would give the State a prospective deficit of \$33,137,272 by June 30 of this year, and that if the State failed to impose new taxes and continued only the present ones there would be an additional deficit of \$24,402,595 for the fiscal year 1939-40, making an accumulated deficit by June 30, 1940 of \$57,549,867.

Governor Lehman in his message said in part:

Unless there is a willingness to take such extreme steps as to abolish completely the State contributions to local relief expenditures or to reduce State aid for schools by 50%, there are only two possible courses of action open to us, namely (1) the abandonment of the pay-as-you-go policy for financing the State's share of relief costs or (2) the imposition of new taxes.

I am certain in my own mind that the State cannot withdraw from unemployment relief or slash its aid to public education, and I believe that further borrowing for relief should be avoided even at the cost of substantial present sacrifice.

Here is presented an appropriation program for the fiscal year 1940 that calls for appropriations of \$411,682,122.

I recommend that taxes be increased sufficiently to liquidate, wholly, this anticipated deficit before June 30, 1940.

The new taxes proposed in his message follow:

- (1) An increase in the rate of the excise tax on hard liquors from \$1 to \$1.50 a gallon estimated to yield \$8,000,000
 - (2) A tax on business turnover at the rate of two-tenths of 1%* estimated to yield 30,000,000
 - (3) A direct State tax on real estate at the rate of one dollar on each \$1,000 of valuation, estimated to yield 26,000,000
- * The city of New York to retain the power to continue its existing tax of one-tenth of 1% on turnover.

The Governor also suggested that in addition all the emergency taxes imposed since 1933 which yield about \$100,000,000 a year be made a permanent part of the State's tax structure and include the gas tax and the 1% emergency income tax.

Increasing Taxes Predicted by Walter Lichtenstein of First National Bank of Chicago—Says Government Will Be Compelled to Raise Rate, in Order to Maintain Interest Payments on Obligations

Government policies in the future, as in the past, will play a leading part in financial developments in this country, and therefore the future needs of Government as determining interest rates on Treasury obligations must be considered by bankers who handle investment policies, Walter Lichtenstein, Vice-President of the First National Bank of Chicago, told the Wisconsin Bankers Association at a meeting in Milwaukee on Jan. 25. Mr. Lichtenstein declared that if present Government policies continue, then debt service will continue to increase and the burden will become greater and not less as time passes. He said that there is little prospect that in the next few generations the debt burden resting upon the world will become less important, and he predicted that most citizens in years to come will be compelled to pay increasing taxes in order that the Government can maintain service on the national debt. Mr. Lichtenstein added, in part:

To be sure, the Government at times will be unable to keep interest rates down. A very sharp rise in production, a new speculative wave sweeping the country, a great war, and many other happenings may be of such preponderant importance that regardless of what the Government does the demand for money will increase to such an extent that interest rates will firm up. But I am merely submitting to you that while in the past the Government, by its own action, has at times reduced the absolute amount of the debt, and by developments over which the Government has had no control, the burden of the debt, regardless of the amount, has become relatively lessened, this is not apt to be true in any future which those of us now living are likely to experience. Hence, my belief is that, take it all in all, we are going to experience a fairly long period of time in which the general level of interest rates will be much lower than that we have known in the past. This is also true for another reason. In the past, especially in the times before the war, we were an expanding country with little liquid capital of our own available and we had to rely upon Europe to do most of the large-scale financing needed in this country. A change came about at the time of the war, and since the war this country has done most of its own financing with relatively little assistance from investors in other parts of the world. You are aware that today funds seeking investment are very plentiful and that every trust company is having great difficulty in finding investments which are both safe and at the same time pay an adequate return. We are more or less in the position that Great Britain was during most of the nineteenth century when the rate of return on safe investments was normally around 3%. I recall not so many years ago when it was taken for granted that an investor could count on a return of about 5%, so that a man worth a million dollars expected to have an income of about \$50,000. This was not true in Great Britain in the nineteenth century, and I question whether in the future we can anticipate that it will be true here. This condition of which I am speaking was one of the prime reasons why British, Dutch, Swiss, German and French investors before the war put so much of their money into enterprises in foreign lands. After all, we can take it for granted that the average European would have much preferred to put his money to work at home where he could watch conditions much more closely than he could those in lands across the sea. The reason he didn't was that he could not find a sufficient amount of suitable investments in his native land, paying an adequate

return. So I suspect that in spite of bitter recent experiences, sooner or later we shall again be buying foreign securities. I said this on a previous occasion, and a Vice-President of another bank answered me rather heatedly that if I had been through the experiences he had in trying to collect on defaulted foreign bond issues I would not hold an opinion such as the one just expressed. But in spite of my friend, I am unrepentant and continue to believe that whether we like it or not inexorable conditions will compel us to do things which we may regard as hazardous, but nevertheless will be simply because there will be no other way out of the situation in which we find ourselves.

Mr. Lichtenstein's address bore the title "Trends in Investment Policies," and in the course of his remarks he observed:

Naturally, investment policies have always been important to banks, and at practically all times banks and bankers have invested for purposes of reserve and profit a portion of their funds in securities of one kind or another. There is nothing new in this, but what is new is that in this country, and to some extent in other countries, there has been a steady reduction, relatively speaking, in the amount of commercial loans available. Bankers have therefore been forced, in order to pay their way, to put a larger proportion of available funds in to securities.

It may be interested to give certain figures as to the shift that has taken place in the last 80 years. Prior to the Civil War the percentage of loans to deposits ranged between 200% and 400%. After the Civil War the high point was reached in 1872 when loans amounted to 120% of deposits; since that time there has been a continual decline, and we find that on June 30, 1938, the last complete figures available, the investments of banks which used to be of secondary importance was exceeded loans and amounted to almost 50% of the total deposits of banks, exclusive of inter-bank deposits. Loans on that same date amounted to somewhat over 40% of the total deposits of all banks, exclusive of inter-bank deposits. It may also be worth noting that in the case of non-member banks, exclusive of mutual savings banks, the ratio of investments to deposits was 45%, while the ratio of loans to deposits was practically identical with that of member banks; in other words, in the case of the smaller banks the investment portfolio is, to a very small degree, of less importance than for the larger banks, though the difference is too small to be of any special significance, and if we had a careful breakdown of the statistics, it might turn out that there was really no difference at all between large and small banks.

My reason for mentioning this is simply that when your committee asked me to address you, emphasis was placed on the wish that I speak of the investment policy as related to smaller banks, and what I am trying to say is that essentially there is no difference between small and large banks in that respect other than that the figures dealt in are smaller in the former case than in the latter. In both instances banks may be ruined by a faulty investment policy and by suffering too great losses. The larger bank may have more leeway by having more money to play with and thus be able to diversify its investments better, but I don't see that the problem is fundamentally different for a small bank than it is for a large one.

Union with 90,000 Members in Ford Motor Co. Dissolved—Counsel for Liberty Legion of America, Inc. Announces Dissolution—Action Follows Conferences Between Homer Martin of U. A. W. A., Harry Bennett and Ward Culver

Counsel for the Liberty Legion of America, Inc., 90,000 of whose members are employed by the Ford Motor Co., announced on Jan. 19 its dissolution as an independent labor organization. According to United Press advices from Detroit on that day; these advices continued in part:

The Trustees decided to abandon the Legion's labor principles after conferences between Homer Martin, President of the United Automobile Workers Union, an affiliate of John L. Lewis's Congress of Industrial Organizations; Harry Bennett, personnel director of the Ford Motor Company, and Ward Culver, Attorney for the Legion.

Mr. Culver's announcement followed a statement by Mr. Martin in which he said the Legion was being dissolved as "the result of my negotiations with Harry Bennett."

Mr. Bennett referred questioners to Mr. Culver.

A trial examiner of the National Labor Relations Board ruled last July 2 that "not only the St. Louis division but the national organization of the Liberty Legion, Inc., was formed and dominated by the Ford Motor Company." The ruling was handed down in a case against the St. Louis plant of the Ford company.

Dissolution of the Legion as a collective bargaining agency representing employees was recommended by the trial examiner. The case was appealed and has not been disposed of.

The Liberty Union has about 150,000 members in several different industries throughout the country. Most of the Ford members, Mr. Culver said, were former U. A. W. men.

Since the dissolution of the Liberty Legion, Mr. Martin has faced difficulties within his own organization, as an insurgent faction in the C. I. O. repudiated his leadership of the U. A. W. A. The controversy is scheduled for hearing in the Circuit Court at Detroit Feb. 6.

National Public Housing Conference Held in New York City—President Roosevelt Says "Great Expectations" for Future of Slum Clearance Program Rest on Local Support and Leadership

In a message addressed to the National Public Housing Conference, held at the Hotel Commodore, in New York City on Jan. 27 and 28. President Roosevelt declared that "great expectations for the future of this slum clearance program rest on something even more fundamental than early success; namely, the exceptionally broad base of its local support and leadership."

At the conference a platform for the furtherance of slum clearance and low rent housing was adopted, the policies enunciated therein, being as follows, according to the New York "Times":

1. Increased Federal funds shall be made available to extend the program of local housing authorities to rehouse 1,000,000 families in the next five years.

2. Local housing authorities laws shall be passed in all States.

3. Financial assistance shall be furnished to local housing authorities by the States in the form of loans and subsidies.

4. An increase in the number and activities of local housing authorities shall be sought.

5. Local subsidies shall be made available in the form of tax exemption or otherwise.

6. Reduction of building costs shall be sought, to the end that with the amount of loans and subsidies made available an increased number of families shall be rehoused.

7. The families displaced by slum clearance shall be regarded as having first claim on the houses erected, provided they are otherwise eligible.

8. Cities having housing authorities shall include in their annual budgets adequate appropriations for salaries and other routine expenses of any authority so that such expenses shall not be charged to the tenants of the projects of an authority.

9. For the benefit of families in the next higher income groups than those being served by subsidized public housing projects, Federal, State and local loans amounting to 100% of the total cost of a project, but no subsidy, shall be provided to cooperative tenant societies for the erection and management of dwellings, for their own members, under the supervision and control of local housing authorities and title to which shall be vested in the city in which a project is located.

Dr. Edith Elmer Wood, a consultant to the United States Housing Authority speaking at the conference on Jan. 27 said: "That slum clearance and new housing within the next five years should provide homes for a million families. This was indicated in the New York "Sun" of Jan. 27, from which the following is also taken:

Dr. Wood said that 200,000 families could move into new homes every year for the next five years if the 15 States which have no local housing authorities should appoint them. Financial aid by States and cities, in addition to what is required by the Federal Housing Act, is also necessary, she said. She also said that continued Federal support would be required.

"That is not enough, but it is probably as much as we can get," she said. "Not only is it less than a third of what is needed to eliminate present unfit urban housing, but it is not enough to keep pace with annual obsolescence. England is doing half as much with less than a third of our population."

Dr. Wood said that there must be determined concentration on lower construction and development costs and lower maintenance costs to achieve lower rentals.

William Stanley Miller, President of the City Tax Commission, Mrs. Mary Kingsbury Simkovitch, Vice-Chairman of the New York City Housing Authority and others also addressed the conference. The following is President Roosevelt's letter, dated Jan. 13, and addressed to Miss Helen Alfred, Executive Director of the Conference:

"The knowledge that groups of citizens all over the country are meeting this Winter to carry forward concrete plans for slum clearance and rehousing in their own communities is a source of great satisfaction to me.

Energetic and responsible local housing authorities have been established all over the country and are already accepted as part of the normal local government machinery. Great expectations for the future of this slum-clearance program rest on something more fundamental than its early success—namely, the exceptionally broad base of its local support and leadership.

The people who gather for the annual meeting of that pioneering organization, the National Public Housing Conference, and the citizens who support housing in hundreds of communities, represent no narrow partisan group. Business and labor, liberals and conservatives, leading architects, doctors and welfare workers, people from every party and many professions, are working together as members of local housing authorities and as their advisors. Here is a cross-section of American interests and occupations, united in common cause against the slum.

In the hope that the forthcoming conference will achieve its aim of promoting slum-clearance and low-rent housing through an established Federal-local service, I send all who take part in its deliberations my cordial greetings and heartiest felicitations.

Increased Advertising Advocated Before Illinois Bankers Association Conference—Other Speakers Discuss Farm Loans and Greater Public Information About Bank Practices

Banks could increase their loan volume by increasing their advertising in newspapers and on the radio, Frank C. Welch, former President of the Iowa Bankers Association, said on Jan. 26 in an address before the Mid-Winter Conference of the Illinois Bankers' Association in Chicago. He said, in part:

"We are in the business of selling money and unless we are ready, willing and anxious to sell our merchandise on the terms upon which people wish to purchase it, they will buy their money elsewhere, and the funds they buy will, in a large measure, be the same funds entrusted to you and me by our depositors.

Unless we bankers will sell our merchandise in an attractive package to people who will pay for it, we will not sell it, and the irony of the whole thing is that those who do sell it at a profit can only do so because too many of us are not only too lazy to do it ourselves, but we are also foolish enough to hand our competitors the merchandise at a wholesale cost that can only be described by me as ridiculous.

Mr. Welch is President of the Peoples Savings Bank of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

True D. Morse, Manager Appraisal, of the Commercial and Industrial Department of the Doane Agricultural Service, St. Louis, Mo., addressed the conference on "Bank and Farm Management." Mr. Morse said that every bank should have carefully formulated loan programs for the various types of farms in the area served, and that these should be used as guides in creating such important features as dates and amounts of interest and principal payments. He added, in part:

The farmers of this country are more than ever dependent upon the domestic market, and there is little to indicate that this situation will soon change. It is safe to assume that industrial activities and general business conditions

will largely determine the general level of farm prices. Bankers and farmers should not go blindly forward oblivious to this important fact.

1. There is evidence that the present price level may be near the average to be expected for many years, or until the nation is excited into another major inflation period.
2. There is the possibility that there may be 10 to 15 years more during which prices may work even lower than the present level.

S. N. Pickard, President of the Wisconsin Bankers Association, told the conference that bankers should give more serious thought to providing official information consistently and continually to the people of the United States concerning policies and practices and the good that banks have done. He continued:

I believe that we shall see the time—and that very soon—when business and financial units will consistently purchase space in publications to report upon their stewardship of the responsibilities imposed upon them and to express in factual terms sound thought on economic subjects.

The cumulative effect of honest, sound and frequent reports of individual banks and businesses cannot help but create a growing consciousness on the part of all as to the principles for which they stand, in terms of their importance to every citizen.

We should recognize the great desire on the part of employees, although perhaps inarticulate, to be considered an integral part of each business and not merely as bits of machinery, isolated in function and easily replaced. Most employees in the banking business enter that business for life. We do not encourage turnover and there are enough instances where people have risen through the ranks to positions of great responsibility to encourage the type of employees we like to attract.

"Our Interest in Reducing Criminality" was discussed by G. F. Baltz, Chairman of the Association's Committee on Crime Prevention and Insurance, who declared that criminal attacks on banks not only raise the insurance rates that banks have to pay, but they raise them to higher levels from which it is difficult to dislodge them. In part Mr. Baltz said:

The biggest factor in placing too much confidence in any single individual. An individual may bear a good reputation, have acquitted himself nobly and honorably in a great many trusts, performed an outstanding service or services of some kind, but these are no guarantee that some day he may fall to distinguish between his own and that of his trustor, and where that happens, disaster is in store.

No official, no clerk, in any bank should be left wholly, solely, indisputably in charge of the bank, a certain department of that bank or a certain account dealing with valuables. There should be periodical checks made and these checks linked with the entire workings of the bank. Unexpected audits should be made at times.

Where an officer or clerk in a bank has a great many outside interests, is made custodian of funds, or is entrusted with the administration of a trust and such funds are carried through the bank, a simultaneous audit of those funds ought to be made with that of the bank.

Felix Frankfurter Sworn In as Associate Justice of United States Supreme Court

Felix Frankfurter, former Harvard University law Professor, was sworn in as an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court on Jan. 30 before a large gathering of Government officials and close friends. In the privacy of an antechamber of the Court building, Mr. Frankfurter first took the oath to support the Constitution as administered by Chief Justice Hughes. The new Justice then, in the chamber of the Court, repeated the judicial oath to Charles Elmore Cropley, Clerk of the Court, and swore to administer justice impartially. A reference to the Senate confirmation of President Roosevelt's nomination of Justice Frankfurter was given in these columns of Jan. 21, page 368.

In an Associated Press Washington dispatch of Jan. 30 the following regarding the ceremony was given:

Clad in the customary black robe, Mr. Frankfurter marched into the court room promptly at noon with the other Justices after taking the constitutional oath in their presence. He then repeated the judicial oath in a strong, clear voice and shook hands with Justice Black before taking the seat at his left.

While many of his former pupils and intimate friends looked on, Mr. Frankfurter then took the judicial oath and promptly occupied the seat left vacant by the death last July of his intimate friend, Justice Benjamin N. Cardozo.

The new Justice was seated to the extreme left of the Chief Justice. Those reserving seats for the ceremony included Secretary of Labor Perkins, Secretary of Commerce Hopkins, the wives of Justices Butler, Stone, Black and Reed; Mrs. Frankfurter, Thomas G. Corcoran and Benjamin V. Cohen, Government attorneys and former pupils of Mr. Frankfurter; Miss Marguerite A. Le Hand, personal secretary to President Roosevelt; Miss Ella Frankfurter, a sister, associated with the Labor Relations Board; Senator and Mrs. W. Warren Barbour of New Jersey, and Prof. and Mrs. Joseph Beale of Harvard University.

Formation of Association of Customers' Men Completed—Provisional Constitution Adopted and Officers and Executive Committee Elected

The formation of an Association of Customers' Men employed by members of the New York Stock Exchange was completed at a meeting on Jan. 30 at the Down Town Athletic Club, New York City. Men from about 100 firms, it is announced, were present at the meeting which adopted a provisional Constitution and elected a slate of officers and an Executive Committee to serve until the first annual meeting of the new Association which will be held in May of this year. Thus far, it is added, the preliminary organization work of the Association has been conducted by a temporary committee. As it is the purpose of the organization to give every one who wishes to join the Association a voice in its affairs, the initial slate of officers and members of the Executive Committee will hold office only for this limited period of time. An announcement in behalf of the new Association had the following to say regarding qualifications for membership:

Membership applications will be received from any person employed by a member firm of the New York Stock Exchange engaged primarily in the solicitation of commission business or in servicing accounts, who has been engaged in this work for more than a period of three years, or has passed the customers' man's examination as prescribed by the New York Stock Exchange. Dues of \$2 per year have been decided upon. All members are to be passed upon by an admissions committee which is to be appointed shortly. Applications for membership will be made available to all customers' men in New York City in the near future.

The purposes of the Association were outlined at the meeting on Jan. 30, as follows:

To preserve and inculcate the highest standards of business conduct among its members.

To promote mutual understanding of their respective problems between the public and the financial community, and to support measures affecting the securities' markets deemed in the public interest.

To improve the service rendered by its members to the public by interchange of ideas and by encouraging greater educational effort.

To cooperate with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the New York Stock Exchange and the Association of Stock Exchange Firms in all matters concerning the members of this Association.

Members of the organizing committee, it is said, report enthusiastic response not only from customers' men in Wall Street but those outside of New York City as well. As soon as the organization can be completed in New York City, steps will be taken to form chapters in other cities.

The officers elected at the Jan. 30 meeting are:

Albert C. Beeson, Eastman, Dillon & Co.—President.
Thomas B. Meek, Orvis Brothers & Co.—Vice-President.
Alfred Ferguson, Chisholm & Chapman—Secretary.
Kenneth Walton, J. S. Bache & Co.—Treasurer.

Executive Committee

Lyle Shepard, Tucker, Anthony & Co.	Lewis Kent, Dyer, Hudson & Co.
Maurice Glinert, Alex. Elsemann & Co.	Thomas Madsen, Whitehouse & Co.
R. P. Ackerson, E. A. Pierce & Co.	Wynyard Pasley, Shields & Co.
J. R. Johnston, Smith, Barney & Co.	Newell E. Thomas, Fahnestock & Co.
W. R. Buckley, Shearson, Hammill & Co.	Patrick Keady, Thompson McKinnon & Co.
Charles Cane, Reynolds & Co.	George Hanshaw, Kean, Taylor & Co.
Charles Stone, Harris, Upham & Co.	Richard Anderson, Dominick & Dominick
George W. Bender, Francis I. du Pont & Co.	Walter A. Stark, Jackson Bros. Boesell & Co.

Preliminary action toward the formation of the Association was reported in our Jan. 28 issue, page 521.

New York Stock Exchange Policy on Floor Trading Explained by R. L. Stott, Chairman of Committee on Floor Procedure

Members of the New York Stock Exchange who trade on the floor for their own account met in the Governor's room on Feb. 1 and heard an explanation by the Committee on Floor Procedure of its policies and rules as they relate to floor trading. Robert L. Stott, Chairman of the Committee on Floor Procedure, explained that it is the policy of the Exchange to discourage transactions executed in such a manner as to focus attention conspicuously upon the activity of floor traders or to make use of the ticker facilities to create an exaggerated or distorted impression as to the condition of, or the interest in, the market. In an announcement issued Feb. 1 the Exchange further explained:

The attitude of the Exchange with respect to floor trading is reflected partly in written rules and partly in unwritten policies which have the force and effect of rules. The purpose of the meeting today was to clarify the Exchange's attitude with respect to floor trading and to prevent future misunderstanding of that attitude.

It was pointed out that, while the Exchange's policies with respect to floor trading are generally understood, there have been occasional instances indicating that there may have been some misunderstanding. Violations of the policies, it was further said, are extremely rare, and it is the hope of the Committee on Floor Procedure to bring about such a clear understanding of the policies as to make the possibility of non-observance even more remote.

An item regarding the censuring of two Exchange members for violation of a policy of the Floor Procedure Committee was given in our issue of Jan. 28, page 510.

Investment Bankers Conference Meets in New York to Study Report on Forming National Over-Counter Association—B. Howell Griswold Re-elected Chairman of Governing Committee

The Investment Bankers Conference, Inc., held a two-day meeting of its Governing Committee, Advisory Council and Drafting Committee in New York on Jan. 26 and 27. The principal purpose of the meeting, which was attended by about 45 investment dealers from all parts of the country, was to consider a report, submitted by the Drafting Committee, proposing the formation of a national association to function under the Maloney Act for the self-regulation of over-the-counter trading in securities. At its opening session on Jan. 26 the Governing Committee re-elected B. Howell Griswold Jr., of Baltimore, Chairman and Francis A. Bonner, of Chicago, Vice-Chairman. Others elected were: Edward Hillard of Louisville, Treasurer, to replace Sidney Clark of Philadelphia, who resigned, and Wallace H. Fulton, who was re-elected a director of the conference.

From the New York "Times" of Jan. 28 we take the following regarding the report:

The Investment Bankers Conference, Inc., took no formal action yesterday upon the drafting committee's report, inasmuch as it was considered tentative and as merely a basis upon which a plan for organization of the association might proceed. Although the Securities and Exchange Commission has been informed fully of the details of the plan, the next formal step in the procedure is for the drafting committee to report to the SEC the result of meetings held this week by the conference. Further study will be made by the SEC, which will in turn advise the conference of approval or any changes in the set-up.

Following this procedure, which is not expected to take long, the conference then will be in a position formally to present the plan of reorganization to its 1,700 members for approval and suggestions. At the same time the SEC will move to notify the thousands of security dealers who are not members of the conference of the plan for a national association and urge a quick response.

Need for Lessening Number and Variety of Statistical Reports to Federal Government Emphasized by Stuart A. Rice—Chairman of United States Statistical Board Cites 135,000,000 Returns in Fiscal Year

More than 135,000,000 statistical returns on 4,700 different report forms were made to the Federal Government in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1938, Stuart A. Rice, Chairman of the United States Statistical Board, pointed out on Jan. 25 in an address before the annual conference for financial executives of the American Management Association in New York City. Mr. Rice said that these included both administrative and non-administrative returns, and that almost 98,000,000 were administrative. He declared that his Board seeks to secure efficient management of the statistical functions of the Government, and that it desires to lighten the burden and expense of "paper work" required from employers, particularly from smaller employers to whom the many duplications with minor and unavoidable variances are a serious burden. After discussing the Board's recommendations with regard thereto, Mr. Rice said:

I have pointed at some length to the incidental nature of a large majority of the returns to the Federal Government. This is significant with respect to much of the current protest concerning Federal reporting burdens. My plea is merely to call a spade a spade. If reporting burdens result in the main from the performance of administrative functions, then objections to the burden become objections to the function. If the function seems desirable, the statistical burden which is indispensable to its performance is justified. If the function be opposed, then the corollary of statistical burdens is implicitly disfavored, and an independent denunciation proves merely to be misleading.

A great deal of statistical activity in Washington has resulted from the demands of the public and, in particular, of business organizations. As the national economy has developed, business men have increasingly felt the need for accurate information upon which to base plans and policies. Many types of desired information are beyond the power of a single concern, or even of a single industry, to obtain. Hence the business man quite often develops a split personality. He becomes at the same time an anxious and willing consumer of statistics but an unwilling producer. I will illustrate by an actual and not wholly unusual instance: The director of a Federal bureau received from the President of a well-known manufacturing establishment a forcefully worded letter protesting against the large number of reports required from his concern. A few days later there arrived in Washington an emissary of a trade association to which this manufacturer belonged, and of which he was the most important member. His mission was to plead with the same director for an elaboration of the Government's data respecting this industry.

Such inconsistencies reflect the universal desire of human beings to obtain maximum benefits for themselves with the least expenditure of effort. If criticism is to be lodged it should be directed at the failure to recognize that statistics concerning business, desired by business, can only be obtained by the summation of reports from business.

Many important statistical services are rendered by trade associations to their members. I believe that the American Trade Association Executives still finds that more associations engage in statistical activities than in any other one function. Discussion at conventions indicates that the roles and problems of the trade associations in the statistical field are strikingly similar to those of the Federal Government.

25,000 "Birthday Balls" Honoring President Roosevelt's 57th Anniversary Held Throughout Country—Millions of Dollars in Proceeds Go to Benefit Infantile Paralysis Sufferers

Several million dollars were raised on Jan. 30 for the benefit of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and for local campaigns devoted to the same cause, at approximately 25,000 balls held throughout the United States to honor President Roosevelt on his 57th birthday. Coincident with these dance benefits, Mr. Roosevelt delivered a nation-wide broadcast from the White House in which he thanked "the vast army who have worked for the success of this campaign," and also expressed his thanks to all who contributed either through the "March of Dimes" or by their patronage of the parties. The President said that infantile paralysis was a "national peril" and that the campaign against it should have the cooperation of every citizen. In his address President Roosevelt said:

I like to think that the celebrations being held from one end of the country to the other tonight are an indication of the national determination to wage unending warfare against a national peril.

We are all engaged in a campaign which, because of special circumstances, requires that our effort shall be nation-wide, unified and continuous. Infantile paralysis is an enemy which neither slumbers nor sleeps. It lurks in hidden places. It strikes without warning whether the victim be child, or youth, or man or woman of mature years.

I emphasize the importance of a national continuous campaign because experience tells us that epidemic diseases can be stamped out only through carefully directed work on a nation-wide scale. We need, therefore, the cooperation of every State and county, every city and town, every hamlet and crossroads community in this work. Only by such cooperation has tuberculosis been brought under control in our lifetime. And only by the same concerted action will the scourge of infantile paralysis be stamped out.

I should like to say just a word about the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. Not yet two years old, it is a mature and efficient organization working industriously to perform its functions with but one objective—the banishment of infantile paralysis. Last year the National Foundation received all of the net proceeds of the birthday parties for its national work.

And this year 50%, half of the net proceeds of tonight's parties, will go to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. But the remaining 50% will be spent in the communities where the money is being raised. The funds will be administered through county chapters of the National Foundation. These chapters of the National Foundation will be composed of those chairmen who have worked so hard to make this year's drive the success we all anticipate, and those other members of the communities whose association with medicine, public health activities and other agencies give them special equipment to supervise infantile paralysis relief work in local communities.

While the county chapters extend local assistance to victims, especially those who are without funds, and I emphasize that the National Foundation must carry on with equal persistence the work of tracking the germ of the disease to its source.

We believe that this basis of the division of funds will also afford a well-balanced division of activity between the central organization and the far-flung county communities. Thus while the central organization directs the broad work of research and care and treatment, local relief will be carried out through county chapters in accord with the old-fashioned, old-line American principle of local self-determination.

In thanking all who have made possible the widespread celebrations being held tonight—I am informed that some 25,000 events are being carried out—may I, in passing, speak of one phase of this campaign which touches me personally. I refer to the fact that these celebrations to raise funds are being held on my birthday. I consider that as only an incident, and not a very important incident at that.

By this I do not mean that I am insensible of the honor which the selection of my birthday for this effort implies. I am deeply appreciative of that honor and I feel in my heart a joy greater than I can possibly express that in this year, as in previous years beginning with 1934, my birthday should be chosen as a pivotal date around which this splendid campaign should move.

The point I wish to make is that the really important thing is the work itself. For that noble work one day is as good as another. The ideal we strive for is to work every day in the task which is ours to achieve.

Again, as in previous years, I must take this means of thanking the vast army who have worked for the success of this campaign. Their very number, greater than ever will be known, greater than ever anybody can possibly understand, precludes individual acknowledgment on my part. My thanks go to all who have made contributions, either directly or indirectly, whether through patronage of the parties, in contributing to the march of dimes, or aiding this great work by other means. And I desire, also, to express my heartfelt appreciation to the thousands and thousands of friends who have sent me their birthday greetings.

With my thanks to all of my countrymen goes from the depths of my soul a prayer that God will bless the work and the workers. The good cause must go on.

At the birthday ball in New York City, held at the Waldorf-Astoria, the President's mother, Mrs. James Roosevelt, was the guest of honor.

Plans for Organizing Business Interests in New York City to Promote Hospitality Toward World's Fair Visitors Discussed at Meeting at New York State Chamber of Commerce

Plans for organizing the business interests of the city to build up goodwill and a reputation for warm-hearted hospitality for New York among visitors to the World's Fair were discussed on Jan. 27 at a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York at 65 Liberty St. which was attended by Grover Whalen, President of the Fair Corp.; John D. Rockefeller Jr., Winthrop W. Aldrich and others. Richard W. Lawrence, President of the Chamber, presided at the meeting which was preceded by a luncheon given by the Executive Committee, of which William J. Graham is Chairman, and the Special Committee on World's Fair of the Chamber, headed by Lawrence B. Elliman. In his remarks, President Lawrence said:

The World's Fair presents the greatest opportunity New York has ever had to sell itself to the rest of the country, as well as to the world-at-large. The business men of the city can extend the hand of welcome to business men from all parts of the country in a way which will make New York's hospitality something to be long remembered and cherished.

Here is our chance to dispel in a big way the belief so commonly held elsewhere in the Nation that New York is cold and unfeeling and lacking in the milk of human kindness. We must see to it that every man in business in the city makes special plans to welcome and entertain his out-of-town customers or clients and their friends when they come to visit the Fair.

I can assure Mr. Whalen that the New York Chamber will do everything it can to help make the Fair a big success in securing the cooperation of the business men of the city in welcoming and extending courtesies to out-of-town visitors.

Mr. Whalen in his address stressed the problem of housing as one of the most vital for New York to consider now that the opening of the Fair was only three months away. He urged the Chamber of Commerce to approve by resolution Mayor La Guardia's bill for the licensing of all rooming houses up to 50 rooms. "I am sorry to say that the political element of the city is against the necessity of licensing these rooming places," Mr. Whalen said. Mr. Graham offered a resolution endorsing the Mayor's bill which the Executive Committee immediately adopted and which was approved by the Chamber on Feb. 2. Mr. Lawrence said he had learned from Mr. Whalen that only 7% of the money spent by out-of-town visitors during the Chicago fair was actually spent on the fair grounds. "If 93% of the billion dollars it is estimated the Fair will bring to New York is to be spent outside the Fair, that should make the city's business men very happy," Mr. Lawrence said.

Mr. Aldrich, as Chairman of the National Advisory Committee of the Fair, spoke of the splendid cooperation received from the various State committees which had been appointed and said that his Committee would have headquarters both at the Fair grounds and in the Associated Press building in

Rockefeller Center. The Chamber had played an important part in the formation of State groups allied with his Committee, Mr. Aldrich said. Mr. Elliman suggested the Chamber should arrange a dinner for the Governors of other States who attended the opening of the Fair.

Mr. Lawrence, in explaining some of the Chamber's work in conjunction with the Fair, said that Charles T. Gwynne, the Executive Vice-President of the Chamber, had written 400 leading Chambers of Commerce and other organizations throughout the country inviting them to have their representatives make the New York Chamber their headquarters while visiting the Fair and that acceptance had been received from over 300 of them. The Chamber will also extend the same invitation to similar organizations abroad, through the Commissioner Generals of various countries.

Dr. Herman B. Baruch proposed that the Chamber should have an office uptown during the Fair, as well as one at the Fair grounds. Among others present at the meeting were:

Philip A. Benson, Montaigu M. Sterling, Morgan H. Grace, Winchester Noyes, Charles L. Bernheimer, A. Wellington Taylor, H. Boardman Spalding, Paul Cushman, William B. Scarborough, Willeby T. Corbett, J. Barstow Smull, John D. Dunlop, Leelanche Moen, Roy E. Tomlinson, Frederick E. Hasler, Jacob H. Haffner, Walter H. Bennett, Harvey W. Corbett, Dr. Thomas Darlington, Ernest Iselin, George McAneny, Paul Schwarz, D. L. Tilly and Frederick T. Wood.

Special Days Assigned for Celebration at New York World's Fair 1939, Grover Whalen Announced

The special events and days which will be celebrated at the New York World's Fair 1939 during the six-month period this summer offer an unparalleled succession of brilliant spectacles, it was announced on Jan. 25 by Grover A. Whalen, President of the Fair Corporation. The following, concerning the special days assigned, is from the Fair's announcement in the matter:

Rulers and statesmen of the 62 foreign nations participating in the exposition will witness pageants in which hundreds of thousands of nationals in costume will take part. Massed choirs, folk festivals, parades will be staged before spectators that will number up to 1,000,000. Army and navy contingents, both American and foreign, will pass in review. American historic, patriotic and fraternal organizations will stage elaborate displays.

Starting with the lavish ceremonies marking the opening of the exposition on April 30, when President Roosevelt is to deliver the major address, the exposition presents six months of continuous celebration of some event or occasion. Each State of the Union, with Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands, will have separate days. Industrial exhibitors at the Fair are arranging their special functions. Women's organizations, youth groups, the arts, music, all are assembling programs.

The character of the many individual days covers a wide range. Several national holidays, such as Decoration Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day, which will be celebrated by the Exposition itself, enjoy their own traditional atmosphere. The remainder of the calendar brings forth British Week and Florida Aviation Day; Coffee Day and U. S. Conference of Mayors; six days of the International Amateur Radio Relay Congress, the Carnival of the Masques, and many other events.

Federal Judge Martin T. Manton Tenders Resignation to President Roosevelt—Attorney General's Office Continues Investigation of Acts of New York Judge—House Committee Drops Charges Following Resignation

President Roosevelt announced on Jan. 31 that he had received the resignation of Judge Martin T. Manton of New York as Senior Judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, and that he had accepted the resignation, to take effect Feb. 7. Judge Manton's action was taken following charges against him by New York City's District Attorney Thomas E. Dewey and the announcement of an investigation of his office by United States Attorney General Frank Murphy. Mr. Dewey's charges had been forwarded to Hatton W. Sumners, Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, who said he planned to introduce impeachment charges, but who announced on Jan. 31 that such charges would be abandoned because of Judge Manton's resignation.

At his press conference in Washington, on Jan. 31, President Roosevelt made public as follows the correspondence which had passed between him and Judge Manton:

Jan. 30, 1939.

The President,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

I hereby tender my resignation as United States Circuit Court Judge for the Second Judicial District, to take effect at your pleasure and no later than the first of next March, at which time I will be able to finish the business now in my hands.

Respectfully,
MARTIN T. MANTON.

Reply of President:

Jan. 31, 1939.

My dear Judge Manton:

I have received your resignation as United States Circuit Court Judge for the Second Judicial District, and I hereby accept it to take effect on Tuesday, Feb. 7. This will give you opportunity to dispose of such pending matters as the public interest requires, but this means, of course, that you will no longer sit in any cases before the court.

Very truly yours,
FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

Judge Manton, described as the Nation's highest-ranking jurist next to the Supreme Court Justices, was appointed a

Federal Judge by President Wilson in 1916; in the New York "Sun" it was noted that he was at that time the youngest man on the Federal bench and the possessor of a distinguished record at the criminal bar and in the practice of admiralty law. In his letter to Chairman Sumners of the House Judiciary Committee, District Attorney Dewey stated that his office had been conducting an investigation of Judge Manton with a view to possible "prosecution under the income tax laws of New York State." The following statement, issued on Jan. 30 by Judge Manton, was published in the New York "Times":

For some months I have been aware that my personal affairs were being made the subject of inquiry. Had these inquiries or any of them been addressed to me by any authorized person I would have been delighted to give the fullest information, for there is nothing in any business transaction in which I have ever been engaged of which I am in any way ashamed or which to any candid mind could cast reflection upon my personal or my official conduct, whatever might be said of my success or lack of success as an investor. All of them were within the lawful right of any citizen or property owner, in office or out of it, and none of them bore the slightest relation to my conduct as a judge or to any litigation in my court.

This, for the present, must serve as my reply to the letter addressed by the District Attorney on yesterday to the Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, except to say that, in so far as it deals with facts within my knowledge, it is strikingly inaccurate.

When I was appointed to the bench some 22 years ago I was the owner of what I then considered to be a substantial amount of property, chiefly in stocks of corporations owning New York real estate. This property no law and no canon of judicial conduct called on me to surrender, sacrifice or neglect. In common with everyone else, the depression, and the fall in real estate values entailed heavy losses on me, and such debts as I have incurred have been chiefly due to my efforts to meet the situation thus brought about.

If I were to consider myself alone, I would welcome the opportunity to meet any charges that might be brought against me, either as a man or as a judge, in any proper tribunal, confident as I am of my own integrity and of my ability to repel every accusation, insinuation or harmful inference.

But, in spite of this assurance, it is intolerable to me that while still on the bench I should be the central figure in a controversy, no matter what its outcome, that could be seized upon by malicious minds either to cast reflection upon the court of which I am a member or to weaken public confidence in the general administration of justice; my first duty lies there. By no voluntary act of mine will I contribute to such a situation. Rather than do so I prefer to carry out an intention which I have entertained for some time to retire from the bench.

On Wednesday last I communicated my feelings in the matter to Attorney General Murphy in person, telling him that it had been for some time my desire to resign and that my only hesitation at the moment arose from a natural disinclination to even seem reluctant to face any investigation which any authority might institute. He was good enough to say that he thought no such inference would be justified.

Accordingly, I have today transmitted to the President my resignation as a Circuit Judge to take effect at his pleasure and not later than the first of next March, by which time I shall have concluded the unfinished business of the court now in my hands.

Committee Formed by National Foreign Trade Council to Promote Trade and Cultural Relations Between Cuba and United States

The formation of a Cuban Committee by the National Foreign Trade Council, for the purpose of promoting trade and cultural relations between the two countries, as proposed at the recent 25th National Foreign Trade Convention, was announced on Jan. 30 by James A. Farrell, Chairman of the Council. The Committee, selected from members of the National Foreign Trade Council who are interested in Cuban business, includes:

Chairman, H. H. Pike Jr., H. H. Pike & Co., Inc.
W. H. Baldwin, Baldwin & Beach
W. B. Baruch, Export Manager, Schenley International Corp.
R. F. Bausman, Washburn Crosby Co., Inc.
G. B. Blakeley, White Motor Co.
J. E. Burtis, President American Pitch Pine Export Co., Inc.
James S. Carson, Vice-President, American & Foreign Power Co., Inc.
A. Corey Davies, Manager, The Berwind-White Coal Mining Co.
Heman Greenwood, Assistant to President, United States Steel Products Co.
Joseph Hodgson, Seatrain Lines, Inc.
John L. Merrill, Chairman of the Board, All America Cables & Radio, Inc.
Wm. V. Winslow, General Motors Overseas Operations
Francis T. Cole, Secretary of the Council's Staff.

Business interests represented on the Committee, it is stated, include American exporters to Cuba, American importers of Cuban products, transportation, cable and radio, and public utilities. It is further said:

These interests are particularly concerned in the strengthening of trade relations with Cuba by prevention of legislation or administration action that may tend to impair the spirit and purpose of the reciprocal trade agreement by restricting the market in Cuba for the farm and factory products of the United States. In keeping with the reciprocal trade policy of the United States, the Committee also plans to encourage the sale in the United States of Cuban products which will be beneficial to American markets. Closer and better understanding between the peoples of both countries is a chief aim of the newly formed Committee.

Already the Cuban Committee is actively employed in the preparation of facts relative to the proposed supplementary trade agreement with Cuba. It filed with the Committee for Reciprocity Information a brief showing the benefits of the present trade agreement with Cuba and urged that further extensions be made. At the hearings it presented a statement by its Secretary, Francis T. Cole, emphasizing the complementary nature and value of Cuban-American trade and the fact that the balance of payments is distinctly in favor of the United States. A billion dollars of American capital is invested in Cuba. The trade relations make these investments worthwhile in dividends and interest to Americans.

J. P. Morgan & Co. to Admit Three New General Partners on Feb. 17

J. P. Morgan & Co., New York, announced on Feb. 1 that they propose to admit to general partnership on Feb. 17, Henry C. Alexander, I. C. Raymond Atkin and William A. Mitchell. The following regarding their careers is from an announcement in the matter:

Henry C. Alexander was born at Murfreesboro, Tenn., in 1902. After attending the public schools there, he went to Vanderbilt University, where he was graduated in 1923. He studied law at Vanderbilt and at the Yale Law School, taking his law degree in 1925. He entered the law office of Davis, Polk, Wardwell, Gardiner & Reed in the fall of that year, and became a partner on Jan. 1, 1935.

I. C. Raymond Atkin was born at Springfield, Ontario, Canada, in 1892. After going through high school, he entered the service of the Traders Bank of Canada, which later merged with the Royal Bank of Canada, and except for the war years he remained with the latter institution until 1925. In serving the Royal Bank of Canada at various branches from Quebec to the West Coast, he rose to Inspector in the head office of the bank in Montreal. In 1925 he joined the staff of J. P. Morgan & Co., receiving the title of manager in 1931.

William A. Mitchell was born at Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, in 1892. Shortly after being graduated from high school there, he entered the Traders Bank of Canada. Later, after the merger of this institution, he served in various branches of the Royal Bank in Canada and abroad, and finally as Inspector in the head office in Montreal. In 1925 he joined the staff of J. P. Morgan & Co., receiving the title of manager in 1931. He is a director of the Associated Dry Goods Co.

George L. Harrison Elected to Federal Open Market Committee—Roy A. Young Named Alternate

Acting under the provisions of Section 12A of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended by the Banking Act of 1935, the directors of the Federal Reserve banks of Boston and New York have elected George L. Harrison, President of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, a representative of the Federal Reserve banks on the Federal Open Market Committee for the year beginning March 1, 1939, and ending Feb. 29, 1940, and have elected Roy A. Young, President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, as alternate member of the Committee for the same period, it was announced on Jan. 30.

G. E. Lyons Appointed Deputy Governor of FCA

The appointment of Gerald E. Lyons of Cresco, Iowa, as Deputy Governor of the Farm Credit Administration, effective March 1, was announced Jan. 30 by F. F. Hill, Governor of the Administration. Mr. Lyons served as General Solicitor of the FCA for a period of about two years, ending in July, 1938. Prior to that time he was General Counsel of the FCA of Omaha, Neb., having joined that organization early in 1934.

D. J. Collins Elected President of San Francisco Stock Exchange Institute

Daniel J. Collins of Holt & Ede has succeeded to the Presidency of the San Francisco Stock Exchange Institute, it was announced by the Institute Feb. 2. Under the by-laws of the Institute Mr. Collins, who had been Vice-President, automatically became President upon the resignation of David Osborne, who has entered business in another city. Mr. Osborne was elected President last year and his term would have expired in May. The Board of Directors of the Institute filled the Vice-Presidential vacancy by electing Roy H. Hinz of Sutro & Co. to that office. Mr. Collins as President appointed Harry Gardner of Davies & Co. and John Cary of the Stock Exchange to fill vacancies on the Board of Directors.

Institute of Real Estate Management to Give Lecture Series in Washington Feb. 13-16

Covering specifically the field of management of unfurnished apartment properties, a four-day series of 20 lectures on real estate management will be given by the Institute of Real Estate Management, professional branch of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, at the Wardman Park Hotel, Washington, D. C., Feb. 13, 14, 15 and 16. An announcement in the matter further stated:

The lectures are the first step for the year 1939 in a series to be taken by the Institute in developing a comprehensive educational program for real estate management. The plan contemplates coming case-study courses.

The Institute in its program looks forward to cooperating with universities and colleges of the country in developing the courses of study they are planning in this field and in making available material for use in such courses.

Following the Washington lecture series, which is primarily for experienced managers of real estate but which is open to any one, examinations will be held on Feb. 17 and 18 for candidates for membership in the Institute.

The governing council of the Institute of Real Estate Management will meet at the Wardman Park Hotel, Washington, Feb. 17 and 18, immediately following the course.

American Section of Society of Chemical Industry to Hold Meeting in New York Feb. 10

The American Section of the Society of Chemical Industry will hold a meeting on Feb. 10 at the Chemists' Club, New York City. This is to be held jointly with the American Chemical Society. Dr. Wallace P. Cohoe, Chairman of the American Section, will preside over the meeting, at which

Dr. Wanda K. Farr, Director of the Cellulose Laboratory of the Chemical Foundation at Boyce Thompson Institute, will speak on "Viscose Rayons."

Program Announced for A. B. A. Mid-Winter Trust Conference to Be Held in New York Feb. 14-16

Public and customer relations, internal policies, operating procedure, and legal trust problems are to be the outstanding subjects for discussion at the 20th mid-winter trust conference of the Trust Division of the American Bankers Association, to be held Feb. 14, 15 and 16 at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York City, it is announced by Samuel C. Waugh, President of the Trust Division, A. B. A., and Executive Vice-President and Trust Officer of the First Trust Co. of Lincoln, Neb. In releasing the program of the conference, Mr. Waugh said:

On the opening morning of the conference Phillip A. Benson, President of the American Bankers Association, and President of the Dime Savings Bank of Brooklyn, Brooklyn, N. Y., will speak on "Stewards of Security." Robert M. Hanes, First Vice-President of the Association, and President of the Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., Winston-Salem, N. C., will speak on "What a President Expects of the Head of His Trust Department," at the closing session.

A new feature of this year's conference will be a question box period at the closing session. Trust men in attendance will be invited to submit questions during the conference and they will be discussed at the closing session.

Another feature of the conference will be a "repeat number by popular demand," a forum session on legal trust problems, led by Austin W. Scott, Professor of Law, Law School of Harvard University. His forum session last year was one of the outstanding features of the conference.

The guest speaker at the 28th annual banquet of the Trust Division, to be held on Feb. 16 as the concluding feature of the conference, will be Frank J. Hogan, of Washington, D. C., President of the American Bar Association; this was reported in these columns of Jan. 21, page 382.

A. B. A. Study of Earning Power of Banks Reveals New Types of Loans by Banks Due to Changed Conditions of Business and Political Philosophy

The extension of intermediate capital loans to business, enlarged volumes of mortgage loans on a plan of "scientific amortization" and many types of personal loans or consumer credit are means by which banks are adapting themselves to the changed conditions under which banking must operate as a result of altered business habits and political philosophy of the country, it is stated in a study of "The Earning Power of Banks" by the Research Council of the American Bankers Association and announced Jan. 30 by Leonard P. Ayres, Chairman of the Council, who is also Vice-President of the Cleveland Trust Co., Cleveland, Ohio. In addition, it states that "a new emphasis is manifest in bank management policies on measures aimed to foster a better and more understanding public opinion toward banking."

The study asserts that "changes which have occurred in our national life have reacted upon banking to a distinct degree. An outstanding instance of this is the publicly expressed demand that social service and responsibility enter into banking in a larger sense than ever before. In many respects this demand has been given the force of statutory enactment and has also been met by voluntary measures on the part of the banking profession."

The study further reports that great changes in the nation's business habits have extensively curtailed the volume of credit of all kinds employed by industry and trade, and states that "political thought and motive have assumed new forms of jurisdiction over business and finance. They would endeavor to direct economic processes in general toward formulated social objectives," it remarks, adding that "an increase of central government control over money and credit by means of increased direction over banking practice is an essential aspect of this conception." From the study we quote:

Within the banking structure itself the most important modifications which have occurred are in the loans and investments of commercial banks. Loans have been largely replaced by investments and there have been radical decreases in the yields which may be obtained from these modified earning assets. Formerly loans of all types composed over 70% of aggregate earning assets, investments less than 30%. Today all loans are less than 45% and investments more than 55%. Strict commercial loans formerly constituted over 50% of total earning assets. They now amount to little more than 20%. Up to 1929 the composite gross yield of the bank dollar from loans and investments was nearly 6%. Today it is less than 3%.

The unavoidable shift of a large proportion of the earning assets of banks into investments has placed them in competition to this extent with other types of financial institutions which also employ moneyed capital. Since such institutions do not render in connection with the funds they use the various services which are an inherent part of a bank's relations with its customers which create from 50% to 75% of its operating costs, they are in a better position to supply money at the reduced yields now prevalent in the market than are the banks.

The study finds that "Government policies are reflected in lowered interest rates of all kinds and in the immense increase of Federal Government bonds in bank investment portfolios." It also finds that "bank operations show the effects of new statutory requirements and restrictions; the burden of changing taxation and the impact of new competitive lending activities, governmental and otherwise. "All of these things imply the development of new attitudes and

the mastery of new techniques on the part of bankers," it states.

Intermediate capital loans are defined in the study as:

Those with a maturity longer than one year. In practice, in most cases they have a maturity under five years. They are repayable in instalments. They are not self-liquidating, normal repayment depending on the increased profits of the business through the use of additional funds. In all cases they are repayable in monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual instalments, with maximum maturities established as a part of the loan policy, the most common being five, three, and two years, in the order named.

Practically all banks interrogated, it is stated, reported that their volume of personal loan business had been steadily increasing and that there had been no evidence of any increase in the percentage of delinquency, the study states. The study, it is said, reveals that the downward movement of interest rates has been "conspicuously consistent" throughout the world and that "a survey by the Research Council showed this movement to be typical in its effect upon banking in 23 chief nations with the exception of France, for which comparable data are not available." The cause of low interest the Council finds to be twofold. It says:

On the one hand, there appears to have been a long time downward trend in interest from economic factors which have been accentuated during recent years. On the other hand, the influence of governmental policies, both fiscal and social in their implications, appears to have reinforced these depressive economic factors. In the United States the unfavorable influence of political and governmental attitudes upon the wages of capital has been particularly clearcut.

ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, &c.

It was announced yesterday (Feb. 3) that an agreement has been entered into under which Manufacturers Trust Co., New York City, will, on Feb. 11, take over substantially all the assets and liabilities of Banca Commerciale Italiana Trust Co., New York, which will be liquidated. Additional offices of Manufacturers Trust Co. will accordingly be opened on Feb. 14 at 6th Ave. corner 4th St., and at Second Ave. corner of 116th St., where branches of Banca Commerciale Italiana Trust Co. are now maintained. At the same time the business handled by Banca Commerciale Italiana Trust Co. at its principal office at 62 William St. will be transferred to the 149 Broadway Office of Manufacturers Trust Co. A joint announcement in the matter further stated:

Practically the entire existing staffs of the two branch offices of Banca Commerciale Italiana Trust Co. will remain with Manufacturers Trust Co., and arrangements have also been made for Manufacturers Trust Co. to absorb a good part of the staff now at the main office of Banca Commerciale Italiana Trust Co.

Manufacturers Trust Company will have 35 offices in Manhattan and 66 offices in Greater New York when the above arrangement has been consummated.

The proposed liquidation of Banca Commerciale Italiana Trust Co. of New York will conclude the program of reorganization of Banca Commerciale Italiana's activities on the North American continent; after the withdrawal from the purely local field of its Trust Companies, concentration of the Bank's activities with its agency at 62 William St., New York, will tend to strengthen the type of assistance and service which is made available through its facilities to international trade. The agency will thus continue to act as a connecting link between the markets of North America and those of the 19 countries where Banca Commerciale Italiana and its affiliates operate.

Harry J. Taylor, President of the Package Advertising Company, has been elected to the Advisory Board of the Madison Avenue and 46th Street Office of the Chemical Bank & Trust Company of New York City.

The Title Guarantee and Trust Co., New York, was given permission by the New York State Banking Department on Jan. 23 for reduction of authorized capital stock from \$10,000,000, consisting of 500,000 shares of the par value of \$20 each, to \$6,000,000, consisting of 500,000 shares of the par value of \$12 each, it is learned from the Department's "Weekly Bulletin" of Jan. 27.

Charles G. Edwards, president of the Central Savings Bank, reported that 3,734 new accounts were opened by the bank during January, making the total number of depositors 203,529. Savings deposits of \$5,502,018 during the month exceeded deposits made during January of 1938. This is the eighth consecutive month, it is stated, in which comparative deposits at Central Savings Bank have been greater than for the same month of the previous year.

The Rye Trust Co., Rye, N. Y., on January, 23 was granted permission by the New York State Banking Department to increase its capital from \$100,000 (consisting of 2,000 shares of the par value of \$50 each) to \$235,000, made up as follows:

- (1) \$45,000 par value of preferred stock A divided into 1,800 shares of the par value of \$25 each.
- (2) \$45,000 par value of preferred stock B divided into 900 shares of the par value of \$50 each.
- (3) \$145,000 par value of common stock, divided into 2,900 shares of the par value of \$50 each (900 shares of which are to be reserved for the purpose of effecting the conversion of the preferred stock B).

The New York State Banking Department on January, 20 approved an increase in the capital stock of the First Trust Co. of Albany, N. Y., from \$500,000, consisting of

10,000 shares of the par value of \$50 each, to \$1,980,000, made up of the following:

- (1) \$980,000 par value of preferred stock A divided into 39,200 shares of the par value of \$25 each.
- (2) \$500,000 par value of preferred stock B divided into 10,000 shares of the par value of \$50 each.
- (3) \$500,000 par value of common stock divided into 10,000 shares of the par value of \$50 each.

On Jan. 21, 1939, a reduction in the authorized capital stock of the Lincoln-Alliance Bank & Trust Co. of Rochester, N. Y., from \$6,200,000 to \$6,150,000, was approved by the New York State Banking Department; the capital stock, which formerly was made up 50,000 shares of convertible preferred stock of the par value of \$50 a share, and 185,000 shares of common stock of the par value of \$20 each, now consisting of 50,000 shares of convertible preferred stock of the par value of \$50 each, and 182,500 shares of common stock of the par value of \$20 a share.

As of Jan. 24, 1939, the New York State Banking Department approved a proposed increase in the capital stock of the Genesee Valley Trust Co. of Rochester, N. Y., from \$1,000,000 (consisting of 40,000 shares of the par value of \$25 each) to \$1,250,000 (consisting of 50,000 shares of the par value of \$25 a share).

At the annual organization meeting of the Security-Peoples Trust Co. of Erie, Pa., the directors created four new official positions in the administrative department of the bank, we learn from an Erie dispatch, printed in "Money and Commerce" of Jan. 21. The positions and those chosen to fill them are:

L. P. Burg named Assistant Secretary; C. E. Breenlund, Assistant Treasurer; W. J. Schraeder, Assistant Secretary, and J. R. Smith, Assistant Treasurer.

Stockholders of the Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, Pa., at their recent annual meeting elected Charles A. Rowan, Chairman of the Board of the Westinghouse Air Brake Co., and William Watson Smith, senior partner of the law firm of Smith, Buchanan & Ingersoll, directors of the company.

"Money and Commerce" of Jan. 21 reports that W. W. Jameson, formerly a Vice-President, has been elected President of the National Bank of Charleroi & Trust Co., Charleroi, Pa., to succeed the late Kerfoot W. Daly. Mr. Jameson has been connected with the institution since its organization in 1898 and has been a Vice-President since 1913.

At the organization meeting of the Butler County National Bank & Trust Co., Butler, Pa., John G. McMarlin, Cashier for many years and Vice-President and Cashier since 1891 was re-elected Vice-President, and John H. Stewart, Assistant Cashier, was advanced to the Cashiership. J. Chesney Stewart, who has been employed by the bank for a number of years, was named an additional Assistant Cashier. In noting this "Money & Commerce" of Jan. 23, added:

Because Mr. McMarlin's duties as Vice-President now take up all his time, John H. Stewart, who has been with the bank thirty years, will transact those of the Cashier. President Elias Ritts and other officers were re-elected.

H. E. Laupp, formerly Vice-President and Secretary of the Dollar Savings & Trust Co. of Wheeling, West Va., was promoted to the post of Executive Vice-President of the institution, a newly-created position, at the annual organization meeting of the directors. "Money and Commerce" of Jan. 21, authority for this, outlined Mr. Laupp's career, in part, as follows:

Mr. Laupp . . . began his banking career as a youth 30 years ago with the old Bank of the Ohio Valley in Wheeling. There for some time, he went to the German Bank, and then became associated with the Dollar Savings & Trust Co., which is now the Wheeling Dollar Savings & Trust Co. He was elected Vice-President and Trust Officer in 1922, and Vice-President and Secretary in 1925.

Directors of the First Central Trust Co. of Akron, Ohio, of which Charles W. Enyard is President, have declared an initial dividend of 10c. per share, or 2% on its \$5 par stock. At the annual organization meeting Gus Krumroy, Manager of the personal and mortgage loan department, was advanced to a Vice-President, and W. T. Saltsman, who has been Trust Auditor, was named an Assistant Trust Officer. Other officers were re-elected. In noting this. "Money and Commerce" of Jan. 21 further said, in part:

Surplus was increased from \$568,355 to \$750,000, and the aggregate capital, surplus and undivided profits are reported equal to the aggregate of these items in all other Akron banks.

In a formal report to stockholders and depositors, President Enyard declared that the bank made substantial gains in every line of activity during 1938.

Surveying the first years of the bank, he said: "At the end of our first year deposits were \$11,867,693.03. At the end of our fifth year, lacking two weeks, deposits were \$24,626,446.57.

"Loans were \$3,166,457.35 at the end of 1934. On Dec. 31, 1933, loans had grown to \$11,499,990.80.

"Our surplus of \$383,355.60 has grown to \$750,000, which is equal to capital. Undivided profits have increased from \$175,000 to \$249,196.58, and reserves from \$14,266.44 to \$198,094.45. The combined increase, amounting to \$633,024.59, has come entirely from profits except \$20,052 which was derived from the sale of new stock.

"This stock was sold merely to increase our capital from the odd amount of \$741,645 to the even amount of \$750,000.

According to advices from Cambridge, Ohio, appearing in "Money and Commerce" of Jan. 21, Fred L. Sears was elected President of the Cambridge Bank at the annual meeting of the directors, filling the vacancy caused by the death of W. W. Stewart. At the same time Mark Snider was elected Vice-President and Secretary; M. B. Hoopman, Cashier and Assistant Secretary; M. W. Stiles, Assistant Cashier.

F. J. Emeny, a director of the Farmers National Bank of Salem, has been elected President of the institution. He succeeds B. L. Flick, who resigned after serving the institution for nearly 40 years, 12 as President. Salem advices appearing in "Money and Commerce" of Jan. 21 further stated that W. L. Hart, heretofore Vice-President and Cashier of the Farmers National, has been advanced to Executive Vice-President but retains the cashiership.

W. L. Mitten, formerly Manager of the investment department of the Northwest Bancorporation, head office Minneapolis, Minn., was promoted to be a Vice-President at an adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors held Jan. 26. His election filled the vacancy created recently by the election of S. S. Ford as President of the Northwestern National Bank & Trust Co. of Minneapolis. Another appointment was the election of W. J. Watson, heretofore Vice-President of the First National Bank of Mandan, N. D., to the examining department of the Bancorporation. The "Commercial West" of Jan. 28, from which this information is obtained, had the following to say regarding Mr. Mitten's career:

Mr. Mitten entered the securities business with the Minnesota Loan & Trust Co. in 1908, for many years was in charge of its municipal bond department. He joined Northwest Bancorporation in 1930 to take charge of its investment department.

THE CURB EXCHANGE

The Curb market was active and strong during the early part of the present week, a goodly number of the more active stocks moving up to higher levels, but subsequently displayed considerable irregularity due to profit-taking. Public utilities, especially the preferred shares, have been in demand and industrial issues have registered some modest gains. Mining and metal stocks have been quiet and oil shares show little net change for the week.

Price movements were generally irregular during the brief period of trading on Saturday, and while there were a number of gains registered during the first hour, the trend turned sharply downward as the session progressed and at the close many of the market leaders had dipped below the previous final. Oil shares were higher during the early dealings and held their gains to the end. Industrials were lower and public utilities slipped back from their early highs. Aircraft stocks were in demand, and while there was considerable activity apparent in the group, the changes were comparatively small. The declines included among others Mead Johnson, 4 points to 125; Safety Car Heating & Lighting, 3¾ points to 55¾; Aluminium Ltd., 2 points to 118, and National Power & Light pref., 2 points to 70.

Curb market movements were fairly firm on Monday with aircraft stocks showing considerable activity on the side of the advance. Public utilities moved up and down during the morning dealings, but in the closing hour were fairly steady, particularly the stocks in the preferred group, many of which registered moderate gains. Industrial specialties were irregular and oil shares were quiet. Mining and metal issues attracted some speculative attention but the changes were generally small. There were some weak spots scattered through the list but they had little effect on the market's movements. The transfers for the day were 130,800 shares with 284 issues traded in.

Industrial stocks led the general advance on Tuesday as many of the market leaders climbed into new high ground for the year. The gains ranged from 2 to 5 or more points. Public utilities were also stronger and there was a fairly heavy demand for the aircraft and armament issues. Trading was quiet throughout the day though the volume of sales was somewhat higher than on the preceding day. Aluminum Co. of America was in good demand and closed at 117 with a gain of 3½ points, and Aluminum Ltd. moved up 5 points to 127. Other noteworthy advances were Jones & Laughlin Steel, 2½ points to 30; Midvale Co., 3½ points to 99½;

Pittsburgh Plate Glass, 2½ points to 102¾, and Safety Car Heating & Lighting, 3¾ points to 59.

Profit-taking sales were apparent on Wednesday, and while some of the more active stocks lost a large part of the gains of Monday and Tuesday, the advances were slightly in excess of the declines as the market closed. Scattered through the list were a number of trading favorites that moved against the trend. These included among others Midvale Co., which climbed upward 1½ points to 101; Nehi Corp., which moved ahead 3½ points to 46; Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. n. v. stock, 2¾ points to 85½; Colt's Patent Fire Arms, 1¼ points to 87½; Cities Service Power & Light \$7 pref., 8½ points to 79, and National Steel Car, 1½ points to 55¾. Aircraft stocks were generally down, mining and metal shares were quiet and oil issues were unchanged.

Stocks turned upward on Thursday, and while trading was quiet during most of the session, there was considerable pickup apparent in the final hour. Public utilities, particularly those in the preferred group, registered substantial gains and there was some speculative attention directed toward the industrial specialties, Pepperell Manufacturing Co. being especially noteworthy for its advance of 6¾ points to 70¼. The transfers were slightly higher than on the preceding day, the turnover totaling 120,625 shares against 113,500 during the previous session. Prominent among the gains were American Superpower pref. 2½ points to 20½; Safety Car Heating & Lighting 2 points to 61; Aluminum Co. of America 2 points to 115½ and Columbia Gas & Electric pref. 2½ points to 66½.

Quiet trading and narrow price movements were the rule on Friday. There were some small gains scattered through the list but the changes, on the whole, were about evenly divided. Industrial specialties were represented on the side of the advance by Pepperell Manufacturing Co. which climbed 1½ points to 71¾ and by Chicago Flexible Shaft which moved ahead 1¾ points to 64¾. Public utilities were in demand at higher prices, but oil shares and mining and metal stocks were very quiet and registered only fractional changes. As compared with Friday of last week the range of prices was toward higher levels, Aluminium, Ltd. closing last night at 125 against 120 on Friday a week ago; American Gas & Electric at 36½ against 35¼; Carrier Corp. at 17½ against 16¼; Cities Service at 8¾ against 6¾; Consolidated Gas, Electric Light & Power Co. of Baltimore at 73 against 72¼; Glen Alden Coal Co. at 4½ against 4; International Petroleum at 26¼ against 25¼; New Jersey Zinc at 58 against 56; Niagara Hudson Power at 8½ against 8½ and United Shoe Machinery at 80 against 79.

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE

Week Ended Feb. 3, 1939	Stocks (Number of Shares)	Bonds (Par Value)			
		Domestic	Foreign Government	Foreign Corporate	Total
Saturday	93,140	\$705,000	\$15,000	\$21,000	\$741,000
Monday	130,700	1,177,000	11,000	23,000	1,211,000
Tuesday	155,755	1,638,000	5,000	38,000	1,681,000
Wednesday	112,320	1,552,000	17,000	20,000	1,589,000
Thursday	120,995	2,023,000	10,000	18,000	2,051,000
Friday	120,300	2,131,000	7,000	23,000	2,161,000
Total	733,210	\$9,226,000	\$65,000	\$143,000	\$9,434,000

Sales at New York Curb Exchange	Week Ended Feb. 3		Jan. 1 to Feb. 3	
	1939	1938	1939	1938
Stocks—No. of shares	733,210	770,904	4,710,860	4,761,584
Bonds				
Domestic	\$9,226,000	\$6,114,000	\$46,874,000	\$30,442,000
Foreign government	65,000	120,000	454,000	640,000
Foreign corporate	143,000	180,000	493,000	766,000
Total	\$9,434,000	\$6,414,000	\$47,821,000	\$31,848,000

CURRENT NOTICES

—Formation of a new Chicago investment banking firm Perry, Spencer & Co., a corporation, to be located at 135 South La Salle St., which will continue the business formerly conducted under the name of I. Newton Perry & Co., was announced by the partners, I. Newton Perry, William M. Spencer and Albert D. Henderson.

Mr. Perry has been on La Salle Street in the investment securities business for more than a quarter of a century and is a Yale man of the class of 1908. He organized the investment banking firm of I. Newton Perry & Co. about two years ago.

Mr. Spencer is well known in Chicago and New York financial circles. He is a graduate of Princeton Class of 1915 and during the World War served with the 165th Infantry of the 42nd ("Rainbow") Division. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for gallantry in action during an engagement near Villers-sur-Fere, France on July 28, 1918.

Mr. Henderson left the Old Continental Trust and Savings Bank in 1911 to become Assistant Secretary in the organizing of the Investment Bankers Association of America. Since then he has held several responsible positions in the investment banking field. He has been on La Salle Street for the past 28 years, during which time he built up and directed one of the largest retail security organizations in the country. He is a graduate of the University of Chicago, Class of 1910.

The new firm renews an association of Mr. Perry and Mr. Henderson in the investment banking field of more than 20 years ago.

—United Securities Co. of Missouri announces the opening of Eastern executive and sales offices in Philadelphia, at 1420 Walnut St., under the direction of Thomas W. Ruth, Executive Vice-President and Fred. J. Petersen, Eastern Agency Director.

The company acts as sponsors, managers and issuers of United Fund Trust Certificates and Collateral Trust Certificates, and reports total assets of over 3½ million dollars as of Dec. 31, 1938.

The main office of the company is located in Kansas City, Mo., and other offices and representatives are located in 28 States throughout the country.

Course of Bank Clearings

Bank clearings this week will show an increase 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 today (Saturday, Feb. 4) bank clearings from all cities of the United States from which it is possible to obtain weekly clearings will be 10.4% above those for the corresponding week last year. Our preliminary total stands at \$5,936,400,184, against \$5,377,477,433 for the same week in 1938. At this center there is a gain for the week ended Friday of 11.1%. Our comparative summary for the week follows:

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph Week Ending Feb. 4	1939	1938	Per Cent
New York	\$2,890,153,374	\$2,602,086,399	+11.1
Chicago	210,846,033	247,033,442	-14.6
Philadelphia	315,000,000	296,000,000	+6.4
Boston	189,060,115	175,466,645	+7.7
Kansas City	69,317,416	70,278,709	-1.4
St. Louis	74,300,000	72,400,000	+2.6
San Francisco	118,212,000	107,599,000	+9.9
Pittsburgh	108,917,713	99,558,969	+9.4
Detroit	83,437,831	71,288,473	+17.1
Cleveland	72,418,511	63,907,485	+13.3
Baltimore	59,547,561	52,811,725	+12.8
Eleven cities, five days	\$4,191,210,554	\$3,858,410,850	+8.6
Other cities, five days	755,789,600	698,354,885	+8.2
Total all cities, five days	\$4,947,000,154	\$4,556,765,735	+8.6
All cities, one day	989,400,030	820,711,698	+20.6
Total all cities for week	\$5,936,400,184	\$5,377,477,433	+10.4

Complete and exact details for the week covered by the foregoing will appear in our issue of next week. We cannot furnish them today, inasmuch as the week ends today (Saturday) and the Saturday figures will not be available until noon today. 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 Jan. 28. For that week there was an increase of 8.8%, the aggregate of clearings for the whole country having amounted to \$5,424,871,920, against \$4,987,748,072 in the same week in 1938. Outside of this city there was an increase of 6.3%, the bank clearings at this center having recorded a gain of 10.6%. 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) there is an improvement of 10.1%, in the Boston Reserve District of 7.3%, and in the Philadelphia Reserve District of 7.8%. In the Cleveland Reserve District the totals are larger by 8.0%, in the Richmond Reserve District by 4.6%, and in the Atlanta Reserve District by 16.0%. The Chicago Reserve District reports a gain of 4.4%, the St. Louis Reserve District of 4.2%, and the Minneapolis Reserve District of 3.7%. In the Kansas City Reserve District the increase is 9.6%, in the Dallas Reserve District 6.4%, and in the San Francisco Reserve District 3.9%.

In the following we furnish a summary by Federal Reserve districts:

SUMMARY OF BANK CLEARINGS

Week Ended Jan. 28, 1939	1939	1938	Inc. or Dec.	1937	1936
Federal Reserve Dists.					
1st Boston—12 cities	\$ 238,399,335	\$ 222,083,683	+7.3	\$ 325,844,142	\$ 254,748,840
2d New York—13 "	3,252,523,916	2,953,651,575	+10.1	4,572,722,200	3,920,225,445
3d Philadelphia—10 "	361,262,546	335,108,614	+7.8	396,499,538	359,038,171
4th Cleveland—7 "	285,729,706	245,779,063	+8.0	289,779,999	253,357,598
5th Richmond—6 "	120,831,853	115,463,128	+4.6	131,379,405	104,712,749
6th Atlanta—10 "	158,419,670	136,613,937	+16.0	149,176,064	115,225,761
7th Chicago—18 "	430,657,213	412,347,079	+4.4	518,113,516	429,944,671
8th St. Louis—4 "	88,621,832	84,621,662	+4.2	100,686,280	84,625,669
9th Minneapolis—7 "	84,566,186	81,587,469	+3.7	89,424,090	74,225,402
10th Kansas City—10 "	128,311,326	117,035,773	+9.6	129,735,106	122,965,817
11th Dallas—6 "	67,633,076	63,571,247	+6.4	59,351,238	48,262,605
12th San Fran.—10 "	214,895,251	206,884,941	+3.9	225,321,039	191,717,786
Total—113 cities	\$ 5,424,871,920	\$ 4,987,748,072	+8.8	\$ 6,987,831,869	\$ 5,938,980,474
Outside N. Y. City	2,268,728,807	2,134,165,686	+6.3	2,548,469,304	2,132,919,696
Canada—32 cities	276,609,737	277,673,726	-0.4	335,883,318	265,128,869

We also furnish today a summary of the clearings for the month of January. For that month there was an increase for the entire body of clearing houses of 6.0%, the 1939 aggregate of clearings being \$25,684,134,075, and the 1938

aggregate \$24,233,698,639. In the New York Reserve District the totals show a gain of 8.7%, in the Boston Reserve District of 4.6%, and in the Philadelphia Reserve District of 6.2%. In the Cleveland Reserve District the totals are larger by 2.6%, in the Richmond Reserve District by 0.9%, and in the Atlanta Reserve District by 7.1%. The Chicago Reserve District records a decrease of 1.6% and the St. Louis Reserve District of 0.2%, but the Minneapolis Reserve District registers an increase of 0.8%. In the Kansas City Reserve District there is an improvement of 1.3%, in the Dallas Reserve District of 3.8%, and in the San Francisco Reserve District of 1.7%.

	January 1939	January 1938	Inc. or Dec.	January 1937	January 1936
Federal Reserve Dists.					
1st Boston—14 cities	\$ 1,068,221,162	\$ 1,040,853,818	+4.6	\$ 1,341,999,379	\$ 1,223,000,112
2d New York—15 "	15,104,707,296	13,898,425,336	+8.7	18,114,620,856	17,335,141,817
3d Philadelphia—17 "	1,665,115,050	1,568,522,305	+6.2	1,843,405,916	1,718,371,424
4th Cleveland—19 "	1,238,140,114	1,208,482,241	+2.6	1,449,393,279	1,143,501,140
5th Richmond—9 "	566,530,520	551,646,519	+0.9	624,596,613	518,296,032
6th Atlanta—6 "	726,438,384	678,698,426	+7.1	718,895,775	592,502,960
7th Chicago—21 "	1,862,281,374	2,014,698,341	-1.6	2,368,445,129	1,960,430,748
8th St. Louis—7 "	593,331,249	594,602,392	-0.2	607,493,802	566,568,071
9th Minneapolis—16 "	412,700,148	409,602,367	+0.8	428,236,554	377,348,273
10th Kansas City—8 "	751,381,633	741,394,083	-1.3	793,377,962	748,572,967
11th Dallas—11 "	514,231,377	495,607,186	+3.8	476,449,166	408,490,060
12th San Fran.—9 "	1,040,707,368	1,023,787,625	+1.7	1,052,928,363	982,879,387
Total—192 cities	\$ 25,684,134,075	\$ 24,233,698,639	+6.0	\$ 29,851,885,803	\$ 27,595,102,935
Outside N. Y. City	11,068,251,421	10,812,536,392	+2.3	12,328,568,587	10,808,267,110
Canada—32 cities	1,377,853,770	1,358,095,433	+1.5	1,626,611,565	1,551,155,047

Our usual monthly detailed statement of transactions on the New York Stock Exchange is appended. The results for January in 1936 to 1939 are given below:

Description	Month of January			
	1939	1938	1937	1936
Stock, number of shares	25,182,350	24,151,931	58,671,416	67,201,745
<i>Bonds</i>				
Railroad and miscell. bonds	\$131,490,000	\$128,981,000	\$267,568,000	\$404,531,000
State, foreign, &c., bonds	20,540,000	20,576,000	49,481,000	38,488,000
U. S. Government bonds	7,581,000	16,353,000	25,638,000	33,118,000
Total bonds	\$159,611,000	\$165,910,000	\$342,687,000	\$476,137,000

The volume of transactions in share properties on the New York Stock Exchange for the 12 months of the years 1936 to 1939 is indicated in the following:

Month of January	1939	1938	1937	1936
	No. Shares	No. Shares	No. Shares	No. Shares
Month of January	25,182,350	24,151,931	58,671,416	67,201,745

The course of bank clearings at leading cities of the country for the month of January in each of the last eight years is shown in the subjoined statement:

BANK CLEARINGS AT LEADING CITIES IN JANUARY
(000,000s omitted)

	1939	1938	1937	1936	1935	1934	1933	1932
New York	14,616	13,412	17,523	16,787	16,207	13,552	12,646	16,684
Chicago	1,207	1,262	1,484	1,219	1,114	822	795	1,141
Boston	918	879	1,154	1,051	886	598	795	1,134
Philadelphia	1,578	1,483	1,742	1,629	1,408	1,119	1,252	1,326
St. Louis	354	357	392	352	309	276	249	312
Pittsburgh	492	481	647	479	408	345	302	420
San Francisco	596	595	646	592	506	434	375	514
Baltimore	276	270	305	257	237	202	216	289
Cincinnati	240	239	247	222	198	168	166	201
Kansas City	383	378	417	399	330	276	244	306
Cleveland	374	345	399	318	270	227	249	350
Minneapolis	256	255	270	231	207	197	168	212
New Orleans	172	166	166	137	113	447	118	142
Detroit	420	418	522	451	375	278	248	353
Louisville	152	146	121	135	114	96	79	88
Omaha	131	123	125	133	114	114	72	110
Providence	46	43	47	47	37	36	32	47
Milwaukee	89	88	93	79	65	49	47	80
Buffalo	132	134	162	139	124	110	112	137
St. Paul	102	103	107	99	87	80	58	67
Denver	123	121	130	112	95	46	68	86
Indianapolis	84	76	81	73	60	53	49	62
Richmond	160	166	183	145	131	119	113	126
Memphis	81	84	88	73	67	59	43	52
Seattle	145	140	142	132	103	92	75	112
Salt Lake City	66	63	66	59	54	44	44	54
Hartford	49	50	56	55	50	37	33	45
Total	23,242	21,877	27,320	25,405	23,669	20,137	18,648	24,450
Other cities	2,442	2,357	2,532	2,190	1,954	1,256	1,460	1,942
Total all	25,684	24,234	29,852	27,595	25,623	21,393	20,108	26,392
Outside New York	11,068	10,822	12,329	10,808	9,417	7,840	7,473	9,708

We now add our detailed statement showing the figures for each city separately for January and for the week ended Jan. 28 for four years:

CLEARINGS FOR JANUARY, AND FOR WEEK ENDING JAN. 28 FOR FOUR YEARS

Clearings at—	Month of January					Week Ended Jan. 28				
	1939	1938	Inc. or Dec.	1937	1936	1939	1938	Inc. or Dec.	1937	1936
	\$	\$	%	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
First Federal Reserve District—Boston										
Maine—Bangor	2,174,348	2,321,595	-6.3	2,825,163	2,491,136	405,543	488,957	-17.1	638,117	557,576
Portland	9,615,640	9,249,011	+4.0	9,827,467	10,080,276	1,782,042	1,536,160	+16.0	2,262,600	2,847,354
Mass.—Boston	918,450,810	878,933,498	+4.5	1,153,804,882	1,050,504,901	205,162,604	190,113,614	+9.9	286,356,971	219,000,000
Fall River	2,974,899	2,744,676	+8.4	3,133,149	2,941,948	595,483	528,150	+13.2	633,710	515,892
Holyoke	1,510,948	1,617,692	-6.6	1,821,916	1,656,546					
Lowell	1,859,420	1,840,128	+1.0	1,805,479	1,555,360	340,348	403,074	-15.6	342,595	269,246
New Bedford	3,643,396	2,731,585	+33.4	3,654,940	3,016,577	786,172	457,279	+71.9	756,415	528,577
Springfield	14,758,069	13,660,635	+8.0	15,930,002	13,754,226	3,492,611	2,693,973	+29.6	3,358,931	2,921,223
Worcester	9,104,123	8,651,743	+5.2	9,686,699	7,585,136	1,892,710	1,783,415	+6.1	2,134,293	1,484,686
Conn.—Hartford	49,044,263	49,759,771	-1.4	56,337,525	55,194,917	9,181,993	9,919,333	-7.4	13,420,042	11,641,676
New Haven	19,588,717	18,150,981	+7.9	20,857,297	18,594,805	4,339,564	3,749,069	+15.8	4,674,964	4,410,977
Waterbury	6,981,400	5,740,000	+21.6	7,337,100	5,924,700					
R. I.—Providence	46,165,100	43,429,000	+6.3	52,246,900	47,464,900	9,998,000	10,042,200	-0.4	10,422,700	10,044,000
N. H.—Manchester	2,350,029	2,023,503	+16.1	2,730,860	2,234,684	422,265	370,459	+14.0	642,804	527,633
Total (14 cities)	1,088,221,162	1,040,853,818	+4.6	1,341,999,379	1,223,000,112	238,399,335	222,083,683	+7.3	325,644,142	254,748,840

CLEARINGS (Continued)

Table with columns: Clearings at, Month of January (1939, 1938, Inc. or Dec., 1937, 1936), Week Ended Jan. 28 (1939, 1938, Inc. or Dec., 1937, 1936). Rows include Federal Reserve Districts and various states/cities like Albany, Buffalo, Elmira, etc.

CLEARINGS (Concluded)

Main table showing Clearings at various Federal Reserve Districts for the month of January and week ended Jan. 28, 1939, compared with 1938 and 1937. Includes sub-sections for Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, and Twelfth Federal Reserve Districts.

CANADIAN CLEARINGS FOR JANUARY, AND FOR WEEK ENDING JAN. 26 FOR FOUR YEARS

Table showing Canadian Clearings for January and week ending Jan. 26, 1939, compared with 1938, 1937, and 1936. Includes a sub-section for Clearings at Medicine Hat.

* Estimated. x No figures available. a Smaller due to flood conditions. b No figures due to flood conditions. c Not included in totals. y Calculated on basis of weekly figures.

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of Jan. 18, 1939:

GOLD

The Bank of England gold reserve against notes on Jan. 11 amounted to £126,414,257 and as compared with the previous return, shows a reduction of £200,001,571, being the amount transferred to the Exchange Equalization Account on Jan. 6.

Quotations: Per Fine Ounce Jan. 12..... 148s. 9½d. Jan. 13..... 148s. 11d. Aug. 14..... 148s. 9½d.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of gold, registered from midday on Jan. 9 to midday on Jan. 16.

Table showing gold imports and exports from various countries like South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, British East Africa, etc.

The following are the details of United Kingdom imports and exports of gold for the month of December, 1938:

Table showing monthly gold imports and exports for December 1938, including regions like South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, etc.

SILVER

A fairly general business has been seen during the week, with both buying and selling for forward delivery on American account, while the Indian Bazaars also worked both ways.

The easier tendency is attributable to the news from America that a movement is on foot in Congress to secure a revision of the Silver Purchase Act, the proposals including a ban on further purchases by the United States Treasury of foreign silver.

The report has naturally caused some uneasiness and the outlook is therefore uncertain, depending on the attitude of operators to further developments in the United States.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of silver, registered from midday on Jan. 9 to midday on Jan. 16:

Table showing silver imports and exports from various countries like United States of America, Bombay, Arabia, etc.

£182,514 and £62,640

a Coin of legal tender in the United Kingdom. b Coin not of legal tender in the United Kingdom.

IN LONDON and IN NEW YORK

Table showing gold prices in London and New York for various dates from Jan 12 to Jan 18, 1939.

The highest rate of exchange on New York recorded during the period from Jan. 12, 1939 to Jan. 18, 1939, was \$4.68½ and the lowest \$4.66½.

ENGLISH FINANCIAL MARKET—PER CABLE

The daily closing quotations for securities, &c., at London, as reported by cable, have been as follows the past week:

Table showing financial market data for London from Sat. Jan. 28 to Fri. Feb. 3, including silver, gold, and bond prices.

The price of silver per ounce (in cents) in the United States on the same days has been:

Table showing silver prices in the United States from Bar N.Y. to U.S. Treasury.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 522 of the Tariff Act of 1930, 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.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES CERTIFIED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS TO TREASURY UNDER TARIFF ACT OF 1930 JAN. 28, 1939, TO FEB. 3, 1939, INCLUSIVE

Large table showing Noon Buying Rate for Cable Transfers in New York for various countries from Jan. 28 to Feb. 3, 1939.

* Nominal rate. a No rates available.

CURRENT NOTICES

The formation of the co-partnership of Giles, Norris & Co. to transact a general brokerage business, with memberships on the New York Stock Exchange and other principal security and commodity exchanges.

Partners of Giles, Norris & Co. are William B. Giles, Howard E. Norris, John L. Hay Jr., Newton H. Kutner and Francis W. Hay, all former partners of Block, Maloney & Co., and Benedict N. Quinn.

Louis W. Munro, of Boston, and Henry W. Grady, of San Francisco, have been elected Vice-Presidents of Doremus & Co., according to an announcement made by William H. Long Jr., Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Munro has been associated with Doremus & Co. since 1924. He attended Dartmouth College, class of 1919, and was graduated from the School of Business Administration, Harvard University, Class of 1923.

Hoit, Rose & Troster, 74 Trinity Place, New York City, has issued its January edition of "Facts and Figures," containing a survey of New York City bank statements as of Dec. 31, 1938, and data on other over-the-counter securities.

Neelands & Platte, 42 Broadway, New York City, are distributing a circular containing a comprehensive analysis of Seiberling Rubber Co.

AUCTION SALES

The following securities were sold at auction on Wednesday of the current week:

By R. L. Day & Co., Boston:

Table listing auction sales including shares of 6 Wm. Whitman preferred, 4200 1000 Wickwire Spencer Steel Co., etc.

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By Crockett & Co., Boston:

Table with 2 columns: Company Name and Amount. Includes 2 Maiden Electric Co., par \$25 and various stocks.

By Barnes & Lofland, Philadelphia:

Table with 2 columns: Company Name and Amount. Includes 25 Franklin Fire Insurance Co., par \$5 and various stocks.

NATIONAL BANKS

The following information regarding National banks is from the office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury Department:

COMMON CAPITAL STOCK INCREASED

Table with 2 columns: Company Name and Amount of Inc. Includes Idaho First National Bank and Centralia National Bank.

VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION

Table with 2 columns: Company Name and Amount. Includes Palisade National Bank.

BRANCH AUTHORIZED

Jan. 21—Seattle-First National Bank, Seattle, Wash. Location branch: 5020 Market St., in the City of Spokane, County of Spokane, Wash. Certificate No. 1424A.

CHARTER ISSUED

Jan. 23—First National Bank in Greenville, Greenville, Ill. Capital stock consists of \$50,000, all common stock.

REDEMPTION CALLS AND SINKING FUND NOTICES

Below will be found a list of bonds, notes and preferred stocks of corporations called for redemption, together with sinking fund notices.

Large table with 3 columns: Company and Issue, Date, Page. Lists various bonds and preferred stocks with their respective dates and page numbers.

DIVIDENDS

Dividends are grouped in two separate tables. In the first we bring together all the dividends announced the current week.

The dividends announced this week are:

Table with 4 columns: Name of Company, Per Share, When Payable, Holders of Record. Lists companies like Acme Wire Co., Agricultural Insur. Co., etc.

Main table with 4 columns: Name of Company, Per Share, When Payable, Holders of Record. Lists a wide variety of companies and their dividend information.

Table with columns: Name of Company, Per Share, When Payable, Holders of Record. Lists various companies with their financial details.

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Below we give the dividends announced in previous weeks and not yet paid. The list does not include dividends announced this week, these being given in the preceding table.

Table with columns: Name of Company, Per Share, When Payable, Holders of Record. Lists various companies with their financial details.

Name of Company	Per Share	When Payable	Holders of Record	Name of Company	Per Share	When Payable	Holders of Record
International Business Machines Corp.	\$1 1/4	Apr. 10	Apr. 1	Purity Bakeries Corp.	15c	Mar. 1	Feb. 15
Stock dividend	5%	Apr. 1	Mar. 5	Quaker Oats Co. pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 28	Feb. 1
International Harvester preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 4	Mar. 1	Quaker State Oil Refining Corp.	20c	Mar. 15	Feb. 28
International Railways of Central America pref.	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Feb. 7	Quebec Power Co. (quar.)	25c	Feb. 15	Jan. 25
Jackson (Byron) Co.	25c	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	Rainier Brewing Co., partic. pref. A	20c	Feb. 10	Feb. 4
Katzen Knitting Mills, preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 25	Participating preferred A	20c	Mar. 10	Mar. 10
Janitz Drug Co. (resumed).	12 1/2c	Mar. 15	Feb. 28	Reading Co. 1st pref. (quar.)	50c	Mar. 9	Feb. 16
Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 15	Reading Co. (quar.)	25c	Mar. 9	Jan. 12
Kaufmann Dept. Stores, pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 31	Mar. 6	Reeves (Daniel), Inc. (quar.) (cash or pfd. stk.)	12 1/2c	Mar. 15	Feb. 28
5% preferred (initial)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Mar. 1	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 15	Feb. 28
Kayser (Julius) & Co. (resumed)	40c	Feb. 15	Feb. 1	Reynolds (R. J.) Tobacco Co.	50c	Feb. 15	Jan. 25
Kendall Co., cum. & partic. pref. ser. A (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 1	Common and 1st common B	\$1 1/4	Mar. 30	Mar. 15
Kentucky Utilities, Jr. pref. (quar.)	87 1/2c	Mar. 22	Feb. 31	Rich's, Inc. 6 1/2% pref. (quar.)	37 1/2c	Mar. 1	Feb. 21
Kroger Grocery & Baking (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 18	Rochester Button Co. preferred (quar.)	13c	Feb. 15	Feb. 5
6% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	May 1	Apr. 20	Rolland Paper Co.	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 5
7% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	May 1	Apr. 20	6% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 15
Landis Machine Co. (quar.)	25c	Feb. 15	Feb. 4	Rustless Iron & Steel, preferred (quar.)	62 1/2c	Mar. 1	Feb. 15
Quarterly	25c	May 15	May 5	Rutland & Whitehall R.R. (irregular)	50c	Feb. 15	Feb. 4
Quarterly	25c	Aug. 15	Aug. 5	Saco-Lowell Shops, pref. A and B (quar.)	25c	Feb. 15	Feb. 5
Quarterly	25c	Nov. 15	Nov. 4	Schumacher Wall Board Corp., preferred	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Feb. 6
Langston Monotype Machine	\$1	Feb. 24	Feb. 14	Scotten Dillon Co.	50c	Mar. 15	Feb. 16
Lehigh Portland Cement Co., 4% pref. (quar.)	\$1	Apr. 1	Mar. 14	Serve, Inc.	25c	Mar. 1	Mar. 17
Leitch Gold Mines, Ltd.	2c	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	July 1	June 15
Life Savers Corp. (quar.)	40c	Mar. 1	Feb. 4	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Oct. 1	Sept. 15
Liggett & Myers Tobacco (quar.)	\$1	Mar. 1	Feb. 14	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	1-3-40	Dec. 15
Common B (quar.)	\$1	Mar. 1	Feb. 14	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 20	Jan. 31
Lincoln National Life Insurance (quar.)	30c	May 1	Apr. 26	Shattuck Deep Mining Corp.	12 1/2c	Feb. 15	Jan. 25
Quarterly	30c	Aug. 1	July 27	Shawinigan Water & Power	23c	Feb. 15	Jan. 25
Quarterly	30c	Nov. 1	Oct. 27	Sherwin-Williams Co.	50c	Feb. 15	Jan. 31
Link Belt Co. (quar.)	25c	Mar. 1	Feb. 10	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 15
Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 15	Silex Co. (quar.)	25c	Feb. 10	Jan. 31
Loblaw Groceries, Ltd., A & B (quar.)	25c	Mar. 1	Feb. 10	Extra	5c	Feb. 10	Jan. 31
Lock Joint Pipe Co. (monthly)	67c	Feb. 28	Feb. 18	Sioux City Gas & Electric Co., 7% pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 10	Jan. 31
Monthly	66c	Mar. 31	Mar. 21	Solvay American Corp. preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Jan. 16
Monthly	67c	Apr. 29	Apr. 19	Soundview Pulp Co. preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 25	Feb. 15
Monthly	67c	May 31	May 31	South Bend Lathe Works (quar.)	30c	Mar. 1	Feb. 15
Monthly	66c	June 30	June 20	South Carolina Power \$8, 1st preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 15
Lockhart Power Co., 7% preferred (s-a.)	\$3 1/4	Feb. 25	Mar. 25	South Pittsburgh Water, 5% preferred (s-a.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 20	Feb. 10
Loew's, Inc., \$3 1/2 pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	Southeastern Greyhound Lines	30c	Feb. 28	Feb. 15
Loose-Wiles Biscuit Co., 6% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 18	Convertible preferred (initial, quar.)	30c	Feb. 28	Feb. 15
Lord & Taylor, 1st pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 17	Non-convertible preferred (quar.)	25c	Feb. 15	Jan. 20
Louisville Henderson & St. Louis Ry. Co.	\$2 1/4	Feb. 15	Feb. 1	Southern California Edison Co. Ltd. (special)	37 1/2c	Feb. 15	Jan. 20
5% preferred (semi-ann.)	\$1	Feb. 28	Jan. 30	Quarterly	25c	Apr. 15	Mar. 20
Louisville & Nashville RR	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	Original preferred (special)	25c	Apr. 15	Mar. 20
Luzerne County Gas & Electric, 1st \$7 pref.	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	Southern Canada Power Co., Ltd. (quar.)	120c	Feb. 15	Jan. 31
1st \$6 preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Feb. 4	Spiegel, Inc., preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 15	Mar. 1
Lynch Corp. (quar.)	150c	Mar. 1	Feb. 1	Standard Brands, Inc. preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 15	Mar. 1
McIntyre Porcupine Mines, Ltd.	\$1 1/4	Feb. 8	Feb. 3	Stein (A.) & Co. (quar.)	15c	Feb. 15	Jan. 31
MacMillan Co., \$5 non-cum. pref. (quar.)	50c	Mar. 1	Feb. 10	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 15
Macy (R. H.) & Co. (quar.)	25c	Feb. 28	Feb. 10	Sterling Products, Inc. (quar.)	95c	Mar. 1	Feb. 15
Madison Square Garden	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Feb. 4	Stromberg-Carlson Telep. Co. pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 8
Magnin (L.) Co. preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	May 15	May 5	Sun Oil Co. common	25c	Mar. 15	Feb. 25
Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Aug. 15	Aug. 5	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 15
Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Nov. 15	Nov. 4	Sylvanite Gold Mines (quar.)	5c	Mar. 31	Feb. 15
Managed Investments, Inc. (quar.)	5c	Feb. 15	Feb. 1	Extra	5c	Mar. 31	Feb. 15
Manhattan Finance Corp., class A	10c	Feb. 10	Jan. 20	Tampa Electric Co. (quar.)	56c	Feb. 15	Jan. 31
Manhattan Shirt Co.	20c	Mar. 1	Feb. 10	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Jan. 31
Massachusetts Bonding & Insurance	87 1/2c	Feb. 6	Jan. 27	Tennessee Electric Power Co.	\$1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 15
Meadwell Telep. Co. (quar.)	37 1/2c	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	5% 1st preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 15
Minneapolis Gas Light (Del.) 6% pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 20	6% 1st preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 15
5 1/2% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 20	7% 1st preferred (quar.)	\$1.80	Apr. 1	Mar. 15
5% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 20	7% 1st preferred (monthly)	50c	Apr. 1	Feb. 15
Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co.	\$1	Mar. 1	Feb. 20	6% 1st preferred (monthly)	50c	Apr. 1	Mar. 15
4% preferred B (quar.)	\$2	Mar. 1	Feb. 16	7.2% 1st preferred (monthly)	50c	Apr. 1	Mar. 15
Mitchell (J. S.) & Co., Ltd. (irregular)	\$2 1/2	June 1	May 10	7.2% 1st preferred (monthly)	60c	Apr. 1	Mar. 15
Monsanto Chemical Co. 4 1/4 class A pref. (s-a)	75c	Feb. 15	Feb. 1	Texas Gulf Sulphur (quar.)	50c	Mar. 15	Mar. 1
Moodys Investors Service, pref. (quar.)	50c	Feb. 10	Feb. 6	Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Co. (quar.)	10c	Mar. 1	Feb. 8
Muskegon Motor Specialties, class A	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 15	Thatcher Mfg., conv. preferred (quar.)	90c	Feb. 15	Jan. 31
Muskegon Co., preferred (quar.)	40c	Apr. 15	Mar. 14	Toburn Gold Mines, Ltd. (quar.)	2c	Feb. 23	Jan. 21
National Biscuit Co. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 28	Feb. 14	Extra	2c	Feb. 23	Jan. 21
Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 28	Feb. 14	Toronto Elevator Co., Ltd., 5 1/4% pref. (quar.)	65c	Mar. 7	Feb. 21
National Credit Co. (Balt., Md.), com. A (quar.)	1 1/4c	Feb. 16	Jan. 31	Trane Co. (resumed)	25c	Feb. 15	Jan. 31
National Liberty Insurance Co. of Amer. (s-a.)	10c	Feb. 15	Feb. 1	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	June 15	June 1
Extra	10c	Feb. 15	Feb. 1	Troy & Greenbush RR. Assoc. (s-a.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 15	Mar. 1
National Linen Service Corp. \$5 pref. (s-a.)	\$2 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 20	Truax-Tracor Coal 6% pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 15	Mar. 1
\$7 preferred semi-ann.	\$3 1/2	Mar. 1	Feb. 20	5 1/2% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 15	Mar. 1
National Oats Co. (quar.)	25c	Mar. 1	Feb. 18	Union Oil of California (quar.)	30c	Feb. 10	Jan. 23
National Paper & Type preferred (s-a.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	United Bond & Share Corp., Ltd. (quar.)	15c	Apr. 15	Mar. 31
National Power & Light Co. (quar.)	15c	Mar. 1	Jan. 31	15c	July 15	June 30	
Newberry (J. J.) Realty Co., 5% pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 16	Quarterly	15c	Oct. 16	Sept. 30
New Amsterdam Casualty Co. (s-a.)	32 1/2c	Mar. 1	Mar. 1	United Corp., Ltd., class A (quar.)	38c	Feb. 15	Jan. 31
New England Gas & Electric Assn. 5 1/2% pref.	137 1/2c	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	United Engineering & Foundry Co. (quar.)	50c	Feb. 14	Feb. 3
New Jersey Zinc Co.	40c	Mar. 1	Feb. 18	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 14	Feb. 3
New World Life Insurance	50c	Feb. 15	Feb. 4	United Gas Corp. \$7 pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 8
Class B (quar.)	12 1/2c	Feb. 15	Feb. 4	United Gas Improvement (quar.)	25c	Mar. 31	Feb. 28
Norfolk & Western Railway, pref. (quar.)	\$1	Mar. 18	Jan. 31	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 31	Feb. 28
Quarterly	\$2 1/4	Mar. 18	Feb. 28	United Light & Ry. 7% prior pref. (monthly)	58 1-3c	Apr. 1	Feb. 15
North American Edison, \$6 preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 15	7% prior preferred (monthly)	58 1-3c	Apr. 1	Feb. 15
North American Oil Consol. (quar.)	25c	Feb. 10	Jan. 25	6.36% prior preferred (monthly)	53c	Apr. 1	Feb. 15
North River Insurance (N. Y.) (quar.)	25c	Mar. 10	Feb. 24	6.36% prior preferred (monthly)	53c	Apr. 1	Feb. 15
Northern States Power Co. (Del.)	\$1.31 1/4	Feb. 20	Jan. 31	6% prior preferred (monthly)	50c	Apr. 1	Mar. 15
7% cumulative preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 20	Jan. 31	United New Jersey RR. & Canal (quar.)	\$2 1/4	Apr. 10	Mar. 20
6% cumulative preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 20	Jan. 31	1 1/2	Feb. 14	Jan. 31	
Northern States Power (Wis.) pref. (quar.)	\$1.41 2-3	Mar. 1	Feb. 18	United Shoe Machinery (special)	50c	Mar. 20	Feb. 28
Northeastern Water & Electric, \$4 preferred	\$1	Mar. 1	Feb. 10	United States Pipe & Foundry Co. (quar.)	50c	June 20	May 31
Northwestern Public Service 7% pref.	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 20	Quarterly	50c	Sept. 20	Aug. 31
6% preferred	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 20	Quarterly	50c	Dec. 20	Nov. 29
Norwalk Tire & Rubber pref. (quar.)	87 1/2c	Feb. 15	Feb. 8	United States Sugar Corp. preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Apr. 15	Apr. 5
Ontario Steel Products, preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	July 15	July 5
Oakonite Co., preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 15	Universal Insurance Co. (quar.)	25c	Mar. 1	Feb. 15
Oswego & Syracuse RR (s-a.)	\$2 1/4	Feb. 20	Feb. 10	Vermont & Boston Telegraph	\$2	July 1	June 15
Outboard Marine & Mfg. Co. (irregular)	30c	Feb. 10	Jan. 25	Vulcan Detinning, pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Apr. 20	Apr. 10
Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	50c	Feb. 15	Jan. 30	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	July 20	July 10
Pacific Fire Insurance Co. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 11	Feb. 3	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Oct. 20	Oct. 10
Pacific Gas & Electric, 6% pref. (quar.)	37 1/2c	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	Walgreen Co., 4 1/4% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 15	Feb. 24
5 1/2% preferred (quar.)	34 1/2c	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	(H.) Walker-Gooderham & Worts, Ltd.	25c	Mar. 15	Feb. 20
Pacific Lighting Corp. (quar.)	75c	Feb. 15	Jan. 20	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 15	Feb. 15
Paramount Pictures, Inc., 1st pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 15	Warren Foundry & Pipe	\$2 1/4	June 1	May 15
2d preferred (quar.)	15c	Apr. 1	Mar. 15	Washington Ry. & Electric 5% pref. (s-a.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 15
Parker Rust-Proof Co. (quar.)	25c	Mar. 1	Feb. 10	6% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	June 1	May 15
Parkersburg Rig & Reel pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 20	5% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	June 1	May 15
Peninsular Telep., pref. A (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Feb. 4	Washington Gas Lt. Co. \$4 1/2 cum. conv. pf. (qu.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 10	Jan. 31
Penmans Ltd. (quar.)	\$3 1/4	Feb. 15	Feb. 4	Wayne Pump Co.	50c	Apr. 1	Mar. 17
Peoria & Bureau Valley R.R. Co. (s-a.)	\$3 1/4	Feb. 10	Jan. 19	Welch Grape Juice Co. pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 28	Feb. 14
Philadelphia Insulated Wire (s-a.)	25c	Feb. 15	Feb. 1	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	May 31	May 15
Phillip Morris & Co. pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Mar. 1	Feb. 15	Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Aug. 31	Aug. 15
Phillips Petroleum Co.	50c	Mar. 1	Feb. 3	West Penn Electric 7% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Jan. 20
Phoenix Acceptance Corp. (quar.)	12 1/2c	Feb. 15	Feb. 5	6% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Jan. 20
Pitney-Bowes Postage Meter (quar.)	10c	Feb. 20	Feb. 1	West Virginia Pulp & Paper Co., pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Feb. 1
Pittsburgh Bessemer & Lake Erie (semi-ann.)	75c	Apr. 1	Mar. 15	Westvaco Chlorine Products (quar.)	25c	Mar. 1	Feb. 10
Pitts. Ft. W. & Chicago Ry. 7% pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 10	White (S. S.) Dental Mfg. Co.	15c	Feb. 14	Jan. 30
7% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	July 1	June 10	Whitaker Paper Co. (resumed)	\$1	Apr. 1	Mar.

Condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York

The following shows the condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at the close of business Feb. 1, 1939, in comparison with the previous week and the corresponding date last year:

	Feb. 1, 1939	Jan. 25, 1939	Feb. 2, 1938
Assets—	\$	\$	\$
Gold certificates on hand and due from United States Treasury.....	5,606,764,000	5,577,790,000	3,756,357,000
Redemption fund—F. R. notes.....	1,624,000	1,775,000	1,588,000
Other cash†.....	128,176,000	131,027,000	90,877,000
Total reserves.....	5,736,564,000	5,710,592,000	3,848,822,000
Bills discounted:			
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations, direct or fully guaranteed.....	1,292,000	1,603,000	2,772,000
Other bills discounted.....	234,000	220,000	341,000
Total bills discounted.....	1,526,000	1,823,000	3,113,000
Bills bought in open market.....	216,000	220,000	214,000
Industrial advances.....	3,839,000	3,859,000	4,282,000
United States Government securities:			
Bonds.....	237,660,000	237,660,000	209,858,000
Treasury notes.....	341,961,000	341,961,000	338,108,000
Treasury bills.....	145,042,000	145,042,000	191,588,000
Total U. S. Government securities.....	724,663,000	724,663,000	739,554,000
Total bills and securities.....	730,244,000	730,565,000	747,163,000
Due from foreign banks.....	62,000	58,000	65,000
Federal Reserve notes of other banks.....	7,489,000	7,742,000	5,423,000
Uncollected items.....	146,183,000	141,981,000	129,321,000
Bank premises.....	9,021,000	9,038,000	9,956,000
Other assets.....	13,187,000	13,308,000	12,322,000
Total assets.....	6,642,750,000	6,613,284,000	4,753,072,000
Liabilities—			
F. R. notes in actual circulation.....	995,397,000	978,030,000	917,680,000
Deposits—Member bank reserve acct. U. S. Treasurer—General account.....	4,914,284,000	4,914,112,000	3,323,310,000
Foreign bank.....	183,799,000	166,522,000	23,042,000
Other deposits.....	66,279,000	61,659,000	56,293,000
Total deposits.....	5,387,365,000	5,382,239,000	3,591,392,000
Deferred availability items.....	139,343,000	133,042,000	123,531,000
Other liabilities incl. accrued dividends.....	1,537,000	785,000	1,313,000
Total liabilities.....	6,523,642,000	6,494,096,000	4,633,916,000
Capital Accounts—			
Capital paid in.....	50,996,000	51,059,000	50,973,000
Surplus (Section 7).....	52,463,000	52,463,000	51,943,000
Surplus (Section 13-b).....	7,457,000	7,457,000	7,744,000
Other capital accounts.....	8,192,000	8,209,000	8,496,000
Total liabilities and capital accounts.....	6,642,750,000	6,613,284,000	4,753,072,000
Ratio of total reserve to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined.....	89.9%	89.8%	85.4%
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents.....			494,000
Commitments to make Industrial advances.....	2,566,000	2,588,000	4,575,000

† "Other cash" does not include Federal Reserve notes or a bank's own Federal Reserve bank notes.

* These are certificates given by the United States Treasury for the gold taken over from the Reserve banks when the dollar was, on Jan. 31, 1934, devalued from 100 cents to 59.06 cents, these certificates being worth less to the extent of the difference, the difference itself having been appropriated as profit by the Treasury under the provisions of the Gold Reserve Act of 1934.

Weekly Return of the New York City Clearing House

The weekly statement issued by the New York City Clearing House is given in full below:

STATEMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE NEW YORK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION FOR THE WEEK ENDED SATURDAY, JAN. 28, 1939

Clearing House Members	* Capital	* Surplus and Undivided Profits	Net Demand Deposits Average	Time Deposits, Average
Bank of New York.....	6,000,000	13,716,400	162,886,000	11,485,000
Bank of Manhattan Co.....	20,000,000	26,178,200	445,874,000	37,278,000
National City Bank.....	77,500,000	60,054,900	61,617,849,000	165,154,000
Chem Bank & Trust Co.....	20,000,000	55,632,700	545,678,000	6,524,000
Guaranty Trust Co.....	90,000,000	182,808,400	61,478,076,000	65,822,000
Manufacturers Trust Co.....	42,243,000	45,129,400	537,081,000	91,150,000
Cent Hanover Bk&Tr Co.....	21,000,000	71,537,000	68,717,000	43,716,000
Corn Exchange Bank Tr Co.....	15,000,000	19,038,800	254,682,000	24,980,000
First National Bank.....	10,000,000	109,072,800	524,730,000	3,308,000
Irving Trust Co.....	50,000,000	752,935,000	528,935,000	5,235,000
Continental Bk & Tr Co.....	4,000,000	4,319,700	49,285,000	5,369,000
Chase National Bank.....	100,270,000	135,518,700	22,228,233,000	50,750,000
Fifth Avenue Bank.....	500,000	3,741,400	46,628,000	4,368,000
Bankers Trust Co.....	25,000,000	79,464,100	684,362,000	32,570,000
Title Guar & Trust Co.....	10,000,000	1,012,000	13,765,000	2,557,000
Marine Midland Tr Co.....	5,000,000	9,252,700	105,323,000	4,779,000
New York Trust Co.....	12,500,000	27,881,500	324,588,000	22,692,000
Comm'l Nat Bk & Tr Co.....	7,000,000	8,297,700	88,812,000	1,833,000
Public Nat Bk & Tr Co.....	7,000,000	9,355,600	88,779,000	51,043,000
Totals.....	523,013,000	914,945,000	10,708,290,000	630,603,000

* As per official reports: National Dec. 31, 1938; State, Dec. 31, 1938; trust companies, Dec. 31, 1938. f Surplus.

Includes deposits in foreign branches as follows: a \$278,011,000; b \$87,520,000; c \$4,880,000; d \$96,201,000; e \$32,510,000.

THE LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Quotations of representative stocks as received by cable each day of the past week:

	Sat. Jan. 28	Mon. Jan. 30	Tues. Jan. 31	Wed. Feb. 1	Thurs. Feb. 2	Fri. Feb. 3
Boots Pure Drugs.....		38/9	39/0	40/-	40/3	40/6
British Amer Tobacco.....		89/-	92/-	93/-	96/-	96/-
Cable & Wire ordinary.....	£37	£38 1/4	£38 1/4	£40	£40	£40
Canadian Marconi.....		4/-	4/-	4/-	4/-	4/-
Central Min & Invest.....	£17	£17 1/2	£17 1/2	£18	£18	£18
Cons Goldfields of S.A.....	58/9	61/3	62/6	63/1 1/2	63/1 1/2	63/1 1/2
Courtauld S & Co.....	25/-	25/-	26/-	26/-	26/-	26/-
De Beers.....	£6 3/4	£7	£7 1/4	£7 1/2	£7 1/2	£7 3/4
Distillers Co.....	89/-	88/-	90/-	91/-	90/-	90/-
Electric & Musical Ind.....	9/3	10/-	10/-	10/6	11/-	11/-
Ford Ltd.....	15/-	15/6	16/-	16/-	16/-	16/-
Gaumont Pictures ord. HOLIDAY	3/9	4/-	4/-	4/-	4/-	4/-
A.....	1/-	1/-	1/-	1/-	1/-	1/-
Hudsons Bay Co.....	21/-	21/-	21/6	21/6	22/-	22/-
Imp Tob of G B & I.....	128/-	130/-	132/-	136/-	135/-	135/-
London Midland Ry.....	£11	£11 1/8	£11 1/8	£12	£12 1/4	£12 1/4
Metal Box.....	74/-	74/6	74/-	74/-	74/6	74/6
Rand Mines.....	£7 3/4	£8	£8	£8 1/2	£8 1/2	£8 1/2
Rio Tinto.....	£12 1/2	£12 1/2	£13	£13 1/2	£13 1/2	£13 1/2
Roan Antelope Cop M.....	15/-	15/6	16/-	16/-	16/-	16/-
Rolls Royce.....	106/10 1/2	110/-	110/-	110/-	110/-	110/-
Royal Dutch Co.....	£34 1/2	£36	£36	£36	£36	£36
Shell Transport.....	£3 3/4	£3 3/4	£4	£4 1/4	£4 1/4	£4 1/4
Swedish Match B.....	25/-	26/-	26/6	27/-	27/-	27/-
Unilever Ltd.....	32/-	32/-	34/-	33/6	33/-	33/-
United Molasses.....	20/-	21/-	21/-	21/9	22/-	22/-
Vickers.....	21/3	22/-	22/1 1/2	22/-	22/-	22/-
West Wotwatersrand.....						
Areas.....	£4 3/4	£4 1/2	£5 1/4	£5 1/4	£5 1/4	£5 1/4

Weekly Return for the Member Banks of the Federal Reserve System

Following is the weekly statement issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, giving the principal items of the resources and liabilities of the reporting member banks in 101 leading cities from which weekly returns are obtained. These figures are always a week behind those for the Reserve banks themselves. The comment of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System upon the figures for the latest week appears in our department of "Current Events and Discussions," immediately preceding which we also give the figures of New York and Chicago reporting member banks for a week later.

Commencing with the statement of May 19, 1937, various changes were made in the breakdown of loans as reported in this statement, which were described in an announcement of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York of April 20, 1937, as follows:

The changes in the report form are confined to the classification of loans and discounts. This classification has been changed primarily to show the amounts of (1) commercial, industrial and agricultural loans, and (2) loans (other than to brokers and dealers) for the purpose of purchasing or carrying securities. The revised form also eliminates the distinction between loans to brokers and dealers in securities located in New York City and those located outside New York City. Provision has been made also to include "acceptances of own bank purchased or discounted" with "acceptances and commercial paper bought in open market" under the revised caption "open market paper," instead of in "all other loans," as formerly. Subsequent to the above announcement, it was made known that the new items "commercial, industrial and agricultural loans" and "other loans," would each be segregated as "on securities" and "otherwise secured and unsecured."

A more detailed explanation of the revisions was published in the May 29, 1937, issue of the "Chronicle," page 3590.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN 101 LEADING CITIES BY DISTRICTS ON JAN. 25, 1939 (In Millions of Dollars)

Federal Reserve Districts—	Total	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneapolis	Kan. City	Dallas	San Fran.
ASSETS	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Loans and investments—total.....	21,428	1,149	8,421	1,151	1,844	662	596	3,163	702	371	656	515	2,198
Loans—total.....	8,281	575	3,317	421	640	237	309	842	311	156	258	243	972
Commercial, indus. and agricul. loans.....	3,765	245	1,452	181	229	103	173	475	188	76	157	159	327
Open market paper.....	327	70	135	23	9	9	3	31	3	4	18	1	21
Loans to brokers and dealers in securities.....	835	30	686	19	23	4	7	38	5	1	4	3	14
Other loans for purchasing or carrying securities.....	540	29	253	32	22	16	16	77	13	7	12	14	49
Real estate loans.....	1,173	81	224	57	170	33	28	98	49	7	23	20	383
Loans to banks.....	101	2	80	2	2	1	1	4	7	-----	1	-----	1
Other loans.....	1,540	118	487	107	185	71	81	119	45	61	43	46	177
United States Government obligations.....	8,186	411	2,911	363	833	319	159	1,631	230	159	210	172	788
Obligations fully guar. by U. S. Govt. Other securities.....	1,733	31	916	88	96	40	42	229	59	15	51	43	123
Reserve with Federal Reserve Banks.....	3,228	132	1,277	279	275	66	86	461	102	41	137	57	315
Cash in vault.....	7,596	347	4,502	280	378	163	113	964	168	76	163	114	328
Balances with domestic banks.....	427	140	71	17	42	19	12	63	11	7	12	11	22
Other assets—net.....	2,580	153	196	172	290	159	150	432	141	111	270	233	273
Total.....	1,233	73	535	83	101	31	39	80	23	16	21	25	206
LIABILITIES													
Demand deposits—adjusted.....	16,152	1,064	7,403	803	1,134	444	360	2,342	449	269	503	434	947
Time deposits.....	5,179	249	1,007	282	737	196	182	890	189	119	144	134	1,050
United States Government deposits.....	630	15	134	54	42	28	41	128	18	2	23	34	111
Inter-bank deposits:													
Domestic banks.....	6,347	250	2,762	316	358	244	230	930	293	125	352	208	279
Foreign banks.....	545	20	482	10	1	-----	1	10	-----	1	-----	1	19
Borrowings.....	733	22	328	17	16	28	5	19	5	-----	2	4	278
Other liabilities.....	3,678	242	1,609	221	367	94	91	383	91	9	98	83	343
Capital account.....													

Weekly Return of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

The following was issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on Thursday afternoon, Feb. 2, showing the condition of the 12 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 eight preceding weeks and with those of the corresponding week last year.

COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS FEB. 1, 1939

Table with columns for dates from Feb. 1, 1939 to Feb. 2, 1938. Rows include Assets (Gold, Bills, Securities) and Liabilities (Deposits, Other liabilities). Sub-sections include Maturity Distribution of Bills and Federal Reserve Notes.

* "Other cash" does not include Federal Reserve notes. † Revised figure. x These are certificates given by the United States Treasury 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...

Weekly Return of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Concluded)

WEEKLY STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF EACH OF THE 12 FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS FEB. 1, 1939

Table with 13 columns for Federal Reserve Banks (Total, Boston, New York, Phila., Cleveland, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Kan. City, Dallas, San Fran.) and rows for Assets (Gold certificates, Bills discounted, etc.) and Liabilities (Deposits, Capital accounts, etc.).

* "Other cash" does not include Federal Reserve notes.

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE STATEMENT

Table with 13 columns for Federal Reserve Banks and rows for Federal Reserve notes (Issued by F.R. Bank, Held by Federal Reserve Bank, etc.) and Total collateral.

United States Treasury Bills—Friday, Feb. 3

Rates quoted are for discount at purchase.

Table showing Treasury bill rates for various dates from Feb. 8 1939 to Mar. 22 1939, with columns for Bid and Asked rates.

United States Government Securities on the New York Stock Exchange—See following page.

Transactions at the New York Stock Exchange, Daily, Weekly and Yearly—See page 703.

Stock and Bond Averages—See page 703.

THE PARIS BOURSE

Quotations of representative stocks as received by cable each day of the past week:

Table of Paris Bourse stock prices for Jan. 28 to Feb. 3, listing various banks and companies like Bank of France, Canal de Suez, etc.

THE BERLIN STOCK EXCHANGE

Closing prices of representative stocks as received by cable each day of the past week:

Table of Berlin Stock Exchange prices for various companies like Allgemeine Elektrizitaets-Gesellschaft, Berliner Kraft u. Licht, etc.

Stock and Bond Sales—New York Stock Exchange

DAILY, WEEKLY AND YEARLY

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NOTICE—Cash and deferred delivery sales are disregarded in the day's range, unless they are the only transactions of the day. No account is taken of such sales in computing the range for the year.

United States Government Securities on the New York Stock Exchange

Below we furnish a daily record of the transactions in Treasury, Home Owners' Loan and Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation bonds on the New York Stock Exchange during the current week. Quotations after decimal point represent one or more 32ds of a point.

Daily Record of U. S. Bond Prices							Daily Record of U. S. Bond Prices						
	Jan. 28	Jan. 30	Jan. 31	Feb. 1	Feb. 2	Feb. 3		Jan. 28	Jan. 30	Jan. 31	Feb. 1	Feb. 2	Feb. 3
Treasury							Treasury						
4½s, 1947-52	High 119.5	119.3	119.6	119.4	119.3	119.6	2½s, 1956-59	High 103.8	103.13	103.27	103.25	103.30	103.30
	Low 119.4	119.3	119.6	119.4	119.3	119.6		Low 103.8	103.13	103.23	103.25	103.27	103.30
	Close 119.4	119.3	119.6	119.4	119.3	119.6		Close 103.8	103.13	103.23	103.25	103.27	103.30
Total sales in \$1,000 units	55	6	3	6	3	6	Total sales in \$1,000 units	1	3	2	1	73	3
4s, 1944-54	High 114.21	114.18	114.24	114.22	114.20	114.22	2½s, 1958-63	High 102.26	103	103.13	103.12	103.14	103.14
	Low 114.20	114.18	114.21	114.22	114.20	114.22		Low 102.26	102.28	103.8	103.10	103.13	103.11
	Close 114.20	114.18	114.21	114.22	114.20	114.22		Close 102.26	103	103.8	103.10	103.13	103.11
Total sales in \$1,000 units	21	2	2	1	2	1	Total sales in \$1,000 units	5	4	10	26	21	79
3½s, 1946-56	High 113.26	113.26	113.25	113.25	113.25	113.25	2½s, 1960-65	High 102.29	102.26	103.12	103.11	103.14	103.14
	Low 113.26	113.26	113.25	113.25	113.25	113.25		Low 102.29	102.26	103.5	103.10	103.14	103.10
	Close 113.26	113.26	113.25	113.25	113.25	113.25		Close 102.29	102.26	103.9	103.11	103.14	103.10
Total sales in \$1,000 units	7	7	16	7	16	7	Total sales in \$1,000 units	5	8	155	66	25	68
3½s, 1940-43	High 105	105	105	105	105	105	2½s, 1945	High 105.2	105.4	105.5	105.15	105.20	105.20
	Low 105	105	105	105	105	105		Low 105.2	105.1	105.4	105.15	105.20	105.20
	Close 105	105	105	105	105	105		Close 105.2	105.4	105.4	105.15	105.20	105.20
Total sales in \$1,000 units	3	4	1	3	3	3	Total sales in \$1,000 units	7	101	3	3	3	1
3½s, 1941-43	High 106.18	106.19	106.23	106.21	106.20	106.20	2½s, 1949-53	High 102.16	102.23	103.3	103.1	103.2	103.4
	Low 106.18	106.19	106.22	106.21	106.20	106.20		Low 102.16	102.20	103.30	103.29	103.2	103.1
	Close 106.18	106.19	106.22	106.21	106.20	106.20		Close 102.16	102.23	103.30	103.29	103.2	103.1
Total sales in \$1,000 units	2	1	3	1	1	1	Total sales in \$1,000 units	13	2	33	53	4	12
3½s, 1943-47	High 109.31	109.31	110.2	110.5	110.5	110.5	2½s, 1950-52	High 102.21	102.21	103.5	103.2	103.5	103.3
	Low 109.31	109.31	110.2	110.5	110.5	110.5		Low 102.21	102.21	103.5	103.2	103.5	103.3
	Close 109.31	109.31	110.2	110.5	110.5	110.5		Close 102.21	102.21	103.5	103.2	103.5	103.3
Total sales in \$1,000 units	10	10	5	1	1	1	Total sales in \$1,000 units	7	2	11	2	26	22
3½s, 1941	High 107.6	107.6	107.3	107.3	107.3	107.3	2s, 1947	High 102.5	102.4	102.16	102.16	102.16	102.16
	Low 107.6	107.6	107.3	107.3	107.3	107.3		Low 102.5	102.4	102.16	102.16	102.16	102.16
	Close 107.6	107.6	107.3	107.3	107.3	107.3		Close 102.5	102.4	102.16	102.16	102.16	102.16
Total sales in \$1,000 units	2	2	1	1	1	1	Total sales in \$1,000 units	3	1	1	1	30	2
3½s, 1943-45	High 109.26	110.2	110.5	110.5	110.5	110.5	Federal Farm Mortgage	High 107.9	107.9	107.18	107.14	107.22	107.9
	Low 109.26	109.30	110.1	110.3	110.3	110.3	3½s, 1944-64	Low 107.9	107.9	107.18	107.14	107.22	107.9
	Close 109.26	110	110.5	110.3	110.3	110.3		Close 107.9	107.9	107.18	107.14	107.22	107.9
Total sales in \$1,000 units	4	39	5	5	9	9	Total sales in \$1,000 units	2	12	3	1	1	10
3½s, 1944-46	High 109.24	109.28	110.5	110.5	110.5	110.7	Federal Farm Mortgage	High 106.31	107.14	107.14	107.10	107.9	107.9
	Low 109.24	109.28	110.1	110.3	110.5	110.7	3s, 1944-49	Low 106.31	106.31	107.14	107.10	107.9	107.9
	Close 109.24	109.28	110.5	110.5	110.5	110.7		Close 106.31	106.31	107.14	107.10	107.9	107.9
Total sales in \$1,000 units	3	12	3	4	1	26	Total sales in \$1,000 units	2	6	26	42	42	10
3½s, 1946-49	High 109.12	109.14	109.22	109.27	109.27	109.27	Federal Farm Mortgage	High 106.2	106.2	106.2	106.2	106.2	106.2
	Low 109.12	109.12	109.20	109.25	109.25	109.25	3s, 1942-47	Low 106.2	106.2	106.2	106.2	106.2	106.2
	Close 109.12	109.14	109.20	109.25	109.25	109.25		Close 106.2	106.2	106.2	106.2	106.2	106.2
Total sales in \$1,000 units	3	2	5	2	2	2	Total sales in \$1,000 units	1	2	26	26	26	26
3½s, 1949-52	High 109.9	109.21	109.16	109.22	109.22	109.22	Federal Farm Mortgage	High 105.3	105.3	105.3	105.3	105.3	105.3
	Low 109.9	109.21	109.16	109.22	109.22	109.22	2½s, 1942-47	Low 105.3	105.3	105.3	105.3	105.3	105.3
	Close 109.9	109.21	109.16	109.22	109.22	109.22		Close 105.3	105.3	105.3	105.3	105.3	105.3
Total sales in \$1,000 units	11	1	1	1	20	20	Total sales in \$1,000 units	1	1	1	1	1	1
3s, 1946-48	High 108.24	108.25	109.5	109.7	109.7	109.7	Home Owners' Loan	High 107.2	107.10	107.10	107.10	107.10	107.10
	Low 108.24	108.25	109	109.7	109.7	109.7	3s, series A, 1944-52	Low 107.2	107.7	107.7	107.9	107.9	107.9
	Close 108.24	108.25	109	109.7	109.7	109.7		Close 107.2	107.7	107.7	107.9	107.9	107.9
Total sales in \$1,000 units	6	30	14	20	3	3	Total sales in \$1,000 units	2	20	61	9	9	9
3s, 1951-55	High 107.11	107.20	107.22	107.26	107.28	107.28	Home Owners' Loan	High 102.6	102.13	102.13	102.13	102.10	102.10
	Low 107.11	107.20	107.22	107.26	107.23	107.23	2½s, series B, 1939-49	Low 102.6	102.11	102.9	102.9	102.10	102.10
	Close 107.11	107.20	107.22	107.26	107.23	107.23		Close 102.6	102.11	102.11	102.11	102.10	102.10
Total sales in \$1,000 units	1	5	14	2	37	37	Total sales in \$1,000 units	2	11	62	62	62	62
2½s, 1955-60	High 104.18	104.23	105.2	105.5	105.4	105.4	Home Owners' Loan	High 104.6	104.11	104.11	104.12	104.14	104.14
	Low 104.18	104.16	104.31	104.30	104.28	104.28	2½s, 1942-44	Low 104.1	104.11	104.11	104.12	104.14	104.14
	Close 104.18	104.23	105	105.2	105.4	104.31		Close 104.1	104.11	104.11	104.12	104.14	104.14
Total sales in \$1,000 units	2	8	80	22	18	63	Total sales in \$1,000 units	8	41	2	2	2	2
2½s, 1945-47	High 107.15	107.13	107.16	107.16	107.16	107.16							
	Low 107.15	107.13	107.16	107.16	107.16	107.16							
	Close 107.15	107.13	107.16	107.16	107.16	107.16							
Total sales in \$1,000 units	8	8	1	1	1	1							
2½s, 1948-51	High 106.4	106.2	106.4	106.4	106.4	106.4							
	Low 106.4	106.2	106.4	106.4	106.4	106.4							
	Close 106.4	106.2	106.4	106.4	106.4	106.4							
Total sales in \$1,000 units	27	75	6	6	52	52							
2½s, 1951-54	High 104.11	104.24	104.20	104.24	104.25	104.25							
	Low 104.11	104.19	104.20	104.24	104.21	104.21							
	Close 104.11	104.19	104.20	104.24	104.21	104.21							
Total sales in \$1,000 units	10	50	1	25	35	35							

* Odd lot sales. † Deferred delivery sale.

Note—The above table includes only sales of coupon bonds. Transactions in registered bonds were:

No sales.

United States Treasury Bills—See previous page.

United States Treasury Notes, &c.—See previous page.

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LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT						Sales for the Week	STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE	Range Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-Share Lots		Range for Previous Year 1938	
Saturday Jan. 28	Monday Jan. 30	Tuesday Jan. 31	Wednesday Feb. 1	Thursday Feb. 2	Friday Feb. 3			Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	Shares		\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share
56¼ 56¼	56 56¼	56 57	56 58	56 58	58 58	1,100	Abbott Laboratories... No par	55	Jan 27	58½	Jan 4
*118½ 127	*118½ 127	*118½ 127	*118½ 128	*118½ 127	*118½ 127	10	4½% conv pref. No par	35½	Feb 2	35½	Feb 2
*35½ 42	*35½ 42¾	*35½ 42¾	*35½ 42¾	*35½ 42¾	*35½ 42¾	10	Abraham & Straus... No par	39½	Jan 31	45½	Jan 6
*37 40½	*37½ 40	*39½ 40½	*37½ 40½	*37½ 40½	*37½ 40½	200	Ace Steel Co. No par	8½	Jan 27	11	Jan 4
8¼ 8¼	9 9¼	9¼ 9¾	9¾ 9¾	9¾ 9¾	9¾ 9¾	4,300	Adams Express... No par	19½	Feb 3	21¼	Jan 17
*19½ 21½	*19½ 20¾	*19½ 21¾	*19½ 22¼	*19½ 21¾	*19½ 19½	100	Adams-Mills No par	24¼	Jan 26	27½	Jan 5

LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday Jan. 28 to Friday Feb. 3) and 'Sales for the Week'. Rows list various stocks with their share prices.

STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Range Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-Share Lots

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Main table listing various stocks such as American Bosch Corp., American Brake Shoe & Fdy., American Can, etc., with their share prices and ranges.

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LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday Jan. 28 to Friday Feb. 3) and rows of stock prices per share.

Sales for the Week

Table with columns for Shares and Par, listing sales volume for various stocks.

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Main table of stock listings with columns for Stock Name, Par, Range Since Jan. 1 (Lowest, Highest), and Range for Previous Year (Lowest, Highest).

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † In receivership. a Def. delivery. n New stock. r Cash sale. z Ex-div. y Ex-rights. ¶ Called for redemption.

LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Sales for the Week

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Range Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-Share Lots

Range for Previous Year 1938

Main table containing stock listings with columns for dates (Saturday Jan. 28 to Friday Feb. 3), share prices, sales for the week, stock names, and price ranges.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † In receivership. a Def. delivery. n New stock. r Cash sale. z Ex-div. y Ex-rights. ¶ Called for redemption.

LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday Jan. 28 to Friday Feb. 3) and rows of stock prices per share.

Vertical column for 'Sales for the Week' with values ranging from 2,800 to 50.

Main table of stock listings including company names (e.g., Firestone Tire & Rubber, First National Stores), par values, and price ranges.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † In receivership. a Def. delivery. n New stock. r Cash sale. z Ex-div. y Ex-rights. ¶ Called for redemption.

LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday Jan. 28 to Friday Feb. 3) and 'Sales for the Week'. Rows list various stock symbols and their corresponding prices.

Vertical text on the left side of the main table, possibly indicating specific stock categories or market conditions.

Table titled 'STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE' with columns for 'Par', 'Lowest', and 'Highest' prices. Lists various stock symbols and their price ranges.

Table titled 'Range Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-Share Lots' and 'Range for Previous Year 1938'. Columns include 'Lowest' and 'Highest' prices for the current year and the previous year.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † In receivership. ‡ Def. delivery. § New Stock. ¶ Cash sale. †† Ex-div. ††† Ex-rights. †††† Called for redemption.

LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday Jan. 28 to Friday Feb. 3) and 'Sales for the Week'. Rows list various stock prices per share.

Sales for the Week

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Range Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-Share Lots

Main table listing stock names, par values, and price ranges (Lowest and Highest) since Jan. 1 and for the previous year.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † In receivership. α Def. delivery. n New stock. r Cash sale. x Ex-div. y Ex-rights. ¶ Called for redemption.

LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday Jan. 28 to Friday Feb. 3) and rows for various stock prices per share.

Sales for the Week

Table of STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE with columns for stock names and sales figures.

Table with columns for Range Since Jan. 1 (Lowest, Highest) and Range for Previous Year 1938 (Lowest, Highest).

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* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † In receivership. α Def. delivery. n New stock. r Cash sale. z Ex-div. y Ex-rights. ¶ Called for redemption.

LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Sales for the Week

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Range Since Jan. 1. On Basis of 100-Share Lots

Range for Previous Year 1938

Main table with columns: Saturday Jan. 28, Monday Jan. 30, Tuesday Jan. 31, Wednesday Feb. 1, Thursday Feb. 2, Friday Feb. 3, Shares, Par, Lowest, Highest, and Range for Previous Year 1938. Lists various stocks like Schenley Distillers Corp., Schulte Retail Stores, etc.

* Bid and asked price; no sales on this day. † In receipt. ‡ Def. delivery. § New stock. ¶ Cash sale. ** Ex-div. *** Ex-rights. **** Called for redemption.

LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday Jan. 28 to Friday Feb. 3) and 'Sales for the Week'. Rows list various stock symbols and their corresponding prices.

STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Range Since Jan. 1 On Basis of 100-Share Lots

Range for Previous Year 1933

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Lowest Highest

Lowest Highest

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Main table listing various stocks such as United Corp, United Fruit, U S Steel Corp, etc., with columns for share prices and ranges.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † In receivership. a Def. delivery. n New stock. r Cash sale. z Ex-div. y Ex-rights. ¶ Called for redemption.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Bond Record, Friday, Weekly and Yearly

NOTICE—Prices are "and interest"—except for income and defaulted bonds. 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.

BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Feb. 3					BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Feb. 3									
U. S. Government	Interest Period	Friday Last Sale Price	Week's Range or Friday's		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1		Interest Period	Friday Last Sale Price	Week's Range or Friday's		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1	
			Low	High		Low	High			Low	High		Low	High
U. S. Government														
Treasury 4 1/2% 1947-1952	A O		119.3	119.6	64	118.26	119.14							
Treasury 4% 1944-1954	J D	114.22	114.18	114.24	26	114.17	114.25							
Treasury 3 1/2% 1946-1956	M S		113.24	113.23	23	113.10	113.28							
Treasury 3% 1940-1943	J D	104.31	104.31	105	11	104.31	105.8							
Treasury 3 1/2% 1941-1943	M S	106.20	106.18	106.21	8	106.18	106.27							
Treasury 3 1/2% 1943-1947	J D	110.5	109.30	110.5	16	109.30	110.9							
Treasury 3 1/2% 1943-1945	F A	107.3	107.3	107.6	4	107.3	107.12							
Treasury 3 1/2% 1943-1945	F A	107.3	109.26	110.5	62	109.22	110.8							
Treasury 3 1/2% 1944-1946	A O	110.7	109.24	110.7	49	109.22	110.12							
Treasury 3 1/2% 1946-1949	J D		109.12	109.27	12	109.11	109.27							
Treasury 3 1/2% 1949-1952	J D	109.22	109.6	109.22	34	109.2	109.22							
Treasury 3% 1946-1948	J D	109.7	108.24	109.7	73	108.19	109.7							
Treasury 3% 1951-1955	M S	107.23	107.11	107.28	59	107.4	107.28							
Treasury 2 1/2% 1955-1960	M S	104.31	104.16	105.5	195	104.12	105.5							
Treasury 2 1/2% 1945-1947	M S	107.16	107.13	107.16	10	107	107.19							
Treasury 2 1/2% 1948-1951	M S	106.4	106.2	106.5	160	105.19	106.5							
Treasury 2 1/2% 1951-1954	J D	104.21	104.11	104.25	121	104	104.25							
Treasury 2 1/2% 1956-1959	M S		103.8	103.80	80	103.4	103.30							
Treasury 2 1/2% 1958-1963	J D	103.11	102.26	103.14	145	102.20	103.14							
Treasury 2 1/2% 1960-1965	J D	103.10	102.26	103.14	327	102.6	103.14							
Treasury 2 1/2% 1945-1947	J D	106.18	106.18	106.23	4	106.6	106.24							
Treasury 2 1/2% 1948	M S		105.1	105.20	112	105.1	105.20							
Treasury 2 1/2% 1949-1953	J D	103.3	102.16	103.4	117	102.13	103.4							
Treasury 2 1/2% 1950-1952	M S	103.3	102.16	103.7	80	102.16	103.7							
Treasury 2 1/2% 1947	J D	102.16	102.4	102.18	37	102	102.18							
Foreign Govt. & Municipal														
Foreign Govt. & Municipal														
Agricultural Mtge Bank (Colombia)	F A		25 1/4	25 1/4	3	25 1/4	25 1/4							
*Gtd sink fund 6% 1948	A O		25 1/4	25 1/4	1	25 1/4	25 1/4							
*Gtd sink fund 6% 1948	A O		25 1/4	25 1/4	1	25 1/4	25 1/4							
Akershus (King of Norway) 4% 1938	M S		a92 3/4	a92 3/4	1	93	94 3/4							
*Antioquia (Dept) coll 7% A 1945	J J		*10 1/2	12		10 1/2	12 1/2							
*External s f 7% series A 1945	J J		9 1/2	9 1/2	1	9 1/2	12 1/2							
*External s f 7% series C 1945	J J		10 1/2	10 1/2	2	10 1/2	12 1/2							
*External s f 7% series D 1945	J J		10 1/2	10 1/2	2	10 1/2	12 1/2							
*External s f 7 1/2 1st series 1957	A O		9 1/2	9 1/2	6	9 1/2	11 1/2							
*External sec s f 7 1/2 2d series 1957	A O		9 1/2	9 1/2	3	9 1/2	11 1/2							
*External sec s f 7 1/2 3d series 1957	A O		9 1/2	9 1/2	1	9 1/2	11 1/2							
*External sec s f 7 1/2 3d series 1957	A O		9 1/2	9 1/2	1	9 1/2	11 1/2							
Antwerp (City) external 5% 1958	J D	92 3/4	90 1/2	92 3/4	20	90 1/2	96 7/8							
Argentine (National Government)														
S f external 4 1/2% 1948	M N		91 1/2	89 1/2	146	89 1/2	91 1/2							
S f external 4 1/2% 1971	M N		86 3/4	86 3/4	18	86 3/4	87 3/4							
S f extl conv loan 4% Feb 1972	F A		76 3/4	76 3/4	77 3/4	63	76 3/4	78 3/4						
S f extl conv loan 4% Apr 1972	A O		76 3/4	76 3/4	28	76 3/4	79							
Australia 30-year 6% 1955	J A		99 3/4	97 3/4	31	96 3/4	101 1/2							
*External 6% of 1927 1957	M S		93 3/4	92 3/4	36	91 3/4	98 3/4							
*External g 4 1/2% of 1928 1956	M N		93 3/4	94 3/4	36	91 3/4	98 3/4							
*Austrian (Govt's) s f 7% 1957	F A		14	14 1/2	32	12	17 1/2							
*Bavaria (Free State) 6 1/2% 1945	J A		*15	18		16	20 1/2							
Belgium 25-yr extl 6 1/2% 1949	M S		104	105 1/2	3	104	106 1/2							
*External s f 6% 1955	J J	104 1/2	103	105 1/2	21	103	106							
*External 30-year s f 7% 1955	J D	113 3/4	112	113 3/4	6	112	115							
*Berlin (Germany) s f 6 1/2% 1950	A O		14 1/2	15	11	14	20							
*External sinking fund 6% 1958	J D		15	15	2	13	18 1/2							
*Brazil (U S of) external 8% 1941	J D	14 1/2	11 1/2	14 1/2	54	11 1/2	14 1/2							
*External s f 6 1/2% of 1926 1957	A O		12 1/2	10 1/2	232	9 1/2	12 1/2							
*External s f 6 1/2% of 1927 1957	A O		12 1/2	10 1/2	120	9 1/2	12 1/2							
*7% (Central Ry) 1952	J D	12 1/2	9 1/2	12 1/2	106	9 1/2	12 1/2							
Brisbane (City) s f 6% 1957	M S		93 3/4	95 1/2	24	93 3/4	97 3/4							
Sinking fund gold 6% 1958	F A		95	95	1	89	97 3/4							
20-year s f 6% 1950	J D	100	97 1/2	100	17	97	100 1/2							
Budapest (City) 6% 1962	J D	9 1/2	9 1/2	10 1/2	11	9 1/2	11 1/2							
Buenos Aires (Prov of)														
*6% stamped 1961	M S		64	64	4	64	64							
*External s f 4 1/4-4 3/8% 1977	M S		50 3/4	50 3/4	34	49 1/2	52 1/4							
*Refunding s f 4 1/4-4 3/8% 1976	F A		50	49 1/2	14	49 1/2	51 1/4							
*External re-adj 4 1/4-4 3/8% 1976	A O		50 3/4	50 3/4	15	49 1/2	51 1/4							
*External s f 4 1/4-4 3/8% 1975	M N		51 1/2	51 1/2	7	50 3/4	53 1/2							
*3% external s f bonds 1984	J J		41 1/4	42	4	38	42							
Bulgaria (Kingdom of)														
*Secured s f 7% 1907	J J		*20	27 1/2		29 1/2	29							
*Stabilization loan 7 1/2% 1908	M N		30 1/2	30 1/2	11	30 1/2	32 1/2							
Canada (Dom of) 30-yr 4%														
6% 1960	A O	111 3/4	110 3/4	111 3/4	25	109 3/4	111 1/2							
10-year 2 1/2% Aug 15 1945	F A		110 3/4	111	30	109 3/4	111 1/2							
25-year 3 1/2% 1961	J J	104	103 1/4	104	20	103 1/4	104							
7-year 2 1/2% 1967	J J	100 3/4	101 1/2	102 3/4	8	101 1/2	103							
30-year 3% 1967	J J	100 3/4	99 3/4	100 3/4	147	98 3/4	100 3/4							
*Carlsbad (City) 8% 1954	J J		71 1/2	71 1/2	5	71 1/2	71 1/2							
*Cent Agric Bank Ger 7% 1950	M S		730	730	1	30 1/2	32							
*Farm Loan s f 6% July 15 1960	J J	23 3/4	*23	23 3/4	6	23	27							
*6% July coupon on 1960				30										
*6% Oct coupon on 1960				29			23 1/2							
*6% Oct coupon on 1960				23			27							
*Chile (Rep)—Extl s f 7% 1942	M N	15 1/2	15	15 1/2	10	15	18 1/2							
*7% assented 1942	M N		14 1/4	14 1/4	2	14 1/4	16							
*External sinking fund 6% 1960	A O	15 1/2	15	16 1/2	78	15	18 1/2							
*6% assented 1960	A O	11 1/2	11 1/2	14	14	11 1/2	16 1/2							
*Extl sinking fund 6% Feb 1961	F A	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	24	15 1/2	16 1/2							
*6% assented Feb 1961	F A		13	13	7	15 1/2	16 1/2							
*Ry ref extl s f 6% Jan 1961	J J	15 1/2	15 1/2	16 1/2	28	15 1/2	18 1/2							
*6% assented Jan 1961	J J		14 1/2	14 1/2	7	14 1/2	16 1/2							
*Extl sinking fund 6% Sept 1961	M S		15	16 1/2	7	15	18 1/2							
*6% Assented Sept 1961	M S				7	15 1/2								

BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Feb. 3					BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Feb. 3							
Interest Period	Friday Last Sale Price	Week's Range or Friday's Bid & Asked		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1	Interest Period	Friday Last Sale Price	Week's Range or Friday's Bid & Asked		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1	
		Low	High					Low	High			Low	High
*Nuremberg (City) extl 6s...	1952	F A	50	49	20							
Oriental Devel guar 6s...	1953	M S	58 1/2	58 3/4	58 1/2	17 1/2	18 1/2					
Extl deb 5 1/2s...	1958	M N	52	49	52	23	48 1/2					
Oslo (City) s f 4 1/2s...	1955	A O	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	100 3/4	103					
*Panama (Rep) extl 5 1/2s...	1953	J D	102	101 1/2	102	16	101 1/2					
*Extl s f 5s ser A...	1963	M N	50	50	50	56	56					
*Stamped...	1963	M N	43 1/2	45	43 1/2	51	51					
*Pernambuco (State of) 7s...	1947	M S	7 3/4	6 3/4	7 3/4	24	5 3/4	7 3/4				
*Peru (Rep of) external 7s...	1959	M S	9 1/2	10	9 1/2	11	11					
*Nat Loan extl s f 6s 1st ser...	1960	J D	10	9 1/2	10	81	9 1/2	10 3/4				
*Nat Loan extl s f 6s 2d ser...	1961	A O	10	9 1/2	10	27	9 1/2	10 3/4				
*Poland (Rep of) gold 6s...	1940	A O	30 1/2	35	30 1/2	38	38					
*Stabilization loan s f 7s...	1947	A O	40	40	43	9	40	50				
*External sink fund g 8s...	1950	J J	32 3/4	33 1/2	34	4	30 3/4	36 1/2				
4 1/2s assented...	1958	J J	32 3/4	32 3/4	33 3/4	3	31 3/4	32 3/4				
*Porto Alegre (City of) s...	1961	J D	10 3/4	10 3/4	10 3/4	2	35 3/4	35 3/4				
*Extl loan 7 1/2s...	1953	J J	10 3/4	10 3/4	10 3/4	9 1/2	10	10 3/4				
Prague (Greater City) 7 1/2s...	1952	M N	55	55	55	1	55	63				
*Prussia (Free State) extl 6 1/2s...	1951	M S	14 1/2	15	14 1/2	18 1/2	15	18 1/2				
*External s f 6s...	1952	A O	15 1/2	14 1/2	15 1/2	8	14	18				
Queensland (State) extl s f 7s...	1941	A O	103	103 1/2	103 1/2	12	102 1/2	105				
25-year external 6s...	1947	F A	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	5	101	108 1/2				
*Rhine-Main-Danube 7s A...	1950	M S	35	35	35	30	30	30				
*Rio de Janeiro (City of) 8s...	1946	A O	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	16	6 1/2	8 1/2				
*Extl sec 6 1/2s...	1953	F A	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	18	5 1/2	7 1/2				
Rio Grande do Sul (State of)...	1946	A O	8 1/2	8 1/2	9 1/2	6	7 1/2	9 1/2				
*8s extl loan of 1921...	1946	J D	10	8 1/2	10	59	6 1/2	10				
*6s extl s f g...	1968	M N	10	8 1/2	10	55	7 1/2	10				
*7s extl loan of 1926...	1966	M N	10	8 1/2	10	55	7 1/2	10				
*7s municipal loan...	1967	J D	9 1/2	8 1/2	9 1/2	26	7 1/2	9 1/2				
Rome (City) extl 6 1/2s...	1952	A O	64 3/4	64 3/4	64 3/4	68	60 3/4	69 3/4				
*Roumania (Kingdom of) 7s...	1959	F A	15	14 1/2	15	18	18 1/2	20 1/2				
*February 1937 coupon paid...	1953	J J	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	17	20	20 1/2				
*Saarbrücken (City of) 6s...	1953	M N	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	19	19	19				
Sao Paulo (City of Brazil)...	1952	M N	8 1/2	7 3/4	8 1/2	22	6 3/4	8 1/2				
*6 1/2s extl secured s f...	1957	M N	6 1/2	7 1/2	6 1/2	14	6 1/2	7 1/2				
San Paulo (State of)...	1936	J J	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	10	11	11 1/2				
*8s extl loan of 1921...	1936	J J	9 1/2	7 3/4	9 1/2	32	7 1/2	9 1/2				
*8s external...	1950	J J	8 1/2	7 3/4	8 1/2	62	7 3/4	8 1/2				
*7s extl water loan...	1958	M S	8 1/2	7 3/4	8 1/2	17	6 1/2	8 1/2				
*6s extl dollar loan...	1968	J J	8 1/2	6 1/2	8 1/2	56	17 1/2	21 1/2				
*Secured s f 7s...	1940	A O	21 1/2	18 1/2	21 1/2	2	20 1/2	20 1/2				
*Saxon State Mtge Inst 7s...	1945	J D	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	2	20 1/2	20 1/2				
*Sinking fund g 6 1/2s...	1946	J D	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	2	20 1/2	20 1/2				
Serbs Croats & Slovenes (Kingdom)...	1962	M N	23 1/2	24	24	6	22 1/2	28				
*8s secured extl...	1962	M N	22 1/2	21	22 1/2	29	20 1/2	25 1/2				
*7s secured B sec extl...	1962	J D	27	27	27	5	27	33				
*Silesia (Prov of) extl 7s...	1958	J D	27	27	27	5	27	33				
4 1/2s assented...	1958	J D	27	27	27	5	27	33				
*Silesian Landowners Assn 6s...	1947	F A	95 3/4	99	95 3/4	13	95 3/4	100 3/4				
Sydney (City) s f 5 1/2s...	1955	F A	95 3/4	99	95 3/4	13	95 3/4	100 3/4				
Taiwan Elec Pow s f 5 1/2s...	1971	J J	53 1/2	50 1/2	53 1/2	23	49 1/2	53 1/2				
Tokyo City 5s loan of 1912...	1952	M S	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	2	43 1/2	49				
External s f 5 1/2s guar...	1961	A O	57 1/2	53 1/2	58	52	50 1/2	58				
*Uruguay (Republic) extl 8s...	1946	F A	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	3	43	44				
*External s f 6s...	1960	M N	40	44	44	4	42 1/2	44 1/2				
*External s f 6s...	1964	M N	40	51	51	4	40	40				
3 1/2-4 1/2s (\$ bonds of '37)...	1979	M N	39 1/4	38 3/4	39 1/4	40	37	39 1/4				
external readjustment...	1979	M N	37	44 1/4	37	38	38	38				
external conversion...	1979	J D	37 3/4	37 3/4	37 3/4	6	36 1/2	39 1/2				
4-4 1/2-4 1/2s extl readj...	1978	F A	37 3/4	38	38	6	37 1/2	41				
3 1/2s extl readjustment...	1984	J J	38	38	38	3	36 3/4	36 3/4				
Venetian Prov Mtge Bank 7s...	1952	M N	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	1	15	15				
*Vienna (City of) 6s...	1952	F A	30	30	30	3	29 1/2	34				
*Warsaw (City) external 7s...	1958	F A	21	28	28	23	23	31				
4 1/2s assented...	1958	F A	59	56	59	61	55	59				
Yokohama (City) extl 6s...	1961	J D	59	56	59	61	55	59				

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		Low	High		Low	High		Low	High		Low	High
Illinois Bell Telp 3 1/8 ser B..1970	A	O	111 1/2	111	113 1/2							
Illinois Central 1st gold 4s...1951	J	J	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2							
1st gold 3 1/2 s...1951	J	J	84 3/4	84 3/4	85							
Extended 1st gold 3 1/2 s...1951	A	O	83 3/4	85	1							
1st gold 3 1/2 sterling...1951	M	S	75	75	1							
Collateral trust gold 4s...1952	A	O	57 1/2	57 1/2	58 1/2							
Refunding 4s...1955	M	N	57	59 1/2	2							
Purchased lines 3 1/2 s...1952	J	J	57	54 1/2	47 1/2							
Collateral trust gold 4s...1953	M	N	54	52 1/2	54							
Refunding 5s...1955	M	N	54	66 1/2	70 1/2							
40-year 4 1/2 s... Aug 1 1966	F	A	50 1/4	47	50 1/4							
Cairo Bridge gold 4s...1950	J	D	63	63	63							
Litchfield Div 1st gold 3s...1951	J	J	63	63	63							
Louis Div & Term 3 1/2 s...1953	J	J	61	63	63							
Omaha Div 1st gold 3s...1951	F	J	86 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2							
St. Louis Div & Term 3s...1951	F	J	84	76	68							
Gold 3 1/2 s...1951	J	J	84	68	68							
Springfield Div 1st 3 1/2 s...1951	J	J	60 1/4	60 1/4	60 1/4							
Western Lines 1st 4s...1951	F	A	60 1/4	65	65							
Ill Cent and Chic St L & N O—												
1st 1st ref 5s series A...1963	J	D	56	54	56 1/2							
1st & ref 4 1/2 s series C...1963	J	D	51 1/2	48	51 1/2							
Illinois Steel deb 4 1/2 s...1940	F	A	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2							
Insider Steel Corp 6s...1948	F	A	104 1/2	104 1/2	50							
Ind Bloom & West 1st ext 4s...1940	A	O	68	95	95							
Ind Ill & Iowa 1st 4s...1950	J	J	69	79	66							
Ind & Louisville 1st 4s...1956	J	S	9 1/2	9 1/2	2							
Ind Union Ry 3 1/2 s series B...1986	M	S	100	9 1/2	9 1/2							
Industrial Rayon 4 1/2 s...1943	J	F	95 1/2	93 1/2	95 1/2							
Inland Steel 3 1/2 s series D...1961	F	A	109 1/2	109 1/2	111							
Interboro Rap Tran 1st 6s...1966	F	J	62	60	62							
Certificates of deposit												
10-year 6s...1932				59	59 1/2							
10-year convy 7% notes...1932				37	37 1/2							
Certificates of deposit				59 1/2	59 1/2							
				57	58 1/2							
Interlake Iron convy deb 4s...1947	A	O	83 1/2	84	83 1/2							
Int Agric Corp 5s stamped...1942	M	N	101 1/2	102	101 1/2							
Int-Grt Nor 1st 6s ser A...1952	J	J	15 1/2	16	14							
Adjustment 6s ser A... July 1952	A	O	3	3	3 3/4							
1st 5s series B...1956	J	J	15	15	11							
1st 6s series C...1956	J	J	15	15	14							
Internat Hydro El deb 6s...1944	A	O	77 1/2	72 1/2	78							
Int Mero Marine s f 6s...1941	A	O	53	49 1/2	53 1/2							
Internat Paper 5s ser A & B...1947	J	J	98 1/2	97 1/2	98 1/2							
Ref s f 6s series A...1955	M	N	92	90 1/2	92 1/4							
Int Rys Cent Amer 1st 6s B...1972	M	N	91	82	82							
Int Lien & Ref 6 1/2 s...1947	F	A	64	60 1/2	61							
Int Telen & Teleg deb 4 1/2 s...1952	F	A	64	62 1/2	64 1/2							
Debiture 5s...1955	F	A	67	65 1/2	67 3/4							
Iowa Central Ry 1st & ref 4s...1951	M	S	3 1/2	4	5							
James Frankl & Clear 1st 4s...1959	J	D	54 1/2	54	54 1/2							
Jones & Laughlin Steel 4 1/2 s A...1961	M	S	95 1/2	95	96							
Kanawha & Mich 1st 4s...1990	A	O	82	80	79							
K C Ft S & M Ry 1st 4s...1936	A	O	32 1/2	32 1/2	33 1/2							
Certificates of deposit				30 1/2	33							
Kan City Sou 1st gold 3s...1950	A	O	69 1/2	69	70							
Ref & Impt 5s... Apr 1950	J	J	66	65	67							
Kansas City Term 1st 4s...1960	J	J	108 1/2	109	109							
Kansas Gas & Electric 4 1/2 s...1980	J	D	105	105 1/2	11							
Karstadt (Rudolph) 1st 6s...1943	M	N	20	20	20							
Cits w w stmp (par \$645)...1943				23	17 1/2							
Cits w w stmp (par \$925)...1943	M	N	20	20	20							
Cits with warr (par \$925)...1943				23	17 1/2							
Keth (B F) Corp 1st 6s...1948	M	S	95 1/2	95	95 1/2							
Kentucky Central gold 4s...1937	J	J	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2							
Kentucky & Ind Term 4 1/2 s...1961	J	J	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2							
Plain...1981	J	J	60	90	90							
4 1/2 s unguaranteed...1981	J	J	60	95	95							
Kings County El L & P 6s...1997	A	O	159	165	165							
Kings County Elev 1st 4s...1949	F	A	79	79	79							
Kings Co Lighting 1st 5s...1954	J	J	99	99	100							
1st & ref 6 1/2 s...1954	J	J	104 1/2	104 1/2	103							
Kinney (G R) 6 1/2 s ext to...1941	J	D	96	96	96							
Koppers Co 4s series A...1951	M	N	102	102	102 1/2							
Kresage Foundation coll tr 4s...1945	J	J	103	103 1/2	103 1/2							
3 1/2 s collateral trust notes...1947	F	A	100	100	100							
Kreuger & Toll secured 5s												
Uniform cts of deposit...1959	M	S	11 1/2	11 1/2	2							
Laclede Gas Light ref & ext 5s...1939	A	O	80 1/2	79 1/2	80 1/2							
Coll & ref 5 1/2 s series C...1953	F	F	47	49 1/2	42							
Coll & ref 6 1/2 s series D...1960	F	F	49 1/2	46 1/2	49 1/2							
Coll tr 6s series A...1942	F	F	45	46	46							
Coll tr 6s series B...1942	F	F	45	46	2							
Lake Erie & Western RR...1947	J	J	67 1/2	68	68							
6s 1937 extended at 3% to...1941	J	J	64	88	88							
Lake Erie & Mich So g 4 1/2 s...1997	J	D	87 1/2	86	86 1/2							
Lautaro Nitrate Co Ltd—												
1st mtge income reg...1975				23	23 1/2							
Lehigh C & Nav s f 4 1/2 s A...1954	J	J	58	58	59 1/2							
Cons sink fund 4 1/2 s ser C...1954	J	J	58	57 1/2	58							
Lehigh & New Eng RR 4s A...1965	A	O	84	85	85							
Lehigh & N Y 1st 4s g 4s...1945	M	S	80 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2							
Lehigh Val Coal 1st & ref s f 5s...1944	F	A	25	75	75							
1st & ref s f 5s...1954	F	A	20	20	20							
1st & ref s f 6s...1964	F	A	17	17	19							
1st & ref s f 6s...1974	F	A	17	17	19							
Sec 6% notes extend to...1943	J	J	30	49 1/2	49 1/2							
Leh Val Harbor Term gu 5s...1954	F	A	44	44	45							
Leh Val N Y 1st gu g 4 1/2 s...1940	J	J	45	54	48							
4 1/2 s assented...1940	J	J	40	51	49							
Lehigh Val (Pa) cons g 4s...2003	M	N	18 1/2	19	21							
4s assented...2003	M	N	17 1/2	18 1/2	24							
General cons 4 1/2 s...2003	M	N	19 1/2	19 1/2	2							
4 1/2 s assented...2003	M	N	17	24	21							
General cons 5s...2003	M	N	19 1/2	22	19 1/2							
5s assented...2003	M	N	20	20 1/2	7							
Leh Val Term Ry 1st gu g 5s...1941	A	O	52 1/2	57 1/2	74 1/2							
6s assented...1941	A	O										
Lex & East 1st 50-yr 5s gu...1965	A	O	112 1/2	113	15							
Liggett & Myers Tobacco 7s...1944	A	O	129 1/2	129 1/2	54							
6s...1951	F	A	128	127 1/2	27							
Liquid Carbonic 4s convy deb...1947	J	D	108 1/2	109	5							
Little Miami gen 4s series A...1962	M	N	99	100 1/2	108							
Loews Inc s f deb 3 1/2 s...1946	F	A	49	50	6							
Lombard Elec 7s series A...1952	J	D	50	49	56 1/2							

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		Last		Range or		Range				Last		Range		
		Sale		Friday's		Since				Sale		Since		
		Price		Bid & Asked		Jan. 1				Price		Jan. 1		
		Low High		No.		Low High				Low High		No.		
Newport & C Bdge gen gu 4 1/2s	1945	J	J	109	111	110	110	Penn-Dixie Cement 1st 6s A	1941	M	S	95 1/2	95	95 1/2
N Y Cent RR 4s series A	1946	F	F	64 1/2	64 3/4	28	63	70	1960	J	D	105 1/2	105 3/4	106
10-year 3 1/2s sec s	1937	A	A	77 1/2	78 1/2	27	76	78 1/2	1977	A	O	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2
Ref & Imp 4 1/2s series A	2013	A	O	55	55 1/2	153	53 1/2	61	1981	J	J	93	93	93
Ref & Imp 4 1/2s series C	2013	A	O	51	51 1/2	61	50	51 1/2	1981	J	J	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2
Conv secured 3 1/2s	1952	M	N	64 1/2	65	65	64	65 1/2	1943	M	N	105 1/2	105 1/2	106
N Y Cent & Hud River 3 1/2s	1997	J	J	82	82	43	79	84 1/2	1948	M	N	110	110 1/2	110 1/2
Debenture 4s	1942	J	J	78	80 1/2	5	78	81	1948	M	N	111	110 1/2	111 1/2
Ref & Imp 4 1/2s ser A	2013	A	O	56 1/2	54	141	53 1/2	61	1970	A	O	87 1/2	87	88
Lake Shore coll gold 3 1/2s	1998	F	A	65 3/4	64 3/4	7	64 3/4	67	1980	F	A	117 1/2	116 1/2	118
Mich Cent coll gold 3 1/2s	1998	F	A	62	64 1/2	7	63 1/2	66 1/2	1980	F	A	98 1/2	97	98 1/2
N Y Chle & St Louis									1968	J	D	105	103 1/2	105
*Ref 5 1/2s series A	1974	A	O	61	57 1/2	31	56 1/2	63 1/2	1970	A	O	83 1/2	81	84 1/2
*Ref 4 1/2s series C	1978	M	S	52 1/2	48	173	48	55 1/2	1981	A	O	94 1/2	92	94 1/2
4s collateral trust	1946	F	A	75	73 1/2	75	73 1/2	77	1984	J	J	93 1/2	93 1/2	94 1/2
1st mtge 3 1/2s extended to	1947	A	O	78	84 1/2	30	78 1/2	83	1952	A	O	81	77 1/2	81
N Y Connect 1st gu 4 1/2s A	1945	F	A	105 1/2	104	105 1/2	104	105 1/2	1943	A	O	116 1/2	116 1/2	116 1/2
1st guar 6s series B	1953	F	A	106 1/2	106 1/2	106	106	106 1/2	1947	M	S	113 1/2	113	113 1/2
N Y Dock 1st 4s	1947	F	A	49 1/2	49	12	49	54 1/2	1940	A	O	52	53 1/2	53 1/2
Conv 5% notes	1947	F	A	51 1/2	50 1/2	3	50 1/2	52	1940	A	O	5	5	6
N Y Edison 3 1/4s ser B	1965	A	O	108 1/2	107 1/2	27	107 1/2	108 1/2	1940	A	O	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
1st ltn & ref 3 1/4s ser B	1966	A	O	108 1/2	107 1/2	27	107 1/2	109 1/2	1974	F	A	65 3/4	63 1/2	66
N Y & Erie—See Erie RR									1956	J	J	55	55	59
N Y Gas El Lt H & Pow g 5s	1948	J	D	124	124 1/2	4	123 1/2	126	1956	J	J	63	63	63
Purchase money gold 4s	1949	F	A	116 1/2	117 1/2	18	116 1/2	117 1/2	1980	M	S	63	63	63
Philps Dodge conv 3 1/2s deb	1952	J	D	113 1/2	112 1/2	13	112 1/2	113 1/2	1982	J	D	113 1/2	113 1/2	113 1/2
*N Y & Greenwood Lake 6s	1946	M	N	99 1/2	99 1/2	20	99 1/2	100	1943	M	N	108 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2
N Y & Harlem gold 3 1/2s	2000	M	N	99 1/2	99 1/2	20	99 1/2	100	1947	F	A	108 1/2	113 1/2	113 1/2
N Y Lack & West 4s ser A	1973	M	N	50	60	60	60	61	1977	J	J	105 1/2	106	107
4 1/2s series B	1973	M	N	50	60	60	60	61	1981	J	D	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
*N Y L E & W Coal & RR 5 1/2s	1942	M	N	33	33	1	33	33	1987	J	D	102	99 1/2	102
*N Y L E & W Dock & Imp 6s	1943	J	J	51 1/2	60	50	50	50	1987	J	D	110	111	111 1/2
N Y & Long Branch gen 4s	1941	M	S	71	71	2	71	75 1/2	1987	M	S	13	13	14
N Y & N E (Boat Term) 4s	1939	A	O	60	60	9	60	60	1949	M	S	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
*N Y N H & H n-c deb 4s	1947	M	S	12	12 1/2	9	12	14 1/2	1949	M	S	10 1/2	10 1/2	11 1/2
*Non-conv debenture 3 1/2s	1947	M	S	10 1/2	10 1/2	10	10 1/2	10 1/2	1949	M	S	10 1/2	10 1/2	11 1/2
*Non-conv debenture 3 3/4s	1954	A	O	11	13	14	13 1/2	15 1/2	1948	M	S	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
*Non-conv debenture 4s	1954	A	O	12	16 1/2	2	11 1/2	16	1948	M	S	109	109	110 1/2
*Non-conv debenture 4 1/2s	1956	M	N	12	12 1/2	2	12 1/2	15 1/2	1952	M	S	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2
*Conv debenture 3 1/2s	1956	J	J	14	13 1/2	15	13 1/2	17 1/2	1952	M	S	93 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
*Conv debenture 6s	1948	J	J	14	13 1/2	15	13 1/2	17 1/2	1949	J	D	105	105	106
*Collateral trust 6s	1940	A	O	22	23 1/2	13	22	27 1/2	1953	J	D	108	108	108
*Debenture 4s	1957	M	N	6	6 1/2	10	6	8 1/2	1957	M	N	104	104	105
*1st & ref 4 1/2s ser of 1927	1967	J	D	13 1/2	14 1/2	29	13 1/2	17 1/2	1957	M	N	105	105	106
*Harlem R. & Pt Ches 1st 4s	1967	J	D	56	75	57	57 1/2	57 1/2	1963	J	D	105 1/2	105 1/2	106 1/2
*N Y Ont & West ref g 4s	1992	M	S	8 1/2	7 1/2	8 1/2	7 1/2	9 1/2	1963	J	D	106 1/2	106 1/2	107 1/2
*General 4s	1955	J	D	3 1/2	3 1/2	2	3 1/2	5	1963	F	A	106	106	106
*N Y Providence & Boston 4s	1942	A	O	70	77	77	77	77	1963	F	A	113	113	113
N Y & Putnam 1st con gu 4s	1993	A	O	50	50	5	50	53 1/2	1964	M	N	112 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2
N Y Queens El Lt & Pow 3 1/2s	1965	M	N	109	109	2	109	110 1/2	1970	J	D	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
N Y Rvs prior lien 6s stamp	1958	J	J	105 1/2	105 1/2	7	104 1/2	105 1/2	1975	A	O	103	102 1/2	103 1/2
N Y & Richm Gas 1st 6s A	1961	M	N	97 1/2	97 1/2	7	93	97 1/2	1977	J	J	95	94	95
N Y Steam Corp 3 1/2s	1963	J	J	102 1/2	101 1/2	103	101 1/2	103	1977	J	J	109	107 1/2	107 1/2
*N Y Susq & West 1st ref 6s	1937	F	A	9 1/2	9 1/2	10	9	12 1/2	1958	J	D	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
*2d gold 4 1/2s	1937	F	A	6	5 1/2	6 1/2	5 1/2	6 1/2	1959	A	O	44 1/2	44 1/2	45 1/2
*General gold 5s	1943	M	N	42	42	42	42	42	1960	A	O	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
*Terminal 1st gold 5s	1943	M	N	103	102 1/2	103 1/2	102 1/2	103 1/2	1948	J	D	106	106	106
N Y Teleg 1st & gen s f 4 1/2s	1939	M	N	103	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	1948	J	D	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2
Ref mtge 3 1/2s ser B	1967	J	D	109 1/2	109 1/2	7	108 1/2	110	1948	F	A	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2
N Y Trap Rock 1st 6s	1946	J	D	62	63	7	62	63	1974	J	D	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2
6s stamped	1946	J	D	60	73 1/2	63	70 1/2	75	1974	J	D	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2
*N Y Westch & Bost 1st 4 1/2s	1946	J	J	3 1/2	3 1/2	16	3 1/2	4	1960	M	S	68 1/2	69	70
Niagara Falls Power 3 1/2s	1966	M	S	111 1/2	110 1/2	11 1/2	110 1/2	111 1/2	1950	J	D	105	106 1/2	106 1/2
Niagara Lock & O Pow 1st 6s A	1955	A	O	108 1/2	108 1/2	3	108 1/2	109	1942	J	J	42	42	43
Niagara Share (Mo) deb 5 1/2s	1950	M	N	96 1/2	95 1/2	35	95	97 1/2	1942	J	J	40	40	41
Nord Ry ext sink fund 6 1/2s	1950	A	O	102 1/2	100 1/2	102 1/2	100 1/2	104 1/2	1942	J	J	15 1/2	13 1/2	15 1/2
*Norfolk South 1st & ref 5s	1961	F	A	14 1/2	14 1/2	12	14	17 1/2	1953	J	J	109	109	109
*Certificates of deposit				13 1/2	15	12	12 1/2	15 1/2	1961	J	J	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
*Norfolk & South 1st g 5s	1941	M	N	56	56	3	56	60	1957	M	N	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
Norfolk & W Ry 1st cons g 4s	1960	O	A	119 1/2	118 1/2	57	118 1/2	119 1/2	1956	M	N	38	38	48
North Amer Co deb 6s	1961	F	A	103 1/2	103 1/2	115	103 1/2	104 1/2	1948	J	J	98 1/2	97 1/2	98 1/2
No Am Edison deb 6s ser A	1967	M	S	103 1/2	103 1/2	29	103 1/2	103 1/2	1948	J	J	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
Deb 4 1/2s series B	Aug 15 1939	F	A	103 1/2	103 1/2	49	103 1/2	103 1/2	1948	J	J	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
Deb 4 1/2s series C	Nov 15 1939	F	A	105 1/2	105 1/2	71	105 1/2	106 1/2	1948	J	J	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
North Cent gen & ref 5s	1974	M	S	105 1/2	105 1/2	71	105 1/2	106 1/2	1948	J	J	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
Gen & ref 4 1/2s series A	1974	M	S	105 1/2	105 1/2	71	105 1/2	106 1/2	1948	J	J	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
*Northern Ohio Ry 1st gu 5s									1948	J	J	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
*Apr 1 1935 & sub coupons	1945			39	39	2	39	39	1948	J				

N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Feb. 3. Bonds table with columns for Bond Name, Interest, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range or Friday's Bid & Asked, Bonds Sold, Range Since Jan. 1, and High.

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Cash sales transacted during the current week and not included in the yearly range. Cuba 4 1/2's 1949, Feb. 1 at 103 1/2. Poland 4 1/2's 1955, Jan. 31 at 33 1/2.

Transactions at the New York Stock Exchange, Daily, Weekly and Yearly

Table showing transactions at the New York Stock Exchange by day of the week (Saturday to Friday) for 1939, including Stocks, Railroad & MISC. Bonds, State, Municipal, & Port Bonds, and United States Bonds.

Table showing sales at the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended Feb. 3, 1939, compared with 1938 and 1939 (Jan. 1 to Feb. 3), including Stocks, State and foreign, and Railroad and industrial.

Stock and Bond Averages

Below are the daily closing averages of representative stocks and bonds listed on the New York Stock Exchange as compiled by Dow, Jones & Co.:

Table showing stock and bond averages for Feb. 3, 1939, with columns for Date, Stocks (Industrials, Railroads, Utilities, Total), and Bonds (10 First Grade, 10 Second Grade, 10 Utilities, Total).

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 (Jan. 28, 1938) and ending the present Friday (Feb. 3, 1939). 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, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High), and similar columns for a second set of stocks. Includes entries like Acme wire v t c com, Aero Supply Mfg class A, and various other securities.

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Table with columns for STOCKS (Continued), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High), and detailed stock listings with their respective prices and shares.

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STOCKS (Continued)	Par	Friday Last Sale Price		Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week Shares	Range Since Jan. 1, 1939		STOCKS (Continued)	Par	Friday Last Sale Price		Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week Shares	Range Since Jan. 1, 1939					
		Low	High	Low	High		Low	High			Low	High	Low	High							
Interstate Power \$7 pref.	1			4 3/4	4 3/4	280	4	Jan	5 1/4	Jan			8	8 1/2	800	7 3/4	Jan	9 1/2	Jan		
Investors Royalty	1					300	15 1/2	Jan	18	Jan			11	11	700	10 1/2	Jan	12 1/2	Jan		
Iron Fireman Mig v t c	1			15 1/2	16 1/2	300	15 1/2	Jan	18	Jan			12 1/2	12 1/2	300	10	Jan	12 1/2	Jan		
Irving Air Chute	1			18 1/2	19 1/2	1,200	18 1/2	Jan	21 1/2	Jan			41	43	300	33 1/2	Jan	43	Jan		
Italian Superpower A	1												5 1/2	5 1/2	100	5 1/2	Jan	6 1/2	Jan		
Jacobs (F L) Co	1			4 1/2	3 1/2	2,600	3 1/2	Jan	4 1/2	Jan			13	12 1/2	2,000	12	Jan	13 1/2	Jan		
Jeannette Glass Co	1			1 1/2	1 1/2	200	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan			70	76	500	70	Jan	78 1/2	Jan		
Jersey Central Pow & Lt	1					175	67 1/2	Jan	77 1/2	Feb			32	32	300	30	Jan	32 1/2	Jan		
5 1/2% preferred	100			77 1/2	77 1/2	175	67 1/2	Jan	77 1/2	Feb			4 1/2	4 1/2	800	4	Jan	5 1/2	Jan		
6% preferred	100			84	84	10	78	Jan	84	Jan					300	30	Jan	32 1/2	Jan		
7% preferred	100			93	93	100	86 1/2	Jan	93	Feb					70	70	500	70	Jan	78 1/2	Jan
Jones & Laughlin Steel	100			28 3/4	31 1/4	1,200	28 3/4	Jan	39	Jan					800	4	Jan	5 1/2	Jan		
Julian & Kokego com	1			24	26	125	24	Jan	28	Jan					1	1	200	1	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
10% conv preferred	100					10	116	Jan	118	Jan			5 1/2	5 1/2	50	5 1/2	Jan	6 1/2	Jan		
Kansas G & E 7% pref	100			116	116	10	116	Jan	118	Jan					800	49	Jan	60 1/2	Jan		
Kennedy's Inc	5					400	5	Jan	6 1/2	Jan					11 1/2	11 1/2	Jan	12 1/2	Jan		
Ken-Rad Tube & Lamp A	100					170	105	Feb	105 1/2	Feb					100	7 3/4	Jan	7 3/4	Jan		
Kimberly-Clark 8% of 100	105 1/2			105 1/2	105 1/2	100	105 1/2	Jan	105 1/2	Jan					1,000	1 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan		
Kingsbury Breweries	1					100	10	Jan	58	Feb			1 1/2	1 1/2	2	1,000	1 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan	
10% conv preferred	100			58	58	10	58	Jan	58	Feb			1 1/2	1 1/2	2,300	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan		
Kings Co Ltd 7% of 100	1					10	38	Jan	45	Jan			13 1/2	14	400	13 1/2	Jan	14	Jan		
5% preferred D	100			45	45	10	38	Jan	45	Jan					100	42 1/2	Jan	47 1/2	Jan		
Kingston Products	1					2	2	Jan	2	Jan					100	78 1/2	Jan	78 1/2	Jan		
Kirby Petroleum	1			2 3/4	3	300	2 3/4	Jan	3 1/2	Jan											
Kirk'd Lake G M Co Ltd	1			1 1/2	1 3/4	200	1 1/2	Jan	1 3/4	Jan											
Klein (D Emil) Co com	1					13	13	Jan	13	Jan											
Kleinent (I B) Rubber Co	10					8	8	Jan	8	Jan											
Knott Corp common	1					600	12 1/2	Jan	15 1/2	Jan											
Kobacker Stores Inc	1					10	10	Jan	10	Jan											
Koppers Co 6% pref	100			70	70	25	70	Feb	73	Jan											
Kreger Dept Stores	100																				
4% conv 1st pref	100																				
Kress (S H) special pref	100																				
Kreuger Brewing Co	1			6 1/2	6 1/2	200	11 1/2	Jan	12	Jan											
Lackawanna RR (N J)	100																				
Lake Shores Mines Ltd	1			47 1/2	48	3,700	45 1/2	Jan	50 1/2	Jan											
Lahey Foundry & Mach	1					100	2 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Jan											
Lane Bryant 7% pref	100						57	Jan	60	Jan											
Lefcourt Realty common	1						8 1/2	Jan	8 1/2	Jan											
Conv preferred	100						2 1/4	Jan	3 1/2	Jan											
Lehigh Coal & Nav	25			3 1/2	3 1/2	1,200	2 1/2	Jan	3 3/4	Jan											
Leonard Oil Develop	25					1,000	1 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Jan											
Le Tourneau (R G) Inc	1			28	28	100	27 1/2	Jan	31 1/2	Jan											
Lime Material Co	5			13 1/2	14 1/4	100	12 1/2	Jan	15	Jan											
Lion Oil Refining	1			18 1/2	18 1/2	900	17 1/2	Jan	20 1/2	Jan											
Lipton (Thos J) class A	1						22	Jan	22	Jan											
8% preferred	25																				
Lit Brothers common																					
Loblav Groceries of A																					
Class B																					
Locke Steel Chain	5			12 1/2	12 1/2	50	12 1/2	Jan	13	Jan											
Lockheed Aircraft	1			28 1/2	31 1/2	35,400	28	Jan	36 1/2	Jan											
Lone Star Gas Corp	1			8 1/4	9	1,300	8 1/4	Jan	9 1/2	Jan											
Long Island Lighting						800	1	Jan	1 1/2	Jan											
Common	100						26	Jan	29 1/2	Jan											
7% preferred	100						19 1/2	Jan	24 1/2	Jan											
6% pref class B	100			24 1/2	24 1/2	325	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan											
Loudon Packing	1			1 1/2	1 1/2	200	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan											
Louisiana Land & Explor	1			7	7 3/4	1,200	6 1/2	Jan	7 1/2	Jan											
Louisiana P & L \$6 pref	10						92 1/2	Jan	92 1/2	Jan											
Lucky Tiger Comb G M	10						1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan											
Ludlow Valve Mfg Co	1						30 1/2	Jan	34	Jan											
Lynch Corp common	5						1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan											
Majestic Radio & Tel	1					100	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan											
Manati Sugar opt warrant	1						1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan											
Mangel Stores	1						30	Jan	30	Jan											
5% conv preferred	100																				
Manischewitz (B) com																					
Mapes Consol Mfg Co																					
Maroon Intl Marine																					
Communications ord reg	1			5 1/2	5 1/2	100	5 1/2	Feb	5 1/2	Feb											
Margay Oil Corp	1			3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3 1/2	Jan	5	Jan											
Marlon Steam Shovel	1					800	5 1/2	Jan	7 1/2	Jan											
Mass Util Assoc v t c	1			16 1/2	17	300	15 1/2	Jan	18 1/2	Jan											
Massey Harris common	1																				
Master Electric Co	1																				
May Hosiery Mills Inc	1			53 1/2	53 1/2	50	53 1/2	Feb	53 1/2	Feb											
8 1/2% preferred	100																				
McColl-Frontenac Oil	100																				
6% preferred	100																				
McCorrd Rad & Mfg B	1																				
McWilliams Dredging	1			15 1/2	15 1/2	600	14 1/2	Jan	17	Jan											
Mead Johnson & Co	1			125 1/2																	

Main table containing stock listings for 'STOCKS (Continued)'. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High), and historical price data.

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STOCKS (Concluded)				SALES				RANGE SINCE JAN. 1, 1939				BONDS (Continued)				RANGE SINCE JAN. 1, 1939						
Par	Friday Last Sale Price	Week's Range of Prices		Shares	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Par	Friday Last Sale Price	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week \$	Low	High	Low	High	
Utah Radio Products.....	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/4	500	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	Delaware El Pow 5 1/4s-1959	104 1/2	105 1/2	12,000	104 1/2	Jan	105 1/2	Jan	Jan	
Utility Equities Corp.....	50	49 1/2	51 1/2	225	49 1/2	Jan	51 1/2	Jan	49 1/2	Jan	51 1/2	Jan	Denver Gas & Elec 5s-1949	106 1/2	108	17,000	106 1/2	Jan	108	Jan	Jan	
\$5.50 priority stock.....	200	198	200	200	198	Jan	200	Jan	198	Jan	200	Jan	Detroit Internat Bridge-	9 3/4	10	65,000	9 3/4	Jan	10	Feb	Feb	
Utility & Ind Corp com.....	7	6 7/8	7 1/8	400	6 7/8	Jan	7 1/8	Jan	6 7/8	Jan	7 1/8	Jan	*Certificates of deposit	1	1	15,000	1	Jan	1	Jan	Jan	
Conv preferred.....	7	6 1/2	7 1/2	800	6 1/2	Jan	7 1/2	Jan	6 1/2	Jan	7 1/2	Jan	*Feb 7s.....	64 1/2	65	10,000	64 1/2	Jan	65	Jan	Jan	
Uttil Pow & Lt common.....	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	400	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/2	Jan	*Certificates of deposit	1	1	1,000	1	Jan	1	Jan	Jan	
Class B.....	100	12 1/2	12 1/2	400	12 1/2	Jan	12 1/2	Jan	12 1/2	Jan	12 1/2	Jan	Eastern Gas & Fuel 4s-1956	110 1/2	110 3/4	92,000	110 1/2	Jan	110 3/4	Jan	Jan	Jan
7% preferred.....	100	12 1/2	12 1/2	400	12 1/2	Jan	12 1/2	Jan	12 1/2	Jan	12 1/2	Jan	Edison El III (Boat) 3 1/2s-65	75 1/2	75 3/4	13,000	75 1/2	Jan	75 3/4	Jan	Jan	Jan
Valpar Corp com.....	5	23 1/2	23 1/2	100	23 1/2	Jan	23 1/2	Jan	23 1/2	Jan	23 1/2	Jan	Elc Power & Light 5s-2030	109	109	128,000	109	Jan	109	Jan	Jan	Jan
\$4 conv pref.....	5	23 1/2	23 1/2	100	23 1/2	Jan	23 1/2	Jan	23 1/2	Jan	23 1/2	Jan	Elmira Wat Lt & RR 5s '56	103 1/2	104	2,000	103 1/2	Jan	104	Jan	Jan	Jan
Van Norman Mach Tool.....	100	6 1/4	6 3/4	500	6 1/4	Jan	6 3/4	Jan	6 1/4	Jan	6 3/4	Jan	El Paso Elec 5s A-1950	100 1/2	100 1/2	34,000	100 1/2	Jan	100 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Venezuela Mex Oil Co.....	10	40	40 1/2	20	40	Jan	40 1/2	Jan	40	Jan	40 1/2	Jan	Empire Dist El 5s-1952	83 1/2	83 3/4	16,000	83 1/2	Jan	83 3/4	Jan	Jan	Jan
Venezuela Petroleum.....	10	6 3/4	7	1,100	6 3/4	Jan	7	Jan	6 3/4	Jan	7	Jan	Eroole Marelli Elec Mfg-	48	48	48	48	Jan	48	Jan	Jan	Jan
Va Pub Serv 7% pref.....	100	8 1/2	8 1/2	700	8 1/2	Jan	8 1/2	Jan	8 1/2	Jan	8 1/2	Jan	6 1/2s series A-1953	107 1/2	108	18,000	107 1/2	Jan	108	Jan	Jan	Jan
Vogt Manufacturing.....	100	6 1/4	6 3/4	700	6 1/4	Jan	6 3/4	Jan	6 1/4	Jan	6 3/4	Jan	Federal Wat Serv 5 1/4s 1954	83 1/2	83 3/4	14,000	83 1/2	Jan	83 3/4	Jan	Jan	Jan
Waoo Aircraft Co.....	100	900	900	900	900	Jan	900	Jan	900	Jan	900	Jan	Finland Residential Mfge	103	101 1/2	7,000	103	Jan	101 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Wagner Baking v e.....	100	5 1/4	6 3/4	700	5 1/4	Jan	6 3/4	Jan	5 1/4	Jan	6 3/4	Jan	Banks 6s-5s stpd.....	101 1/2	101 1/2	2,000	101 1/2	Jan	101 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Walh Co common.....	100	5 1/2	6 3/4	900	5 1/2	Jan	6 3/4	Jan	5 1/2	Jan	6 3/4	Jan	*First Bohemian Glass 7/8s	101 1/2	101 1/2	7,000	101 1/2	Jan	101 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Waitt & Bond class A.....	100	5 1/2	6 3/4	900	5 1/2	Jan	6 3/4	Jan	5 1/2	Jan	6 3/4	Jan	Florida Power 4s ser C 1966	92 1/2	92 1/2	45,000	92 1/2	Jan	92 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Class B.....	100	5 1/2	6 3/4	900	5 1/2	Jan	6 3/4	Jan	5 1/2	Jan	6 3/4	Jan	Florida Power & Lt 5s-1954	97 3/4	98 1/2	311,000	97 3/4	Jan	98 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Walker Mining Co.....	100	1 1/4	1 1/2	900	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/2	Jan	Gary Electric & Gas-	97 1/2	95	41,000	97 1/2	Jan	95	Jan	Jan	Jan
Wayne Knitting Mills.....	100	10 1/2	10 1/2	400	10 1/2	Jan	10 1/2	Jan	10 1/2	Jan	10 1/2	Jan	6s ex-warr stamped 1944	104 1/2	105	19,000	104 1/2	Jan	105	Jan	Jan	Jan
Welsbaum Bros-Brower.....	100	4 1/2	5 1/4	100	4 1/2	Jan	5 1/4	Jan	4 1/2	Jan	5 1/4	Jan	General Bronze 6s-1940	87	87	2,000	87	Jan	87	Jan	Jan	Jan
Wellington Oil Co.....	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Jan	General Pub Serv 5s-1953	94	96	10,000	94	Jan	96	Jan	Jan	Jan
Wentworth Mfg.....	125	2 1/2	2 1/2	100	2 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan	Gen Pub Util 6 1/2s A-1956	82 1/2	85	14,000	82 1/2	Jan	85	Jan	Jan	Jan
West Texas Util \$6 pref.....	90	90	90	50	90	Jan	90	Jan	90	Jan	90	Jan	*General Rayon 6s A-1948	77 1/2	77	7,000	77 1/2	Jan	77	Jan	Jan	Jan
West Va Coal & Coke.....	1	1 1/4	1 1/4	800	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	Gen Wat Wks & El 5s-1943	88 1/2	88	217,000	88 1/2	Jan	88	Jan	Jan	Jan
Western Air Express.....	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	400	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Jan	Georgia Power ref 5s-1967	98 1/2	98 3/4	7,000	98 1/2	Jan	98 3/4	Jan	Jan	Jan
Western Maryland Ry-	100	40	42	20	40	Jan	42	Jan	40	Jan	42	Jan	Georgia Pow & Lt 5s-1978	60 1/2	60 1/2	7,000	60 1/2	Jan	60 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
7% 1st preferred.....	100	40	42	20	40	Jan	42	Jan	40	Jan	42	Jan	Cesural 6s-1953	68 1/2	68 1/2	24,000	68 1/2	Jan	68 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Western Tab & Stat.....	100	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Jan	Gobol (Adol) 4 1/2s-1941	87 1/2	88 1/2	7,000	87 1/2	Jan	88 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Vot tr otis com.....	100	9 1/2	9 1/2	75	9 1/2	Jan	9 1/2	Jan	9 1/2	Jan	9 1/2	Jan	Grand Trunk West 4s-1950	108 1/2	108 1/2	2,000	108 1/2	Jan	108 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Westmoreland Coal Co.....	100	5 1/2	5 1/2	150	5 1/2	Jan	5 1/2	Jan	5 1/2	Jan	5 1/2	Jan	Gt Nor Pow 5s stpd.....	51	53 1/2	2,000	51	Jan	53 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Westmoreland Inc.....	100	2 1/2	2 1/2	200	2 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan	Grocery Store Prod 6s-1950	44	44	8,000	44	Jan	44	Jan	Jan	Jan
Weysberg Shoe Mfg.....	100	7 1/4	7 1/4	300	7 1/4	Jan	7 1/4	Jan	7 1/4	Jan	7 1/4	Jan	Guantanamo & West 6s '58	100 1/2	100 1/2	5,000	100 1/2	Jan	100 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Williams R & C.....	100	8 1/2	8 1/2	500	8 1/2	Jan	8 1/2	Jan	8 1/2	Jan	8 1/2	Jan	Guardian Investors 5s-1948	100 1/2	100 1/2	5,000	100 1/2	Jan	100 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Williams Oil-O-Mat Ht.....	100	1 1/4	1 1/4	800	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	Hall Print 6s stpd.....	100 1/2	100 1/2	5,000	100 1/2	Jan	100 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Wilson-Jones Co.....	100	1 1/4	1 1/4	800	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	*Hamburg Elec 7s-1935	100 1/2	100 1/2	5,000	100 1/2	Jan	100 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Wilson Products Inc.....	100	1 1/4	1 1/4	800	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Jan	*Hamburg El Underground	100 1/2	100 1/2	5,000	100 1/2	Jan	100 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Wisconsin P & L 7% pt 100	100	8 1/4	8 1/4	100	8 1/4	Jan	8 1/4	Jan	8 1/4	Jan	8 1/4	Jan	St Ry 5 1/2s-1938	18 1/2	19	5,000	18 1/2	Jan	19	Jan	Jan	Jan
Wolverine Portl Cement.....	100	2 1/2	2 1/2	300	2 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan	Heller (W E) 4s w w-1946	97	97	1,000	97	Jan	97	Jan	Jan	Jan
Wolverine Tube com.....	2	7	7	500	7	Jan	7	Jan	7	Jan	7	Jan	Houston Gulf Gas 6s-1943	103 1/2	103 1/2	2,000	103 1/2	Jan	103 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Woodley Petroleum.....	100	6	6	1,100	6	Jan	6	Jan	6	Jan	6	Jan	6 1/2s ex-warrants-1943	101	102 1/2	101 1/2	101	Jan	102 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Woolworth (F W) Ltd.....	100	13 1/4	14	14	13 1/4	Jan	14	Jan	13 1/4	Jan	14	Jan	Houston Lt & Pr 3 1/2s-1968	108 1/2	109 1/2	3,000	108 1/2	Jan	109 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan
Amer dep rets.....	50	8	8 1/2	3,700	8	Jan	8 1/2	Jan	8	Jan	8 1/2	Jan	*Hungarian Ital Bk 7 1/2s '63	30	30	3,000	30	Jan	30	Jan	Jan	Jan
6% preferred.....	100	8	8 1/2	3,700	8	Jan	8 1/2	Jan	8	Jan	8 1/2	Jan	Hydrar Feed 6s A-1949	61	61	3,000	61	Jan	61	Jan	Jan	Jan
Yukon-Pacific Mining Co.....	5	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan	6s series B-1949	105 1/2	105 1/2	3,000	105 1/2	Jan	105 1/2	Jan	Jan	Jan

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Table of bond listings with columns for Bond Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low/High), Sales for Week \$, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low/High).

Table of bond listings (continued) with columns for Bond Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low/High), Sales for Week \$, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low/High).

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT AND MUNICIPALITIES

Table of foreign government and municipal bond listings with columns for Bond Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low/High), Sales for Week \$, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low/High).

* No par value. a Deferred delivery sales not included in year's range. n Under the rule sales not included in year's range. r Cash sales not included in year's range. † Friday's bid and asked price. No sales were transacted during current week. ‡ Bonds being traded flat. § Reported in receivership. ¶ The following is a list of the New York Curb bond issues which have been called in their entirety: Cities Service Gas Pipeline 6s, 1943, Feb. 28, at 102. Cities Service Gas 5 1/2s, 1942, Feb. 28, at 101. Firestone Cotton Mills 5s, 1948, March 1 at 101. Illinois Northern Util. 5s, 1957, April 1 at 105. Cash sales transacted during the current week and not included in weekly year's range: No sales. Under-the-rule sales transacted during the current week and not included in weekly or year's range: No sales. Deferred delivery sales transacted during the current week and not included in weekly or year's range: No sales. Abbreviations Used Above—"cod," certificates of deposit; "cons," consolidated; "cum," cumulative; "conv," convertible; "M," mortgage; "n-v," non-voting stock; "v t c," voting trust certificates; "w l," when issued; "w w," with warrants; "x-w" without warrants.

Other Stock Exchanges

New York Real Estate Securities Exchange

Closing bid and asked quotations, Friday, Feb. 3

Table with columns: Unlisted Bonds, Bid, Ask, Unlisted Brs., Bid, Ask. Lists various real estate securities like Bowker Bldg 6s, B'way 35th St Bldg 7s, etc.

Baltimore Stock Exchange

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Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High). Lists stocks like Arundel Corp., Atlantic Cst Line, etc.

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Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High). Lists stocks like American Pneumatic Ser, Amer Tel & Tel, etc.

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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, 1939 (Low, High). Lists stocks like United Shoe Mach Corp, Preferred, Utah Metal & Tunnel Co, etc.

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Stocks (Concluded)	Par	Friday Last Sale Price	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week Shares	Range Since Jan. 1, 1939			
			Low	High		Low	High		
Gen Outdoor Advert com.	4	6	6	6	50	6	Jan	6 1/2	Jan
Gillette Safety Razor.	7 1/2	7	7	7 1/2	185	7	Jan	8 1/2	Jan
Goldblatt Bros Inc com.	3	12 1/4	12 1/4	12 1/4	100	11 1/2	Jan	13 1/4	Jan
Goodyear T & R Co.	3	30 3/4	33 1/2	33 1/2	629	29 3/4	Jan	37 1/2	Jan
Gossard Co (H W) com.	3	10 1/4	10 3/8	10 3/8	900	10 1/4	Jan	11 1/4	Jan
Great Lakes D & D com.	25 1/2	25	25 1/2	25 1/2	900	24 1/2	Jan	27	Jan
Hall Printing Co com.	10	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	125	9 1/4	Jan	11 3/4	Jan
Harnischfeger Corp com.	10	5	5	5	50	5	Jan	5 3/4	Jan
Hellemann Brew Co cap.	1	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	1,050	6 3/4	Jan	7 3/4	Jan
Hein Werner Motor Parts 3	10	8	8 1/2	8 1/2	1,050	7 3/4	Jan	8 3/4	Jan
Hibb Spen Bart com.	25	37	37	37	70	34 1/2	Jan	37	Jan
Houdaille-Hershey cl B.	25	13	14 1/4	14 1/4	175	12 1/4	Jan	17 1/4	Jan
Hupp Motors com.	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan
Illinois Brick Co.	10	6	6	6	100	5 1/4	Jan	6 1/4	Jan
Illinois Central RR com	100	15 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	485	14 3/4	Jan	20 1/2	Jan
Indep Pneum Tool v t c.	10	20	20	20 1/4	100	19 1/2	Jan	22 1/4	Jan
Inland Steel Co cap.	25	80	84 1/2	84 1/2	104	79 1/2	Jan	94 1/2	Jan
International Harvest com.	1	53 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2	436	52 1/2	Jan	60 1/2	Jan
Interstate Pow 3/8 pref.	10	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	10	2 1/2	Jan	4	Jan
Iron Fireman Mfg v t c.	10	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	100	15 1/2	Jan	16	Jan
Jarvis (W B) Co cap.	1	22 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	550	21 1/2	Jan	26	Jan
Katz Drug Co com.	1	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	200	4	Jan	4 1/2	Jan
Kellogg Switchboard com.	1	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	350	5 1/2	Jan	6 1/2	Jan
Ken-Rad Tube & L'pcom A	5	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	50	7 1/2	Jan	7 3/4	Jan
Kentucky Util Jr com pf. 50	10	32	33	33	200	27 1/2	Jan	35	Jan
6% preferred.	100	79 1/2	80	80	30	69 3/4	Jan	80	Jan
Kerlyn Oil com A.	5	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	200	3 1/2	Jan	3 3/4	Jan
Kingsbury Breweries cap. 1	1	3	3	3	200	3	Jan	3 1/2	Jan
Lawbeck 6% cum pref. 100	100	30	30	30	20	30	Jan	30 1/2	Jan
Leath & Co com.	50	3 3/4	3 3/4	3 3/4	20	2 3/4	Jan	3 3/4	Feb
Cumul pref.	100	25	25	25	30	22	Jan	25	Jan
Le Roi Co com.	10	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	200	6 1/2	Jan	8	Jan
Libby McNeill & Libby.	10	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	350	5 1/2	Jan	6 1/2	Jan
Lincoln Printing com.	10	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	350	4 1/2	Jan	5 1/2	Jan
Preferred \$3.50.	100	30	31	31	200	29	Jan	31	Jan
Lindsay Light com.	10	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	200	2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan
Preferred.	100	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	100	9 1/2	Jan	9 1/2	Jan
Liquid Carbonic com.	10	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	106	16 3/4	Jan	18 1/2	Jan
Marshall Field com.	10	11 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	4,150	11 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Jan
McWilliam Dredge com.	10	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	100	14 1/2	Jan	16 1/2	Jan
Mer & Mrs Sec.	100	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	1,350	4 1/2	Jan	5 1/2	Jan
Class A common.	1	27 1/4	27 1/4	27 1/4	50	26 3/4	Jan	27 1/2	Jan
Prior preferred.	1	3	3	3	50	3	Jan	4 1/2	Jan
Mickelberry's Food Prcm 1	1	3	3	3	50	3	Jan	4 1/2	Jan
Middle West Corp cap.	5	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	13,750	7	Jan	8 1/2	Jan
Midland United Co.	100	1/2	1/2	1/2	550	1/2	Jan	1/2	Jan
Common.	100	1	1	1	170	1	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
Midland Util.	100	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	50	3 1/4	Jan	3 1/2	Jan
7% prior lien.	100	3	3	3	30	3	Jan	3 1/2	Jan
6% preferred A.	100	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	30	2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan
7% preferred A.	100	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	30	2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan
Miller & Hart conv pref.	1	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	50	7 1/2	Jan	7 1/2	Jan
Minneapolis Brew com.	1	49 1/4	47 1/2	49 1/4	762	44 3/4	Jan	51 1/2	Jan
Montgomery Ward.	100	162	162	162	50	155	Jan	163	Jan
Common.	100	17	17	17	100	14	Jan	17	Jan
Class A.	100	31	31	31	50	30 1/2	Jan	31 1/2	Jan
Muskegon Mot Spec com.	100	14	14	14	100	14	Jan	15 1/2	Jan
Nat Bond Invest com.	100	1	1	1	40	1	Jan	1	Jan
Nat Rep Inv pref.	100	21 1/4	23	23	350	21	Jan	26	Jan
Nobiltt-Sparks Ind com.	5	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	50	2 1/2	Jan	3	Jan
Nor American Car com.	20	11	11	11	150	11	Jan	12 1/2	Jan
North Ill Finance com.	100	6	6	6 1/2	30	6	Jan	7 1/2	Jan
Northern Paper Mills com.	100	8 1/2	7 1/2	8 1/2	2,350	7	Jan	8 1/2	Feb
Northwest Bancorp com.	100	15	15	16 1/2	150	14 1/2	Jan	17 1/2	Jan
Northwest Eng Co com.	100	13	13	13 1/2	130	13	Jan	15 1/2	Jan
7% preferred.	100	41 1/4	43 1/2	43 1/2	70	40 1/4	Jan	43 1/2	Feb
Prior lien shoe.	100	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	10	12 1/2	Jan	13 1/2	Jan
Nunn Bus Pref. com.	2 1/2	15 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	55	15 1/2	Jan	16 1/2	Jan
Omnibus Corp v t c com.	10	11	14	14 1/2	100	14 1/2	Jan	15 1/2	Jan
Parker Pen Co com.	10	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	10	30 1/2	Jan	31 1/2	Jan
Peabody Coal 6% pref. 100	100	13 1/4	14 1/2	14 1/2	150	13 1/4	Feb	15 1/2	Jan
Penn Elec Switch conv A10	14 1/2	4 1/2	5	5	150	3 3/4	Jan	5	Jan
Penn Gas & Elec A com.	50	19 1/2	21	21	407	18 3/4	Jan	24 3/4	Jan
Pennsylvania RR cap.	50	36 3/8	37 1/2	37 1/2	169	34	Jan	39 1/2	Jan
Peoples G L & Coke cap 100	37	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	150	25 1/2	Jan	27 1/2	Jan
Perfect Circle (The) Co.	100	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	400	3 1/2	Feb	4 1/2	Jan
Pines Winterfront com.	1	11 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	140	11 1/2	Jan	16 1/2	Jan
Poor & Co class B.	100	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	550	10 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Jan
Pressed Steel Car.	1	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	60	3 1/2	Feb	3 1/2	Jan
Process Corp com.	100	113 1/4	116 1/4	116 1/4	280	113 1/4	Jan	117 1/2	Jan
Preferred.	100	154	156	156	130	152 1/2	Jan	157	Jan
Raytheon Mfg.	500	1	2	2	100	1 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan
Common v t c.	500	23	23 1/2	23 1/2	200	23	Jan	25	Jan
Rollins Hog Mills com.	1	8 1/4	8 1/4	8 1/4	100	8 1/4	Jan	9 3/4	Jan
Saginaw Electric Co.	1	69 3/8	67 1/2	69 3/8	628	66 3/8	Jan	74 3/4	Jan
Schwitzer Cummins cap. 1	1	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	700	2 1/2	Jan	3	Jan
Sears Roebuck & Co com.	30	26	26	26	10	25 1/2	Jan	26	Jan
Serrick Corp cl B com.	1	13	13	13	50	12	Jan	15 1/2	Jan
Signode Steel Strap pref. 30	100	17 1/2	18	18	150	17 1/2	Jan	19 1/2	Jan
Common.	100	12 1/2	13 1/4	13 1/4	250	12 1/2	Jan	15 1/2	Jan
So Bend Lathe Wks cap. 5	1	12 1/2	13 1/4	13 1/4	146	8 1/4	Jan	9 1/2	Jan
Spielge Inc com.	1	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	250	1 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan
Standard Dredge com.	1	12 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	250	11 1/4	Jan	13 1/2	Feb
Convertible pref.	100	26 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	965	26	Jan	29 1/2	Jan
Standard Oil of Ind.	25	10 1/2	11	11	425	10	Jan	12 1/2	Jan
Stewart-Warner.	10	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	100	5 1/2	Jan	6 1/2	Feb
Storkline Furn com.	10	8	8	8	50	8	Jan	8 1/2	Jan
Sunstrand Mach Tool com 5	1	26 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	231	26 1/2	Jan	28	Jan
Swift International.	15	18 1/2	19	19	922	18 1/2	Jan	19 1/2	Jan
Swift & Co.	20	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	250	3 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Jan
Thompson (J R) com.	25	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	100	13 1/2	Jan	15 1/2	Jan
Trane Co (The) common.	2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	146	8 1/2	Jan	9 1/2	Jan
Union Carb & Carbon cap.	10	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	365	10 1/2	Jan	11 1/2	Jan
United Air Lines Tr cap. 5	20	99 3/4	101 1/2	101 1/2	52	99 3/4	Feb	112 1/2	Jan
U S Gypsum Co com.	100	1	1	1	2,250	1 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan
Utah Radio Products com.	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	400	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
Utility & Ind Corp.	100	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	50	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan
Common.	100	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	20	15 1/2	Jan	15 1/2	Jan
Convertible preferred.	7	3	3	3	1	3	Feb	3	Jan
Viking Pump Co.	1	16 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	724	16 1/2	Jan	18 1/2	Jan
Common.	1	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	10	27 1/2	Jan	32 1/2	Jan
Wayne Pump Co cap.	100	20 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	196	20 1/2	Jan	24 1/2	Jan
Western Union Tel. com.	100	100 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	280	98 3/4	Jan	119 1/2	Jan
Whouse El & Mfg com.	50	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	100	2 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan
Williams Oil-O-Matic com.	1	5	5	5	700	4 1/2	Jan	5 1/2	Jan
Wilson Bankshares com.	2	78	79 1/2	79 1/2	142	77 1/2	Jan	79 1/2	Jan
Woodall Indus com.	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	150	1 1/2	Jan	2	Feb
Wrightley (Wm) Jr (Del).	5	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	2,450	18 1/2	Jan	22 1/2	Jan
Yates Amer Mach cap.	5	109 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	108 3/4	109 1/2	Jan	110 1/2	Jan
Zenith Radio Corp com.	5	109 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	108 3/4	109 1/2	Jan	110 1/2	Jan

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Stocks—	Par	Friday Last Sale Price	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week Shares	Range Since Jan. 1, 1939			
			Low	High		Low	High		
Amer Laundry Mach.	20	16 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	20	16 1/4	Jan	17 1/2	Jan
Burger Brewing	100	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/4	350	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/2	Feb
Champ Paper & Fibre.	100	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	10	23 1/2	Jan	28	Jan
Preferred.	100	99 3/4	100	100	51	99 3/4	Feb	100 3/4	Jan
Churgold.	100	10 1/4	10 1/4	10 1/4	35	10 1/4	Jan	11 1/4	Jan
Cin Gas & Elec pref.	100	105	106 1/2	106 1/2	281	103 1/2	Jan	106 1/2	Feb
Cincinnati Street Ry.	50	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	264	2 1/2	Jan	3	Jan
Cincinnati Telephone.	50	90	89 3/4	90	333	88	Jan	90	Jan
Crosley Radio.	50	10 1/2	9 1/2	10 1/2	140	8 1/2	Jan	10 1/2	Jan
Eagle-Flecher.	10	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	50	10 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Jan
Formica Insulation.	10	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10	10	Jan	10 1/2	Feb
Gibson Art.	100	27	25 1/2	27	391	25 1/2	Jan	27 1/2	Jan
Hatfield part pref.	100	5	5	5	9	9	Jan	5	

Main stock market table with columns for Stocks (Concluded), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High), and Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High). Includes sub-sections for Stocks, Unlisted, and Bonds.

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Philadelphia Stock Exchange table with columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1939.

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Pittsburgh Stock Exchange

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Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Allegheny Ludlum Steel, Carnegie Metals, etc.

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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, 1939 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Calif Water Serv pref, Carson Hill Gold Min cap, etc.

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, 1939 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Occidental Petroleum, Oliver Utd Filters B, etc.

Unlisted

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High). Lists various unlisted stocks like Amer Toll Bridge (Del), Anaconda Copper Min, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like M J & M Cons, Monolith P Cem 8% pf, etc.

* No par value. a Odd lot sales. b Ex-stock dividend. c Deferred delivery. z Cash sale - Not included in range for year. z Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights. z Listed. † In default.

CURRENT NOTICE

Lancaster & Norvin Greene, Inc., 30 Broad St., New York City, is distributing a memorandum concerning Cessna Aircraft Co.

Canadian Markets LISTED AND UNLISTED

Provincial and Municipal Issues Closing bid and asked quotations, Friday, Feb. 3

Table with columns for Province of Alberta, Province of British Columbia, Province of Manitoba, Province of New Brunswick, Province of Nova Scotia, Province of Ontario, Province of Quebec, and Province of Saskatchewan. Includes bid and ask prices for various issues.

Railway Bonds

Table listing Canadian Pacific Ry and Canadian Northern Ry bonds with bid and ask prices for perpetual debentures and other issues.

Dominion Government Guaranteed Bonds

Table listing Canadian National Ry and Canadian Northern Ry bonds with bid and ask prices for various government-guaranteed issues.

Montreal Stock Exchange

Jan. 28 to Feb. 3, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Large table listing Montreal Stock Exchange transactions. Columns include Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), and Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High).

Montreal Stock Exchange

Table listing Montreal Stock Exchange transactions for various stocks. Columns include Stocks (Concluded), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), and Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High).

Montreal Curb Market

Jan. 28 to Feb. 3, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table listing Montreal Curb Market transactions. Columns include Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), and Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High).

Canadian Markets—Listed and Unlisted

Montreal Curb Market

Stocks (Concluded)	Par	Friday Last Sale Price		Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week Shares	Range Since Jan. 1, 1939					
		Low	High	Low	High		Low	High	Low	High		
Arno Mines	1	1c	1c	1,000	1c	Jan	1c	Jan	1c	Jan	1c	Jan
Ashley Gold Mining	1	8c	8c	1,000	7c	Jan	7c	Jan	8c	Jan	8c	Jan
Beaufort Gold	1	13c	13c	100	10c	Jan	14c	Jan	14c	Jan	14c	Jan
Big Missouri Mines	1	22c	25c	60	26c	Jan	31c	Jan	31c	Jan	31c	Jan
Bouscadillac Gold	1	8c	8c	1,000	8c	Feb	10c	Jan	10c	Jan	10c	Jan
Bulolo Gold Dredging	5	25½	26	1,465	25	Jan	28	Jan	28	Jan	28	Jan
Cdn Malartic Gold	1	98c	98c	2,250	97c	Jan	1.00	Jan	1.00	Jan	1.00	Jan
Cartier-Malartic Gold	1	4c	4c	1,000	5c	Jan	6c	Jan	6c	Jan	6c	Jan
Central Cadillac Gold	1	23c	18c	25c	28,400	16c	Jan	25c	Feb	25c	Feb	25c
Central Patricia Gold	1	2.55	2.55	2.55	150	2.30	Jan	2.75	Jan	2.75	Jan	2.75
ConsChibougamauGoldfids	1	2.55	2.55	2.55	1,300	2.2c	Jan	2.9c	Jan	2.9c	Jan	2.9c
Dome Mines Ltd.	1	3c	32	32½	1,500	31½	Jan	33½	Jan	33½	Jan	33½
Duparquet Mining Co.	1	7c	6c	8c	18,900	5c	Jan	8c	Jan	8c	Jan	8c
East Malartic Mines	1	2.50	2.20	2.50	5,600	2.14	Jan	2.80	Jan	2.80	Jan	2.80
Eldorado Gold M Ltd.	1	1.75	1.70	2.05	6,250	1.60	Jan	2.35	Jan	2.35	Jan	2.35
Francœur Gold	1	20c	20c	800	20c	Jan	10c	Jan	10c	Jan	10c	Jan
J-M Consol Gold (New)	1	4c	8c	4,500	8c	Jan	8c	Jan	8c	Jan	8c	Jan
Kirkland Lake Gold	1	1.35	1.25	1.39	490	1.20	Jan	1.43	Jan	1.43	Jan	1.43
Lake Shore Mines	1	47½	47½	47½	622	47	Jan	50½	Jan	50½	Jan	50½
Label-Oro Mines	1	6c	6c	6c	6c	Jan	8c	Jan	8c	Jan	8c	Jan
Macassa Mines	1	5.15	5.15	5.60	980	4.75	Jan	5.80	Jan	5.80	Jan	5.80
McIntyre-Porcupine	5	52½	52½	570	52½	Jan	55½	Jan	55½	Jan	55½	Jan
McKenzie-Red Lake Gold	1	1.25	1.25	1.25	500	1.12	Jan	1.31	Jan	1.31	Jan	1.31
Newbee Mines	1	6½c	6½c	1,500	6½c	Feb	8c	Jan	8c	Jan	8c	Jan
Normetal Mining Corp.	1	42c	55c	247	42c	Jan	55c	Jan	55c	Jan	55c	Jan
O'Brien Gold	1	2.88	2.55	2.90	2,495	2.37	Jan	3.35	Jan	3.35	Jan	3.35
Pamour-Porcupine	1	4.10	4.30	2,460	3.90	Jan	4.80	Jan	4.80	Jan	4.80	Jan
Pandora Cad.	1	10c	12c	12,000	10c	Jan	16c	Jan	16c	Jan	16c	Jan
Pato Consol Gd Dredging	1	2.30	2.30	2.30	600	2.25	Jan	2.60	Jan	2.60	Jan	2.60
Pend-Oreille M & M Co.	1	1.46	1.65	600	1.46	Jan	1.85	Jan	1.85	Jan	1.85	Jan
Perron Gold	1	1.75	1.60	1.80	6,800	1.45	Jan	1.80	Feb	1.80	Feb	1.80
Pickle Crow Gd M Ltd.	1	5.20	5.25	2,175	4.95	Jan	5.50	Jan	5.50	Jan	5.50	Jan
Placer Development	1	13½c	13½c	200	13	Jan	14½	Jan	14½	Jan	14½	Jan
Preston-East Dome	1	1.70	1.37	1.71	6,900	1.35	Jan	1.72	Jan	1.72	Jan	1.72
Red Crest Gold	7c	7c	7c	1,000	6c	Jan	8c	Jan	8c	Jan	8c	Jan
Reward Mining	1	4c	4c	3,700	4c	Jan	6c	Jan	6c	Jan	6c	Jan
Shawkey Gold	1	3c	3½c	3c	3c	Jan	4½c	Jan	4½c	Jan	4½c	Jan
Sherritt-Gordon	1	1.20	1.08	1.30	4,030	1.00	Jan	1.44	Jan	1.44	Jan	1.44
Siseoc Gold Mines Ltd.	1	1.48	1.34	1.49	4,700	1.24	Jan	1.67	Jan	1.67	Jan	1.67
Sladen Mal.	1	70c	65c	70c	3,000	65c	Jan	80c	Jan	80c	Jan	80c
Stadacona (new)	1	50c	69c	117,603	47c	Jan	65c	Feb	65c	Feb	65c	Feb
Sullivan Consolidated	1	88c	81c	90c	8,900	81c	Jan	1.00	Jan	1.00	Jan	1.00
Sylvanite Gold	1	3.30	3.30	400	3.15	Jan	3.55	Jan	3.55	Jan	3.55	Jan
Teck-Hughes Gold	1	4.35	4.35	150	4.25	Jan	4.55	Jan	4.55	Jan	4.55	Jan
Thompson Cad.	1	26c	20½c	26c	18,975	20c	Jan	29c	Jan	29c	Jan	29c
Ventures Ltd.	1	5.05	5.05	25	5.05	Feb	5.05	Feb	5.05	Feb	5.05	Feb
Waite-Amulet	1	7.10	6.45	7.35	2,815	6.30	Jan	8.10	Jan	8.10	Jan	8.10
Waite-Rights	1	7c	7c	12c	1,640	7c	Jan	23c	Jan	23c	Jan	23c
Wayside Consol Gold	50c	1c	1c	1c	40	1c	Feb	1c	Feb	1c	Feb	1c
Wood Cad.	1	16c	15c	16½c	6,600	15c	Jan	18½c	Jan	18½c	Jan	18½c
Wright Hargreaves	1	8.25	8.40	750	8.00	Jan	8.55	Jan	8.55	Jan	8.55	Jan
Oil—												
Anacostis Oil Co.	1	13c	13c	500	9c	Jan	15½c	Jan	15½c	Jan	15½c	Jan
Anglo-Canadian Oil	1	1.24	1.26	1,400	1.10	Jan	1.51	Jan	1.51	Jan	1.51	Jan
Brown Oil Corp Ltd.	1	20½c	22c	1,800	19c	Jan	31c	Jan	31c	Jan	31c	Jan
Calgary & Edmonton	1	1.92	2.20	1,100	1.93	Jan	2.75	Jan	2.75	Jan	2.75	Jan
Calmont Oil Co.	1	50c	38c	50c	4,685	38c	Jan	65c	Jan	65c	Jan	65c
Dalhousie Oil Ltd.	1	37c	37c	3,500	37c	Feb	75c	Jan	75c	Jan	75c	Jan
Home Oil Co.	1	2.53	2.15	2.80	52,670	2.00	Jan	3.70	Jan	3.70	Jan	3.70
Okalta Oils	1	1.10	1.10	1.36	2,200	1.02	Jan	1.72	Jan	1.72	Jan	1.72
Royalite Oil Co.	1	38½	37	40½	460	35½	Jan	44½	Jan	44½	Jan	44½

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Stocks (Continued)	Par	Friday Last Sale Price		Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week Shares	Range Since Jan. 1, 1939				
		Low	High	Low	High		Low	High	Low	High	
Buffalo-Ankerite	1	15	14½	15	1,276	13½	Jan	15½	Jan	15½	Jan
Buffalo-Canadian	1	2½	2½	2½	3,500	2½c	Jan	3½c	Jan	3½c	Jan
Building Products (new)	1	16	15½	16½	1,723	14½	Jan	16½	Jan	16½	Jan
Bunker Hill	1	9c	7½c	11c	8,920	7½c	Jan	11½c	Jan	11½c	Jan
Burlington Steel	1	11½	11½	12	200	11½	Jan	12½	Jan	12½	Jan
Calgary & Edmonton	1	2.15	1.99	2.25	8,970	1.90	Jan	2.80	Jan	2.80	Jan
Calmont Oils	1	38c	38c	45c	18,600	34c	Jan	65c	Jan	65c	Jan
Canada Cement	1	8	8	8½	70	8	Jan	8½	Jan	8½	Jan
Preferred	100	96½	96½	96½	20	96½	Jan	98½	Jan	98½	Jan
Canada Maiting	1	32	32	34½	185	32	Jan	34½	Jan	34½	Jan
Canada Northern Power	1	16	16	16	50	16	Jan	16	Jan	16	Jan
Canadian Packers	1	66	66	66	25	66	Jan	70½	Jan	70½	Jan
Canada Permanent	100	144	140½	144	33	140½	Jan	146	Jan	146	Jan
Canada Steamships	1	2½	2½	2½	218	2	Jan	2½	Jan	2½	Jan
Preferred	50	8½	8	9	186	7½	Jan	10½	Jan	10½	Jan
Canada Wire B	20	20	20	20	45	17½	Jan	25	Jan	25	Jan
Canadian Bakeries pref. 100	41	37	41	155	37	Jan	45	Jan	45	Jan	45
Canadian Bakeries	100	1.30	1.30	1.50	715	1.30	Feb	1.80	Jan	1.80	Jan
Preferred	100	21	19½	22	165	19½	Jan	23	Jan	23	Jan
Cdn Bk of Commerce	100	171	171	176	133	169½	Jan	178	Jan	178	Jan
Canadian Can	1	4	4	4	50	4	Jan	4½	Jan	4½	Jan
A	20	18	17½	18	195	17½	Jan	18½	Jan	18½	Jan
Can Car & Foundry	1	16	14	16½	2,585	12½	Jan	18	Jan	18	Jan
Preferred	25	32½	30½	32½	240	29½	Jan	34½	Jan	34½	Jan
Canadian Dredge	1	20½	20½	21	150	20½	Jan	23½	Jan	23½	Jan
Cdn Indus Alcohol A	1	2	2	2½	125	2	Jan	2½	Jan	2½	Jan
Canadian Malartic	1	98c	90c	98c	8,150	85c	Jan	1.03	Jan	1.03	Jan
Canadian Oil	1	17½	16½	17½	1,545	14	Jan	20	Jan	20	Jan
Preferred	100	110	110	112	56	110	Jan	124	Jan	124	Jan
C P B	25	5½	4½	5½	2,042	4½	Jan	6½	Jan	6½	Jan
Canadian Wineries	1	3½	3½	3½	202	3	Jan	3½	Jan	3½	Jan
Cdn Wirebound Box	1	18	18	18	70	18	Jan	19	Jan	19	Jan
Cariboo Gold	1	2.20	2.20	2.30	1,000	2.20	Jan	2.39	Jan	2.39	Jan
Castle Trethewey	1	90c	92c	3,175	88c	Jan	1.05	Jan	1.05	Jan	1.05
Central Patricia	1	2.60	2.39	2.60	11,970	2.24	Jan	2.75	Jan	2.75	Jan
Central Porcupine	1	7c	7c	8c	9,400	6c	Jan	9c	Jan	9c	Jan
Chemical Research	1	60c	40c	60c	11,520	40c	Feb	60c	Feb	60c	Feb
Chesterville-Larder Lake	1	1.32	1.10	1.34	45,210	1.09	Jan	1.39	Jan	1.39	Jan
Chromium Mining	1	50c	50c	65c	14,345	50c	Jan	65c	Jan	65c	Jan
Commonwealth Pete	1	26½c	25c	26½c	1,500	21½c	Jan	36c	Jan	36c	Jan
Cocksbutt Plov	1	7½c	6c	7½c	1,035	5½	Jan	8½	Jan	8½	Jan
Conduits National	1	3½	3½	3½	25	3½	Jan	3½	Jan	3½	Jan

Canadian Markets—Listed and Unlisted

Toronto Stock Exchange

Table of Toronto Stock Exchange listings including columns for Stocks (Continued), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Jack Waite, Jellicoe Cons, etc.

Toronto Stock Exchange

Table of Toronto Stock Exchange listings (continued) including columns for Stocks (Concluded), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Uchi Gold, Union Gas, etc.

Toronto Stock Exchange—Curb Section

Jan. 28 to Feb. 3, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table of Toronto Stock Exchange—Curb Section listings including columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1939 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Brett-Trethewey, Bruck Silk, etc.

Industrial and Public Utility Bonds

Closing bid and asked quotations, Friday, Feb. 3

Table of Industrial and Public Utility Bonds listings including columns for Bond Name, Bid, Ask, and other details. Lists various bonds like Abitibi P & Pap, Alberta Pae Grain, etc.

CURRENT NOTICES

—The annual dinner of the New York Security Dealers Association will be held this year on Wednesday, March 22, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel... —L. H. Ingraham & Co., 72 Wall St., New York, have opened a trading department in over-the-counter securities... —Stuart P. Williams, for more than 18 years associated with T. E. Joiner & Co. and its predecessor company, Hill, Joiner & Co., has joined the firm of Lewis, Williams & Co., municipal bond dealers... —Granberry & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, announce that Barbara Joiner Parsons, formerly on the technical staff of "The Market Technician" is now associated with them... —Dixon & Co., of Philadelphia, members New York Stock Exchange, announce that William H. Burnham has been admitted as a partner, resident in New York City... —Newburger, Loeb & Co., 40 Wall St., New York City, are distributing their monthly list of over-the-counter market quotations on bank and trust company, insurance, industrial and miscellaneous stocks... —The New York Stock Exchange firm of Sartorius & Smith, 61 Broadway, New York City, is distributing copies of a folder entitled "Dynamics of the Market"... —Bristol & Willett, 115 Broadway, New York City, are distributing the February issue of their "Over-The-Counter-Review."

Quotations on Over-the-Counter Securities—Friday Feb. 3

New York City Bonds

Table of New York City Bonds with columns for Bid, Ask, and various bond issues like 4 1/2s Apr 1 1966, 4 1/2s Apr 15 1972, etc.

New York State Bonds

Table of New York State Bonds including World War Bonus, Canal & Highway, and various term bonds.

Port of New York Authority Bonds

Table of Port of New York Authority Bonds such as Holland Tunnel, Inland Terminal, and George Washington Bridge.

United States Insular Bonds

Table of United States Insular Bonds including Philippine Government, Honolulu 5s, and U S Panama 3s.

Federal Land Bank Bonds

Table of Federal Land Bank Bonds with columns for Bid, Ask, and bond terms like 3 1/2s 1955 opt 1945.

Joint Stock Land Bank Bonds

Table of Joint Stock Land Bank Bonds listing various regional bonds like Atlanta 3s, Chicago 4 1/2s, and others.

Joint Stock Land Bank Stocks

Table of Joint Stock Land Bank Stocks listing regional banks like Atlanta, Dallas, Denver, etc.

Federal Intermediate Credit Bank Debentures

Table of Federal Intermediate Credit Bank Debentures with columns for Bid, Ask, and maturity dates.

Chicago & San Francisco Banks

Table of Chicago & San Francisco Banks including American National Bank, Harris Trust & Savings, etc.

For footnotes see page 719.

FISCAL FUND, INC.

Bank Stock Series Insurance Stock Series
Transcontinent Shares Corporation, Sponsor
LOS ANGELES JERSEY CITY BOSTON

New York Bank Stocks

Table of New York Bank Stocks including Bank of Manhattan, Bank of Yorktown, National City, etc.

NEW YORK BANK, TRUST CO. and INSURANCE STOCKS

Laird, Bissell & Meeds

120 Broadway, New York Tel. Barclay 7-3500
WILMINGTON PHILADELPHIA
Bell System Teletype N Y-1-1248 and 1-1249

New York Trust Companies

Table of New York Trust Companies including Bank of New York, Bankers, Bronx County, etc.

Insurance Companies

Table of Insurance Companies including Aetna Cas & Surety, Aetna Life, American Alliance, etc.

Surety Guaranteed Mortgage Bonds and Debentures

Table of Surety Guaranteed Mortgage Bonds and Debentures including Arundel Bond Corp, Nat Union Mtge Corp, etc.

Quotations on Over-the-Counter Securities—Friday Feb. 3—Continued

Guaranteed Railroad Stocks

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Guaranteed Railroad Stocks

(Guarantor in Parentheses)

Table of Guaranteed Railroad Stocks with columns for Par, Dividend in Dollars, Bid, and Asked prices for various railroads like Alabama & Vicksburg, Albany & Susquehanna, etc.

Public Utility Stocks

Table of Public Utility Stocks with columns for Par, Bid, and Asked prices for companies like Alabama Power, Arkansas Pr & Lt, Associated Gas & Electric, etc.

Miscellaneous Bonds

Table of Miscellaneous Bonds with columns for Bid and Asked prices for Bear-Mountain-Hudson, River Bridge, Commodity Credit Corp, etc.

For footnotes see page 719.

Railroad Bonds

Table of Railroad Bonds with columns for Bid and Asked prices for Akron Canton and Youngstown, Atlantic Coast Line, Baltimore & Ohio, etc.

Railroad Equipment Bonds

Table of Railroad Equipment Bonds with columns for Bid and Asked prices for Atlantic Coast Line, Baltimore & Ohio, Boston & Maine, etc.

Public Utility Bonds

Table of Public Utility Bonds with columns for Bid and Asked prices for Amer Gas & Power, Appalachian Elec Power, Associated Electric, etc.

Quotations on Over-the-Counter Securities—Friday Feb. 3—Continued

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Investing Companies

Table listing various investment companies and their shares, including Admin'd Fund 2nd Inc., Affiliated Fund Inc., Amerex Holding Corp., etc.

Real Estate Bonds and Title Co. Mortgage Certificates

Table listing real estate bonds and mortgage certificates, including Rittenhouse Plaza (Phila), Roxy Theatre, Savoy Plaza Corp, etc.

Foreign Stocks, Bonds and Coupons Inactive Exchanges

BRAUNL & CO., INC.

52 William St., N. Y. Tel. Hanover 2-5422

Foreign Unlisted Dollar Bonds

Large table listing foreign unlisted dollar bonds from various countries including Anhalt 7s to, Antioquia 8s, Bank of Colombia 7%, etc.

Real Estate Bonds and Title Co. Mortgage Certificates

Table listing real estate bonds and mortgage certificates, including Alden Apt 1st mtge 3s, Beacon Hotel Inc 4s, B'way Barclay Inc 2s, etc.

* No par value. a Interchangeable. b Basis price. c Coupon. d Ex-Interest. e Flat price. f Nominal quotation. g When issued. w-s With stock. z Ex-dividend. y Now selling on New York Curb Exchange. * Ex-liquidating dividend. † Now listed on New York Stock Exchange. ‡ Quotations per 100 gold rouble bond, equivalent to 77.4234 grams of pure gold. * Quotation not furnished by sponsor or issuer.

Quotations on Over-the-Counter Securities—Friday Feb. 3—Concluded

Industrial Stocks and Bonds

Table of Industrial Stocks and Bonds with columns for Par, Bid, Ask, and company names like Alabama Mills Inc., American Arch, American Cyanamid, etc.

Water Bonds

Table of Water Bonds with columns for Bid, Ask, and company names like Alabama Wat Serv 5s 1957, Aashabula Wat Wks 5s '58, etc.

Chain Store Stocks

Table of Chain Store Stocks with columns for Par, Bid, Ask, and company names like Berland Shoe Stores, B/G Foods Inc, etc.

Telephone and Telegraph Stocks

Table of Telephone and Telegraph Stocks with columns for Par, Bid, Ask, and company names like Am Dist Teleg (N J) com, Bell Teleg of Canada, etc.

Sugar Stocks

Table of Sugar Stocks with columns for Par, Bid, Ask, and company names like Cuban Atlantic Sugar, Eastern Sugar Assoc, etc.

For footnotes see page 719.

General Corporation and Investment News

RAILROAD—PUBLIC UTILITY—INDUSTRIAL—MISCELLANEOUS

NOTE—For mechanical reasons it is not always possible to arrange companies in exact alphabetical order. However, they are always as near alphabetical position as possible.

FILING OF REGISTRATION STATEMENTS UNDER SECURITIES ACT

The following additional registration statements (Nos. 3926 to 3931, and Nos. 3143, 3806, and 3897, refilings) have been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933. The total involved is approximately \$2,678,920.

General Shoe Corp. (2-3926, Form A-2) of Nashville, Tenn. has filed a registration statement covering 150,000 shares of \$1 par common stock, which will be sold through Smith, Barney & Co. and Kidder, Peabody & Co., principal underwriters.

Midwick Country Club, Inc. (2-3927, Form A-1) of Los Angeles, Cal. has filed a registration statement covering a maximum of 1,500 shares of \$100 par value 6% cumulative participating preferred stock and a maximum of 400 shares of no par common stock.

Seven Up Bottling Co. (2-3928, Form A-2) of St. Louis, Mo. has filed a registration statement covering 30,000 shares of no par value common stock. The stock is now outstanding in the hands of E. L. Taylor, President of the company, who has 10,000 of the shares and Ruth Taylor who has 20,000 shares.

Gruen Watch Co. (2-3929, Form A-2) of Cincinnati, Ohio has filed a registration statement covering 51,704 shares of \$1 par value class B convertible non-voting preferred stock and like amounts of \$1 par value class B convertible voting preferred and \$1 par value common stock.

At the same time, the Commission permitted the company to withdraw its registration statement 2-3887, filed Nov. 30, 1938, covering 150,000 shares of \$1 par value common stock which was to be used to redeem the company's issues of class A and B preferred stock.

The issue of class B non-voting preferred will be held by the escrow agent and will be issuable upon exercise of escrow warrants at \$3 a share. Escrow warrants are to be distributed to certain stockholders of the company. Any of this issue of preferred not taken by stockholders may be purchased by the company.

The issue of class B convertible voting preferred stock will be reserved for conversion of the non-voting preferred, while the common will be reserved for conversion of either of the preferred issues.

Consolidated Grain Corp. (2-3930, Form A-1) of Kawkalin, Mich. has filed a registration statement covering 150,000 shares of \$1 par value 7% non-cumulative class A common stock. The shares will be offered publicly at \$1 per share. Proceeds will be used to liquidate debt and to provide working capital.

Pervel Corp. (2-3931, Form A-1) of New York, N. Y. has filed a registration statement covering 5,555 shares of \$1 par common stock which are to be offered in Canada at \$5 per share, and 2,750 shares of \$1 par common stock optioned to Baxter Bros. at \$3.50 per share of which option for 2,000 shares have been assigned to H. M. Twombly.

If the option is not exercised the shares are to be publicly offered at \$5 per share. The company also registered shares that were sold prior to registration, the shares are as follows: 10,000 shares sold at \$1 per share, 1,250 shares sold at \$1.50 per share, 2,850 shares sold at \$2.50 per share, 3,000 shares sold at \$3.50 per share, 1,100 shares sold at \$4.50 per share and 15,995 shares sold at \$5 per share.

Cariboo Hudson Gold Mines, Ltd. (2-3143, Form AO-1) of Vancouver, B. C. has filed a registration statement covering 200,000 shares of 50 cent par value common capital stock.

Big Horn Placer Mining Corp. (2-3806, Form AO-1) of St. Paul, Minn. has filed a registration statement covering 1,500,000 shares of no par value common stock to be offered at \$1 a share.

Fikany Shoe Co. of New York, Inc. (2-3897, Form A-1) located at Rochester, N. Y. has filed a registration statement covering 15,897 shares of \$10 par value class A non-voting common stock and 900 shares of \$10 par value class B voting common stock.

The last previous list of registration statements was given in our issue of Jan. 27, page 570.

Abbott Laboratories—To Issue Scrip in Connection with Dividend—

In connection with the recently declared dividend of one common share for each 20 held, company is advising shareholders that no fractional shares will be issued but that bearer scrip certificates will be tendered.

Shareholders are urged either to purchase additional scrip to augment holdings by whole shares or to dispose of fractions to those seeking them with a view to rapid retirement of the scrip.—V. 147, p. 3902.

Acme Steel Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End, Dec. 31, 1938, 3 Mos.—1937, 1938—12 Mos.—1937, Net profit, Earnings per share.

x After interest, depreciation, Federal income taxes and surtax on undistributed profits. y On 328,108 shares capital stock.—V. 147, p. 2520.

Alleghany Corp.—Collateral Appraised—

The value of collateral securing the 5% bonds, 1944, as appraised by Guaranty Trust Co., trustee, on Feb. 1 amounted to \$40,939,330 which was 130.1% of the par value of the bonds outstanding.

The appraised value of the collateral underlying the 5s, 1950, was placed at \$6,419,692, equal to 27.9% of the par value of bonds outstanding, against \$6,785,140 on Nov. 1, equal to 28.3%.

The par amount of 5s, 1950, now outstanding is \$23,046,000 as compared with \$24,387,600 a year ago, the remaining bonds having been purchased with deposited cash and retired.—V. 148, p. 429.

Allis Chalmers Mfg. Co.—Orders—

Company has received a contract approaching \$290,000 for electrical equipment for the Indiana Harbor works of Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. The company also has received an order for 18 large motors from B. F. Sturtevant Co. of Boston.—V. 147, p. 3755.

Alliance Investment Corp.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Years End, Dec. 31, 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935, Divs. (excl. stock divs.), Interest on bonds, Total, Int. & amortiz. of deb. disc. & exp., Incl. Fed. & State taxes under debentures, Miscellaneous expense, Operating income.

x Includes \$2,600 for State franchise and Federal capital stock taxes. Note—Dividends amounting to \$58,890 in 1938, \$119,100 in 1937 and \$120,000 in 1936 were paid on the pref. stock from the capital surplus account.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash in banks, \$29,933; due from brokers for securities sold, \$7,553; dividends receivable and interest accrued, \$2,365; securities at cost, \$2,348,941; furniture and fixtures (net), \$3,122; total, \$2,391,914.

American Beverage Corp.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Years End, Nov. 30, 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935, Income from sales, Cost of sales, Delivery expenses, Selling and admin. exp., Deductions from income, Deprec. on mach. and equipment, Res. for Fed. inc. tax, Profit, Other income, Net profit for period, Divs. paid on preferred, Shs. com. stk. (par \$1), Earnings per share.

x Consolidated statements. y During the last week of November, 1937 the three operating subsidiaries: Carl H. Schultz Corp.; Schoneberger & Noble, Inc., and the Brownie Corp. were liquidated by merger and their assets were acquired and their liabilities assumed by American Beverage Corp. The income account includes the accounts of the operating subsidiaries which were merged.

Balance Sheet Nov. 30, 1938

Assets—Cash in banks and on hand, \$165,015; accounts receivable (less reserve for doubtful accounts of \$5,000), \$294,831; inventories, \$526,241; bottles, siphons and cases on hand, \$145,218; prepaid expenses, \$45,324; mortgages receivable, incl. accrued interest receivable thereon, \$20,247; unimproved real estate, less reserve \$5,694—carried at assessed valuation, \$1,150; fixed assets (less reserves for depreciation of \$508,464), \$150,949; leasehold, tradewares, formulae and goodwill, at nominal amount, \$1; total, \$1,348,976.

Liabilities—Notes payable to bank, \$100,000; accounts payable \$187,405; accrued liabilities, \$14,036; State liquor tax payable, \$28,923; provision for Federal income tax, \$4,166; jobbers' and drivers' deposits refundable, \$1,800; 7% convertible preferred stock (par \$5) (less held in treasury, 325 shares at \$1.625), \$419,760; common stock (par \$1), \$135,760; paid-in surplus, \$291,017; earned surplus, \$166,109; total, \$1,348,976.—V. 148, p. 571.

Allied Kid Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Earnings for the 6 Months Ended Dec. 31, 1938, Sales (net), Cost of goods sold, Selling, administrative and general expenses, Provision for depreciation, Operating profit, Other deductions, Provision for Federal and State taxes, Net profit, Dividends paid, Earnings per share.

x After deducting unused reserves from prior years of \$11,898.

Balance Sheet

Table with columns for Assets, Dec. 31 '38, June 30 '38, Liabilities, Dec. 31 '38, June 30 '38, Cash, Notes, accts. and trade accept. rec., Mchse. inventories, Cash surr. value of life insurance, Miscell. uncls. rec., Invest. in unlisted security, Prop., plant and equipment, G'dwill, tr.-marks and formulae, Unexp. ins. prems. & prepaid duty, Total.

x After allowance for doubtful accounts and discounts of \$71,276 on Dec. 31, 1938, and \$60,583 on June 30, 1938. y After allowance for depreciation of \$1,909,516 on Dec. 31, 1938 and \$1,910,032 on June 30, 1938. c Par \$5.—V. 148, p. 571.

American Business Shares, Inc.—Report—

The company in its annual report to stockholders shows asset value of \$3.75 per share at Dec. 31, 1938, compared with \$3.313 at the beginning of the year. During 1938 distributions aggregating 24 cents per share were made to stockholders. Total assets increased to \$7,966,815 at Dec. 31, 1938, from \$5,566,709 a year ago, and the number of stockholders increased to 13,946 from 11,892.

Earnings for Year Ended Dec. 31, 1938

Table with columns for Income—Dividend and interest income, Net profit from sales of securities, Total income, Expenses, Taxes, Net income, Adjustment of prov. for Fed. cap. stock tax applic. to prior period, Net income.

Notes—(1) Unrealized deprec. on securities decreased \$1,481,884 during the year ended Dec. 31, 1938. (2) Effective Jan. 1, 1938, the company has followed the policy of charging to paid-in surplus certain fees and expenses in connection with registration and qualification of additional shares of capital stock for sale, which charges aggregated \$7,082 for the year ended Dec. 31, 1938. Items of this nature were previously charged to income and undivided profits account by the company.

Statement of Distribution Account for Year Ended Dec. 31, 1938

Table with columns for Balance Dec. 31, 1937—Undivided profits, Equalization credits, Net income for the period transferred to undivided profits, Net equalization credit arising from subscriptions to and reacquisitions of capital stock, Total, Cash distributions to stockholders—Undivided profits, Equalization credits, Balance, Dec. 31, 1938.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Table with columns for Assets, Dec. 31, 1938, Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1938, Investments, Cash on deposit, Divs. & int. receivable, Due from subscribers, Due from brokers, Prepaid insurance, Furn. & fix'ts, nominal value, Total, Accts. pay. & acc'd taxes, Amt. pay. for cap. stock reacquired, not yet received, Due to brokers (securities purchased, not yet received), Capital stock (\$1 par), Paid-in surplus, Undivided profits, Equalization credits, Excess of cost of invest. over quoted market value.

—V. 147, p. 1181.

American Can Co.—To Vote on Auditors—

Reversing the position that it took at its last annual meeting, the management of this company has included in the proxy material for the meeting on March 7 a proposal that stockholders elect independent auditors. Those returning proxy ballots also are asked to vote for or against the firm of Lybrand, Ross Brothers & Montgomery, the concern's regular auditors, in case the amendment to the by-laws is passed.

The amendment to the by-laws reads as follows: "The stockholders may appoint at the annual meeting a firm of certified public accountants to audit the books and accounts of the company during the calendar year in which the meeting is held and to submit a report as of the last day of the calendar year."

The meeting at which the stockholders will consider this amendment will be held at 11 a. m. at the offices in Jersey City. Another amendment would change the date of the annual meeting from the first Tuesday of March to the first Tuesday of April, commencing next year.

In the letter to shareholders accompanying the request for proxies, the management declared that "the proposed amendment providing for nomination by the stockholders of outside accountants to audit the books and accounts of the company is proposed for the reason that a motion for nomination of such outside accountants was made without previous warning at the last previous meeting of the stockholders and was rejected, and it is now desired by the management of the company to have the proposed amendment brought before this annual meeting upon notice, so that it may be voted upon by the stockholders."

"The object of the proposed appointment is to give the stockholders information in regard to the business of the company independently of that given by the management of the company. In case the amendment is carried and a motion is made for appointment of outside auditors in pursuance thereof, it is proposed to vote on the proxy for the appointment of Lybrand, Ross Brothers & Montgomery, certified accountants of 90 Broad St., N. Y. City. Lybrand, Ross Brothers & Montgomery have been the accountants of the company since 1934.—V. 146, p. 1535.

American-Canadian Properties Corp.—Liquidating Div.

The corporation has declared a liquidating dividend of 50 cents per share, payable Feb. 9 to holders of record Feb. 1, according to advices received by Bankers Trust Co., dividend disbursing agent for the corporation. A dividend of 15 cents was paid on Dec. 23 last and a dividend of 25 cents was paid on Feb. 15, 1937.—V. 147, p. 3755.

American Cities Power & Light Corp.—Annual Report

C. M. Finney, President, says in part: The net assets of the corporation, based on Dec. 31, 1938 market prices, amounted to \$17,685,333, equivalent to \$65.15 per share of both series of class A (preferred) stock outstanding (after deducting shares held in the

treasury), and, after allowing for both series of class A stock at the amount to which they are entitled in liquidation, to \$1.07 per share of class B stock outstanding. The net unrealized depreciation (excess of book value over market value) of investments at Dec. 31, 1938, on the basis of the balance sheet, was \$6,357,744.

In December, 1938, the corporation sold, through a public offering, 375,000 shares of common stock of North American Co. Incident to the above sale and in accordance with agreements made in November, 1938, with Tri-Continental Corp. and Selected Industries, Inc., the corporation exchanged 648,568 shares of Electric Shareholdings Corp. common stock, 163,100 shares of Tri-Continental Corp. common stock and \$407,838 cash for 1,734,044 shares of Blue Ridge Corp. common stock. In November, 1938, the corporation delivered to Central States Electric Corp. (which see) \$3,924,000 of debentures of that corporation in exchange (on a "flat" basis) for 58,860 shares of North American Co. common stock, and in January, 1939, the corporation delivered to Central States Electric Corp. \$1,475,000 of debentures of that corporation in exchange (on a "flat" basis) for 22,125 shares of North American Co. common stock. During the month of December, 1938, 13,025 shares of United Light & Power Co. voting class B stock were exchanged for 13,025 shares of United Light & Power Co. non-voting class A stock.

At the present time corporation and its parent company, Central States Electric Corp., own approximately 73% of the common stock of Blue Ridge Corp. and these companies collectively own 8.18% of the voting stock of North American Co.

Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years

Table with 5 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Cash divs. and interest, Oper. exps., taxes & int., Prov. for income taxes, Prov. for Fed. surtax on undistributed profits, Net income, Previous oper. surplus, c Profits on sale of secs., Total, Prov. for res. for conting., c Loss on sales of secur's (net), Divs. on conv. cl. A stk., optional div. series, Cl. A stk. pd. in cash, Cl. B stk. pd. in cash, Balance Dec. 31, Shares of class B stock outstanding (par \$1), Earnings per share.

a Includes \$108,204 payable Feb. 1, 1939. b Paid in cash. c Computed on basis of average book value, based on April 29, 1933, market prices as to investments acquired prior to that date, and cost as to subsequent purchases. d Paid in cash and in class B stock (capitalized at \$1 per share).

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Table with 5 columns: 1938, 1937, 1938, 1937. Rows include Assets: Investments, Cash, Acc'ts receivable, Dividends and interest receivable, Total; Liabilities: Accts. payable and accrued expenses, Notes payable to banks, secured, Dividend payable, Res. for conting., Res. for inc. taxes, b Capital stock, Earned surplus, Capital surplus, c Serial class A stk. held in treasury (at cost), Total.

a Based on Dec. 31, 1938, prices, the aggregate market value was \$22,255,572 (\$22,540,108 in 1937). Securities aggregating \$8,818,792, based on Dec. 31, 1938, quoted market prices, are deposited as collateral on notes payable. Net unrealized depreciation of investments at Dec. 31, 1937, was \$10,080,103.

b Represented by 146,497 (154,222 shares in 1937) shares of serial class A stock (par \$25), 139,300 (150,000 in 1937) shares of \$2.75 cum. class A stock, optional dividend series of 1936, and 2,901,972 (2,904,771 shares in 1937) shares class B stock (par \$1). c Represented by 2,225 (7,725 shares in 1937) shares conv. class A stock, optional dividend series \$3 cumulative, and 12,135 (10,700 shares in 1937) shares class A stock, optional dividend series of 1936, \$2.75 cumulative, which are not deducted from the respective stocks outstanding.—V. 147, p. 3443.

American Capital Corp.—Earnings—

Income Account Years Ended Dec. 31

Table with 5 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Interest and dividends, Profit from sales of secs., Total income, Research fees, Fees of transfer agents, trustees, &c., Gen. exps., incl. salaries, Federal income tax, Surtax on undist. profits, Net income, Prior pref. dividends, Preferred dividends, Surplus.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash, \$793,903; accounts receivable, \$32,837; investments, \$7,368,057; prepaid expenses, \$6,647; total, \$8,201,444. Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$97,190; prior preferred stock, \$5.50 cum. (25,218 shares, no par at stated value of \$95 a share), \$2,395,710; preferred stock \$3 cum. (93,000 shares, no par, at stated value of \$10 a share), \$930,000; class A common stock (10c. par), \$11,047; class B common stock (10c. par), \$63,266; capital surplus, \$4,128,387; earned surplus (since Dec. 31, 1932), \$575,844; total, \$8,201,444.—V. 147, p. 3755.

American European Securities Co.—Comparative Balance Sheet Dec. 31—

Table with 5 columns: 1938, 1937, 1938, 1937. Rows include Assets: Cash, Invest. securities, Stocks, Bonds, Accr. int. on bds., Total; Liabilities: c Preferred stock, b Common stock, d Option warrants, Funded debt, Int. on fund. debt., Accounts payable, General reserve, Accrued taxes, e Surplus, Total.

b Represented by 354,500 shares of no par value. c Represented by 50,000 shares of no par \$6 cum. stock. d There are issued and outstanding option warrants entitling the holders to purchase at any time 20,500 shares of common stock at a price of \$12.50 per share. e Includes reserve for possible losses on sale of securities of \$5,231,886; capital surplus, \$2,061,595, and surplus since June 30, 1938, \$5,137.

The income statement for the year ended Dec. 31 was published in V. 148, p. 571.

American Hide & Leather Co.—Earnings—

Table with 5 columns: 6 Mos. End. Dec. 31—, 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Operating profit, Reserved for inc. taxes, Profit.

a After repairs, depreciation and reserves for expenses other than income taxes. b No provision has been made for any surtax on undistributed profits. c Before inventory loss.—V. 148, p. 571.

American Radiator & Standard Sanitary Corp.—Vice-President Resigns—

Corporation on Jan. 31 announced the resignation of Fenton B. Turck Jr., as Vice-President in order to devote his entire time to Holland-American affairs. Mr. Turck has been with the company over 15 years, having started as a molder in the company's Bayonne, N. J. plant in 1923 following his graduation from Yale, and becoming Vice-President of the American Radiator Co. in 1928 at the age of 26.

Unifies Operations—

Corporation has completed the unification of operations of six important subsidiaries and as of Feb. 1 their products will be manufactured and sold under the same trade names and trade marks directly by the parent company.

These subsidiaries are American Radiator Co., Standard Sanitary Manufacturing Co., American Gas Products Corp., Ensign-Reynolds, Inc., Excelsio Products Corp., and Fox Furnace Co. They will cease to be operating subsidiaries as of Feb. 1.—V. 147, p. 3302.

American Seal-Kap Corp. of Del. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with 5 columns: Years Ended Dec. 31—, 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Net sales, Cost of sales, selling, delivery, admin. & gen. exps., Provision for depreciation.

Table with 5 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Balance, Other income, Balance, Interest paid, Provision for Federal income tax, x Other deductions, Net profit, Dividends.

Surplus \$45,482; Earns. per sh. on 138,957 shs. cap. stk. (par \$2) \$0.62; Legal expenses in connection with the unfair competition suit in which the companies are plaintiffs had in connection with the company's patents.

y Including \$450 estimated surtax on undistributed profits.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash in banks and on hand, \$51,428; accounts receivable, customers (less reserve for doubtful accounts of \$4,075), \$79,132; royalties receivable, \$10,334; inventories, \$109,260; shop and plant supplies, \$4,312; receivable from employees, \$760; sundry investments, \$9,357; fixed assets (less reserve for depreciation of \$343,114), \$550,463; deferred charges, \$8,536; goodwill, \$235,000; total, \$1,058,582. Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$37,032; accrued interest, taxes, wages, &c., \$8,763; unclaimed dividends, \$3,807; reserve for Federal taxes, \$19,167; mortgages payable, \$124,063; capital stock (par \$2), \$277,914; capital surplus, \$376,356; earned surplus, \$211,479; total, \$1,058,582.—V. 147, p. 3302.

American Water Works & Electric Co., Inc.—Output—

Output of electric energy of the electric properties of American Water Works & Electric Co. for the week ending Jan. 28, 1939, totaled 46,455,000 kilowatt hours, an increase of 16.9% over the output of 39,727,000 kilowatt hours for the corresponding week of 1938.

Comparative table of weekly output of electric energy for the last five years follows:

Table with 6 columns: Week Ended, 1939, 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Jan. 7, Jan. 14, Jan. 21, Jan. 28.

x Includes New Year's Day.—V. 148, p. 571.

Ann Arbor RR.—Earnings—

Table with 5 columns: December—, 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Table with 5 columns: From Jan. 1—, 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

—V. 147, p. 4047.

Associated Gas & Electric Co.—Weekly Output—

For the week ended Jan. 27, Associated Gas & Electric System reports net electric output of 95,725,185 units (kwh). This is an increase of 10,676,193 units or 12.6% above production of 85,048,992 units a year ago.

This is the highest percentage increase for any week since July, 1937.—V. 148, p. 572.

Atlanta Birmingham & Coast RR.—Earnings—

Table with 5 columns: December—, 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Table with 5 columns: From Jan. 1—, 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

—V. 147, p. 4048.

Atlanta & West Point RR.—Earnings—

Table with 5 columns: December—, 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Table with 5 columns: From Jan. 1—, 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

—V. 147, p. 4048.

Atlantic Coast Line RR.—Earnings—

Table with 5 columns: Period End. Dec. 31—, 1938—Month—, 1937, 1938—12 Mos.—, 1937. Rows include Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Net oper. revenues, Taxes.

Table with 5 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Operating income, Equip. and jt. fac. rents, Net ry. oper. income.

—V. 147, p. 4048.

Atlantic Mutual Insurance Co.—Dividends—

A dividend of interest of 6% on the outstanding certificates of profits will be paid to the holders thereof as shown by the books of the company at the close of business on Dec. 31, 1938, on and after Feb. 1, 1939. The outstanding certificates of profits of the issues of 1934, 1935 and 1936 will be redeemed and paid to the holders thereof or their legal representatives, on and after Feb. 1, 1939 from which date they shall no longer participate in dividends of interest. Certificates shall be presented for such payment and canceled.

■ A dividend of profits is declared of 50% on the net scrip participating premiums considered earned during the year 1938 in certificates of profits. Such certificates, on request, will be available on and after March 1, 1939.

■ A dividend of profits is declared of 15% on—

(a) The net terminated premiums to May 1, 1939 of cash participating policies (other than trip, open ocean cargo policies and term policies attaching prior to Jan. 1, 1939), which dividend is payable in cash in accordance with the provisions of the charter and the dividend rules of the company authorized pursuant thereto.

(b) The net terminated premiums considered earned during the year 1938 of cash participating trip policies and open ocean cargo policies, which dividend will be payable in cash on and after Feb. 15, 1939.

(c) The net premiums of cash participating term policies which attach prior to Jan. 1, 1939, whose expiry or anniversary dates occur between Mar. 1, 1939 and April 30, 1939, both dates inclusive, the dividend on policies written for more than one year being declared only on the proportionate amount of premium relating to the period presently expiring. Such dividend is to be payable in cash in accordance with the provisions of the Charter and the dividend rules of the company authorized pursuant thereto.—V. 147, p. 102.

Atlas Imperial Diesel Engine Co.—Meeting Deferred—
 Regular annual stockholders' meeting has been deferred to March 17, according to a statement by S. P. Eastman, Chairman. Annual report will be mailed to stockholders as soon as available. This will be two or three weeks in advance of the new meeting date, Mr. Eastman said.—V. 147, p. 882.

Atlas Powder Co.—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
x Net income.....	\$1,013,056	\$1,433,871	\$1,430,080	\$1,161,170
Shs. com. stock (no par)	249,163	248,145	248,666	249,966
Earnings per share.....	\$2.69	\$4.40	\$4.21	\$2.81

x After deprec. and Federal income taxes after deducting surtaxes on undistributed profits.

50 Cent Dividend—
 Directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable March 10 to holders of record Feb. 28. This compares with 75 cents paid on Dec. 10 last; 50 cents paid on Sept. 10, June 10, and on March 10, 1938; a special dividend of 50 cents paid on Dec. 24, 1937; 75 cents paid on Dec. 10, 1937; \$1 on Sept. 10, 1937; 75 cents on June 10 and on March 10, 1937; special dividend of 50 cents paid on Dec. 24, 1936, and extra dividends of 25 cents in addition to regular dividends of 50 cents per share paid on Dec. 10, 1936, and each three months previously.—V. 147, p. 2860.

Aviation & Transportation Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings
 [Formerly Cord Corp.]

Years End. Nov. 30—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Sales of mfg. products & operating revenues.....	x\$712,157	x\$668,147	x\$847,392	x\$1,176,035
Cost of sales.....	502,738	534,394	648,576	1,002,435
Gross profit.....	\$209,419	\$133,753	\$198,816	\$173,600
Other income.....	139,877	271,577	718,860	357,624
Total income.....	\$349,296	\$405,330	\$917,676	\$531,224
Expenses.....	429,616	477,932	502,716	605,873
Depreciation.....	472,752	66,500	67,654	90,791
Federal taxes.....	8,397	4,220	22,293	9,842
Surplus on undist. profits.....	5,432	1,700		
Other deductions.....	c23,992	z9,582	aCr4,809	yCr2,269
Divs. on pref. stk. of subs.....	21,333	22,265	23,454	24,607
Minority interest.....			Cr823	Cr1,459
Net loss from sale of stks. of subsidiaries.....				44,286
Net loss.....	\$212,316	b\$176,867	prof\$306,691	\$242,451
Dividends paid.....				z248,801
Balance, deficit.....	\$212,316	\$176,867	sur\$306,691	\$491,252
Shs. cap. stk. (par \$5) outstanding.....	2,246,700	2,246,700	2,256,700	2,256,700
Earnings per share.....	Nil	Nil	\$0.13	Nil

x Includes rental and other operating income. y After deducting cash discount allowed, loss on fixed assets, &c., of \$14,791. z After deducting cash discounts received, &c., of \$5,463.

a After deducting interest paid, loss on fixed assets, &c., of \$2,078. b Before extraordinary profit and loss charges of \$163,690. c After deducting \$17,527 for partial recovery of write-down made in 1935 of investment in affiliated company (excess of proceeds from sale thereof over nominal book value) and \$2,329 for cash discounts received. d Amortization of \$13,863 is included herein. The corresponding amount was included in cost of sales and operating expenses for the year ended Nov. 30, 1937.

Victor Emanuel, President, says in part:
 "During the fiscal year this corporation's affiliate, Aviation Corp., paid to its stockholders a special dividend of 18½¢ per share, representing the net proceeds of the sale of the securities of certain air mail and transport companies segregated in compliance with the Air Mail Act of 1934. This company's share of the distribution, amounting to \$152,694, was not taken into income, but has been credited directly to reduce the cost of this company's investment in the stock of The Aviation Corp."
 "While certain miscellaneous securities have been sold, the company's investment in New York Shipbuilding Corp. founders stock was increased by 15,000 shares. Other principal investments remain substantially the same as at the beginning of the year."
 "During the fiscal year ending Nov 30, 1938 a reserve of \$5,086,813 was provided by a charge to earned surplus to revalue company's investments in Auburn Automobile Co. and Locomotive Manufacturing Co., now in process of reorganization under Section 77-B of the Bankruptcy Act. No plan of reorganization has yet been submitted for those companies; therefore no final evaluation can be made at this time of these investments or of the securities which will be received when the reorganization is completed. The reserve above mentioned is accordingly continued."
 "In the last annual report mention was made of a plan for the company to acquire from one of its officers 58,000 shares of its own stock, subject to an option of repurchase in the event said shares were offered for sale to other executives and employees of the corporation. This plan was not consummated and has been abandoned."
 "Except through the company's wholly-owned subsidiary, the Columbia Axle Co. company is not directly engaged in manufacturing activities. It continues to hold substantial but less than majority interests in other companies, most of which are related to transportation in various phases."

Consolidated Balance Sheet Nov. 30

	1938	1937		1938	1937
Assets—			Liabilities—		
a Land, bldgs., &c.	986,632	1,092,224	Cap'l stk. (par \$1)	2,246,700	b1,300,000
Cash.....	2,381,935	1,515,950	Accounts payable.....	39,884	85,068
Marketable securities.....	601,499	975,301	Due to affil. cos.....	1,703	
Notes & accts. rec.	176,852	1,000,415	Customers' credit balances.....	21,953	
Accrued interest.....	15,559	16,343	Accrued salaries, wages, com., &c.	67,055	67,613
Inventories.....	119,245	228,752	Unearned disc., &c. and reserves.....	23,939	37,621
Other notes & accts. rec. partly secured	312,952		Minority Interest.....	321,908	340,299
Deferred notes and accts. receivable.....		85,364	Capital surplus.....	10,002,988	1,013,880
Investments.....	6,108,624	11,171,094	Deficit.....	1,998,853	sur\$330,276
Prepaid expenses.....	24,280	22,811	c Treasury stock.....		Dr66,500
Goodwill.....	1	1			
Total.....	10,727,278	16,078,256	Total.....	10,727,278	16,078,256

a After depreciation of \$945,232 in 1938 and \$890,460 in 1937. b Represented by 2,260,000 shares, par \$5. c Represented by 13,300 shares, \$5 par capital stock.

In sending proxies for the annual meeting to be held Feb. 10, R. P. Pruitt, Sec., concerning matters to be acted upon states that seven directors are to be elected and that it is the intention of the management that proxies, unless limited to the contrary, will be voted in favor of the following nominees, all of whom are now directors: Victor Emanuel, L. B. Manning, Gerald E. Donovan, Tom M. Gidler, Henry Lockhart Jr., C. Coburn Darling and R. S. Pruitt. The proxy statement further states in part:

From its organization until Aug. 7, 1937, the largest individual stockholders of this corporation was E. L. Cord, who was also an original subscriber to its capital stock, one of the incorporators of the corporation, and a member of the board of directors. On Aug. 7, 1937, Mr. Cord resigned all offices held by him in this corporation and its subsidiaries and disposed of his entire holdings of 658,000 shares of the capital stock of this corporation. Since said date Mr. Cord has had nothing whatsoever to do with the business and affairs of this corporation or of any of its subsidiaries. Of the stock disposed of by him on Aug. 7, 1937, 118,000 shares were purchased by L. B. Manning, 40,000 shares by R. S. Pruitt, and the remaining 500,000 shares by the individual members of a group of purchasers organized by Emanuel & Co. At said date L. B. Manning rejoined the board of directors which was increased in number from five to seven, four of the former members, including Mr. Cord, resigning, and C. Coburn Darling, Victor Emanuel, Tom M. Gidler, Henry Lockhart Jr. and Gerald E. Donovan being then elected directors of this corporation for the first time.—V. 146, p. 2357

Baldwin Rubber Co.—Earnings—

3 Months Ended—	Dec. 31, '38	Dec. 31, '37	Sept. 30, '37
x Net profit.....	\$156,843	\$73,957	\$66,162
Earnings per share on capital stock.....	\$0.49	\$0.23	\$0.21
x After depreciation, Federal income taxes, &c., but before surtax on undistributed profits.—V. 148, p. 431.			

Baltimore & Ohio RR.—Passes Interest—
 The company notified holders of its convertible 4½% bonds, due 1960, that, under the terms of its plan for modification of interest charges and maturities, no interest will be paid Feb. 1. These bonds, under the plan, are on a contingent basis.
 Interest on these bonds for the period Aug. 1, 1938 to Jan. 1, 1939, is payable under the plan on May 1, 1939, to the extent the earnings during this period were sufficient for the purpose. Preliminary figures indicate, it is stated, that under these provisions approximately ½ of 1% will be payable on the convertible bonds on May 1, next, and coupons due Feb. 1 should be presented on May 1 to receive this payment.
 Under the terms of the plan, to which more than 75% of the affected security holders have agreed, interest on the convertible bonds for the year 1939, plus unpaid interest for the last five months of 1938, will be payable, if earned after the deductions permitted by the plan on May 1, 1940. This issue has a 60-day grace period in regard to interest payments.
 Interest on the five-year 4½% notes, maturing Aug. 1, 1939, was paid Feb. 1. This issue under the terms of the plan would have its maturity extended for five years and after Aug. 1, 1939, will pay 4% annually in interest.
 The plan was declared operative by the directors of the road on Jan. 18, although it has not been declared effective and new securities have not been sent to assenting bondholders and will not until at least 90% of the holders have accepted the proposal.—V. 148, p. 572.

(L.) Bamberger & Co.—President to Retire—
 William J. Wells will retire as President of this company as of April 26, it was announced on Jan. 31 by Percy S. Straus, President of R. H. Macy & Co., Inc., who accepted Mr. Wells' decision with regret. Mr. Wells has been head of Bamberger's since 1933. No successor will be named until the board of directors of the store meets on April 26, it was learned. He will continue as a director.—V. 148, p. 572.

Bankers Securities Corp.—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Profit & loss on sales.....	\$164,163	\$437,219	\$560,066	\$280,864
Int. divs. commissions, &c., income.....	661,366	682,999	704,686	479,132
Total income.....	\$825,529	\$1,120,219	\$1,554,752	\$759,996
Operating expenses.....	223,602	216,444	205,596	183,782
Non-recurring losses.....	12,870	6,303		
Taxes.....	56,548	53,009	46,464	41,502
Liquidation of sub. in excess of res'v. provided			119,798	101,868
Adjust't of sec. values to cost or market, whichever is lower.....	429,297	716,487	48,639	26,717
Profit for year.....	\$103,213	\$127,974	\$1,134,255	\$406,127
Partic. pref. dividend.....	181,619	183,311	191,215	

Comparative Balance Sheet Dec. 31

	1938	1937		1938	1937
Assets—			Liabilities—		
Cash.....	201,283	155,705	Due to brokers and customers.....	88,697	6,803
Trust funds—cash		33,000	Deferred income.....	380,268	497,668
Deposits in banks			Dividend payable.....	181,619	
in liquidation.....	150,997	255,646	Loan payable to bank.....		350,000
Loans receivable.....	1,265,093	1,546,859	Prepaid interest.....		2,721
First mortgage.....	844,528	944,876	Unadjusted credits	866	27,849
Real est. acquired.....	652,275	585,840	Reserve for taxes and deferred expenses.....	77,954	67,367
Partic. int. in bds., mtes., &c.....	46,659	44,907	Trust funds.....		33,000
City Stores Co. securities.....	6,932,460	6,999,993	Depos. rec. under conditional sales agreement.....		77,356
Serial gold debts.....		364,500	Participating preferred stock.....	10,000,000	10,000,000
Other securities.....	3,548,083	3,024,763	Common stock.....	3,000,000	3,000,000
Accts. receivable.....	9,000		Surplus.....	1,354,893	1,314,863
Accrued int. rec.....	45,096				
Inv. in & advs. to affiliates.....	758,220	770,340			
x Treasury stock at cost.....	531,992	504,075			
Due from brokers and customers.....	90,212	29,732			
Due from secs. sold under agree.....		56,261			
Accrued income.....		5,518			
Deferred charges.....	8,407	9,610			
Total.....	15,084,304	15,377,628	Total.....	15,084,304	15,377,628

x Represented by 18,381 shares (16,689 in 1937) participating preferred stock.—V. 147, p. 3904.

Beauharnois Power Corp., Ltd. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross revenue.....	\$3,632,202	\$2,205,047	\$1,663,250	\$2,872,882
Expenses.....	587,372	548,655	543,575	569,374
Fixed charges.....	2,669,034	1,660,596	1,153,912	1,759,343
Depreciation.....	450,000			Cr1,631
Interest income.....				
Deficit.....	\$74,204	\$4,204	\$34,238	sur\$545,795

x This amount has been reinvested in the development (as contemplated under the scheme of reorganization made effective in 1933), thereby reducing by that amount the capital outlay for which it was necessary to issue bonds during the year.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

	1938	1937		1938	1937
Assets—			Liabilities—		
Props., plant, rights & power devel., &c.....	72,002,007	71,367,481	x Capital stock.....	1,800,001	1,800,000
Montreal Light, Heat & Pow Cons	5,593,000		Funded debt.....	75,955,900	74,155,900
Cash dep. as guar.	42,425	y42,425	Accounts payable.....	152,592	142,444
Cash.....	1,194,394	584,315	Interest payable.....	1,754,008	913,328
Accts. receivable.....	447,461	288,490	Ins. & conting. res.....		165,448
Am't. due from underwriters of B. L., Ht. & Pow. Co. 1st mtge.....		4,570,709			
Prepaid charges.....	111,068	125,756			
Deficit.....	272,147	197,943			
Total.....	79,662,501	77,177,120	Total.....	79,662,501	77,177,120

x Represented by 1,431,599 (762,000 in 1937) common shares of no par value. y Including securities.—V. 147, p. 1917.

(Ludwig) Bauman & Co.—President Dies—
Ludwig Bauman, President of this company died on Jan. 26.—V. 148, p. 573.

Beattie Gold Mines, Ltd.—Earnings—
3 Months Ended Dec. 31—
Tons of ore milled—
Net income from metals produced—
Development, operating and other current expenses—

Estimated total profit—
Note—In the above figures no allowance has been made for taxes or depreciation.—V. 147, p. 2523.

Beaumont Sour Lake & Western Ry.—Earnings—
December—
Gross from railway—
Net from railway—
Net after rents—
From Jan. 1—
Gross from railway—
Net from railway—
Net after rents—

Belden Mfg. Co.—Dividends Resumed—
Directors have declared a dividend of five cents per share on the common stock, par \$10, payable Feb. 20 to holders of record Feb. 10. This will be the first dividend paid since May 16, 1938 when five cents per share was also distributed, previously regular quarterly dividends of 15 cents per share were paid.—V. 147, p. 3151.

Berland Shoe Stores, Inc.—Divs. Resumed—Extra Div.—
Directors have declared a dividend of 1 1/4 cents per share and an extra dividend of 1 1/2 cents per share (or a total of 2 3/4 cents per share) on the common stock, both payable Jan. 25 to holders of record Jan. 20. These dividends will be the first paid since Jan. 25, 1937 when an initial dividend of \$1.25 per share was distributed.—V. 148, p. 573.

Bessemer & Lake Erie RR.—Earnings—
December—
Gross from railway—
Net from railway—
Net after rents—
From Jan. 1—
Gross from railway—
Net from railway—
Net after rents—

Bethlehem Steel Corp.—New Director—
S. Wiley Wakeman has been elected a director of this corporation.—V. 148, p. 573.

Big Horn Placer Mining Corp.—Registers with SEC—
See list given on first page of this department.—V. 147, p. 1634.

Bigelow-Sanford Carpet Co.—To Pay Pref. Dividends—
Directors have declared a dividend of \$3 per share on account of accumulations on the 6% cumulative preferred stock, par \$100, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 14. This payment covers the two cumulative dividends omitted on Sept. 1 and on Dec. 1 1938.—V. 147, p. 1028.

Borden Co.—Interim Dividend—
Directors have declared an interim dividend of 30 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 15. A final dividend of 40 cents was paid on Dec. 20, last; interim dividends of 30 cents were paid on Sept. 1 and on June 1, last, and previously quarterly dividends of 40 cents per share were distributed.—V. 147, p. 3905.

Boss Mfg. Co. (& Subs.)—Balance Sheet Nov. 30—
Assets—
Cash in banks and on hand—
Accts. & notes receivable—
Inventories—
Surrender value of life ins. policies—
Amounts due from employees, balances due from closed banks, &c.—
Land, bldgs., machinery & equip.—
Deferred charges—
Liabilities—
Notes pay. to bks.—
Accounts payable—
Accr. wages & commissions—
Accrued taxes—
Res. for invent. & contingency—
Capital stock, com.—
Capital surplus—
Earned surplus—

Total—
x After reserve for doubtful accounts and discounts of \$34,557 in 1938 and \$33,440 in 1937. y After reserve for depreciation of \$1,431,968 (\$1,348,730 in 1937) and special reserve for depreciation of \$397,377.

50-Cent Dividend—
Directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, par \$100, payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Jan. 31. This compares with 25 cents paid on Nov. 15, Aug. 15 and May 16, last; and a dividend of \$1.50 paid on Feb. 15, 1938. Dividends of \$2 per share were paid in each of the four quarters of 1937 and dividends of \$1.50 per share were paid in each quarter of 1936 and 1935.—V. 146, p. 3004.

Boston Fund, Inc.—New Chairman, &c.—
Directors announced that Cecil E. Fraser has been elected Chairman of the Board and Treasurer; and O. Kelley Anderson has been elected President of the Fund, effective Feb. 1. Mr. Fraser was formerly President and Mr. Anderson was Treasurer. Concurrent with these changes, directors also announced the election of Robert L. Osgood as Vice-President.—V. 147, p. 3303.

Boston & Maine RR.—Bank Loan Extension—
The Interstate Commerce Commission has authorized the company to reissue or extend to Feb. 1, 1941, notes for \$5,500,000 representing bank loans due Feb. 1. The company also was authorized to extend for a similar period the pledge of all or any part of \$7,500,000 of first mortgage 5% bonds and \$17,500,000 first mortgage 6% bonds as collateral security for the notes.

Seek Extension of RFC Loans—
The road on Jan. 25 asked the ICC to approve extension for two years of \$10,071,834 Reconstruction Finance Corporation loans due Feb. 1.

Abandonment—
The Interstate Commerce Commission on Jan. 24 issued a certificate permitting abandonment by the road of a portion of its Salem branch, extending from Wilmington Junction to South Middleton, approximately seven miles, all in Middlesex and Essex Counties, Mass.—V. 147, p. 4048.

Earnings for December and 12 months Ended Dec. 31.
Period End. Dec. 31—
Operating revenues—
Operating expenses—
Net operating revenue—
Taxes—
Equipment rents—Dr—
Joint fac. rents—Dr—
Net ry. oper. income—
Other income—
Total income—
Total deduct'ns (rentals, interest, &c.)—
Net income—
x Indicates deficit.—V. 147, p. 4048.

Boston Personal Property Trust—Earnings—
Calendar Years—
Income rec. during year—
Commissions & expense—
Taxes—
Net income—
Dividends—
Surplus for year—
x Includes extra dividends of \$49,563 in 1937 and \$62,606 in 1936. y Includes \$2,443 (\$5,016 in 1935) transferred from surplus income.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938
Assets—Cash in bank, \$40,038; dividends receivable, \$24,179; investments in securities (approximate market value \$4,211,320), \$4,184,751; prepaid expenses and deferred charges, \$750; total, \$4,249,718.
Liabilities—Accrued liabilities, \$7,695; capital shares outstanding (260,860 shares, no par), \$3,953,025; paid-in surplus, \$239,890; loss on sale of securities (net), Dr \$335,043; surplus income, \$384,150; total, \$4,249,718.—V. 147, p. 2523.

Boston Revere Beach & Lynn RR.—Earnings—
Period End. Dec. 31—
Net loss—
Rev. fare pass. carried—
Ave. fare per rev. pass.—

Brazilian Traction, Light & Power Co., Ltd.—Earnings—
Period End. Dec. 31—
Gross earnings from oper.—
Operating expenses—
x Net earnings—
y Before depreciation and amortization.—V. 147, p. 4049.

Breeze Corp., Inc.—Stop Order Lifted—
Securities and Exchange Commission has declared effective an amendment filed by the corporation to its Securities Act registration and has declared the registration to be effective. As a result, the stop order issued against the registration last year has been lifted.—V. 147, p. 3757.

Brewing Corp. of America—To Pay 30-Cent Dividend
Directors have declared a dividend of 30 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 15 to holders of record March 1. Last previous payment was the 75-cent dividend disbursed on Sept. 15, 1938, when company was known as Peerless Corp.—V. 148, p. 573.

Bristol-Myers Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—
Period End. Dec. 31—
Net profit—
Shares capital stock (par \$5) outstanding—
Earnings per share—
y After depreciation, Federal taxes and other charges. z Before surtax on undistributed profits.—V. 147, p. 2861.

Brooklyn Edison Co.—New Members for Executive Committee—
George V. McLaughlin, President of Brooklyn Trust Co., and Neal Dow Becker, President of Intertype Corp., have been elected to the Executive Committee of this company. Both are directors of Brooklyn Edison and trustees of Consolidated Edison Co. of New York, the parent company.—V. 147, p. 3757.

Brooklyn Union Gas Co.—New Director—
William de Krafft has been elected a director of the company filling the vacancy caused by the death of James H. Jourdan.—V. 147, p. 1029.

Budd Realty Corp.—Bonds Called—
A total of \$110,000 first and refunding mortgage gold bonds, 6% series, due Sept. 1, 1941, has been called for redemption on March 1 at 103 and accrued interest. Payment will be made at the Pennsylvania Co. for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities.—V. 147, p. 3448.

Bunte Brothers—To Pay \$1 Dividend—
Directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on the common stock, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 18. Like amount was paid on Feb. 21, 1938. A dividend of 50 cents was paid on Feb. 15, 1937; one of \$1 was paid on Dec. 1, 1936, and a dividend of 50 cents was paid on April 1, 1936, this last being the first dividend paid since Feb. 1, 1932, and \$1 per share was distributed.—V. 147, p. 3947.

Burlington-Rock Island RR.—Earnings—
December—
Gross from railway—
Net from railway—
Net after rents—
From Jan. 1—
Gross from railway—
Net from railway—
Net after rents—

Butler Brothers, Inc.—Interim Dividend—
Directors have declared an interim dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 9. Regular quarterly dividend of like amount was last paid on March 1, 1938.—V. 147, p. 2861.

(A. M.) Byers Co.—Earnings—
Period End. Dec. 31—
Net loss—
x After taxes, depreciation, patent amortization, &c.—V. 148, p. 574.

Cambria & Indiana RR.—Earnings—
December—
Gross from railway—
Net from railway—
Net after rents—
From Jan. 1—
Gross from railway—
Net from railway—
Net after rents—

Canada Wire & Cable Co., Ltd.—Dividends Resumed—
Directors on Jan. 25 resumed payment of dividends on the class A and class B stocks with the declaration of four quarterly dividends of \$1 per share each on the class A stock and a dividend of 25 cents per share on the class B stock. The A dividends will be paid on March 15, June 15, Sept. 15 and Dec. 15 to holders of record Feb. 28, May 31, Aug. 31 and Nov. 30, respectively. The B dividend will be paid on March 15 to holders of record Feb. 28.—V. 147, p. 1919.

Canadian Malartic Gold Mines, Ltd.—Earnings—
3 Mos. Ended Dec. 31—
Tons ore milled—
Metal production (gross)—
Marketing charges—
Profit—
Operating costs—
Administrative and general expense—Toronto office—
Operating profit for period—
Capital expenditures—
Note—In the above figures no allowance has been made for taxes, depreciation or deferred development.—V. 147, p. 2524.

Canadian Oil Cos., Ltd.—New Control—
Control of the company has been acquired by Nesbitt, Thomson & Co. from the National Refining Co. of Cleveland, Ohio, it was announced Jan. 27 in Canadian press dispatches.
F. H. Littlefield of Toronto, President of the company, announced that at a board meeting three United States directors representing the Cleveland company had been replaced by P. A. Thomson, John Irwin and E. G. Smith of Montreal.
The company conducts a coast-to-coast business in gasoline, lubricating oils and kerosene. It refines, distributes and sells through 145 gasoline stations. It operates at Petrolia, Ont., a refinery with a monthly capacity of 100,000 barrels and owns the Sarnia-Toledo Transit Co., which operates an oil-carrying freighter between Toledo, Ohio, and Sarnia, Ont.

Extra Dividend—
Directors have declared an extra dividend of 12½ cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of like amount on the common stock, both payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Feb. 1. Similar payments were made on Feb. 15, 1938.—V. 147, p. 415.

Canadian Pacific Ry.—Earnings—

Period End. Dec. 31—	1938—Month—	1937—Month—	1938—12 Mos.—	1937—12 Mos.—
Gross earnings	\$11,948,454	\$12,262,235	\$142,258,981	\$145,085,558
Working expenses	8,602,693	9,336,869	121,506,515	121,343,311
Net earnings	\$3,345,761	\$2,925,366	\$20,752,466	\$23,742,247

—V. 148, p. 575.

Cariboo Hudson Gold Mines, Ltd.—Registers with SEC—
See list given on first page of this department.—V. 145, p. 104.

Carpenter Steel Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Dec. 31—	1938—3 Mos.—	1937—3 Mos.—	1938—6 Mos.—	1937—6 Mos.—
Net profit	\$60,281	\$54,516	\$21,122	\$309,631
Earnings per share	\$0.17	\$0.15	\$0.06	\$0.86

After depreciation, taxes, &c. y On 360,000 shares (par \$5) capital stock.—V. 147, p. 3449.

Carriers & General Corp.—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Cash divs. on stocks	\$206,019	\$394,031	\$372,613	\$139,153
Interest on bonds	33,165	48,924	55,285	54,042
Stock rec. as a div. on investment held	—	825	3,940	—
Total income	\$239,184	\$443,779	\$431,837	\$193,195
Expenses	57,256	77,014	86,765	63,436
Int. on 5% debts. & amt. of deb. discount & exp.	110,750	110,750	110,750	—
Prov. for Fed. inc. tax	1,600	3,850	2,850	—
Operating income	\$69,578	\$252,166	\$231,472	\$129,759
Net loss on sales of securities	1,078,734	9,929	prof8,957	355,197
Net oper. loss for year	\$1,009,156	prof\$242,237	prof\$240,429	\$225,438

Dividends 120,424 210,742 178,497 111,869
* The basis for computing cost of securities is that of average cost.
y Provision for Federal surtax on undistributed net income.

Surplus Account for Year Ended Dec. 31

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Capital surplus balance—Dec. 31	\$14,453,104	\$14,453,104	\$14,453,104	\$14,137,623
Oper. deficit bal. Dec. 31	8,058,246	8,092,073	8,154,005	7,812,677
Assess'm't for Fed. transf. taxes paid under protest	—	—	—	4,021
Oper. loss for year (as above)	1,009,156	prof242,237	prof240,429	225,438
Excess prov. for prior years taxes, net	Cr5,173	Cr2,332	—	—
Dividends declared	120,424	210,742	178,497	111,869
Balance Dec. 31	\$5,270,451	\$6,394,858	\$6,361,031	\$5,983,618

* Includes \$315,480 excess of amount of cash received and valuation ascribed to securities acquired over par value of capital stock issued therefor.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

	1938	1937		1938	1937
Assets—			Liabilities—		
Invest. at cost—			Acct. pay., acerd.		
Stocks	\$6,614,759	\$7,922,489	Int. on 5% debts., &c.	\$21,100	\$21,878
Bonds	711,344	543,960	Dividends payable	30,106	—
Cash in bank	440,651	405,372	Prov. for Fed. cap. stk. & oth. taxes	5,556	18,429
Rec. for secur. sold not net delivered	9,469	—	15-year 5% debts. due Nov. 1, 1950	2,000,000	2,000,000
Div. receivable	21,755	13,065	y Capital stock	602,120	602,120
Acrd. int. on bonds	7,548	7,548	Surplus	5,270,451	6,394,858
Deferred charges	131,354	144,851			
Total	\$7,929,333	\$9,037,286	Total	\$7,929,333	\$9,037,286

* The aggregate market value as of Dec. 31, 1938, of securities owned was \$5,305,743. At Dec. 31, 1937, \$4,725,796. y Represented by shares of \$1 par value.—V. 147, p. 2387.

Carreras, Ltd.—Dividends—
Directors have declared a stock dividend of four shares of class B stock for each share of class A stock held and a dividend of one share of class B stock for each two shares of class B stock held, payable to holders of record Jan. 4.—V. 147, p. 4049.

Carson Hill Gold Mining Corp.—Earnings—
Income Account Year Ended Sept. 30, 1938

Gold and silver bullion sales	\$845,359
Refining charges, express, insurance, &c.	5,069
Balance	\$840,289
Operating expenses	675,041
Net operating income	\$165,248
Other income	698
Total income	\$165,946
Interest expense	2,769
Normal income tax	7,985
Undistributed profits tax	349
Provision for depletion and depreciation	102,185
Net income	\$52,658
Dividends paid	48,000
Earnings per share on 2,400,000 shares capital stock (par \$1)	\$0.02

3 Months Ended Dec. 31—

	1938	1937
Tons milled	98,605	86,805
Revenue from sale of bullion	\$234,167	\$203,578
Revenue from other sources	200	214
Total revenue	\$234,367	\$203,792
Operating costs	183,818	171,795
Operating profit before deducting deprec., depletion, &c.	\$50,549	\$31,997

Balance Sheet Sept. 30, 1938

Assets—Fixed assets less reserve for depreciation, \$1,952,968; cash on hand and demand deposits, \$3,867; accounts receivable—bullion, \$50,447; accounts receivable—miscellaneous, \$5,059; inventory of stores and supplies, \$24,260; deferred charges, \$14,793; discount on treasury stock sold, \$531,967; total, \$2,583,359.

Liabilities—Capital stock (par \$1), \$2,400,000; balance due on Finnegan Mining property payable at rate of 10% of gross production from such property but not less than \$840 per month (secured by title to property—contra), \$18,952; trade notes payable including \$991 accrued interest thereon (unsecured), \$3,492; conditional sales contracts payable on machinery and

equipment, \$1,677; other trade accounts payable, \$35,939; current amount due to parent company, \$1,388; payroll payable, \$14,745; Federal and State payroll taxes payable, \$5,725; provision for Federal income taxes including accrued interest, \$13,092; accrued property and capital stock taxes, \$1,245; earned surplus, \$87,105; total, \$2,583,359.—V. 147, p. 3758.

(A. M.) Castle & Co.—Earnings—
Calendar Years—

	1938	1937	1936
Net profit	\$216,406	\$958,932	\$559,377
Common shares outstanding	240,000	240,000	120,000
Earnings per share	\$0.90	\$4.00	\$4.66

x After all charges and taxes (including surtax). y After additional provision of \$13,360 for prior years' taxes.—V. 147, p. 2525.

Central Breweries, Inc.—Earnings—
Years Ended Oct. 31—

	1938	1937	1936
Gross profit on sales (before deprec.)	\$253,178	\$280,334	\$382,303
Selling, delivery & admin. expense	232,470	203,011	226,677
Net profit from operations (before depreciation)	\$20,709	\$77,323	\$155,626
Other income	1,971	1,968	4,556
Total income	\$22,680	\$79,291	\$160,183
Interest & discount on mtge. notes	18,430	18,093	20,056
Interest on current loans	—	125	1,370
Provision for depreciation on plant, machinery, equipm't & containers	67,208	66,200	61,853
Reserved for Federal income tax	—	—	10,574
Net loss	\$62,959	\$5,126	prof\$66,330
Earns. per sh. on 114,706 shs. com.stk.	Nil	Nil	\$0.58

Balance Sheet Oct. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash on hand and in banks, \$42,655; accounts receivable—customers (less reserve for doubtful accounts of \$7,510), \$33,506; inventory of materials and supplies, \$12,351; inventory of beer, \$29,370; inventory of revenue stamps, \$1,989; due from officer and employees, \$1,560; land, buildings, machinery and equipment, \$334; accrued wages and taxes, \$7,614; accrued interest and expenses, \$5,531; customers' deposits on containers, \$9,879; 1st mtge. note payable—due June 30, 1939, \$150,000; 2d mtge. notes payable—due March 15, 1939 (less held in treasury, \$42,000), \$108,000; capital stock (114,706 shares), \$573,530; capital surplus, \$85,935; operating deficit, \$132,334; total, \$808,491.—V. 146, p. 273.

Central Illinois Electric & Gas Co.—To Sell Notes—
Company has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission an application (File 32-130) for exemption from the requirement of filing a declaration in connection with the issuance and sale of \$2,000,000 of secured 3¼% promissory notes due Feb. 15, 1939, and maturing in three years, and the issuance of \$3,000,000 of 1st & ref. mtge. gold bonds, 5% series due Feb. 1, 1951, as collateral for the notes. The application states that \$852,000 of the bonds to be pledged are presently held in the company's treasury.
The notes, it is stated, are to be sold at private sale at the face amount plus accrued interest either to the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. and the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, in equal amounts, or as a whole, to the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co.
The proceeds from the sale of the promissory notes, together with cash in the amount of approximately \$35,000, are to be used for the payment of \$2,035,000 of 1st & ref. mtge. 5% 30-year gold bonds due March 1, 1939, of Rockford Electric Co. which securities have been assumed by the applicant.—V. 147, p. 3304.

Central Illinois Light Co.—Earnings—
Period Ended Dec. 31—

	1938—Month—	1937—Month—	1938—12 Mos.—	1937—12 Mos.—
Gross revenue	\$842,793	\$845,569	\$8,560,810	\$8,820,588
Oper. expenses & taxes	463,132	470,288	4,906,056	4,867,104
Prov. for depreciation	82,600	82,600	991,200	975,200
Gross income	\$297,061	\$292,680	\$2,663,554	\$2,978,284
Int. and other fixed chgs.	62,576	66,349	763,353	754,163
Net income	\$234,484	\$226,332	\$1,900,401	\$2,224,121
Divs. on preferred stock	41,802	41,802	501,608	501,608
Amort. of pref. stk. exp.	15,949	15,949	191,405	191,405
Balance	\$176,733	\$168,580	\$1,207,388	\$1,531,108

—V. 147, p. 4050.

Central Indiana Power Co.—Seeks Exemption—
The Securities and Exchange Commission has announced that company has filed an application for exemption from the requirement of filing a declaration in connection with the issuance of not to exceed \$430,000 of collateral notes and such part of \$824,000 of series A refunding bonds, due July 1, 1947, as may be necessary for collateral security for the notes.
The notes are to be issued to the Rural Electrification Administration under a construction loan contract at 2.73% interest on unpaid balances, the proceeds to be used for additional facilities for rural customers in and adjacent to Hamilton and Howard counties, Ind.—V. 147, p. 4050.

Central Paper Co., Inc.—Earnings—
Period—

	6 Mos. Ended		Years Ended	
	Dec. 31, '38	Dec. 31, '37	June 30, '37	June 30, '36
Net sales	\$1,355,281	\$1,107,130	\$2,611,225	\$1,959,202
Cost of sales (excl. of depreciation)	1,080,389	772,909	1,779,839	1,427,846
Gross profit	\$274,892	\$334,221	\$831,386	\$531,356
Selling, gen. & adm. exps	150,324	138,582	260,303	208,515
Canadian timber exps.	446	303	3,393	4,462
Operating profit	\$124,121	\$195,335	\$567,690	\$318,380
Other income (other than discount on treas. bds.)	15,260	11,176	51,391	20,210
Total income	\$139,381	\$206,512	\$619,081	\$338,590
Non-oper. deduc. other than int. and discount	28,010	34,751	97,878	61,685
Int. on bank loans, notes and miscellaneous	2,465	2,004	2,220	6,204
Interest on funded debt	17,377	19,315	41,233	37,050
Amortiz. on bond disc. and expense	1,635	1,635	3,270	3,124
Adjust. on local taxes applic. to prior period	—	3,460	—	—
Profit	\$89,894	\$145,346	\$474,480	\$230,526
Discount on treas. bonds purchased	1,855	1,357	2,497	42,644
Net profit before depreciation, &c.	\$91,749	\$146,704	\$476,977	\$273,170
Prov. for depreciation	54,430	54,431	109,146	107,735
Prov. for Fed. income & excess profit taxes	4,491	12,681	41,522	24,133
Net profit	\$32,827	\$79,592	\$326,309	\$141,303

Condensed Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash on hand and in banks, \$94,152; notes and trade acceptances receivable, \$2,009; accounts receivable, customers, \$251,582; advances on wood purchase contracts, \$89,825; inventories, \$542,482; sinking funds and treasury securities, \$133,670; investments in and due from subsidiary companies, \$542; other investments, \$3,397; fixed assets (less reserve for depreciation of \$2,330,637), \$1,455,838; deferred charges, \$68,935; total, \$2,642,431.

Liabilities—Notes payable, bank, \$25,000; notes and accounts payable, trade and miscellaneous, \$113,424; accrued liabilities—wages, commissions and bonus, \$20,709; real and personal property taxes due within one year, \$24,662; Federal capital stock, payroll and income and excess-profits taxes, \$22,283; interest, \$11,325; long-term liabilities, \$639,835; reserve,

\$9,376; 3%-6% non-convertible cumulative preferred stock (par \$10), \$321,300; 3%-6% convertible cumulative preferred stock (par \$10), \$389,275; common stock (par \$1), \$145,578; capital surplus arising from reorganization, \$265,007; earned surplus appropriated for sinking fund B, \$27,845; earned surplus available for dividends, \$628,810; total, \$2,642,431.—V. 147, p. 3006.

Central RR. Co. of N. J.—Asks Land Sale Authority—

Supported by the owners of a majority of its general mortgage bonds, company has asked the U. S. District Court for permission to divest itself of 578 acres of lands at present comprising part of the security for the bonds. The object of the proceeding is to effect an annual saving of approximately \$400,000 in taxes to the State of New Jersey and the cancellation of a liability for \$1,000,000 in back taxes. In a suit against the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., as trustee of the general mortgage the carrier asserted that all of the land, located in Jersey City and Bayonne, N. J., is under water with the exception of 170 acres and that none of it is used for railroad purposes. The carrier proposes to forfeit its title to the property through non-payment of taxes. However, the Central Hanover as trustee has refused to release the tracts of land from the lien of the mortgage unless other collateral of equal value is substituted. Jersey Central, declaring it is unable to sell the land or comply with the substitution provisions of the mortgage, asked the court to direct the trustee to release the six parcels of property from the lien of the mortgage.

Holdings of approximately \$24,698,000 of \$48,824,000 of the outstanding bonds have indicated assent to the proposal. In 1938 taxes assessed against the property amounted to \$509,602, most of which is due to the State of New Jersey. Taxes of \$1,555,160 are accrued on the land. The move to reduce taxes is part of a program to rearrange the financial structure of the company. Negotiations to cut interest charges without the necessity of bankruptcy have been in progress some months but no definite plans have been agreed upon.—V. 148, p. 575.

Central States Electric Corp.—Annual Report—

C. A. Johnson, President, says in part: The consolidated statement of corporation and its wholly owned subsidiary (Utilities Shares Corp.) as of Dec. 31, 1938, are adjusted to reflect the liquidation of a wholly owned subsidiary (Northern Shares Co., Inc.) in January, 1939, and the acquisition in the same month of \$2,266,000 of 5% and 5 1/2% debts., including accrued interest, in exchange for 33,990 shares of The North American Co. common stock.

There were several major transactions effected during the last six months' period, and the following comparative list of investments and the funded indebtedness of the corporation at June 30, 1938 and Dec. 31, 1938, will indicate the nature of the changes:

Table with columns: Investment (Shares), June 30, '38, *Dec. 31, '38, Inc. (+) Dec. (-). Rows include North American Co., common; American Cities Power & Light Corp., class A; class B; Blue Ridge Corp., common; Electric Shareholdings Corp., com.

Total funded indebtedness \$36,219,000 \$27,727,000 \$8,492,000. * Adjusted to reflect special transactions in January, 1939.

Of the decrease of 146,765 shares of North American Co. common, 122,865 shares were used to acquire \$8,191,000 of 5% and 5 1/2% debentures, including accrued interest of \$116,190 to date of acquisition. This was equivalent to \$67.61 per share of North American Co. common used for the purpose and resulted in a credit of \$5,284,986. In addition, there were \$602,000 of 5% debentures purchased during the year, in accordance with the terms of the liquidation, resulting in a credit of \$400,773. Of the remaining \$500,663 of unamortized discount as of Dec. 31, 1937, \$483,429 was applied against the above credits and \$17,233 was charged against income. The total principal amount of debentures acquired during the year 1938 and in the month of January, 1939 totaled \$8,793,000, and annual interest requirements eliminated amounted to \$467,015.

At June 30, 1938, corporation owned directly approximately 46% of the common stock of Electric Shareholdings Corp. and controlled an additional 40% indirectly through its 70% interest in the class B stock of American Cities Power & Light Corp. At the same date corporation owned directly approximately 19%, 32% indirectly through its interest in American Cities Power & Light Corp., and Electric Shareholdings Corp. In November, 1938, corporation and American Cities Power & Light Corp. entered into an agreement with Tri-Continental Corp. and affiliated company, whereby the major portion of the investment in Electric Shareholdings Corp. was exchanged for additional stock of the Blue Ridge Corp. As a result of this exchange and other related transactions, corporation, at Dec. 31, 1938, owned directly approximately 31% of the common stock of the Blue Ridge Corp. and controlled an additional 42% indirectly through its interest in American Cities Power & Light Corp. An investment of 9.88% of the common stock of Electric Shareholdings Corp. is also retained.

Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years. Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Cash dividends, Oper. exps., taxes, int. and discount, Net deficit, Balance, deficit, Jan. 1, Miscellaneous credit, Loss on sale of securities.

c Bal. deficit Dec. 31, \$24,896,629 \$22,923,469 \$22,574,233 \$21,396,239 a Includes interest received. c After applying credits in prior periods from valuation of stock dividends received.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31. Table with columns for 1938, 1937. Rows include Assets (Investments, Invest. in wholly owned sub., Due from Northern Shares Co., Inc., in liquidation, Cash on dep. with banks & trustees, Dividends receivable, Unamortized discount on debentures, Accts. receivable) and Liabilities (5% conv. debts., Opt. 5 1/2% debts., Int. accord. on debts., Accts. pay & accrued expenses, Res. for conting., Capital, Excess of par value of pref. stocks held in treasury over cost thereof, Deficit).

Total 35,870,910 46,720,225. a 7% preferred stock, issue of 1912, cumulative (par \$100), 75,433 shares, less 6,633 shares held in treasury; serial preferred stock (par \$100), preferred stock 6% series, 101,240 shares, less 6,400 shares held in treasury; convertible preferred stock, optional dividend series, 15,788 shares, less 475 shares

held in treasury; convertible preferred stock, optional series of 1929, 36,561 shares, less 4,900 shares held in treasury; common stock, \$1 par, represented by 10,121,509 shares, less 16,486 shares held in treasury in 1938 and 10,127,029 shares, less 16,486 shares held in treasury in 1937.

b At average cost, including valuation placed by the board of directors upon stock dividends received (carried to surplus). c After reserve of \$5,136,223.—V. 147, p. 4050.

Central Surety & Insurance Co.—Larger Dividend—

Directors have declared a dividend of 80 cents per share on the common stock, par \$20, payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Jan. 31. Previously regular semi-annual dividends of 75 cents per share were distributed.—V. 143, p. 578.

Central Terminal Ry.—Bonds Extended—

The Interstate Commerce Commission on Jan. 21 authorized the company to extend from Nov. 1, 1941 to Nov. 1, 1953, the date of maturity of not exceeding \$1,231,000 of first mortgage Chicago terminal 4% 30-year sinking fund gold bonds.

The report of the Commission says in part: "The extension of the maturity of the bonds is to be effected pursuant to a proposed extension agreement to be dated as of Nov. 1, 1938, between the applicant, the trustee under the mortgage, and the assenting bondholders. The agreement, which will not become effective until at least 90% in principal amount of the outstanding bonds are deposited with the trustee, will provide that, upon such deposit, the trustee will cause to be printed or stamped upon each bond a statement of the extension of the maturity thereof to Nov. 1, 1953, and will cause to be annexed to the coupon bonds interest coupons for the extended period, the rate of interest during the extended period and the time for paying it to remain the same. Both the principal of and interest on the bonds, as extended, will be payable in such coin or currency as at the time of payment will be legal tender for public and private debts. In lieu of the sinking fund provisions contained in the mortgage, the proposed agreement will provide that the applicant will pay to the trustee, as a fund for the payment of the principal and interest on the outstanding bonds, (a) on or before March 15 and Sept. 15 of each year, beginning March 15, 1939, the sum of \$51,964; and (b) the excess, if any, of its cash on hand when the extension plan becomes operative, over (1) the sum of \$5,000 for working capital, (2) an amount sufficient to pay six months' taxes on the applicant's properties, and (3) an amount sufficient to pay the expenses incurred by the applicant in connection with the agreement. The moneys in the fund will be used to purchase the outstanding bonds by lot, at 102 1/4 in the case of non-extended bonds and at par in the case of extended bonds, plus accrued int. in each case. In addition to the case of extended bonds mentioned, the applicant will agree to pay to the trustee, as and for a reserve fund for the benefit of the outstanding bonds, on or before Aug. 10 and Feb. 10 of each year, beginning Aug. 10, 1939, an amount in cash equal to its net income until the amount so paid equals \$109,928. The agreement will also provide that when all the non-extended bonds are paid, or provision made for their payment, all or any part of the extended bonds may be redeemed, at the option of the applicant, on any interest-payment date, upon not less than 30 days' notice, at 105 and accrued interest.—V. 95, p. 749.

Central Zone Property Corp.—Earnings—

Table with columns: 6 Months Ended (Dec. 31, '38, June 30, '38), Years End. Dec. 31-1938, 1937. Rows include Rentals, All other income, Total oper. receipts, Operating disbursements, Gen. & admin. exps., Excess oper. receipts, Property taxes, Deprec. & obsolescence, Int. paid on 6% cum. income bonds, Deficit.

* Full year 1938. Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938. Assets—Cash, \$101,286; miscellaneous accounts receivable, \$775; land and building at cost (less reserve for depreciation of \$166,795), \$1,697,474; miscellaneous equipment (less reserve for depreciation of \$85), \$469; deficit, \$42,665; total, \$1,842,665.

Liabilities—6% cumulative income debenture bonds, due Aug. 1, 1933, \$1,821,500; capital account (issued 21,165 shares \$1 par), \$21,165; total, \$1,842,665.—V. 147, p. 1482.

Century Shares Trust—Earnings—

Table with columns: Calendar Years—1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Cash dividends, Trustee's fees, Operating expenses, Net income, Red. of res. for cap. stk. tax, Reserve for dividends on participating shares, Balance of undistributed income, Miscellaneous credit, Total, Divs. on partic. shares.

Capital Accounts for the Year Ended Dec. 31, 1938. Proceeds from sales of shares—balance Dec. 31, 1937, \$14,395,034. For the year 1938, \$1,191,961.

Total \$15,586,995. Less average paid-in value of shares purchased and retired during 1938, \$1,216,301. \$14,370,694.

Credit resulting from retirement of shares at less than average paid-in value thereof at dates of purchase: Balance, Dec. 31, 1937, \$1,437,310. For the year 1938, \$300,558.

Total \$16,108,591. Balance of profit and loss from sale of investments; based on Federal income tax costs—Balance Dec. 31, 1937, \$2,768,773. For the year 1938, \$172,725.

Capital accounts Dec. 31, 1938, \$13,167,093. Notes—Excess of cost of investments over quoted bid prices: At Dec. 31, 1937, \$3,535,194; at Dec. 31, 1938, \$1,652,676; decrease during year \$1,882,518.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31. Table with columns for 1938, 1937. Rows include Assets (Invest. at cost, Casualty insur., Fire insurance, Life insurance, N. Y. banks and trust cos., Other banks & trust cos., Cash, Accrued divs. rec., Accts. rec. for invests. sold, Accts. rec. for sales of shares) and Liabilities (Accrued expenses, Accrued taxes, Accts. pay. for shares purchased, Accts. payable for invest. purchas., Reserve for div. on partic. shares, Shs. outstanding, Undistributed income).

Total 13,417,810 13,251,269. Total 13,417,810 13,251,269. a 488,292 participating shares par value \$1, and 488,292 ordinary shares par \$1. b Market value \$11,429,348 in 1938, and \$9,555,839 in 1937. c Represented by 503,759 shares of \$1 par value.—V. 148, p. 274.

Charleston & Western Carolina Ry.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$181,884	\$192,604	\$201,815	\$152,236
Net from railway	51,223	40,484	53,410	35,486
Net after rents	52,960	34,175	34,368	31,861
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	2,164,131	2,521,102	2,246,443	1,943,125
Net from railway	519,252	787,869	709,059	506,619
Net after rents	291,986	496,719	445,727	326,335

Chicago Burlington & Quincy RR.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$8,189,622	\$7,912,073	\$8,920,988	\$7,284,310
Net from railway	2,741,601	2,556,327	2,746,027	1,910,542
Net after rents	1,650,048	1,493,066	1,578,475	1,175,789
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	93,070,136	100,151,212	98,082,411	82,901,980
Net from railway	25,982,916	25,873,207	26,839,408	20,357,596
Net after rents	12,407,393	13,326,497	13,448,827	10,228,355

Chicago City & Connecting Rys. Collateral Trust—

Earnings Cal. Years	1938	1937	1936	1935
Interest received	None	None	None	None
Other income				
Gross income				
Bond interest	\$1,030,800	\$1,030,800	\$1,030,800	\$1,030,800
General expenses	19,461	19,476	23,355	23,952
Taxes	20,616	20,616	20,616	20,616
Loss	\$1,070,877	\$1,070,892	\$1,074,771	\$1,075,368
Deficit, Jan. 1	13,586,328	12,515,436	11,440,664	10,365,296
Deficit, Dec. 31	\$14,657,205	\$13,586,328	\$12,515,436	\$11,440,664

Statement of Current Assets and Liabilities Dec. 31

	1938	1937	1938	1937
<i>Assets—</i>			<i>Liabilities—</i>	
Cash	3,106	3,317	Acctd. int. payable	12,432,953
Other investments	129,800	129,800	Accounts payable	66,291
Excess curr. liabil.			Bills payable	221,000
over curr. assets	12,834,747	11,763,870	Reserves	247,409
Total	12,967,654	11,896,988	Total	12,967,654

Chicago & Eastern Illinois Ry.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$1,328,422	\$1,338,912	\$1,654,766	\$1,309,236
Net from railway	398,622	331,638	667,051	391,914
Net after rents	200,314	89,590	403,749	182,962
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	14,288,786	16,382,400	16,109,107	13,427,593
Net from railway	3,046,693	3,851,597	4,357,967	2,800,460
Net after rents	667,265	1,336,582	1,658,301	622,754

Plan Amended—

A number of minor modifications of the reorganization plan have been approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission. The changes do not alter the spirit of the plan.—V. 147, p. 4050.

Chicago Great Western RR.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$1,525,265	\$1,488,809	\$1,787,770	\$1,416,299
Net from railway	407,123	398,809	665,352	677,118
Net after rents	151,934	144,639	365,063	478,171
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	17,141,964	18,710,372	18,817,001	15,607,176
Net from railway	3,900,301	4,448,861	5,599,582	4,016,088
Net after rents	593,476	862,928	2,197,924	1,307,386

Stockholders' Committee Asks Delay in Revamping—

A common stockholders' protective committee proposed in a petition to the Interstate Commerce Commission on Jan. 26 that reorganization of the road be deferred indefinitely pending the settlement of a number of issues which might have a bearing on the road's earning capacity.—V. 148, p. 275.

Chicago Milwaukee St. Paul & Pacific RR.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$8,605,808	\$8,266,682	\$9,517,686	\$7,788,073
Net from railway	1,937,704	1,326,312	2,622,753	1,820,609
Net after rents	1,007,187	383,163	1,482,104	942,846
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	99,436,846	107,662,276	109,142,086	92,446,697
Net from railway	18,763,659	20,524,832	23,897,732	16,030,180
Net after rents	5,274,539	8,790,661	9,461,358	4,723,983

Chicago & North Western Ry.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$6,768,048	\$6,700,069	\$7,704,760	\$6,326,759
Net from railway	907,277	544,996	147,246	1,063,298
Net after rents	199,321	def 94,143	841,442	643,292
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	81,055,869	89,802,536	91,969,298	77,315,017
Net from railway	10,009,485	8,448,404	14,939,298	11,996,438
Net after rents	def 125,511	37,401	5,260,641	3,578,483

Chicago Railways Co.—Interest—

Interest of 2½% was paid Feb. 1, 1939, on the first mortgage 5% gold bonds, due Feb. 1, 1927, (stamped as to 25% partial redemption) upon presentation of bonds for endorsement of payment.—V. 147, p. 886.

Chicago Rock Island & Gulf Ry.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$354,712	\$404,552	\$400,886	\$332,966
Net from railway	89,082	176,423	151,490	81,315
Net after rents	17,581	119,229	71,980	213
<i>From Jan. 1—</i>				
Gross from railway	4,836,969	4,782,035	4,398,562	3,909,815
Net from railway	1,444,972	1,498,369	1,245,998	1,053,258
Net after rents	197,702	531,520	343,244	84,360

Cincinnati Union Terminal Co.—Offering of Bonds Up to Railroads—

Senator Robert A. Taft of Ohio in response to a letter of Robert R. Young said that financing of the company is in the hands of a committee of three representing the New York Central, the Pennsylvania and the Baltimore & Ohio railroads. He stated that neither he nor his law firm has anything to do with the sale of the Terminal company bonds.

The Senator stated that his law partner, John P. Hollister, phoned him in Washington that a telegram had been received from Robert R. Young asking the Senator his views with respect to the Terminal company financing and charging that Mr. Hollister had been offered \$900,000.

"The financing of Cincinnati Union Terminal Co. is entirely up to the finance committee of three, which will undoubtedly consider all offers," Senator Taft said. He added that while he did have a lot to do with original financing of the Cincinnati Union Terminal Co., since he was its general counsel, he did not now have any connection whatever with the company, although Mr. Hollister was still counsel.

Senator Taft observed also that any financing would be subject to approval of the Interstate Commerce Commission.—V. 148, p. 576.

Citizens Public Service Co.—Holding Company Ended—

On application of William W. Battles, Winthrop H. Battles, Joseph B. Keen and William H. Reynolds Jr., as liquidating directors or trustees, the Securities and Exchange Commission has issued an order declaring that the company has ceased to be a holding company.

The Commission said the company on Jan. 19, 1935, was proclaimed dissolved as of April 1, 1934, for the non-payment of taxes pursuant to the laws of Delaware. The only assets of the company are 200 shares of common stock of the Eastern Utilities Service Co. and less than \$100 in cash. Eastern Utilities, the Commission said, effected its dissolution on April 22, 1938, and made a pro rata distribution of its assets.

City Ice & Fuel Co.—To Pay 30-Cent Dividend—

Directors have declared a dividend of 30 cents per share on the common stock payable March 31 to holders of record March 15. Like amount was paid on Dec. 15 and Sept. 30 last; a dividend of 40 cents was paid on June 30 and on March 31, 1938, and dividends of 50 cents were paid on Dec. 15, 1937, and each three months previously.—V. 147, p. 3155.

Clear Springs Water Service Co.—Accumulated Div.—

Directors have declared a dividend of \$1.50 per share on account of accumulations on the \$6 cum. pref. stock, no par value, payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Feb. 4. Similar amounts were paid in each of the seven preceding quarters. Arreages after the current payment will amount to \$5.25 per share.—V. 147, p. 2678.

Cockshutt Plow Co., Ltd. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Years Ended Nov. 30—	1938	1937	1936
Operating profit	\$719,894	\$667,543	\$355,111
Income from investment	14,764	27,576	28,026
Total income	\$734,657	\$695,119	\$383,137
Executive remuneration	24,176	23,884	31,822
Directors' fee	1,600	1,600	1,600
Legal fee	446	1,593	1,033
Interest on bank loan	165,727	121,824	118,361
Depreciation of building and equipmt.	209,502	210,155	187,595
Uncollectible accounts of subsidiary	310,445	122,744	16,967
Prov. for Dominion & Prov. inc. taxes	10,131	30,229	4,273
Consolidated profit for year	\$12,631	\$183,091	\$21,487

Consolidated Balance Sheet Nov. 30

Assets—	1938	1937	Liabilities—	1938	1937
a Land, bldgs. & eq.	3,659,337	3,733,681	c Capital stock	6,382,876	6,382,876
Patents, trademarks, goodwill, &c.	1	1	Bank loans—secur.	2,648,000	2,288,000
Investm't in partly owned sub.	424,968	469,368	Accounts payable	438,540	214,354
Inventories	3,501,371	3,022,143	Res. for Dom. and Prov. inc. taxes	10,244	30,229
Accts. & notes rec.	3,463,535	3,261,774	Unclaimed divs.	11,170	11,314
Deferred charges to future operat'ns	63,547	48,524	Contingent reserve	435,000	435,000
Cash in banks and on hand	59,462	60,040	Capital surplus	971,247	971,247
			Consol. earned surplus	275,142	262,511
Total	11,172,220	10,595,532	Total	11,172,220	10,595,532

a After reserves for depreciation of \$2,170,254 in 1938 and \$1,983,955 in 1937. b After reserve of \$87,687. c Represented by 300,678 no par shares.—V. 146, p. 907.

Commercial Investment Trust Corp.—Annual Report—

Henry Ittleton, President, says in part: Combined net earnings for 1938 amount to \$16,172,308, consisting of \$14,599,802 from consolidated operations and \$1,572,506 representing undistributed net earnings of National Surety Corp., compared with \$21,501,296 combined net earnings in 1937.

After dividends on the preference stock, there remained net earnings applicable to the common stock in the amount of \$15,766,683, or \$4.75 per share on 3,319,582 shares outstanding in the hands of the public at Dec. 31, 1938, not including 200,000 shares of common stock issued on Dec. 21, 1938, in acquiring the minority stock of Universal Credit Corp. This company with \$21,095,055, or \$6.36 per share on 3,314,339 shares outstanding in the hands of the public at Dec. 31, 1937.

However, if the 1938 earnings applicable to the Universal Credit Corp. minority stock (all of which earnings were intact when the minority interest was acquired) were taken into consideration, the combined net earnings on our common stock would have been \$17,732,238, or \$5.04 per share on 3,519,582 shares of common stock, including the 200,000 shares referred to. Total net earnings of National Surety Corp. amounted to \$2,072,506 (exclusive of capital gains and losses, both realized and unrealized). Of these earnings, the sum of \$500,000 was paid as a dividend to this corporation and is included in the consolidated net earnings.

Dividends—Regular quarterly dividends were paid on the outstanding preference stock. On the common stock, regular quarterly dividends at the rate of \$4 per annum have been paid.

Finance—The acquisition of the minority interest in Universal Credit Corp. was consummated on Dec. 21, 1938 after extended negotiation.

Since 1933, corporation has owned all of the preferred stock and 70% of the common stock of Universal Credit Corp., our interest representing a cash investment of approximately \$50,000,000 and yielding a substantial proportion of our consolidated earnings. Since May 25, 1933, your corporation has held an option exercisable after five years, i.e., after May 25, 1938, to buy the minority interest for cash involving an outlay of between \$7,000,000 and \$7,500,000.

Some time before this option became effective, discussions began between the management of corporation and the owners of the minority stock of Universal Credit Corp. With full appreciation of our option rights, we approached the negotiation with two objectives in mind: first, the long-range protection of the large investment we already had in Universal Credit Corp. and of its earning power; and second, the purchase by an exchange of stock, in order to retain the proprietary interest of an important and influential group of minority stockholders in our enterprise as a whole through their acquisition for investment of stock in Commercial Investment Trust Corp.

The terms agreed upon provided for exchanging 200,000 shares of common stock, restricted as to resale, having a book value upon issuance of approximately \$6,200,000, plus options running five years to buy a total of 50,000 shares of corporation's common stock at \$32 a share, also restricted as to resale, plus \$1,500,000 in cash, for the minority stock of Universal Credit Corp. The agreements provided that if the closing date should be after the record date for the Jan. 1, 1939 dividend (which was the case) an additional amount of cash equal to the dividend on the 200,000 shares should be paid. The agreements with two of the minority stockholders, Ernest Kanzler and George H. Zimmerman, who have been President and Vice-President, respectively, of Universal Credit Corp. since it was organized in 1928, contain provisions against their competing in the finance business for seven years. In addition, Kanzler and Zimmerman both entered into employment contracts for a period of five years.

The shares of stock of corporation issued in exchange for the minority interest are restricted as to resale, as follows: None of the 200,000 shares issued on Dec. 21 may be sold or offered for sale until after six months, when 20% are freed from restrictions; on the remaining 80%, the restrictions will be automatically lifted in five equal amounts at the end of one year, 18 months and three, four and five years respectively until they are all cleared. Similar restrictions govern any stock acquired through exercise of the options, which restrictions will be released one-fifth at the end of each year for five years ending Dec. 21, 1943.

Operations—The volume of business handled during the year, by classes, and the amount of receivables on the books at the close of the year are presented below:

	Net Volume for the Year		
	1938	1937	Decrease
Retail automobile instalment			
lien notes	\$189,964,041	\$391,518,446	\$201,554,405
Industrial instalment notes, secured by liens or guar'tees	69,512,322	124,884,002	55,371,680
Total instalment notes	\$259,476,363	\$516,402,448	\$256,926,085
Wholesale lien notes and acceptances:			
Automobile	\$212,476,404	\$467,856,313	\$255,379,909
Industrial	6,086,391	12,016,089	5,929,698
Accounts receivable of factoring subsidiaries	218,421,612	295,429,288	77,007,676
Totals	\$696,460,770	\$1,291,704,138	\$595,243,368

Reduced activity in the textile and allied industries, which began in the fall of 1937, is reflected in the reduced volume and outstandings of the

acting subsidiaries, although this trend was reversed in the last quarter of 1938 when volume was higher than in the corresponding period of 1937. There is presently an improved outlook both from the standpoint of volume and credits.

Dollar Outstandings at Dec. 31

	1938	1937	Decrease
Retail automobile instalment			
lien notes	\$147,314,822	\$271,238,693	\$123,923,871
Industrial instalment notes, secured by liens or guarantees	83,814,688	109,531,360	25,716,672
Total instalment notes	\$231,129,510	\$380,770,053	\$149,640,543
Wholesale lien notes and acceptances:			
Automobile	\$28,315,582	\$46,256,775	\$17,941,193
Industrial	653,718	1,933,642	1,279,924
Accounts receivable of factoring subsidiaries	30,800,251	37,314,843	6,514,592
Totals	\$290,899,061	\$466,275,313	\$175,376,252

A combination of reduced volume and shorter instalment terms resulted in a sharp decline in our outstanding receivables, accompanied by a corresponding liquidation of our indebtedness. Compared with Dec. 31, 1937, receivables declined \$175,376,252 and notes payable were reduced \$182,782,781. Total current liabilities were reduced \$186,194,377.

Consolidated Income Account of Calendar Years

	1938	1937	1936	1935
a Volume of business	696,460,770	1,291,704,138	1,169,969,615	965,724,853
Net service & commis'n	42,372,580	55,713,465	46,579,422	37,108,141
Operating expenses	17,870,720	20,103,720	14,979,683	11,914,763
Int. on curr. indebtedness	2,470,733	3,959,547	2,317,978	1,618,785
Operating profit	22,031,126	31,650,197	29,281,759	23,574,593
Div. rec. from National Surety Corp.	500,000	-----	400,000	-----
k Recovery	65,000	-----	485,594	-----
Miscellaneous income	244,299	269,808	405,661	175,903
Total income	22,840,425	31,920,005	30,573,015	23,750,496
Interest on debentures	2,215,000	2,215,000	1,326,500	1,015,355
Write-down, securs., &c.	-----	3,524	-----	-----
Miscell. deductions	-----	3,524	-----	-----
Fed. inc. & cap. stk. tax	4,060,068	5,629,292	5,319,350	3,637,973
Surtax on undist. profits	-----	410,810	315,241	-----
Net income applicable to minority interest	1,965,555	3,490,115	3,628,228	2,817,369
Charges against current earnings	-----	-----	-----	e412,208
Net profit	14,599,802	19,389,851	19,983,694	15,867,591
b Optional ser. pf. divs.	-----	406,240	264,385	652,233
\$4.25 series pref. divs.	-----	406,240	833,476	466,319
g Common dividends	13,260,039	16,566,124	114,890,622	7,296,217
To earned surplus	1,339,763	2,417,487	3,995,211	7,452,822
Total surplus	55,984,792	53,236,461	51,747,661	51,618,404
Earns. per share on com	\$4.75	\$5.73	\$5.71	\$6.25

a Includes foreign subsidiaries. b Includes stock divs. as follows: 1936, \$28,463, 1935, \$28,019. c The consolidated income account for 1936 includes dividend received from National Surety Corp. but does not include undistributed net income of \$1,197,325 of that company, which is applicable to the stock of Commercial Investment Trust Corp. Adding \$0.36 per share undistributed net earnings of National Surety Corp. for the year makes a total of \$6.07 per share on common stock outstanding in the hands of the public on Dec. 31, 1936.

d Does not include undistributed net income (exclusive of realized or unrealized gains or losses in respect of securities) of \$2,111,444 of National Surety Corp., which is applicable to the stock of Commercial Investment Trust Corp. Adding \$0.63 per share undistributed net earnings of National Surety Corp. for the year makes total of \$6.36 per share on common stock outstanding in the hands of the public on Dec. 31, 1937.

e Covering balance of additional Federal income taxes in respect of prior years and interest thereon. f On common stock outstanding at end of year. g Does not include stock dividends.

h Including \$335,095 additional for prior years. i Does not include dividend of 20% in common stock at the then stated value of \$8 per share, distributed to common stockholders May 28, 1936, amounting to \$3,779,315.

j Provision to write down marketable securities to the lower of cost or market; on securities transferred to National Surety Corp. during the year, \$699,648, and on securities retained at Dec. 31, 1937, \$81,762. k Of portion of amount applied in previous years out of income to carry marketable securities below cost.

l The consolidated income account for 1938 includes dividend received from National Surety Corp. but does not include undistributed net income of \$1,572,506 of National Surety Corp. which undistributed net income is applicable to the stock of Commercial Investment Trust Corp. (National Surety Corp. net income consists of underwriting profit and investment income after taxes and does not include gain or loss from investment transactions or changes in market price of securities).

Department of Justice Proceedings

In our reports of Dec. 31, 1937 and June 30, 1938 stockholders were advised of the proceedings by the Department of Justice respecting alleged violations of the Sherman Act by Ford Motor Co. and Universal Credit Corp. and certain of our other companies as one group, and by two other motor manufacturers and national finance companies as other groups. Mention was also made of the conferences with the Department looking to the disposition of the cases through the medium of consent decrees.

On Nov. 15, 1938, the indictments against Ford Motor Co. and our companies and against Chrysler Corp. and Commercial Credit Co. were nolle prossed and consent decrees in civil proceedings, in which no testimony was taken and no findings made, were entered in the United States Court.

Consolidated Surplus Account Year Ended Dec. 31, 1938

(1) Earned surplus: Balance, Jan. 1, 1938	\$26,440,980
Net income, year ended Dec. 31, 1938 (not including undistributed earnings of National Surety Corporation)	\$14,599,802
Deduct dividends on serial preference stock: \$4.25 series of 1935	405,624
y Earned on common stock	\$14,194,178
Deduct cash dividends on common stock in hands of public	13,260,039
	934,139
Total earned surplus, Dec. 31, 1938	27,375,119
(2) Paid-in Surplus: Balance, Jan. 1, 1938	26,795,481
Additional paid-in surplus in respect of corporation's common capital stock	133,528
Additional paid-in surplus in respect of acquisition of minority stock in Universal Credit Corporation	1,708,020
Miscellaneous	325
	\$28,637,353
Miscellaneous deduction	27,680
Total paid-in surplus, Dec. 31, 1938	\$28,609,673
Total surplus, Dec. 31, 1938	\$55,984,792

x After providing for interest and taxes, for all known losses, credit reserves, and contingencies and after deducting \$1,965,554 net profit applicable to former minority stock of Universal Credit Corp. for the full year.

y Consolidated common stock earnings, as per above, \$14,194,177 plus undistributed net earnings of National Surety Corp., \$1,572,505, resulting in total of \$15,766,683 equal to \$4.75 per share on 3,319,582 shares of common stock outstanding in the hands of the public at Dec. 31, 1938, excluding 200,000 shares issued Dec. 21, 1938 in connection with the acquisition of minority stock of Universal Credit Corp. If this acquisition had been in effect during the entire year 1938, it would have added \$1,965,554 net income applicable to minority stock acquired on Dec. 21, 1938 and resulted in combined common stock earnings of \$17,732,237, equal to \$5.04 per share on 3,519,582 shares of common stock outstanding in the hands of the public on Dec. 31, 1938.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

	e1938	e1937	e1938	e1937
Assets—			Liabilities—	
Cash	39,938,697	63,631,539	b \$4.25 pref.stk.	9,544,100
Notes and accts. receivable	290,899,061	466,275,312	c Common stock	62,793,730
Repossessed cars & other prod.	141,688	359,855	Com. stk. scrip	1,447
Market. securs.	143,750	78,750	Credit bal. due mfgs., &c.	10,146,425
Miscellan. accts. receivable	422,917	585,247	Min.int.of others in net worth of subsidiaries	-----
Capital stock of Nat'l Surety Corp.	11,531,000	11,531,000	Divs. payable	3,417,694
Invest. in affiliated company	2,000,001	400,001	3% debentures	33,000,000
Miscell. invest.	357,058	361,727	3 1/2% debens	35,000,000
Furn. & fixtures	7	7	Notes payable	105,968,594
Deferred charges	430,226	1,389,955	Accts. payable	10,522,242
			Debtors' reserve	7,575,603
			Int. accrued on debentures	165,000
			Deferred income Res. against loss & contingent	3,973,999
			Earned surplus	27,375,119
			Cap. arising out of conv. of preference shares into com. shs.	1,262,479
			Paid-in surplus	28,609,673
Total	345,864,404	544,613,395	Total	345,864,404

b Represented by 95,441 no par shares. c Represented by 3,499,582 (3,314,339 in 1937) no par shares after deducting 57,438 shares in treasury in 1938 (62,658 in 1937) at stated value of \$15 per share. e Financial statements of National Surety Corp. are not consolidated.—V. 148, p. 434.

Clinchfield RR.—Earnings—

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$564,211	\$516,959	\$657,476	\$510,388
Net from railway	305,190	245,131	343,209	286,226
Net after rents	278,168	263,096	209,338	268,581
From Jan. 1				
Gross from railway	5,900,718	6,880,009	6,324,863	5,314,957
Net from railway	2,627,333	3,241,027	2,824,331	2,227,789
Net after rents	2,237,387	3,207,138	2,575,949	2,047,003

—V. 147, p. 4051.

Commonwealth Edison Co.—Weekly Output—

The electricity output of the Commonwealth Edison Co. group (inter-company sales deducted) for the week ended Jan. 8, 1939 was 147,932,000 kilowatt-hours compared with 133,938,000 kilowatt-hours in the corresponding period last year, an increase of 10.4%.

The following are the output and percentage comparisons for the last six weeks and the corresponding periods last year:

Week Ended—	This Year	Last Year	Per Cent Increase
Jan. 28, 1939	147,932,000	133,938,000	10.4
Jan. 21, 1939	146,453,000	133,171,000	10.0
Jan. 14, 1939	146,221,000	135,506,000	7.9
Jan. 7, 1939	-----	-----	-----
Dec. 31, 1938	143,497,000	131,990,000	8.7
Dec. 24, 1938	-----	-----	-----

—V. 148, p. 577.

Commonwealth & Southern Corp.—Monthly Output—

Electric output of the Commonwealth & Southern Corp. System for the month of December was 730,127,652 kwh. as compared with 678,947,707 kwh. for December, 1937, an increase of 7.54%. Total output for the year ended Dec. 31, 1938, was 7,789,122,500 kwh. as compared with 8,517,409,289 kwh. for the year ended Dec. 31, 1937, a decrease of 8.55%.

Gas output of the Commonwealth & Southern Corp. System for the month of December was 1,732,896,100 cubic feet as compared with 1,668,999,100 cubic feet for December, 1937, an increase of 3.83%. Total output for the year ended Dec. 31, 1938, was 14,492,622,100 cubic feet as compared with 15,131,009,400 cubic feet for the year ended Dec. 31, 1937, a decrease of 4.22%.—V. 148, p. 577.

Compo Shoe Machinery Corp.—May Increase Stock—

Stockholders will vote Feb. 10 on a proposal to increase the number of common shares to 175,000 from 150,000 and to authorize the issuance of 10,000 shares of \$2.50 convertible cumulative no-par preference stock. It is expected that the preferred stock will be sold to underwriters at \$48 a share.—V. 146, p. 908.

Congleum-Nairn, Inc.—25 Cent Dividend—

Directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 15 to holders of record March 1. A year-end dividend of 50 cents was paid on Dec. 22 last, and compares with 25 cents paid on March 15 1938; dividends of 50 cents paid in each quarter of 1937, and dividend of 40 cents per share previously distributed quarterly.—V. 147, p. 3452.

Coniaurum Mines, Ltd.—Earnings—

3 Months Ended Dec. 31—	1938	1937
Tons of ore milled	47,085	43,800
Net income from metals produced	\$420,170	\$396,586
Development and operating costs	295,535	279,262
Estimated operating profit	\$124,635	\$117,324
Non-operating revenue, including profit from sale of securities	4,266	3,481
Estimated total profit	\$128,900	\$120,805

Note—In the above figures no allowance has been made for taxes, depreciation or deferred development.—V. 147, p. 3156.

Consolidated Amusement Co., Ltd.—Larger Dividend—

Directors have declared a dividend of 40 cents per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 1 to holders of record Jan. 20. Previously regular quarterly dividends of 30 cents per share were distributed.—V. 147, p. 3452.

Consolidated Edison Co. of New York, Inc.—Stockholders' Accounting Suit—

A new stockholder's accounting suit against present and former officers and directors of the company has been filed in New York Supreme Court by Helen Nurick, holder of 10 shares of capital stock. The plaintiff asks that the suit be tried in New York County. The action is for an accounting of the assets of the corporate defendant on the claim that the individual defendants had misused the funds. The suit is also to restrain Consolidated Edison from enforcing a guarantee of bonds of New York Steam Corp.

Weekly Output—

Consolidated Edison Co. of New York announced production of the electric plants of its system for the week ended Jan. 29, amounting to 147,800,000 kilowatt hours, compared with 135,100,000 kilowatt hours for the corresponding week of 1938, an increase of 9.4%.—V. 148, p. 577.

Consolidated Grain Corp.—Registers with SEC—

See list given on first page of this department.

Continental Baking Corp.—Merger Plan—

Company has notified the New York Stock Exchange of a proposed merger of the Corporation into and with its wholly owned operating subsidiary Continental Baking Co. The total number of shares which shall be issuable by the surviving company will consist of 400,900 shares of 8% cumulative preferred stock of \$100 par value, 400,000 shares of class A common stock and 2,000,000 shares of class B common stock of no par value; each of the presently outstanding 400,900 shares of 8% cumulative preferred stock of \$100 par value, 291,815 shares of class A common stock and 2,000,000 shares of class B common stock of no par value of the Corporation to be exchanged, share for share, for shares of the respective classes of stock of the surviving company. Existing rights of preferred stockholders to ac-

crued and unpaid dividends, amounting as of Jan. 1, 1939, to \$8.50 per share, to be preserved.—V. 148, p. 578.

Consolidated Gas Electric Light & Power Co. of Baltimore (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period	1938—3 Mos.—1937	1937—3 Mos.—1936	1938—12 Mos.—1937	1937—12 Mos.—1936
Electric oper. revenue	\$6,449,942	\$6,452,790	\$24,984,797	\$24,965,617
Gas oper. revenue	2,325,497	2,331,715	8,823,151	9,009,518
Steam heating oper. rev.	238,424	261,452	749,080	760,360
Total oper. revenue	\$9,013,863	\$9,045,958	\$34,557,028	\$34,735,495
Oper. exps., deprec. and taxes	6,877,742	6,857,241	26,900,935	26,064,762
Operating income	\$2,136,121	\$2,188,716	\$7,656,093	\$8,670,733
Other income	182,764	55,638	720,631	557,785
Gross income	\$2,318,885	\$2,244,354	\$8,376,724	\$9,228,518
Fixed charges and other deductions	598,738	652,240	2,523,584	2,712,115
Net income	\$1,720,147	\$1,592,115	\$5,853,139	\$6,516,403
Divs. on pref. stock	278,829	278,829	1,115,315	1,115,315
Bal. avail. for com. stock	\$1,441,318	\$1,313,286	\$4,737,824	\$5,401,088
Divs. on common stock	1,050,657	1,050,657	4,202,629	4,202,629
Balance	\$390,661	\$262,629	\$535,195	\$1,198,459
Earnings per share of common stock	\$1.23	\$1.12	\$4.06	\$4.63

Note—Operating revenue affected by reductions of electric and gas rates made in 1937.—V. 148, p. 126.

Continental Credit Corp.—Earnings—

Consolidated Income Statement for the Year Ended Sept. 30, 1938

Income: Net finance charges earned on discount paper	\$328,914
Interest earned	34,751
Collection, extension and transfer fees	17,558
Miscellaneous income	1,354
Total income	\$382,577
Interest and discount amortization—debentures	7,793
Interest, collateral trust notes and other	54,018
Commissions on sale of collateral trust notes	1,785
Trustee fees and expenses	4,275
Operating expenses	259,964
Provision for Federal income tax	6,400
Provision for Federal undistributed profits tax	450
Net income	\$47,893
Surplus, Oct. 1, 1937	68,973
Refund of 1935 income tax	102
Total	\$116,967
Dividends paid, class A stock	38,254
Payment to former note broker in settlement of claim for commission	6,000
Surplus, Sept. 30, 1938	\$72,714
Earnings per share on 171,247 shares class B stock	\$0.02

Consolidated Balance Sheet Sept. 30, 1938

Assets —Cash, \$389,747; notes receivable, \$1,680,360; repossessed automobiles, \$7,985; receivable from dealers on recourse repossessions, \$5,222; other notes and accounts, receivable, \$40,104; deferred charges, \$12,981; furniture and fixtures, less depreciation, \$13,752; total, \$2,150,153.	
Liabilities —Collateral trust notes, \$1,066,500; accounts payable and accrued expenses, \$12,247; reserve for taxes, \$10,712; reserve for dealers, \$19,329; reserve for losses, \$31,870; deferred income, unearned finance charges, \$90,785; serial debentures (subordinated to collateral trust notes) maturing \$50,000 each on Jan. 1, 1939 and 1940, \$100,000; class A stock (\$2.887 no par shares), \$728,870; class B stock (\$1.247 no par shares), \$17,125; surplus, \$72,714; total, \$2,150,153.—V. 148, p. 275.	

(Wm.) Cramp & Sons Ship & Engine Building Co.—Removed from Unlisted Trading—

The capital stock (par \$100) has been removed from unlisted trading on the New York Curb Exchange.—V. 146 p. 3181.

Cuneo Press, Inc.—To Retire Preferred Stock—

Company on Jan. 25 announced plans to call for redemption 2,000 shares of its \$100 par value 6 1/4% preferred stock. The retirement will be made from corporate funds without issuing additional stock. Before resorting to charter provisions for call of the stock the company is affording the preferred stockholders an opportunity to tender their shares for retirement at \$107.50 and accrued dividends to March 15, 1939. In this manner any stockholder who wishes to take advantage of the redemption can tender his shares before the company makes a call of any particular shares or by serial number.—V. 148, p. 276.

Curtis Mfg. Co., St. Louis—Earnings—

Years Ended Nov. 30—	1938	1937	1936
Gross profit on sales	\$467,577	\$336,857	\$601,050
Selling expenses	247,898	249,535	243,250
General and administrative expenses	195,536	213,220	192,177
Profit on operations	\$24,143	\$374,102	\$165,623
Other income	7,746	2,527	2,117
Total income	\$31,889	\$376,629	\$167,740
Other expenses	952	4,648	2,767
Provision for Fed. & State income taxes	2,894	64,381	24,036
Net profit	\$28,043	\$307,601	\$140,937
Dividends paid	48,632	243,206	97,283
Shares of capital stock (par \$5)	194,536	194,565	194,565
Earnings per share	\$0.14	\$1.58	\$0.72

x Includes \$7,089 for undistributed profits tax.

Balance Sheet Nov. 30, 1938

Assets—Cash on hand and in banks, \$536,092; marketable securities, at cost, \$120,599; receivables, trade, less reserve, \$205,545; inventories, \$810,425; due from finance company, \$1,182; fixed assets (after reserve for depreciation of \$795,027), \$436,641; patents and trade marks, amortized to date, \$7,664; deferred charges, \$33,265; total, \$2,151,412. **Liabilities**—Accounts payable, &c., \$30,637; accrued salaries, wages, commissions, &c., \$35,868; accrued general taxes, \$10,167; Federal and State taxes on income—estimated, \$2,839; capital stock (par \$5), \$1,000,000; surplus, \$1,099,336; duct cost of 5,470 shares of Treasury stock, \$27,434; total, \$2,151,412.—V. 147, p. 3012.

Curtis Publishing Co.—Preferred Dividend—

Directors on Jan. 27 voted a dividend of 25 cents per share on the \$7 cumulative preferred stock, payable April 1 to holders of record Feb. 28. Dividends of like amount were paid on Oct. 1 and on July 1, last. After payment of current dividend accruals will amount to \$15.50 per share.—V. 147, p. 2864.

Denver & Rio Grande Western RR.—Earnings—

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$2,062,243	\$1,912,885	\$2,235,543	\$1,788,516
Net from railway	482,291	240,682	381,449	555,673
Net after rents	244,030	def57,823	132,657	388,459
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	23,404,171	26,781,992	25,599,309	20,936,609
Net from railway	3,661,691	2,656,275	4,660,351	4,802,141
Net after rents	171,129	def283,337	1,569,815	2,417,975

—V. 148, p. 579.

Delaware River Steel Co., Chester, Pa.—Trustee—

John Hemphill has been appointed trustee of the company, following a petition by the company for a reorganization of its financial affairs under

Chapter 10. The company claims it is solvent with assets of \$1,578,878 and liabilities of \$1,297,409, but is unable to meet its obligations because of a lack of liquid assets.

Dayton Rubber Mfg. Co.—Earnings—

Income Account Years Ended Oct. 31 (Incl. Subs.)

	1938	1937	1936
Net sales	\$7,392,706	\$8,429,841	Not Reported
Cost of sales	5,061,080	5,860,977	
Gross profit	\$2,331,626	\$2,568,864	\$2,196,518
Selling, administrative and general	1,600,089	1,547,503	1,361,307
Operating profit	\$731,538	\$1,021,361	\$835,211
Income charges and credits	157,292	191,215	224,829
Profit	\$574,245	\$830,146	\$610,381
Inventory write down	68,148	98,081	99,916
Federal inc. taxes: Normal income	33,548	53,988	
Excess profits			
Undistributed profits			
Net profit	\$472,548	\$447,467	\$510,466
a Provision for reserve for loss on purchase commitments		112,632	
Net to surplus	\$472,548	\$334,835	\$510,466
Class A dividend	90,978	224,900	44,217
Common dividends	87,863		
Shares common stock	176,839	176,839	169,690
Earnings per share	\$2.15	\$2.00	\$2.46

x After provision for depreciation and amortization charges totaling \$133,583. a To provide reserve for difference between cost and market values of Oct. 30, 1937, of future raw material commitments. Note—Depreciation on appreciated values amounting to \$29,616 has been charged to surplus by appreciation.

Balance Sheet Oct. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash on hand and on deposit, \$667,656; accounts, notes and acceptances receivable, trade (less reserves for doubtful items of \$39,377 and reserve for cash discounts and advertising allowances of \$19,720), \$1,009,739; inventories, \$1,216,583; miscellaneous assets, \$26,172; prepaid values and deferred charges, \$130,858; investments, \$53,502; fixed assets (less reserve for depreciation of \$1,492,074), \$1,728,356; patents—amortized cost value, \$18,972; goodwill, \$250,000; total, \$5,101,838. **Liabilities**—Accounts payable, \$690,354; notes or obligations payable—portion of fixed liabilities due within 1 year, \$120,519; fixed liabilities (less payments due within 1 year included under current liabilities of \$20,519), \$686,557; reserves, \$36,092; class A stock \$2 preference cumulative (par \$35), \$1,628,130; common stock (176,839 1/3 shares, no par), \$438,622; earned surplus (Nov. 1, 1934 to Oct. 31, 1938), \$919,455; paid-in surplus (reduced by operating deficit prior to Oct. 31, 1934, of \$1,524,015), \$150,511; surplus by appreciation, \$431,597; total, \$5,101,838.

May Change Par Value—

Stockholders at their annual meeting on Feb. 6 will vote on changing par value of company's common stock from no par to \$1 par and also consider the adoption or rejection of a proposed management incentive plan for employees other than directors.—V. 148, p. 678.

Denver & Salt Lake Ry.—Earnings—

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$286,063	\$314,871	\$303,621	\$260,178
Net from railway	113,092	159,099	166,632	101,982
Net after rents	116,475	178,792	175,355	126,959
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	2,264,604	2,806,256	2,856,949	2,234,877
Net from railway	694,252	784,104	918,281	958,196
Net after rents	877,224	930,160	1,090,810	1,260,698

Denver Tramway System—Earnings—

[The Denver Tramway Corp. and The Denver & Intermountain RR. (with inter-company transactions eliminated)]

Years End. Dec. 31—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Total oper. revenues	\$2,991,410	\$3,227,072	\$3,263,351	\$2,815,988
Oper. exps. (incl. depr.)	2,338,464	2,385,100	2,331,107	2,189,827
Taxes	404,777	468,561	430,612	317,812
Net oper. income	\$248,169	\$373,410	\$501,633	\$308,349
Miscellaneous income	22,876	29,731	34,684	29,699
Gross income	\$271,045	\$403,141	\$536,317	\$338,048
Int. on underlying bonds	25,095	56,428	55,765	114,013
Int. on gen. & ref. bonds	252,967	255,833	258,796	262,739
Amortization of discount on funded debt	528	1,530	2,013	4,068
x Balance	def\$7,545	\$89,350	\$189,743	def\$42,772

x For debt maturities, sinking funds and other corporate purposes.

General Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Assets—	1938	1937	Liabilities—	1938	1937
a Prop. equip. & franchise	23,398,732	23,808,565	b Preferred stock	10,441,200	10,441,200
Real est. not used	336,574	358,561	b Common stock & surplus	8,240,946	8,235,347
Sinking fund, &c.	254,472	234,123	Funded debt	5,323,750	5,800,950
Invest. & securities	84,291	157,864	Accts. & wages pay	91,340	118,106
Material & suppl.	248,853	282,131	Matured interest	135,240	134,514
Insurance prem. & taxes paid in adv	41,512	18,560	Accrued int. pay		7,125
Cash	913,059	886,683	Accrued taxes	410,323	420,165
Special depos. for matured interest	135,240	134,514	Service liabilities	120,888	115,613
Acce'd int. & notes & accts. received	47,293	47,315	Oper. & other res.	682,186	662,691
Defe'd & suspend. debt items	2,714	19,641	Def'd & suspend. credit items	16,807	12,236
Total	25,462,741	25,947,950	Total	25,462,741	25,947,950

a After deducting depreciation. b Represented by 61,240 no par shares.—V. 147, p. 2864.

Detroit-Michigan Stove Co.—Earnings—

Earnings for the Year Ended July 31, 1938

Gross sales, less discounts, returns and allowances	\$2,324,236
Cost of goods sold	1,874,781
Gross profit	\$449,455
Selling, general and administrative expenses	534,348
Loss from operations	\$84,893
Other income	16,490
Total income	\$68,403
Interest expense	8,841
Social security taxes	27,216
Expenses (less rental income) of properties not used in operations	7,499
Miscellaneous deductions	2,158
Loss for the year	\$114,117

Balance Sheet July 31, 1938

Assets—Cash, \$336,975; notes and accounts receivable (less reserve for doubtful notes and accounts of \$34,995), \$282,962; miscellaneous accounts receivable, including \$3,945 owing from salesman and other employees, \$4,544; inventories, \$591,973; deposits in closed bank (less reserve for undetermined loss of \$30,000), \$2,231; investments in securities, at cost (less reserve to reduce to fair value of \$21,611), \$32,418; amount due on or before Dec. 1, 1938, from John A. Fry, Pres., and Florence C. Fry, or survivor, in connection with the exercise of option on June 1, 1936, to purchase 41,250 shares of common stock at varying prices aggregating \$105,000, \$105,000; amount receivable under contract for sale of land and buildings

(including \$8,000 due within one year), \$36,750; property account (less reserve for depreciation, \$63,131), \$1,238,284; goodwill and patents, \$1; deferred charges, \$89,301; total, \$2,720,437.
Liabilities—Notes payable (R.F.C.), \$140,833; other notes payable, \$2,500; accounts payable (trade), \$27,225; accrued liabilities, \$85,131; salesmen's and customers' deposits, \$3,884; contract for purchase of land and buildings, \$6,639; 5% non-cum. pref. stock (par \$40), \$1,030,920; common stock (par \$1), \$458,742; to be issued in connection with exercise of option, per contra (41,250 shares), \$41,250; capital surplus, \$574,610; earned surplus, \$348,704; total, \$2,720,437.—V. 148, p. 579.

Detroit International Bridge Co.—Tax Claims—

Prospects for reorganization of the company are considered as enhanced with the recent filing in the Federal Court of a petition looking toward settlement of the company's tax arrears with the City of Detroit the county of Wayne, Mich. and the State of Michigan. Filing of the petition followed an agreement between the company and the City of Detroit on a formula and basis for assessment of taxes for the years 1933 to 1938, inclusive.—V. 147, p. 3454.

Detroit Toledo & Ironton RR.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
December—				
Gross from railway	\$621,644	\$585,849	\$875,672	\$741,317
Net from railway	335,602	272,154	519,349	459,401
Net after rents	254,114	250,262	372,328	335,354
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	5,093,589	7,507,246	7,851,226	8,102,706
Net from railway	1,854,559	3,539,784	4,000,878	4,463,944
Net after rents	1,176,310	2,348,112	2,791,754	3,257,259

—V. 147, p. 4052.

Detroit & Toledo Shore Line RR.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
December—				
Gross from railway	\$336,326	\$310,425	\$449,456	\$385,408
Net from railway	181,107	161,137	269,321	243,042
Net after rents	85,734	79,696	139,344	137,384
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	2,673,813	3,815,007	3,967,609	3,554,169
Net from railway	1,192,606	2,084,421	2,231,967	1,963,142
Net after rents	358,358	1,076,002	1,131,537	1,037,662

—V. 147, p. 4052.

Diamond Match Co.—Dividends—

Directors have declared the following dividends on the common stock of the company:
 50 cents payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 10,
 25 cents payable June 1 to holders of record May 10,
 50 cents payable Sept. 1 to holders of record Aug. 10, and
 25 cents payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 10.
 Directors also declared two semi-annual dividends of 75 cents per share each on the preferred stock payable Sept. 1, 1939, and March 1, 1940, to holders of record Aug. 10, 1939, and Feb. 10, 1940.—V. 147, p. 3455.

Distillers Co., Ltd.—Interim Dividend—

Directors have declared an interim dividend of 24½ cents per share on the American Depository Receipts for ordinary registered shares payable Feb. 8 to holders of record Jan. 10.—V. 148, p. 276.

Duluth Missabe & Iron Range Ry.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
December—				
Gross from railway	\$125,140	\$189,179	\$184,098	def7,877
Net from railway	def380,893	def539,640	def519,423	def546,208
Net after rents	def439,560	def760,948	def625,816	def657,980
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	9,016,807	26,756,066	19,091,036	11,519,593
Net from railway	2,388,863	16,374,067	10,693,649	4,877,051
Net after rents	1,553,381	12,721,781	8,694,801	3,765,586

—V. 147, p. 3455.

Duluth South Shore & Atlantic Ry.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
December—				
Gross from railway	\$130,175	\$155,884	\$199,526	\$149,615
Net from railway	def7,826	13,098	30,410	def9,978
Net after rents	def25,170	def7,013	13,564	def17,352
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	1,832,785	2,846,273	2,913,041	2,359,777
Net from railway	85,041	699,974	893,198	524,531
Net after rents	def126,865	463,510	637,194	369,590

—V. 147, p. 4053.

Duncan Electric Mfg. Co.—Shares Oversubscribed—

Barney Johnson & Co., Chicago, and Brown, Schlessman, Owen & Co., Denver, on Feb. 1 announced the oversubscription of 40,000 shares of common stock at \$13 per share. Prior to the offering the corporation was closely held and wide public distribution followed the sale to the underwriters of shares owned in the main by Purdue University.

Company, located in Lafayette, Ind., has been in continuous operation since 1902 and is one of the major producers of electrical wattour and ampere hour meters sold chiefly to public utility systems.

Comparative earnings shows that the common stock after preferred dividends, earned \$2.07 par share for the year ended Feb. 28, 1937, and \$1.78 per share for the year ended Feb. 28, 1938. Estimates for the current fiscal year to end Feb. 28, 1939 indicate approximately \$1.30 per share will be earned on the common after all charges, taxes and pref. dividends.

Dividends paid on the common stock in the fiscal period ended Feb. 28, 1937, amounted to \$1.04 per share, and \$1.05½ in the year ended Feb. 28, 1938. To date in the fiscal year to end Feb. 28, 1939, 42½ cents per share has been paid and an additional amount is expected to be declared shortly. The company has no funded debt and only 1,349 shares of 6% preference stock, (\$100 par), on which dividends have been paid to date. There are 123,120 shares of common stock.

(E. I.) du Pont de Nemours & Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Calendar Years—				
Net income	*\$50,190,827	\$88,031,943	\$89,884,449	\$62,085,410
z Earnings per share	\$3.79	\$7.29	\$7.56	\$5.04
x Preliminary. y After all charges. z On common stock.				
During 1938 the company received \$14,628,621 as dividends from its investment in General Motors Corp. common stock, compared with \$36,672,635 in 1937.—V. 148, p. 127.				

Eastern Utilities Associates (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End, Dec. 31—	1938—Month—	1937	1938—12 Mos.—	1937
Operating revenues	\$799,625	\$728,399	\$8,309,437	\$8,552,050
Operation	351,555	350,884	4,137,815	4,303,549
Maintenance	26,128	26,512	299,803	295,463
Retirement res. accruals	63,741	63,718	764,891	755,203
Taxes (incl. inc. taxes)	98,153	96,616	1,101,828	1,097,977
Net oper. revenues	\$260,048	\$190,669	\$2,005,099	\$2,099,858
Non-oper. income (net)	Dr2,258	Dr4,640	Dr38,808	67,683
Balance	\$257,789	\$186,028	\$1,966,292	\$2,167,541
Int. & amortization	54,439	45,693	533,188	528,171
Miscell. deductions	Cr126	363	10,164	10,966
Balance	\$203,477	\$139,972	\$1,422,490	\$1,628,404
Preferred div. deductions—B. V. G. & E. Co.			77,652	77,652
Balance			\$1,344,838	\$1,550,752
Applicable to minority interest			21,721	24,691
Applicable to E. U. A.			\$1,323,116	\$1,526,061
Earnings of sub. cos. applicable to E. U. A.			1,323,116	1,526,061
Non-subsidiary income			309,824	309,824
Total income			\$1,632,940	\$1,835,885
Expenses, taxes and interest			124,869	138,513
Balance available for dividends and surplus			\$1,508,071	\$1,697,372

Comparative Combined Balance Sheet Dec. 31 [Intercompany Items Eliminated]

	1938	1937	1938	1937
Assets—			Liabilities—	
a Property, plant and equipment	38,875,150	38,623,490	d Preferred stock	1,294,200
Investments (at cost or less)	12	12	Bonds	11,300,000
Cash	1,044,702	864,128	Notes payable	377,500
Notes receivable	6,209	9,999	Notes rec. disc'ted	200
Accts. rec., incl. instal'm't accts.	b1,796,979	1,983,575	Accounts payable	1,298,251
App'l's on rental, less rentals coll.	193,740	247,690	Consumers' deposits	47,753
Mat'l's & supplies	539,564	650,470	Miscell. liabilities	13,942
Prepayments	37,325	28,348	Taxes accrued	307,599
Sinking funds	626	41,490	Interest accrued	61,575
Special deposits	10,274	4,169	Retirement res'v'e.	8,241,826
Unamort. debt discount & expense	37,983	57,107	Gas bench maint'ce reserve	42,697
c Storm dam. exp.	234,263	234,263	Contrib. for ext's.	36,895
Other def. charges	258,261	217,432	Operating reserves	38,877
			Unamort. prem. on debt	87,714
			Unadjusted cred's.	9,426
			Com. & cap. stock:	
			Owned by EUA	14,460,300
			Owned by others	236,350
			Premium on stock:	
			Owned by EUA	2,738,488
			Owned by others	76,662
			Earned surplus:	
			Before acqui'n of stk. by EUA	2,074,851
			After acqui'n of stock by EUA	289,983
Total	43,035,090	42,727,909	Total	43,035,090

a At cost, including a 63% interest in property, plant and equipment of Montaup Electric Co. b Customers' sales contracts in the amount of \$297,786 are pledged as collateral security for bank loans. c Storm dam. expenditures from Sept. 21, 1938, to Dec. 31, 1938, none of which has been prorated to expense. d None owned by Eastern Utilities Associates.—V. 148, p. 127.

Duro-Test Corp.—Subscriptions—

Of the 50,000 shares of common stock offered to stockholders of record July 29, 1938, rights to subscribe to which, at \$6 per share, expired Aug. 29, but extended to Oct. 24, only 76 shares were subscribed for.—V. 148, p. 436.

Eaton Manufacturing Co.—To Pay 50-Cent Dividend—

Directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 25 to holders of record Feb. 10. This will be the first payment made since Feb. 15, 1938, when 25 cents per share was distributed. A special dividend of 25 cents was paid on Dec. 24, 1937; dividends of 75 cents were paid on Nov. 15 and Aug. 16, 1937, and previously regular quarterly dividends of 50 cents per share were paid.—V. 147, p. 4053.

Ebasco Services Inc.—Weekly Input—

For the week ended Jan. 26, 1939 the kilowatt-hour system input of the operating companies which are subsidiaries of American Power & Light Co., Electric Power & Light Corp., and National Power & Light Co., as compared with the corresponding week during 1938, was as follows:

	1939	1938	Increase—	Amount P.C.
Operating Subsidiaries of—				
American Power & Light Co.	107,848,000	102,143,000	5,705,000	5.6
Electric Power & Light Corp.	53,153,000	49,363,000	3,790,000	7.7
National Power & Light Co.	79,829,000	76,117,000	3,712,000	4.9

Electric Power Associates, Inc.—Annual Report—

The net assets as of Dec. 31, 1938, with securities valued at market quotations, amount to \$3,347,059 which is equivalent to \$4.18 a share on the outstanding class A and common stocks.
 A dividend was paid Nov. 18, 1938 in common stock of American Water Works & Electric Co., Inc. in the amount of one-quarter of a share of such stock for each share of Electric Power Associates, Inc. common and class A stock held. This resulted in the distribution of 199,190 shares of American Water Works & Electric Co., Inc. common stock. A cash dividend of 10 cents a share also was paid Nov. 18, 1938.

Income Account Years Ended Dec. 31

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Cash divs. and interest	\$136,217	\$329,978	\$236,918	\$221,436
Expenses (incl. taxes)	33,304	32,001	34,073	29,786
Net income for year	\$102,813	\$297,977	\$202,845	\$191,650
Surplus Jan. 1	3,538,440	4,217,774	4,131,559	4,046,749
Excess of amts. received for securities sold	84,977	302,954	135,783	77,219
Total	\$3,726,230	\$4,818,705	\$4,470,187	\$4,315,618
Dividends paid	80,000	296,000	200,000	144,000

Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Assets—	Liabilities—
Cash	Accounts payable
Securities, at book value (value based on market quotations)	Accrued accounts (taxes)
\$3,156,506	Class A stock (par value \$1)
Interest receivable, &c.	Common stock (par value \$1)
10,730	Capital surplus
Total	Total
\$2,144,408	\$2,144,408

—V. 147, p. 2682.

Electric Shareholdings Corp.—May Change Name—

Stockholders at their annual meeting on March 14 will vote on a proposal to change company's name to General Shareholdings Corp.—V. 148, p. 580.

Elgin Joliet & Eastern Ry.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
December—				
Gross from railway	\$1,507,119	\$907,661	\$1,996,719	\$1,369,880
Net from railway	556,016	30,426	709,835	420,918
Net after rents	346,991	def155,533	466,630	293,012
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	12,079,176	21,340,188	19,119,317	14,202,771
Net from railway	2,556,104	6,420,341	6,000,389	4,078,990
Net after rents	1,160,868	3,723,271	4,080,304	2,870,358

—V. 147, p. 4054.

Emco Derrick & Equipment Co.—Dividend Omitted—

Directors at their meeting held Jan. 30 voted to pass the dividend ordinarily due at this time on the company's common stock. A regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share was paid on Nov. 25, last.—V. 147, p. 2682.

Engineers Public Service Co.—May Reduce Stock—

Company has notified the New York Stock Exchange of proposed reduction in authorized common stock from 2,349,000 shares to 1,909,968 shares. The reduction to be effected by eliminating 439,032 shares no longer needed as a result of the expiration of the right to convert \$5 dividend convertible preferred stock into common stock and expiration of the right to exercise common stock purchase warrants attached to certificates of \$5.50 cumulative dividend preferred stock together with an additional 4,978 unissued shares not now needed which decrease will effect a saving of \$1,075 per annum in the Delaware Franchise Tax.—V. 148, p. 580.

Erie RR.—Bondholders' Group to Represent 4% Issue—

A bondholders' protective committee for the general mortgage convertible 4% bonds has asked the Interstate Commerce Commission for permission to solicit deposits and to represent holders of these bonds in reorganization proceedings. C. L. Amos of Syracuse, N. Y., is Chairman. Other members include Fred F. Spellissy, Philadelphia; A. C. Kizis, Pittston, Pa., and William L. Jones of Pottsville, Pa.

To Intervene in Reorganization—

The New York Trust Co., as trustee of New York & Greenwood Lake RR. prior lien mortgage deed, has been authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission to intervene in the reorganization case now pending before the Commission.

Interest Petition—

A petition filed in Federal Court, Cleveland, by the trustees seeks payment of \$495,100 interest on Chicago & Erie RR. bonds pledged under the first consolidated mortgage deed on which City Bank Farmers Trust Co. is trustee.
 The Erie owns \$9,902,000 of the Chicago & Erie non-cumulative income 5% mortgage bonds, while \$98,000 is outstanding with the public, the petition states. Interest due Oct. 1, 1938, was paid on the \$98,000 amount, but interest on Erie's holdings was not paid. The petition cites Erie's need for this sum, especially during winter months when revenues decrease and operating expenses increase, and asks that the \$495,100 be paid to Erie, who in turn will deliver a note of indebtedness for this amount to City Bank as trustee.—V. 148, p. 580.

Fafnr Bearing Co.—May Increase Stock—

Directors voted to recommend to stockholders that capital be increased \$1,000,000 to \$4,000,000 by a stock dividend. Shares are \$25 par. Capital was increased in October, 1924, by \$1,500,000 to \$3,000,000 by stock dividend. Dividends paid in the past year were three of \$1 and one of \$2. The company manufactures ball bearings for the automotive trade and industrial users.—V. 147, p. 3761.

Fall River Gas Works—40-Cent Dividend—

Directors have declared a dividend of 40 cents per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 1 to holders of record Jan. 27. Dividend of 25 cents was paid on Nov. 1 last and previously regular quarterly dividends of 40 cents per share were distributed.—V. 148, p. 580.

Fidelity Investment Association—Receivership Barred—

Federal Judge William E. Baker dismissed on Jan. 31 a receivership petition filed against the Association.
 The Court confirmed a Special Master's report which declared that the nation-wide investment loan concern was solvent and recommended dismissal of the petition in which nine contract holders in Pennsylvania had charged that the company had managed its accounts "recklessly, carelessly and wrongfully."
 In approving the report Judge Baker also dismissed an exception by Edward Lamb, Attorney for an intervenor, who had objected to the report on the ground that solvency had been determined by the "sound value theory" rather than the "market value" of the association's "underlying securities."
 The receivership petition was filed on Dec. 19 after the Securities and Exchange Commission had obtained an injunction enjoining Fidelity from what the SEC contended were fraudulent practices. The company agreed to the injunction, but denied that the practices were fraudulent.
 On Jan. 16 Judge Baker appointed Charles P. Mead of Wheeling as the Special Master to act as "arbitrator" of a committee composed of opposing counsel and independent auditors to investigate the concern's finances.—V. 148, p. 581.

Fikany Shoe Co. of New York, Inc.—Registers with SEC

See list given on first page of this department.—V. 147, p. 3911.

First Bohemian Glass Works, Ltd.—Trust Company

Seeks \$362,000—
 The Central Hanover & Trust Co. instituted suit Jan. 30 in New York Supreme Court for judgment declaring now due the unpaid balance remaining on a \$1,500,000 loan made in 1927 to the company, which was located in Czechoslovakia before the Munich agreement and is now in Germany. The bank is acting as trustee for bonds sold to American investors.
 According to the complaint, the total amount remaining unpaid on the issue is about \$362,000. The last payments received on account of principal and interest arrived here before Sept. 1, it is stated. The funds transmitted before Sept. 1 were enough to pay only half of the amortization installment due on Dec. 15 and there are not sufficient funds here to meet the latest interest payment, it was alleged.—V. 135, p. 3698; V. 148, p. 127.

Florida East Coast Ry.—Earnings—

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$900,096	\$848,684	\$937,287	\$772,088
Net from railway	220,101	205,240	306,330	124,916
Net after rents	140,060	95,877	283,604	39,875
From Jan. 1				
Gross from railway	9,594,391	9,303,206	8,614,508	7,728,266
Net from railway	2,591,792	2,179,903	2,098,654	1,034,058
Net after rents	1,029,492	741,578	877,796	def222,593

—V. 147, p. 4057.

First Boston Corp.—Earnings—

Years End. Dec. 31—	1938	1937	1936	1935
y Profits	\$3,175,461	\$3,938,052	\$7,348,598	\$7,008,050
Int., discount and divs. earned on secs. held	805,124	723,680	1,253,699	1,177,503
Commissions serv. chgs. & miscell. income	311,124	203,175	229,113	111,658
Total income	\$4,291,709	\$4,864,907	\$8,831,410	\$8,297,210
General expenses	2,447,478	2,996,130	4,041,453	3,829,843
Int. on bank loans	281,875	299,411	409,887	269,268
Taxes (other than Fed'l income tax)	297,902	388,080	510,171	302,298
Deprec. of furn. & fixts.	22,306	25,062	38,120	28,037
Adjust. of book value of secs. to market value at Dec. 31	665,822	640,228	102,231	11,712
Miscellaneous charges				
Prov. for Fed. inc. tax for period			\$507,197	505,087
Net income	\$576,327	loss\$248,4005	\$3,222,351	\$3,350,965
Dividends paid		250,000	2,500,000	850,000
Earns. per sh. on 500,000 shares of stock	\$1.15	Nil	\$6.44	\$6.60

x Includes Federal surtax on undistributed net income. y From trading in securities on own account on joint accounts and as participating in syndicate accounts. z Less losses realized.
 a Includes provisions for Federal and State taxes.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Assets—	1938	1937
Cash on hand and on deposit	\$4,260,385	\$4,798,845
Deposits on securities borrowed	15,213,465	3,408,500
Bankers' acceptances	1,235,975	1,809,258
Trading securities:		
United States Government securities	24,882,681	18,645,258
Miscellaneous bonds and stocks	10,892,965	9,714,339
Securities carried for joint accounts	2,161,029	1,020,032
Good faith deposits	1,584,100	8,000
Securities sold, not yet delivered	50,688,508	14,137,609
Miscell. accounts and accrued interest receivable	174,012	234,240
Furniture and fixtures (less depreciation)	79,438	97,893
Tax stamps	5,064	7,883
Deferred charges	22,081	29,389
Total	\$110,999,703	\$53,911,745
Liabilities—		
Collateral loans payable	\$33,288,872	\$28,639,279
Deposits on securities loaned	84,040	41,430
Securities sold not yet purchased	13,931,010	1,449,261
Securities purchased not yet received	52,104,746	12,762,337
Due customers	214,049	185,796
Accrued taxes (incl. Federal income and excess profits taxes)	99,088	92,450
Miscellaneous	193,327	254,007
Reserve for unearned discount, taxes, &c.	71,591	160,531
Reserve for contingencies	300,000	700,000
Capital stock (par \$10)	5,000,000	5,000,000
Paid-in surplus	4,000,000	4,000,000
Earned surplus	1,712,981	626,654
Total	\$110,999,703	\$53,911,745

—V. 148, p. 278.

Flintkote Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936
x Net profit	\$811,818	\$1,005,423	\$1,171,034
Shares common stock	672,996	670,346	668,046
Earnings per share	\$1.21	\$1.50	\$1.75

x After depreciation, Federal income taxes, &c.—V. 147, p. 3610.

Food Machinery Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

3 Months Ended Dec. 31—	1938	1937	1936
x Net profit	\$159,791	\$213,019	\$262,028
Shares common stock	426,676	426,633	384,444
Earnings per share	\$0.27	\$0.39	\$0.62

x After depreciation, amortization and Federal income taxes.—V. 147, p. 3762.

Foreign Bond Associates, Inc.—Earnings—

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1938	1937
Interest earned	\$25,656	\$24,537
Corporate expenses	8,283	6,223
Fiscal agent's fees	6,824	6,287
Legal and auditing	5,645	3,684
Taxes (other than Federal income)	2,286	1,909

Excess of int. earned over operating expenses	\$2,617	\$6,434
Net profit from sales of securities computed on basis of average cost	27,606	89,985

Total	\$30,223	\$96,419
Federal normal tax	3,300	13,500
Federal surtax on undistributed profits		1,500
Net profit	\$26,923	\$81,419

x Includes miscellaneous income of \$2,094.
 Note—At Dec. 31, 1937 and at Dec. 31, 1938 the cost of securities owned was in excess of market value in the amounts of \$252,065 and \$283,959, respectively.

Statement of Surplus for Year Ended Dec. 31, 1938

Capital surplus—Balance at Dec. 31, 1937, \$807,804; excess of amounts received on issuance of 28,572 shares of common stock over the par value of the shares issued, \$195,680; excess of amounts paid on redemption of 1,760 shares of common stock over the par value of the shares redeemed, Dr.\$11,952; balance at Dec. 31, 1938, \$991,532.
 Earned surplus—Balance at Dec. 31, 1937, \$47,650; adjustment of provision for Federal income tax for the year 1937, \$658; net profit for the year ended Dec. 31, 1938, \$26,923; total, \$75,231. Dividends paid, \$67,432; balance at Dec. 31, 1938, \$7,799.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Assets—	1938	1937	Liabilities—	1938	1937
Cash in bank	\$31,579	\$18,867	Pay'le for secs. purchased but not received	\$6,810	\$5,456
Rec'le for secs. sold but not deliv'd.	6,195	754	Accounts payable	879	289
Misc. accts. rec.	518	1,640	Prov. for Fed. cap. stock tax	850	900
Securities owned	697,860	611,053	Prov. for Federal income taxes	3,300	15,000
Acqr. int. receive'le	2,947	2,888	Accrued expenses	2,180	2,882
Deferred charges	1,184	927	Com. stock (par \$0.10)	10,894	8,212
			Capital surplus	991,532	807,804
			Earned surplus	7,799	47,650
			Excess of cost over mkt. value of securities owned	Dr283,959	Dr252,065
Total	\$740,284	\$636,129	Total	\$740,284	\$636,129

—V. 147, p. 3912.

Fox Theatres Corp.—Liquidation Approved—

Judge Martin T. Manton of the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals on Jan. 27 approved the proposed plan of liquidation for the corporation filed by Milton C. Weissman, receiver. The plan calls for the appointment by the Court of two trustees for the gradual liquidation of the assets of the corporation and for the discharge of the receiver. Judge Manton stated that he considered the plan an advantage to creditors and fair.—V. 142, p. 3169.

Freeport Sulphur Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1938	1937	1936	1935
x Net income	\$1,506,059	\$2,703,742	y\$2,009,784	z\$1,492,188
Shares com. stock outstanding (par \$10)	796,380	796,381	796,371	796,371
Earnings per share	\$1.87	\$3.30	\$2.43	\$1.78

x After depreciation, Federal taxes, &c.—V. 148, p. 581.

Garfield Building—Pays \$1.25 Dividend—

Company paid a dividend of \$1.25 per share on its voting trust certificates on Feb. 1 to holders of record Jan. 21. A dividend of \$1.50 was paid on Aug. 1, last.—V. 137, p. 2982.

General Cigar Co., Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Years End. Dec. 31—	1938	1937	1936	1935
x Net income	\$1,207,181	\$1,673,930	\$1,802,657	\$2,076,131
y Earns. p'r share	\$1.81	\$2.80	\$3.07	\$3.65

x After depreciation, amortization, Federal and Cuban income taxes and after loss on sale of non-operating properties of \$132,922 (net) in 1937. y On 472,982 no par shares of common stock.—V. 147, p. 3159.

General Household Utilities Co.—Suspended from Trading—

The common stock has been suspended from trading on the Chicago Stock Exchange.—V. 145, p. 3654.

General Outdoor Advertising Co.—Class A Dividend—

The directors on Jan. 31 declared a dividend of \$1 per share on account of accumulations on the class A stock, payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Feb. 10. Like amount was paid on Dec. 22 and Aug. 15 last, and a dividend of \$1.50 per share was paid on Dec. 24, 1937, this latter being the first payment made on this issue since May 15, 1931, when a regular quarterly dividend of \$1 per share was disbursed.—V. 147, p. 2532.

General Public Service Corp.—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Cash on stocks	\$123,097	\$294,669	\$299,774	\$238,346
Interest on bonds	50,970	53,277	81,857	131,159
Rev. fr. option contracts	4,950	1,800	15,525	15,075
Total income	\$179,017	\$354,746	\$397,156	\$384,580
Salaries & adm. exps.	35,893	35,837	39,234	34,141
Other expenses	29,520	33,046	29,156	32,305
Taxes (other than Fed'l)	6,257	7,378	10,731	5,933

Balance	\$107,347	\$278,485	\$318,035	\$312,200
Int. on debts. & Fed. and State taxes payable under deb. indenture	271,130	272,070	272,433	339,859
Net loss	\$163,782	prof\$6,414	prof\$45,602	\$27,659

a Stock dividends as and when received are not treated as income; the effect of such stock dividends on the corporation's books is solely to reduce proportionately the book value per share of all the stock owned in the company in question.
 b Prior to Dec. 31, 1937 the corporation's practice was to treat dividends on stocks owned as income only when received; at that date the dividends declared but not yet collected, aggregating \$23,438 (corresponding amount at Dec. 31, 1936, was \$33,515), were credited to earned surplus. After Dec. 31, 1937 dividends will be included in income as at the dates the right to receive them accrue.
 c Since Jan. 1, 1938 dividends on stocks owned have been included in income on the dates the right to receive them accrued, instead of on dates

received, which was the former practice. If the present practice had been in effect during the year 1937, dividends on stocks would have been \$284,591.

Surplus Statement as of Dec. 31

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Surplus (earned):				
Income surplus—Bal. at begin. of year—	\$147,198	\$117,346	\$71,744	\$106,904
Net loss (as above)	163,782	prof6,414	prof45,602	27,659
Ass't for Fed. stock transf. tax applic. to prior years	-----	-----	-----	Dr7,500
Accrued divs. rec.	-----	b23,438	-----	-----
Surplus	def\$16,585	\$147,198	\$117,346	\$71,744
Security profit surplus:				
Bal. at begin. of year	1,055,997	1,143,966	490,902	110,138
a Net profit on sale of securities	loss 861,496	390,408	1,027,514	420,609
Exps. on debts called	2,046	-----	1,000	39,845
\$6 prof. stock dividend	-----	473,565	369,600	-----
\$5.50 prof. stock div.	-----	4,813	3,850	-----
Balance	\$192,454	\$1,055,996	\$1,143,966	\$490,902
Surplus (earned) at end of year	175,869	1,203,194	1,261,312	562,646

a Profits or losses on securities sold were determined on the basis of the average book values. The book values were the written-down values established Dec. 31, 1931 and (or) subsequent costs;
b See footnotes (b) and (c) under income statement.
Note—The unrealized net depreciation of investments at Dec. 31, 1938, based on market value as per investment list, was \$1,572,030 less than that shown at Dec. 31, 1937.

Comparative Balance Sheet Dec. 31

	1938	1937	1938	1937
Assets—				
Common stocks	\$4,242,028	\$5,370,529	Accounts payable	\$69,094
Preferred stocks	726,649	639,692	Prof. divs. payable	33,769
Bonds	901,527	802,250	Taxes accrued	4,429
Cash in banks	1,160,436	1,983,568	Convertible debts:	
Accts. receivable	15,000	15,000	5% ser. due 1953	2,369,000
Divs. receivable	10,867	23,438	5 1/2% ser. due '39	2,631,000
Accrd. int. receiv.	16,061	14,908	a Preferred stock	2,084,143
			c Common stock	669,886
			Capital surplus	35,378
			Earned surp. (from Jan. 1, 1932)	175,869
				1,203,194
Total	\$7,072,568	\$9,048,416	Total	\$7,072,568

a Represented by 22,320 shares \$6 dividend pref. and 210 shares \$5.50 dividend pref. of no par value (entitled to \$110 per share upon redemption or voluntary liquidation or \$100 per share upon involuntary liquidation, plus accrued dividends). Total pref. stock authorized, 47,610 shares, of which 23,690 shares of \$5.50 pref. are reserved for conversion of 5% debentures. Junior pref. stock authorized, 10,000 shares of no par value, of which no shares have been issued.

b During the year 1937 the corporation purchased and retired 2,320 shares \$6 div. preferred and 70 shares \$5.50 div. pref. The cost thereof was less than the assigned value of such shares by \$35,377 and this amount was credited to capital surplus.

c Represented by 669,886 shares of no par value. Authorized, 900,000 shares, of which 16,310 (26,310 shares in 1937) shares are reserved for conversion of 5 1/2% debentures.

d Excludes \$982,000 principal amount of debentures called for redemption on Jan. 1, 1939 at 100%. The corporation has deposited \$982,000 with the trustee to redeem these debentures and both cash deposited and the debentures called have been excluded from assets and liabilities.—V. 147, p. 3160.

General Shoe Corp.—Registers with SEC—

See list given on first page of this department.—V. 147, p. 3610.

Georgia & Florida RR.—Earnings—

Period End.	Dec. 31—	1938—Month—	1937—	1938—12 Mos.—	1937—
Railway oper. revenues	\$89,548	\$82,246	\$1,111,065	\$1,291,201	
Railway oper. expenses	86,896	85,147	1,040,332	1,154,254	
Net rev. from ry. oper.	\$2,652	x\$2,901	\$70,733	\$136,948	
Railway tax accruals	2,553	3,013	84,619	73,157	
Railway oper. income	\$99	x\$5,915	x\$13,886	\$63,791	
Equip. rents (net)	Dr2,861	Cr415	Cr1,507	Dr4,007	
Joint fac. rents (net)	Dr1,885	Dr1,984	Dr23,149	Dr23,409	
Net ry. oper. income	x\$4,647	x\$7,484	x\$35,528	\$36,375	
Non-oper. income	1,262	1,453	17,358	16,315	
Gross income	x\$3,385	x\$6,032	x\$18,170	\$52,689	
Deduct'ns from income	888	1,104	11,357	11,464	
Surplus applic. to int.	x\$4,273	x\$7,136	x\$9,257	\$41,225	

x Indicates loss or deficit.
—Week Ended Jan. 21— 1938 1937
Operating revenues \$20,125 \$20,125 \$55,725 \$55,200
—V. 148, p. 582.

Georgia RR.—Earnings—

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$2,040,022	\$254,788	\$319,547	\$261,343
Net from railway	32,013	def13,434	60,317	def12,358
Net after rents	36,218	def4,949	43,048	def1,298
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	3,474,615	3,674,891	3,724,469	3,214,746
Net from railway	574,042	500,693	714,546	461,937
Net after rents	525,402	522,002	676,175	512,887

Gorham Mfg. Co.—To Pay 25-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable March 15 to holders of record March 1. A dividend of \$1 was paid on Jan. 16 last; dividends of 25 cents were paid on Dec. 15, Sept. 15, and on June 15, 1938; a dividend of \$1.25 was paid on Jan. 26, 1938; dividends of 50 cents were paid on Dec. 15, Nov. 15, Sept. 15, and June 15, 1937; a dividend of 25 cents was paid on March 15, 1937; a special dividend of \$1 was paid on Jan. 25, 1937, and a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share was distributed on Dec. 15, 1936.—V. 147, p. 4055.

Grand Trunk Western RR.—Earnings—

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$2,040,385	\$1,784,079	\$2,351,179	\$1,994,980
Net from railway	544,299	224,886	620,575	578,466
Net after rents	339,273	107,496	335,717	433,987
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	18,272,199	24,307,098	23,892,910	20,998,460
Net from railway	1,531,881	5,272,519	5,651,134	4,336,050
Net after rents	def788,981	2,423,752	2,670,053	2,607,233

Grand Union Co.—Accumulated Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on account of accumulations on the \$3 cum. conv. pref. stock, no par value, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 17. Dividends of 25 cents were paid on Dec. 1, Sept. 1, and June 1 last and compare with 50 cents paid on March 1, 1938, Dec. 1, Sept. 1, and on June 1, 1937. A dividend of 75 cents was paid on April 1, 1937, dividends of 25 cents were paid on March 1, 1937, and on Dec. 1, Sept. 1, and June 1, 1936, while dividends of 37 1/2 cents per share had been distributed in each of the five preceding quarters and prior to then regular quarterly dividends of 75 cents per share were paid. Accumulations after the payment of the current dividend will amount to \$5.87 1/2 per share.—V. 148, p. 439.

Granite City Steel Co.—Registrar, &c.—

The Chase National Bank of the City of New York has been appointed registrar for the common stock of the company.

The company has appointed the New York Trust Co. as transfer agent of its common stock, effective Feb. 1, 1939.—V. 147, p. 2686.

Graton & Knight Co.—No Preferred Dividend—

Directors at their meeting on Jan. 24 took no action on the quarterly dividend of \$1.75 due at this time on the \$7 preferred stock. Dividends have been paid at rate of \$7 annually since reorganization of the company in 1936.—V. 147, p. 3458.

Great Northern Iron Ore Properties—Annual Report—

Iron ore shipments in 1938 from the Lake Superior District, the Mesabi Iron Range, which is part of the district, and the mines of the Great Northern Iron Ore Properties which lie within the Mesabi Range, were substantially lower than the shipments of the previous year. The total approximate shipments from the Lake Superior District during the year amounted to 19,263,000 tons which compares with 62,800,000 tons for the year 1937, a decrease of 70%. The total approximate shipments from the Mesabi Range during the year amounted to 13,083,000 tons which compares with 45,500,000 tons for the year 1937, a decrease of 71%. The shipments from the Great Northern Iron Ore Properties during 1938 were 3,411,000 tons compared with 10,466,000 tons for the year 1937, a decrease of 68%. The Great Northern Iron Ore Properties have not experienced such low shipments for the past five years, which is also true of the whole Lake Superior District.

Due to minimum royalties received in years of small shipments and to the partial liquidation of advance royalties in years of heavy shipments, the distributable income of the Great Northern Iron Ore Properties does not vary in direct ratio to annual shipments, but the 1938 distributable income of the Great Northern Iron Ore Properties shows some decrease from that of 1937. Distributions during the year were made in the amount of \$1,875,000, of which \$1,125,000 was paid Jan. 31, 1938, and \$750,000 was paid Dec. 20, 1938. On Jan. 3, 1939, the trustees declared a distribution of \$1,125,000 or 75 cents per share on certificates of beneficial interest, payable Jan. 31, 1939, to shareholders of record at the close of business Jan. 16, 1939. The effect of this later mentioned distribution, payable Jan. 31, 1939, is not reflected in this report because these transactions were recorded on the books subsequent to Dec. 31, 1938.

During the year the net assets of the Jackson Iron Mining Co. and the Tyler Iron Mining Co. were transferred over to the Grant Iron Mining Co. along with all of the stock of the two former companies' subsidiaries. This was effected by exchange of stock.

During the year 1938 the Bruce Mine was abandoned by the lessee operator.

Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Net royalty income	\$2,161,402	\$3,055,231	\$2,453,574	\$2,008,764
Interest, rentals, &c.	5,315	7,048	7,827	43,514
Profit on property sold	4,691	4,235	3,049	8,879
Total income	\$2,171,409	\$3,066,515	\$2,464,450	\$2,061,156
x Royalty & real est. tax	138,446	165,786	186,198	175,483
Inspection & care of prop's	73,611	81,468	74,456	64,255
Gen. & admin. expenses	166,474	165,889	174,292	155,251
Sundry charges—net	782	671	1,062	25,716
Depletion	821,681	1,050,052	1,104,810	978,346
Deprec. on bldgs. & eq.	5,647	5,555	5,481	6,784
Prov. for income tax	176,364	308,176	y195,427	y117,023
Prov. for undis. earnings tax	-----	102	95	-----
Net profit applicable to minority interest	3,478	32,487	12,698	5,496
Net profit	\$784,924	\$1,256,428	\$709,928	\$533,771
Distributions on cfs. of beneficial interest	1,875,000	2,250,000	1,875,000	750,000

x Includes capital stock taxes. y Includes additional provision for income taxes for prior years of \$1,396 in 1936 and \$3,689 in 1935.
Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 (Trustees and Proprietary Companies—Great Northern Iron Ore Properties, St. Paul)

	1938	1937	1938	1937
Assets—				
Cash on hand and on deposit	4,286,091	4,520,601	Royalties	194,212
Royalties receivable	390,166	79,668	Unclaimed divs. & distribution	19,096
Sundry accts. rec.	7,200	4,384	Sundry accts. pay.	9,595
Active fee lands & leaseholds	24,374,069	25,585,766	Real est. & royalty taxes accrued	195,280
a Non-mineral l'ids	17,670	17,858	Capital stock tax	22,641
c Bldgs. & equip't	58,870	64,225	Fed. & State inc. taxes (est.)	176,365
Prepaid cap. stock tax	-----	14,817	Deferred royalties	914,118
Prepaid expenses	1,127	496	d Minority interest	474,027
Total	29,135,193	30,287,814	E Stated cap. value	911,900
			Capital surplus	23,013,506
			Earned surplus	24,197,791
			Total	3,473,761

a Less allowance for anticipated abandonments of \$16,234 in 1938 and \$16,756 in 1937. c After depreciation. d In capital stock and surplus of North Star Iron Co. represented by 609 shares of stock (9.39%) not owned by trustees. e Represented by 1,500,000 shares of beneficial interest.—V. 148, p. 128.

Green Bay & Western RR.—Earnings—

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$145,749	\$114,825	\$153,100	\$109,003
Net from railway	28,926	21,789	48,216	16,191
Net after rents	def9,583	9,049	30,250	9,805
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	1,560,210	1,687,011	1,624,122	1,412,110
Net from railway	383,988	446,969	387,060	275,530
Net after rents	134,576	263,462	176,881	133,036

Dividends Resumed—

Directors have declared a dividend of \$50 per share on the class A debentures and a dividend of \$5 per share on the capital stock, both payable Feb. 14 to holders of record Feb. 10. Similar payments were last made on Dec. 21, 1937.—V. 147, p. 4055.

Gruen Watch Co.—Registers with SEC—

See list given on first page of this department.—V. 148, p. 128.

Gulf Power Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Dec. 31—	1938—Month—	1937—	1938—12 Mos.—	1937—
Gross revenue	\$154,204	\$151,504	\$1,753,827	\$1,665,526
Oper. expenses and taxes	94,833	105,696	1,133,017	1,095,953
Prov. for depreciation	50,792	11,943	175,000	135,500
Gross income	\$8,579	\$33,865	\$445,810	\$434,073
Int. & other fixed chgs.	20,195	19,593	241,290	228,517
Net income	x\$11,616	\$14,272	\$204,521	\$205,555
Divs. on pref. stock	5,584	5,584	67,014	67,014
Balance	x\$117,201	\$3,688	\$137,507	\$138,541

Gulf Mobile & Northern RR.—Earnings—

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$527,249	\$561,574	\$609,449	\$514,059
Net from railway	158,347	87,840	231,403	171,936
Net after rents	72,562	25,214	96,262	81,290
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	6,497,571	7,527,129	7,292,909	6,170,896
Net from railway	1,926,389	2,419,375	2,824,315	2,081,476
Net after rents	830,410	1,151,500	1,412,604	1,100,943

Labor Accepts Plan—

Objections of organized railroad labor to the proposed merger of Gulf Mobile & Northern RR. and Mobile & Ohio RR. to form the Gulf Mobile & Ohio RR., has been withdrawn, according to dispatches from Mobile,

Ala. At a conference between representatives of rail labor and management of the carriers the labor group agreed to withdraw all opposition in view of the fact that both the G. M. & N. and the proposed G. M. & O. would officially adopt the Washington agreement of June, 1936, for the payment of dismissal compensation to the workers involved.—V. 148, p. 582.

Gulf & Ship Island RR.—Earnings—

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$89,780	\$96,476	\$115,446	\$89,810
Net from railway	1,003	8,229	12,259	926
Net after rents	def16,311	def20,860	def38,455	def10,785
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	1,164,746	1,543,040	1,443,901	1,263,013
Net from railway	5,635	251,222	177,398	170,727
Net after rents	def305,485	def67,095	def146,384	def95,752

Gulf States Utilities Co.—To Obtain \$5,500,000 Credits to Redeem Debentures—

Company filed Feb. 1 an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission for approval under Section 7 of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 of a proposed plan to obtain a \$4,000,000 bank loan to refund its outstanding 4 1/2% debentures due 1948 and also an advance of \$1,500,000 made to the company by an industrial customer. The proposed loan would be unsecured, would carry a 3% interest rate and would mature serially over a 6 1/2-year period. In addition to the proceeds of the proposed loan, \$660,000 of cash would be required to extinguish the above obligations of the company. The debentures are callable on 30 days' notice at 102 1/2 and accrued interest.—V. 148, p. 280.

Guysborough Mines, Ltd.—Earnings—

3 Months Ended Dec. 31—	1938	1937
Tons of ore milled	8,593	6,670
Net income from metals produced	\$64,989	\$64,411
Development and operating costs	46,669	45,826
Estimated operating profit	\$18,320	\$18,586
Non-operating revenue	203	124
Estimated total profit	\$18,523	\$18,710

Hancock Oil Co. of Calif.—Earnings—

Period End. Dec. 31—	1938—3 Mos.	1937—3 Mos.	1938—6 Mos.	1937—6 Mos.
Gross operating income	\$2,452,411	\$1,496,134	\$4,630,869	\$3,073,259
x Costs, oper. & gen. exp	1,846,351	1,108,503	3,357,684	2,330,864
Intangible develop. exps	23,019	89,671	175,304	168,240
Depr., depl., amort., &c.	128,030	87,665	256,614	186,965
Net operating profit	\$455,010	\$210,295	\$841,267	\$387,190

Extra Dividends—

Directors have declared an extra dividend of 25 cents per share and a quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share on the class A and class B common stocks all payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 15. Like amounts were paid on Dec. 1, last. See also V. 147, p. 2866.

Harbison-Walker Refractories Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings.

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
y Net profit	\$737,762	\$3,131,595	\$3,462,483	\$1,805,668
Shs. com. stk. out. (no par)	1,358,883	1,358,883	1,358,883	1,358,883
Earnings per share	\$0.41	\$2.17	\$2.41	\$1.20

x Preliminary. y After depreciation depletion and taxes. Note—No provision has been made for undistributed profits tax as none is anticipated.

To Pay Common Dividend—

Directors on Jan. 30 declared a dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 10. This will be the first dividend paid on the common shares since June 1, 1938, when 25 cents per share was distributed. A dividend of 25 cents was also paid on March 1, 1938, and previously regular quarterly dividends of 50 cents were paid.—V. 147, p. 2533.

Harvard Brewing Co.—New President—

Walter E. Guyette has been elected President of this company. He was formerly Executive Vice-President and General Manager.—V. 148, p. 280.

Hawaiian Agricultural Co.—10-Cent Dividend—

Directors have declared a dividend of 10 cents per share on the common stock, payable Jan. 31 to holders of record Jan. 25. A dividend of 10 cents was paid on April 30, 1938, and previously regular monthly dividends of 20 cents per share were distributed.—V. 146, p. 2371.

(Walter E.) Heller & Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Years End. Dec. 31—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Income	\$1,293,492	\$1,278,731	\$1,003,474	\$756,610
Acquisit'n, collect'n, factoring, gen. & admin. expense	631,632	583,346	458,692	354,519
Prov. for doubtful rec.	60,861	81,817	108,787	82,578
Prov. for Fed. inc. and excess profits taxes	y115,200	y103,493	63,792	47,930
Prov. for Fed. surtax		34,000	18,876	—
Net profit on above	\$485,798	\$476,075	\$353,327	\$271,582
Other income (net)				30,294
Total income	\$485,798	\$476,075	\$353,327	\$301,877
Underwriting expenses in connection with issue of add'l capital stock				24,027
Transferred to surplus	\$485,798	\$476,075	\$353,327	\$277,849
Previous earned surplus	871,329	680,587	561,258	477,322
Total earned surplus	\$1,357,127	\$1,156,662	\$914,585	\$755,172
Provision for additional Federal income taxes for prior year				6,200
Preferred dividends	110,274	113,908	114,682	68,895
Common dividends	184,192	171,425	119,316	x118,818
Balance, earned surplus, Dec. 31—	\$1,062,662	\$871,329	\$680,586	\$561,257
Shs. com. stk. (par \$2)	245,763	245,473	242,333	234,094
Earnings per share	\$1.52	\$1.48	\$0.98	\$0.89

x Includes extra of \$42,481 paid July 31, 1935. y Includes \$4,293 (\$2,993 in 1937) for additional prior year's taxes.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

	1938	1937	1938	1937
Assets—				
Cash on hand and in banks	1,717,038	1,444,184		
x Receivables	9,983,264	10,527,344		
Investment	69,069	22,777		
Furniture & fixt.	1	1		
Deferred charges	116,087	125,824		
Liabilities—				
Notes pay., unsec.	5,212,300	5,621,707		
Accounts payable	363,653	239,785		
Accrued taxes	y158,996	181,124		
10-yr. 4% notes	2,500,000	2,500,000		
Reserves	35,000	25,000		
Deferred inc., &c.	421,540	524,327		
Prof. stk. (par \$25)	1,641,125	1,641,125		
Com. stk. (par \$2)	491,528	490,946		
Capital surplus	56,932	55,336		
Earned surplus	1,062,662	871,329		
Treas., pref. stock	Dr58,275	Dr30,549		
Total	11,885,458	12,120,130	11,885,458	12,120,130

x After deducting balances withheld from dealers, &c., payable upon collection of receivables, \$2,802,247 in 1938 and \$2,877,311 in 1937 and reserve for doubtful receivables, \$277,065 in 1938 and \$239,361 in 1937. y Includes accrued interest.—V. 147, p. 3764.

Hercules Powder Co., Inc.—Report—

Company, in its annual statement issued Jan. 28, reports earnings of \$3,089,017 for 1938. Of this amount \$524,928 was required for payment of preferred dividends, leaving \$2,564,089 applicable to the common stock, equal to \$1.95 a share on an average of 1,316,710 shares outstanding. Figures for 1937 showed earnings of \$4,440,273, equal after preferred dividends to \$3.25 a share of common.

Net earnings in the fourth quarter of 1938 were \$1,120,382 or 75 cents a common share, after payment of \$131,232 preferred dividends. Earnings in the fourth quarter of 1937, distorted by year-end inventory adjustments, added only \$156,451, of which after payment of \$131,232 preferred dividends \$25,219 was applicable to common stock.

Capital expenditures during the year amounted to approximately \$2,335,000. Important items included in this expenditure are: Increased capacity for the manufacture of cellulose acetate and chlorinated rubber; installation of facilities for the manufacture of Staybelite (hydrogenated rosin); and improvements to the naval stores, chemical cotton, and explosives plants.

In his annual statement to the stockholders, R. H. Dunham, President, stated that for the first seven months of 1938 Hercules business remained at the relatively low level which had prevailed at the start of the year. In August a noticeable improvement occurred which continued to hold throughout the balance of the year. For the year as a whole the physical volume showed a decline of approximately 16% from 1937.

The decline in Hercules explosives business as somewhat less than the average of the company as a whole, and the results for the year were satisfactory.

Summing up the year's activities, Mr. Dunham said: "The physical volume of Hercules' business currently is running about 8% above the average of 1938. There appears to be general agreement that 1939 as a whole will average better than 1938. Hercules should fully share in this improvement."

Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross receipts	\$32,829,714	\$44,558,502	\$36,740,574	\$29,669,715
* Net earnings, all sources	3,621,216	5,682,506	5,333,365	3,768,607
Federal taxes	x532,199	y1,242,232	y1,049,200	592,634
Net profit	\$3,089,017	\$4,440,273	\$4,284,164	\$3,175,973
Preferred dividends	524,928	524,928	590,544	707,163
Common dividends	1,975,065	3,646,392	3,065,365	2,042,661
Rate of common divs.	(\$1.50)	(\$3.00)	(\$5.25)	(\$3.50)

Surplus	\$589,024	\$268,953	\$628,256	\$426,149
Previous surplus	13,636,948	10,623,674	10,178,157	10,229,141
Proceeds fr. sale of stk. in excess of stated val.	3,375,268	—	—	—
Proceeds fr. treas. stk. in excess of cost	195,831	—	—	—
Total surplus	\$14,229,972	\$14,463,726	\$10,806,412	\$10,655,290
Equity in undist. earnings of associated cos.	826,778	—	—	—
Prem. on pref. stk. ret'd	—	—	—	360,940
Adjustment prior years	—	—	182,738	116,194
Balance, surplus	\$14,229,972	\$13,636,948	\$10,623,674	\$10,178,157
Shares of common outstanding (no par)	x1,316,710	x1,212,240	573,879	583,639
Earned per sh. on com.	\$1.95	\$3.23	\$6.33	\$4.23

x After deducting all expenses incident to manufacture and sales, ordinary and extraordinary repairs, maintenance of plants, accidents, depreciation, taxes, &c. y Includes capital stock taxes. z Includes Fed. income and capital stock taxes of \$1,074,343 in 1937 and \$951,863 in 1936, and undistributed profits tax of \$167,889 in 1937 and \$97,336 in 1936. z Average number of shares outstanding.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

	1938	1937	1938	1937
Assets—				
x Plants & prop'y	18,538,574	18,545,286		
Goodwill	5,000,000	5,000,000		
Cash	6,366,983	4,187,547		
Accts. receivable	3,375,244	3,443,755		
a Co.'s cap. stock (at cost)	1,577,474	1,577,474		
Other assets	35,551	24,274		
Invest. in assoc'd companies	281,069	125,000		
Invest. securities	75,070	201,938		
U. S. Govt. secur.	3,861,012	3,867,584		
Mat'ls & supplies	3,623,767	4,500,246		
Finished products	3,918,661	4,936,094		
Deferred charges	338,634	163,891		
Total	46,992,039	46,573,069	46,992,039	46,573,069
Liabilities—				
Preferred stock	9,619,400	9,619,400		
y Common stock	16,945,850	16,945,850		
Accts. payable and acer. accounts	1,028,584	952,363		
Accrued pref. div.	131,232	131,232		
Deferred credits	50,790	18,038		
Federal taxes	536,008	1,249,324		
Reserves	4,154,203	4,019,913		
Profit and loss	14,225,972	13,636,948		

a 8,706 shares preferred and 38,958 shares common. x After depreciation of \$16,794,212 in 1938 and \$16,360,974 in 1937. y Represented by 1,355,668 no par shares.—V. 147, p. 3459.

Holland Furnace Co.—To Retire Preferred Stock—

The company will call for redemption 5,000 shares of its convertible preferred stock on April 1, paying the redemption price of \$105 plus accumulated dividends. Drawing will be made of shares of record Feb. 15. There are currently 17,595 shares of convertible preferred outstanding.—V. 147, p. 3459.

Hudson River Navigation Corp.—Plan Approved by Court—

An amended plan of reorganization which calls for the operation of the company's vessels by a new corporation headed by Nathaniel Rosoff, was approved Jan. 27 by Federal Judge Henry W. Goddard. Operation of the steamers will be resumed in time for early World's Fair patronage. Under the plan all assets will be turned over to the new corporation and all approved claims will be liquidated. A loan of \$200,000 will be obtained from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Robert P. Lewis, Counsel for the company, presented the plan, which had been approved by Maxwell S. Mattuck, representing general creditors, and by F. J. O'Hara, representing the RFC.

The plan calls for the liquidation in full of Federal and State tax claims and the payment of general creditor claims through the issuance of preferred capital stock.—V. 148, p. 583.

Hupp Motor Car Corp.—Stockholders Approve RFC Loan

Stockholders at a special meeting Jan. 24 approved a \$900,000 loan from the Reconstruction Finance Corp., proceeds of which will be used to manufacture the new Hupp Skylark.

"This is the first step in refinancing the program recently announced," Edward Rothbert, general counsel and secretary, said. "As soon as legal details are completed Hupp plans to offer 350,000 shares of common stock and is now proceeding with production of the first Skylarks which, according to plans, will be available to distributors and dealers in February."—V. 148, p. 440.

Huron & Erie Mortgage Corp., London, Ont.—Earnings.

Years End. Dec. 31—	1938	1937	1936	1935
x Profit for the year	\$349,760	\$308,397	\$365,935	\$377,896
Dom. of Canada taxes	32,482	58,775	48,557	30,955
Municipal taxes, other than on real estate	13,024	12,631	12,826	12,738
Write off office premises	—	—	—	31,500
Approp. for further add'n to internal reserves	100,000	—	100,000	—
Dividends	200,000	225,000	250,000	300,000
Balance	\$4,254	\$11,990	def\$45,448	\$2,703
Previous surplus	91,794	79,804	125,251	122,548
Balance, surplus	\$96,048	\$91,794	\$79,804	\$125,251

x After paying interest on debentures and deposits, deducting expenses of management and other expenses, and making provision for actual and other losses.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

1938		1937		1938		1937	
Assets—				Liabilities—			
Office premises	2,000,000	2,000,000	Canadian debts	25,332,515	26,357,806		
a Real estate	1,091,509	1,254,644	Sterling debts	2,227,084	2,233,970		
b Mtges. & agree-			d Sterling deb. stk.	194,360	198,740		
c ments	33,191,516	33,593,570	Int. accr. on debts				
d Securities	5,482,198	5,620,347	and deposits	294,928	334,546		
Canada Trust Co.			Deposits	9,229,198	9,051,042		
stock	1,559,305	1,557,555	Prov. for taxes	65,000	65,000		
Cash	664,606	856,781	Capital stock	5,000,000	5,000,000		
			Reserve fund	1,500,000	1,500,000		
			Dividend payable	50,000	50,000		
			Profit and loss	96,048	91,794		
Total	43,989,135	44,882,898	Total	43,989,135	44,882,898		

a Held for sale. b For sale. c Including accrued interest. d 4% perpetual.—V. 146, p. 915.

Holophone Co., Inc.—Earnings—

6 Mos. End. Dec. 31—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Net earns. after taxes & charges	\$54,289	\$151,715	\$144,362	\$55,566
Earns. per sh. on com. stock	\$0.55	\$1.38	\$1.30	\$0.37

—V. 148, p. 582.

Hussman-Ligonier Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Sales	\$3,313,880	\$3,878,936		
Distributors' earnings, finance charges, &c.	1,173,389	1,296,241	Not reported	
Cost of goods sold	1,547,798	1,811,030		
Sell. & admin. expenses	430,281	464,661		
Net operating profit	\$162,412	\$307,005	\$327,939	\$163,281
Other income	108,984	84,710	9,138	2,871
Total	\$271,396	\$391,715	\$337,077	\$166,152
Provision for deprec'n.	16,410	11,580	9,573	8,171
Int. on deb. bonds			4,076	4,877
Exps. (net) of non-oper. properties	x10,630	12,609	14,895	17,078
Prov. for Fed. and State taxes	43,942	z66,622	y64,695	21,172
Net profit for the year	\$200,414	\$300,904	\$243,837	\$114,853
Divs. on cum. pref. stk.:				
In cash			17,292	18,496
In preferred stock			12,687	24,661
Divs. in 5 1/2% cumul. preferred stock	31,611	32,438	6,642	
Divs. on common stock	126,977	232,295	104,383	
Surplus	\$41,826	\$36,171	\$102,833	\$71,696

x Includes depreciation of \$4,407. y Including \$16,160 provision for surtax on undistributed profits. z \$51,469 for Federal normal income tax; \$10,368 for Federal surtax on undistributed profits and \$4,785 for Missouri State income tax (net).

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash on hand and in bank, \$138,983; notes and accounts receivable (less reserves for losses of \$135,996 and amounts withheld on paper purchased of \$53,637), \$2,348,351; inventories, \$538,876; common stock (2,400 shares no par), \$29,460; preferred stock (\$50 par), \$7,118; plant and other properties (less reserves for depreciation of \$345,394), \$401,437; patents, dies, patterns, &c., \$1; deferred charges, \$28,239; total, \$3,492,466.

Liabilities—Notes payable, banks (unsecured), \$1,155,000; accounts payable, trade, \$54,776; customers' deposits on orders, &c., \$4,750; accrued payroll, \$3,311; distributors' accounts, \$5,000; liability under installation and service contracts, \$21,847; income and general tax accruals, \$58,006; deferred liability, \$77,729; deferred income, \$129,044; preferred stock (par \$50), \$579,450; common stock (172,336.5 shs. no par), \$1,134,660; surplus, \$268,894; total, \$3,492,466.—V. 147, p. 1195.

Illinois Central RR.—Earnings—

Earnings of System		1938		1937		1936		1935	
December—									
Gross from railway	\$9,431,189	\$9,557,383	\$10,730,783	\$8,541,375					
Net from railway	28,791,248	3,147,477	3,672,757	def3216,034					
Net after rents	1,856,602	2,176,210	2,560,724	def3831,546					
From Jan. 1—									
Gross from railway	105,415,827	114,015,809	114,955,547	97,459,738					
Net from railway	28,791,248	29,103,295	29,701,552	15,696,159					
Net after rents	16,927,170	17,881,815	17,115,016	6,724,243					
Earnings of Company Only									
December—									
Gross from railway	\$8,299,334	\$8,301,231	\$9,128,281	\$7,448,670					
Net from railway	2,507,557	2,741,544	2,928,162	def3091,726					
Net after rents	1,758,565	1,945,346	2,021,014	def3526,432					
From Jan. 1—									
Gross from railway	90,937,441	97,694,402	98,843,934	84,767,518					
Net from railway	24,152,440	23,529,565	24,072,509	12,710,843					
Net after rents	14,712,384	14,635,913	14,087,852	6,108,950					

—V. 147, p. 4056.

Illinois Iowa Power Co.—Bonds Called—

A total of \$2,450,000 first and refunding mortgage gold bonds, 6% series A, due April 1, 1933, has been called for redemption on April 1 at 105 and accrued interest. Payment will be made at the Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, or at the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York.

This company was formerly known as the Illinois Power & Light Corp.—V. 147, p. 1490.

Illinois Water Service Co.—Bonds Called—

All of the outstanding first mortgage 5% gold bonds, series A, due Jan. 1, 1932, have been called for redemption on April 5 at 102 and accrued interest. Payment will be made at the New York Trust Co.—V. 147, p. 3914.

Indianapolis Water Co.—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Operating revenues	\$2,612,342	\$2,588,156	\$2,660,267	\$2,473,747
Oper. exps. and taxes	y1,389,912	yl,393,252	yl,273,115	1,143,518
Net oper. income	\$1,222,430	\$1,194,905	\$1,387,152	\$1,330,229
Interest	483,945	483,945	719,366	642,375
Other deductions	125,149	124,305	91,005	51,265
Net corp. income	\$613,336	\$586,654	\$576,781	x\$636,588

x Before depreciation. y Including depreciation.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

1938		1937		1938		1937	
Assets—				Liabilities—			
Fixed capital	20,616,190	20,388,109	Preferred stock	1,054,900	1,054,900		
Cash	1,243,361	1,780,712	Common stock	5,250,000	5,250,000		
Market securities	821,406	1,011,156	Funded indebted	13,827,000	13,827,000		
Notes receivable	600	261	Consumers' depos.	96,655	94,898		
Accts. receivable	274,405	340,499	Other current liab.	37,202	44,128		
Mat'l. & suppl'es.	73,065	90,464	Main extension de-				
Investm'ts, gen'l.	21,420	21,872	posits	38,281	38,280		
Prepayments	3,910	8,437	Accrued taxes	533,898	552,044		
Special deposits	524	1,113	Accrued interest	16,859	15,603		
Unamort. debt dis-			Other accr. liabil.	22,062	23,882		
count & expense	1,079,798	1,183,493	Reserves	1,828,827	1,754,086		
Undistrib. debits	338,121	241,381	Misc. unadj. credits		78		
			Corporate surplus	1,767,088	2,412,598		
Total	24,472,802	25,067,499	Total	24,472,802	25,067,499		

—V. 147, p. 4057

Illinois Terminal RR. Co.—Earnings—

December—		1938		1937		1936		1935	
Gross from railway	\$58,872	\$490,671	\$554,628	\$488,658					
Net from railway	140,368	136,939	232,899	181,453					
Net after rents	101,192	74,754	157,702	131,886					
From Jan. 1—									
Gross from railway	5,301,961	6,196,308	5,998,627	5,312,739					
Net from railway	1,526,419	2,189,716	2,238,273	1,747,028					
Net after rents	830,691	1,398,457	1,531,948	1,219,921					

—V. 147, p. 4056.

Inland Steel Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End Dec 31—	1938—3 Mos.—	1937—	1938—12 Mos.—	1937—
Net after expenses	\$3,914,177	\$2,540,420	\$12,681,863	\$22,757,324
Interest	462,375	470,193	1,849,500	1,861,233
Deprec. & depletion	1,211,275	823,623	4,796,892	4,734,015
Federal income tax, &c.	480,742	379,033	1,119,268	2,673,973
Fed. surtax on undistributed profits				822,786
Net profit	\$1,759,785	\$867,571	\$4,916,203	\$12,665,317
Shares cap. stk. (no par)	1,577,005	1,573,950	1,577,005	1,573,950
Earnings per share	\$1.11	\$0.55	\$3.12	\$8.05

—V. 148, p. 440.

Insull Utility Investments, Inc.—Depository Books Closed—

Empire Trust Co. as depository for debentures announced that the depository books will be permanently closed for transfer on Feb. 15, 1939.—V. 147, p. 894.

International Hydro-Electric System—Par Changed—Shareholders at a special meeting held Jan. 30 voted to change the company's outstanding common stock from 40,000,000 shares of five cents par value to 2,500,000 shares of 80 cents par value. This action has no effect on the aggregate par value of outstanding common shares, which remains unchanged at \$2,000,000.—V. 148, p. 440.

Inter-Ocean Reinsurance Co.—Extra Dividend—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of \$1 per share in addition to the regular semi-annual dividend of like amount on the common stock. The extra dividend was paid on Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 25 and the regular semi-annual payment will be made on March 9 to holders of record Feb. 25. Similar extras were paid on Feb. 2, 1938, and March 9, 1937.—V. 146, p. 916.

International Paper Co.—Collateral Pledged—

Bankers Trust Co. has notified the New York Stock Exchange that 842 shares of capital stock of Moreau Manufacturing Corp. have been pledged with it as trustee under the International Paper Co. first and refunding mortgage dated Jan. 1, 1917.—V. 147, p. 3017.

International Paper & Power Co.—Trustees Appointed to Liquidate Holdings of International Hydro-Electric System—

At the offices of company it was learned Jan. 31 that Redfield Proctor of Proctor, Vt., formerly Governor of that State; C. Books Stevens, textile manufacturer of Lowell, Mass., and Henry G. Wells of Haverhill, Mass., formerly a member of the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities, have agreed to act as trustees of the liquidating trust into which International Paper & Power Co. and International Paper Co. are transferring their holdings of common and class B shares of International Hydro-Electric System.

Company to Sell Utilities—Plan Announced by SEC—

Directors of the company, meeting Jan. 31, decided to sell the public utility interests of the company, which are valued at more than \$500,000,000. Details of the plan were announced in Washington through William O. Douglas, Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, who said that he had received a telegram from the directors informing him of their decision that the company confine itself to the paper industry and other non-utility activities, the value of which is estimated at more than \$250,000,000.

It was learned that the plan had been under consideration by the directors for six months in cooperation with the Commission, and would provide for the immediate separation of the power interests and their eventual sale. It is stated that the utility holdings of the company and the International Hydro-Electric System would be transferred immediately to independent trustees, who would administer the properties until their sale within two to four years.

The plan involves six steps, which Chairman Douglas outlined as follows:
1. International Paper & Power and International Paper will transfer to a liquidating trust all the voting securities that they hold in International Hydro-Electric System together with the voting securities of Olcott Falls Co.
2. This liquidating trust will register as a holding company under the Public Utility Act.
3. International Hydro-Electric will withdraw its application for exemption now on file with the SEC and will register as a holding company.
4. A voting trust currently holding the voting securities of New England Power Association, now 88% owned by International Hydro-Electric System, will be terminated and the voting shares of the Association will be returned to International Hydro-Electric.
5. Gateau Power Co., a Canadian subsidiary of International Hydro, will apply for exemption under the Act as a foreign subsidiary.
6. The liquidating trustees will file a plan under Section 11-e of the Public Utility Holding Company Act proposing to use their best efforts to dispose of the voting shares of International Hydro-Electric System and Olcott Falls Co.

Disposal of International Hydro-Electric System will make no important change on the books of International Paper & Power because the latter's power investments have been practically written off previously.

On completion of the program, International Paper & Power will presumably be only a paper company and might deem it wise to merge with its remaining subsidiary, International Paper Co. This would be no concern of the SEC, however, since its authority extends only to utility matters.

Changes Detailed by Company—

Various applications and statements were filed with the SEC Feb. 2, under the program announced Jan. 31 by International.

Generally the plans call for transfer of the securities of the International Hydro-Electric System, now owned by the securities of International Paper & Power, to three independent liquidating trustees, who gradually will dispose of them by public sale or otherwise. Under the plan both the liquidating trustees and International Hydro-Electric will register under the Holding Company Act, thus placing their activities under supervision of the SEC, and the liquidating trustees will file a plan of liquidation.

The various statements in connection with these moves which were filed with the SEC, were listed as follows:

Notification of registration under the Holding Company Act filed by Redfield Proctor, C. Books Stevens, and Henry G. Wells, trustees of International Paper & Power and International Paper.

Liquidating plan filed by the same.

Notification of registration under the Holding Company Act filed by International Hydro-Electric.

Application of Hydro-Electric System to withdraw its application for exemption.

Application of the Moreau Mfg. Corp. for an order of the Commission declaring the concern to be not a subsidiary of International Hydro-Electric or of the trustees of International Paper & Power and International Paper.

Application of the Gateau Power Co., the Gateau Electric Light Co., Ltd., the Gateau Transmission Co., and the St. John River Storage Co. for exemption as subsidiaries of International Hydro-Electric and of the trustees of International Paper and Power and International Paper.—V. 147, p. 3017.

International Rys. of Central America—Earnings—

Period End. Dec. 31—	1938—Month—	x1937	1938—12 Mos.—	1937—
Railway oper. revenues	\$558,024	\$474,661	\$5,639,240	\$5,699,442
Net rev. from ry. oper.	180,350	156,695	2,259,082	2,468,535
Inc. avail. for fixed chges	144,692	116,097	2,036,876	2,259,092
Net income	54,433	21,485	930,521	1,102,428

x Adjusted for the purpose of comparison with figures for 1938.—V. 148, p. 584.

Investment Co. of America—Asset Value—
Company reports net asset value of common stock as of Dec. 31, 1938, was \$21.08 a share with securities adjusted to market valuations. This compares with \$17.53 a share on Dec. 31, 1937, adjusted to give effect to 100% stock dividend paid June 30, 1938.—V. 147, p. 4057.

Iowa Electric Light & Power Co.—Accumulated Divs.—
The directors have declared dividends on account of accumulations of 87½ cents per share on the 7% cum. pref. stock, series A; 81¼ cents per share on the 6½% cum. pref. stock, series B, and 75 cents per share on the 6% cum. pref. stock, series C, all of \$100 par value, and all payable Jan. 20 to holders of record Dec. 31. Similar distributions were made in each of the 14 preceding quarters.—V. 147, p. 1931.

Iowa Public Service Co.—Bonds Called—
A total of \$60,500 first mortgage gold bonds, 5% series, due 1957, have been called for redemption on March 1 at 104 and accrued interest. Payment will be made at the City National Bank & Trust Co. of Chicago.—V. 147, p. 2868.

Jamaica Public Service Ltd. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Dec. 31—	1938—Month—	1937—12 Mos.—	1938—12 Mos.—	1937
Operating revenues.....	\$94,202	\$89,005	\$953,608	\$889,650
Operation.....	37,065	35,384	424,504	404,378
Maintenance.....	7,812	7,803	83,034	86,464
y Taxes.....	x9,191	4,301	65,453	33,838
Net oper. revenues.....	\$40,134	\$41,517	\$380,616	\$364,970
Non-oper. income (net).....	423	394	5,234	9,674
Balance.....	\$40,558	\$41,911	\$385,850	\$374,643
Retirement accruals.....	7,500	7,500	90,000	90,000
Gross income.....	\$33,058	\$34,311	\$295,850	\$284,643
Interest and amortization.....	8,243	8,604	100,968	104,975
Net income.....	\$24,815	\$25,707	\$194,882	\$179,668

Dividends declared:
 J. P. S. Co., Ltd., preference..... 31,479 31,479
 Preference B..... 21,993 21,993
 J. P. S., Ltd., capital..... 78,750 78,751

x Includes adjustment of underestimated 1938 prior accruals.
 y In August, 1938 the Jamaica income tax law was amended, retroactive to Jan. 1, 1937, the tax being approximately doubled. Beginning with July, 1938, the monthly figures include the monthly prorata portion of the estimated 1938 tax on the new basis. An additional amount of \$12,390 applicable to the six months ended June, 1938 is included in the current 12 months figures. The additional tax of \$23,858 applicable to the year 1937 has been charged to earned surplus.

Consolidated Balance Sheets Dec. 31

Assets—	1938	1937	Liabilities—	1938	1937
Property, plant & equipment.....	\$4,379,246	\$4,284,785	J. P. S. Co., Ltd.—	\$750,000	\$750,000
Cash.....	134,953	271,591	a 7% preference.....	323,000	323,000
Call loans.....	65,000	65,000	b 7% prefer. B.....	—	—
Accounts receiv.....	193,723	199,408	d J. P. S. Ltd. cap. stock.....	1,033,783	1,033,783
Mat'r. & suppl'.....	117,309	108,717	c Debenture stock: J. P. S. Co., Ltd. series C, 4½% '65.....	1,949,630	1,971,190
Appl'c. on rental; at cost, less rentals charged.....	12,155	—	Notes payable.....	146,000	—
Prepayments.....	1,261	3,112	Accounts payable.....	25,975	36,079
Miscell. Investm't.....	338,872	338,698	Consum. deposits.....	31,952	29,352
Sinking fund.....	271	79	Taxes accrued.....	57,245	26,872
Unamortized debt discount & exp.....	244,814	257,028	Interest accrued.....	40,211	40,656
Unadjusted debits.....	15,803	8,488	Miscell. liabilities.....	2,665	1,115
Total.....	\$5,503,437	\$5,536,906	Retirement reserve.....	825,651	750,297
			Operating reserves.....	46,799	43,093
			Res. for exchange.....	37,724	38,322
			Unadjusted credits.....	438	—
			Earned surplus.....	378,363	346,518
			Total.....	\$5,503,437	\$5,536,906

a \$100 par, cumulative, preferred as to dividends and in case of liquidation. (Includes 3,003 shares owned by Jamaica Public Service Limited.)
 b Represented by 66,369 shares of £1 par, and 1 share of 17s. 3¼d. par, cumulative, preferred as to dividends and in case of liquidation subject to the rights of the preference shares. (Includes 1,815 (1937), 1,810) shares owned by Jamaica Public Service Limited.)
 c Excludes \$6,813 (1937, \$14,649) reacquired.
 d 45,000 no par shares.
 Note—The operating companies' figures included above have been translated from pound sterling at the rate of \$4.86 2-3 to the pound.—V. 148, page 129.

Jonas & Naumburg Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Earnings for the Year Ended Oct. 31

[Subsidiary Companies for the 14 Months Ended Oct. 31]

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross profit from sales.....	\$101,784	\$363,737	\$636,506	\$194,413
Selling expenses.....	45,863	84,402	57,515	43,956
General expenses.....	156,372	178,208	157,615	106,323
Profit from ops.....	loss\$100,451	\$101,127	\$421,375	\$44,134
Income credits.....	21,117	12,392	52,943	15,888
Gross income.....	loss\$79,334	\$113,519	\$474,318	\$60,022
Income charges.....	53,182	40,693	53,327	21,061
Prov. for income taxes.....	—	2,100	61,194	7,613
Net inc. for the year.....	loss\$132,516	\$70,725	\$359,596	\$31,346
Dividends paid.....	—	99,263	—	—
Earns. per sh. on cap.stk.....	Nil	\$0.21	\$1.08	\$0.09

Consolidated Balance Sheet Oct. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash, \$261,904; marketable securities—at cost, \$5,064; notes, trade acceptances, and accounts receivable (less reserves, \$20,993), \$195,906; inventories, \$914,586; advances against merchandise, \$89,015; cash surrender value of insurance policies, \$19,955; plant property—at cost, after reserve for depreciation, \$205,427; South Norwalk, Conn., property (leased to others, less reserves for depreciation, \$62,550), \$19,907; deferred charges, \$19,974; total, \$1,730,738.

Liabilities—notes and loans payable to banks, \$115,210; foreign drafts payable, \$58,724; accounts payable, \$41,486; deposits payable, \$66,515; accrued expenses—income taxes, wages, &c., \$32,192; other current liabilities, \$17,952; deferred credit—unearned interest, \$277; statutory reserve—Belgian subsidiary, \$2,864; common stock (\$2.50 par), \$805,809; capital surplus, \$346,852; earned surplus since Jan. 1, 1934, \$242,859; total, \$1,730,738.—V. 147, p. 1931.

Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.—Collateral on Deposit—
 Corporation has notified the New York Stock Exchange that the following promissory notes and (or) assignments are on deposit as collateral under the mortgage securing first mortgage bonds, series A, 4¼%, due March 1, 1961, of the corporation:

Promissory Note of—	Dated Jan. 9, 1939	Amount
Inter-State Iron Co.....		\$5,962,316.48
Jones & Laughlin Ore Co.....		333,183.90
Shanoplin Coal Co.....		10,876,353.42
The Vesta Coal Co.....		1,530,538.99
Adelaide Land Co.....		1,615,986.16
Jones & Laughlin Steel Service, Inc.....		563,438.66

Dated April 8, 1938
 Assignment by Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. of the indebtedness of the Monongahela Connecting RR. Co. to said corporation in the amount of..... 410,000.00

Dated Jan. 9, 1939
 Assignment by Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. of the indebtedness of Aliquippa & Southern RR. Co. to said corporation in the amount of..... 1,510,000.00

The assignment by Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. of the indebtedness of the Aliquippa & Southern RR. Co. dated Oct. 8, 1938, and all notes of that

date previously reported were surrendered to the Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. upon delivery of the obligations dated Jan. 9, 1939, as listed above.—V. 147, p. 2689.

Kansas City Public Service Co.—May Readjust Capital—
 Company is circularizing holders of its 4% series O first mortgage bonds for their approval of a plan for readjustment of its capital structure, which was worked out in cooperation with the Reconstruction Finance Corp. Plan involves deposit with RFC of at least 90% of the \$12,043,800 of these bonds held by the public, in return for a 10-year 5% loan from the Federal agency of between \$3,252,000 and \$3,610,000.

Holders would receive \$300 cash for each \$1,000 bond and 10 shares of 5% preferred stock of \$70 par value, such shares to be cumulative as to \$3.50 annual dividends after Jan. 1, 1944.

Purpose of the plan is to enable the company, through savings in fixed charges, to modernize equipment and provide adequate reserves for depreciation.

P. H. Saunders, Chairman, and Powell C. Groner, President, in their letter to bondholders pointed out that although the company has been able to secure extension of maturity of equipment trust certificates issued to purchase rolling stock, and has obtained more favorable rates for electric power, as well as having effected operating economies, prospects indicate continued high costs of doing business and no improvement in revenues.

The company will abandon its efforts to procure bondholders' acceptance of the plan on March 1 unless sufficient favorable response is made to its proposal, the management stated in its letter. If the plan should be well received, the company hopes to be able to put the capital readjustment into effect by July 1, but it stated that the management will attempt to put it into effect at an earlier date if possible.

Plan is the result of negotiations between the company and the RFC several months ago on application for funds which were sought to finance the adding of modern equipment to facilities. Management believes terms of the RFC offer best that can be obtained and conform to the spirit of negotiations, forming the basis of an offer that bondholders might properly accept.

In a table comparing earnings for the period 1934-1939 inclusive, company estimates a deficit from operations for 1939, after bond interest depreciation and other fixed charges, expenses and taxes, of \$801,450, comparing with preliminary report of deficit of \$603,164 for 1938, and deficit of \$340,978 for 1937.—V. 147, p. 3915.

Kaufman Department Stores, Inc.—Stock Sold—
 The greater part of the 32,529 shares of 5% cumulative preference stock has been sold privately to a Canadian purchaser.

Holders of the remaining stock will not sell at this time and it is expected that the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in December will be withdrawn.—V. 148, p. 584.

(G. R.) Kinney Co., Inc.—Consol. Bal. Sheet Dec. 31—

Assets—	1938	1937	Liabilities—	1938	1937
Cash.....	\$471,646	\$385,743	Notes pay., banks.....	\$350,000	\$600,000
Accts. rec., less res.....	134,309	63,758	Accts. pay., trade.....	529,340	487,335
Merchandise.....	3,224,492	3,519,383	Acer. & misc. liab.....	302,171	244,126
Prepaid exps., &c.....	179,023	154,505	Fed. taxes on inc.....	39,000	65,000
Other invests., less reserve.....	50,000	50,000	Real estate mtges. due 1941.....	140,000	140,000
Cash surr. value, life insurance.....	179,430	152,601	x Gold notes outst.....	455,200	467,200
Fixed assets, less deprec. & amort.....	1,441,311	1,474,890	\$5 prior pref. stock.....	3,119,266	3,104,866
Lasts, pat'ns, dies, trade-marks and goodwill.....	3	3	8% pref. stock.....	184,450	195,250
Total.....	\$5,680,214	\$5,800,883	Com. stk. (\$1 par).....	200,315	200,099
			Capital surplus.....	123,153	126,898
			Capital surplus ap-propriated.....	353	424
			Earned surplus.....	236,966	169,685
			Total.....	\$5,680,214	\$5,800,883

x At Dec. 31, 1938, \$2,500 of 7½% notes not yet heard from as to extension option and cash deposit of like amount is held on deposit with trustee. Of the \$637,400 extended at 5¼% \$126,900 have been redeemed through sinking fund and a further \$55,300 have been purchased thereof by the company.

The earnings for the year ended Dec. 31 were published in V. 148, p. 585.

Kreuger & Toll Co.—Dividend of 3.74%—
 A final dividend of 3.74% from the American bankruptcy estate of Kreuger & Toll was paid Jan. 31 by Edward S. Greenbaum, American trustee, under an order entered by Harold P. Coffin, referee in bankruptcy. Including a first dividend of 3% paid by the American estate in January, 1936, cash dividends of \$2,743,582 have been paid to creditors of the bankrupt company.

The latest payment brings to nearly 40% the amount thus far paid from all sources to general creditors on claims allowed against the estate and to more than 65% the amount thus far paid to holders of the company's 5% secured debentures, Mr. Greenbaum said.

The additional amounts received by the secured debenture holders came from the collateral security underlying that issue, and has been paid by the Marine Midland Trust Co., as successor trustee.

Dividends of more than \$19,000,000 have been paid to be paid by the Kreuger & Toll, and a further dividend is expected to be paid by the Swedish estate. While it is impossible to estimate the amount of that dividend at this time, Mr. Greenbaum says, available information justifies the belief that further payments from Sweden will bring the total dividends for general creditors up to 43% of allowed claims.—V. 148, p. 441.

Lake Superior & Ishpeming RR.—Earnings—

	December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway.....	\$23,662	\$36,641	\$46,040	\$44,742	
Net from railway.....	def\$43,805	def\$9,736	def\$38,732	def\$33,177	
Net after rents.....	def\$1,959	def\$1,201	def\$3,329	def\$1,575	

From Jan. 1—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway.....	1,184,245	3,267,308	2,931,809	2,224,036
Net from railway.....	203,111	1,944,559	1,717,105	1,156,037
Net after rents.....	def\$9,608	1,383,488	1,195,756	834,857

Landis Machine Co.—Earnings—

Years End. Dec. 31—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Net profit after all chgs.....	\$59,218	\$98,624	\$83,880	\$122,161
Dividends paid.....	64,700	65,050	65,400	65,745
Surplus.....	def\$5,482	\$33,574	\$18,480	\$56,416
Previous surplus.....	904,546	\$73,950	\$01,559	744,164
Adj. of prior year's inc.....	Cr1,298	Dr2,978	53,911	980
Surplus, Dec. 31.....	\$900,362	\$904,546	\$873,950	\$801,559
Earns. per sh. on 50,000 com. shs. (par \$25).....	\$0.90	\$1.67	\$1.37	\$2.13

Condensed Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash, \$44,201; notes and accounts receivable (less reserve for doubtful accounts of \$25,000), \$1,515,432; merchandise inventories, \$382,771; due from officers, employees and advances to salesmen, \$12,149; accrued interest receivable on investments, \$623; investments (at par), \$34,000; fixed assets (less reserve for depreciation of \$580,872), \$548,210; deferred charges, \$9,247; total, \$2,546,632.

Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$20,045; notes payable (bank), \$25,000; due officers and employees, \$5,019; accrued interest, payroll, commissions and taxes, \$16,876; 5½% serial gold notes, \$111,000; reserve for Federal and State income taxes, \$12,365; employees' relief fund, \$965; 7% cumulative pref. stock (\$100 par), \$205,000; common stock (\$25 par), \$1,250,000; surplus, \$900,362; total, \$2,546,632.—V. 146, p. 917.

Lehigh & Hudson River Ry.—Earnings—

	December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway.....	\$159,172	\$118,069	\$135,688	\$123,462	
Net from railway.....	60,330	25,237	46,982	32,577	
Net after rents.....	30,710	5,706	22,939	8,556	

From Jan. 1—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway.....	1,493,949	1,650,949	1,566,897	1,493,250
Net from railway.....	444,024	501,831	489,682	479,943
Net after rents.....	128,218	204,924	187,533	192,796

Laura Secord Candy Shops, Ltd.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include 3 Mos. End. Dec. 31, Net earnings after all charges, and V. 147, p. 3460.

Lehigh & New England RR.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and V. 148, p. 128.

Lehigh Valley Coal Co.—Interest—

The interest due Feb. 1, 1939, on the first and refunding mortgage sinking fund gold bonds, 5% series of 1924, due 1944, 1954, 1964 and 1974, was not paid on that date.—V. 148, p. 585.

Lehigh Valley RR.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and V. 148, p. 585.

Lexington Water Power Co.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Operating revenue—electric, Operating expenses, Maintenance, Provision for retirements, Federal income taxes, Other taxes, Operating income, Other income, Gross income, Interest on 5% first mortgage bonds, Interest on 5 1/2% debentures, Other interest, Amortization of debt discount and expense, Balance of income, and V. 147, p. 3766.

Loblaw Groceries, Ltd.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Sales, Net profit, and V. 148, p. 282.

Loew's, Inc.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Company's share oper. profit after subs., pref. divs., Depreciation and taxes, Reserve for contingencies, Company's share net profit, Per share, preferred stock, Per share, average common stock, and V. 148, p. 585.

Long Island RR.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and V. 147, p. 4058.

Louisiana & Arkansas Ry.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and V. 147, p. 4058.

Louisiana Arkansas & Texas Ry.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and V. 147, p. 4059.

Louisville & Nashville RR.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, and V. 148, p. 442.

Ludlow Mfg. Associates—\$1.25 Dividend—

Directors have declared a dividend of \$1.25 per share on the common stock, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 4. Dividends of \$1.50 were paid on Dec. 1, Sept. 1 and June 1, last, and previously regular quarterly dividend of \$2 per share were distributed.—V. 147, p. 2398.

Lyon Lumber Co.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Interest earned, Dividends received, Doubtful accounts collected, Miscellaneous earnings, Profit or loss on sales of U. S. Government securities, Total earnings, Expenses, Loss on revaluation of securities, Loss on abandoned lands, Doubtful accounts charged off, Loss on sales of land and timber (after commission), Taxes, Final loss for year, and V. 147, p. 2398.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1938, 1937. Rows include Assets (Cash in banks, Personal Loan & Savings Bank, 2 1/2% C-D, 2% C-D, U. S. Govt & Canadian securities, Accrued int. receiv., Timber sales contr., Oregon timber, Land scrip, Garyville Land Co. stock) and Liabilities (Accrued taxes, Garyville Land Co. account, General reserve, V. A. Grieger timber sale—paym't on account, Capital stock (49,970 shs. outstanding at \$20 par), Surplus) and Total.

Mack Trucks, Inc.—Orders—

F. P. Stanford, President of Mack International Motor Truck Corp., announced receipt of orders totaling \$1,500,000 within the past few days. Included in this amount were orders for 75 buses from the Brooklyn Bus Corp., 57 buses from the Lehigh Transit Co., 16 buses from the Bronx-Flushing Corp., 10 buses from the Virginia Electric & Power Co. This is in addition to the order for 50 buses announced a short while ago from the W. F. Transportation Co. of New York, to cost over \$500,000. He stated that prospects for additional business appear promising.—V. 147, p. 3917.

Maine Central RR.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1938, 1937. Rows include Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Net oper. revenue, Taxes, Equipment rents, Joint facility rents, Net ry. oper. income, Other income, Gross income, Deductions, Net income, and V. 147, p. 4059.

Maple Leaf Gardens, Ltd.—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936. Rows include Rev. from oper. (incl. Provincial taxes deducted below), after deducting operating expenses, but before providing for the undernoted charges, Net rev. arising from purchase and sale of players, Total, Prov. amusement tax and Ontario Athletic Commission tax, Interest on mortgage, Provision for income taxes, Balance of profits, Prov. for deprec. of bldg. and equip., Amounts written off preliminary expenses, commission on sale of capital stock and mortgage discount, Amount reserved for purchase of players, Net profit for the year, Dividends on pref. stock paid, and V. 147, p. 4059.

Balance Sheet Oct. 31, 1938

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Assets (Cash in bank and on hand, \$55,295; Dominion of Canada bonds, at cost, \$11,880; accounts receivable, less reserve, \$6,699; cash surrender value of life insurance policies, \$25,168; deferred charges, \$45,717; land, building and equipment (less reserves for depreciation of \$340,505), \$1,245,145; franchises and contracts, &c., \$156,724; total, \$1,546,628), Liabilities (Accounts payable and accrued liabilities, \$45,075; reserve for income taxes, \$22,975; mortgage payable, \$435,000; deferred income, \$54,933; reserve for purchase of players, \$10,000; insurance reserve, \$5,241; 7% non-cum. participating redeemable preference stock (par \$10), \$300,000; common stock (37,000 shs. no par), \$37,000; earned surplus, \$136,404; total, \$1,546,628.—V. 147, p. 2249.

Massachusetts Investors Trust—Earnings—

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Divs. from securities, Cash divs. from for'n cos, Sale of stock divs. distrib. in lieu of cash, Interest, Total, Trustee compensation, Transfer agent, &c., Provision for taxes, Other expenses, Balance avail. for distribution in divs., Adjustment, Dividends paid, and V. 147, p. 2249.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1938, 1937. Rows include Assets (Securities, at cost, \$117,606,688; Cash in banks, \$4,615,275; Accrued interest receivable, \$75; Dividend due Dec. 31, \$2,075) and Liabilities (Balance of principal on the basis of carrying securities at cost, \$120,894,413; Distribution payable Jan. 20, \$1,010,828; Accounts payable for purchase of securities, \$138,042; Accounts payable for repurchase of shares, \$141,038; Other accounts payable, \$41; Reserve for taxes, \$40,053) and Total.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Table with 4 columns: 1938, 1937, 1938, 1937. Rows include Total, x Represented by 5,615,487 (5,240,684 in 1937) shs. par \$1, y Amounting to \$121,673,334 at market quotations, including \$323,422 dividends.

declared on stock selling ex-dividend receivable after Dec. 31, 1938. z Accrued interest receivable only. a No provision has been made above for Federal income taxes as it is believed none is required.—V. 147, p. 3917

Massachusetts Utilities Associates—Asks Exemption—
The company has filed a declaration with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Holding Company Act regarding the issue and sale of an unsecured three year 2 1/2% note for \$4,000,000. It will be delivered to the First National Bank of Boston in payment of an existing note.—V. 147, p. 745.

Matatchewan Consolidated Mines, Ltd.—Earnings—
3 Months Ended Dec. 31—

	1938	1937
Tons of ore milled.....	38,974	37,054
Net income from metals produced.....	\$218,152	\$191,603
Development and operating costs.....	170,268	157,921
Estimated operating profit.....	\$47,884	\$33,683
Non-operating revenue.....	992	124
Estimated total profit.....	\$48,876	\$33,807

Note—In the above figures no allowance has been made for taxes, depreciation, or deferred development.—V. 147, p. 3313.

Mathieson Alkali Works (Inc.)—Earnings—
Calendar Years—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
x Earnings.....	\$3,036,238	\$3,781,452	\$3,713,010	\$3,019,263
Deprec., deple., & obsol.....	1,758,753	1,741,896	1,684,691	1,429,128
Net earns. from oper.....	\$1,277,485	\$2,039,556	\$2,028,319	\$1,590,135
Income charges (net).....	55,537	76,807	89,090	80,840
Total income.....	\$1,221,948	\$1,962,749	\$1,939,229	\$1,509,295
Federal taxes.....	222,475	298,566	310,749	149,519
Net income.....	\$999,473	\$1,664,183	\$1,628,480	\$1,359,776
Preferred dividends.....	166,439	166,439	166,439	166,439
Common dividends.....	1,242,329	1,369,115	1,245,745	1,246,086

Balance, deficit..... \$409,295 sur\$128,630 sur\$216,296 \$52,749
Shs. com. stk. (no par)..... 828,171 828,191 830,428 830,663
Earnings per share..... \$1.01 \$1.81 \$1.76 \$1.44
* After deducting manufacturing, general and selling expenses (but including income from other operations).

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

	1938	1937		1938	1937
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$	\$
x Property acct.....	19,821,269	21,089,863	Preferred stock.....	2,377,700	2,377,700
Cash.....	1,116,310	896,761	y Common stock.....	16,024,769	16,024,769
Notes & trade ac- ceptances rec'd.....	81,234	10,164	Accounts payable.....	316,600	356,425
Accts receivable (less reserve).....	898,563	910,859	Accrued taxes, payrolls, &c.....	362,189	450,515
Inventories.....	2,081,234	2,046,927	Containers charged to customers (re- turnable).....	174,136	197,864
Balance receivable from employees.....	18,537	38,083	Deferred liability.....	—	189,380
Investments.....	195,737	210,438	Res. for conting's.....	160,870	160,870
Devel. expenses.....	195,125	294,421	Miscel. oper. res.....	206,881	267,980
Deferred charges.....	259,496	227,720	Free surplus.....	4,836,358	5,491,349
Sinking fund.....	357,881	303,459	Approp. for retire. of pref. stock.....	1,126,447	1,072,026
			z Treasury stock.....	Dr560,555	Dr560,182
Total.....	25,025,395	26,028,696	Total.....	25,025,395	26,028,696

* After deducting depreciation of \$15,150,232 in 1938 and \$13,857,444 in 1937. y Represented by 853,191 shares of no par value. z Represented by 30,020 (30,000 in 1937) shares of no par value. a Includes \$60,936 on deposit under New York State Workmen's Compensation Law.—V. 147, p. 2398.

Merchants & Manufacturers Securities Co.—New Dividend Policy—

Under its new policy the next dividends of this company on its participating preferred class A and class B common stocks will be payable April 15, not May 15 as heretofore published, and future payments, as declared, will be made semi-annually on April 15 and Oct. 15.—V. 148, p. 587.

Merchants & Miners Transportation Co.—Earnings—
3 Mos. End. Dec. 31—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Total revenues.....	\$1,880,438	\$1,201,250	\$2,019,727	\$2,086,769
x Net loss.....	17,616	412,836	prof134,752	prof248,699

* After deduction of operating expenses, rents, taxes, and depreciation.—V. 147, p. 3768.

Metropolitan Corp. of Canada, Ltd.—Bonds Called—

All of the outstanding first mortgage sinking fund gold bonds, series A 6%, have been called for redemption on April 1 at 102 1/2 and accrued interest. Payment will be made at any of the following offices, at the option of the holders of said bonds:

Montreal Trust Co., 61 Yonge St., Toronto, Ont.
Montreal Trust Co., 511 Place d'Armes, Montreal, P. Q.
The Royal Bank of Canada, 360 St. James St., Montreal, P. Q.
The Royal Bank of Canada, King and Yonge Sts., Toronto, Ont.
The Agency of the Royal Bank of Canada, 68 William St., New York, New York.
Continental Illinois National Bank & Trust Co. of Chicago, 231 South La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.—V. 137, p. 3683.

Metropolitan Edison Co.—Earnings—
Years Ended Dec. 31—

	x1938	1937
Total operating revenues.....	\$11,735,357	\$12,812,163
Operating expenses.....	4,901,705	5,093,029
Maintenance.....	665,687	842,890
Provision for retirements.....	1,200,000	1,500,000
Federal income taxes.....	533,000	568,923
Other taxes.....	901,114	1,154,109
Operating income.....	\$3,533,851	\$3,683,212
Other income.....	1,479,807	1,547,261
Gross income.....	\$5,013,658	\$5,230,474
Interest on 1st mortgage bonds.....	1,752,693	1,752,693
Other interest.....	32,905	51,716
Amortization of debt discount and expense.....	133,568	133,568
Interest charged to construction.....	Cr2,676	Cr2,328
Balance of income.....	\$3,097,167	\$3,294,825
Dividends on preferred stock.....	1,276,317	1,276,317
Balance.....	\$1,820,850	\$2,018,508

* Preliminary—subject to annual audit and such sundry book adjustments, if any, as may be necessary incident to closing for fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1938.

Merger Ruling Reversed—
Pennsylvania Supreme Court, in a decision handed down Jan. 27, reversed a ruling of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission under which the State regulatory body refused to authorize a merger of the Northern Pennsylvania Power Co. into the Metropolitan Edison Co. The decision, written by Justice Schaffer, declared the Commission is not a super-board of directors for public utility companies and has no right of management over them. Both companies, in the Associated Gas & Electric group, serve Pennsylvania territories. The Commission was directed to approve the sale and merger.—V. 147, p. 2870.

Mid-West Rubber Reclaiming Co.—25-Cent Dividend—
Directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, par \$5, payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Feb. 1. A like amount was paid on Oct. 5 and on June 25, last, and a dividend of \$1 was paid on Oct. 10, and on July 10, 1937, this last being the initial distribution on the issue.—V. 148, p. 443.

Midwick Country Club, Inc.—Registers with SEC—
See list given on first page of this department.

Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co. (& Subs.)

Calendar Years—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
x Net income.....	\$1,003,289	y\$2,929,249	y\$3,082,360	\$1,793,339
Shares com. stk. (no par).....	621,900	621,900	621,900	207,300
Earnings per share.....	\$1.41	\$4.52	\$4.78	\$8.00

* After interest, depreciation and Federal income tax. y After surtax on undistributed profits.

50-Cent Dividend—
Directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 20 to holders of record Feb. 9. Like amount was paid on Nov. 19, last; a dividend of 25 cents was paid on Aug. 20 last; 50 cents was paid on May 20, last, and previously regular quarterly dividends of 75 cents per share were distributed. In addition, an extra dividend of 50 cents was paid on Dec. 23, 1937.—V. 147, p. 2692.

Minneapolis & St. Louis RR.—Earnings—

December—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway.....	\$722,582	\$721,338	\$703,365	\$639,104
Net from railway.....	133,416	168,948	123,314	99,528
Net after rents.....	42,231	67,206	42,849	39,861
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway.....	9,079,676	8,660,085	8,955,364	7,606,769
Net from railway.....	1,791,985	1,535,108	1,839,922	843,388
Net after rents.....	679,104	503,215	725,722	101,621

—V. 147, p. 4060.

Minneapolis St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Ry.—Earnings—

[Excluding Wisconsin Central Ry.]

	1938—Month—	1937	1938—12 Mos.—	1937
Period End. Dec. 31—				
Freight revenue.....	\$848,755	\$876,910	\$11,667,245	\$12,739,868
Passenger revenue.....	69,523	75,212	790,780	912,553
All other revenue.....	98,802	106,558	1,234,693	1,349,009

Total revenues.....	\$1,017,080	\$1,058,680	\$13,692,718	\$15,001,430
Maint. of way & struc.....	163,598	155,682	2,214,324	2,315,037
Maint. of equipment.....	208,451	212,077	2,669,510	2,837,621
Traffic expenses.....	33,614	33,781	400,094	415,684
Transportation expenses.....	500,861	543,556	6,239,978	6,529,779
General expenses.....	38,717	57,791	620,349	692,710

Net railway revenues.....	\$71,840	\$55,793	\$1,548,462	\$2,210,598
Taxes.....	86,397	88,095	1,231,309	867,243

Net after taxes.....	x\$14,557	x\$32,301	\$317,153	\$1,343,354
Hire of equip. (Dr.).....	17,809	18,294	310,055	348,601
Rental of term'ls (Dr.).....	13,875	15,213	161,995	226,193

Net after rents.....	x\$46,241	x\$65,809	x\$154,896	\$768,560
Other income (net).....	Dr\$2,290	Dr\$28,847	Dr\$58,951	Dr\$94,838
Int. on funded debt.....	491,949	502,501	5,824,462	5,808,770

Net deficit.....	\$590,480	\$836,957	\$6,638,310	\$5,735,097
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* Indicates loss.
Note—As there is no taxable income to date, no provision is necessary for the surtax on undistributed profits imposed under the Revenue Act of 1936.—V. 148, p. 587.

Minnesota Valley Canning Co.—Accumulated Dividend

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.75 per share on account of accumulations on the \$7 cum. pref. stock, par \$100, payable Feb. 1, to holders of record Jan. 25. A similar payment was made on Nov. 1, May 2 and Feb. 1, 1938, Nov. 1, Aug. 2 and on May 1, 1937, and a dividend of \$5.25 per share was paid on March 29, 1937. See V. 144, p. 781, for detailed record of previous dividend payments.—V. 148, p. 131.

Mississippi Central RR.—Earnings—

December—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway.....	\$62,699	\$66,444	\$80,384	\$61,983
Net from railway.....	5,830	4,026	def14,407	988
Net after rents.....	def2,495	def4,609	def27,889	1,097
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway.....	793,933	933,014	920,228	726,033
Net from railway.....	151,895	142,797	202,302	87,566
Net after rents.....	37,965	31,987	108,502	25,616

—V. 147, p. 4060.

Mississippi Power Co.—Earnings—

Period Ended Dec. 31—

	1938—Month—	1937	1938—12 Mos.—	1937
Period End. Dec. 31—				
Gross revenue.....	\$295,858	\$302,430	\$3,526,853	\$3,472,155
Oper. expenses & taxes.....	195,534	205,661	2,281,273	2,193,623
Provision for deprec'n.....	115,000	69,000	280,000	180,000

Gross income.....	x\$14,676	\$27,768	\$965,580	\$1,098,532
Int. & other fixed chgs.....	46,906	51,408	605,487	613,469

Net income.....	x\$61,582	x\$23,639	\$360,093	\$485,063
Divs. on preferred stock.....	21,088	21,088	253,062	253,062

Balance.....	x\$82,670	x\$44,728	\$107,031	\$232,001
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x Deficit.—V. 147, p. 4060, 3463.

Missouri & Arkansas Ry.—Earnings—

December—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway.....	\$78,588	\$77,811	\$92,929	\$71,092
Net from railway.....	8,857	def11,548	6,336	def11,104
Net after rents.....	def2,072	def29,750	def11,626	def22,405
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway.....	984,201	1,135,476	1,043,008	680,559
Net from railway.....	146,505	174,394	185,529	118,640
Net after rents.....	6,972	12,857	34,261	29,644

—V. 147, p. 4060.

Missouri Pacific RR.—Modified Plan Asked—

Company has filed a brief with the Interstate Commerce Commission contending that its modified plan is the only one that has been devised during the six years of the proceedings upon which there has been any kind of general agreement among the parties concerned.

"The debtor's modified plan, therefore, with additions to the ranks of those willing to accept it," the brief said, "and with no defections, stands out more than ever as the only plan that gives substantial promise of acceptance by security holders and therefore of successful reorganization of these properties within a reasonable time. The circumstances strongly suggest that both public interest and justice to security holders require approval of that plan."

The debtor also contends that considerations discussed in previous briefs demonstrated that the modified plan fully satisfies the requirements of Section 77 of the Federal Bankruptcy Act with respect to the treatment of security holders and that "there is no possible justification for its rejection."

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation filed a brief asserting that, as the debtor's largest single creditor, it had never accepted the debtor's modified plan. It argued that the RFC should not be asked to give up its collateral security under the plan finally approved by the Commission unless there is full recognition of the corporation's position as senior creditor.

Interest—

Interest of 2% was paid Feb. 1, 1939, on the Pacific RR. of Missouri first mortgage extended gold 4% bonds, due Aug. 1, 1938, on surrender of interest warrant No. 1.—V. 148, p. 588.

Monongahela Ry.—Earnings—

December—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway.....	\$369,170	\$293,916	\$453,079	\$349,025
Net from railway.....	232,632	152,860	284,054	206,533
Net after rents.....	128,586	47,277	156,339	100,935
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway.....	3,440,045	4,468,539	4,716,390	3,844,798
Net from railway.....	2,091,480	2,571,428	2,894,341	2,300,186
Net after rents.....	935,507	1,197,132	1,470,538	1,114,371

—V. 147, p. 4060.

(J. S.) Mitchell & Co., Ltd.—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross profit	\$281,778	\$316,676	\$261,169	\$223,967
Expenses	225,344	227,741	203,432	186,775
Balance	\$56,434	\$88,935	\$57,737	\$37,192
Other income	11,667	12,048	6,873	7,700
Net income	\$68,100	\$100,983	\$64,610	\$44,892
Preferred dividends	19,345	19,414	20,281	21,245
Common dividends	30,000	30,000	15,000	15,000
Surplus	\$18,755	\$51,569	\$29,329	\$8,647
Previous surplus adj.	426,252	382,811	359,349	351,557
Profit on sale of invest.	4,720	—	1,878	—
Total surplus	\$449,727	\$434,380	\$390,556	\$360,204
Adj. prev. years inc. tax	1,058	Cr9	832	549
Adj. real est. demolished	947	—	3,827	—
Sundry ream. account	123	8,136	3,085	—
Prem. on pref. stk. ret'd.	—	—	—	306
Net surplus	\$447,601	\$426,253	\$382,811	\$359,349
Earns. per sh. on 15,000 shs. com. stk. (no par)	\$3.26	\$5.44	\$2.96	\$1.57

Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash, \$170,715; accounts and bills receivable, less reserve, \$328,126; inventory, \$284,833; Quebec Govt. bonds 1947, at cost, \$73,406; cash surrender value of life insurance policies, \$60,599; land, buildings and equipment, less reserve for depreciation, \$342,449; unexpired insurance premiums, \$3,157; total, \$1,263,286.
Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$181,217; dividend payable, \$4,823; accrued liabilities (provision for 1938 income tax), \$13,600; 7% cumulative preferred stock (par \$100), \$275,600; common stock (represented by 15,000 shares no par), \$340,445; surplus, \$447,601; total, \$1,263,286.—V. 148, p. 588.

Mobile & Ohio RR.—SEC Authorizes Delisting—

The Securities and Exchange Commission has granted the application of the New York Stock Exchange to strike from listing and registration the general mortgage 4% bonds, due Sept. 1, 1938.—V. 148, p. 588.

Montaup Electric Co.—Note Renewal—

The company has petitioned the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities for approval of renewal of a five-year non-interest bearing note of \$3,000,000 which matures March 25, and is held by Blackstone Valley Gas & Electric Co. It was issued under an agreement dated Oct. 1, 1928 between Montaup, Fall River Electric Light Co., Blackstone Valley company and Brookton Edison Co. The note would be renewed for a period of five years.—V. 138, p. 1230.

Montreal Island Power Co.—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross revenue	\$763,017	\$763,872	\$764,789	\$763,000
Expenses	140,768	139,442	154,387	137,228
Net revenue	\$622,249	\$624,430	\$610,402	\$627,772
Fixed charges, interest and exchange	518,303	513,419	514,917	515,211
Surplus	\$103,945	\$111,010	\$95,486	\$112,561

a Transferred to depreciation reserve.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Assets—	1938	1937	Liabilities—	1938	1937
Cash	\$ 11,197	\$ 11,197	Accts. & bills pay.	286,110	154,176
Accts. receivable	64,457	63,430	Bank overdraft	7,076	—
Deferred charges	17,713	18,055	Accr. int. on bonds	85,096	83,976
Funds with trustee	7,446	7,073	Funded debt	9,065,000	9,161,000
y Fixed assets	10,726,666	10,674,396	6% pref. stock	1,000,000	1,000,000
			x Common stock	375,000	375,000
Total	10,816,282	10,774,152	Total	10,816,282	10,774,152

x 75,000 shares without par value. y After deducting reserve for depreciation of \$741,021 in 1938 and \$637,075 in 1937.—V. 146, p. 919.

Montreal Light, Heat & Power Consolidated—Earnings.

Calendar Years—	x1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross earnings	\$24,625,834	\$22,891,195	\$21,999,878	\$21,136,970
Operating expenses	3,770,436	9,093,341	8,818,968	8,159,767
Taxes	3,526,820	2,903,556	2,524,229	2,315,963
Deprec. & renew. res'v.	3,127,369	2,573,122	2,471,244	2,410,051
Fixed charges	3,145,929	2,585,483	3,028,503	3,372,407
Balance	\$7,455,280	\$5,735,692	\$5,156,933	\$4,878,781
Non-oper. revenue	1,245,056	2,840,024	2,712,567	2,963,541
Net income	\$8,700,336	\$8,575,717	\$7,869,500	\$7,842,322
Dividends paid	6,733,771	6,733,772	6,733,772	6,733,772
Pension fund	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Depreciation (extra)	750,000	750,000	750,000	750,000
Balance, surplus	\$1,196,564	\$1,071,945	\$365,729	\$338,550
Shs. com. stk. outst'g.	4,489,019	4,489,015	4,089,003	4,489,004
Earned per share	\$1.94	\$1.91	\$1.75	\$1.75

x Company and subsidiaries figures except Montreal Island Power Co.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Assets—	1938	1937	Liabilities—	1938	1937
a Properties, &c.	\$182,859,784	—	Funded debt	\$76,504,700	—
Bonds & shares of affil. cos.	11,998,550	—	3% debts. due July 1, 1939	21,696,300	—
Guarantee deposits	42,425	—	Accts. pay. & accr. liabilities	4,529,906	—
Cash	3,069,364	—	Accrued interest	1,815,364	—
Govt. & mun. bonds, &c., marketable securities	10,096,851	—	Dividend payable	1,705,889	—
b Bills & accts. receivable	2,790,804	—	Reserves	3,900,000	—
Inventories	335,532	—	Minority interests in subs.	759,683	—
Prepaid & def'd charges	497,713	—	c Capital and surplus	100,809,192	—
Total	\$211,721,033	—	Total	\$211,721,033	—

a Plant of the company and its subsidiaries (except Montreal Island Power Co.), after reserve for depreciation of \$33,957,044. b Less provision for doubtful accounts. c Represented by 4,489,019 no par common shares.—V. 148, p. 588.

Mueller Brass Co.—Earnings—

Consolidated Income Account Years Ended Nov. 30 (Incl. Sub.)

1938	1937	1936	1935	
Net sales	\$5,251,683	\$8,653,528	\$6,532,700	\$4,730,760
Cost of goods sold	4,189,521	6,771,589	4,735,509	3,579,900
Sell., admin. & gen. exps.	x710,169	x892,745	722,460	589,545
Operating profit	\$351,994	\$989,195	\$1,074,729	\$561,314
Total other income	49,130	74,339	33,826	20,629
Total income	\$401,124	\$1,063,533	\$1,108,555	\$581,943
Prov. for contingencies	—	—	40,000	—
Int. paid or accrued	16,146	8,964	29,213	50,026
Amort. of bond discount and expense	—	—	18,439	4,332
Exps. in connection with registration	—	6,749	5,371	2,012
Miscellaneous	15,368	24,271	31,459	51,694
Prov. for income & excess profits taxes	103,690	221,658	163,071	69,140
Net profit	\$265,920	\$801,891	\$821,000	\$404,737
Earns. per share on 265,516 2-3 shares of common stock	\$1.00	\$3.02	\$3.09	\$1.52

x Includes \$5,766 (\$16,028 in 1937) provision for doubtful notes and accounts.

Note—The amounts of depreciation and amortization provided herein for 1938 are as follows: Provision for depreciation \$200,380 and provision for amortization of patents, trade-marks and licenses, \$786.

Balance Sheet Nov. 30, 1938

Assets—Cash on hand and on deposit, \$1,036,316; trade notes and accounts receivable (less reserve of \$20,000), \$625,552; inventories, \$1,881,679; investments and other assets, \$99,512; property, plant and equipment (less reserve for depreciation of \$2,169,901), \$1,722,447; property not used in operations, \$126,212; patents, trade marks and licenses, \$6,173; deferred charges, \$45,537; total, \$5,674,716.
Liabilities—Trade accounts payable and payrolls, \$644,186; accrued taxes, interest and other expenses, \$19,113; notes payable to bank, \$100,000; Federal taxes on income, est.: provision for year ended Nov. 30, 1938, \$103,690; notes payable to bank, \$300,000; reserve for contingencies, \$57,754; common stock (par \$1), \$265,517; capital surplus, \$2,130,874; appreciation surplus, \$173,489; earned surplus, accumulated since Nov. 30, 1932, \$1,880,094; total, \$5,674,716.

To Amend By-Laws—

Stockholders at their annual meeting on Feb. 10 will consider amending company's by-laws by adding a new section to provide that in the event that any annual or special meeting of shareholders shall have been adjourned for lack of quorum, and it is proposed to hold such adjourned meeting with a quorum consisting of those present, and if less than a majority shall be represented, no action shall be taken or business transacted. Provided that this section shall not prevent cumulative voting in accordance with the Michigan General Corporation Act, and if it becomes necessary to provide for cumulative voting, no directors shall be elected at such meeting, but a further adjournment shall be taken for the purpose of obtaining the presence of a majority.—V. 147, p. 2871.

Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Co.—Earnings.

Period End. Dec. 31—	1938—Month—	1938—12 Mos.—	1937—12 Mos.—	1936—12 Mos.—
Operating revenues	\$2,092,200	\$2,034,291	\$2,477,841	\$2,224,254
Uncollectible oper. rev.	8,444	1,877	117,039	79,891
Operating revenues	\$2,083,756	\$2,032,414	\$2,360,802	\$2,144,363
Operating expenses	1,317,206	1,100,202	16,658,718	16,482,718
Net oper. revenues	\$766,550	\$932,212	\$7,702,084	\$7,661,645
Operating taxes	284,560	306,554	3,885,369	3,190,403
Net oper. income	\$481,990	\$625,658	\$4,316,715	\$4,471,242
Net income	399,145	537,629	3,265,061	3,456,178

Muskegon Motor Specialties Co.—To Pay 50-Cent Div.—

Directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on account of accumulations on the class A stock, payable Feb. 10 to holders of record Feb. 6, leaving arrearages of 50 cents per share.—V. 147, p. 2539.

Nash Kelvinator Corp.—Vice-President Resigns—

C. Hascal Bliss has announced his resignation as Vice-President of this company effective Feb. 1.—V. 148, p. 588.

National Discount Corp.—Earnings—

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1938	1937	1936
Discount earned, int. & service chgs.	\$792,919	\$1,099,056	\$1,000,490
Provision for losses	105,723	103,237	111,062
Expenses	418,220	444,658	395,245
Interest on borrowed money	67,550	105,525	92,319
Provision for Federal income taxes	30,000	112,013	79,000
Operating profit for year	\$171,426	\$333,622	\$322,863
Dividends on pref. stock (7%)	—	8,019	32,340
Dividends on 5% preferred stock	24,558	17,155	—
Dividends on common stock	99,170	151,535	249,512

Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash on hand and demand deposits, \$1,233,087; notes receivable (\$3,338,673 pledged as collateral to trust notes payable), \$3,402,119; repossessed automobiles on hand, at estimated realizable prices, \$9,871; miscellaneous claims, \$2,263; prepaid expenses, \$24,745; fixed assets (less reserve for depreciation of \$17,959), \$25,020; furniture and fixtures, \$1; total, \$4,697,106.
Liabilities—Collateral trust notes payable, \$2,061,800; withheld from dealers, \$77,713; accounts payable, \$17,109; due to holders of cum. pref. stock (old issue), \$1,326; accrued expenses, \$782; accrued State, local and social security taxes, \$10,061; accrued Federal taxes on income and capital stock, \$43,795; reserve for losses, \$111,118; unearned discount (calculated on the basis of maturity and amount of each instalment), \$236,945; 5% cum. pref. stock (par \$100), \$493,400; common stock (44,256 shs., no par. value), \$573,558; capital surplus, \$124,128; earned surplus, \$945,371; total, \$4,697,106.—V. 146, p. 1408.

National Grocers Co., Ltd.—Initial Dividend—

Directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of 37½ cents per share on the new \$1.50 cumulative prior preferred stock, payable April 1.—V. 148, p. 444.

National Gypsum Co.—Initial Preferred Dividend—

Directors have declared an initial dividend of \$1.12½ per share on the new preferred stock, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 16.—V. 148, p. 589.

National Oats Co.—Earnings—

Years End. Dec. 31—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Oper. profit and miscell. income	\$216,755	\$191,328	\$341,390	\$209,671
Deprec. on bldgs., machinery and equip.	32,846	32,239	32,105	38,834
Provision for income tax	30,438	20,857	23,845	23,675
Net income	\$153,471	\$138,231	\$285,440	\$147,161
Previous surplus	310,644	297,412	243,549	196,195
Charges to exps., &c.	6,791	—	—	—
Excess reserve for 1934 Fed. income tax over requirement	—	—	—	193
Total	\$470,905	\$435,644	\$498,989	\$343,549
Dividends paid (cash)	125,000	125,000	200,000	100,000
Additional Fed. income taxes for prior years	859	—	1,577	—
Surplus as at Dec. 31	\$345,046	\$310,644	\$297,412	\$243,549
Earnings per share on 100,000 shs. cap. stock	\$1.53	\$1.35	\$2.55	\$1.47

a Includes provision for surtax. b Charges to expense prior years capitalized on basis of revenue agent's report.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash in banks and on hand, \$182,231; bonds at cost, \$324,638; customers accounts receivable (less reserve for bad debts of \$5,447), \$259,860; advances on purchases of grain and supplies, deposits, and miscellaneous accounts receivable, \$13,244; inventories, \$440,858; prepaid and deferred expenses, insurance premiums, mechanical supplies, and sundry expenses, \$44,998; real estate note receivable, secured (deferred maturity), \$493; due from employees, \$17,833; investments, \$8,082; fixed assets at East St. Louis and Cedar Rapids (less, reserve for depreciation, \$1,296,815), \$809,022; total, \$2,101,257.
Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$48,794; accrued payroll and expenses, \$9,874; due to officers and employees, \$6,416; provision for taxes, incl. income taxes, \$62,868; reserve, \$3,259; capital stock, authorized and outstanding, 100,000 shares, \$1,625,000; surplus, \$345,046; total, \$2,101,257.—V. 148, p. 444.

National Steel Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Dec. 31—	1938—3 Mos.—	1937—3 Mos.—	1938—12 Mos.—	1937—12 Mos.—
Net earnings	\$2,753,156	\$2,580,925	\$6,661,651	\$5,178,011
Shs. cap. stk. (\$25 par)	2,198,767	2,167,877	2,198,767	2,167,877
Earnings per share	\$1.25	\$1.19	\$3.03	\$2.38

a After all charges, including interest, taxes, depreciation and depletion (but before provision for Federal undistributed profits tax). b After

provision for Federal undistributed profits taxes of \$1,715,000.—V. 148, p. 444.

National Union Fire Insurance Co.—Extra Dividend— The directors have declared an extra dividend of \$1 per share in addition to semi-annual dividend of \$1.50 per share on the capital stock, par \$20, both payable Feb. 20 to holders of record Feb. 7. Similar amounts were paid on Aug. 15 and Feb. 14, 1938, and on Aug. 9 and Feb. 8, 1937, and previously semi-annual dividends of \$1 per share were distributed. In addition an extra dividend of \$1 was paid on Aug. 10 and Feb. 10, 1936, and on Aug. 12, 1935. An extra dividend of 50 cents per share was paid on Feb. 11, 1935.—V. 147, p. 748.

Nevada Northern Ry.—Earnings— Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, etc.

New Jersey & New York RR.—Earnings— Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, etc.

New Jersey Zinc Co.—Earnings— Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Income, Dividends, Surplus, etc.

New Orleans Texas & Mexico Ry.—Earnings— Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, etc.

MOP Authorized to Pay Bond Interest— Federal Judge George H. Moore has authorized Guy A. Thompson, trustee for Missouri Pacific RR., to pay interest totaling \$1,141,675 on bonds of New Orleans Texas & Mexico Ry.

New York Ambassador, Inc.—Bondholders Would Reorganize Hotel— Four holders of bonds of the company, owner of the Ambassador Hotel, petitioned the Federal Court Jan. 28 for reorganization under the Chandler Act.

New York Central RR.—Earnings— Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, etc.

Official Retires— Frederick H. Meeder, Assistant Controller of the New York Central System, retired on Jan. 31.—V. 148, p. 284.

New York Connecting RR.—Earnings— Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, etc.

New York & Richmond Gas Co.—Earnings— Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Operating revenues, Gross inc. after retir. acc, Net income, etc.

New York State Electric & Gas Corp.—Earnings— Table with columns for 1938, 1937. Rows include Total operating revenues, Operating expenses, Maintenance, Provision for retirements, Federal income taxes, Other taxes, etc.

New York Susquehanna & Western RR.—Trustee to Intervene in Reorganization— The Interstate Commerce Commission permitted the New York Trust Co. as successor trustee under the general mortgage to intervene in the reorganization proceedings now pending before the Commission.

Earnings for December and 12 months Ended Dec. 31.

Table showing Earnings for December and 12 months Ended Dec. 31 for various companies like Gross from railway, Net from railway, etc.

New York Telephone Co.—Earnings— Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Operating taxes, etc.

New York Title & Mortgage Co.—Payment— Trustees administering the \$10,000,000 Series Q guaranteed mortgage certificates announced Jan. 30 that they would make a \$102,000 principal distribution on Feb. 15.

Niagara Share Corp. of Md. (& Subs.)—Earnings— Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Dividends, Interest, Commissions, etc.

Table showing Consolidated Income Account Years Ended Dec. 31 for various companies like Total gross income, General expenses, Interest on funded debt, etc.

Consolidated Statement of Capital Surplus Dec. 31, 1938. Table showing Capital surplus Jan. 1, 1938, and adjustments.

Table showing Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 with columns for 1938 and 1937. Rows include Assets and Liabilities.

Table showing Reserves for fluctuation in value applicable to investments sold or disposed of, Less net loss on sale or disposal of investments, etc.

Table showing Adjustments to par value of 170 shares class A preferred stock purchased for treasury, Discount on purchased debentures, etc.

Table showing Capital surplus Dec. 31, 1938, and Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31.

Table showing Total and x After reserves. y Indicated present value.—V. 147, p. 3465.

Norfolk Southern RR.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$316,548	\$319,834	\$353,315	\$302,642
Net from railway	15,376	10,734	91,059	33,471
Net after rents	def15,281	19,270	63,557	10,508
From Jan. 1				
Gross from railway	4,378,085	4,871,214	4,414,689	4,618,921
Net from railway	786,268	985,881	841,801	898,611
Net after rents	222,259	378,782	302,538	325,428

—V. 147, p. 4063.

Nonquitt Mills—To Pay \$1 Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on the capital stock, payable Feb. 16 to holders of record Jan. 31. Dividends of 75 cents have been paid in each of the three preceding quarters; dividends of \$1 per share were paid in November, August and May, 1937, and on Dec. 24, 1936; 50 cents paid on Nov. 15, 1936, and a dividend of \$1 per share was paid on Aug. 15, 1936, this latter being the first payment made since 1930, when a \$5 partial liquidating dividend was paid. A \$10 partial liquidating dividend was paid in 1929, prior to which no disbursements were made since 1924.—V. 146, p. 2862.

North American Co.—\$105,000,000 Securities Offered—

Financing aggregating approximately \$105,000,000 for the company reached the market Feb. 1 with the offering of \$70,000,000 of debentures and \$34,829,000 of preferred stock by a nation-wide underwriting group of 127 members headed by Dillon, Read & Co. In the aggregate amount of securities offered and in the number of houses participating in the underwriting, the transaction represents one of the largest single financing operations in recent years. The offering consisted of \$20,000,000 3½% debentures, series due 1949, priced at 101¾%; \$25,000,000 3¾% debentures, series due 1954, priced at 101%; \$25,000,000 4% debentures, series due 1959, priced at 101¼%; and 696,580 shares (\$50 par) preferred stock, 5¾% series, priced at \$52 per share, in each case plus accrued interest or dividends from Feb. 1.

Dillon, Read & Co. on behalf of the group of underwriters which offered the three issues of debentures announced Feb. 1 that the selling group books in respect of the debentures had been closed. Pref. stockholders of North American Edison Co., it was announced Feb. 2, had subscribed for approximately 69% of the 696,580 shares of pref. stock. The Edison's preferred stockholders were afforded a prior opportunity until 3 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) on Feb. 2 to purchase the new preferred from the underwriters at the public offering price.

Associated with Dillon, Read & Co. in the public offering were: The First Boston Corp.; Blyth & Co., Inc.; Harriman Riply & Co., Inc.; Union Securities Corp.; Mellon Securities Corp.; Smith, Barney & Co.; Shields & Co.; Lee Higginson Corp.; Stone & Webster and Blodget, Inc.; Spencer Trask & Co.; Bonbright & Co., and Kidder, Peabody & Co.

Listing—Company has agreed to use its best efforts to procure in due course the listing of the debentures and preferred stock, 5¾% series, on the New York Stock Exchange and the registration thereof under the Securities & Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Purpose of Issue—As a step in the simplification of the corporate structure of its holding company system, the company proposes to eliminate North American Edison Co. as an intermediate holding company. Company intends to contribute to the capital of North American Edison Co. a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the securities being offered sufficient to redeem the debentures and preferred stock of North American Edison Co. outstanding with the public, and as soon as practicable after such redemption North American Edison Co. will be dissolved and its assets transferred in liquidation to the company. In connection with such liquidation, the company will transfer to North American Edison Co. the debentures, preferred stock and common stock of North American Edison Co. held by the company, together with the open account indebtedness of North American Edison Co. to the company existing at the time of such transfer. Company will assume the liabilities of North American Edison Co. existing at the time of such transfer. After such dissolution the present direct subsidiaries of North American Edison Co. will become direct subsidiaries of the company.

The proceeds to be received by the company from the sale of the debentures will amount to \$69,500,000 (exclusive of accrued interest and after deducting underwriting discounts). The proceeds to be received by the company from the sale of the preferred stock, 5¾% series, will amount to a minimum of \$35,177,290 (exclusive of accrued dividends and after deducting underwriting commissions), if none of such preferred stock should be purchased from the underwriters by holders of the \$6 preferred stock of North American Edison Co. outstanding with the public, pursuant to the prior opportunity to be afforded to such holders. Such minimum proceeds will be increased by 50 cents per share with respect to each share so purchased by such holders, or a maximum aggregate of \$348,290 (less amounts to be paid to underwriters as reimbursement for transfer taxes in connection with such prior opportunity which are estimated at not to exceed \$90,000).

The estimated expenses of the company in connection with the issuance of the debentures and preferred stock being offered amount to approximately \$540,233.

The aggregate net proceeds to be received by the company will amount to a minimum of \$104,137,057, and a maximum of \$104,395,347, in each case exclusive of accrued interest and dividends.

The net proceeds, together with treasury funds of the company to the extent necessary, are to be applied to the redemption of the outstanding debentures of the company and, through a contribution to capital of North American Edison Co., of the outstanding debentures and preferred stock of that company, all as listed below:

(a) North American Co. 5% debts. due 1961—outstanding in principal amount of \$23,913,000 at redemption price of 103½%, which will amount to	\$24,749,955
(b) North American Edison Co. 5% debts., series A, due March 1, 1957, outstanding in principal amount of \$6,067,000, at redemption price of 103, which will amt. to	6,249,010
(c) North American Edison Co. 5½% debts., series B, due Aug. 15, 1963, outstanding in principal amount of \$16,218,000, at redemption price of 102¾, which will amt. to	16,663,995
(d) North American Edison Co. 5% debts., series C, due Nov. 15, 1969, outstanding in principal amount of \$20,280,000, at redemption price of 105½, which will amt. to	21,395,400
(e) North American Edison Co. \$6 preferred stock of which 348,290 shares are outstanding, at redemption price of \$105 per share, which will amount to	36,570,450

Total.....\$105,628,810

History & Business—Company was incorp. in June, 1890 in New Jersey. Under certificate of organization, corporate existence terminates on June 14, 1990.

Company is a public utility holding company, owning stocks, bonds and other securities of subsidiaries and other corporations. Company has registered as a holding company under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

Company has two principal direct subsidiaries, North American Edison Co. and Washington Railway & Electric Co., which also are public utility holding companies. North American Edison Co. controls three major groups of operating subsidiaries, which are Missouri-Illinois-Iowa Group, the Wisconsin-Michigan Group and the Ohio Group. The principal cities served by these respective groups are St. Louis, Milwaukee and Cleveland.

The subsidiaries of Washington Railway & Electric Co. serve Washington, D. C.

North American Edison Co. is to be dissolved as soon as practicable after the issue and sale of the securities being offered and all of its assets, including the securities of the operating subsidiaries now owned by it, are to be transferred in liquidation to the company.

The company has substantial minority investments in the common stocks of certain other public utility operating companies, the principal of which are Pacific Gas & Electric Co. and Detroit Edison Co. The investment in these two companies comprises a substantial part of the total investment of the company and dividends received from such companies have constituted a substantial part of the company's income.

In addition, the company controls North American Light & Power Co., a public utility holding company, the subsidiaries of which are referred to as the Kansas-Missouri Group. The company has not received any divs. on its stock interest in North American Light & Power Co. since 1932.

The principal operating subsidiaries of the company are electric utility companies. Certain subsidiaries are also engaged in other activities, including the furnishing of transportation, gas and heating services and the mining of coal.

The company does not include in its consolidated financial or statistical statements any company in which it does not directly or through subs. have voting control and at least 75% of the common stock.

Funded Debt and Capital Stock

The funded debt and capital stock of the company, as of June 30, 1938, adjusted to give effect to the amendment of the certificate of organization of the company, to the issue and sale of the securities being offered, would have been as follows:

	Amount Authorized	Outstanding
3½% debentures, series due 1949	x	\$20,000,000
3¾% debentures, series due 1954	x	25,000,000
4% debentures, series due 1959	x	25,000,000
Serial preferred stock (\$50 par)	5,606,878 shs.	

Preferred stock, 6% series..... 606,359 shs.
Preferred stock, 5¾% series..... 696,580 shs.

Common stock (\$10 par)..... 50,000,000 shs. 8,574,429 shs.
As of June 30, 1938, company's funded debt and capital stock outstanding in the hands of the public, exclusive of amounts held in the treasury, consisted of \$23,913,000 of debentures (which are to be redeemed), 606,359 shares of 6% cumulative preferred stock (\$50 par), and 8,574,429 shares (including scrip) of common stock, (no par).

The funded debt and capital stock of the company's subsidiaries consolidated outstanding in the hands of the public on June 30, 1938 consisted of \$314,721,000 of funded debt (exclusive of \$1,640,000 payable within one year), \$128,099,512 par or stated value of preferred stock, and minority interest in common stock of subsidiaries consolidated amounting to \$8,786,278 (exclusive of surplus applicable to such common stock). As of June 30, 1938, after giving effect to the issue and sale of the securities being offered, such funded debt and capital stock would have consisted of \$272,156,000 of funded debt (exclusive of \$1,640,000 payable within one year), \$93,270,512 par or stated value of preferred stocks, and minority interest in common stock of subsidiaries consolidated amounting to \$8,786,278 (exclusive of surplus applicable to such common stock).

Description of Debentures

The \$20,000,000 of 3½% debentures, series due 1949, \$25,000,000 of 3¾% debentures, series due 1954, and \$25,000,000 of 4% debentures, series due 1959, being offered, are to be issued as the three initial series of debentures under an indenture dated Feb. 1, 1939, to be executed by the company to Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., trustee.

The debentures of the three initial series are to bear interest at rate shown above, payable Feb. 1 and Aug. 1. Principal and interest payable at office or agency of company in New York, in any coin or currency of the United States of America which at the time of payment is legal tender for public and private debts. Debentures are to be in coupon form, registrable as to principal only, in denominations of \$1,000, and in fully registered form in the denominations of \$1,000, \$5,000 or, at the option of the company, any multiple of \$1,000.

Debentures of the 3½% series due 1949, 3¾% series due 1954 and 4% series due 1959 are to be redeemable, at option of company, as a whole or as a whole of any series or in part by lot, on any day prior to maturity, upon not more than 60 nor less than 30 days notice.

Debentures of 3½% series are redeemable (otherwise than for sinking fund) at 103½% if redeemed prior to Feb. 1, 1940, redemption price decreasing ¼ of 1% on Feb. 1, 1940 and on each Feb. 1 thereafter to and including Feb. 1, 1943, and decreasing ¼ of 1% on each Aug. 1 and Feb. 1 thereafter to and incl. Aug. 1, 1947; and on and after Feb. 1, 1948 at principal amount thereof; plus in each case interest.

Debentures of the 3¾% series are redeemable (otherwise than for sinking fund) at 103 if redeemed prior to Feb. 1, 1940, redemption price decreasing ¼ of 1% on Feb. 1, 1940 and on each Feb. 1 thereafter to and incl. Feb. 1, 1950, and decreasing ¼ of 1% on Feb. 1, 1951; and on and after Feb. 1, 1952 at principal amount thereof; plus in each case interest.

Debentures of the 4% series are red. (otherwise than for sinking fund) at 104 if redeemed prior to Feb. 1, 1940, redemption price decreasing ¼ of 1% on Feb. 1, 1940 and on each Feb. 1 thereafter to and incl. Feb. 1, 1953, and decreasing ¼ of 1% on Feb. 1, 1954 and on each Feb. 1 thereafter to and incl. Feb. 1, 1956; and on and after Feb. 1, 1957 at principal amount thereof; plus in each case interest.

Supplemental indenture provides for a sinking fund for each series of the debentures being offered, for redemption on Feb. 1, 1942 and on each semi-annual interest payment date thereafter and prior to maturity of the debentures of the particular series, of ¼ of 1% of the aggregate principal amount of the debentures of such series theretofore issued. In lieu of cash payments for any such sinking fund, the company may surrender debentures of the series to which such sinking fund is applicable for credit at the principal amount thereof against a particular sinking fund payment for such series or in anticipation of future sinking fund payments thereafter.

Debentures of 3½% series are redeemable for sinking fund applicable to such series at 101¾ if redeemed prior to Feb. 1, 1945, redemption price decreasing ¼ of 1% on Feb. 1, 1945 and on each Aug. 1 and Feb. 1 thereafter to and incl. Aug. 1, 1947; and on and after Feb. 1, 1948 at principal amount thereof; plus in each case interest.

Debentures of the 3¾% series due 1954 are red. for sinking fund applicable to such series at 101 if redeemed prior to Feb. 1, 1948, redemption price decreasing ¼ of 1% on Feb. 1, 1948 and on each Feb. 1 thereafter to and incl. Feb. 1, 1950, and decreasing ¼ of 1% on Feb. 1, 1951; and on and after Feb. 1, 1952 at principal amount thereof; plus in each case interest.

Debentures of 4% series due 1959 are red. for sinking fund applicable to such series at 101¾ if redeemed prior to Feb. 1, 1951, redemption price decreasing ¼ of 1% on Feb. 1, 1951 and on each Feb. 1 thereafter to and incl. Feb. 1, 1953, and decreasing ¼ of 1% on Feb. 1, 1954 and on each Feb. 1 thereafter to and incl. Feb. 1, 1956 and on and after Feb. 1, 1957 at principal amount thereof; plus in each case interest.

5¾% Series Preferred Stock

Is entitled to receive cumulative preferential dividends, when and as declared, from surplus or net profits of company legally available for payment of dividends, at annual rate of 5¾%, payable Q-J, from Feb. 1, 1939. No dividends or other distributions on common shall be paid or set apart for payment nor shall any common stock be purchased, retired or otherwise acquired by company until full dividends on all serial preferred stock, at time outstanding, for all past quarterly dividend periods shall have been paid and the full dividends thereon for the current quarterly period shall have been paid or declared and set apart for payment. No dividend shall, however, be declared on any series of the serial preferred stock in respect of any quarterly dividend period, unless there shall likewise have been declared on all shares of the serial preferred stock of each other series at the time outstanding, like proportionate dividends in respect to the dividend rate fixed therefor.

The holders of shares of the serial preferred stock and common stock shall have one vote per share for all purposes, and without regard to class except as otherwise required by statute.

Before any amount shall be paid, or any assets distributed, on the common stock upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the company, or any distribution of its capital, and after payment of all creditors of the company, the holders of the preferred stock, 5¾% series, shall be entitled to be paid \$52.50 per share in the event of a voluntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up and \$50 per share in the event of an involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up, plus, in each case, an amount equal to dividends accrued to the date of distribution.

Preferred stock, 5¾% series, is redeemable at any time, at the option of the company, in whole or in part (by lot or in such other manner as directors may determine), at \$55 per share plus preferred stock, 5¾%

series, has no subscription or conversion rights and is not liable for further calls.

Principal Underwriters

The names of the principal underwriters and the principal amounts of 3 1/4% debentures, 3 3/4% debentures and 4% debentures and the number of shares of preferred stock, 5 3/4% series, severally to be purchased by each, were given in "Chronicle" of Jan. 28, page 590.

Stockholders Approve Amendments Already Approved by SEC

Stockholders at a special meeting Jan. 30 approved amendments to the certificate of organization and by-laws preparatory to carrying out the company's proposed financing program.

Action by the stockholders followed the issuance of an order by the Securities and Exchange Commission permitting the company to make the proposed amendments. The adoption of the amendments is preliminary to a plan, already announced, providing for further simplification of the corporate structure of the North American system by eliminating North American Edison Co. as an intermediate holding company, and for the issue and sale of \$70,000,000 of new 3 1/4%, 3 3/4% and 4% debentures and \$34,829,000 of new preferred stock, 5 3/4% series, consisting of 696,580 shares (\$50 par), to refund all of the \$42,565,000 of 5% and 5 1/4% debentures and \$34,829,000 stated value of \$6 preferred stock of North American Edison Co. held by the public, as well as all of the \$23,913,000 of 5% debentures of the North American Co.

The charter amendments, which required the affirmative vote of two-thirds of each class of stock, were approved by the vote of 72% of the preferred stock and 78 1/2% of the common stock, against the negative vote of less than 1/2 of 1% of the preferred stock and only 1-10 of 1% of the common stock. About 70% of the number of preferred stockholders and 68% of the number of common stockholders voted in favor of the amendments.

Of 606,359 shares of preferred stock, 436,325 shares were voted in the affirmative and 2,816 shares in the negative.

Of 8,570,613 shares of common stock, 6,726,590 shares were voted in the affirmative and 8,149 shares in the negative.

Of 68,193 stockholders, 46,640 voted in the affirmative and 289 in the negative.

Following the meeting President J. F. Fogarty said:

"The notice of the special meeting was mailed to our stockholders on Jan. 10. Although there were only 20 days before the meeting, the affirmative votes received from our stockholders within 17 days after the notice was mailed exceeded the required two-thirds of each class of stock. Our stock is widely distributed, being held by residents of every State in the Union and many foreign countries. We, of course, are gratified at the active interest of our stockholders in the company's affairs as indicated by their substantial responses within the limited time available for them to act."

As part of the company's financing program the holders of the \$6 preferred stock of North American Edison Co. which it is proposed to redeem will be given a prior opportunity to purchase the North American Co.'s new preferred stock.

Listing of Preferred Stock and Common Stock

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 606,678 shares of preferred stock, 6% series (par \$50), in substitution for shares of 6% cumulative preferred stock (par \$50), and 8,601,386 shares of common stock (par \$10), in substitution for shares of common stock (no par).

To Redeem Debentures

The New York Stock Exchange is in receipt of notice that this company has exercised its right to redeem and pay on March 6, 1939, all of the 5% debentures of the company due Feb. 1, 1961, at 103 1/2% of principal amount thereof together with accrued interest to the date of redemption, subject as a condition precedent to such redemption:

That the company's registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933 with respect to its proposed issues of 3 1/4%, 3 3/4% and 4% debentures and preferred stock, 5 3/4% series, shall have become effective;

That its application under the Public Utilities Holding Company Act of 1935 shall have been approved and shall have become effective as a declaration with respect to such debentures and preferred stock; and

That the company shall have received the proceeds from the sale of such debentures and preferred stock.—V. 148, p. 590.

North American Edison Co.—To Retire Preferred Stock and Debentures

The New York Stock Exchange is in receipt of notice that this company has elected to redeem on March 6, 1939, all of its outstanding \$6 cumulative preferred stock without par value at the redemption price of \$105 per share with accrued dividends to March 6, 1939, subject to the condition that the company shall have received from the North American Co. a capital contribution in an amount sufficient to effect such redemption and shall have received for cancellation 19,400 shares of such stock held by that company.

The Exchange has also been notified that this company has exercised its right to redeem and pay on April 1, 1939, all of its 5% debentures, series A, due Feb. 1, 1957, at 103% of principal amount thereof and on March 15, 1939, all of its 5 1/2% debentures, series B, due Aug. 15, 1963, at 102 1/2% of principal amount, and 5% debentures, series C, due Nov. 15, 1969, at 105 1/2% of principal amount thereof, together in each case with interest accrued to the dates fixed for redemption, subject to the condition that the company shall have received from the North American Co. a capital contribution of an amount sufficient to effect such redemption.—V. 148, p. 591.

North & Judd Mfg. Co.—Earnings

Years Ended June 30—	1938	1937
Profit after reserve adjustments	\$238,377	\$468,777
Depreciation	109,303	115,846
Addition to surplus	\$129,074	\$352,931
Dividends paid	133,574	225,000
Balance, deficit	\$4,500 sur	\$127,931
Shares of capital stock outstanding (\$25 par)	97,143	100,000
Earnings per share on capital stock	\$1.33	\$3.53

Balance Sheet July 1

Assets—	1938	1937	Liabilities—	1938	1937
U. S. sec. (at par)	\$324,447	\$278,508	Accounts payable	\$27,351	\$35,536
Cash	471,500	389,000	Res. for taxes and contingencies	136,118	206,234
Inv. in other sec.	57,137	108,751	Capital stock	2,428,575	2,500,000
Accts. & bills rec.	283,954	380,344	Surplus	888,908	864,681
Inven. (less res.)	730,705	793,550			
Plant & eqpt. (less reserves)	1,613,209	1,656,297			
Total	\$3,480,951	\$3,606,451	Total	\$3,480,951	\$3,606,451

—V. 147, p. 1935.

North Texas Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings

Period End. Dec. 31—	1938—Month	1937	1938—12 Mos.—1937
Operating revenues	\$121,587	\$121,742	\$1,357,236
a Operation	67,296	66,421	756,609
Maintenance	18,302	18,566	210,679
a Taxes	12,613	10,433	143,306
Net oper. revenues	\$23,376	\$26,321	\$246,642
Non-oper. income (net)	14	37	30
Balance	\$23,390	\$26,357	\$246,672
Retirement accruals	10,809	10,880	132,103
Gross income	\$12,582	\$15,477	\$114,570
Equipment note interest	292	553	4,840
Balance	\$12,290	\$14,924	\$109,730
Interest on first collateral lien bonds—public			47,128
Fixed interest (3%)			43,258
Income interest (3%)			\$19,343
Net income after income interest			\$19,343

a Includes North Texas Co., only from date of incorporation on March 2, 1938.—V. 148, p. 132.

Northern Insurance Co. of N. Y.—Extra Dividend

The directors on Jan. 30 declared an extra dividend of \$1 per share in addition to the regular semi-annual dividend of \$1.50 per share on the common stock, par \$12.50 both payable Jan. 30 to holders of record Jan. 14. Similar payments were made on July 28 and Jan. 31, 1938, July 29 and on Jan. 15, 1937. Extra dividends of 50 cents per share were paid on July 30, and Jan. 27, 1936 and on July 29, and Jan. 28, 1935.—V. 147, p. 4062.

Northern Pacific Ry.—Earnings

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$4,781,234	\$4,273,599	\$5,395,723	\$4,256,781
Net from railway	1,281,574	515,596	1,723,270	1,276,414
Net after rents	1,113,598	234,047	1,379,559	1,222,487
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	57,021,585	64,851,201	61,906,306	53,830,038
Net from railway	9,964,857	12,839,538	13,587,901	9,736,438
Net after rents	6,297,356	10,651,002	10,788,187	7,608,789

Northern Pennsylvania Power Co.—Merger Ruling Reversed

See Metropolitan Edison Co. above.—V. 147, p. 1044.

Northern RR. of N. J.—Seeks Reorganization

The company, a 26-mile line on which the Erie seeks to disaffirm its lease because of operating losses, received permission Jan. 26 from Federal Judge Guy L. Fake at Newark to reorganize under Chapter 10 of the Federal Bankruptcy laws.

Judge Fake appointed Conover English and Irving S. Reeves as trustees to effect a reorganization plan. He gave them until March 20 to present a plan or report why reorganization would not be feasible.

The road owns no rolling stock on the route, which serves commuters in Hudson and Bergen Counties in New Jersey and Rockland County in New York.

Winthrop Waite, of South Orange, recently elected President by a new board of directors, which replaced a directorate composed principally of Erie officials, asked that reorganization be allowed because "a mortgage foreclosure would cause undue hardship on the stockholders."

The company set its liabilities at "more than \$250,000," including bonds and between \$100,000 and \$120,000 in property and franchise taxes now in litigation. Its assets, chiefly rights of way and franchises, were set at \$2,580,492.—V. 148, p. 445.

Northern States Power Co.—Weekly Output

Electric output of the Northern States Power Co. system for the week ended Jan. 28, 1939, totaled 26,125,097 kilowatt-hours, an increase of 1.6% compared with the corresponding week last year.—V. 148, p. 591.

Northwest Bancorporation—New Vice-President

W. L. Mitten, manager of the investment department, has been elected Vice-President of the corporation.—V. 146, p. 922.

Northwestern Bell Telephone Co.—Earnings

Period End. Dec. 31—	1938—Month	1937	1938—12 Mos.—1937
Operating revenues	\$2,874,447	\$2,802,262	\$33,995,067
Uncollectible oper. rev.	8,815	10,944	112,119
Operating revenues	\$2,865,632	\$2,791,318	\$33,882,948
Operating expenses	1,983,336	2,016,231	23,087,185
Net oper. revenues	\$882,296	\$775,087	\$10,795,763
Operating taxes	383,769	387,632	4,466,689
Net oper. income	\$498,527	\$387,455	\$6,329,074
Net income	476,948	367,300	5,920,004

Northwestern Public Service Co.—Accum. Dividends

Directors at a meeting held Jan. 27 declared dividends of \$1.75 per share on the 7% cum. pref. stock and \$1.50 per share on the 6% cum. pref. stock of the company, payable on March 1 to holders of record Feb. 20. Similar payments were made in each of the seven preceding quarters.—V. 147, p. 3466.

Ohio State Life Insurance Co.—Extra Dividend

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 20 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, par \$10, both payable Feb. 1 to holders of record Jan. 26. Like amounts were paid on Feb. 1, 1938.—V. 146, p. 923.

Old Colony RR.—Abandonment

The Interstate Commerce Commission on Jan. 24 issued a certificate permitting abandonment by Howard S. Palmer, James Lee Loomis, and Henry B. Sawyer, trustees of a part of a line of railroad extending from a point about 2,100 feet south of Greenbush Station to a point about 275 feet south of Kingston Station, approximately 14.2 miles, all in Plymouth County, Mass., and abandonment of operation thereof as trustees of the New York New Haven & Hartford RR.—V. 147, p. 427.

124 Fifth Avenue Corp.—No Interest

At a meeting of the board of directors held Jan. 30, it was reported that the company has operated at a loss for the year ended Dec. 31, 1938. Consequently, no amount was declared as interest for the 6 months' period ending Feb. 1, 1939 on the income 5% mortgage bonds. Therefore Coupon No. 15 attached to the bonds is of no value and should be detached and destroyed.

Ontario Loan & Debenture Co.—Earnings

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Net earnings for the year	\$287,757	\$281,121	\$272,266	\$293,805
Balance brought forward from previous year	108,385	107,264	104,998	101,194
Total surplus	\$396,142	\$388,385	\$377,264	\$394,999
Dividends paid	200,000	200,000	230,000	240,000
Balance	\$196,142	\$188,385	\$147,264	\$154,999
Dom. Govt. inc. war tax: Prov. for tax payable April	42,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Write-off office premises	10,000	10,000		10,000
Transf. to invest. reserve	45,000	30,000		
Bal. carried forward	\$109,142	\$108,385	\$107,264	\$104,999

Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Assets—	1938	1937	Liabilities—	1938	1937
Office prem. (freehold)	\$100,000	\$100,000	Debs., sterling, including acc. int.	610,103	702,848
Real estate held for sale	686,218	672,435	Debs., curr., incl. accrued interest	7,191,620	7,007,328
Mortgages	11,165,658	10,493,922	Deposits	3,272,853	2,853,536
Agreement for sale of properties	141,969	134,359	Other liabilities	84,376	71,342
Securs., incl. accrued interest	2,858,426	3,311,039	Capital stock	2,000,000	2,000,000
Loans on stocks & bonds	24,305	33,861	Reserve fund	2,400,000	2,400,000
Depts. with other loan cos. of Can.	50,789	22,536	Dividend payable	50,000	50,000
Cash in chartered banks in Great Britain	208,000	5,680	Profit & loss acct.	109,142	108,385
Cash in Province of Ont. sav. office	256,675				
Cash in chartered banks of Canada and on hand	225,964	419,607			
Total	15,718,095	15,193,440	Total	15,718,095	15,193,440

—V. 146, p. 923.

Pacific Lighting Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936
Gross operating revenue	\$45,500,803	\$47,900,777	\$50,559,070
Operating expenses	21,323,918	23,129,027	22,715,596
Taxes	7,165,909	7,508,541	7,153,509
Provision for retirements	5,764,798	5,768,999	7,172,132
Net operating revenue	\$11,256,180	\$11,496,209	\$13,517,833
Other income (net)	304,600	518,058	618,271
Total	\$11,560,780	\$12,014,267	\$14,136,104
Bond interest	1,995,000	2,165,939	4,158,456
Amortization of bond disc. & expense	298,869	596,766	1,023,510
Other interest	34,038	27,337	34,392
Interest charged to construction	Cr17,423	Cr12,930	Cr13,024
Net income before dividends	\$9,250,295	\$9,237,154	\$8,932,769
Prof. stock divs. of subsidiaries	1,353,818	1,461,944	1,513,410
Common stock—Minority interest	154	132	264
Applicable to Pacific Lighting Corp.	\$7,896,323	\$7,775,077	\$7,419,095
Dividends on preferred stock	1,179,990	1,179,990	1,179,990
Dividends on common stock	4,825,893	5,630,208	4,584,598
Remainder to surplus	\$1,890,440	\$964,879	\$1,654,507
Amt. per sh. applicable to com. stock	\$4.18	\$4.10	\$3.88

x Due to a change in dates of declaration of regular dividends on the company's common stock, only three such regular dividends were declared within the calendar year 1937, that which usually would have been declared in December of that year being in fact declared on Jan. 5, 1938. For purposes of comparison with recent previous years the amount shown above has been stated to include the amount of the dividend so declared on Jan. 5, 1938.

Stock Sold—

Blyth & Co., Inc. recently distributed through a group of selected dealers a block of 12,000 shares of common stock.—V. 147, p. 2698.

Pan American Airways System—Forms Equipment Trust—\$2,500,000 Sold Privately to Purchase Planes—

J. T. Trippe, President, made the following statement on Jan. 25: The board of directors has authorized creation of a Pan American Airways equipment trust for the progressive financing of new transport equipment for the system's trans-ocean services. The New York Trust Co. is to be trustee under this initial equipment trust.

Arrangements have been made for the sale of trust certificates in the amount of \$2,500,000, paying 4% dividends and maturing serially, on a semi-annual basis, from Jan. 1, 1940 to Jan. 1, 1944. Additional trust certificates, in the amount of \$1,000,000, may also be issued under the terms of the agreement, at a later date and at the election of Pan American Airways.

There will be no public offering of the certificates, as arrangements have been concluded to place the entire amount with banks.

In connection with Mr. Trippe's announcement, the following information is also available:

Establishment of an equipment trust mechanism for financing the purchase of transport flying equipment pioneers a new form of financing for the airplane industry of far reaching application.

Henceforth the air transport companies have paid in cash for new fleets of flight equipment. With larger aircraft required for scheduled operation in the immediate future, and with such units costing in the neighborhood of \$750,000 this use of capital funds for such large-scale purchases was obviously not the soundest solution to the problem.

In its essential form the equipment trust plan devised for the Pan American Airways system follows a method long popular for financing new equipment purchases for the old-established railroads and tank car companies. Until now, however, transport aviation had not been accorded recognition adequate to support such a trust agreement.

Since this initial aviation equipment trust may well form the pattern for the expected wide application of this form of financing by other air lines, the following is an explanation of the manner in which it is arranged.

Pan American Aviation Supply Corp. takes the role of vendor in the transaction, acquires the aircraft from the manufacturer and in turn transfers the aircraft to the trustee, in this instance the New York Trust Co. Pan American Airways pays 30% of the purchase price, and the remaining 70% becoming available through sale of trust certificates. Thus the full purchase price is paid to the vendor, who in turn pays it over to the manufacturer. The transaction between the trustee and the operating company in this case, Pan American Airways, takes the form of a lease. The rental which Pan American Airways pays includes the 30% of the purchase price paid at the outset and as additional rental payments in semi-annual instalments sufficient to enable the trustee to retire the certificates progressively at six-month intervals and to pay dividends on the certificates at the rate of 4% per annum. Pan American Airways is obligated to make all payments necessary for the retirement of certificates semi-annually and for the payment of dividends when due.

Under this progressive plan of retiring the certificates serially, the operating company will have paid the full cost of the planes within five years from the date of the original purchase and the aircraft will then be owned outright by the operating company. Over this period the investment in the aircraft will be protected by insurance.

Since all certificates under the Pan American Airways' equipment trust have been sold to banks, there will be no public offering. The ratio of trust certificates to purchase price of 70% is roughly equivalent to that long in effect with respect to rolling stock for railroads.

Chief difference between the equipment trusts for railroads and that which has been established for Pan American Airways is that the term of years for railroad equipment trusts extends over 10 or 15 years, whereas for the new airplanes of Pan American the term is limited to five years. The principle involved is the same, namely that payments by the operating company shall have retired, during the "useful life" of the equipment, the entire amount of the securities issued.

Incidentally, five years does not necessarily represent the total life of a transport airplane, as is apparent in the fact that a number of transport airplanes built 10 years ago still are in active service, without question as to their safety or efficiency. But rapid advancement of the aeronautical science brings new and improved airplanes into the picture so rapidly that air transport companies have to acquire new equipment fleets for the major air routes at frequent intervals in order to meet competitive advances. Within the United States this is between the several domestic lines. Beyond the borders of this country, on the international air routes operated by Pan American, the competition has been that offered by subsidized air lines of foreign nations.

Thus air lines, both domestic and international, are facing the necessity in the next few years of meeting heavy financial obligations for new equipment which is constantly becoming larger and more expensive. At the same time, all of their operating expenses mount as lines are expanded, and new and better operating techniques create the need for additional instruments and equipment, additional training of personnel. These obligations could be met by payments from capital funds, or in many cases, by direct loans from banks. But aviation leaders consider that a better method would consist of "paying as they go," of spending each year for airplane equipment the amount needed to keep the necessary equipment available for use.

The effect of the equipment trust method of purchase is to provide a "pay as you go" basis. Instead of paying the total purchase cost of the airplanes at the outset, the line pays only 30% in cash—thus acquiring that much of an equity in the equipment. The remainder is paid off in semi-annual instalments. In other words, the line pays each year for the use of the airplane and in addition, at the end of five years, acquires full title to it.

The purchase price of the new airplanes which are eligible for acquisition under the present trust agreement, and all of which would be included if the air line elected to exercise its option to obtain the additional \$1,000,000 under the arrangement, amounts to \$5,000,000. These furnish the collateral, at the 70% ratio, for \$3,500,000 trust certificates included in the plan.

These aircraft include the six Boeing 314 flying boats designed for Atlantic service and which are now nearing completion at the factory of the Boeing Aircraft Co., Seattle, Wash.

The flying boats are four-engine, 42-ton giants capable of carrying 73 passengers on brief flights, or of transporting 40 passengers in berths,

plus mail and cargo, over such trans-ocean routes as that from the Pacific Coast to the Orient or that over the North Atlantic to Europe. The largest airplanes yet built for regular commercial service, they have been under construction for two years. The first of the series recently has completed an exhaustive series of test flights and delivery of the fleet is expected to begin shortly.—V. 148, p. 133.

Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Total gross revenues	\$9,907,129	\$9,662,909	\$6,037,868	\$3,611,865
Operation expenses	2,169,295	1,999,504	1,380,665	973,334
Maintenance	217,207	194,420	122,871	86,074
Prov. for retire., renew., depletion & amortiz.	2,055,500	1,704,952	1,084,596	768,197
Taxes—State, local and miscellaneous Federal	577,888	412,961	360,294	284,598
Taxes—Federal income	513,426	492,000	230,000	-----
Net oper. revenue	\$4,373,813	\$4,859,072	\$2,859,441	\$1,494,661
Interest on funded debt	944,233	987,030	1,079,690	1,131,937
Int. on prom. notes	-----	-----	57,697	593,460
Amort. of debt discount and expense	319,676	285,107	93,680	98,251
Oth. int. deducts. (net)	51,956	16,645	Cr7,561	Cr2,933
Int. chgd. to constr.	Cr1,277	Cr189,239	Cr77,140	-----
Net income	\$3,059,224	\$3,759,528	\$1,711,185	def\$326,054
Preferred dividends	x842,163	1,320,000	-----	-----
Common dividends	y1,639,467	364,326	-----	-----

x Includes \$182,163 participating dividend paid on class A preferred stock. y Includes \$546,489 participating dividend paid on common stock.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Assets—	1938	1937	Liabilities—	1938	1937
Prop., plant & eq.	58,547,870	58,060,015	c Common stock	18,216,300	18,216,300
Intangibles	2,666,927	2,917,171	Cl. A pref. stock	10,000,000	10,000,000
Cash	1,401,982	1,551,378	Cl. B pref. stock	1,000,000	1,000,000
Accts. & notes rec.	1,108,031	954,875	Ser. A 4% bonds	23,546,000	23,546,000
Mat'l & supplies	165,267	257,964	Bank loans	2,000,000	64,625,000
Non-cur. notes and accts. receivable	243,456	211,167	Leasehold purchase obligations	62,664	-----
Special deposits	4,758	6,038	Mortgages	-----	82,598
Prepaid accts. and deferred charges	123,093	118,428	Accounts payable	177,290	315,734
Debt discount and expenses	2,854,205	3,173,881	Prof. divs. declared	165,000	165,000
Total	67,115,570	67,250,918	Accrued taxes	1,036,992	736,680
			Accrued interest	315,694	316,169
			Deferred liabilities	40,508	193,098
			d Res. for depl. & other reserves	5,736,427	4,104,956
			Surplus	4,335,728	3,762,819
			Total	67,115,570	67,250,918

a Representing gas sale and purchase contracts, &c. b Reduced by \$700,000 since Dec. 31, 1937. c For renewals, replacements, retirements and amortization (other than amortization of gas sales and purchase contracts). d Represented by 728,652 (no par) shares.—V. 148, p. 592.

Paraffine Cos., Inc.—Earnings—

Period End. Dec. 31—	1938—3 Mos.—1937	1938—6 Mos.—1937
x Net profit	\$364,260	\$257,162
y Earnings per share	\$0.71	\$0.49
	\$1.37	\$1.79

x After all charges. y On common stock.

Consolidated Balance Sheet

Assets—	Dec. 31 '38	June 30 '38	Liabilities—	Dec. 31 '38	June 30 '38
Cash in banks and on hand	820,462	391,562	Notes pay. to bis.	-----	400,000
Notes & accts. rec.	2,698,872	2,956,046	Accts. pay., trade & miscellaneous	462,015	511,487
Inventories	3,565,800	3,906,415	Accrued dividend on pref. stock	23,804	23,804
Exp. adv. to and accts. of officers and employees	48,685	43,379	Prov. for Federal income tax	122,232	62,775
Investments	8,485,009	8,480,202	Provision for other taxes	81,494	69,385
Bldgs., machinery and equipment	5,094,758	5,246,602	Unearned disc. on instalment notes receivable	4,187	9,986
Construct'n work in progress	54,773	8,905	Reserves	178,089	195,324
Land	523,521	523,521	4% cum. conv pref stock (par \$100)	2,380,400	2,380,400
Pat'ts. at cost, less amortization	55,367	56,329	y Common stock	10,666,170	10,666,170
Goodwill	1	1	Surplus	7,643,212	7,466,167
Prepaid exps. and deferred charges	214,355	172,586	Total	21,561,603	21,785,498
Total	21,561,603	21,785,498			

x After reserve for depreciation of \$4,526,206 on Dec. 31, 1938, and \$4,358,837 on June 30, 1938. y Represented by 476,062 no par shares.—V. 147, p. 2698.

Parker Rust Proof Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross profit from manufacturing operations	\$1,026,028	\$1,779,111	\$1,581,409	\$1,430,084
Selling, adver., shipping, gen. & admin. exp.	401,710	425,653	377,041	356,490
Operating profit	\$624,318	\$1,353,457	\$1,204,368	\$1,073,594
Other income	65,182	63,546	75,018	71,101
Total income	\$689,500	\$1,417,004	\$1,279,386	\$1,144,695
Amortiz. of patents and patent litigation exp.	See c	See c	3,845	6,568
Loss on bldgs. aband. &c.	-----	19,855	-----	-----
Prov. for contingencies	-----	-----	1,075	13,415
Miscellaneous	1,560	3,969	11,734	8,859
Prov. for Fed. inc. tax	d112,203	a212,000	a182,085	163,034
Net profit	\$575,738	\$1,181,179	\$1,080,646	\$952,819
Preferred dividends	1,909	1,966	1,987	3,213
Common dividends	375,811	1,073,745	998,583	b589,005
Shs. common stock outstanding	429,498	429,498	429,498	143,166
Earnings per share	\$1.33	\$2.75	\$2.51	\$6.64

a Includes \$5,000 in 1937 and \$1,660 in 1936 surtax on undistributed profits. b Includes 10% stock dividend amounting to \$23,627. c Provision for depreciation \$29,215 in 1938 and \$25,301 in 1937, and amortization of patents, \$3,101 in 1938 and \$3,295 in 1937. d After deducting \$1,797 overprovision for prior years.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

Assets—	1938	1937	Liabilities—	1938	1937
Cash on hand and on deposit	\$155,390	\$258,611	Accts. payable	\$57,279	\$100,415
U. S. Govt. securs. plus accrued int.	604,536	504,521	Dividend payable	107,374	161,062
a Cust's notes & accounts	193,781	128,530	Accrued taxes	12,800	14,150
Inventories	61,365	72,002	Prov. for Fed. tax	114,000	212,000
Other assets	1,013,526	1,015,110	Res. for conting.	19,700	19,700
b Land, buildings, mach. & equip.	357,297	356,025	7% cum. pref. stk.	27,270	27,270
Patents	31,075	33,889	c Common stock	1,073,643	1,073,605
Prepaid taxes, ins., &c.	21,938	20,375	Surplus	1,026,842	780,862
Total	\$2,438,909	\$2,389,064	Total	\$2,438,909	\$2,389,064

a After reserve of \$1,100. b After allowance for depreciation of \$248,833 in 1938 and \$221,915 in 1937. c Represented by 203 no-par shares, at stated value of \$406 (279 no-par shares at stated value of \$558 in 1937 and 429,295 (429,219 in 1937) shares of \$2.50 par.—V. 147, p. 3919.

Parker-Wolverine Co.—New Directors—

Stockholders at their recent annual meeting elected W. L. Stadler and John D. Scofield, both of Detroit, to the board of directors to replace M. M. Wise and S. C. Hale.—V. 147, p. 1254.

Penn Valley Crude Oil Corp.—Earnings—

6 Months Ended Dec. 31—	1938	1937	1936
Oil sales	\$129,584	\$154,902	\$161,504
Producing expenses	31,596	35,805	33,776
Developing expenses			5,729
Interest and taxes	10,617		
Administrative and office expenses	11,462	19,598	27,571
Depletion, depreciation & amortiz'n	74,335	59,559	39,708
Net operating income	\$1,574	\$39,940	\$54,760
Other revenue	1,908	2,689	7,329
Net income from all sources	\$3,482	\$42,629	\$62,089
Income charges		5,409	10,833
Prov. for Federal & State inc. taxes	2,829		8,153
Net income	\$652	\$37,220	\$43,103

× Includes subsidiaries.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash, \$1,523; accounts receivable, \$9,697; crude oil inventory, \$2,516; depletion and depreciation account (cash balance), \$2,023; sinking fund, \$13; securities and deposits, \$100; land, buildings, and equipment (after depreciation reserve of \$100,787), \$421,794; oil reserves (after depletion reserve of \$231,698), \$758,507; drilling and shooting (after amortization reserve of \$75,605), \$111,240; prepaid expenses, \$765; total, \$1,308,179. Liabilities—Notes payable, \$45,667; accounts payable, \$6,022; accrued interest, \$2,903; accrued taxes, \$10,798; long-term obligations (including \$20,000 notes payable and \$113,167 mortgages payable), \$133,167; un sold crude oil inventory, \$2,516; class A stock (151,875 shares outstanding), \$911,250; class B stock (268,019 shares outstanding), \$2,680; capital surplus, \$129,435; earned surplus, \$63,741; total, \$1,308,179.—V. 147, p. 3318.

Pennsylvania RR.—Earnings—

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$32,770,333	\$30,135,115	\$40,401,711	\$32,041,436
Net from railway	9,309,917	6,220,036	11,434,105	8,339,375
Net after rents	6,451,172	3,201,381	8,797,941	6,206,565
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	360,384,241	455,933,509	441,425,189	367,812,186
Net from railway	103,336,998	117,972,216	127,337,488	104,712,002
Net after rents	57,332,896	73,000,926	84,180,592	70,394,641

—V. 148, p. 593.

Pennsylvania Reading Seashore Lines—Earnings—

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$381,126	\$330,787	\$410,135	\$372,309
Net from railway	def74,599	def74,577	def13,955	def25,121
Net after rents	def203,330	def206,327	def146,915	def148,432
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	5,341,631	6,304,813	6,488,011	5,686,620
Net from railway	def118,050	445,866	949,211	226,752
Net after rents	def2,133,217	def173,363	def1232,479	def1697,564

—V. 147, p. 4064.

Pennsylvania Salt Mfg. Co.—Earnings—

12 Mos. End. Dec. 31—	1938	1937	1936	1935
y Net profit	\$943,210	\$1,531,743	\$1,589,201	\$1,160,654
z Earnings per share	\$6.29	\$10.21	\$10.59	\$7.74

× After deducting surtax and undistributed profits. y After depreciation, depletion and Federal taxes. z On 150,000 shs. capital stock.—V. 147, p. 3319.

Pepperell Mfg. Co.—To Pay \$2 Dividend—

Directors have declared a dividend of \$2 per share on the capital stock par \$100, payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Feb. 8. A dividend of \$1 was paid on Dec. 5 last, this latter being the first payment made since Aug. 16, 1937 when a regular semi-annual dividend of \$3 per share was distributed.—V. 147, p. 3467.

Pervel Corp.—Registers with SEC—

See list given on first page of this department.

Petrolite Corp., Ltd. (Del.)—Pays 15-cent Dividend—

Company paid a dividend of 15 cents per share on its common stock on Feb. 1 to holders of record Jan. 24. This compares with 40 cents paid on Nov. 1, last; an extra dividend of 45 cents paid on Oct. 21, last; 35 cents paid on Aug. 1, last and a dividend of 20 cents paid on May 2, 1938.—V. 147, p. 2874.

Philadelphia Storage Battery Co.—New Subsidiary—

Organization of Philco Refrigerator Co., subsidiary of this company, has been announced, with W. Paul Jones, of Indianapolis, President. Philco Refrigerator Co. has acquired manufacturing rights and patents on the Conservator refrigerator from Fairbanks, Morse & Co.—V. 141, p. 1605.

Philadelphia Suburban Water Co.—Earnings—

Earnings for the 12 Months Ended Dec. 31, 1938	
Gross revenues	\$2,467,187
Operation (including maintenance)	669,379
Taxes	132,364
Net earnings	\$1,665,444
Interest charges	676,125
Amortization and other deductions	11,780
Federal income tax	102,917
Retirement expenses (or depreciation)	238,222
Balance available for dividends	\$636,399

Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1938

Assets—	Liabilities—
Fixed capital	Preferred stock
Cash	Common stock
Notes receivable	Funded indebtedness
Accounts receivable	Consumers' deposits
Materials and supplies	Other current liabilities
Other current assets	Main extension deposits
Investments—general	Accrued taxes
Prepayments	Accrued interest
Special deposits	Other accrued liabilities
Unamort. debt disc't. & exps.	Reserves
Undistributed debits	Surplus
Total	Total

—V. 147, p. 4064.

Phoenix Hosiery Co.—Accumulated Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 87½ cents per share on account of accumulations on the 7% cum. pref. stock, par \$100, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 17. A similar payment has been made in each of the 23 preceding quarters, as compared with 89½ cents paid on March 1, 1933, and 87 cents on Dec. 1, 1932.—V. 147, p. 2874.

Phoenix Securities Corp.—Financial Statement—

Wallace Groves, Chairman, says in part: The net asset value of corporation as of Aug. 31, 1938, was \$6,276,950, after deducting accrued dividends on the preferred stock. In computing this figure market quotations as at Aug. 31, 1938 were used in valuing securities having quoted markets. In the case of items having no quoted market, the lower of cost or fair value as estimated by the board of directors, less reserve, was used. This net asset value of \$6,276,950 was equal to \$81.196 per share on the \$3 convertible preferred stock outstanding. After deducting the amount of \$50 per share on the outstanding preferred stock (the amount to which, together with accrued dividends, such stock would be entitled in liquidation), the net asset value of the common stock as at Aug. 31, 1938, on the above basis, was \$2.892 per share. The net asset value of the common stock at the date of the corporation's last report, Feb. 28, 1938, on comparable basis, was \$2.492 per share. On a comparable basis, the net asset value of

the common stock as of the close of business on Oct. 15, 1938, was about \$8.24 per share.

Pursuant to the plan of reorganization of United Cigar Stores Co. of America, corporation had a commitment to purchase before July 21, 1938, certain securities of United Cigar-Whelan Stores Corp. at a cost of some \$2,025,468. This obligation was met and paid off in full prior to the due date. All bonds of United Cigar-Whelan Stores Corp. obtained through this purchase, together with those obtained at the time of reorganization, have now been sold.

Since last report the N. Y. Supreme Court has handed down a clear-cut decision that the sale by this corporation of its holdings in Certain-teed Products Corp. to The Celotex Corp. was a fair and equitable sale; and the transaction was therefore consummated. As a result, corporation now owns no Certain-teed stock and has increased its holdings in The Celotex Corp. to 100,788 shares of common stock, constituting 32.3% of the total outstanding.

Since the end of the fiscal year the directors felt it advisable to readjust the capital structure of National Brass & Copper Co., Inc. As a result of these changes, corporation's investments and advances in this situation are now consolidated into a \$139,081 mortgage obligation, \$193,100 (entire issue) of \$6 preferred stock, and all of the common stock. These changes have simplified the financial structure of National Brass & Copper Co., Inc., and have enabled it, with our help, to obtain its own line of bank and trade credit.

Loft, Inc., has for a long time been losing substantial sums of money and has, therefore, been increasingly hard pressed for working capital. As Loft has been unable to obtain loans from banks on its own credit, it has been necessary for your corporation, in order to keep the company from going into bankruptcy, to guarantee and collateralize loans made by Loft from the banks, to loan additional funds directly to Loft, and finally to provide urgently needed working capital by exercising its options on Loft stock.

The report submitted herewith reflects the exercise, during the summer, of options with respect to 25,000 shares. Subsequent to the date of this report (Oct. 17), corporation has exercised the balance of its options by purchasing 375,000 additional shares of the capital stock of Loft, Inc. In order to do this, corporation increased its bank loans by \$400,000. In connection with the listing of this stock by the New York Stock Exchange, it was necessary for your corporation to enter into an agreement with the Stock Exchange not to sell or otherwise dispose of this stock without first clearing the details of the sale with the Stock Exchange. A suit has recently been brought by a Loft stockholder against your corporation and Loft, Inc., seeking rescission of the sale of Loft stock to your corporation pursuant to the options. It is believed that this suit is without any merit.

As pointed out in our last report, Loft had instituted an important suit against a former officer for the recovery of approximately 91% of the stock of the Pepsi-Cola Co. A decision in this suit, favorable to Loft, was handed down by the Court of Chancery in Delaware on Sept. 17, 1938. Under the terms of the decision, which has since been appealed, Loft would receive approximately 91% of the stock of the Pepsi-Cola Co., certain dividends heretofore paid by that company, &c. We are advised by Loft that the lawyers who represented Loft in this three-year litigation have a contract calling for a 25% interest in this recovery.

Earnings for the Year Ended Aug. 31, 1938

Cash dividends received	\$18,446
Interest income	89,689
Dividend in securities received from Central Securities Corp.	85,021
Value of securities received from Central Securities Corp. (in liquidation) as recorded on books over proportionate cost of investment in that corporation	72,123
Total	\$265,279
Net loss realized on securities sold	621,992
Loss before charging operating expenses and interest	\$356,713
Operating expenses	363,016
Interest	37,033
Loss (before providing for write-down of investments) carried to capital surplus account	\$756,762

Notes—(1) During the year, 48,028 shares of Celotex Corp. were received from Central Securities Corp. and were recorded at the value at which the shares were carried on the books of the latter corporation, which was less than the value based on market quotations on dates of receipt by \$611,916.

(2) The cost of securities sold has been determined on the "average cost" basis. In the case of Allied Stores Corp. common stock, on which a profit of \$90,410 was realized during the period, cost represents the market value at the time the stock was received as a special dividend on pref. stock.

Statement of Capital Surplus for Year Ended Aug. 31, 1938

Balance, Aug. 31, 1937	\$6,103,169
Refund of expenditures made in connection with the reorganization of United Cigar Stores Co. of Am., previously charged off	25,063
Est. amount recoverable on invest. previously charged off	33,125
Total	\$6,161,357
Loss for year ended Aug. 31, 1938	756,762
Decrease due to revaluation of certain investments to fair value as estimated by the directors	1,283,798
Provision (net) for prior year's taxes	23,940
Balance	\$4,096,857
Dividend on preferred stock	57,979
Balance, Aug. 31, 1938	\$4,038,877

Note—The balance of capital surplus at Aug. 31, 1938, is made up as follows: Surplus paid in at organization, surplus created by reduction of capital and discount on retirement of capital stock, \$15,404,685; less (1) \$4,777,925 representing realized net losses from date of organization to Aug. 31, 1938; (2) \$3,159,608 representing write-down of certain investments to fair value as estimated by the directors; and (3) dividends paid from date of organization to Aug. 31, 1938, amounting to \$3,423,275.

Balance Sheet Aug. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash, \$69,748; cash deposited with the Marine Midland Trust Co. of N. Y. as collateral security in connection with liability as endorser of note of Loft, Inc., \$200,000; investments, \$6,140,829; notes receivable (secured), \$235,257; miscellaneous note and accounts receivable, \$30,804; accrued interest receivable, \$11,547; prepaid taxes and other expenses, \$25,937; furniture and fixtures, \$1; total, \$6,714,123. Liabilities—Bank loans payable, \$705,000; accounts payable and accrued liabilities, \$75,417; reserve for liability as endorser of note payable of Loft, Inc., \$200,000; reserve for prior years' taxes, \$88,000; \$3 convertible preferred stock, series A, \$773,060; common stock (par \$1), \$833,769; capital surplus, \$4,038,877; total, \$6,714,123.—V. 146, p. 3320.

Pittsburgh Coal Co.—Earnings—

Period End. Dec. 31—	1938—3 Mos.—	1937—3 Mos.—	1938—12 Mos.—	1937—12 Mos.—
Net loss	\$350,632	\$454,518	\$3,179,765	\$1,050,799

× After interest, depreciation, depletion, amortization of debt discount and expense, Federal income taxes and minority interest. y After charge-off of \$304,644 balance due on mortgage receivable for property sold now considered unrecoverable.—V. 148, p. 593.

Pittsburgh & Lake Erie RR.—Earnings—

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$1,279,468	\$1,089,119	\$2,053,240	\$1,437,846
Net from railway	41,504	def374,973	299,139	165,986
Net after rents	76,573	def213,232	def15,817	238,828
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	14,179,067	23,069,704	22,204,490	16,822,332
Net from railway	1,379,415	3,788,621	4,998,882	3,164,148
Net after rents	1,803,166	4,137,830	4,895,227	3,762,399

—V. 148, p. 287.

Pittsburgh Shawmut & Northern RR.—Earnings—

December—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$99,379	\$85,281	\$108,830	\$65,131
Net from railway	35,270	33,989	35,092	3,813
Net after rents	22,311	20,556	18,226	def3,598
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	896,329	1,022,280	1,084,850	898,683
Net from railway	197,341	136,041	182,213	67,988
Net after rents	45,096	def9,506	68,207	def12,920

—V. 147, p. 4064.

Pittsburgh & West Virginia Ry.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$283,802	\$250,157	\$347,829	\$283,015
Net from railway	81,996	28,776	97,907	103,582
Net after rents	77,514	43,228	106,171	109,946
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	2,984,438	4,092,691	3,856,902	3,001,241
Net from railway	661,064	927,559	1,164,660	960,962
Net after rents	627,867	1,110,998	1,265,310	1,033,185

Amends Loan Bid—

The company filed Jan. 24 an amended application with the Interstate Commerce Commission for approval of a straight loan of \$7,500,000 from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, to mature in five years, with the interest to be fixed by the RFC with approval of the ICC. The road previously had sought approval for a loan of a like amount, the RFC to guarantee its secured notes.

Of the proceeds \$4,216,607 would be applied to repayment of a former RFC loan and the balance for the payment of bank advances and for other purposes.—V. 148, p. 594.

Pittsburgh & Western RR.—Abandonment—

The Interstate Commerce Commission on Jan. 24 issued a certificate permitting abandonment by the company of a line of railroad extending from Callery to Ribold, including the west leg of wye track at Callery, approximately 5.8 miles, all in Butler County, Pa., and abandonment of operation thereof by the Baltimore & Ohio R.R.—V. 80, p. 2345.

Postal Telegraph & Cable Corp.—Plan Declared Fair in Court Ruling—

Federal Judge Alfred C. Cox filed a written opinion Jan. 30 declaring the plan for reorganization to be fair, equitable and feasible.

The result of protracted negotiations an extended hearings since Postal entered the bankruptcy court in June, 1935, the plan provides for the segregation of the cable and radio assets into a new corporation, Commercial Mackay Corp.; the formation of another unit, All America Sara Corp., to acquire from International Telephone & Telegraph Corp. the stock and assets of All America Cables & Radio, Inc., and the Sociedad Anonima Radio Argentina. It also provides for the formation of Postal Telegraph System, Inc., to consolidate all of Postal's land line companies. A fourth corporation to be formed under the plan is New Cable & Radio Corp., to acquire all stocks of Commercial Mackay Corp. and All America Sara Corp.

The plan, sponsored by the Lehman and Stewart protective bondholders' committees, was built around an agreement made between the two committees and International Telephone & Telegraph Corp. The latter owns all of the common and most of the preferred stock of the present Postal company. The plan provides for continuance of existing traffic agreements, which will insure a unified, practically world-wide system of telegraph, radio and cables communication.

Stock Suspended—

The 7% non-cumulative preferred stock (\$100 par) has been suspended from dealings by the New York Stock Exchange.—V. 148, p. 594.

Potomac Electric Power Co.—New Directors—

Company has notified the New York Stock Exchange of the election of J. H. Ferry and W. H. Lipscomb as directors.—V. 147, p. 3619.

Prentiss-Wabers Products Co.—Earnings—

Earnings for Year Ended Aug. 31, 1938	
Net sales	\$1,023,543
Cost of sales (including depreciation provision of \$40,993)	890,314
Gross profit	133,229
Selling, general and administrative expenses (including depreciation provision of \$2,015)	149,877
Operating loss	16,648
Interest on bonds	6,281
Bond discount and expense	1,642
Other interest and charges (net)	4,998
Provision for inventory reserve	12,000
Net loss, carried to earned surplus	\$41,569
Earned surplus—balance Aug. 31, 1937	244,029
Refund on Federal income taxes for prior years	1,038
Earned surplus—Aug. 31, 1938	\$203,497
Balance Sheet Aug. 31, 1938	
Assets—Demand deposits and cash on hand, \$27,168; accounts receivable—trade (less reserve of \$3,000 for doubtful accounts and cash discounts), \$146,852; inventories, \$319,121; land, buildings, machinery and equipment (after reserve for depreciation of \$159,373), \$276,234; rental property (less depreciation reserve of \$552), \$8,302; patents, \$1; surrender value of insurance on life of officer, \$7,877; due from officer and employees, \$6,470; prepaid and deferred expenses, \$23,211; unamortized bond discount and expense, \$9,792; total, \$825,028.	
Liabilities—Notes payable—banks, \$114,500; accounts payable—trade, \$38,988; accrued payroll and commissions, \$8,452; accrued property and capital stock taxes, \$8,100; accrued royalties, bond interest and other expenses, \$9,691; 5% 10-year sinking fund convertible bonds—sinking fund deposit due Nov. 1, 1938, \$10,000; 5% 10-year sinking fund convertible bonds, due July 1, 1946, \$115,000; common stock (\$10 par) \$256,720; earned surplus, \$203,497; paid-in surplus, \$60,080; total, \$825,028.—V. 143, p. 1892.	

Public Service Co. of Oklahoma—New President—
R. K. Lane of Tulsa, Okla., was on Jan. 28 elected President of this company and Southwestern Light & Power Co., two subsidiaries of the Middle West Corp. system operating in Oklahoma.

For many years Mr. Lane has been active as Vice-President of both of these companies.—V. 147, p. 3168, 2101.

Purity Bakeries Corp.—To Pay 15-Cent Dividend—
Directors on Jan. 26 declared a dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 15. This compares with 55 cents paid on Dec. 1 last and dividends of 15 cents per share paid on Sept. 1 last and each three months previously.—V. 147, p. 3168.

Quaker State Oil Refining Co.—To Pay 20-Cent Dividend—
Directors have declared a dividend of 20 cents per share on the common stock, par \$10, payable March 15 to holders of record Feb. 28. Dividends of 25 cents were paid on Nov. 1 and on March 1, 1938, this latter being a regular quarterly dividend. A year-end dividend of 15 cents was paid on Dec. 24, 1937.—V. 147, p. 3321.

Quarterly Income Shares, Inc.—Asset Value—
The company reports as of Jan. 15, 1939, net assets were equal to \$9.78 a share compared with \$11.11 a share on Jan. 15, 1938. Investments carried in balance sheet as of Jan. 15, last, at cost, of \$24,451,815 had a market value on that date of \$22,963,687. On Jan. 15, 1938, investments costing \$28,077,376 had a market value of \$28,128,050.—V. 147, p. 3169.

Quebec Power Co.—Earnings—
Calendar Years—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross revenues	\$3,120,668	\$2,983,009	\$2,928,410	\$2,730,611
x Net profit	793,022	751,622	782,217	593,718
x After all charges including depreciation but before income taxes.				

Rademaker Chemical Corp.—Earnings—
Earnings for the Year Ended Oct. 31, 1938

Operating profit before depreciation and amortization	\$35,915
Depreciation and amortization	19,061
Non-operating charges	2,391
Income and undistributed profits taxes	5,200
Net profit	\$9,262

Assets—Cash, \$85,639; accounts and note receivable, \$20,080; inventories, \$43,209; land and chemical brine beds, \$53,479; buildings, wells, machinery and equipment (after reserve for depreciation of \$40,976),

\$338,841; construction in progress, \$3,623; non-operating wells, \$51,000; processes, engineering contract, &c., less reserve for amortization (\$2,083), \$39,583; organization expense (incl. \$29,475 of commission on sale of company stock), \$41,382; construction and maintenance supplies, \$4,384; prepaid expenses, \$2,435; total, \$683,656.
Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$7,392; Federal income, capital stock and social security taxes, \$6,884; 1931-38 village, State and county taxes (\$3,547 on deferred payment plan), \$4,441; other accrued liabilities, \$3,622; common stock (\$1 par), \$615,166; surplus from appreciation of fixed assets (less \$9,516 profit and loss deficit for period from organization to Aug. 31, 1936, charged to appreciation surplus in accordance with resolution by stockholders), \$31,141; earned (since Aug. 31, 1936) surplus, \$15,009; total, \$683,656.—V. 146, p. 1086.

Radio-Keith-Orpheum Corp.—Hearing Feb. 10—
Federal Judge William Bondy has adjourned hearing on confirmation of the amended plan of reorganization until Feb. 10.—V. 148, p. 447.

Railway Express Agency, Inc.—Earnings—
Period Ended Nov. 30— 1938—Month—1937 1938—11 Mos.—1937

Charges for transport'n	\$13,219,326	\$12,930,077	\$139,302,088	\$146,139,606
Other revenues & income	214,439	237,557	2,465,944	2,539,245

Total revs. & income \$13,433,765 \$13,167,634 \$141,768,032 \$148,678,911
Operating expenses 8,555,558 8,411,818 89,037,102 91,201,030
Express taxes 552,772 483,422 5,775,401 5,005,990
Interest and discount on funded debt 133,396 133,936 1,473,796 1,469,992
Other deductions 6,125 9,084 191,293 110,318

x Rail transport'n rev. \$4,185,914 \$4,129,374 \$45,290,440 \$50,892,381
x Payments to rail and other carriers—express privileges.—V. 148, p. 134.

Purchase—
The Interstate Commerce Commission on Jan. 24 authorized the purchase by the company of certain operating rights and property of South-eastern Express Co. for \$622,038.—V. 148, p. 134.

(Robert) Reis & Co.—Sales—
Gross sales for quarter ended Dec. 31, 1938, amounted to \$514,117, compared with \$648,802 in quarter ended Sept. 30, 1938.—V. 147, p. 2545.

Reliance Mfg. Co. of Ill. (& Subs.)—Earnings—
Years End. Dec. 31— 1938 1937 1936 1935

z Net income	\$54,465	\$151,099	\$966,762	\$265,741
Sbs. com. stk. out. (par \$10)	222,055	222,055	214,055	214,055
Earnings per share	Nil	Nil	\$4.05	\$0.73

x After provision for surtax on undistributed earnings. y After provision of \$100,000 for possible losses on raw materials. z After interest, depletion and Federal taxes.—V. 147, p. 3321.

Reliance Steel Co.—Earnings—
Period End. Dec. 31— 1938—3 Mos.—1937 1938—6 Mos.—1937

x Net profit	\$60,502	loss\$28,286	\$100,586	\$191,194
Earns. per share on com.	\$0.20	Nil	\$0.27	\$0.61

x After reserve for normal Federal taxes but before reserve for undistributed profits tax.—V. 148, p. 288.

Remington Rand, Inc.—Earnings—
Period End. Dec. 31— 1938—3 Mos.—1937 1938—9 Mos.—1937

Net inc. after all charges	\$921,188	\$1,391,497	\$1,427,463	\$3,774,066
Sbs. com. stk. outst'g	1,584,894	1,584,888	1,584,894	1,584,888
Earnings per share	\$0.45	\$0.76	\$0.50	\$2.02

—V. 147, p. 3922.

Reo Motor Car Co.—SEC Entering Case—
The Securities and Exchange Commission announced Jan. 25 that it had become a party to reorganization proceedings of the company, one of 11 reorganizations in which it has been invited to participate by the Federal courts under the Bankruptcy Act. With the inclusion of the above number, the Commission is now a party to 37 bankruptcy cases.—V. 148, p. 595.

Republic Steel Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—
Calendar Years— 1938 1937 1936

b Net profit	loss\$7,997,825	\$9,044,147	\$9,586,922
Earnings per share on common	Nil	\$1.14	\$1.74

b After interest, depreciation, depletion, Federal income taxes and surtax on undistributed profits.—V. 147, p. 3169.

Reynolds Investing Co., Inc.—To File Proof Claims—
The protective committee for the 20-year 5% debentures has asked holders of those bonds to file a proof claim with the trustee on or before Feb. 18 in order that they may vote on the reorganization plan to be submitted on that date to Judge Fake of the U. S. District Court of New Jersey.
The committee also reported to debenture holders that suit has been brought in the Supreme Court of New York to recover \$882,500 taken from the assets of the company.—V. 148, p. 595.

Rhokana Corp., Ltd.—Earnings—
6 Mos. End. Dec. 31— 1938 1937 1936 1935

x Estimated net profit	£96,000	£1,136,000	£470,000	£250,000
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x Subject to taxation, but after providing for deb., int. and deprec. and development reserve.—V. 146, p. 765.

Rich's, Inc.—Pays 30-Cent Dividend—
Company paid a dividend of 30 cents per share on its common stock on Feb. 1 to holders of record Jan. 14. An extra dividend of \$1 was paid on Dec. 15, last, and a regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents was paid on Nov. 1, last.—V. 148, p. 288.

Rima Steel Corp.—Interest—
Payment of \$8.75 per \$1,000 bond will be made on surrender of the coupon due Feb. 1, 1939, from the 7% closed first mortgage 30-year sinking fund gold bonds, due 1955.—V. 147, p. 3773.

Rutland RR.—Earnings—
December— 1938 1937 1936 1935

Gross from railway	\$274,471	\$236,231	\$308,253	\$248,296
Net from railway	13,362	def\$23,332	65,465	4,401
Net after rents	2,491	def\$7,805	def\$12,090	def\$12,850
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	2,955,226	3,483,634	3,465,869	3,213,265
Net from railway	def\$192,488	222,075	324,128	85,386
Net after rents	def\$30,677	def\$70,088	99,504	def\$138,481

—V. 148, p. 289.

St. Louis Brownsville & Mexico Ry.—Earnings—
December— 1938 1937 1936 1935

Gross from railway	\$603,147	\$613,285	\$535,496	\$394,717
Net from railway	187,837	162,633	150,502	50,928
Net after rents	104,199	86,182	81,787	7,482
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	6,754,535	7,809,382	5,490,916	4,495,059
Net from railway	2,058,932	2,791,027	1,278,893	898,627
Net after rents	1,251,301	2,028,041	685,877	428,509

—V. 147, p. 4066.

St. Louis San Francisco & Texas Ry.—Earnings—
December— 1938 1937 1936 1935

Gross from railway	\$134,697	\$118,342	\$121,019	\$82,919
Net from railway	40,476	3,039	18,898	def\$45,875
Net after rents	4,409	def\$1,321	def\$16,956	def\$73,548
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	1,660,575	1,564,236	1,356,645	11,091,229
Net from railway	357,594	201,963	17,190	def\$163,204
Net after rents	def\$92,191	def\$201,072	def\$438,277	def\$503,422

—V. 147, p. 4066.

St. Louis-San Francisco Ry.—Trustees to Purchase Equipment Trust Certificates Maturing Feb. 15—

J. M. Kurn and John G. Lonsdale, trustees, St. Louis-San Francisco Ry. Co., announce that the installment of principal of equipment trust certificates, series BB maturing Feb. 15, 1939, together with interest coupon (No. 26) maturing that date, from all outstanding series BB certificates, will be purchased on and after Feb. 15, upon tender at office of C. W. Michel, Eastern Representative, 120 Broadway, New York City, at their face value.

Earnings of Company Only

Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, etc.

St. Louis Southwestern Ry. Lines—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1938—Month—1937, 1938—12 Mos.—1937. Rows include Railway oper. revenues, Railway oper. expenses, Net rev. from railway operations, etc.

Saco-Lowell Shops (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for Dec. 17 '37 to Nov. 30 '38, Jan. 1 to Dec. 16 '37, Calendar Years—1936, 1935. Rows include Profit before charges, Interest charges, Depreciation, etc.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Nov. 30, 1938

Assets—Cash, \$1,575,624; notes and accounts receivable (after reserve of \$22,340), \$1,192,999; inventories, \$1,179,516; notes and accounts receivable due from customers subsequent to Nov. 30, 1939, \$299,580; inventories of slow-moving and inactive repair parts, &c. (less reserve of \$143,750 for estimated losses thereon), \$71,701; deposits with factory mutual fire insurance companies, \$55,054; real estate mortgage notes receivable, \$2,117; miscellaneous securities (after reserve for depreciation of miscellaneous securities of \$324,227), \$103,187; real estate, machinery, equipment, &c., \$3,579,228; prepaid expenses, \$14,952; cash advances to employees for expenses, &c., \$6,773; total, \$8,080,732.

Safeway Stores, Inc.—Sales—

Table with columns for Four Weeks Ended—Jan. 21, '39, Jan. 22, '38. Rows include Sales, Stores in operation.

San Antonio Uvalde & Gulf RR.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, etc.

Sangamo Electric Co.—Obituary—

Robert Carr Lanphier, President of this company, manufacturers of electric meters and precision instruments for the utility industry, died on Jan. 29. He was 61 years old.—V. 147, p. 3620.

Savage Arms Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for Years Ended Dec. 31—1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Net profit, Earnings per sh., etc.

Scruggs-Vandervoort-Barney, Inc.—To Refund Notes—

According to a St. Louis dispatch company has called its outstanding \$1,079,000 7% coll. notes for redemption on March 1, 1939 at 102 and accrued interest. The dispatch adds that the company has secured a loan to refund the notes resulting in a substantial saving in interest.—V. 148, p. 596.

Seaboard Air Line Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, etc.

Sears, Roebuck & Co.—New President—

Directors have advanced Thomas J. Carney, Vice-President in charge of operations, to the Presidency to succeed General R. E. Wood who will become Chairman of the board. General Wood succeeds Lessing J. Rosenwald, who retired both as Chairman and as a board member. Donald M. Nelson, Vice-President in

charge of merchandising, was appointed Chairman of the company's executive committee and Executive Vice-President.

In addition to the above changes two directors, in addition to Mr. Rosenwald, were retired from the board, three new directors were elected, two new Vice-Presidents were appointed and one Vice-President retired.

The three members of the directorate are Julius Rosenwald 2d, son of the retiring Chairman, Theodore V. Houser and Gordon B. Hattersley.

Mr. Houser and Mr. Hattersley were also made Vice-Presidents, the former to succeed Mr. Nelson as merchandising Vice-President and the latter to succeed Mr. Carney as Operating Vice-President.

E. J. Pollack is the retiring Vice-President. Although he is resigning as an officer he will remain as a director. His responsibilities as Comptroller will be added to those of J. M. Barker, Vice-President and Treasurer, a position he has held since 1935.

In addition to Lessing Rosenwald, the retiring board members are V. J. Bert and Max Adler.

In connection with his resignation as a member and Chairman of the board of directors, Mr. Rosenwald issued the following statement:

"My reasons for resigning are partly my personal desires and particularly because a peculiar combination of laws and regulations, proper though they may be, are such that I can no longer indulge in the luxury of being an official and a director. This specific time is well suited for my resignation. The company has an unusually capable and efficient group of officers and personnel and is in the strongest financial position in its entire history.

"I remain a very large stockholder of the company and expect to retain my association with the company in an advisory capacity."

In a statement following his election, Mr. Carney said in part: "I should dislike to think my first move put me on record as a business prophet. I have never been and I am afraid never will be one. There are too many variables affecting world economic conditions to permit any one person to pose as an authority on the future. I can only say Sears selling performance in the recent past has been encouraging. The last period's sales were the best in our history. We are inclined to think on the basis of evidence visible at the moment that business will be better in 1939 than in 1938."—V. 148, p. 289.

Seaman Bros., Inc.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. Dec. 31—1938—3 Mos.—1937, 1938—6 Mos.—1937. Rows include Net profit, Shares common stock, Earnings per share, etc.

Seiberling Rubber Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for Earnings for the Year Ended Oct. 31, 1938. Rows include Net sales (after deducting returns, allowances, bonuses, cash discounts, excise tax and freight), Cost of goods sold (exclusive of depreciation), Gross profit on sales, etc.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Oct. 31, 1938

Assets—Cash, \$369,668; notes and accounts receivable, trade and other accounts receivable (after reserves for bad debts and dealers' bonuses of \$160,611), \$517,878; inventories, \$1,175,401; investments, \$374,932; investments in and amounts due from affiliated companies not consolidated (less reserve to reduce to their book values), \$215,719; claims against closed banks (less reserve), \$9,237; plant and equipment (after reserves for depreciation of \$2,759,312), \$1,626,480; unused real estate (after reserve for depreciation of \$244,871), \$323,479; deferred charges, \$31,344; developments and patents, \$1; total, \$5,644,139.

Liabilities—Accounts payable, trade, \$226,466; trade acceptances payable, \$184,415; Federal income and excise taxes payable, \$236,815; other accounts payable, \$20,115; accrued interest, wages, State and local taxes and other accrued expenses, \$192,958; 6% debenture notes class A, \$2,350,000; deferred income, \$5,000; 8% cumulative preferred stock, \$1,474,500; common stock (271,106 no par shares), \$271,106; surplus, \$644,513; reserve for insurance on branch inventories, \$38,251; total, \$5,644,139.—V. 148, p. 289.

Seven Up Bottling Co.—Registers with SEC—

See list given on first page of this department.

(W. A.) Sheaffer Pen Co.—Extra and Larger Dividend—

Directors have declared an extra dividend of 25 cents per share in addition to a dividend of \$1 per share on the common stock, no par value, both payable Feb. 25 to holders of record Feb. 14. This compares with 75 cents paid on Oct. 15, last; \$1 paid on Feb. 26, 1938, and on Oct. 15, 1937 and \$1.25 paid on Feb. 26, 1937.—V. 148, p. 289.

Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.—Dividend—

The Chase National Bank of the city of New York, as successor depositary of certain ordinary stock of this company under agreement dated Aug. 28, 1919, has received a dividend on the above mentioned ordinary stock of the par value of one pound sterling each. The equivalent thereof, distributable to holders of "American shares" under the terms of the agreement, is \$0.695 on each "American share".

This dividend will be distributed by the bank on Feb. 17, 1939, to the registered holders of "American shares" of record as of the close of business Feb. 10, 1939.—V. 147, p. 280.

Siemens & Halske A. G.—Offer Extended—

Holders of participating debentures due Jan. 15, 2930 are being notified that the company has extended to Feb. 28, 1939 the offer to holders of the above debentures dated Dec. 17, 1938 and published on Dec. 29, 1938.

Holders of Siemens & Halske A. G. and Siemens-Schuckertwerke A. G. 6 1/2% 25-year sinking fund gold debentures due Sept. 1, 1951, are being notified that the companies have further extended to Feb. 28, 1939 the offer to holders of the above debentures dated Nov. 25, 1938 and published on Nov. 30, 1938.

Copies of both the above-mentioned offers may be obtained from the Depository, Guinness, Mahon & Co., London, or from the sub-depositaries as under: Chemical Bank & Trust Co., New York; J. Henry Schroder & Co., London; Mendelssohn & Co. Amsterdam, Amsterdam, Holland; Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, N. V., Amsterdam, Holland.—V. 148, p. 448, 134.—V. 147, p. 4067, 3470.

Silverwood Dairies, Ltd.—Accumulated Dividend—

Directors have declared a dividend of 20 cents per share on the cum. partic. pref. stock, no par value, payable April 1 to holders of record March 10. Arrearages after the current payment will amount to 60 cents per share.—V. 147, p. 1939.

(L. C.) Smith & Corona Typewriters, Inc. (& Subs.)—

Table with columns for 3 Months Ended Dec. 31—1938, 1937, 1936. Rows include Net profit, Shares common stock, Earnings per share, etc.

x After depreciation, depletion, amortization, interest, and Federal taxes. y After \$26,121 surtax on undistributed profits.

Sales for the quarter amounted to \$3,414,800, an increase of approximately \$770,000 over the September quarter, when operations resulted in a net loss of \$29,047.

Unfilled orders for portable typewriters on Dec. 31 showed a gain of 75% compared with the end of 1937. The company's consolidated balance sheet at Dec. 31 shows current assets of \$7,096,719 compared with current liabilities of \$1,917,536.—V. 147, p. 3322.

Smoky Mountain RR.—Reconstruction Loan Denied—

The Interstate Commerce Commission has denied approval of a loan from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for railroad maintenance of not exceeding \$40,000 to the road for specified purposes.—V. 130, p. 4231.

South Carolina Electric & Gas Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1938 and 1937. Rows include Total operating revenues, Operating expenses, Maintenance, Provision for retirements, Federal income taxes, Other taxes, Operating income, Other income, Gross income, Interest on first mortgage bonds, Other interest, Amortization of debt discount and expense, Interest charged to construction, Balance of income, Dividends on \$6 prior preferred stock, Balance, Preliminary subject to annual audit.

South Carolina Power Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1938-12 Mos., and 1937-12 Mos. Rows include Gross revenue, Oper. exps. & taxes, Prov. for depreciation, Gross income, Int. & other fixed charges, Net income, Divs. on preferred stock, Balance.

Governor Gets Mandate to Seek to Buy Plants—

Governor Burnet R. Maybank of South Carolina stated Jan. 24 that the South Carolina Public Service Authority had given to him the mandate to start negotiations for purchase of the South Carolina Power Co. and the Associated Gas & Electric Co. properties in that State.

South West Pennsylvania Pipe Lines—Trading Data—

The new capital stock (par \$10) has been admitted to unlisted trading on the New York Curb Exchange replacing the old capital stock, par \$50, which were exchanged share for share.

Southeastern Express Co.—Sale—

See Railway Express Agency, Inc.—V. 147, p. 4067.

Southern Canada Power Co., Ltd.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1938-3 Mos., and 1937-3 Mos. Rows include Operating earnings, Operating expenses, Net earnings, Int. depr., amort. & divs, Surplus.

Southern Ice Co., Inc.—Tenders—

The Chase National Bank of the City of New York as successor corporate trustee is notifying holders of first mortgage gold bonds, convertible 6% series, due Feb. 1, 1946 of Southern Ice & Utilities Co.

Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1938-12 Mos., and 1937-12 Mos. Rows include Gross revenue, Oper. expenses & taxes, Provision for depreciation, Gross income, Int. & other fixed charges, Net income, Divs. on preferred stock, Amortiz. of pref. stk. exp., Balance.

Southern Natural Gas Co.—To Issue Note—

The Securities and Exchange Commission announced Feb. 1 that company has filed a declaration (File 43-180) covering the issuance of a \$900,000 4 1/2% collateral note maturing serially Dec. 31, 1939 to Dec. 31, 1942.

Southern Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1939, 1938, 1939, 1938. Rows include Gross earnings (est.), Other income.

(A. G.) Spalding & Bros.—Consol. Bal. Sheet Oct. 31—

Consolidated Balance Sheet with columns for 1938 and 1937. Rows include Assets (Cash, Accounts receivable, Inventory, etc.), Liabilities (Accounts payable, Accrued salaries, etc.), Total.

a After allowance for loss on doubtful accounts of \$304,909 in 1938 and \$304,539 in 1937. b After allowances for depreciation. c Less depreciation and amortization. d Represented by 349,110 no par shares. e Represented by 25,039 shs. of common at cost of \$644,968; 210 shs. 1st pref. at cost of \$13,333 and 124 shs. of 2d pref. at cost of \$11,900. f Less payments

received on account (contracts of sale consummated subsequent to Oct. 31 1937) of \$260,442.

The income statement for the year ended Oct. 31 was published in V. 148, p. 598.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Total revenues, Expenses, incl. taxes, Interest, Net income, Dividends paid, Surplus.

Southwestern Light & Power Co.—New President—

See Public Service Co. of Oklahoma, above.—V. 147, p. 3171.

Spokane Portland & Seattle Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Stahl-Meyer, Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for 52 Weeks Ended, 53 Wks. End., 52 Wks. End. Rows include Sales, Cost of sales, Net loss from oper., Other income, Profit, Prov. for depreciation, Interest charges, Provision for taxes, Net loss, Previous surplus, Excess of par over cost of 6% pref. redeemed, Other credits, Total surplus, Miscell. charges, Surplus, Loss.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Oct. 29, 1938

Assets—Cash, \$119,252; accounts receivable (net), \$221,098; meat products, materials and supplies, \$538,996; insurance premiums and other prepayments, \$32,394; deposits and advances, \$6,304; stocks of other companies and real estate equity, \$8,280; land, \$137,880; buildings, machinery and equipment, autos and trucks (after reserve for depreciation of \$677,703), \$1,129,867; goodwill, trademarks, &c., \$1; total, \$1,994,172.

Standard Gas & Electric Co.—Weekly Output—

Electric output of the public utility operating companies in the Standard Gas & Electric Co. system for the week ended Jan. 28, 1939, totaled 113,100,367 kilowatt-hours, an increase of 8.2% compared with the corresponding week last year.

Standard Oil Co. of Calif.—Extra Dividend—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of five cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, both payable March 15 to holders of record Feb. 15.

Steel Co. of Canada, Ltd.—New By-Laws Adopted—

At a recent special meeting of shareholders, a number of new by-laws were unanimously approved, most important of which affect general borrowing power of directors.

Sterling, Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1938, 1937. Rows include Earnings for Six Months Period June 1 to Nov. 30, 1938, Sales (less discounts, returns and allowances), Other income, Gross income, Cost of goods sold, selling, oper., admin. and other expenses, Provision for depreciation, Provision for bad debts, Total income, Income deductions, Provision for Federal income tax, Net income, Preferred dividends, Common dividends, Earnings per sh., x \$42,236 of which was paid Dec. 20, 1938.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Nov. 30, 1938

Assets—Cash, \$227,785; accounts receivable (net), \$2,200,503; merchandise inventory, \$318,651; investments at cost, \$560; deposits as security on leases, \$20,000; fixed assets (net), \$475,306; insurance premiums unexpired, \$5,364; prepaid expenses, \$15,015; organization expenses, \$12,766; total, \$3,275,948.

Sullivan Machinery Co.—New President, &c.— Frederick W. Copeland has been elected President of this company and John Haddock, Leon T. Noel, William R. Jarvis and Howard T. Walsh have been added to the board of directors.—V. 147, p. 2877.

Sun Oil Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings— Calendar Years— 1938 1937 1936 1935 Net income— \$3,085,119 \$2,544,085 \$2,756,554 \$7,100,238

Susquehanna Silk Mills (& Subs.)—Earnings— [Including wholly-owned subsidiary companies] Years Ended May 31— 1938 1937

Susquehanna Silk Mills (& Subs.)—Earnings— Years Ended May 31— 1938 1937 Gross loss before deprec. & idle plant expenses— \$48,546 \$607,374

Sutherland Paper Co.—Earnings— Calendar Years— 1938 1937 1936 1935 Net sales— \$7,342,988 \$8,245,045 \$7,494,749 \$6,636,212

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Swan-Finch Oil Corp.—Accumulated Dividend— Directors have declared a dividend of 37 1/2 cents per share on account of accumulations on the 6% cumulative preferred stock, par \$25, payable Feb. 10 to holders of record Jan. 25, leaving arrears of 75 cents per share.—V. 148, p. 449.

Sylvanite Gold Mines, Ltd.—Extra Dividend— Directors have declared an extra dividend of five cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of five cents per share on the common stock, both payable March 31 to holders of record Feb. 15. Similar payments were made on March 31, 1938 and 1937.—V. 146, p. 4131.

Tacony-Palmyra Bridge Co.—Earnings— Years Ended Dec. 31— 1938 1937 1936 1935 Tolls— \$615,473 \$608,946 \$598,935 \$537,083

Tampax Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings— Earnings for 10 Months Ended Oct. 31, 1938 Net income after all charges— \$123,424 Earnings per share on 300,000 common shares— \$0.41

Texas Mexican Ry.—Earnings— December— 1938 1937 1936 1935 Gross from railway— \$63,560 \$92,958 \$113,142 \$95,050

Texas Pacific Land Trust—Old Certificates Off List— Effective Feb. 3, 1939, trading in the old shares of Texas Pacific Land Trust (certificates of proprietary interest of \$100 par value) was discontinued.

Texas Power & Light Co.—State Buys Properties— Lower Colorado River Authority, a State agency, on Jan. 28 bought all the electrical properties of the company in 16 central Texas counties for \$5,000,000.

Third Avenue Ry. System—Earnings— Period End. Dec. 31— 1938—Month—1937 1938—6 Mos.—1937 Operating revenue— \$1,247,792 \$1,203,761 \$7,035,292 \$6,892,045

Tip Top Tailors, Inc. (Del.)—Shares Offered— Laurence Smith & Co., Ltd., Toronto; D. H. Willson & Co. and Riddell, Keenleyside & Co., Ltd., on Jan. 25 offered in the Canadian market 3,000 units comprising one share of \$6 cum. red. sinking fund pref. stock (no par) and four shares (no par) common at \$100 a unit.

The company, incorp. in Delaware, will operate a chain of retail made-to-measure clothing stores similar to those of the Canadian company. The company expects to open five stores within four months and another 10 in one year, unless a different policy is deemed advisable.

Tip Top Tailors, Inc. has set aside 5,000 shares of Tip Top Tailors, Inc. for distribution to officers and employees after three years. Following is a list of officers and directors of the new subsidiary company: Officers—J. Dunkelmann, President; H. P. Mackechnie, Vice-President; R. H. Langlois, Treasurer.

Directors—J. Dunkelmann, D. Dunkelmann, H. P. Mackechnie, Ernest O. Hall, R. H. Langlois, Toronto; C. Hilton, New York. Tip Top Tailors, Inc. has acquired a one-half interest in Allied Clothing Corp., Linden, N. J., for 4,000 common shares of the company, and will be joint owners with Joseph Hilton & Sons of New York Inc. The latter concern will purchase made-to-measure clothing from Tip Top Tailors, Inc. Tip Top Tailors, Inc. is entering into an agreement for the manufacture of its requirements with Allied Clothing Corp.

Capitalization—After completion of the present financing, capitalization will be as follows: \$6 preferred— 10,000 shs. 3,000 shs. Common, n. p. v.— 150,000 shs. 100,000 shs.

Toledo Peoria & Western RR.—Earnings—

	1938	1937	1936	1935
December—				
Gross from railway	\$151,798	\$155,094	\$209,604	\$158,978
Net from railway	32,166	16,314	100,684	36,713
Net after rents	6,002	38,771	49,897	23,573
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	2,149,408	2,393,236	2,424,294	1,841,475
Net from railway	668,124	709,388	796,348	457,802
Net after rents	299,948	329,896	358,130	216,961

—V. 147, p. 4069.

Union Bag & Paper Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Net sales	\$16,517,875	\$15,710,373	\$11,770,787	\$9,534,626
Net profit	1,088,193	1,384,595	1,387,391	1,223,459
Earns. per sh. on cap. stk.	\$0.86	\$1.30	\$1.48	\$1.14
x After depreciation and Federal taxes.				
y After surtax on undistributed profits, which is estimated at \$65,000.				
z After charges but before Federal income and capital stock taxes.				

Union Premier Food Stores, Inc.—Sales—

Four Weeks Ended Jan. 28—	1939	1938
Sales	\$1,557,969	\$1,255,741

—V. 148, p. 136.

United Aircraft Corp.—New Director—

Byron C. Foy, Vice-President of the Chrysler Corp., was on Jan. 30 elected a director of this corporation, according to an announcement by Donald L. Brown, President.—V. 147, p. 3473.

United Gas Improvement Co.—Agrees to Lease Extension

Company announced on Jan. 28 its agreement under certain conditions to an extension of its 10-year lease on the city-owned gas works, thus eliminating a possible obstacle to the city's (Philadelphia) plan to balance its 1939 budget by making a \$50,000,000 loan against a 15-year assignment of the \$4,215,000 annual rental it receives from the gas works operation. The company's willingness to modify the present term of the lease was made known in a letter to City Council signed by Conrad Lauer, President of the Philadelphia Gas Works Co., a U. G. I. subsidiary. Mr. Lauer expressed the willingness of the company to make the term of the new lease for a period of not less than 10 years nor more than 20 years from the effective date thereof, subject to the conditions mentioned. One of the conditions is that the new lease, which Council enacted in 1937 and which has not yet gone into effect, pending the approval of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, be amended so that U. G. I. be entitled to interest on advances by it for working capital or for other purposes, at the rate of 4% per annum. Another provision is that the new lease shall become effective as of the first day of the calendar month next succeeding the date when approval thereof by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission shall become effective and the lease dated Feb. 8, 1926, under which company is now operating the gas works, shall terminate as of the date when the new lease shall become effective.

Weekly Output—

Week Ended—	Jan. 28, '39	Jan. 21, '39	Jan. 29, '38
Electric output of system (kwh.)	102,328,066	101,162,031	90,538,082

—V. 148, p. 600.

United Shoe Machinery Corp.—Special Dividend—

The directors have declared a special dividend of \$1.50 per share on the common stock, par \$25, payable Feb. 14 to holders of record Jan. 31. The regular quarterly dividend of 62½ cents per share was paid on Jan. 5, last. A special dividend of \$1.75 was paid on Feb. 14, 1938; one of \$2.50 was paid on Feb. 13, 1937; special dividends of \$2 were paid on Jan. 5, 1936, and on Jan. 5, 1935, and an extra dividend of \$2.50 was paid on Jan. 5, 1933.—V. 147, p. 1052.

United States Electric Light & Power Shares, Inc., (Md.)—Dividend—

Directors have declared a dividend of four cents per share on the class B shares payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Jan. 31. Dividends of three cents was paid on Nov. 15, last.—V. 140, p. 2025.

United States Leather Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Years Ended Oct. 31—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Operating profit	\$1,192,221	\$725,612	\$871,132	\$947,226
Deprec. and depletion	306,289	390,735	407,229	567,736
Oper. profit before int. and Fed. nc. tax	\$1,498,510	\$334,877	\$463,903	\$379,490
Interest paid (net)	26,773	6,247	Cr13,462	11,251
Discount on notes receivable surrendered	68,299			
Prov. for contingencies	102,943			
Prov. for Fed. income tax	90,000	70,000		54,701
Net profit	\$1,696,524	\$238,629	\$407,365	\$313,538
Prior pref. dividends	80,500	902,233		
x Loss after including other income of \$24,925.			y Loss.	

Consolidated Balance Sheet Oct. 31

Assets—	1938	1937	Liabilities	1938	1937
Inventories	9,262,616	10,074,658	Accounts payable	263,542	413,251
e Accts. rec. (trade)	1,181,566	1,069,646	Notes payable to bank	1,100,000	1,000,000
Accts. rec. (misc.)	31,542	64,082	Com'l letters of credit	107,000	
Cash	671,475	793,797	Accrued payrolls	75,873	87,499
Marketable secur.	25,045		Miscell. accruals	47,974	55,515
Investments	242,275	746,188	Dividends unpaid	5,829	6,446
d Real estate including timberlands, plants, &c.	2,515,219	2,914,468	Provision for Fed'l income tax	13,647	98,749
Prepaid insurance, &c.	105,852	67,701	Prov. for loss on bid commitments		21,467
			Purch. money mtg.		40,000
Total	14,010,546	15,755,686	Insurance reserves	1,100,956	1,052,909
			Other reserves	881,268	784,862
a Represented by 249,743 shares (no par).			Prior pref. stock	4,600,000	4,604,000
b Represented by 397,010 shares (no par).			a Class A stock	3,111,798	3,111,798
c After reserve of \$38,745 in 1938 and \$49,329 in 1937.			b Common stock	1,556,279	1,556,279
d After reserve of \$38,745 in 1938 and \$49,329 in 1937.			Combined surplus accounts	1,146,379	2,922,811
e After reserve of \$38,745 in 1938 and \$49,329 in 1937.			Total	14,010,546	15,755,686
f Capital surplus Oct. 31, 1937 \$3,808,643, surplus from operations, \$1,640,101, total surplus Oct. 31, 1937 \$5,448,744.					
g Capital surplus Oct. 31, 1938, \$2,923,403, deficit from operations, \$1,696,524; total, \$1,226,879, dividends paid \$80,500, balance surplus \$1,146,379.					

V. 146, p. 3822.

United States Playing Card Co.—50-Cent Dividend—

Directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, payable April 1 to holders of record March 16. Like amount was paid on Jan. 1, last, and previously regular quarterly dividends of 25 cents and extra dividends of 25 cents per share were distributed.

New Director—

Irwin P. Bostwick, was elected to the directorate replacing John Omwake who has retired from active business.—V. 147, p. 2878.

United States Realty & Improvement Co.—May Reduce Capital—

Stockholders at their annual meeting on March 7 will vote on a proposed reduction in capital from \$18,000,000 to \$4,500,000 to be effected by changing the stated capital of the outstanding 900,000 shares of capital stock without nominal or par value from \$20 to \$5 per share and an increase in authorized capital stock from 900,000 shares to 1,200,000 shares.—V. 147, p. 3030.

United States Steel Corp.—Quarterly Report—

Reporting the earnings of the corporation for the fourth quarter and for the full year of 1938, announcement was made by E. R. Stettinius Jr., Chairman, that the directors had, Jan. 31, declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.75 per share on the preferred stock, payable to holders on Feb. 20, 1939.

As a result of the better demand for steel products which prevailed during the closing quarter of 1938, the earnings, while insufficient to cover the full quarterly preferred dividend requirements, reflect an improvement over those shown for the first three quarters of the year.

Measured by the tonnage of finished steel products shipped, operations in each of the four quarters of 1938 were as follows:

	Tons Shipped	Per Cent of Capacity
First quarter of 1938	1,565,244	35.3%
Second quarter of 1938	1,445,110	32.0%
Third quarter of 1938	1,577,870	34.6%
Fourth quarter of 1938	2,037,144	44.6%
Total for year	6,625,368	36.6%
Total for year 1937	12,748,354	71.1%
Decrease in 1938	6,122,986	34.5 pts. or 48%

Although the volume of steel shipments in the fourth quarter of 1938 shows an increase of 459,274 tons, or 29% over the preceding quarter, the total for the full year 1938 dropped to about one-half of the 1937 total, a decline of 6,122,986 tons, or 48%.

Only in three of the depression years during the last 10 were the tonnages shipped lower than the tonnage in 1938. During the first four weeks of January the shipments averaged approximately 47% of capacity, compared with 32% a year ago.

The net income available for the capital stocks of the corporation for each quarter of 1938 was as follows:

	Income Available for Capital Stocks
First quarter of 1938—Deficit	\$1,292,151
Second quarter of 1938—Deficit	5,010,426
Third quarter of 1938—Deficit	5,847,791
Fourth quarter of 1938—Income	4,394,454
Total for year—Deficit	\$7,755,914
Total for year 1937—Income	94,944,358
Decrease in income	\$102,700,272

Total net working assets of the corporation and the subsidiaries before deducting the current dividend declaration but reflecting proceeds from the sale of \$100,000,000 debenture bonds in June, 1938, and payment of bank loans of \$50,000,000 originally made in February, 1938, were, at Dec. 31, 1938, \$439,873,943, compared with Dec. 31, 1937, \$372,388,530; Dec. 31, 1936, \$391,530,566.

Capital outlays continue to be limited to those necessary in completing plant improvement and modernization program inaugurated early in 1937, and for other general betterments necessary for the proper and efficient maintenance of facilities. The new Irvin plant in the Pittsburgh District for the production of a wide range of flat rolled products of the most modern type, both as to surface quality and physical requirements, representing an expenditure in excess of \$60,000,000, has been completed and is in successful operation. Other plant improvements as generally indicated have progressed to completion. The net expenditures in 1938 for additions and betterments to the properties of all the subsidiaries of the corporation, less credit for properties sold, have been approximately \$66,800,000. Also, about \$5,500,000 of capital obligations maturing or payable by sinking funds have been paid, making a total outlay on capital account in 1938 of \$72,300,000. At Jan. 1, 1939, unexpended balances on approved appropriations for property additions and betterments amount to approximately \$22,000,000.

Comparative employment and payroll figures for the full years 1938 and 1937 are as follows:

	Year 1938	Year 1937	1938 Decrease
Average number of employees	202,108	261,293	22.7%
Total payroll	\$282,209,332	\$442,927,683	36.3%
Average hourly earnings	90.2c	86.4c	Inc.4.4%

In the closing month of 1938 approximately 207,000 employees were on the payroll. In view of the low rate of operations through most of 1938, many employees in offices as well as mills worked on part time. Thus the work was distributed as far as practicable among the largest possible number.

Consolidated Income Account (Company and Subsidiaries)

	1938	1937	1936	1935
3 mos. End. Dec. 31—				
a Total earnings	\$21,336,676	\$18,716,056	\$36,594,063	\$20,418,435
Charges & allow. for deprec., deplet. & obsol.	14,045,467	13,568,039	14,821,658	12,869,579
Net income	\$7,291,209	\$5,148,017	\$21,772,405	\$7,548,856
Int. on bonds for subs.	1,544,217	1,222,038	1,228,655	1,222,346
Int. on U. S. Steel bonds	865,504	3,362	3,363	3,363
Total inc. from oper.	\$4,881,488	\$3,922,617	\$20,540,387	\$6,323,146
Special income receipts & adj. of various accts.	e106,157	e655,366	b110,393	b542,549
c Prop. of overhd. exp.	593,191			Dr1,539,278
Estimated surtax on undistributed profits		Dr500,000		
Net profit	\$4,394,454	\$4,077,983	\$20,650,780	\$5,326,417
Preferred dividends	d6,304,919	d6,304,920	d6,304,919	1,801,405
Deficit	\$1,910,465	\$2,226,937	f\$13,445,861	f\$3,525,012
Earns. per sh. on com.	Nil	Nil	\$1.65	Nil

a After all expenses incident to operations, including ordinary repairs and maintenance, reserves for contingencies, and for all State, local and Federal taxes (other than Federal surtaxes on undistributed profits for 1937 and after provision for such surtaxes for 1938). b Net balances of sundry receipts and charges including net profits from disposal of sundry property assets and securities, and adjustments of various accounts. c Proportions of overhead expenses of the Lake Superior Iron Ore properties. d Represents 1¼% preferred dividend payable in February. e Net profit from disposal of sundry property assets and securities, and sundry adjustments. f Surplus.

Income Account for Years Ended Dec. 31 (Company and Subsidiaries)

	1938	1937	1936	1935
a Total earnings	55,341,201	165,906,342	123,520,377	57,665,219
Charges & allow. for deprec., deplet. & obsol.	49,211,421	61,029,687	56,818,589	47,633,730
Net income	6,129,780	104,876,655	66,701,788	10,031,489
Int. on bonds of subs.	5,727,472	5,118,669	4,904,981	4,946,330
Int. on U. S. Steel bonds	2,534,362	13,450	13,450	13,450
Prov. for Federal taxes	See a	See a	10,984,456	3,925,000
Total inc. from oper.	loss2,132,054	99,744,536	50,798,901	1,146,709
Special income receipts & adj. of various accts.	f830,319	b186,300		
c Prop. of overhd. exp.	6,454,179			
Net profit	loss7,755,914	99,930,836	50,798,901	1,146,709
Preferred dividends	25,219,676	e58,545,679	450,439,354	7,205,622
Common dividends (1%)		8,703,252		
Deficit	32,975,590	sur32681,905	sur359,547	6,058,914
Surtax on undist. profits		5,000,000	215,544	
Balance, deficit	32,975,590	sur27,681,905	sur144,002	6,058,914
Earns. per sh. on com.	Nil	\$8.01	\$2.91	Nil

a After all expenses incident to operations, including ordinary repairs and maintenance, reserves for contingencies, and for all State, local and Federal taxes (other than Federal surtaxes on undistributed profits for 1937 and 1936). b Net balances of sundry receipts and charges including net profits from disposal of sundry property assets and securities, and

adjustments of various accounts. c Proportions of overhead expenses of the Lake Superior Iron Ore properties. d Includes regular 7% regular payment and 7% arrearages paid Dec. 24, 1936. e Includes regular 7% and 9 1/2% accumulated arrearages. f See (e) footnote above.—V. 148, p. 600.

United States Rubber Co.—Time Extended—

The Federal Trade Commission announced that it has extended from Jan. 30 to March 1 the date by which company must file its answer to a Trade Commission complaint charging violation of the Robinson-Patman Act. The complaint charged U. S. Rubber and a subsidiary, U. S. Tire Dealers' Corp., with unlawful price discrimination in the sale of automobile tires.—V. 148, p. 290.

United Steel Works Corp. of Germany—Offers to Resume Dollar Interest Payments—Reduced Rate Proposed for Four Issues Outstanding in Amount of \$36,000,000—

Corporation announced Feb. 1 an offer to resume interest payments in dollars, at a reduced rate, on four issues of direct and assumed obligations, outstanding in the amount of approximately \$36,000,000. The issues included in the offer are United Steel Works 25-year 6 1/2% sinking fund mortgage bonds, series A, and series C, both due 1951; United Steel Works 20-year 6 1/2% sinking fund debentures, series A, with warrants for contingent additional interest, due 1947, and Rheinbe Union 20-year 7% sinking fund mortgage bonds, due 1946.

The offer is conditioned on a reduction in the rates of interest of each issue to 3 1/4% annually. It provides for a cash payment of 2% in the case of the United Steel Works obligations, and of 2 1/2% in the case of the Rheinbe Union bonds, of the principal value of the securities deposited for acceptance.

In making the offer to American bondholders, the corporation states that German foreign exchange restrictions have made it impossible during recent years to transfer funds for interest payments in dollars, although the equivalent of such interest has been deposited from time to time with the Conversion Office for German Foreign Debts. The offer is made with the authorization of the German Ministry of Economics, and of the Reichsbank which have authorized the company to state that the interest payments to be made on the assented bonds will be exempted from existing foreign exchange restrictions. Payment of interest on unassented bonds will continue to be governed by the German foreign exchange regulations.

Warrants for contingent additional interest attached to the United Steel Works 6 1/2% debentures due 1947 are not to be affected by the present offer and any payments thereon will continue to be governed by the German foreign exchange regulations.

Interest at the reduced rate on the assented bonds will continue to be payable at the office of the respective fiscal agents in New York as coupons mature. All unpaid coupons maturing prior to the date of the offer will be paid in cash at the rate of \$16.25 per \$1,000 bonds. In the event of a default continuing for 60 days, the original provisions of the bonds will automatically be restored.

Schroder Trust Co., New York, is named as depositary in the United States for holders desiring to accept the offer, and other depositaries are named for London, Amsterdam, Zurich and Stockholm. Unless extended by the company, the offer will expire Feb. 28.—V. 146, p. 3362.

Universal Corp.—Depositary—

The Commercial National Bank & Trust Co. of New York has been appointed agent and depositary for the voting trustees of this corporation.—V. 144, p. 2680.

Utah Radio Products Co.—Acquisition—Rights—

Company has completed arrangements for financing to enable it to acquire a new plant. With proceeds about \$77,325, it proposes to purchase present plant 4 of the defunct Grigsby-Grunow Co. here for \$110,000 and move its machinery and manufacturing facilities into these quarters.

Company proposes to offer shareholders of record Feb. 8 right to subscribe for one additional share at \$1.75 for each six shares held. Rights would expire Feb. 21. Offering has been underwritten by Fuller Crutenden & Co. of Chicago, which are to take up any unsubscribed portion.—V. 148, p. 600.

Utica & Mohawk Cotton Mills, Inc.—Divs. Resumed—

Company paid a dividend of 50 cents per share on its common stock on Feb. 3 to holders of record Jan. 26. This was the first payment made since Nov. 15, 1937 when a regular quarterly dividend of \$1 per share was distributed.—V. 146, p. 1263.

Vick Chemical Co.—Extra Dividend—

The directors on Feb. 2 declared an extra dividend of 10 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share on the capital stock, par \$5, both payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 15. Extra dividends of 10 cents per share have been paid in each of the 21 preceding quarters. In addition, a special year-end dividend of \$1.80 per share was paid on June 1, 1937.—V. 147, p. 3625.

Virginia Iron, Coal & Coke Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. Dec. 31, 1938-3 Mos., 1937, 1938-12 Mos., 1937. Rows include Operating revenues, Operating expenses, Net operating loss, Other income, Total revenue, Bond interest, Net loss.

x Before inventory and other annual adjustments of \$17,015, which bring the net loss to \$88,271.—V. 147, p. 2709.

Virginian Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for December, 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents, Gross from Jan. 1, Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

—V. 148, p. 291.

Waterloo Mfg. Co., Ltd.—Reorganization—

The company has called a special meeting of shareholders Feb. 9 to consider a proposed plan for reorganization. Proposal provides in effect that the present class A shares will be canceled and shareholders would receive one new common share for each three now held. The present class B shares would be canceled and holders would receive nothing in exchange.

A. T. Thom, President, states that directors have arranged with secured creditors that if the proposal is approved the creditors would release \$270,000 of their indebtedness and accept in its place 6,000 of the new no-par common shares and 30,000 new 6% conv. pref. shares, \$10 par.

No dividends would accrue on the new preferred until Jan. 1, 1941, unless earned. After the agreement becomes effective there will be outstanding the 30,000 pref. shares and 33,280 common. The would be 69,280 new common shares authorized, 36,000 being retained for conversion of the new preferred.—V. 145, p. 137.

Western Maryland Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Week Ended Jan. 21, 1939, 1938, Jan. 1 to Jan. 21, 1938. Rows include Gross earnings.

Western Grocer Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for 6 Months Ended Dec. 31, 1938, 1937. Rows include Net loss, Earnings per share, Common shares.

Western Union Telegraph, Co., Inc.—Rates Reduced—

Reductions ranging as high as 40% in rapid communication rates to the Hawaiian and Philippine Islands and Guam to and from New York, Chicago, San Francisco, Seattle and Los Angeles have been announced by this company in association with R. C. A. Communications, Inc.

The New York rate to Honolulu is reduced from 30 to 24 cents; Manila, 54 to 48 cents; and to Guam, 45 to 38 cents. The Chicago rate to Honolulu is reduced from 26 to 21 cents; to Manila, 50 to 43 cents, and to Guan, 41 to 35 cents.

The Seattle and Los Angeles rates to Honolulu are reduced from 20 to 12 cents; to Manila, 44 to 33 cents; and to Guam, 35 to 26 cents. The San Francisco rate to Honolulu drops from 15 to 12 cents; to Manila 39 to 33 cents and to Guam 30 to 26 cents.—V. 148, p. 292.

Warner Bros. Pictures, Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for 13 Weeks Ended, Nov. 26, '38, Nov. 27, '37, Nov. 28, '36, Nov. 30, '35. Rows include Operating profit, Amort. of film costs, Interest, Profit, Other income, Net profit, Earnings per share.

Consolidated Balance Sheet

Table with columns for Nov. 26, '38, Nov. 27, '37. Rows include Assets (Real estate, Cash, etc.), Liabilities (Pref. stock, Com. stock, etc.), Total.

a Represented by 103,107 no par shares. b Par \$5. c Remittances from foreign companies held in abeyance. d After reserves. e Net current assets of subsidiaries operating in foreign territories having exchange restrictions.—V. 147, p. 3474.

Wheeling & Lake Erie Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for December, 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Gross from railway, Net from railway, Net after rents.

Wilson Line, Inc.—50-Cent Dividend—

The board of directors has declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock of the company payable March 15 to holders of record March 1. Like amount was paid on Oct. 31 last and an initial dividend of \$1 was paid on March 1, 1938.—V. 147, p. 2105.

Wisconsin Central Ry.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Period End. Dec. 31, 1938-Month-1937, 1938-12 Mos., 1937. Rows include Freight revenue, Passenger revenue, Total revenues, Net railway revenues, Net after taxes, etc.

Note—As there is no taxable income to date, no provision is necessary for the surtax on undistributed profits imposed under the Revenue Act of 1936.—V. 147, p. 4071.

(F.W.) Woolworth & Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years (Including Domestic and Canadian Subsidiaries), 1938, 1937, 1936, 1935. Rows include Net sales, Net rental income, Undistributed earnings, Total income, Net income, Common dividends, Surplus, Net earnings per share.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

	1938	1937
Assets—		
a Real estate and buildings owned	24,879,419	24,314,400
b Buildings owned & improvements on leased premises to be amortized	46,716,838	43,846,432
c Furniture and fixtures	37,003,646	34,359,079
Goodwill	1	1
Investments	52,352,798	49,702,724
Cash	22,492,691	19,082,957
Accounts receivable	713,733	689,095
Inventory (merchandise, &c)	42,478,702	45,562,986
Stores, supplies, &c	1,006,116	1,004,668
Mortgages receivable	1,358,016	1,361,308
Prepaid insurance and sundry items	612,631	804,769
Foreign funds restricted		
Total	229,614,592	223,388,790
Liabilities—		
Common stock	97,500,000	97,500,000
10-yr. 3% sink fund debentures	10,000,000	10,000,000
Purchase money mortgages	2,532,825	1,727,750
Accounts payable and accruals	5,168,286	2,849,971
Accrued interest on debentures	137,500	137,500
Reserve for taxes	4,433,117	4,658,080
Mortgages payable, current	27,600	335,650
Reserve for foreign exchange losses	600,000	300,000
Reserve for employees' benefits	100,000	100,000
Surplus	109,115,265	105,786,838
Total	229,614,592	223,388,790

a After depreciation reserve of \$3,868,564 in 1938 and \$3,583,282 in 1937. b After amortization of \$3,925,283 in 1938 and \$3,712,323 in 1937. c After depreciation of \$11,642,140 in 1938 and \$11,498,349 in 1937. d Includes majority holdings in stock of F. W. Woolworth & Co., Ltd., England, \$39,080,646; (market value) \$208,894,899 investment in F. W. Woolworth & Co. G. m. b. H., Germany \$11,662,250; mortgages receivable \$1,404,267 and other securities—cost, less reserve \$205,633. e Includes other receivables. f Includes majority holdings in stock of F. W. Woolworth & Co., Ltd., England, \$36,366,303 (market value), \$271,599,540; investment in F. W. Woolworth & Co. G. m. b. H., Germany, \$11,662,250; company's own capital stock, \$1,646,827; and sundry securities of \$157,344.—V. 148, p. 292.

Waco Aircraft Co.—Earnings—

Earnings for 12 Months Ended Sept. 30, 1938	
Net sales	\$747,909
Cost of goods sold	614,294
Engineering, selling and administrative expense	175,000
Net operating loss	\$41,386
Other income less deductions	7,060
Net loss for the period	\$34,326
Non-operating deductions from surplus	4,741
Total deduction from surplus	\$39,067
Earned surplus Sept. 30, 1937	41,193
Earned surplus, Sept. 30, 1938	\$2,126

Condensed Balance Sheet Sep. 30, 1938

Assets—	Liabilities—
Cash	Accounts payable
Accounts rec.—less reserve	Notes payable—bank
Inventories	Accrued payroll
Investments	Accrued county and Fed. taxes
Fixed assets—less reserve for depreciation	Customers & other credit bals.
Deferred expense	Customers deposits on orders
	Guarantee deposits by distrib.
	Reserve for contingencies
	Capital stock (145,000 shs. no par)
	Capital surplus
	Earned surplus
Total	Total

—V. 147, p. 1054.

Western Ry. of Alabama—Earnings—

December	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$136,970	\$125,122	\$152,182	\$121,553
Net from railway	46,264	def4,163	20,075	6,250
Net after rents	35,147	def7,582	13,512	5,529
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	1,630,122	1,682,448	1,595,383	1,365,425
Net from railway	227,524	175,746	157,701	def5,907
Net after rents	86,791	77,573	50,732	def48,447

—V. 147, p. 4071.

Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
Sales billed	\$157,953,216	\$206,348,307	\$154,469,031	\$122,588,556
Net inc. after all charges	9,052,773	*20,126,408	*15,099,291	11,983,381
x After surtax on undistributed profits				
The net profit of \$9,052,773 for 1938 is equal to \$3.38 a share on the outstanding common stock, after full preferred dividend requirements, and compares with a net of \$20,126,408 in 1937, equal, under the participating provisions of the shares, to \$7.53 a share on the combined and common shares outstanding.				
Orders booked during 1938 amounted to \$149,662,776, compared with \$229,540,061 in 1937. Unfilled orders on Dec. 31, 1938, aggregated \$40,188,150, compared with \$60,298,087 at the close of 1937.				
*Orders booked in 1938 were down 35% from 1937.—A. W. Robertson, Chairman of the Board, reported. "The downward trend in 1938 was				

checked during the middle of the year, but showed no signs of improvement until the end of the year. There has been a definite improvement in January."

New Director—

Roscoe Seybold, Vice-President and Controller of the company, was on Feb. 1 elected to the board of directors, it was announced by A. W. Robertson, Chairman of the Board.—V. 148, p. 450.

Wisconsin Public Service Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Years Ended Nov. 30—	1938	1937
Operating revenues	\$8,824,638	\$8,435,420
Operating expenses, maintenance and taxes	5,263,986	4,925,353
x Net operating revenue	\$3,560,652	\$3,510,067
Interest dividends, &c	38,194	32,195
Merchandise and jobbing (net)	Dr29,937	17,106
x Net operating revenue and other income	\$3,568,908	\$3,559,368
Appropriation for depreciation	967,083	937,750
Gross income	\$2,601,825	\$2,625,618
Interest charges (net)	1,020,460	998,185
Amortization of debt discount, premium and exp.	151,548	162,360
Amortization of abandoned street railway property	50,000	
Other income deductions	30,461	28,142
Net income	\$1,349,356	\$1,436,931
x Before appropriation for depreciation.—V. 148, p. 292.		

(F. W.) Woolworth & Co., Ltd.—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
a Profit after deprec., directors' & mngs.' remuneration, &c	£6,961,141	£6,490,013	£5,832,442	£5,298,404
Prov. for taxation to date	2,031,746	1,697,066	1,256,127	1,112,445
Net profit	£4,929,395	£4,792,947	£4,576,315	£4,185,959
Preference dividends	217,500	225,000	228,750	232,500
Common dividends	d3,534,375	c3,375,000	c3,431,250	2,906,250
Balance	£1,177,520	£1,192,947	£916,315	£1,047,209
Building reserve	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Staff fund	110,000	100,000	100,000	20,000
Balance	£967,520	£992,947	£716,315	£927,209
Bal. brought forward from preceding year	4,500,925	3,507,978	6,541,663	5,614,453
Amt. car'd to gen. res'v'e			£3,507,000	
Bal. carried forward	£5,468,446	£4,500,925	£3,507,978	£6,541,663

a Before taxes. b Amount carried to general reserve and capitalized by issue of 15,000,000 ordinary shares. c Includes cash bonus of 6d. per share, less tax, amounting to £562,500 in 1937 and £571,875 in 1936. d Includes cash bonus of 9d. per share, less tax, amounting to £815,625.

Final Dividend—

Directors have declared a final dividend of 41 2-5 cents per share on the American Depository Receipts for ordinary registered stock, payable Feb. 8 to holders of record Jan. 13.—V. 148, p. 292.

Yates-American Machine Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Earnings for the Year Ended June 30, 1938	
Profit from operations, before depreciation, &c	\$47,133
Interest received and sundry revenue	30,594
Profit	\$77,727
Depreciation, interest and other charges	127,357
Non-operating properties expense	12,170
Profit on sale of fixed assets	C75,243
Net loss from operations for period	\$56,557
Discount on bonds purchased and retired with funds derived from sales of properties	6,323
Balance, carried to surplus	\$50,233

Consolidated Balance Sheet June 30, 1938

Assets—Cash, \$158,803; customers' notes and accounts receivable, less reserve, \$457,588; other accounts receivable, \$23,184; raw materials, supplies, work in process, and woodworking machinery, \$993,881; investments and sinking funds (net), \$20,280; plant and property (net), \$1,889,133; deferred charges, \$11,940; total, \$3,554,810.
Liabilities—Notes payable, banks, \$150,000; accounts payable, accrued expenses and bond interest, \$112,658; Federal income tax, plus accrued interest, \$40,600; Federal income taxes, prior years, \$20,000; funded debt, \$1,231,500; capital stock (\$5 par), \$643,245; surplus, \$1,356,806; total, \$3,554,810.—V. 142, p. 2007.

Yazoo & Mississippi Valley RR.—Earnings—

December	1938	1937	1936	1935
Gross from railway	\$1,131,855	\$1,256,152	\$1,602,502	\$1,092,705
Net from railway	237,339	405,933	744,295	def124,308
Net after rents	88,626	223,314	525,307	def303,039
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	14,478,386	16,321,407	16,111,613	12,692,220
Net from railway	4,638,808	5,573,730	5,629,043	2,895,316
Net after rentx	2,103,975	3,132,602	2,911,164	560,293

—V. 147, p. 4071.

Youngtown Sheet & Tube Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1938	1937	1936	1935
x Net profit	loss\$658,934	\$12,190,648	\$10,564,501	\$1,597,521
Earns. per sh. on com.	Nil	\$6.79	\$7.03	\$0.64
x After interest, depreciation, depletion, Federal taxes, &c.—V. 148, p. 292.				

The Commercial Markets and the Crops

COTTON—SUGAR—COFFEE—GRAIN

PROVISIONS—RUBBER—HIDES—DRY GOODS—WOOL—ETC.

COMMERCIAL EPITOME

Friday Night, Feb. 3, 1939

Coffee—On the 28th ult. futures closed 2 points net lower, in the Santos contract, while the Rio contract was 2 points higher. The market was very dull, with only 6 lots traded in the Santos contract and 1 lot in the Rio contract. The prospect of continued March liquidation has widened out the spreads some and has made traders somewhat cautious. Further, there was some caution because of the unsettled European situation, traders preferring to wait over until Monday for Hitler's speech before making commitments. The Havre market closed 2 to 2 1/2 francs higher, and spot 7s in Brazil were 200 reis lower at 13.2 milreis per 10 kilos. On the 30th ult. futures closed 10 to 7 points net

higher in the Santos contract, with sales totaling 24 contracts. The Rio contract closed 3 points net higher, with only one contract traded. The market for coffee futures worked higher on light buying believed to represent European short covering. During early afternoon Santos contracts were 7 to 8 points higher, with July at 6.38c., up 8 points. Rio contracts stood 3 higher at 4.20c. for March. Futures in Havre were 1 to 1 1/4 francs higher. Cost and freight offers from Brazil were unchanged. All markets in actuals were slow as every one was awaiting further European news. On the 31st ult. futures closed 3 to 5 points higher in the Santos contract, with sales totaling 128 lots, or 32,000 bags, the best in some weeks. The Rio contract on only one sale was 1 to 2 points lower. Trade buying and selling against actuals and the movement forward to distant December in coffee futures

today lifted the volume of business very appreciably in today's session. The buying consisted largely of short covering and hedge lifting against sales of actuals. Spot 7s in Brazil were 100 reis higher at 1.3 milreis per 10 kilos. Havre closed $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 franc higher. On the 1st inst. futures closed 5 to 6 points net lower in the Santos contract, with sales totaling 49 contracts. The Rio contract closed 11 points up, with only one sale of 1 contract, and that was in the March delivery. The buying wave in coffee futures which carried prices higher during the first 2 days of the week dried up today with the result that prices this afternoon were considerably lower in the Santos contract. Europe was reported a seller. Rios were neglected. Havre futures were $1\frac{1}{4}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ francs lower. Actual coffees were unchanged.

On the 2d inst. futures closed 4 points net higher in the Santos contract, with sales totaling 31 lots. The Rio contract closed 5 points off, with the sale of only 1 contract. The coffee market was extremely dull, indicating that both buyers and sellers were uncertain concerning the immediate trend. Havre futures were unchanged to $\frac{1}{4}$ franc higher. Cost and freight offers from Brazil were unchanged. Santos 4s ranged from 6.70c. to 7.10c., while old crop 4s were offered as low as 6.60c. Dealers agreed that January was one of the dullest periods in trade history. To-day futures closed 6 to 4 points net lower in the Santos contract, with sales totaling 26 contracts. The Rio contract closed 4 points up to 5 points down, with sales of only 8 contracts. Notwithstanding reports that business was done in actuals yesterday, coffee futures were quiet and slightly easier. Santos contracts suffered losses of 4 to 5 points by early afternoon. Rios were 4 points lower with September at 4.25c. In Havre futures were unchanged to $\frac{1}{4}$ franc higher. According to cabled advices freight rates on coffee from Santos destined to Havre for March and April shipment will remain unchanged. Cost and freight offers from Brazil were unchanged, with Santos 4s at 6.70c. to 7.20c. Mild coffees were slightly better. Manizales were quoted at $11\frac{1}{4}$ c. to $11\frac{1}{2}$ c. after sales at $11\frac{3}{4}$ c.

Rio coffee prices closed as follows:

March	4.29	September	4.24
May	4.24	December	4.24
July	4.24		

Santos coffee prices closed as follows:

March	6.20	September	6.41
May	6.31	December	6.47
July	6.36		

Cocoa—On the 28th ult. futures closed 1 point net lower on all deliveries. The market was exceedingly dull, with only 32 lots or 429 tons changing hands. The opening was unchanged to 2 points lower, with the closing just a shade different from the initial range. There was very little in the news, and traders appeared loath to operate pending the speech of Adolph Hitler on Monday. Local closing: March, 4.30; May, 4.42; July, 4.52; Sept., 4.63; Oct., 4.68. On the 30th ult. futures closed unchanged to 1 point lower. Trading was light and entirely devoid of feature. There was no apparent disposition to trade to any extent, speculators and traders preferring the sidelines pending further developments in the European political situation. Prices opened unchanged to 1 point higher, the steady tone following the London market, where traders also were cautious. During the morning some hedge sales and liquidation brought lower quotations, but the volume was never large. Most demand came from local traders. Local closing: March, 4.29; May, 4.41; July, 4.52; Dec., 4.79. On the 31st ult. prices closed 7 to 8 points net higher. The session, however, was very dull but steady. Price improvement was the result largely of short covering towards the close, which followed some Wall Street buying. Early in the day there was a block of 35 March contracts switched for actuals by manufacturing interests. The market felt relief from hedge pressure, with offerings from abroad said to be small. The opening was steady and about in line with the London market, where quotations showed the lessened anxiety over European affairs. Local closing: March, 4.49; May, 4.49; July, 4.59; Sept., 4.70; Oct., 4.75; Dec., 4.86. On the 1st inst. futures closed 4 to 5 points net higher. Transactions totaled 256 contracts. Trading in cocoa futures continued quiet. News from Accra that 70% of the crop has been marketed did not cause a ripple in the futures trading. Sales to early afternoon totaled only 125 lots. At that time prices were unchanged to 2 points higher. Warehouse stocks increased 2,000 bags overnight. They now total 989,937 bags, against 588,259 bags a year ago. Local closing: March, 4.41; May, 4.53; July, 4.64; Sept., 4.75; Oct., 4.80; Dec., 4.91.

On the 2d inst. futures closed 12 to 15 points net higher. Transactions totaled 499 contracts. Cocoa futures were an exception to the general dullness. The market was strong and trade fairly active, with 270 lots done to early afternoon. During that time the market was 9 to 10 points higher, with March selling at 4.50c. London was strong and was attributed largely to British Government buying. The sellers here were hedgers on a scale up while the trade were buyers. Warehouse stocks increased 4,200 bags. They now total 994,115 bags against 586,474 bags a year ago. Local closing: March 4.55; May 4.66; July 4.76; September 4.88; December 5.05; January 5.11. Today futures closed 1 to 3 points net lower. Sales totaled 796 contracts. Ignoring the weakness of other commodities, cocoa futures moved steadily ahead in active trading. The turnover to early afternoon was 620 lots. Prices at that time were 2 to 4 points higher and in new high ground for the movement with March selling

at 4.57 cents. Commission houses with European connections were active on the buying side. Some Wall Street demand also appeared after an absence of months. There was no news to account for the revival of interest. Warehouse stocks increased 900 bags. They now total 995,084 bags compared with 581,942 bags a year ago. Local closing: March 4.52; May 4.64; July 4.75; September 4.87; October 4.92; December 5.03; January 5.08.

Sugar—On the 28th ult. futures closed 1 to 2 points net higher. Trading was exceedingly light, with only 12 sales being recorded for the short Saturday session. There was nothing new in the market to influence the trend, but traders were watching for a cue from Europe on the political situation or from Washington on the proposed tariff change to take the market up. Meanwhile raws were unchanged at the last price of 2.78c. The only reported business in raws on Saturday was an overnight sale of 3,000 tons of Philippines, due next week, at 2.78c. to McCahan. The world contract closed unchanged to 1 point higher. Outright liquidation and switching from March lifted the volume of business to 168 lots in the world sugar contract on Saturday. London raws were reported to be on offer at the unchanged price of 6s. 3d. London futures closed $\frac{1}{4}$ d. higher to unchanged. On the 30th ult. futures closed 1 point up on all deliveries of the domestic contract, with transactions totaling 18 contracts. The world sugar contract closed 1 point up to unchanged, with sales totaling 303 contracts. Prices were firm on the sugar exchange, but volume was light. In the domestic market operations were virtually suspended as traders awaited further political developments in Washington. During early afternoon the market stood unchanged to 1 point net higher. In the raw market buyers and sellers were about 3 points apart with no sales reported. Refined sugar continued quiet. Offshore sugars were offered at $\$4.12\frac{1}{2}$ to $\$4.23$ a hundred against $\$4.30$ quoted by domestic refiners. World sugar contracts displayed a firm tone, standing $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 point higher this afternoon, with March at 1.16c. up 1 point. Short covering appeared in March, with first notice day only 16 days away. London futures were unchanged to $\frac{1}{2}$ d. higher in London, while raws were offered at the equivalent of 1.14 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. a pound f.o.b. Cuba. On the 31st ult. futures closed unchanged to 1 point lower. Trading was moderately active, with the undertone fairly steady. Refined sugar is not moving. To stimulate demand, Sucrest yesterday dropped 10 points to 4.30c. Other refiners, if they expect to do business, must sooner or later follow. In the market for raws limited buying interest from outport refiners at 2.78c. for second half February shipment or March arrival Puerto Ricos was indicated yesterday, and while no sales were reported, belief existed in some quarters that something had been done. The world sugar contract closed unchanged to $\frac{1}{2}$ point higher, with sales totaling 142 lots, of which 38 lots were switches. The London raw market was quiet, but the tone was steady. London futures ended unchanged to $\frac{1}{4}$ d. lower, while raws sold at 6s. $\frac{3}{4}$ d., equal to 1.14 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. f.o.b. Cuba. On the 1st inst. futures closed 1 to 2 points net lower in the domestic contract, with sales totaling 149 contracts. The world sugar contract closed 1 to 2 points net lower, with sales totaling 121 contracts. Domestic futures opened about a point higher, but lost it afterwards. Operators were indifferent, apparently waiting for developments in Washington. The raw sugar market was at a standstill, with sugar held for 2.80c. against bids of 2.75c. duty paid bas.s. It was reported that only 61 Cuban sugar mills were grinding cane, contrasted with 86 at this time last year. Production in Puerto Rico also is behind schedule, due possibly to the smaller crop that will be made. The refined sugar market was dull. One small refiner was offering February delivery at 4.20c. a pound, off 10 points. Peruvian sugars were reported available at 4.10c. London futures were $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ d. lower, while raws were held at 1.13c. a pound f.o.b. Cuba.

On the 2d inst. futures closed 2 points to 1 point net lower in the domestic contract, with sales of 303 lots. The world sugar contract closed unchanged to 1 point net lower, with sales totaling 108 contracts. Trading in sugar was small pending determination of the Cuban tariff question. Prices were easier. The raw market was dormant. Refined sugar also was quiet. It was said that offshore refined was offered at 4.10c. to 4.20c. a pound. World sugar contracts were unchanged to $\frac{1}{2}$ point lower during the early afternoon, taking their cue from the action of the London market. Raw sugar was quiet, but increased buying by British refiners is expected to develop. Today futures closed 1 to 3 points net lower in the domestic contract, with sales totaling 498 contracts. The world sugar contract closed 2 points to $\frac{1}{2}$ point lower, with sales totaling 76 contracts. Sugar markets were lower. Domestic contracts broke into new low ground for the season with Mar. selling down to 1.74c., equaling the lowest price of the previous season as well as setting a new low mark for this year. Later Mar. recovered to 1.75, but still was 4 points net lower. The bulk of the offerings were believed to be hedges against new crop production, but some liquidation by disappointed longs also was reported. In the raw market Puerto Ricos were offered at 2.78c., with buyers uninterested above 2.75. World sugar contracts following London were $\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ points lower with July selling at 1.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Futures in London were $\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. lower, while raws were also lower at the equivalent of 1.12c. a pound f. o. b. Cuba.

Prices were as follows:

March	1.76	September	1.92
May	1.86	January	1.91
July	1.89		

Lard—On the 28th ult. futures closed unchanged to 2 points higher. Lard prices moved within a very narrow range during the short session today. There was nothing in the news to attract any new buying. Export shipments of lard as reported on the close of the week were heavy and totaled 211,575 pounds, destined for Manchester. Clearances of lard the past few days have been rather light. Liverpool lard futures were very steady, the spot position finishing unchanged, but the January and May deliveries closed 3d. higher. Receipts of hogs at Chicago were very light on Saturday and only amounted to 500 head. Hog prices ranged from \$7.60 to \$8. Western hog marketings were light and totaled 10,100 head, against 15,300 head for the same day a year ago. On the 30th ult. futures closed unchanged compared with previous final quotations. The market opened unchanged and throughout the session values remained steady at the previous finals due to the lack of trading interest. There was no selling pressure in evidence. According to wires received from the leading Middle West packing center, a blizzard curtailed hog marketings. Over the past week clearances of lard from the Port of New York were very light and totaled 32,500 pounds, destined for Antwerp. Liverpool lard futures were also quiet and prices on the active deliveries finished unchanged. Chicago hog prices were mostly 15c. to 25c. higher on the close. Receipts were far below expectations because of the snowstorm and totaled only 12,000 head. The trade expected about 25,000 head. Western hog marketings totaled 63,400 head, against 67,900 head for the same day a year ago. On the 31st ult. futures closed 5 to 7 points net lower. Prices ranged lower today due to scattered selling induced by the lower action of outside markets. One of the main factors contributing to the recent steadiness in lard values is the very active export demand, especially for English account. Clearances of American lard from the Port of New York were the heaviest so far this year. Shipments totaled 1,368,060 pounds destined for Liverpool, New Castle, Hull, Aberdeen and Hamburg. Chicago hog prices were unchanged to 15c. lower. Sales ranged from \$7.40 to \$8.15. Western hog marketings totaled 65,300 head, against 105,000 head for the same day a year ago. Liverpool lard futures were unchanged. On the 1st inst. futures closed 2 to 5 points net lower. The opening range was 2 to 5 points lower. Throughout the balance of the session values remained steady. Trading interest was very light. Chicago lard stocks report was issued after the close of the market and it showed that supplies of lard at the leading Midwest packing center increased 8,950,599 pounds during the last half of January and stocks increased 15,091,609 for the entire month. It was reported that the trade was looking for an increase of 4,000,000 to 6,000,000 pounds for the last half of the month. Lard exports from the Port of New York were again quite heavy and totaled 225,540 pounds, destined for Liverpool. Chicago hog prices closed 10c. to 15c. lower. Sales were reported during the day at prices ranging from \$7.25 to \$8. Western hog marketings totaled 66,300 head, against 63,400 head for the same day last year.

On the 2d. inst. futures closed 5 to 7 points net decline. Lard futures were depressed during the early part of the session, due to scattered selling influenced by the bearishly construed Chicago lard stocks report issued after the close of the market on Wednesday. Very heavy lard exports were again reported from the port of New York today. Clearances totaled 741,750 pounds, destined for London. England was reported to be a fairly active buyer of American lard the past few days. Liverpool lard futures ruled easy, unchanged to 9d. lower. Hog marketings are gradually decreasing and receipts at the principal Western markets as reported today totaled 39,800 head, against 48,200 head for the same day a year ago. Prices on hogs at Chicago advanced 10 to 20c. due to the lighter receipts than expected. Sales ranged from \$7.50 to \$8.15. Today futures closed 12 to 15 points net lower. The market ruled heavy during most of the session and was sensitive to the slightest pressure. It would seem that the bearish statistics concerning lard are playing their part.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
January	6.60	6.60	6.52			
March	7.05	6.90	6.85	6.80	6.72	6.60
May	7.05	7.05	6.97	6.92	6.87	7.75
July	7.22	7.25	7.17	7.10	7.05	6.92

Pork—(Export), mess, \$23.75 per barrel (per 200 pounds); family (40-50 pieces to barrel), \$20.25 per barrel. Beef: (export), steady. Family (export), \$22 per barrel; (200 pounds), nominal. Cut Meats: firmer. Pickled Hams: Picnic, Loose, c.a.f.—4 to 8 lbs., 14¼c.; 6 to 8 lbs., 12¼c.; 8 to 10 lbs., 12c. Skinned, Loose, c.a.f.—14 to 16 lbs., 18c.; 18 to 20 lbs., 17¼c. Bellies: Clear, f.o.b. New York—6 to 8 lbs., 16¾c.; 8 to 10 lbs., 16½c.; 10 to 12 lbs., 15¼c. Bellies: Clear, Dry Salted, Boxed, N. Y.—16 to 18 lbs., 11¼c.; 18 to 20 lbs., 11¼c.; 20 to 25 lbs., 11¼c.; 25 to 30 lbs., 11¼c. Butter: Creamery, Firsts to Higher than Extra and Premium Marks: 25½ to 26¼. Cheese: State, Held, '37: 20 to 22c. Eggs: Mixed Colors Checks to Special Packs: 14¾ to 19c.

Oils—Linseed oil is reported as firm, with quotations 7.9 to 8.1c. in tank wagons. Quotations: China Wood: Nearby—14.2 offer. Coconut: Tanks, nearby—.03½ bid; Pacific

Coast .02¾ bid. Corn: Crude, West, tanks, nearby—.06½ to .06¼. Olive: Denatured—Drums, carlots, shipment—84 to 87; Spot—87 to 92½. Soy Bean; Crude, Tanks, West—.04¾ to .04⅞; L.C.L. N. Y.—6.8 bid. Edible: Coconut, 76 degrees—.08¼ offer. Lard: Ex-winter, prime—9 offer. Cod: Crude, Norwegian, light filtered—30, nominal offer. Turpentine: 33 to 35. Rosins: \$4.90 to \$8.15.

Cottonseed Oil sales, including switches, 471 contracts. Crude, S. E. 5½c. Prices closed as follows:

February	6.65@ n	June	6.80@ n
March	6.65@ n	July	6.87@ n
April	6.65@ n	August	6.87@ n
May	6.79@ n	September	6.92@ n

Rubber—On the 28th ult. futures closed 5 to 13 points net lower. The market apparently was influenced by the decline in the securities market. The March contract at one time showed a net gain of 5 points at 15.50c., but the month slid back to 15.42c. in subsequent trading. Sales totaled 1,340 tons. London and Singapore were unchanged to 3-16c. higher. Local closing: Feb., 15.35; March, 15.40; May, 15.26; July, 15.26; Sept., 15.29. On the 30th ult. futures closed 32 to 34 points net higher. Transactions totaled 180 contracts. Apparently sentiment in primary markets was better today. Offerings from the East were scarce and high. The improvement was reflected in London quotations, which in turn had a beneficial effect on the local market. Commission houses were buyers. Moreover an important London dealer interest was credited with being on the buying side. The combined effect was to advance prices upward of 31 points. United Kingdom rubber stocks last week decreased nearly 500 tons. They now total 80,982 tons. Local closing: March, 15.72; May, 15.60; July, 15.58; Sept., 15.62; Dec., 15.65. On the 31st ult. futures closed 6 to 21 points net higher. An opening advance of 20 to 27 points was not up to expectations, judging by the action of the London market, where advances were sharp as sentiment improved because of reduced tension. Factory buying and dealer covering, which featured yesterday's market, were not so prominent and most trading was mixed. Dealers, however, were strong in their price ideas in midday. Renewed weakness of the guilder caused some uneasiness and prices slipped from the best. Actuals prices rose ¼c. in the outside market computed on a spot basis of 15 13-16c. per pound for standard No. 1 ribs. London and Singapore prices were ¼d. to 5-16d. higher, though the primary markets were quiet. Local closing: Feb., 15.75; March, 15.89; May, 15.71; July, 15.74; Sept., 15.71; Oct., 15.71; Dec., 15.72. On the 1st inst. futures closed 7 to 12 points net lower. Trading in rubber futures was mixed, but the market seemed to regard the Malayan shipments during January as rather high. As a result prices were a little lower. During early afternoon March stood at 15.81c., off 8 points, but May at 15.71 was unchanged. Sales to that time totaled 1,030 tons, of which 60 tons represented exchanges for physical rubber. London closed unchanged to 1-16d. lower. Singapore also was somewhat easier. Local closing: March, 15.78; May, 15.63; July, 15.62; Sept., 15.64; Dec., 15.62.

On the 2d. inst. futures closed 1 to 4 points net higher. Sales totaled only 82 contracts. The crude rubber futures market was extremely quiet, sales to early afternoon totaling only 48 lots, representing 480 tons. Prices were steady. The market opened 3 to 10 points net lower, but during early afternoon stood 2 points lower to 1 point higher. It was said that a fair amount of shipment business was being offered and that some trades were consummated. The London and Singapore markets were quiet, 1-32d. to 1-16d. lower. Local closing: May, 15.64; July, 15.66; Sept., 15.65; Dec., 15.66. Today futures closed 8 to 12 points net higher. Transactions totaled 157 contracts. Trading in rubber was small, partly due to the fact that the Singapore rubber market was closed with the result that no quotations came through from that primary center. Prices were steady as was to be expected after the precipitate decline of about 1c. a pound. After opening 4 to 10 points lower the market rallied to show net advances of 5 to 6 points during early afternoon on a turnover of 760 tons, of which 120 tons were exchanged for actuals. The London market was steady 1-16d. higher. It was estimated that United Kingdom rubber stocks had decreased 850 tons this week. Local closing: Mar., 15.90; May, 15.75; July, 15.74; Sept., 15.77; Dec., 15.77.

Hides—On the 28th ult. futures closed 4 to 5 points net lower. The market ruled heavy during most of the session today, with prices fluctuating within a very narrow range. Underlying conditions in the spot hide market did not reveal any change to speak of, and the weakness noted in the futures market appeared to be largely a reflection of the conditions obtaining in the securities market. Traders apparently are more inclined to restrict their purchases until the European situation clarifies somewhat. Transactions in the old contract totaled 40,000 pounds, while business in the new contract totaled 4,700,000 pounds. Business in the domestic spot hide market has been a shade more active the past few days and during the past week well over 100,000 hides were sold. Local closing: Old contract: March 10.15; June, 10.55; Sept., 10.70. New contract: March, 11.05; June, 11.45; Sept., 11.79. On the 30th ulto futures closed 23 to 28 points up on the old contract, with sales of only 5 lots. The new contract closed 25 to 21 points up, with sales of 100

contracts. Hide futures were steady in a mixed trade. News of the improvement in spot hide demand was a factor as tanners were described as willing buyers at current prices. During early afternoon the market stood 5 to 11 points net higher on old contracts, but 4 lower on the new contract. Towards the close the market had a sharp rise, with prices ending at about the top levels of the day. Local closing: Old contract: March, 10.38; June, 10.83. New contract: March, 11.30; June, 11.65; Sept., 12.00. On the 31st ult. futures closed 3 to 6 points net lower on the old contract, while the new contract closed unchanged to 1 point lower. The market opened strong with the old contract 17 points advance and the new contract 13 to 20 points net higher. Prices weakened as the session advanced and fairly sharp declines took place during the course of the day. Selling pressure increased, while buying power was rather weak during the afternoon, and prices closed at about the lows of the day. American leather manufacturers are following the trend of the market close, but in all only about 12,000 hides were reported sold in Chicago at 10½c. for light native cow hides and 10c. for branded cows. Transactions in the old contract today totaled 160,000 pounds, while sales in the new contract totaled 13,600,000 pounds. Local closing: Old contract: March, 10.35; June, 10.77; Sept., 10.92. New contract: March, 11.40; June, 11.66; Sept., 12.00; Dec., 12.32. On the 1st inst. futures closed 18 to 21 points net lower. Raw hide futures opened sharply off, but turned steady at the lower levels. During early afternoon the market was 6 to 10 points net lower, with March new at 11.20, June new at 11.66 and Sept. new at 11.94. All trades to that time were in the new contract, the turnover having been 2,920,000 pounds. The traders were influenced more or less by the stock market. Spot hides were steady. Local closing: New contract: March, 11.12; June, 11.47; Sept., 11.79.

On the 2d. inst. futures closed 8 to 11 points net higher. Sales totaled 89 contracts. Trading in raw hide futures to early afternoon was exclusively in the new contract. Sales to that time amounted to 1,280,000 pounds. Prices were steady with June new selling at 11.53c., up 6 points. Sales of spot hides yesterday were estimated at 12,000 pieces at steady prices. Tanners continued to pursue a conservative buying policy. Local closing: Mar., 11.20; June, 11.56; Sept., 11.90. Today futures closed 31 points net lower on the old contract, while the new contract was 29 to 32 points net lower, with sales totaling 260 contracts, almost all of which were in the new contract. Dealers were sellers and commission houses liquidated long lines in the hide futures market with the result that prices broke as much as 30 points, heaviest losses being in the new contract. During early afternoon June old was selling at 10.49c., off 19 points. Mar. new stood at 10.96c., off 24, and Sept. new at 11.60, off 30. The spot hide market was reported as having a soft undertone although nominally steady. Local closing: Old contract: June, 10.37. New contract: Mar., 10.90; June, 11.27; Sept., 11.60; Dec., 11.90.

Ocean Freights—The market for charters has been more or less spotty the past week, with the undertone easier. Charters included: Grain Booked: Four loads Boston to Antwerp, February, 14c. Two loads Baltimore to London, February, 2s 9d. Fifteen loads, Boston to Rotterdam, February, 14c. One load, New York to London, February, 2s 9d. Two loads, New York to French Atlantic, February, 16c. Two loads New York to Rotterdam, February 1—15, 14c. Grain: Australia to United Kingdom, February loading, schedule rate. Scrap: Atlantic range to Japan, March 1—12, 19s. New York to Japan, February, 18s 9d. Sugar: Cuba to Bordeaux, 16s. 9d, March, 1,500 tons Cuba to United Kingdom, reported at 15s. 9d. Philippines to United States Atlantic or Gulf, February, \$6.50. San Domingo to Marseilles, February, 16s. 6d., option Casablanca 15s. 6d. Trip: Trip across, last half February. Trip across, delivery Havana, redelivery Barcelona, prompt, \$1.75. Round trip West Indies, prompt, \$1.

Coal—It is reported that coal for industrial and heating purposes continues to move to distributing points at an active pace in keeping with seasonal requirements. Anthracite sizes have probably reached the peak of mid-winter activity in the metropolitan and other Eastern centers and the question of accumulating yard piles is not a factor at this time. Latest advices state that prices on the whole remain firm. Anthracite production in Pennsylvania in the meantime holds at high levels. The output for the week ended January 21st reached a total of 1,176,000 tons, the highest weekly tonnage reported since the week of December 3d. The gain over the week of January 14th was 186,000 tons, or nearly 19%. Advices from Washington state that National Bituminous Coal Commission officials hope to re-establish minimum coal prices soon after representatives of the soft coal industry and of the United Mine Workers of America meet to negotiate a new collective bargaining contract. Negotiations between a joint committee of sixteen coal operators and mine union officials will begin in New York on March 14th.

Wool—It is reported that holders of fine wool, on restricted supplies, are securing peak prices on sales of original bag materials, the fine territory at 69-70c. and French combing lengths from 65 to 68c. Latest advices state that manufacturers are showing increased interest in wool. Consumers have been placing business in good volume and have paid

the highest prices for months on all desirable greasy wools. Unlike a year ago, there is no surplus of Australian wools available, observers state. Imports in recent months have been unusually small and largely of low graded crossbreds not finer than 40s. Though the mills are buying for nearby needs only, sales in the Boston market are averaging fully 1,000,000 pounds daily, advices state. Prices paid are at the top of the ranges. In the West there is nothing cheap and very little wool is being held over. In Texas dealers are paying 70c. scoured basis for original bag wool. Efforts are being made to contract for wool in the West on a scoured basis of 65c., but only occasionally is it possible to buy at that figure. Since supplies are not large, some talk is heard of a squeeze in fine wool before the new clip becomes available. It is reported that the foreign wool situation is being watched closely as the key to domestic volume and value. Wool sales in London are on an even keel. Prices are firmer on classifications in demand but without advances.

Silk—On the 30th ult. futures closed ½c. to 1c. net higher. Transactions totaled 45 contracts, 35 of which were recorded in the No. 1 contract. The improvement in other markets extended to the silk futures market. Prices were up about half a cent during early afternoon. Sales to that time totaled 290 bales. The price of crack double extra silk in the New York spot market also advanced half a cent to \$1.94½ a pound. The Yokohama Bourse closed 2 to 5 yen lower but the price of grade D silk in the outside market was 5 yen higher at 885 yen a bale. Local closing: Old contract—Feb., 1.85. No. 1 contract—March, 1.80½; April, 1.79½; Sept., 1.74½. On the 31st ult. futures closed 2½c. to 5c. net higher. Houses with foreign connections were good buyers throughout the day, but especially toward the close. Sharply higher primary markets induced covering throughout the list. New buying was small, but persistent firmness is troubling shorts and some manufacturers in need of actual material. March, May, July and September in the No. 1 contract attained new tops for the life of their trading on the board, and in the No. 2 contract similar tops were made by March, May and September. Improved feeling in all markets and the increased spot quotations, together with a little better business in outside markets, brought increased volume, with turnover totaling 120 bales in the old contract, 720 in No. 1 and 50 in the No. 2 contract. Japanese markets enjoyed a large trade as prices climbed with Yokohama gaining 11 to 17 yen and Kobe 11 to 16 yen. Grade D advanced 12½ yen to 897½ yen at Yokohama and 5 yen to 890 yen at Kobe. Spot transactions in those markets totaled 325 bales and futures 7,050 bales. Local closing: Old contract—Feb., 1.89. Contract No. 1—March, 1.85; May, 1.84; July, 1.80. No. 2—March, 1.87; May, 1.84. On the 1st inst. futures closed 4c. up on the old contract, while the No. 1 contract closed 4½c. to 3c. net higher on the near deliveries and 1 to 1½c. on the distant options. Raw silk futures were strong. Buying was active and general, being based largely on the January statistics, which were unexpectedly favorable to the market. Prices soared to new high levels for the season, with sales to early afternoon nearly 1,000 bales, mostly on the No. 1 contract. Spot prices advanced from 3½c. to 5c. Crack double extra silk was bid up 3½c. to \$2.02. Yokohama Bourse prices were 6 to 10 yen higher. Outside grade D silk advanced 22½ yen to 920 yen a bale. Local closing: Old contract—Feb., 1.93. No. 1 contract—March, 1.89; April, 1.89; May, 1.88; July, 1.83; Aug., 1.80; Sept., 1.79.

On the 2d. inst. futures closed 2c. up on the old contract, with sales of 8 contracts. The No. 1 Contract closed unchanged to ½c. higher, with sales of 82 contracts. No. 2 Contract closed 3c. net higher, with sales of only 5 contracts. The silk futures market continued to show unusual strength supported by higher Yokohama cables. The Mar. No. 1 position hit a new high price for the season; other positions duplicated their previous high prices. Nevertheless it was reported in the trade that silk buyers were offering resistance to the higher prices. The uptown spot silk market was strong, the price of crack double extra silk advancing 1½c. to \$2.03½. The Yokohama Bourse was 4 to 12 yen higher. Grade D silk in the outside market advanced 2½ yen to 922½ yen a bale. The market is approaching the maximum Government limit of 1,000 yen. Local closing: Old contract: Feb., 1.95. No. 1 Contract: Mar., 1.89½; April, 1.89; May, 1.88; June, 1.85½; July, 1.83½; Aug., 1.80. Today futures closed 1½ to ½c. net lower on the No. 1 contract, with sales of 31 contracts. The old contract registered only 1 sale of 1 contract, and closed 1c. off. Selling attributed to the lower Yokohama cables caused initial losses of ½ to as much as 6c. a pound in the raw silk futures market. The softness of the market indicated that after a rise of approximately 30c. a pound, the market was encountering buyer resistance. Prices were steady after the initial fall, but trading was dull, totaling only 210 bales all in the No. 1 contract, to early afternoon. Crack double extra silk declined 1c. to \$2.02½ in the uptown spot market. Local closing: Old contract: Feb., 1.94. No. 1 contract: Mar., 1.88½; April, 1.88; May, 1.87; June, 1.84; July, 1.83; Aug., 1.79; Sept., 1.78.

COTTON

Friday Night, Feb. 3, 1939

The Movement of the Crop, as indicated by our telegrams from the South tonight, is given below. For the week ending this evening the total receipts have reached 35,546

bales, against 43,199 bales last week and 37,387 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since Aug. 1, 1938, 2,979,386 bales, against 6,090,071 bales for the same period of 1937-38, showing a decrease since Aug 1, 1938, of 3,110,685 bales.

Receipts at—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total
Galveston	1,782	3,620	1,160	391	799	69	7,821
Houston	580	1,243	3,020	1,529	181	5,434	11,987
Corpus Christi					338		338
New Orleans	1,660	1,258	4,645		1,492	1,011	10,066
Mobile	593	647	636	632	100	289	2,897
Jacksonville						131	131
Savannah			48	8	19		75
Lake Charles						10	10
Wilmington	6		400		2		408
Norfolk		12		15	91	184	302
Baltimore							1,511
Totals this week	4,621	6,780	9,909	4,088	3,020	7,128	35,546

The following table shows the week's total receipts, the total since Aug. 1, 1938, and the stocks tonight, compared with last year:

Receipts to Feb. 3	1938-39		1937-38		Stock	
	This Week	Since Aug 1 1938	This Week	Since Aug 1 1937	1939	1938
Galveston	7,821	893,255	27,214	1,678,229	715,722	904,578
Houston	11,987	927,915	40,555	1,619,885	828,681	899,980
Corpus Christi	338	278,097	1,396	389,268	56,904	60,964
Beaumont		16,678		8,944	31,856	14,730
New Orleans	10,066	683,135	28,838	1,690,853	668,560	814,740
Mobile	2,897	46,893	1,657	178,442	63,082	63,777
Pensacola, &c		9,549	47	70,352	5,451	12,128
Jacksonville	131	1,872	12	2,554	1,868	3,126
Savannah	75	30,367	19	117,692	149,820	149,876
Charleston		15,599	592	175,673	36,727	71,359
Lake Charles	10	38,566	99	77,796	7,737	26,424
Wilmington	408	10,634	2,184	19,024	16,485	20,929
Norfolk	302	11,696	1,687	46,049	28,596	31,225
New York					100	100
Boston					2,049	3,675
Baltimore	1,511	15,130	420	14,310	1,175	950
Totals	35,546	2,979,386	104,958	6,090,071	2,614,814	3,078,581

In order that comparison may be made with other years, we give below the totals at leading ports for six seasons:

Receipts at—	1938-39	1937-38	1936-37	1935-36	1934-35	1933-34
Galveston	7,821	27,214	6,824	12,690	9,419	20,321
Houston	11,987	40,555	7,273	32,088	10,023	26,806
New Orleans	10,066	28,838	27,788	13,527	26,568	25,722
Mobile	2,897	1,657	7,530	1,452	2,045	694
Savannah	75	257	309	842	963	891
Brunswick						100
Charleston		592	727	789	2,067	1,359
Wilmington	408	2,184	1,594	92	243	282
Norfolk	302	1,687	1,347	922	828	372
Newport News						
All others	1,990	1,974	2,434	8,170	2,658	8,764
Total this wk.	35,546	104,958	54,826	70,572	54,614	85,311
Since Aug. 1	2,979,386	6,090,071	5,317,312	5,805,345	3,523,693	6,011,550

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 67,202 bales, of which 8,792 were to Great Britain, 6,109 to France, 1,456 to Germany, 6,560 to Italy, 29,705 to Japan, 987 to China, and 13,593 to other destinations. In the corresponding week last year total exports were 147,554 bales. For the season to date aggregate exports have been 2,221,271 bales, against 3,940,512 bales in the same period of the previous season. Below are the exports for the week:

Week Ended Feb. 3, 1939 Exports from—	Exports to—							Total
	Great Britain	France	Germany	Italy	Japan	China	Other	
Galveston	3,406	63		4,662	11,434	491	1,113	21,169
Houston	3,611	314		1,814	9,594	396	2,915	18,644
New Orleans		5,605			1,625	100	7,197	14,527
Lake Charles	356		978	84			500	1,918
Mobile	925	127	330				1,593	2,975
Savannah							50	50
Norfolk	46		148					194
Los Angeles	448				1,792			2,240
San Francisco					5,260		225	5,485
Total	8,792	6,109	1,456	6,560	29,705	987	13,593	67,202
Total 1938	23,177	17,982	22,775	13,551	38,152	3,984	27,933	147,554
Total 1937	23,770	12,953	13,292	15,688	33,412	272	22,676	122,063

From Aug. 1 1938 to Feb. 3, 1939 Exports from—	Exported to—							Total
	Great Britain	France	Germany	Italy	Japan	China	Other	
Galveston	54,558	88,035	98,909	61,568	191,566	11,966	142,111	648,713
Houston	86,579	69,349	88,931	76,825	140,118	24,795	115,998	602,395
Corpus Christi	25,391	60,252	54,851	24,376	21,671	1,965	54,637	243,143
Brownsville	2,214	27,542	12,606	1,240			7,210	50,812
Beaumont	173						866	1,039
New Orleans	73,507	67,202	36,044	37,839	36,345	6,516	74,541	331,994
Lake Charles	10,303	5,057	6,730	967			11,587	34,644
Mobile	25,658	1,111	4,934	144	1,489	285	5,935	39,556
Jacksonville	767		214				61	1,042
Pensacola, &c	7,475	260	111	100			179	8,125
Savannah	6,443		7,288	468	1,100		885	16,184
Charleston	2,707		4,725				500	7,932
Norfolk	571	110	3,746	33			457	4,917
Gulftport	150	714					155	1,019
New York	331	66				600	6,201	7,198
Boston	56	90	47				2,696	2,889
Philadelphia		29						29
Los Angeles	18,293	11,657	3,984	1,936	120,792	1,416	3,151	161,229
San Francisco	5,375	2,689			49,236		1,111	58,411
Total	320,551	334,163	323,120	205,296	562,317	47,543	428,281	2,221,271
Total 1937-38	125,593	643,839	665,865	349,604	248,872	36,741	739,655	3,940,512
Total 1936-37	796,759	576,667	473,991	219,128	955,825	18,475	467,239	3,508,084

NOTE—Exports to Canada—It has never been our practice to include in the above table reports of cotton shipments to Canada, the reason being that virtually all the cotton destined to the Dominion comes overland and it is impossible to give returns concerning the same from week to week, while reports from the customs

districts on the Canadian border are always very slow in coming to hand. In view, however, of the numerous inquiries we are receiving regarding the matter, we will say that for the month of September the exports to the Dominion the present season have been 11,990 bales. In the corresponding month of the preceding season the exports were 10,169 bales. For the two months ended Sept. 30, 1938, there were 27,721 bales exported as against 16,348 bales for the two months of 1937.

In addition to above exports, our telegrams tonight also give us the following amounts of cotton on shipboard, not cleared, at the ports named:

Feb. 3 at—	On Shipboard Not Cleared for—					Total	Leaving Stock
	Great Britain	France	Germany	Other Foreign	Coast-wise		
Galveston	1,200	1,600	3,000	25,000	3,000	33,800	681,922
Houston	4,422	1,338	3,300	20,402	1,024	30,486	798,195
New Orleans	2,682	1,032	326	2,605	2,835	9,480	659,080
Savannah							149,820
Charleston							36,727
Mobile	80	250		261		591	62,492
Norfolk							28,596
Other ports							123,625
Total 1939	8,384	4,220	6,626	48,268	6,859	74,357	2,540,457
Total 1938	24,601	8,092	9,449	44,128	11,037	97,307	2,981,274
Total 1937	22,533	24,965	5,981	99,516	7,469	160,284	2,066,605

Speculation in cotton for future delivery during the past week has been more or less in the doldrums, with price fluctuations extremely narrow and volume of business generally light. Traders appear indisposed to make any heavy commitments on either side of the market owing to the general uncertainty and indecision regarding legislation at Washington.

On the 28th ult. prices closed unchanged to 3 points net higher. The market held steady today in face of easy Liverpool cables. With selling pressure restricted, the market was sensitive to continued trade buying, but the total volume of business was small. Opening levels were unchanged to 4 points higher. Foreign and domestic price fixing orders in the March, May and July positions revealed scarcity of contracts. Nervousness existed pending the delivery of several political speeches abroad, and speculative participation in the market was small. Offerings for the most part represented commission house liquidation. This was more noticeable in near-by than in distant deliveries. The firmness which developed in new crop positions on Friday brought in a little further buying in these months today, although as a whole price changes were extremely narrow. Average price of middling at the 10 designated spot markets was 8.53c. On the 30th ult. prices closed 10 points off to 4 points higher. Fears that some cotton held in loan stocks might be returned to growers for sale, brought pressure in near-by deliveries on the cotton market today, but new crop months held steady. The market opened unchanged to 4 points lower in a partial response to easier Liverpool cables. There was enough trade buying to hold prices comparatively steady. With the appearance of increased pressure in March credited to mill account and believed to represent hedging, the near month turned easier and also carried May and July into lower ground. Traders were concerned over Washington reports that the Administration would ask Congress for authority to give growers 4,000,000 bales or more from loan stocks to be marketed immediately, owing to an apparent scarcity of supplies for manufacturers and exports. In return, growers would be required to reduce acreage, possibly to produce a crop of 8,000,000 bales. With foreign interests buying distant deliveries in which pressure was light, there was a further sharp narrowing of differences which reduced the March premium over October to 84 points compared with a wide difference last week of 109 points. Average price of middling at the 10 designated spot markets was 8.44c. On the 31st ult. prices closed 5 points up to 3 points lower. Fluctuations were more or less erratic in the session today. Opening strength of the stock market and firmness of foreign cotton markets, owing to the favorable impression of Chancellor Hitler's Reichstag speech, had only a limited response in the cotton ring. Outside buying was still restricted by Washington uncertainties. Although business continued in fairly large volume, it was chiefly of a trade character. Prices soon developed a sagging tendency under liquidation which was most pronounced in July contracts. These eased to a new low for the current movement, down to 7.69c. or 9 points net lower. Foreign orders were in the market in fairly large volume, but were on both sides, as a considerable quantity of exchanging occurred between various delivery months at constantly fluctuating differences. Southern spot markets were unchanged to 5 points higher, with middling quotations ranging from 8.05 up to 8.88c., and averaging 8.47c. at the 10 designated markets. On the 1st inst. prices closed 6 points to 1 point net higher. A steadier tone developed in the cotton market today in a moderate volume of transactions. A short time before the close of business active months registered no change to a gain of 3 points over the closing levels of the preceding day. Around midday prices also were unchanged to 3 points higher. No important trades were made on the opening of dealing this morning but prices were steady, with futures 2 to 3 points above yesterday's last quotations. Trade houses again bought the near months, while Bombay and Liverpool bought July and October. There were hedges in the October, December and January options through leading spot houses. The market

at Bombay was closed today. The steadiness of futures in the local market was attributed partly to reports from Washington that administration leaders are opposed to any changes in the farm act of 1938.

On the 2d inst. prices closed 1 point up to 4 points off. After ruling quiet but steady during the greater part of the session, cotton futures here turned easier toward the close under near month liquidation and New Orleans selling of October. Opening quotations were within a point either way of Wednesday's closing levels, with moderate orders evenly divided. Trade buying readily absorbed commission house selling of March, and with offerings light, old crop positions soon sold up to net advances of 5 to 6 points. In the new crop some hedge selling from the mid-South was sufficient to supply a scattering demand credited partly to Bombay and advances were checked at net gains of 1 to 2 points. Southern spot markets were 2 points higher to 5 points lower, with middling ranging from 8.12c. to 8.95c., and averaging 8.51c. at the 10 designated spot markets.

Today prices closed 6 to 2 points net higher. The cotton market displayed a fairly steady tone today in a moderate volume of sales. A short time before the close of business active positions showed no change to an advance of 3 points over the closing levels of the previous day. Around mid-day the market was 1 point lower to 3 points higher. Futures were steady on the opening, with initial prices 1 to 3 points above yesterday's last quotations. A fair volume of price-fixing was done in the March and May deliveries through leading spot houses. Selling came mostly from commission houses, locals and the South. Some hedge selling was credited to Memphis in the new crop months. Foreign brokers were very inactive during the early dealings. The market held at its previous closing levels after the call, but met some Southern selling on slight bulges.

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been:

Jan. 28 to Feb. 3—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Middling upland	9.00	8.90	8.95	8.99	8.99	9.04

Premiums and Discounts for Grade and Staple—The table below gives the premiums and discounts for grade and staple in relation to the base grade, Middling 1/8, established for deliveries on contract on Feb. 9, 1938. Premiums and discounts for grades and staples are the average quotations of 10 markets, designated by the Secretary of Agriculture, and staple premiums represent 60% of the average premiums over 1/8-inch cotton at the 10 markets on Feb. 2.

	15-16			1 In. & Longer				15-16			1 In. & Longer		
	1/8 In.	1/8 In.	1/8 In.	1/8 In.	1/8 In.	1/8 In.		1/8 In.	1/8 In.	1/8 In.	1/8 In.	1/8 In.	1/8 In.
White—													
Mid. Fair	.62 on	.80 on	.94 on				Spotted—	.09 on	.25 on	.37 on			
St. Good Mid.	.56 on	.74 on	.88 on				Good Mid.	.06 off	.10 on	.22 on			
St. Mid.	.50 on	.68 on	.82 on				St. Mid.	.85 off	.51 off	.38 off			
St. Low Mid.	.34 on	.51 on	.66 on				Mid.	1.38 off	1.32 off	1.27 off			
Mid.	.Basis	.17 on	.31 on				*St. Low Mid.	2.10 off	2.08 off	2.00 off			
St. Low Mid.	.57 off	.41 off	.29 off				*Low Mid.	2.10 off	2.08 off	2.00 off			
Low Mid.	1.29 off	1.22 off	1.18 off				Tinged—						
*St. Good Ord.	2.00 off	1.96 off	1.95 off				Good Mid.	.48 off	.37 off	.27 off			
*Good Ord.	2.60 off	2.57 off	2.56 off				St. Mid.	.71 off	.61 off	.52 off			
Extra White—							*Mid.	1.47 off	1.42 off	1.37 off			
Good Mid.	.50 on	.68 on	.82 on				*St. Low Mid.	2.14 off	2.12 off	2.12 off			
St. Mid.	.34 on	.51 on	.66 on				*Low Mid.	2.78 off	2.79 off	2.79 off			
Mid.	.Even	.17 on	.31 on				Yel. Stained—						
St. Low Mid.	.57 off	.41 off	.29 off				Good Mid.	1.10 off	1.03 off	.95 off			
Low Mid.	1.29 off	1.22 off	1.18 off				*St. Mid.	1.61 off	1.57 off	1.55 off			
*St. Good Ord.	2.00 off	1.96 off	1.95 off				*Mid.	2.27 off	2.25 off	2.23 off			
*Good Ord.	2.60 off	2.57 off	2.56 off				Gray—						
							Good Mid.	.59 off	.46 off	.36 off			
							St. Mid.	.79 off	.68 off	.58 off			
							*Mid.	1.35 off	1.28 off	1.24 off			

*Not deliverable on future contract

Futures—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday Jan. 28	Monday Jan. 30	Tuesday Jan. 31	Wednesday Feb. 1	Thursday Feb. 2	Friday Feb. 3
Feb. (1939)						
Range						
Closing	8.38n	8.28n	8.33n	8.37n	8.37n	8.42n
Mar.						
Range	8.38-8.42	8.30-8.39	8.30-8.36	8.34-8.40	8.39-8.44	8.36-8.45
Closing	8.40	8.30-8.31	8.35	8.39-8.40	8.39	8.44-8.45
Apr.						
Range	8.25n	8.15n	8.19n	8.24n	8.24n	8.29n
Closing	8.25n	8.15n	8.19n	8.24n	8.24n	8.29n
May						
Range	8.09-8.14	8.01-8.09	7.98-8.06	8.03-8.09	8.08-8.15	8.10-8.16
Closing	8.10	8.01	8.03-8.04	8.09	8.10	8.15
June						
Range	7.95n	7.89n	7.89n	7.94n	7.95n	8.00n
Closing	7.95n	7.89n	7.89n	7.94n	7.95n	8.00n
July						
Range	7.80-7.84	7.76-7.80	7.69-7.82	7.75-7.80	7.78-7.85	7.78-7.86
Closing	7.81-7.82	7.78	7.75-7.76	7.80	7.81	7.85-7.86
Aug.						
Range	7.52n	7.56n	7.54n	7.56n	7.52n	7.58n
Closing	7.52n	7.56n	7.54n	7.56n	7.52n	7.58n
Sept.						
Range	7.42n	7.46n	7.44n	7.46n	7.42n	7.48n
Closing	7.42n	7.46n	7.44n	7.46n	7.42n	7.48n
Oct.						
Range	7.40-7.44	7.41-7.50	7.40-7.50	7.44-7.47	7.42-7.47	7.42-7.49
Closing	7.42	7.46	7.44-7.45	7.46	7.42	7.48-7.49
Nov.						
Range	7.41n	7.45n	7.45n	7.46n	7.43n	7.49n
Closing	7.41n	7.45n	7.45n	7.46n	7.43n	7.49n
Dec.						
Range	7.40-7.42	7.40-7.47	7.40-7.49	7.46-7.49	7.44-7.49	7.44-7.50
Closing	7.40	7.44	7.46	7.47	7.44	7.50
Jan. (1940)						
Range	7.41-7.42	7.44-7.47	7.44-7.51	7.50-7.50	7.49-7.50	7.48-7.50
Closing	7.41	7.45n	7.47n	7.48n	7.46n	7.52n

n Nominal.

Range for future prices at New York for week ending Feb. 3, 1939, and since trading began on each option:

Option for—	Range for Week		Range Since Beginning of Option	
Feb. 1939			8.18 June 3 1938	8.74 June 28 1938
Mar. 1939	8.30 Jan. 30	8.45 Feb. 3	7.77 May 31 1938	9.25 July 7 1938
Apr. 1939			8.34 May 25 1938	8.37 Aug. 23 1938
May 1939	7.98 Jan. 31	8.16 Feb. 3	7.81 May 31 1938	9.27 July 7 1938
June 1939			8.11 Oct. 4 1938	8.20 Nov. 21 1938
July 1939	7.76 Jan. 30	7.86 Feb. 3	7.60 Dec. 5 1938	9.05 July 22 1938
Aug. 1939			8.12 Oct. 3 1938	8.12 Oct. 3 1938
Sept. 1939			7.30 Jan. 24 1939	8.07 Sept. 30 1938
Oct. 1939	7.40 Jan. 28	7.50 Jan. 30	7.26 Jan. 10 1939	8.01 Oct. 24 1938
Nov. 1939				
Dec. 1939	7.40 Jan. 28	7.50 Feb. 3	7.26 Jan. 26 1939	7.71 Dec. 30 1938
Jan. 1940	7.41 Jan. 28	7.51 Jan. 31	7.29 Jan. 27 1939	7.51 Jan. 31 1939

Volume of Sales for Future Delivery—The Commodity Exchange Administration of the United States Department of Agriculture makes public each day the volume of sales for future delivery and open contracts on the New York Cotton Exchange and the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, from which we have compiled the following table. The figures are given in bales of 500 lb. gross weight.

New York	Jan. 27	Jan. 28	Jan. 30	Jan. 31	Feb. 1	Feb. 2	Open Contracts Feb. 2
	March (1939)	20,300	8,700	39,300	39,900	18,500	14,700	420,000
May	20,500	9,100	33,300	39,300	13,500	16,200	595,100
July	22,700	9,600	19,700	37,400	11,500	9,100	803,200
October	18,200	12,300	29,400	28,300	12,800	12,600	502,200
December	3,700	2,600	8,000	16,200	8,300	7,700	57,800
January (1940)	400	300	2,200	5,700	1,300	1,200	8,500
Inactive months—							
August (1939)							100
September							3,000
Total all futures	85,800	42,600	131,900	166,800	65,900	61,500	2,389,900
New Orleans	Jan. 25	Jan. 26	Jan. 27	Jan. 28	Jan. 30	Jan. 31	Open Contracts Jan. 31
March (1939)	2,100	3,800	1,800	1,000	6,100	4,750	90,550
May	3,550	4,300	2,550	500	8,050	5,550	96,000
July	2,950	4,000	2,150	800	2,200	3,150	81,300
October	4,400	4,300	6,550	4,100	7,450	6,350	133,050
December		200	150	100	1,250	950	8,750
January (1940)							50
March (1939)							6,850
May							200
Total all futures	12,100	16,600	13,200	6,500	25,050	20,750	416,750

The Visible Supply of Cotton tonight, 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 tonight (Friday) we add the item of exports from the United States, for Friday only.

	1939	1938	1937	1936
Feb. 3—				
Stock at Liverpool	936,000	964,000	799,000	642,000
Stock at Manchester	93,000	182,000	107,000	110,000
Total Great Britain	1,029,000	1,146,000	906,000	752,000
Stock at Bremen	216,000	267,000	198,000	263,000
Stock at Havre	304,000	323,000	286,000	213,000
Stock at Rotterdam	12,000	20,000	22,000	17,000
Stock at Barcelona				74,000
Stock at Genoa	54,000	57,000	19,000	*76,000
Stock at Venice and Mestre	18,000	13,000	15,000	*11,000
Stock at Trieste	8,000	8,000	13,000	5,000
Total Continental stocks	612,000	688,000	553,000	659,000
Total European stocks	1,641,000	1,834,000	1,459,000	1,411,000
India cotton afloat for Europe	127,000	104,000	162,000	181,000
American cotton afloat for Europe	185,000	338,000	292,000	261,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat for Europe	100,000	134,000	164,000	113,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt	463,000	363,000	389,000	322,000
Stock in Bombay, India	859,000	712,000	937,000	639,000
Stock in U. S. ports	2,614,814	3,078,581	2,226,889	2,463,953
Stock in U. S. interior towns	3,246,532	2,598,040	2,001,896	2,196,265
U. S. exports today	10,967	21,210	32,540	20,738
Total visible supply	9,247,313	9,182,831	7,664,325	7,507,956

Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows:

American—	1939	1938	1937	1936
Liverpool stock	404,000	611,000	329,000	343,000
Manchester stock	58,000	128,000	66,000	65,000
Bremen stock	147,000	229,000	154,000	208,000
Havre stock	220,000	297,000	253,000	199,000
Other Continental stock	59,000	71,000	29,000	64,000
American afloat for Europe	185,000	338,000	292,000	261,000
U. S. port stock	2,614,814	3,078,581	2,226,889	2,463,953
U. S. interior stock	3,246,532	2,598,040	2,001,896	2,196,265
U. S. exports today	10,967	21,210	32,540	20,738
Total American	6,945,313	7,371,831	5,384,325	5,820,956
East Indian, Brazil, &c.				
Liverpool stock	532,000	353,000	470,000	299,000
Manchester stock	35,000	54,000	41,000	45,000
Bremen stock	69,000	38,000	45,000	55,000
Havre stock	84,000	26,000	33,000	14,000
Other Continental stock	33,000	27,000	39,000	119,000
Indian afloat for Europe	127,000	104,000	162,000	181,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat	100,000	134,000	164,000	113,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt	463,000	363,000	389,000	322,000
Stock in Bombay, India	859,000	712,000	937,000	639,000

corresponding period of the previous year—is set out in detail below:

Towns	Movement to Feb. 3, 1939			Movement to Feb. 4, 1938				
	Week	Season	Ships-ments Week	Stocks Feb. 3	Week	Season	Ships-ments Week	Stocks Feb. 4
Ala., Birm'am	186	67,815	758	58,007	326	56,060	879	44,417
Eufaula	---	11,959	---	9,081	107	9,616	201	8,111
Montgom'y	526	84,477	1,632	91,202	106	44,625	318	52,239
Selma	13	43,407	433	79,358	45	67,961	544	63,587
Ark., Blythev.	75	130,460	1,519	168,109	1,985	163,792	2,851	121,510
Forest City	---	38,943	235	52,139	1,379	50,409	1,485	34,099
Helena	1	59,882	519	58,262	1,429	88,463	1,930	40,680
Hopewell	---	38,637	2	48,478	61	64,397	316	26,835
Jonesboro	---	19,306	45	36,161	811	35,407	807	29,062
Little Rock	92	102,029	904	141,556	1,502	139,516	3,496	101,106
Newport	11	39,684	24	42,491	756	44,926	671	28,572
Pine Bluff	611	130,255	1,838	129,702	2,352	170,596	2,591	88,058
Walnut Rge	103	48,470	417	44,286	213	61,161	---	37,196
Ga., Albany	---	12,696	179	18,313	106	16,521	36	17,999
Athens	675	30,204	1,020	41,367	630	41,881	815	36,879
Atlanta	1,298	101,126	4,913	133,715	6,211	147,826	7,069	151,418
Augusta	1,969	96,578	2,151	152,984	1,347	145,779	1,801	140,426
Columbus	100	7,100	600	33,900	500	23,000	300	34,650
Macon	97	26,234	581	36,942	219	41,996	657	35,294
Rome	80	16,536	30	32,813	80	16,352	25	21,749
La., Shrevep't	9	85,504	781	87,262	388	144,485	1,338	70,695
Miss., Clarkad	1,363	121,739	5,037	69,433	6,402	223,439	6,535	76,277
Columbus	52	26,206	448	42,165	65	37,310	411	34,656
Greenwood	1,429	189,786	6,629	116,367	4,172	278,344	10,187	108,548
Jackson	316	81,478	702	41,056	483	63,613	1,484	30,124
Natchez	13	7,522	33	16,232	56	17,444	159	11,950
Vicksburg	76	27,110	1,109	23,420	949	48,151	2,139	22,344
Yazoo City	70	45,128	1,129	50,371	1,967	73,952	2,119	39,779
Mo., St. Louis	4,631	108,474	4,706	3,474	5,695	111,586	5,695	2,368
N.C., Gr'boro	192	4,057	77	3,306	51	3,664	69	3,309
Oklahoma— 15 towns *	504	336,801	5,787	288,882	5,919	499,264	9,073	200,676
S. C., Gr'ville	1,513	63,509	2,142	74,015	3,337	88,734	3,430	81,150
Tenn., Mem's	34,830	1611,093	49,005	846,467	72,103	1991,427	80,223	684,436
Texas, Abilene	58	21,937	93	13,567	145	44,931	72	8,745
Austin	14	15,297	1	4,628	197	17,235	139	1,581
Brenham	64	14,336	109	3,337	28	13,345	66	2,732
Dallas	870	43,183	1,057	44,747	694	107,081	498	38,242
Paris	85	63,068	245	43,844	187	92,280	301	26,384
Robstown	---	6,470	21	1,269	---	15,657	17	836
San Marcos	---	13,224	---	632	47,559	62	444	---
Texarkana	---	27,076	157	36,008	51	41,479	165	20,886
Waco	108	53,813	134	23,848	488	88,008	3,253	18,184
Total, 56 towns	52,015	4,022,609	67,202	3,246,532	123,474	5,439,325	154,229	2,598,046

* Includes the combined totals of 15 towns in Oklahoma, a San Antonio.

The above totals show that the interior stocks have decreased during the week 45,187 bales and are tonight 648,486 bales more than at the same period last year. The receipts of all the towns have been 71,459 bales less than the same week last year.

New York Quotations for 32 Years

1939	9.04c	1931	10.50c	1923	28.10c	1915	8.60c
1938	8.60c	1930	16.10c	1922	17.20c	1914	12.75c
1937	13.25c	1929	20.05c	1921	13.60c	1913	12.95c
1936	11.60c	1928	17.65c	1920	38.60c	1912	10.00c
1935	12.55c	1927	13.80c	1919	27.85c	1911	14.65c
1934	11.95c	1926	20.70c	1918	31.50c	1910	14.75c
1933	6.00c	1925	24.65c	1917	14.60c	1909	9.90c
1932	6.60c	1924	34.35c	1916	12.00c	1908	11.65c

Market and Sales at New York

	Spot Market Closed	Futures Market Closed	SALES		
			Spot	Contr't	Total
Saturday	Nominal	Steady	400	---	400
Monday	Nominal	Steady	700	---	700
Tuesday	Nominal	Steady	---	---	---
Wednesday	Nominal	Steady	---	---	---
Thursday	Nominal	Barely steady	---	---	---
Friday	Nominal	Very steady	---	---	---
Total week	---	---	1,100	---	1,100
Since Aug. 1	---	---	46,531	74,700	121,231

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:

Shipped—	1938-39		1937-38	
	Week	Since Aug. 1	Week	Since Aug. 1
Via St. Louis	4,706	108,264	5,695	111,833
Via Mounds, &c	2,575	111,621	1,375	84,466
Via Rock Island	421	2,173	---	2,374
Via Louisville	---	3,762	894	3,670
Via Virginia points	4,611	100,539	3,628	99,664
Via other routes, &c.	10,201	418,542	18,493	585,157
Total gross overland	22,514	746,901	30,085	887,164
Deduct Shipments—				
Overland to N. Y., Boston, &c.	1,511	15,441	208	14,098
Between interior towns	246	5,795	145	5,610
Inland, &c., from South	11,735	261,023	7,836	146,056
Total to be deducted	13,492	282,259	8,189	165,764
Leaving total net overland *	9,022	464,642	21,896	721,400

* Including movement by rail to Canada.

The foregoing shows the week's net overland movement this year has been 9,022 bales, against 21,896 bales for the week last year, and that for the season to date the aggregate net overland exhibits a decrease from a year ago of 256,758 bales.

In Sight and Spinners' Takings

	1938-39		1937-38	
	Week	Since Aug. 1	Week	Since Aug. 1
Receipts at ports to Feb. 3	35,546	2,979,386	104,958	6,090,071
Net overland to Feb. 3	9,022	464,642	21,896	721,400
Southern consumption to Feb. 3	120,000	3,148,000	85,000	2,880,000
Total marketed	164,568	6,592,028	211,854	9,691,471
Interior stocks in excess	*45,187	1,293,609	*30,755	1,801,059
Excess of Southern mill takings over consumption to Jan. 1	---	490,231	---	477,540
Came into sight during week	119,381	---	181,099	---
Total in sight Feb. 3	---	8,375,868	---	11,970,070
North. spinners' takings to Feb. 3	21,565	801,194	24,107	820,144

* Decrease

Movement into sight in previous years:

Week—	Bales	Since Aug. 1—	Bales
1937—Feb. 5	151,345	---	11,215,514
1936—Feb. 7	144,392	---	10,744,653
1935—Feb. 8	136,538	1934	7,155,077

Quotations for Middling Cotton at Other Markets—
Below are the closing quotations for middling cotton at Southern and other principal cotton markets for each day of the week:

Week Ended Feb. 3	Closing Quotations for Middling Cotton on—					
	Saturday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Galveston	8.33	8.24	8.26	8.31	8.33	8.38
New Orleans	8.63	8.55	8.58	8.63	8.63	8.69
Mobile	8.25	8.16	8.18	8.24	8.25	8.30
Savannah	8.85	8.76	8.80	8.84	8.84	8.85
Norfolk	8.85	8.75	8.75	8.80	8.80	8.85
Montgomery	8.45	8.35	8.40	8.45	8.45	8.50
Augusta	8.95	8.86	8.88	8.94	8.95	9.00
Memphis	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.35	8.40
Houston	8.40	8.30	8.32	8.37	8.37	8.42
Little Rock	8.30	8.20	8.25	8.30	8.30	8.30
Dallas	8.12	8.03	8.05	8.11	8.12	8.17
Port Worth	8.12	8.03	8.05	8.11	8.12	8.17

New Orleans Contract Market—The closing quotations for leading contracts in the New Orleans cotton market for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday Jan. 28	Monday Jan. 30	Tuesday Jan. 31	Wednesday Feb. 1	Thursday Feb. 2	Friday Feb. 3
Feb. (1939)						
March	8.53-8.54	8.45	8.48	853b-854a	8.54	8.58-8.59
April						
May	8.22	8.14	8.15	8.20	8.21	8.26-8.27
June						
July	7.94	7.91	7.87	7.91	792b-793a	7.96
August						
September						
October	7.55-7.56	7.58	7.56	7.56	7.53	7.60
November						
December	7.53	756b-758a	7.56	757b-759a	754b-756a	762b-763a
Jan. (1940)	756b-758a	759b-761a	759b-761a	760b-762a	757b-759a	764b-766a
February						
March	760b-761a	763b-765a	763b-765a	764b-766a	761b-763a	767b-769a
Tone—	Quiet.	Steady.	Quiet.	Quiet.	Quiet.	Quiet.
Spot	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.
Options	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.	Very steady

New Member of New York Cotton Exchange—At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the New York Cotton Exchange held Feb. 2, Henry Holt of Thomson & McKinnon, Indianapolis, Ind., who do a general brokerage business in securities and commodities, was elected to membership in the Exchange. Mr. Holt is a member of the Chicago Board of Trade, the Chicago Stock Exchange, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, and the Liverpool Cotton Association, Ltd.

Cotton Loans of CCC Through Jan. 26 Aggregated \$188,340,912 on 4,108,092 Bales—On Jan. 27 the Commodity Credit Corporation announced that "Advices of Cotton Loans" received by it through Jan. 26, 1939, showed loans disbursed by the Corporation and lending agencies of \$188,340,911.90 on 4,108,092 bales of cotton. The loans average 8.81 cents per pound.

Figures showing the number of bales on which loans have been made by States are given below:

State—	Bales	State—	Bales
Alabama	301,395	New Mexico	38,210
Arizona	51,560	North Carolina	11,881
Arkansas	675,763	Oklahoma	181,935
California	118,873	South Carolina	48,623
Georgia	162,039	Tennessee	304,755
Louisiana	280,581	Texas	1,192,502
Mississippi	631,056	Virginia	143
Missouri	108,746		

Returns by Telegraph—Telegraphic advices to us this evening denote that the outlook for cotton the coming season is good because of the well-prepared land and good rains.

Taxes—Galveston	Rain Days	Rainfall Inches	Thermometer		
			High	Low	Mean
Amarillo	4	0.94	69	44	57
Austin	1	0.06			

New Orleans	.....Above zero of gauge	4.6
Memphis	.....Above zero of gauge	17.9
Nashville	.....Above zero of gauge	32.4
Shreveport	.....Above zero of gauge	9.6
Vicksburg	.....Above zero of gauge	11.7

Feb. 3, 1939	Feb. 4, 1938
Feet	Feet
4.6	7.2
17.9	22.4
32.4	22.0
9.6	29.1
11.7	23.6

Expansion of Cotton Market News Service—The Bureau of Agricultural Economics, United States Department of Agriculture, announced on Jan. 28 that its Cotton Market News Service will be expanded by more use of radio as a means for distributing cotton marketing information. An educational program relating to cotton and its competitors will be broadcast each Wednesday between 1:15 and 1:30 p. m. Eastern Standard Time, over the NBC Southeastern Network immediately following the Farm and Home Hour program. This material will be transmitted from Washington. The Bureau further announced:

Cotton futures prices will also be broadcast over the Farm and Home Hour network at approximately 12:55 p. m. Eastern Standard Time. This program is daily except Saturday and Sunday. During the 1938 season, the Bureau released four daily prices on cotton futures and a daily resume after the close of the market, to radio stations covering most of the cotton belt. It was originally intended to release this material only during the marketing season but because of numerous requests the service will be continued the year-round.

Cotton prices futures for near active months are released at approximately 10:15 a. m., 12:15 p. m., 2:15 p. m. and 3:15 p. m. when futures markets are open. The daily resume of the cotton market is released approximately at 4:45 p. m. Eastern Standard Time, except on Saturday when it is available at approximately 12:55.

Receipts from the Plantations—The following table indicates the actual movement each week from the plantations. The figures do not include overland receipts nor Southern consumption; they are simply a statement of the weekly movement from the plantations of that part of the crop which finally reaches the market through the outports.

Week	Receipts at Ports			Stocks at Interior Towns			Receipts from Plantations		
	1938	1937	1936	1938	1937	1936	1938	1937	1936
Nov. 4	256,332	263,182	259,641	3460,497	2226,923	2301,784	329,745	388,719	295,054
10	92,125	245,688	264,096	3510,308	2387,570	2342,886	141,936	406,335	305,198
18	125,857	195,034	251,440	3518,088	2459,694	2373,757	133,637	267,158	282,311
25	88,143	160,560	217,563	3524,821	2501,559	2397,188	94,876	242,425	240,994
Dec. 2	89,957	169,362	211,898	3508,828	254,908	2366,617	73,964	213,711	181,327
9	77,815	165,506	133,018	3496,222	2610,850	2327,953	65,209	230,448	94,354
16	64,534	169,711	143,595	3471,589	2640,423	2290,467	39,901	199,284	106,109
23	54,236	139,333	119,319	3448,226	2663,852	2253,715	30,873	162,762	82,567
30	44,595	141,563	117,503	3434,970	2658,348	2250,247	31,339	147,067	112,749
Jan. 6	42,596	125,265	96,101	3400,270	2619,799	2180,501	7,896	86,716	26,355
13	38,827	121,714	61,240	3369,048	2613,016	2142,612	7,665	128,497	23,351
20	37,387	116,840	82,643	3329,120	2629,639	2090,671	Nil	133,463	30,702
27	43,199	120,588	61,831	3291,719	2628,795	2046,413	5,798	119,744	17,573
Feb. 3	35,546	104,958	54,826	3246,532	2598,040	2001,896	Nil	74,203	10,309

The above statement shows: (1) That the total receipts from the plantations since Aug. 1, 1938, are 4,392,943 bales; in 1937-38 were 7,882,628 bales, and in 1936-37 were 6,123,869 bales. (2) That, although the receipts at the outports the past week were 35,546 bales, the actual movement from plantations was nil bales, stock at interior towns having decreased 45,187 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:

Cotton Takings, Week and Season	1938-39		1937-38	
	Week	Season	Week	Season
Visible supply Jan. 27	9,361,099	7,858,941	9,209,597	4,339,022
Visible supply Aug. 1	119,381	8,375,868	181,099	11,970,070
American in sight to Feb. 3	46,000	966,000	98,000	934,000
Bombay receipts to Feb. 2	37,000	330,000	47,000	264,000
Other India shipments to Feb. 2	21,000	1,086,800	50,000	1,412,200
Alexandria receipts to Feb. 1	10,000	252,000	15,000	249,000
Other supply to Feb. 1 * b				
Total supply	9,594,480	18,869,609	9,600,696	19,168,292
Deduct				
Visible supply Feb. 3	9,247,313	9,247,313	9,182,831	9,182,831
Total takings to Feb. 3 a	347,167	9,622,296	417,865	9,985,461
Of which American	224,167	6,894,696	258,865	7,015,661
Of which other	123,000	2,727,600	159,000	2,969,800

* Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c.
 a This total embraces since Aug. 1 the total estimated consumption by Southern mills, 3,143,000 bales in 1938-39 and 2,880,000 bales in 1937-38—takings not being available—and the aggregate amount taken by Northern and foreign spinners, 6,474,296 bales in 1938-39 and 7,105,461 bales in 1937-38, of which 3,746,696 bales and 4,135,661 bales American.
 b Estimated.

Alexandria Receipts and Shipments

Alexandria, Egypt Feb. 1	1938-39		1937-38		1936-37	
	This Week	Since Aug. 1	This Week	Since Aug. 1	This Week	Since Aug. 1
Receipts (cantars)						
This week	105,000		250,000		250,000	
Since Aug. 1	5,434,407		7,098,251		7,692,006	
Exports (bales)						
To Liverpool	6,000	75,662	6,000	116,018	6,000	130,673
To Manchester, &c		80,690	9,000	106,487	10,000	125,167
To Continent & India	14,000	354,392	18,000	431,182	34,000	408,875
To America	3,000	12,990	2,000	15,920	5,000	26,513
Total exports	23,000	523,734	35,000	669,607	55,000	691,228

Note.—A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weigh about 750 lbs. This statement shows that the receipts for the week ending Feb. 1 were 105,000 cantars and the foreign shipments 23,000 bales.

India Cotton Movement from All Ports—The receipts of Indian 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:

Feb. 2 Receipts—	1938-39		1937-38		1936-37	
	Week	Since Aug. 1	Week	Since Aug. 1	Week	Since Aug. 1
Bombay	46,000	966,000	98,000	934,000	122,000	1,502,000

Exports From—	For the Week				Since August 1			
	Great Britain	Continent	Jap'n & China	Total	Great Britain	Continent	Japan & China	Total
Bombay—								
1938-39	----	2,000	48,000	50,000	26,000	114,000	595,000	735,000
1937-38	----	8,000	77,000	85,000	14,000	124,000	294,000	423,000
1936-37	7,000	28,000	32,000	67,000	30,000	163,000	718,000	911,000
Other Ind.								
1938-39	11,000	26,000	----	37,000	107,000	223,000	----	330,000
1937-38	16,000	31,000	----	47,000	90,000	174,000	----	264,000
1936-37	38,000	5,000	----	43,000	161,000	260,000	----	421,000
Total all—								
1938-39	11,000	28,000	48,000	87,000	133,000	337,000	595,000	1,065,000
1937-38	16,000	39,000	77,000	132,000	104,000	298,000	294,000	698,000
1936-37	45,000	33,000	32,000	110,000	191,000	423,000	718,000	1,332,000

According to the foregoing, Bombay appears to show a decrease compared with last year in the week's receipts of 52,000 bales. Exports from all India ports record a decrease of 35,000 bales during the week, and since Aug. 1 show an increase of 369,000 bales.

Manchester Market—Our report received by cable tonight from Manchester states that the market in both yarns and cloths is steady. Demand for both cloth and yarn is improving. We give prices today below and leave those for previous weeks of this and last year for comparison:

	1937				1936			
	32s Cop Twist	8 1/4 Lbs. Shirts, Common to Finest	Cotton Midd'g Up'ds	32s Cop Twist	8 1/4 Lbs. Shirts, Common to Finest	Cotton Midd'g Up'ds		
Nov. 4	d.	s. d.	s. d.	d.	d.	s. d.	s. d.	d.
10	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	9 @ 9 3	5.09	10 1/2 @ 12	9 10 1/2 @ 10 1 1/2	4.55		
18	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	9 @ 9 3	5.05	10 1/2 @ 12 1/2	9 10 1/2 @ 10 1 1/2	4.63		
25	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	9 @ 9 3	5.08	10 1/2 @ 12	9 10 1/2 @ 10 1 1/2	4.55		
Dec. 2	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	9 @ 9 3	5.22	10 1/2 @ 12	9 10 1/2 @ 10 1 1/2	4.64		
9	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	9 @ 9 3	5.14	10 1/2 @ 11 1/2	9 10 1/2 @ 10 1 1/2	4.65		
16	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	8 10 1/2 @ 9 1 1/2	4.97	10 1/2 @ 11 1/2	9 10 1/2 @ 10 1 1/2	4.70		
23	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	8 10 1/2 @ 9 1 1/2	5.16	10 1/2 @ 11 1/2	9 10 1/2 @ 10 1 1/2	4.81		
30	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	8 10 1/2 @ 9 1 1/2	5.24	10 1/2 @ 11 1/2	9 10 1/2 @ 10 1 1/2	4.88		
Jan. 6	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	8 10 1/2 @ 9 1 1/2	5.25	10 1/2 @ 11 1/2	9 10 1/2 @ 10 1 1/2	4.84		
13	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	8 10 1/2 @ 9 1 1/2	5.30	10 1/2 @ 12	9 10 1/2 @ 10 1 1/2	4.97		
20	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	8 9 @ 9	5.19	10 1/2 @ 11 1/2	9 10 1/2 @ 10 1 1/2	5.02		
27	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	8 9 @ 9	5.18	10 1/2 @ 11 1/2	9 10 1/2 @ 10 1 1/2	4.93		
Feb. 3	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	8 9 @ 9	5.10	10 1/2 @ 11 1/2	9 10 1/2 @ 10 1 1/2	4.82		
10	8 1/2 @ 9 1/2	8 9 @ 9	5.13	10 1/2 @ 11 1/2	9 9 @ 10	4.93		

Shipping News—As shown on a previous page, the exports of cotton from the United States the past week have reached 67,202 bales. The shipments in detail, as made up from mail and telegraphic reports, are as follows:

	Bales
GALVESTON—To Japan, Jan. 31, Victoria City, 6,488; Jan. 30, Brownsville, 4,946	11,434
To China, Jan. 30, Brownsville, 491	491
To Liverpool, Jan. 30, West Chattala, 1,167	1,167
To Manchester, Jan. 30, West Chattala, 2,239	2,239
To Rotterdam, Jan. 28, Burgerdijk, 574	574
To Ghent, Jan. 27, Patrick Henry, 184	184
To Copenhagen, Jan. 27, Tennessee, 100	100
To Havre, Jan. 27, Patrick Henry, 63	63
To Gdynia, Jan. 27, Tennessee, 255	255
To Genoa, Feb. 1, Effingham, 1,636	1,636
To Venice, Feb. 1, Effingham, 475; Jan. 31, Ida, 1,561	2,036
To Trieste, Feb. 1, Effingham, 40; Jan. 31, Ida, 950	990
HOUSTON—To Liverpool, Feb. 1, Clare Hugo Stinnes, 100; Jan. 26, Planter, 2,042	2,142
To Gdynia, Feb. 1, Hderun, 1,785; Jan. 28, Tennessee, 345	2,130
To Trieste, Jan. 30, Ida, 621	621
To Venice, Jan. 30, Ida, 1,193	1,193
To Japan, Jan. 31, Kongo Maru, 3,343; Jan. 28, Victoria City, 4,278; Jan. 28, Brownsville, 1,973	9,594
To China, Jan. 31, Kongo Maru, 356; Jan. 28, Brownsville, 40	396
To Ghent, Jan. 28, Patrick Henry, 66	66
To Antwerp, Jan. 28, Patrick Henry, 100	100
To Copenhagen, Jan. 28, Tennessee, 315	315
To Havre, Jan. 28, Patrick Henry, 46; Jan. 24, Louisiana, 268	314
To Rotterdam, Jan. 28, Patrick Henry, 304	304
To Manchester, Jan. 26, Planter, 1,469	1,469
NEW ORLEANS—To Rotterdam, Jan. 30, Burgerdijk, 703; Jan. 31, Patrick Henry, 100	803
To Gdynia, Jan. 31, Tennessee, 50	50
To Japan, Jan. 28, Kongo Maru, 372; Jan. 26, Spreewald, 1,253	1,625
To Valparaiso, Jan. 31, Contessa, 700	700
To Gdynia, Jan. 28, Hedrun, 150; Feb. 27, Tampa, 675; Jan. 31, Stureholm, 418	1,243
To Gothenburg, Jan. 27, Tampa, 150; Jan. 31, Stureholm, 160	310
To Abo, Jan. 27, Tampa, 200; Jan. 31, Stureholm, 10	210
To Norkoping, Jan. 27, Tampa, 500	500
To Antwerp, Jan. 27, Gand, 406; Louisiana, 500	906
To Havre, Jan. 27, Gand, 193; Louisiana, 2,884; Jan. 31, Patrick Henry, 758	3,835
To Dunkirk, Jan. 27, Gand, 20; Louisiana, 1,750	1,770
To China, Jan. 26, Spreewald, 100	100
To Ghent, Jan. 31, Patrick Henry, 900	900
To Oslo, Jan. 31, Stureholm, 200	200
To Stockholm, Jan. 31, Stureholm, 25	25
To Pt. Colombia, Jan. 26, Cadmus, 897; Jan. 27, Santa Matta, 453	1,350
NORFOLK—To Manchester, Feb. 2, Capulin, 46	46
To Hamburg, Feb. 3, Vincent, 148	148
MOBILE—To Liverpool, Jan. 31, Gateway City, 483; Jan. 22, Custodian, 85	568
To Manchester, Jan. 31, Gateway City, 142; Jan. 22, Custodian, 215	357
To Antwerp, Jan. 30, Arizona, 93	93
To Havre, Jan. 30, Arizona, 127	127
To Bremen, Jan. 29, Ipswich, 285	285
To Hamburg, Jan. 29, Ipswich, 45	45
To Rotterdam, Jan. 29, Ipswich, 700	700
To Gothenburg, Jan. 26, Stureholm, 800	800
SAN FRANCISCO—To Japan, (?), 5,260	5,260
To Canada, (?), 225	225

LAKE CHARLES—To Liverpool, Jan. 27, Aquarius, 218	Bales	218
To Manchester, Jan. 27, Aquarius, 138		138
To Bremen, Jan. 30, Schwanheim, 978		978
To Venice, Jan. 26, Effingham, 84		84
To Gdynia, Jan. 26, Tennessee, 400		400
To Gothenburg, Jan. 26, Tennessee, 100		100
LOS ANGELES—To Manchester, (?), Elizabeth Bakke, 250		250
To Liverpool, (?), Elizabeth Bakke, 198		198
To Japan, (?), Norfolk Maru, 1,792		1,792
SAVANNAH—To Ghent, Feb. 1, Sundance, 50		50
Total		67,202

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	Standard		High Density	Standard		High Density	Standard
Liverpool	45c.	40c.	Trieste	d.45c.	40c.	Piraeus	85c.	1.00
Manchester	45c.	40c.	Flume	d.45c.	40c.	Salonica	85c.	1.00
Antwerp	46c.	41c.	Barcelona			Venice	d.85c.	1.00
Havre	46c.	41c.	Japan			Copenhagen	n.55c.	.71c.
Rotterdam	46c.	41c.	Shanghai			Naples	d.55c.	.60c.
Genoa	d.55c.	.60c.	Bombay	x .75c.	.90c.	Leghorn	d.55c.	.60c.
Oslo	.56c.	.71c.	Bremen	46c.	61c.	Gothenb'g.	.56c.	.71c.
Stockholm	.61c.	.76c.	Hamburg	46c.	61c.			

* No quotation. x Only small lots d Direct steamer.

Liverpool—By cable from Liverpool we have the following statement of the week's imports, stocks, &c., at that port:

	Jan. 13	Jan. 20	Jan. 20	Feb. 3
Forwarded	50,000	50,000	39,000	44,000
Total stocks	1,096,000	1,077,000	1,066,000	1,029,000
Of which American	488,000	480,000	468,000	462,000
Total imports	40,000	32,000	32,000	32,000
Of which American	10,000	10,000	6,000	13,000
Amount afloat	113,000	124,000	124,000	126,000
Of which American	35,000	41,000	46,000	43,000

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:

	Saturday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Market, 12:15 P. M.	Quiet.	Quiet.	Quiet.	Moderate demand.	Quiet.	Quiet
Mid. Upl'ds	5.12d.	5.13d.	5.12d.	5.07d.	5.13d.	5.13d.
Futures Market opened	Qui't; unch. to 1 pt. decline.	Steady; 2 to 3 pts. advance.	Steady; 2 to 4 pts. advance.	Steady; 1 to 2 pts. advance.	St'y; unch. to 2 pts. advance.	Quiet at 1 to 2 pts. decline.
Market, 4 P. M.	Quiet; 2 to 3 pts. decline.	Irreg.; unch. to 3 pts. advance.	Barely st'y; 1 to 3 pts. decline.	Steady; 1 to 4 pts. advance.	Steady; 1 to 3 pts. advance.	Quiet but st'dy, 2 pts. decl.

Prices of futures at Liverpool for each day are given below:

	Jan. 28 to Feb. 3		Sat.		Mon.		Tues.		Wed.		Thurs.		Fri.	
	Close	Close	Noon	Close	Noon	Close	Noon	Close	Noon	Close	Noon	Close	Noon	Close
New Contract	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
January 1939	4.76	4.78	4.76	4.78	4.73	4.73	4.70	4.72	4.77	4.78	4.80	4.78	4.78	4.78
March	4.76	4.78	4.76	4.78	4.73	4.73	4.70	4.72	4.77	4.78	4.80	4.78	4.78	4.78
May	4.73	4.75	4.73	4.75	4.70	4.70	4.67	4.69	4.74	4.75	4.76	4.74	4.74	4.74
July	4.63	4.66	4.65	4.67	4.62	4.62	4.64	4.65	4.66	4.66	4.66	4.64	4.64	4.64
October	4.47	4.50	4.52	4.56	4.51	4.52	4.53	4.54	4.55	4.55	4.55	4.53	4.53	4.53
December	4.48	4.50	4.53	4.56	4.52	4.52	4.55	4.55	4.56	4.56	4.56	4.54	4.54	4.54
January 1940	4.49	4.50	4.52	4.56	4.51	4.52	4.54	4.55	4.56	4.56	4.56	4.54	4.54	4.54
March	4.51	4.53	4.56	4.59	4.56	4.56	4.58	4.58	4.59	4.59	4.59	4.57	4.57	4.57
May	4.53	4.55	4.58	4.61	4.58	4.58	4.60	4.60	4.61	4.61	4.61	4.59	4.59	4.59
July	4.53	4.55	4.58	4.61	4.58	4.58	4.61	4.61	4.62	4.62	4.62	4.60	4.60	4.60

BREADSTUFFS

Friday Night, Feb. 3, 1939

Flour—There was no appreciable change in the flour situation locally. Consumers are reported as more or less on the sidelines, with the wheat markets' action providing very little incentive to buy or sell. Flour export sales have increased under the export indemnity plan, according to John T. Harding, agricultural economist of the marketing section of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration. Very large sales of American flour were made during the month of December, particularly to China. This apparently is the only feature of interest.

Wheat—On the 28th ult. prices closed 1/8c. down to 1/4c. higher. The market averaged slightly lower to-day, influenced largely by forecasts of unsettled weather for the domestic Southwest. The downturn of 1/8c. was checked, however, by firmness at Liverpool. The market closed 1/8c. down to 1/4c. up, a flurry in the closing minutes carrying prices of the March and May contracts temporarily above the previous day's finals. Liverpool quotations, due 1/8c. higher to 1/8c. lower, closed 3/8c. to 5/8c. up, strengthened by confirmation of the sale of seven Australian cargoes of wheat to Vladivostok, eastern Russia, and reports of additional inquiry. Buenos Aires wheat was unchanged and Rotterdam closed 1/8c. off to 1/8c. up. Little overnight export business was reported. There was little precipitation in the United States grain belt, but forecasts were for rain or snow in the North Central States and in much of the Southwest area. On the 30th ult. prices closed unchanged to 1/8c. lower. The extreme uneasiness regarding Chancellor Hitler's speech later in the day had a decidedly overshadowing effect on all markets. Early declines in wheat amounting to as much as 1/8c. were wiped out by a rally of a full cent, most of which was scored in the final hour. Nearly all the selling at the opening was in sympathy with declines of 1c. to 1 1/4c. at Liverpool, and when this was exhausted, the market rebounded because of lack of further pressure. Buying was slow, as most dealers awaited a cue from abroad. Weakness in Liverpool was ascribed largely to increased world shipments of wheat and lagging export demand. Vladivostok, eastern Russia, was inquiring for more wheat, but no further business could be confirmed, although Australian offerings

were cheaper. Pacific Coast United States offers were reported withdrawn. Exporters said a few scattered loads of Canadian Pacific wheat had been sold, along with some hard winter wheat from the Gulf, but the volume was small. On the 31st ult. prices closed 1/8c. to 1 1/8c. net lower. World wheat markets dropped more than a cent a bushel today as political and financial circles evaluated Chancellor Hitler's speech and professed to see less danger of war in its implications. With securities markets strong, grains followed the familiar pattern of easing political tension. Aiding the wheat price downturn was a forecast of more precipitation over the domestic grain belt. Early in the session, however, the market found support at around 69c. for May wheat and later at 68 1/2c. While the source of this buying could not be traced, it appeared to come through many commission houses and probably represented removal of hedges against sales to the Government subsidy agency, according to brokers. Foreign demand for grains remained slow, with Eastern Russia reported withdrawing temporarily from the market. The political situation and price declines apparently cut importers' interest to a minimum, cables said. Moderate buying through houses with Eastern and Southwestern connections as well as elevators was in evidence at times, while cash and shipping interests were sellers. On the 1st inst. prices closed 1/8c. to 1/2c. net higher. Wheat prices advanced fractionally today in a very quiet trade. The market's firmness was a reflection of Liverpool, which also staged a recovery after yesterday's decline. The day's highs in Chicago were established in the first few minutes of trading and after that prices fluctuated nervously. Early gains of as much as 1/8c. registered the market's reaction to the higher tendency at Liverpool, but buying was limited and prices bobbed up and down nervously much of the time. Failure of the Southwest to receive substantial moisture encouraged some buying, although precipitation was reported in many sections of the wheat belt. Fair weather was forecast for most of the Southwest, and dust was reported blowing at scattered points.

On the 2d inst. prices closed unchanged to 3/8c. up. The wheat market was unusually dull today, with prices only a shade higher after bobbing within a narrow groove throughout the session. Pit business was at a standstill much of the time. Speculative interest was at a minimum, and filling of many orders from the grain trade was slowed because of the small volume. Traders said all interests apparently were waiting out market developments pending the growing season. Strength at Liverpool, where prices closed unchanged to 3/8c. higher, after losing part of a wider advance, was influenced largely by reports of frost damage in France, firmer Australian offers, and improved United Kingdom demand for Argentine wheat. The upward tendency abroad was checked by expectations of larger shipments from Argentina. British interests bought some Argentine wheat, and approximately 200,000 bushels of Pacific Coast Canadian were sold abroad, but no domestic business was confirmed.

Today prices closed 1/8c. net lower. After fluctuating only 3/8c. the entire session, one of the narrowest trading ranges in market records here, wheat prices closed a shade lower today. Volume of business was unusually small. Traders said speculative activity was at a minimum. This is normally a dull season in the grain trade. After the first hour scattered sales lowered quotations as much as 3/8c. The Liverpool market lost early fractional gains, reflecting sale of two cargoes of Australian wheat to Shanghai and firmer Canadian offers. Local inquiry for wheat at Liverpool was very light. Export trade showed no signs of revival, although flour business continued, according to reports. Domestic flour sales under the subsidy program are believed by some dealers to total about 3,000,000 barrels so far this season. The goal for the crop year is 5,000,000 barrels. Open interest in wheat on Thursday reached a total of 90,389,000 bushels.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK

No. 2 red	Set.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
	87 3/4	87 1/2	86 3/4	88 1/2	88 1/4	88

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO

	Set.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
March	69 3/4	69 3/4	68 3/4	69 3/4	69 1/2	68 3/4
May	69 3/4	69 3/4	68 3/4	69 3/4	69 1/2	68 3/4
July	69 3/4	69 3/4	68 3/4	69 3/4	69 1/2	68 3/4
September	70 1/4	70 1/4	69 1/4	69 3/4	69 3/4	69 3/4
Season's High and When Made	73 3/4	73 3/4	73 3/4	73 3/4	73 3/4	73 3/4
Season's Low and When Made	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4
March	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4
May	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4
July	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4
September	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN WINNIPEG

	Set.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
March	63 1/4	63 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4
July	64 1/4	64 1/4	63 1/4	63 1/4	63 1/4	63 1/4
October	64 1/4	64 1/4	63 1/4	63 1/4	64	63 1/4

Corn—On the 28th ult. prices closed unchanged to 3/8c. lower. The corn market appeared to be dominated by wheat, and fell off in the early trading. The Argentine Government's report of acreage seeded to corn, although smaller than generally expected, had little influence on the market. Acreage seeded to corn was estimated at 13,343,400 acres, compared with 15,184,000 last year and an average for the last five years of 16,695,000 acres. The Buenos Aires corn market closed 1/8c. lower to 1/8c. higher. On the 30th ult. prices closed 1/8c. off to 1/8c. up. Despite lower Buenos Aires corn prices, the market here rallied with wheat and closed firm. Receipts were light and wintry weather indicated increased feeding requirements. Some export inquiry was reported.

On the 31st ult. prices closed 5/8c. to 7/8c. net lower. Lower corn prices reflected declines in corn at Buenos Aires, which closed 5/8c. to 3/4c. lower. More rains were reported in Argentina, with crop improvement noted in some areas. Cold weather and snows in the domestic corn belt were expected to act as a further check on marketing and increase feeding requirements. Receipts were light and bookings to arrive even smaller, while export business remained quiet. On the 1st inst. prices closed unchanged to 1/4c. higher. Corn held about steady near the lowest level in two months. Receipts continued light, but no export business was reported.

On the 2d inst. prices closed unchanged to 1/4c. net higher. Firmness in corn was attributed to an early upturn of 1c. at Buenos Aires on top of yesterday's 1/2 to 1 1/8c. higher close. However, later prices there declined, with the new crop contract leading the downturn. A shipping interest was on the buying side here. Liverpool reported better inquiry for Argentine parcels, but demand for American was quiet. Today prices closed 3/8 to 5/8c. net lower. Corn prices were around 1/2c. lower at times, reflecting further losses at Buenos Aires. No new export business was reported. Open interest in corn was 63,737,000 bushels.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK. Table with columns: No. 2 yellow, Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. and values for each day.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO. Table with columns: March, May, July, September and values for each month.

Season's High and When Made | Season's Low and When Made. Table with columns for months and years (1938, 1939) and values.

Oats—On the 28th ult. prices closed unchanged. Trading was exceptionally quiet, with prices moving very little. On the 30th ult. prices closed unchanged to 1/4c. down. Trading was light and devoid of any special feature. On the 31st ult. prices closed unchanged to 3/8c. lower. Trading was quiet, with the undertone relatively steady. On the 1st inst. prices closed unchanged to 1/4c. higher. Trading was dull, with fluctuations extremely narrow.

On the 2d inst. prices closed unchanged to 1/8c. higher. This market was dull and attracted little attention. Today prices closed unchanged to 1/8c. higher. Trading was light and without feature.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO. Table with columns: May, July, September and values for each month.

Season's High and When Made | Season's Low and When Made. Table with columns for months and years (1939) and values.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN WINNIPEG. Table with columns: May, July, October and values for each month.

Rye—On the 28th ult. prices closed unchanged to 1/8c. down. Extreme dullness prevailed in this market also, traders apparently awaiting the momentous speeches about to be delivered by certain European political leaders. On the 30th ult. prices closed unchanged to 1/8c. higher. The market was dull, though the undertone was steady. On the 31st ult. prices closed 1c. off. This grain responded to the heaviness of wheat and corn values, which were in turn more or less affected by the easing of the political tension abroad. On the 1st inst. prices closed 1/4c. to 1/2c. net higher. There was little of interest in the market for rye, though prices held steady and a shade higher.

On the 2d inst. prices closed 1/4c. higher. This was a relatively good showing. The firmness of rye was attributed largely to short covering. Today prices closed unchanged to 1/8c. lower. Trading was in small volume and without any significant feature.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO. Table with columns: May, July, September and values for each month.

Season's High and When Made | Season's Low and When Made. Table with columns for months and years (1939) and values.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN WINNIPEG. Table with columns: May, July, October and values for each month.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF BARLEY FUTURES IN WINNIPEG. Table with columns: May, July, October and values for each month.

Closing quotations were as follows:

FLOUR. Table listing various flour types (Spring pat. high protein, Spring patents, etc.) and their prices per bushel.

GRAIN. Table listing various grain types (Wheat, Corn, Rye, Barley) and their prices per bushel.

All the statements below regarding the movement of grain—receipts, exports, visible supply, &c.—are prepared by us from figures collected by the New York Produce Exchange. First we give the receipts at Western lake and river ports for the week ended last Saturday and since Aug. 1 for each of the last three years:

Table showing receipts of flour, wheat, corn, oats, rye, and barley at various ports (Chicago, Minneapolis, Duluth, etc.) for the week ended Saturday, Jan. 28, 1939, and since Aug. 1, 1938, 1937, and 1936.

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for the week ended Saturday, Jan. 28, 1939, follow:

Table showing total receipts of flour and grain at seaboard ports for the week ended Saturday, Jan. 28, 1939, and since Jan. 1, 1938, 1937, and 1936.

* Receipts do not include grain passing through New Orleans for foreign ports on through bills of lading.

The exports from the several seaboard ports for the week ended Saturday, Jan. 28, 1939, are shown in the annexed statement:

Table showing exports of wheat, corn, flour, oats, rye, and barley from various ports (New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, etc.) for the week ended Saturday, Jan. 28, 1939, and since Jan. 1, 1938, 1937, and 1936.

The destination of these exports for the week and since July 1, 1938, is as below:

Table showing the destination of exports for the week and since July 1, 1938, listing countries and quantities.

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports Saturday, Jan. 28, were as follows:

GRAIN STOCKS. Table showing visible supply of grain (Wheat, Corn, Oats, Rye, Barley) in the United States and various ports.

Total Jan. 28, 1939... Total Jan. 21, 1939... Note—Bonded grain not included above: Wheat—New York, 565,000 bushels; New York afloat, 18,000; Buffalo, 482,000; Buffalo afloat, 3,158,000; Erie, 1,284,000; Albany, 851,000; Boston, 108,000; Philadelphia, 108,000; Baltimore, 92,000; total, 6,646,000 bushels, against 3,345,000 bushels in 1938.

	Wheat Bushels	Corn Bushels	Oats Bushels	Rye Bushels	Barley Bushels
Canadian—					
Lake, bay, river—seab'd	29,754,000	-----	1,300,000	111,000	720,000
Pt. William & Ft. Arthur	39,620,000	-----	774,000	893,000	935,000
Other Can. & other elev.	83,950,000	-----	6,836,000	1,083,000	5,220,000
Total Jan. 28, 1939	153,324,000	-----	8,910,000	2,087,000	6,875,000
Total Jan. 21, 1939	154,764,000	-----	8,858,000	2,046,000	6,970,000
Total Jan. 29, 1938	60,088,000	-----	9,361,000	1,558,000	9,734,000
Summary—					
American	100,748,000	47,944,000	14,965,000	8,186,000	10,368,000
Canadian	153,324,000	-----	8,910,000	2,087,000	6,875,000
Total Jan. 28, 1939	254,072,000	47,944,000	23,875,000	10,273,000	17,243,000
Total Jan. 21, 1939	257,898,000	47,057,000	23,982,000	10,209,000	17,325,000
Total Jan. 29, 1938	122,413,000	39,174,000	33,359,000	5,994,000	19,863,000

The world's shipment of wheat and corn, as furnished by Broomhall to the New York Produce Exchange, for the week ended Jan. 27, and since July 1, 1938, and July 1, 1937, are shown in the following:

Exports	Wheat			Corn		
	Week Jan. 27, 1939	Since July 1, 1938	Since July 1, 1937	Week Jan. 27, 1939	Since July 1, 1938	Since July 1, 1937
	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels
No. Amer.	5,778,000	143,058,000	112,749,000	587,000	61,656,000	19,524,000
Black Sea.	1,320,000	69,071,000	60,690,000	1,208,000	9,593,000	3,049,000
Argentina.	2,105,000	36,390,000	28,364,000	1,638,000	90,211,000	176,117,000
Australia.	2,789,000	62,531,000	50,785,000	-----	-----	-----
India.	-----	7,344,000	11,296,000	-----	-----	-----
Other countries	624,000	22,832,000	13,568,000	583,000	29,105,000	61,131,000
Total	12,619,000	331,226,000	277,452,000	4,016,000	190,565,000	259,821,000

Corn Loans of CCC Aggregated \$66,065,598 on 116,039,193 Bushels Through Jan. 26—The Commodity Credit Corporation announced on Jan. 27 that through Jan. 26 loans made by the Corporation and lending agencies under the 1938-39 corn loan program aggregate \$66,065,598.24 on 116,039,193 bushels. The loans by States are as follows:

State	Amount	Bushels	State	Amount	Bushels
Colorado	\$9,535.81	17,552	Missouri	\$2,455,801.59	4,311,317
Illinois	14,482,426.05	25,417,864	Nebraska	5,716,349.09	10,075,257
Indiana	1,738,253.42	3,050,624	Ohio	279,926.48	400,911
Iowa	33,838,728.49	59,408,109	Pennsylvania	1,134.87	1,991
Kansas	1,180,729.42	2,092,685	South Dakota	1,471,717.54	2,620,853
Kentucky	33,628.29	58,997	Wisconsin	22,833.09	40,058
Minnesota	4,814,534.10	8,452,945			

Weather Report for the Week Ended Feb. 1—The general summary of the weather bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture, indicating the influence of the weather for the week ended Feb. 1, follows:

Early in the week an extensive depression moved from Upper Michigan eastward, attended by widespread precipitation in Eastern States and followed by a sharp drop in temperature, especially in the Southeast. Elsewhere fair weather was the rule, with generally higher temperatures in the far West. Closely following the storm another "low" passed from the northern Plains southeastward to the Ohio Valley and thence eastward on Jan. 25-26; precipitation was less extensive, being confined mostly to areas from the upper Mississippi Valley eastward. During the middle days of the week high pressure, attended by moderately cool weather, prevailed over Southern States and precipitation was mostly of a local character.

On the morning of Jan. 28 pressure was low over the southern Plains and southern Rocky Mountain districts and on the following morning there appeared on the weather map an energetic depression central over Oklahoma. This storm increased in extent and intensity as it moved rapidly northeastward over the Ohio Valley to New England at the close of the week. It was attended by widespread and mostly heavy rains in central and southern States east of the Mississippi River and heavy rain, turning to snow, in northern areas. The close of the week brought a sharp drop in temperature to Eastern States, but readings were not unusually low for the season.

The week, as a whole, was colder than normal in a considerable northeastern area and temperatures were moderately low in most of the South and parts of the far Southwest. Elsewhere the week was warmer than normal, outstandingly so from the lower Missouri Valley and lower Great Plains northward where considerable areas had plus departures ranging from 10 degrees to 16 degrees.

The winter so far has been outstandingly warm in the Northwest. For example, since November, Bismarck, N. Dak., has had only one week with below-normal temperature and the deficiency for that week was only 4 degrees. The other 8 weeks all averaged above normal; most of them far above, the general average showing an excess of 10 degrees. It was the warmest January of record in some interior sections.

During the past week minimum temperatures as reported from first-order stations did not go below freezing farther south than south-central Georgia, central Alabama, western Tennessee, and northern Texas. In the immediate Ohio Valley the minima ranged from 6 degrees at Pittsburgh, Pa., to 23 degrees at Cairo, Ill., and in the Mississippi Valley from 2 degrees at Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn., to 44 degrees at New Orleans, La. While the minima were decidedly low in the interior of the Northeast, Canton, N. Y., reporting -26 degrees on Jan. 27, subzero readings were confined to a narrow belt along the northern border of the country. White River, Ontario, and Doucet, Quebec, each reported a minimum of -46 degrees.

Substantial to heavy precipitation occurred practically everywhere east of the Mississippi River, the weekly totals ranging rather generally from about 1 to 3 inches. The heaviest amount reported was 3.8 inches at Nantucket, Mass., and Hatteras, N. C. Between the Mississippi River and Rocky Mountains light to moderate rains occurred in the south and some heavy falls were reported in parts of Arkansas and southern Missouri, but elsewhere the amounts were generally small with no appreciable precipitation in most of the Great Plains. In the far West rain or snow was widespread, but in mostly light to moderate amounts, except along the Pacific coast from northern California northward where the totals were substantial, ranging up to 3.4 inches at Tatoosh Island, Wash.

Additional moderate to fairly heavy rains in most of the Southern States brought further improvement in soil-moisture conditions, except that parts of Florida are still too dry. Rains were especially helpful in the lower Rio Grande Valley in supplying much needed moisture for winter vegetable crops. Also, relatively cool weather in the South was beneficial in holding fruit buds in check; in the heavy producing peach sections of Georgia buds are still in favorable dormancy. No damaging temperatures occurred in the Southern States. Shipment of truck continued from Florida, but considerable damage is in evidence from the freeze of last week, although strawberries show favorable revival from the cold. Winter truck in more southern sections continues generally in fair to satisfactory condition with some potatoes being planted in eastern Gulf districts.

Because of stormy weather and frequent precipitation outside work on farms was largely at a standstill from the Mississippi Valley eastward. However, the additional precipitation was decidedly favorable in the Ohio and lower Missouri Valleys, but still insufficient to be of material benefit in the western Great Plains; in the southern Plains south of Kansas the topsoil now has sufficient moisture for present needs. Also, additional snow in the Great Basin and Rocky Mountain States was helpful.

The topsoil continues very dry in some southern Plains districts, especially in central and northwestern Kansas where there was some blowing during the week. In Nebraska a melting snow was favorable and the topsoil is now fairly moist, except in the south-central part of this State. There has been heavy snowfall in some far northwestern mountains, the greatest storage reported being nearly 16 feet at Mt. Baker Lodge, Wash. The con-

tinued mild weather has made an unusually favorable winter so far for stock in the great western grazing areas.

Small Grains—There has been no material change in the weather effect on winter-grain crops. East of the Mississippi River some reports of alternate freezing and thawing come from the southern Ohio Valley, but in general winter wheat continues in fair to satisfactory condition in most sections of the eastern belt.

In the extreme lower Missouri Valley there is another favorable snow cover with the outlook, especially in Missouri, improved materially. Also, south of Kansas winter wheat continues to show improvement, but still is in poor to very poor condition in some sections, especially the eastern half of Oklahoma and parts of west-central Texas. The Panhandle of Texas continues in unusually favorable condition.

In Kansas conditions show further improvement in the eastern half, but there is little or no change elsewhere. Some soil blowing was reported in central and north-west sections. In Nebraska melting snow has improved the condition of the topsoil which is now sufficiently moist for present needs; there is some apprehension as to the restful of an ice cover in southeastern South Dakota. In Montana wheat needs snow protection, but in the Pacific Northwest and the Great Basin conditions continue largely favorable with additional moisture beneficial.

THE DRY GOODS TRADE

New York, Friday Night, Feb. 3, 1939.

Adverse weather conditions in the metropolitan area and severe storms prevailing in parts of the Middle West exerted a retarding effect on retail business during the period under review. A contributing factor cited in some quarters to explain the somewhat disappointing response of the consuming public to January promotions was the observation that store assortments of desirable goods revealed important gaps in not a few instances. For the week ended Jan. 21 department store sales the country over, according to the Federal Reserve Board, were unchanged from the corresponding period of 1938, although the break-up of figures showed marked irregularities in the various sections, with Boston and Minneapolis reporting gains of 11% and 10%, respectively, while the Philadelphia district recorded a loss of 11%. New York and Brooklyn stores showed a 6.6% decline in sales and in Newark establishments a decrease of 1.6% was registered.

Trading in the wholesale dry goods markets continued quiet, as retail as well as wholesale merchants in general maintained their previous cautious attitude. Some fair-sized orders on percales and other wash goods came into the market and the opening of the new lines of heavy-weight underwear, at moderate price reductions from last season, resulted in the placing of a satisfactory volume of initial purchases. Activity in other staple items was held back by the delay in opening fall lines. Notwithstanding the present lull in trade, rather cheerful views prevailed with regard to the spring season, inasmuch as both retail and wholesale inventories are said to be in urgent need of early replenishment. Business in silk goods remained quiet although fair interest continued in sheer fabrics, with prices maintaining previous levels. Trading in rayon yarns gave indications of an early pickup as the continued high ratio of weaving operations is expected to result in an early resumption of buying, following the recent lull caused by foreign political apprehensions. Yarn shipments during January are reported to have made an excellent showing with estimates pointing to a rise of over 60% as compared with January, 1938.

Domestic Cotton Goods—Trading in the gray cloths markets remained inactive, and prices followed a slightly easier trend. While reports from finished goods markets were fairly encouraging, and, according to all indications, supplies in users' hands are far from burdensome, little buying interest manifested itself as trade factors preferred to await a further clearing of the business outlook and the foreign political horizon before adding to their commitments. In some quarters it was felt that the present inactivity will inevitably lead to new curtailment moves and that in consequence a sudden decision of buyers to replenish stocks may cause an overnight reversal in sentiment. Business in fine goods was spotty. Little was done in the combed goods markets but great activity developed in voiles, with prices showing a stiffening trend and with mills reported to have sold up their production until the end of the current month. Hopsackings continued to move in good volume and larger inquiries appeared for carded piques. Closing prices in print cloths were as follows: 39-inch 80's, 6 to 6 1/4c.; 39-inch 72-76's, 5 3/4 to 5 1/2c.; 39-inch 68-72's, 5 to 5 1/2c.; 38 1/2-inch 64-60's, 4 1/4c.; 38 1/2-inch 60-48's, 3 3/4c.

Woolen Goods—Trading in men's wear fabrics remained quiet. The tight situation concerning spring fabrics having been somewhat relieved by the regular flow of deliveries, interest turned to the supply of fall goods, with indications that a moderate increase in prices may eventuate. Reports from retail clothing centers made a fairly good showing, as severe winter weather prevailing in wide sections of the country enabled stores to clear their stocks of heavy apparel. Business in women's wear goods continued very active, with interest again centering in tweeds and boucles, and with a number of mills diverting their machinery to the production of these fabrics. Suitings and dress goods also moved in better volume. With present sales of women's wear fabrics outstripping production, a substantial increase in the backlog of orders in this division is believed to have taken place.

Foreign Dry Goods—Trading in linens turned quiet and little interest was shown in dress goods and suitings. Some activity continued in household linens as retailers proceeded to replenish depleted stocks. Business in burlap was listless. Speculative activities in the Calcutta market subsided because of the absence of further news concerning reported large British sandbag purchases. Domestically lightweights were quoted at 4.00c., heavies at 5.25c.

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News Items

Cities Establish Departments for Disposal of Foreclosed Land—Faced with the double loss of tax revenues and depressed property values from large areas of city-owned land acquired through tax delinquency, many cities have established real estate departments to improve their financial conditions, information from the Municipal Finance Officers' Association showed on Jan. 31.

In Portland, Ore.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Sacramento, Calif.; Boston, Mass.; Buffalo and Harrison, N. Y.; Vero Beach, Fla.; Des Moines, Iowa and elsewhere, the departments are charged generally with managing and selling unredeemed foreclosed property. The task may include programs to recover delinquent taxes and return land to owners.

Portland's real estate department since its establishment several years ago has sold more than 4,150 lots and parcels of land for approximately \$2,100,000 and, in its effort to prevent tax foreclosures, has collected nearly \$400,000 in back taxes and assisted 700 out of 2,500 delinquent tax accounts to pay up and save owners' properties. Real estate dealers have been paid about \$12,000 since 1932 for their part in land transactions.

The property sales division of Sacramento during the last several years has handled more than 800 pieces of property, realizing about \$500,000. Vero Beach recently put 75 lots back on the city tax rolls and caused \$70,000 to be invested in new buildings through a plan of selling city-owned lots at low prices providing homes were built upon them. Purchasers were allowed to pay with city bonds, and \$30,000 in bonds were canceled.

A recent appraisal of 11,070 lots owned by Buffalo and surrounding Erie County evaluated them at \$3,697,616. The sale of 70 lots netted the city \$44,000 during the last year.

Yonkers, N. Y., through cooperation between its real estate division and city planning commission, has acquired practically all needed sites for schools, parks, playgrounds and nurseries from tax-foreclosed lands.

Milwaukee, which pioneered in the city real estate department field, is also emphasizing a program for sale or rent of city-owned lands. Milwaukee owns more than 6,750 parcels of land valued at nearly \$2,000,000. The city collected \$40,000 in rents from 107 tenants in 1935.

Illinois—Bill Introduced to Require Public Sale of Municipal Bonds—A bill requiring municipalities to publish notice of the sale of ad valorem tax bonds exceeding \$10,000 in general and financial newspapers, was introduced in the Illinois House of Representatives on Jan. 25 by Rep. Drennan J. Slater, Republican, Evanston.

The Act said notice of the sale must be published in a general newspaper 10 days prior to the sale and in addition, notice must be published in a newspaper which provides financial news and carries advertisements of stock and bond sales.

"The proposal will stop the abuse of political subdivisions or of municipalities in selling bonds at unwarranted discounts to personal friends or benefactors," Mr. Slater said.

He said the same law was in force in numerous States and that it had proved successful in every instance. He said Wisconsin, Indiana and Iowa had similar legislation.

The published notice must state the amount and purpose of the bond issue, the time and place where bids will be received, and other information deemed advisable by municipality officials, the measure said.

With regard to the newspaper, the proposal said, the determination of the governing body shall be conclusive, and where no financial newspaper is available, publication in a general newspaper shall be sufficient.

Mr. Slater said all bids could be rejected, and if none were received the municipality could sell the bonds privately within 30 days after the date set for the receipt of bids.

Massachusetts—Governor Moves to End Break With Government on Flood Control—Asking the Legislature to relieve the Federal Government of taxation on land taken for flood control and thus permit inauguration of flood control projects, Governor Leverett Saltonstall on Feb. 1 made the first formal break in the deadlock between Federal authorities and New England's Republican governors.

In a special message "based on information submitted to me by United States Senator David I. Walsh, Democrat, of Massachusetts, after conferences by him with the Secretary of War," Governor Saltonstall said Senator Walsh had informed him "the Act of 1938 under which the Federal Government will operate does not give it the right for any other development, such as power rights, &c."

"Therefore," Governor Saltonstall added, "it does not appear to me that any substantial question of States' rights is involved."

"While the Federal Government can acquire land for flood control, it can only do so as any other individual citizen or corporation and thus becomes a subject to all taxation of the State unless the State Legislature takes action required."

Governor Saltonstall's request for the enabling legislation was the first open move by a New England Governor to harmonize the conflicting attitudes of the States and the Federal Government since Vermont's Governor, Fred D. Akken, led other New England Governors in a declaration that the Federal flood control program violated States' rights.

The Governors took the position that acquisition of lands for the projects without a written contract with the State Governments was an invasion of their jurisdiction.

Since that time, Senator Walsh has conferred with the Governors of Vermont, New Hampshire and Massachusetts as well as with War Department chiefs.

Municipal Auditing Procedure Outlined—Municipalities can secure proper audits only by reaching a clear understanding with the auditing agency on the scope and type of account examination, according to a study issued on Feb. 2 by the National Committee on Municipal Accounting.

The study, which included recommendations for municipal audit procedure, pointed out that unless a municipality indicates whether the audit is to be "general"—inclusive of all financial transactions—or "special"—

limited to some particular phase of activity such as pension or sinking funds—the audit will not provide a satisfactory check for financial business.

Nor will the audit be considered satisfactory to the public if the independent auditor is too limited in the scope of his work or if his report is "smothered" as soon as it is filed, the Committee said.

Municipal finances today undergo audits by three kinds of agencies, the study pointed out. Several States require audits by a State agency. In other cases independent private accountants or independent municipal auditors are the examiners.

If an independent private auditor is hired, the study recommended that first consideration be given to the qualifications of the auditor, with preference for certified public accountants. Disapproval was expressed of the practice of awarding contracts for audits on a competitive bid basis.

Whatever auditing agency is used, the study suggested that the auditor be responsible for making specific comments and recommendations on any non-conformity of the municipality's accounting practice with procedure prescribed by local statute or charter. The independent auditor, the study said, "should also report any failure of the accounting department to make financial reports required or needed for administrative purposes."

In addition to describing the scope and procedure of a general audit and the work in connection with verification, the study outlined the content of the audit report as made up from statement forms recommended by the Committee.

Represented on the National Committee on Municipal Accounting are nearly a dozen professional accounting and governmental organizations. The audit procedure study was directed by F. H. Elwell, Director of the School of Commerce, University of Wisconsin, and T. Coleman Andrews, City Comptroller, Richmond, Va.

New Jersey—Tax Structure Analyzed in New Princeton Survey—A new analysis of New Jersey's tax structure, showing the variety, yield and purposes of its 28 State and local taxes, which bring in \$330,000,000 annually, was presented by the Princeton Survey of New Jersey Finance in the first of a series of "Public Interest Folders" issued on Jan. 31.

The folder, headed "Tax Facts Must Precede Tax Acts," is the first public statement of the survey since it was inaugurated at Princeton University in November, 1938, through a gift from Mr. and Mrs. James H. R. Cromwell, to seek simplification and improvement of the State tax structure. The series of folders, says Dr. Harold W. Dodds, President of the university, in an open letter to taxpayers which appears on the first page, is "to inform the taxpayer on essential facts of the tax structure and to set the background for proposals looking toward the financial stability of our State and local governments and fair treatment for our tax-paying citizens and our economic enterprises."

Of the 28 taxes, the survey shows, the State levies 20, totaling \$104,000,000; the municipalities three, amounting to \$113,000,000; the counties three, totaling \$41,000,000; the school districts one, aggregating \$71,000,000, and the special districts one, totaling \$400,000.

Who spends the taxes is discussed in another subdivision. "Although the State levies \$104,000,000 in taxes, only \$73,000,000 are expended for State purposes, the balance being distributed to the municipalities and school districts," this section says. "The net result is that our \$330,000,000 of taxes are spent as follows: State purposes, \$73,000,000; county purposes, \$41,000,000; municipal purposes, \$127,000,000; school purposes, \$89,000,000; special district purposes, \$400,000."

In addition to the \$330,000,000 levied in taxes, the folder points out, the State and local governments receive other revenues, such as fees, licenses, permits and other receipts, totaling some \$90,000,000 and bringing total revenues available for expenditures to approximately \$400,000,000.

New York, N. Y.—Realty Valuation Placed at \$16,736,870,917—Increase of \$86,573,123—The Tax Commission on Feb. 1 announced final assessed valuations of taxable real estate for the first six months of 1939 totaling \$16,736,870,917 and fixed tentative valuations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, at \$16,747,533,292.

Compared with the final assessed valuation for the fiscal year of 1938 which began on Jan. 1 the figure for the current six months showed an increase of \$86,573,123. The tentative assessed valuations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1939, show a further increase of \$10,662,375.

Because of the change in the city's fiscal year which formerly began on Jan. 1 and will henceforth begin on July 1, a special six months' tax period was necessary this year.

In making public the figures, William Stanley Miller of the City Tax Department criticized the State Tax Commission for placing low valuations on special utility franchises. As a result, he said public utilities will be required to pay taxes on a sum which is \$73,713,249 less than full value.

New York, N. Y.—Mayor Asks Council Aid in Reducing Budget Requests—Mayor La Guardia in a special message to the City Council on Jan. 31 said that he felt it necessary to "unashamedly beg" of it to cut budget requests for 1939 as much as possible.

The budget will come before the Council shortly after the hearings on the proposed new tax budget are closed. The present outlook of the city is for a big deficit, and therefore the Mayor strongly urged on the Council the need of a "ruthless application of the pruning knife."

According to a statement of the Director of the Budget, practically all Departments are asking for more money this year, and if the allocations were granted, the estimates would amount to more than \$50,000,000 in advance of the \$590,000,000 budget the city had last year.

It is understood that the Mayor was prompted to send his message to the City Council because of the proposals of Governor Lehman to the Legislature for the imposition of new taxes, which would hit New York City heavily. The Mayor, in fact, commented adversely on the suggestions for new taxes proposed by the Governor.

New York State—Governor's Budget Asks \$64,000,000 in New Taxes—Proposed Outlay Largest in State History—An estimated State deficit of \$33,100,000 at the end of the present fiscal year and appropriations in the 1939-40 budget \$24,400,000 in excess of the amount of revenue obtainable from the present tax program to the end of the fiscal year in 1940 led Gov. Herbert H. Lehman to recommend to the Legislature on Jan. 30 the imposition of three new taxes estimated to yield \$64,000,000.

The recommendation, made in the Governor's budget message, also provided for continuance of the present tax program.

The State budget for 1940 totals \$411,682,122, compared with \$393,462,381 in the budget for the present fiscal year. The Governor pointed out that \$14,200,000 of the \$18,200,000 net increase in appropriations for 1940 is attributable to unemployment relief. The State budget proper, he added, actually shows a decrease of \$3,400,000, the cost of State government in the next fiscal year being estimated at \$145,289,290, as compared with \$148,672,756 in the 1939 budget.

The three new taxes proposed by Governor Lehman follow:
1. An increase in the rate of the excise tax on hard liquors from \$1 to \$1.50 per gallon, estimated to yield \$8,000,000.

2. A tax on business turnover at the rate of two-tenths of 1%, estimated to yield \$30,000,000.

This would be in addition to the present tax by New York City of one-tenth of 1%.

This tax would be computed on gross receipts of business and payment for professional services, with a \$2,500 exemption for each three months.

3. A direct state tax on real estate at the rate of \$1 on each \$1,000 of valuation, estimated to yield \$26,000,000.

The direct State tax would not be paid by the taxpayer until 1940 as the real estate taxes for 1939 have already been levied. It was pointed out that net income of corporations for 1939 would thus be unaffected.

The Governor in adopting the budget had four alternatives: A cut in unemployment relief; a cut in State aid; a bond issue for unemployment relief; permit the accumulation of a deficit in the face of the constitutional mandate to the contrary.

The Governor believed that the amount of the budget cannot be materially reduced below what it now is for several years to come and that continuous provisions must be made for unemployment relief.

In presenting his program to the Legislature the Governor declares: "This particular program is the one that, in view of all the circumstances, I consider best calculated to meet our problem. I know that you will give it careful consideration and trust that you will give it your approval. If you do not approve it, it becomes your duty to suggest some substitute program which will yield equivalent financial results."

Taxes Listed

- The special emergency taxes now in force include:
1. Doubling of rates on the stock transfer tax, first adopted in 1933 and continued as emergency taxes since that time.
 2. Inheritance taxes (rates increased 25%), adopted in 1933 and extended from year to year.
 3. Third cent on motor fuel, adopted in 1933 and continued since that time.
 4. Fourth cent on motor fuel, adopted in 1935, omitted in 1936, but again imposed in 1937 and 1938.
 5. Franchise taxes increased, adopted 1935 and continued through 1938.
 6. Insurance premium taxes increased, adopted in 1935 and continued through 1938.
 7. Unincorporated business tax, 4% on net income, adopted in 1935 and continued in 1936, 1937 and 1938.
 8. A 2% tax on gross income of utilities, except railroads, adopted in 1937 and continued through 1938.
 9. One per cent gross income, adopted in 1933 and continued since that date. This is the tax the Governor proposes shall be made payable in instalments when integrated in the tax law.

Other Taxes Permanent

Two other emergency taxes imposed in 1933 have already been made a permanent part of the tax set-up. Lowered exemptions and doubled rates for the personal income tax, adopted in 1933, were made permanent in 1935.

Method of Taxing Capital Gains Amended—A United Press dispatch from Albany on Jan. 30 reported as follows:

The State Tax Department announced a new method of taxing capital gains under the State's personal income tax today. Henceforth capital gains from sales or exchanges of stocks, bonds, lands, buildings and other property will be computed separately and taxes at rates other than those applying to ordinary net income. Capital gains are taxed at one-half the rates for ordinary net income. The State income tax is due on April 15.

"Where capital gain or loss is considered," the Department explained, "the schedule must contain the complete information called for in respect to each sale or exchange of capital assets within the taxable year. If the amount shown as the basis of computation is other than the actual cost of the property sold or exchanged, full details must be furnished regarding the value at date of acquisition of the property.

"Capital losses, however, can be deducted only from capital gains and should losses exceed capital gains, no deduction of the excess is allowed against any other item of income."

New York State—Additions to List of Legal Investments—The following information is taken from a bulletin issued at Albany on Jan. 27 by the State Banking Department, showing certain securities which have been approved by the State Banking Board, acting under authority granted by legislation enacted in 1938:

Legal Investments for Savings Banks

American Telephone & Telegraph Co.—	
Debenture 5 1/8s, Nov. 1, 1943.....	\$95,171,000
Debenture 3 1/2s, Oct. 1, 1961.....	175,000,000
Debenture 3 1/8s, Dec. 1, 1966.....	160,000,000
Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co.—	
Debenture 7s, Oct. 1, 1944.....	\$9,665,000
Debenture 6s, Aug. 1, 1951.....	12,887,000
Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Co.—	
Debenture 3 1/8s, June 1, 1968.....	30,000,000
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., Inc.—debenture 3 1/2s, Oct. 15, 1950.....	50,000,000
Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co.—	
Debenture 3 1/8s, Apr. 1, 1962.....	45,000,000
Total par value outstanding.....	577,723,000

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 14 (f) of the Banking Law, the Banking Board, acting upon the application of Savings Banks Trust Co., has authorized savings banks to invest in the above listed corporate interest bearing obligations.

In taking this action, the Banking Board does not presume to pass upon the question of whether the above listed securities constitute suitable investments for any particular savings bank. This question can be decided only by the management of individual banks with due regard to all relevant considerations.

United States—Opposition Mounts on Proposal to Tax Municipal Bonds—It is reported from Washington that a number of Senators are opposed to proposals to authorize the Federal Government to tax income from State and municipal bonds by means of a legislative Act.

Members of the "Conference on State Defense," an organization formed recently to block the proposed legislation, indicated that they had received assurances of support from Senators Borah, Barbour, McNary, Danaher, Davis, Lewis, Lucas, Nye, Ashurst and Holman. These Senators, it was said, have committed themselves either to outright opposition or to the position that the authority can be gained only through a constitutional amendment.

Further, members of the conference committee are noting that Senator Harrison, Chairman of the Finance Committee, has stated publicly that he believes a constitutional amendment may have to be asked before a tax on State and municipal securities can be validated in the courts.

Meanwhile, it was announced from the conference offices that Mayor LaGuardia of New York City will appear before the Brown Senate Committee in opposition to the proposed tax and that altogether more than 50 representatives of State and municipal governments have asked to be heard in opposition.

Mayor LaGuardia, it was indicated, will base his opposition on estimates by Dr. Harley Lutz, Princeton University Professor of Public Finance, that the increased cost to New York City from such a tax will be more than \$15,000,000.

The sharpest Senate criticism of the proposal came from Senator Borah (Rep., Idaho) who, in a letter made public by the conference, not only questioned the constitutionality of the tax by statute but also condemned it as unsound.

Bond Proposals and Negotiations

ALABAMA

COVINGTON COUNTY (P. O. Andalusia), Ala.—BOND SALE—The \$60,000 issue of coupon highway bonds offered for sale on Feb. 1—V. 148, p. 307—was awarded jointly to Ward, Sterne & Co. of Birmingham, and the First National Bank of Opp, as 2 1/4s, paying a price of 100.289, a basis of about 2.18%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Due \$10,000 from Feb. 1, 1941 to 1946, incl.

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—BONDS AUTHORIZED—It is reported that an ordinance was adopted recently by the Board of Commissioners, authorizing the issuance of a total of \$10,427,000 in 4% and 4 1/4% semi-annual refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. The bonds shall be redeemable, at the option of the city on any Jan. 1 or July 1 subsequent to the date of said bonds, upon notice published one or more times, at least 30 days prior to the date upon which such redemption before maturity is to be made, in a financial newspaper published in New York, and in a newspaper published in Montgomery. No interest shall accrue or be payable on any said bond so called for redemption unless said city shall make default in the payment of such bond. Each of said bonds shall be redeemable at 105% of the principal amount thereof if redeemed on or before Jan. 1, 1944, at 104% of the principal amount thereof if redeemed thereafter and on or before Jan. 1, 1949, at 103% of the principal amount thereof if redeemed thereafter and on or before Jan. 1, 1954, at 102% of the principal amount thereof if redeemed thereafter and on or before Jan. 1, 1959, at 101% of the principal amount thereof if redeemed thereafter and on or before Jan. 1, 1964, and at 100% of the principal amount thereof if redeemed thereafter and on or before Jan. 1, 1969. Said bonds shall be callable as a whole or in part. Prin. and int. payable in lawful money at the Chemical Bank & Trust Co., New York.

TALLADEGA COUNTY (P. O. Talladega), Ala.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION—In connection with the sale of the \$166,000 3% semi-annual school warrants to King, Mohr & Co. of Montgomery, Stubbs, Smith & Lombardo of Birmingham, and the Cumberland Securities Corp. of Nashville, at a price of 99.85, as noted in our issue of Dec. 31, it is now reported that the said warrants are dated Jan. 1, 1939, in the denomination of \$1,000, and mature Jan. 1, as follows: \$5,000 in 1940 and 1941, \$6,000 in 1942, \$8,000 in 1943, \$9,000 in 1944, \$10,000 in 1945 to 1947, \$11,000 in 1948 to 1950, \$12,000 in 1951, \$11,000 in 1952 and 1953 and \$12,000 in 1954 to 1956. Prin. and int. payable at the Talladega National Bank, Talladega. Legality to be approved by Reed, Hoyt & Washburn of New York. \$115,000 of the warrants were issued for capital outlay purposes and \$51,000 for refunding purposes.

ARIZONA

PINAL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 21 (P. O. Collidge), Ariz.—BOND SALE DETAILS—It is now reported that the \$33,000 3 3/4% semi-annual school bonds offered by Peters, Weiter & Christensen of Denver, for public subscription, as noted here—V. 148, p. 307—were actually purchased by the above firm, in association with Dahlberg, Durand & Co. of Tucson, paying a price of 100.506, a basis of about 3.69%. Due from Jan. 1, 1940 to 1953, inclusive.

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ARKANSAS, State of—HOUSE PASSES APPROPRIATION BILLS—We quote in part as follows from an Associated Press dispatch out of Little Rock on Jan. 23:

"The Arkansas House today passed 11 appropriation bills calling for an expenditure of about \$10,500,000 next year with little or no debate. The budget bills passed included one to appropriate \$10,173,654.88 annually for payment of principal and interest on the State's bonded debt. "The Budget Committee introduced and placed on the calendar Gov. Carl E. Bailey's bill providing for investing of a part of the State's cash balances in Arkansas bonds."

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—BONDS OFFERED—Sealed bids were received until 1:30 p. m. on Feb. 1 by Mayor R. E. Overman for the purchase of a \$27,000 issue of 4% semi-annual sewer bonds. Due in 1965 and 1966.

MADISON COUNTY (P. O. Huntsville), Ark.—BONDS SOLD TO PWA—The \$50,000 issue of court house bonds offered for sale on Jan. 28—V. 148, p. 613—was purchased by the Public Works Administration, as 4s at par, according to the County Clerk.

MILLER COUNTY (P. O. Texarkana) Ark.—BOND SALE—The \$250,000 issue of 4% semi-annual court house and jail bonds offered for sale on Feb. 2—V. 148, p. 613—was awarded to the W. R. Stephens Investment Co. of Little Rock, paying a price of 102.67, a basis of about 3.75%. Dated Jan. 2, 1939. Due from Jan. 1, 1940 to 1964 incl.

MONROE COUNTY (P. O. Clarendon), Ark.—BONDS SOLD—A \$17,000 issue of 4% semi-annual jail construction bonds is reported to have been sold on Jan. 24 to the Merchants & Planters Bank of Clarendon, paying a premium of \$100, equal to 100.588. Due in 22 years. It is said that the proceeds of this sale will be supplemented by a Public Works Administration grant.

CALIFORNIA

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY (P. O. Martinez), Calif.—BONDS NOT SOLD—It is stated by the County Treasurer that the \$59,000 issue of 5% semi-annual Reclamation District No. 1619 bonds offered on Jan. 17—V. 147, p. 3942—was not sold as no bids were received. Dated March, 10, 1936. Due from Jan. 1, 1940 to 1956, incl.

LOS ANGELES (City and County) Calif.—REPORT ON FIRST HALF TAX COLLECTIONS—The following statement was issued recently by the Gatzert Co. of Los Angeles:

The 1938-39 first half tax collections for Los Angeles County and Los Angeles City show a slight improvement over the same period last year. On the other hand a number of district obligation issues in the city and county show a decrease in tax collections. This is due to an increase in the tax rates in some districts as a result of the withdrawal of gas tax cococations and also due to a recent decision rendered by the Supreme Court of California ordering the County Tax Collector to accept payment of general county taxes without the payment of taxes levied for principal and interest on certain acquisition and improvement district issues. We understand the county also permits a property owner to pay his general taxes without the payment of taxes levied for principal and interest on certain municipal improvement district bonds.

The following are comparisons of collections for some of the cities and districts:

	—Collected 1st Half—	1938-39	1938-39
Los Angeles County.....	57.04%	57.71%	
Los Angeles City.....	55.91%	56.23%	
Beverly Hills.....	58.43%	57.97%	
Culver City.....	59.89%	64.08%	
Glendale.....	54.99%	56.03%	
Santa Monica.....	59.77%	60.83%	
Los Angeles M. I. D. No. 61.....	43.22%	40.51%	
Los Angeles M. I. D. No. 62.....	49.81%	41.19%	
Los Angeles A. & I. No. 1.....	37.94%	19.55%	
Inglewood A. & I. No. 2.....	55.49%	33.60%	
Los Angeles County A. & I. No. 28.....	51.68%	26.61%	
Los Angeles County A. & I. No. 64.....	23.64%	11.61%	
Los Angeles County A. & I. No. 70.....	48.93%	23.45%	
Los Angeles County A. & I. No. 149.....	51.53%	23.21%	
Bell A. & I. No. 1.....	46.77%	44.13%	
Bell A. & I. No. 2.....	45.93%	43.74%	

Upon request we will be glad to send to all parties interested free of charge a copy of the report showing a comparison of first half tax collections for 1937-38 and 1938-39 covering all cities and districts in Los Angeles Co.

SAN FRANCISCO (City and County), Calif.—BOND OFFERING—We are informed by David A. Barry, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, that he will receive sealed bids until 3 p. m. on Feb. 6, for the purchase of a \$650,000 issue of registered airport bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed

5%, payable J-J. Dated Jan. 1, 1938. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$65,000 in 1940 to 1949. Bidders for the bonds shall specify in their bids the interest rate or rates desired. The bonds will not be sold at a price less than the par value, together with accrued interest, at the rate or rates named on the bonds to date of delivery. The bonds will be awarded to the bidder or bidders offering to purchase the bonds bearing the lowest rate or rates of interest, and if two or more bidders offer to purchase the bonds bearing the same lowest rate or rates of interest, the bonds will be awarded to the bidder offering to purchase the same at such rates of interest and in such amounts that the net interest cost to the city and county of the accepted bid will be the lowest net interest cost, considering the amount of interest to be paid on the bonds during the life thereof at the rates specified and deducting any premium or premiums bid in addition. No alternative bids will be considered by the Board of Supervisors. Prin. and int. payable at the office of the Treasurer of the city and county. The approval of Orrick, Dahlquist, Neff & Herrington of San Francisco, as to the legality of the bonds will be furnished the purchaser. These bonds were authorized at an election held on Nov. 2, 1937, are serials, and a tax is levied each year to pay the principal and interest falling due during the succeeding year. The bonds may be registered as to principal only. Enclose a certified check for 5% of amount bid, payable to the Clerk Board of Supervisors.

Bidder—	Amount	Maturity	Rate	Interest Cost
Fenner & Beane, New York and	\$10,000	1939	1 3/8 %	1.372%
Carlberg & Cook, Inc., West Palm Beach (Successful bid)	10,000	1940	1 3/8 %	
	10,000	1941	2 1/8 %	
	10,000	1942	2 1/8 %	
	10,000	1943	2 3/8 %	
	9,000	1944	2 3/8 %	
Total amount of bid	\$59,000			
	\$10,000	1939	1 %	
	10,000	1940	1 1/2 %	
	10,000	1941	2 %	
Equitable Securities Corp., Nashville	10,000	1942	2 1/2 %	
	10,000	1943	3 %	
	9,000	1944	3 %	
Premium	16			
Total amount of bid	\$59,016			1.441%

FLORIDA BONDS

Clyde C. Pierce Corporation

Barnett National Bank Building
JACKSONVILLE - FLORIDA
Branch Office: TAMPA
First National Bank Building T. S. Pierce, Resident Manager

FLORIDA

EVERGLADES DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. West Palm Beach), Fla.—RFC SUBMITS REFINANCING LOAN PROPOSAL—H. C. Rorick, Chairman of the above district, has received from the Board of District Commissioners, under date of Jan. 31, a formal notification that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has made an offer to loan the district an amount equivalent to 30 cents on the dollar of the outstanding indebtedness of the district, plus a further payment to the bondholder in the amount of 8 cents on each dollar of the principal amount of the indebtedness. This letter is accompanied by supporting data showing the board's ability and willingness to conform with the Corporation's offer. The Bondholders' Protective Committee is urged to submit the offer immediately to depositing bondholders.

FLORIDA, State of—BOND TENDERS INVITED—It is announced by W. V. Knott, State Treasurer, that pursuant to Chapter 18852, Laws of Florida, he will receive sealed bids and (or) tenders until 11 a. m. on Feb. 13, for trade for:

\$3,000 Sarasota County Special Tax School District No. 8 refunding bonds, series A, 3-5%, serial numbers 3-8 inc., at \$500 each, dated July 1, 1936, due July 1, 1966, with July 1, 1939, ASCA.

All bids and tenders should be submitted in duplicate and must be firm for 15 days subsequent to date of opening, i.e., through Feb. 28.

FLORIDA, State of—REPORT ON MUNICIPAL SITUATION—The following information is taken from the January bulletin issued by A. B. Morrison & Co. of Miami:

The market on Florida municipals has shown a better tone in the last two or three weeks. Offerings have been scarce and prices on the whole are stronger. These comments apply generally to those bonds which have been refunded for a sufficient length of time to demonstrate the political subdivision's ability to live up to the terms of the refunding. It applies more particularly to the situations where under the terms of the refunding the interest rate has stepped up recently or will increase within the next six months to a year and investors are satisfied that the increased interest rate can be met satisfactorily.

From time to time in these bulletins we have given the high points of refunding operations in progress at various points in Florida having a debt of \$1,000,000 or more. We are listing below a few of the refunding plans that have recently been signed, declared operative or that are in process. We are segregating these by counties with special road districts and school districts therein, by cities, and by other special districts. The terms as regards the county are for county-wide road and highway issues unless otherwise designated. A listing of these refunding programs does not necessarily carry our recommendation as regards the plan but is simply a listing for the information of interested bondholders.

Refunding—Florida—Counties

Special Road and Bridge Districts—Special Tax School Districts	
Hardee County, dated Jan. 1, 1938, due Jan. 1, 1968, optional interest	3-5 1/2 %
Hardee County, C. H. & J. dated Jan. 1, 1938, due Jan. 1, 1968, optional interest	3-5 1/2 %
Hardee County, S. R. & B. D., 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 16 dated Jan. 1, 1938, due Jan. 1, 1968, optional interest	3-5 1/2 %
Hillsborough County, S. R. & B. D., No. 3, 5, 7, and 8, dated 1938, due 1968, optional interest	4-6 %
Hillsborough County, S. R. & B. D., No. 6, dated July 1, 1938, due July 1, 1968, optional interest	3-6 %
Hillsborough County, special assessment refunding dated May 1, 1938, due May 1, 1939-53	4 1/2 %
Lee County, dated Jan. 1, 1938, due Jan. 1, 1968 optional interest	5 1/2 %
Okechobee County, highway and C. H., dated June 1, 1938, due June 1, 1968, optional interest	3-5 1/2 %
Pasco County, dated April 1, 1938, due 1943-63 (Inc.) interest	4 %
Pasco County, Highlands, Gulf & S. R. & B. D., 1, dated April 1, 1938, due 1943-63, inclusive	4 %
Polk County, S. R. & B. D., 2, 3, 10, 12, 15, 16 and 17, dated Jan. 1, 1938, due serially optional	5 1/2 %
Polk County, S. R. & B. D., 14, dated Jan. 1, 1938, due serially, optional interest	5 %
St. Lucie County, (all bonds) dated July 1, 1937, due July 1, 1967, optional interest	4-6 %
St. Lucie County, S. R. & B. D., 5, dated July 1, 1937, due July 1, 1967, optional interest	4-6 %

Refunding—Florida—Cities

Arcadia, dated July 1, 1937, due July 1, 1967, optional interest	2-5 %
Avon Park, dated July 1, 1937, due July 1, 1967, optional interest	2-5 %
Cocoa, dated July 1, 1937, due July 1, 1972, optional interest	3-5 %
Dunedin, dated Jan. 1, 1938, due Jan. 1, 1973, optional interest	1-5 %
Ft. Pierce, dated July 1, 1937, due July 1, 1972, optional interest	1 1/2 -5 %
Haines City, dated April 1, 1938, due April 1, 1968, optional interest	2-5 %
Hialeah, dated Jan. 15, 1938, due Jan. 15, 1968, optional interest	3-5 %
Homestead, dated Oct. 1, 1937, due Oct. 1, 1967, optional interest	2-5 %
Key West, dated Jan. 1, 1938, due Jan. 1, 1973, optional interest	1-4 %
Manatee City, dated July 1, 1938, due July 1, 1968, optional interest	1-4 %
Palmetto, dated July 1, 1938, due July 1, 1978, optional interest	1-4 %
Sebring (50% prin. cut) dated Sept. 1, 1938, due Sept. 1, 1968, optional interest	1-4 1/2 %

Refunding—Florida—Other Districts

Ft. Pierce Port District, dated July 1, 1937, due July 1, 1967, optional interest	3-6 %
Ocean Shore Impt., dated Dec. 1, 1937, due ser. 1939-60, int. 4, 4 1/2 & 5 %	

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.—CERTIFICATE SALE—The \$214,000 issue of 4% semi-annual gas plant revenue coupon certificates offered for sale on Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 463—was awarded to H. C. Spear & Sons Co., and A. C. Allyn & Co., both of Chicago, jointly, paying a price of 102.877, a basis of about 3.68%. Dated Oct. 1, 1938. Due from Oct. 1, 1939 to 1958; callable at the option of the city on any interest payment date.

PENSACOLA, Fla.—BIDDERS—In connection with the sale made on Jan. 23 of the \$59,000 water revenue certificates of 1938, as described in our issue of Jan. 23—V. 148, p. 613—the following report on the bids received was sent to us by the City Clerk-Comptroller:

GEORGIA

COLUMBUS, Ga.—CHAIN STORE TAX AUTHORIZED—The City Commission on Jan. 30 enacted a special chain-store tax ordinance. The tax is based on the number of national units and graduates from \$50 to \$1,200 a store. Chains having up to 10 stores will pay \$50 annually on each outlet in Columbus and on an advancing scale on additional locations up to 400 units with \$1,200 a store as a premium. This year's tax is due March 1, next. The action of the Commission follows a recent special referendum on the tax.

IDAHO

BONNEVILLE COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Idaho Falls), Idaho—BOND SALE—The \$150,000 issue of coupon refunding bonds offered for sale on Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 613—was awarded to Harriman Ripley & Co., Inc., as 2 1/2%, paying a premium of \$870, equal to 100.58, a basis of about 2.45%. Dated Jan. 1, 1939. Due from Jan. 1, 1944 to 1958, incl.

EMMETT, Idaho—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p. m. on Feb. 6 by R. B. Wentworth, City Clerk, for the purchase of a \$29,002.51 issue of Local Improvement Oil Surfacing District No. 2 bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 6%, payable semi-annually. The bonds shall be issued in denom. of not more than \$500 each, provided, however, that only bond No. 1 of such issue shall be of a denom. other than a multiple of \$100 and shall be redeemable as near as may be one-third each year. Prin. and int. payable at the City Treasurer's office. Enclose a certified check for 5% of the amount bid.

ILLINOIS

ALEXIS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 215, Ill.—BOND SALE—An issue of \$3,000 4% additional ground bonds was sold on Jan. 12 to the White-Phillips Corp., Davenport, at par. Dated Jan. 16, 1939 and due in 1943. Denom. \$1,000. Registered form, with interest payable J-D.

CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT, Ill.—BOND CALL—The district has called for redemption on March 1, 1939, a total of \$6,009,000 refunding bonds, series B, due Sept. 1, 1955, and including \$438,000 of 5% Nos. 10584-11021; \$6,000 of 6% 11022-11033; \$74,000 of 4 1/2% 11034-11107; \$10,000 4 1/2% 11108-11127; \$1,044,000 of 4 1/2% 11128-12171; \$12,000 of 4 1/2% 12172-12195; \$516,000 of 4 1/2% 12196-12711, and \$3,919,000 of 4% obligations, numbered variously 12713-17230.

JERSEYVILLE, Ill.—BOND SALE—The \$50,000 4% general obligation sewer bonds offered Jan. 18—V. 148, p. 463—were awarded to the Mercantile-Commerce Bank & Trust Co., St. Louis, as 2 1/2%, at a price of 100.067, a basis of about 2.49%. Dated Sept. 1, 1938 and due Sept. 1, 1957, as follows: \$2,000, 1940 to 1947, incl.; \$3,000 from 1948 to 1957, incl., and \$4,000 in 1958. The White-Phillips Corp., Davenport, second high bidder, offered a price of 100.062 for 2 1/2%.

FAIRBURY, Ill.—BOND SALE NOT CONSUMMATED—The sale of \$10,000 3 3/4% sewer bonds to the White-Phillips Corp., Davenport—V. 148, p. 151—was not consummated, as the voters rejected the issue at an election on Jan. 24.

INDIANA

CRAWFORDSVILLE SCHOOL CITY, Ind.—BOND OFFERING—Romulus D. Minnich, Secretary of Board of School Trustees, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. (Central Standard Time) on Feb. 8, for the purchase of \$30,000 not to exceed 4% interest unlimited tax school bonds. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$2,000 on July 1 from 1941 to 1955, incl. Bidder to name a single rate of interest, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. A certified check for \$1,500, payable to order of the school city, is required. Legal opinion of Matson, Ross, McCord & Clifford of Indianapolis will be furnished the successful bidder.

MADISON COUNTY (P. O. Anderson), Ind.—BOND SALE—The \$10,000 series A of 1939 bridge building bonds offered Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 464—were awarded to Bartlett, Knight & Co. of Chicago as 1 1/2% at par plus \$42 premium, equal to 100.42, a basis of about 1.38%. Dated Jan. 15, 1939, and due as follows: \$1,000 July 15, 1940; \$1,000 Jan. 15 and July 15 from 1941 to 1944, incl., and \$1,000 Jan. 15, 1945. Second high bid of 100.105 for 1 1/2% was made by Raffensperger & Hughes of Indianapolis.

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Fort Wayne), Ind.—BOND SALE—The issue of \$22,000 building bonds offered Jan. 27—V. 148, p. 614—was awarded to the Central Securities Corp., Fort Wayne, as 2 1/2%, at a price of 100.54, a basis of about 2.17%. Dated Feb. 3, 1939 and due as follows: \$850 July 15, 1940; \$850 Jan. 15 and July 15 from 1941 to 1952, incl., and \$750 Jan. 15, 1953. The Fletcher Trust Co. of Indianapolis, second high bidder, offered a price of 100.53 for 2 1/2%.

IOWA

AMES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Ames), Iowa—BOND SALE—The \$50,000 issue of school building bonds offered for sale on Feb. 2—V. 148, p. 614—was awarded jointly to Shaw, McDermott & Sparks of Des Moines, and Stern Bros. & Co. of Kansas City, as 1 1/2%, paying a premium of \$245, equal to 100.49, a basis of about 1.66%. Dated March 1, 1939. Due from May 1, 1940 to 1949 incl.

CERRO GORDO COUNTY (P. O. Mason City), Iowa—BOND OFFERING—It is reported that sealed and open bids will be received until Feb. 20 at 10 a. m. by L. L. Raymond, County Treasurer, for the purchase of a \$45,500 issue of funding bonds. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Due as follows: \$15,500 on May 1 and \$15,000 on Nov. 1, 1940, and \$15,000 on May 1, 1941. Prin. and int. (M-N) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. Bidders should specify the rate of interest, but no award will be made on any bid of less than par and accrued interest. The approving opinion of Chapman & Cutler of Chicago will be furnished. Enclose a certified check for 2% of the principal amount of bonds bid for.

CLINTON, Iowa—BONDS TO BE SOLD—It is stated by H. W. Cowles, City Clerk, that \$6,390.45 5% semi-annual sewer construction bonds will be turned over to the contractors as payment for their work.

DAKOTA CITY, Iowa—BONDS SOLD—It is reported by the Town Clerk that \$3,500 water works extension bonds have been purchased by the Carleton D. Beh Co. of Des Moines, as 2 1/2%, at a price of 100.142, a basis of about 2.48%. Due on Nov. 1, 1945.

HARLAN, Iowa—BOND SALE—The \$22,000 issue of coupon semi-ann. swimming pool bonds offered for sale on Jan. 24—V. 148, p. 309—was awarded to the Carleton D. Beh Co. of Des Moines, as 2 1/2%, paying a premium of \$285, equal to 101.295, a basis of about 2.27%. Dated Jan. 3, 1939. Due from Nov. 1, 1941 to 1953; optional after Nov. 1, 1945. Other bids were listed officially as follows:

Names of Other Bidders—		Price Bid
Shaw-McDermott & Sparks	2 1/2 %	plus \$270 premium
Jackley & Co.	2 1/2 %	plus \$280 premium
W. D. Hanna Co.	2 1/2 %	plus \$265 premium
Vieth-Duncan-Wood	2 1/2 %	plus \$240 premium
Pyper Bros.	2 1/2 %	plus \$140 premium
Paine-Webber	2 1/2 %	plus \$130 premium
Polk-Petersen	2 1/2 %	plus \$125 premium
Harlan National Bank	2 1/2 %	par

HARCOURT, Iowa—MATURITY—It is now reported that the \$11,900 water works bonds sold to Wheelock & Cummins of Des Moines, as 3s, paying a price of 101.84, as noted here—V. 148, p. 308—are due on Nov. 1, as follows: \$500, 1943 to 1948; \$1,000, 1949 to 1956, and \$900 in 1957; optional on Nov. 1, 1948, giving a basis of about 2.77%.

MOUNT AYN, Iowa—BOND SALE—The \$40,000 issue of water works bonds offered for sale on Jan. 30—V. 148, p. 614—was awarded to the Security State Bank of Mount Ayr, according to the Town Clerk.

OSCEOLA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Osceola) Iowa—BONDS SOLD—We are informed by E. G. Banta, District Secretary, that a \$20,000 issue of coupon refunding bonds was purchased on Jan. 16 by the Clarke County State Bank of Osceola, as 2s, paying a premium of \$78, equal to 100.39, a basis of about 1.89%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Jan. 1, 1939. Due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$5,000 in 1940, and \$3,000, 1941 to 1945 incl. Interest payable J-J.

SANBORN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Sanborn), Iowa—BONDS SOLD—It is reported that an issue of \$55,000 3% semi-ann. building bonds was purchased on Jan. 19 by the Iowa-Des Moines National Bank & Trust Co. of Des Moines.

SCOTT COUNTY (P. O. Davenport), Iowa—BONDS SOLD—It is stated that \$252,000 coupon funding bonds were awarded on Jan. 26 at public auction to Halsey, Stuart & Co. of Chicago, as 2 3/4s, paying a price of 102.2027, a basis of about 2.04%. Dated Jan. 1, 1939. Denom. \$1,000. Due Jan. 1, as follows: \$5,000 in 1945, \$10,000 in 1946, \$25,000 in 1947, \$20,000 in 1948, \$25,000 in 1949, \$27,000 in 1950, \$30,000 in 1951 and 1952, and \$40,000 in 1953 and 1954. Prin. and int. payable at the County Treasurer's office.

BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT—The successful bidder offered the above bonds for public subscription at prices to yield from 1.35% to 2.10%, according to maturity.

TAYLOR COUNTY (P. O. Bedford) Iowa—BONDS SOLD—It is reported that \$15,000 funding bonds were purchased recently by the white-Phillips Corp. of Davenport, as 1 1/4s.

KANSAS

CRAWFORD COUNTY (P. O. Girard), Kan.—BOND SALE DETAILS—In connection with the sale of the \$124,000 2 3/4% semi-ann. refunding bonds to the Small-Milburn Co. of Wichita, as noted here—V. 148, p. 464—it is now reported that R. E. Crummer & Co. of Wichita headed the account in the purchase of the bonds. Legality approved by James G. Martin of Wichita.

It is reported that the bonds which were refunded bore various rates of interest and due dates.

KENTUCKY

CHRISTIAN COUNTY (P. O. Hopkinsville), Ky.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received by G. N. Duffer, County Treasurer, until 10 a. m. on Feb. 7, for the purchase of a \$22,000 issue of 4% coupon semi-ann. school building bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 Dec. 1, 1940 to 1961. The bonds are payable as to both principal and interest solely from and secured by a first lien on and an exclusive pledge of a fixed amount of the revenues of the school building to be constructed from their proceeds and are further secured by a statutory mortgage lien on said building as provided by Chapter 15 of the 1934 Acts of the General Assembly of Kentucky, First Extra-ordinary Session. The bonds may be called on any interest payment date at a price per bond equal to the principal amount thereof and interest accrued thereon plus a redemption premium of 3/4 of 1% of the principal amount for each year or fraction thereof from the redemption date to the stated date of maturity upon notice of at least 30 days and not exceeding 45. Enclose a certified check for \$500, payable to the County Treasurer.

ELSMERE (P. O. Erlanger), Ky.—BOND OFFERING—It is stated by Ervin L. Bramlage, City Attorney, that he will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. on Feb. 7, for the purchase of a \$55,000 issue of 4 1/2% coupon semi-annual sewer system and sewage plant bonds. Dated March 1, 1939. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 in 1942 to 1944, \$2,000 in 1945 to 1950, \$3,000 in 1951 to 1955, \$4,000 in 1956 to 1960 and \$5,000 in 1961. Any or all of said bonds are callable at 103% of the principal sum or any interest payment date after March 1, 1945. Prin. and int. payable in Erlanger. The bonds are authorized by Section 27411-1 of Chapter 133, Laws of Kentucky.

HARLAN COUNTY (P. O. Harlan), Ky.—BONDS SOLD TO PWA—It is stated by W. W. Lewis, County Treasurer, that three issues of 4% semi-annual school building bonds aggregating \$91,000 were offered for sale on Feb. 1 and they were purchased at par by the Public Works Administration. No other bid was received.

KENTUCKY, State of—BRIDGE BOND OFFERING—It is announced by Robert Humphreys, Commissioner of Highways, that he will on Feb. 23, at 10 a. m. (Central Standard Time), receive and publicly open sealed competitive bids for the purchase of a total of \$325,000 Bridge Revenue Project No. 16 bonds, to be issued by the Department of Highways, an agency of the Commonwealth, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 172, Acts of 1928, and Chapter 157, Acts of 1930, General Assembly of Kentucky to provide funds together with a Public Works Administration grant in the amount of \$206,535 to construct a bridge crossing the Green River at or near Livermore, Ky.

Dated Jan. 1, 1939. Denom. \$1,000. Due Jan. 1, 1959; and will be redeemable in whole or when selected by lot, in part, at the option of the Department on Jan. 1, 1940, or on any interest payment date thereafter prior to maturity on 30 days' notice at par and accrued interest, together with a premium of 2 1/2% of the principal amount thereof if redeemed on or prior to Jan. 1, 1944; 2% if redeemed thereafter and on or prior to Jan. 1, 1946; 1 1/2% if redeemed thereafter and on or prior to Jan. 1, 1948; 1% if redeemed thereafter and on or prior to Jan. 1, 1950; 1/2% if redeemed thereafter and on or prior to Jan. 1, 1952; and without premium if redeemed thereafter and before maturity. Principal and interest payable in lawful money at the Chemical Bank & Trust Co., New York, or at the Kentucky Title Trust Co., Louisville, or at the State Treasurer's office. The bonds will be subject to registration if the name of the holders as to principal alone. All bonds of the issue will bear interest at the same rate, not exceeding 3% in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%, such interest being payable July 1, 1939, and semi-annually thereafter on the first days of January and July in each year, and each bid must specify the rate of interest and the price bid for the bonds of this issue, however, no bid for the purchase of the bonds of this issue at a price of less than \$960 per bond plus accrued interest will be considered for the reason that it is necessary that the sum of \$519,161.45 be made available to insure the completion of the proposed bridge across the Green River at or near Livermore, Ky., and approaches thereto, and to insure the payment of interest on the bonds of this issue during the construction of the bridge and approaches. Of this amount, \$206,535 has been made available through a PWA grant, leaving a balance of \$312,626.45 to be made available through the sale of bonds. In considering the relative merits of the bids submitted the Commissioner will estimate the date on which the bridge will be open to traffic to be Jan. 1, 1940, and the future annual revenue from this project to be \$35,000, and will also assume that the revenue in excess of interest requirements will be used for the purpose of retiring bonds on each interest payment date to the fullest extent possible under the terms of the Trust Indenture. The bonds will be delivered and payment therefor must be made in accordance with the bid of the successful bidder at the Fidelity and Columbia Trust Co., Louisville, on or before March 10, 1939, at 11 a. m. (Central Standard Time). The bonds will be secured by a trust indenture to be executed by and between the Department of Highways, an agency of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and a trust company qualified to act, and hereafter to be selected by the Department of Highways as trustee, as provided by Chapter 157, Acts of 1930, which trust indenture will contain substantially the same provisions and covenants as the trust indenture heretofore executed by the Department of Highways, dated July 1, 1938, securing the Commonwealth of Kentucky Bridge Revenue bonds of Project No. 15, insofar as such provisions and covenants are applicable. If the definitive bonds shall not be prepared and ready for delivery on March 10, 1939, the Department of Highways will issue temporary printed bonds of the same denomination, which will be exchangeable for definitive bonds when the latter are ready for issuance and delivery. All bidders must agree to furnish and pay for the cost of printing the trust indenture and the lithographing of the bonds as furnished by the Department of Highways, the forms and terms of which will be substantially the same as the outstanding Commonwealth of Kentucky Bridge Revenue bonds of Project No. 15, with such changes as may be necessary to conform

with the provisions of this notice of sale, and all bidders, must agree to pay the fees and expenses of Masslich & Mitchell, of New York, for the preparation of the trust indenture and their legal opinion approving the validity of the proceedings, sale, execution and delivery of the bonds. Enclose a certified check for \$6,500, payable to the State Treasurer.

WINCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOL CORPORATION (P. O. Winchester), Ky.—BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT—An issue of \$175,000 3% first mortgage bonds is being offered by the Bankers Bond Co. of Louisville, for public subscription at prices to yield from 2.55% to 3%, according to maturity desired. Interest payable F-A. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Denom. \$1,000. Due Feb. 1 as follows: \$5,000 in 1945, \$10,000 in 1946 to 1950, \$15,000 in 1951, \$10,000 in 1952, \$15,000 in 1953, \$10,000 in 1954, \$15,000 in 1955, \$10,000 in 1956 and \$15,000 in 1957 to 1959. Callable as a whole or in part at 103 on any interest payment date through 1944, thereafter at par and accrued interest. Prin. and int. payable at the Peoples State Bank & Trust Co., Winchester. Legality approved by Woodward, Dawson & Hobson of Louisville.

LOUISIANA

JEANERETTE, La.—BOND SALE DETAILS—In connection with the sale of the \$12,000 water, and \$5,000 sewer bonds to the First National Bank of Jeanerette, as 4s, as noted here on Jan. 28—V. 148, p. 615—it is now reported that the bonds were sold for a price of 100.588, and mature from Feb. 1, 1940 to 1949.

LAFAYETTE, La.—BOND SALE—The \$59,635 issue of refunding bonds offered for sale on Jan. 28—V. 148, p. 152—was purchased by F. P. Clark of Alexandria as 4 3/4s, according to report. Dated Jan. 1, 1939. Due from Jan. 1, 1940 to 1964.

LINCOLN PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Ruston), La.—BOND OFFERING—It is stated by H. L. Campbell, Secretary of the Parish School Board, that he will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. on Feb. 28 for the purchase of a \$75,000 issue of school bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 6%, payable M-S. Dated March 1, 1939. Denom. \$1,000. Due March 1, 1941 to 1964. The approving opinion of B. A. Campbell of New Orleans will be furnished the purchaser. These bonds are part of an authorized issue of \$325,000, of which \$200,000 have been sold. Enclose a certified check for \$1,500, payable to the Treasurer.

MADISON PARISH (P. O. Tallulah) La.—BOND SALE—The \$25,000 issue of 4% semi-ann. court house bonds offered for sale on Feb. 1—V. 148, p. 309—was awarded to Mr. J. H. Baughman of Tallulah, paying a price of 206.22, a basis of about 2.98%. Dated Sept. 1, 1938. Due from Sept. 1, 1939 to 1950 incl.

MARYLAND

BALTIMORE, Md.—RELIEF BOND ISSUE RULED VALID BY COURT OF APPEALS—The Maryland Court of Appeals, at Annapolis, recently handed down a decision upholding the validity of city's proposed \$4,625,000 relief bond issue. This affirms the ruling of Baltimore Circuit Court in which the city had instituted a taxpayer's suit to determine validity of the bonds.—V. 147, p. 3944. It is expected that a date will be set soon for the sale of the issue. The question of the bond validity had been raised by bankers after the city had sold the bonds last November. The issue had been awarded to a syndicate headed by Smith, Barney & Co., at 100.2539 for 1 1/8, who later withdrew their offer. The main question was whether the issue was proper under emergency powers of the city in view of the fact that a greater portion of the amount to be raised would represent refinancing of past relief expenditures paid for from other municipal funds. The \$4,625,000 bond issue was authorized to repay funds diverted from regular city functions during 1936, 1937 and 1938 for relief of the unemployed in Baltimore.

MASSACHUSETTS

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—BOND AND NOTE FINANCING—The \$50,000 departmental equipment (street improvement) bonds offered Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 615—were awarded to Jackson & Curtis of Boston as 1s, at a price of 100.37, a basis of about 0.88%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939 and due \$10,000 on Feb. 1 from 1940 to 1944 incl. Some of the other bids for the issue at 1% interest were: Goldman, Sachs & Co., 100.30; National Shawmut Bank of Boston, 100.28; Whiting, Weeks & Stubbs, 100.27; First Boston Corp., 100.239.

NOTE SALE—The \$500,000 revenue notes offered the same day were awarded to the Second National Bank of Boston at 0.18% discount. Dated Jan. 31, 1939 and due Nov. 3, 1939. Others bids included following: First National Bank of Boston, 0.227%; R. S. Marshall & Co., 0.24%.

EASTON, Mass.—NOTE SALE—The \$150,000 tax anticipation notes offered Jan. 27 were awarded to the New England Trust Co. of Boston at 0.24% discount. Due \$50,000 Nov. 21 and \$25,000 Dec. 15, in 1939, also \$75,000 Feb. 5, 1940. The Merchants National Bank and the Second National Bank, both of Boston, each named a rate of 0.36%.

FRAMINGHAM, Mass.—CORRECTED NOTE SALE—The Second National Bank of Boston purchased on Jan. 27 an issue of \$400,000 notes at 0.15%, not \$300,000 as previously noted in—V. 148, p. 615. The notes mature \$300,000 on Nov. 10 and \$100,000 on Nov. 24, 1939.

MEDFORD, Mass.—BOND SALE—The \$75,000 coupon water main bonds offered Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 615—were awarded to Kennedy, Spence & Co. of Boston as 2s at 100.542, a basis of about 1.93%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939, and due \$5,000 on Feb. 1 from 1940 to 1954, incl. The First Boston Corp., second high bidder, offered to pay a price of 100.412 for 2s.

MEDFORD, Mass.—NOTE SALE—The \$500,000 revenue anticipation notes offered Jan. 30—V. 148, p. 615—were awarded to the National Shawmut Bank and the Merchants National Bank, both of Boston, in joint account, at 0.29% discount. Dated Jan. 31, 1939, and due Nov. 6, 1939. The First National Bank of Boston, second high bidder, named a rate of 0.30%.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass.—BOND SALE—The \$480,700 coupon bonds offered Jan. 30—V. 148, p. 615—were awarded to Tyler & Co. of Boston as 1 1/4s, at a price of 101.444, a basis of about 1.59%. Sale consisted of: \$412,500 high school bonds. Due Feb. 1 as follows: \$21,500, 1940; \$21,000 from 1941 to 1951, incl., and \$20,000 from 1952 to 1959, incl. 68,200 water bonds. Due Feb. 1 as follows: \$4,200, 1940; \$4,000 from 1941 to 1947, incl., and \$3,000 from 1948 to 1959, incl.

All of the bonds are dated Feb. 1, 1939. The Merchants National Bank of Boston, next best bidder, offered 101.35 for 1 1/4s.

Other bids at bond sale—The following other bids were submitted for the bond issue:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
First Boston Corp.	1 1/4%	101.34
Graham, Parsons & Co., Bond, Judge & Co. and Burr & Co. Inc.	1 3/4%	101.179
Smith, Barney & Co. and Newton, Abbe & Co.	1 3/4%	101.03
First National Bank of Boston	1 3/4%	100.917
R. L. Day & Co., Estabrook & Co., Kidder, Peabody & Co. and Stone & Webster and Blodget, Inc.	1 3/4%	100.769
Second National Bank of Boston	1 3/4%	100.617
Harriman Ripley & Co., Inc.	1 3/4%	100.419
Harris Trust & Savings Bank and Washburn & Co.	1 3/4%	100.189
Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc.	2%	101.824

Financial Statement

Year—	Tax Levy	Uncollected Jan. 16, 1939
1935	\$851,202.54	None
1936	837,340.10	\$661.71
1937	830,549.69	79,589.83
1938	797,687.75	178,183.97
1938 assessed valuation, \$26,500,520. Population, 24,525. Tax rate, 1938, \$31.00. Tax titles, Jan. 16, 1939, \$40,202.62. Borrowed against tax titles, \$21,323.93.		

Bonds Outstanding as of Jan. 16, 1939	
School bonds	\$36,000
Bridge bonds	3,000
Financial year adjustment bonds	17,000
Total	\$56,000
These issues	480,700

NOTE OFFERING—Albina L. Richard, City Treasurer, will receive bids until 5 p. m. on Feb. 6 for the purchase of \$150,000 revenue anticipation notes of 1939. Dated Feb. 8, 1939 and due Nov. 16, 1939. The Merchants National Bank of Boston will certify that the notes are issued under the authority of an order of the City Council, the legality of which has been approved by Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston, and that the signatures thereon are genuine. Bids stating the rate of interest that bidders will offer for the whole, but not for any part, of the loan must be sealed and must include interest to date of delivery. Interest on a 360-days to the year basis is to follow and no offer to discount the loan will be considered.

QUINCY, Mass.—NOTE OFFERING—Harold P. Newell, City Treasurer, will receive bids until 11 a. m. on Feb. 8 for the purchase at discount of \$500,000 notes issued in anticipation of revenue for the year 1939. Dated Feb. 8, 1939 and payable \$250,000 each on Nov. 15 and Dec. 15, 1939, at the National Shawmut Bank of Boston. Notes will be authenticated as to genuineness and validity by the aforementioned bank, under advice of Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston.

STONEHAM, Mass.—FINANCIAL STATEMENT—The following is given in connection with the recent award of \$40,000 town hall bonds to the Merchants National Bank of Boston as 1½s, at 100.09, a basis of about 1.23%—V. 148, p. 616:

Financial Statement			
Year—	1938	1937	1936
Tax levy	\$533,239.36	\$517,500.00	\$474,358.28
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1938	159,368.57	38,697.07	1,737.60
1938 assessed valuation	\$15,197,830.	Population, 10,841.	Tax rate, 1938, \$36.80.
Tax titles, Dec. 31, 1938	\$63,368.20.	Borrowed against tax titles, \$49,401.72.	

Bonds Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1938

General	\$254,500
Water	38,000
Total	\$292,500
This issue	40,000

MICHIGAN

BAY CITY, Mich.—BOND SALE—The \$15,000 coupon emergency bonds offered Jan. 30—V. 148, p. 616—were awarded to the Peoples Commercial & Savings Bank of Bay City, as 1½s, at par. Dated Feb. 1, 1939 and due \$5,000 on Feb. 1 from 1940 to 1942 incl. The following other bidders, except the local bank, qualified their offers to the extent of requiring a legal opinion other than that by the City Attorney:

Bidder—	Int. Rate	Premium
Ryan, Sutherland & Co.	1¾%	\$16.50
John Nuveen & Co.	1¾%	11.00
Channer Securities Corp.	2%	25.50
National Bank of Bay City	2½%	Par

BLOOMFIELD, TROY, ROYAL OAK AND SOUTHFIELD TOWNSHIPS FRACTIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Birmingham), Mich.—TENDERS WANTED—John H. Rosso, District Treasurer, will receive sealed tenders until 4 p. m. on Feb. 10 of 1938 refunding bonds and certificates of indebtedness, all dated March 2, 1936. Offerings should be firm for eight days and tenders should fully describe the securities, giving series number, and state the price for which the bonds, together with March 2, 1939 and subsequent interest coupons attached, will be sold to the district.

BUCHANAN, Mich.—BOND OFFERING—Harry Post, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 5 p. m. (to be opened at 7:30 p. m.) on Feb. 9 for the purchase of \$20,300 not to exceed 4% interest coupon sanitary sewer bonds, divided as follows:

\$15,300 special assessment bonds. One bond for \$300, others \$1,000 each. Due Feb. 1 as follows: \$3,000 from 1940 to 1943, incl., and \$3,300 in 1944. The bonds are issued in anticipation of collection of special assessments and pledge of the full faith and credit of the city.
5,000 general obligation bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Feb. 1 from 1940 to 1944, incl. Payable from a general levy upon all the taxable property in the city.

All of the bonds will be dated Feb. 1, 1939. Rate or rates of interest to be expressed in multiples of ¼ of 1%. Prin. and int. (F-A) payable at the Union State Bank, Buchanan. Bids shall be conditioned upon the unqualified opinion of Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone of Detroit, approving the legality of the bonds. A certified check for 2% of the bonds, payable to order of the City Treasurer, is required.

BURTON TOWNSHIP (P. O. Flint), Mich.—BONDS NOT SOLD—No bids were submitted for the \$150,000 not to exceed 6% interest special assessment bonds offered Jan. 30—V. 148, p. 616. Dated Dec. 1, 1938, and due \$7,500 on Dec. 1 from 1940 to 1959, incl. Bonds maturing after Dec. 1, 1950, are callable at any interest period on or after that date.

DEARBORN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7 (P. O. Dearborn), Mich.—BOND OFFERING—Roy D. Benton, District Secretary, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. on Feb. 10 for the purchase of \$182,600 not to exceed 4% interest coupon school bonds. Dated Nov. 1, 1938. One bond for \$600, others \$1,000 each. Due May 1 as follows: \$34,000, 1940; \$35,600, 1941; \$37,000 in 1942 and \$38,000 in 1943 and 1944. Rate or rates of interest to be expressed in multiples of ¼ of 1%. Principal and interest (M-N) payable at office of the Treasurer of Board of Education or at a bank or trust company, to be designated, in the City of Detroit or New York City. The bonds are payable, not only from unlimited ad valorem taxes which may be levied by the district, but also from an additional 3.02-mill levy which was voted for the five years 1939-1943, incl. A certified check for \$3,500, payable to order of the District Treasurer, is required. Bids shall be conditioned upon the approving legal opinion of Berry & Stevens of Detroit.

FERNDALE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Michigan—TENDERS WANTED—Elizabeth Beasley, Secretary of the Board of Education, will receive sealed tenders until 7 p. m. on Feb. 13 for sale to the district of 1935 refunding bonds, series A, B, C, and D, dated Oct. 1, 1935; refunding bonds, series E, dated Oct. 1, 1936; certificates of indebtedness, dated Oct. 1, 1935, and certificates of indebtedness, series B, dated Oct. 1, 1936, issued by said school district. Interest on each bond or certificate of indebtedness, tender of which is accepted, shall terminate at the expiration of seven days after notice of acceptance has been deposited in the U. S. Post Office, enclosed in an envelope addressed to the owner thereof at the address to the owner thereof at the address stated in the tender. The amount available at Jan. 23, 1939, for purchase of 1935 refunding bonds, series A, B, C, and D, is \$30,000; for certificates of indebtedness, dated Oct. 1, 1935, \$5,000; for 1936 refunding bonds, series E, \$25,000, and for certificates of indebtedness, series B, dated Oct. 1, 1936, \$6,000.

HARRISVILLE, Mich.—BOND SALE—The \$10,000 4% general obligation water works bonds offered Jan. 18—V. 148, p. 310—were sold to the Peoples Commercial Bank of Bay City at par. Dated Jan. 3, 1939 and due \$500 on Jan. 3 from 1941 to 1960 incl.

HOUGHTON, Mich.—BOND SALE—The \$20,000 4% coupon street improvement bonds offered Jan. 30—V. 148, p. 616—were awarded to the First Michigan Corp., Detroit, at par plus a premium of \$718, equal to 103.59, a basis of about 2.16%. Dated Sept. 1, 1938 and due \$5,000 on Sept. 1 from 1939 to 1942 incl. The Houghton National Bank, second high bidder, offered a price of 101.50.

Other bids:

Bidder	Premium
Houghton National Bank	\$300
John Nuveen & Co.	252
* Stranahan, Harris & Co.	35

* This bidder quoted the bonds as being 3¼s, instead of 4s.
LANSING TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Lansing), Mich.—BONDS SOLD—The \$42,900 school bonds offered Dec. 12—V. 147, p. 3645—were awarded to Stranahan, Harris & Co., Inc., Toledo, as 2½s, at a price of 100.17, a basis of about 2.45%. Purchaser to pay attorney's fees and cost of printing the bonds. Dated Oct. 1, 1938 and due Oct. 1 as follows: \$8,000, 1940 and 1941; \$9,000 in 1942 and 1943 and \$8,900 in 1944. Legal opinion of Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone of Detroit.

PLEASANT RIDGE, Mich.—BOND SALE—The \$7,221.25 refunding bonds offered Jan. 20—V. 148, p. 466—were awarded to Crouse & Co. of Detroit as 4½s, at a price of 100.18, a basis of about 4.48%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939 and due Feb. 1, 1949.

RIVER ROUGE, Mich.—BOND OFFERING—Raymond J. Peters, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. on Feb. 7 for the purchase of \$340,000 not to exceed 3¼% refunding bonds. Dated Feb. 15, 1939. Denom. \$1,000. Due Feb. 15 as follows: \$20,000, 1940; \$21,000, 1941 to 1943, incl.; \$22,000, 1944 to 1946, incl.; \$23,000, 1947 to 1949, incl.; \$24,000, 1950 to 1952, incl.; \$25,000 in 1953 and 1954. Rate of interest to be expressed in a multiple of ¼ of 1%. Principal and interest (F-A 15) payable at the River Rouge Savings Bank, River Rouge, or at such other paying agent as may be mutually agreed upon by the purchaser and the city. City will furnish at its expense printed bonds and coupons and the approving legal opinion of Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone of Detroit. A certified check for 2% of the bonds, payable to order of the city, is required.

ROCHESTER, Mich.—BOND SALE—The \$48,000 coupon sewage treatment plant bonds offered Nov. 14—V. 147, p. 3050—were awarded to the Rochester National Bank of Rochester as 2½s, at a price of 100.404, a basis of about 2.43%. Dated Dec. 1, 1938 and due Dec. 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1939; \$4,000, 1940 to 1944, incl.; \$5,000, 1945; \$6,000, 1946; and \$7,000 in 1947 and 1948.

WATERFORD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. R. No. 2, Pontiac), Mich.—BONDS PURCHASED—Leon E. Hill, District Treasurer, reporting on the result of the call for tenders of district bonds of Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 616, stated that the entire sum available for that purpose was used in the purchase of bonds at prices ranging from 94 to 98.

MINNESOTA

CHISAGO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8 (P. O. Chisago), Minn.—BOND SALE—The two issues of coupon semi-annual building bonds aggregating \$36,750, offered for sale on Jan. 23—V. 148, p. 466—were awarded to Kalman & Co. of St. Paul as 3s, less \$700 discount, according to the District Clerk. The issues are as follows: \$24,750 building bonds. Due from 1941 to 1968. \$12,000 building bonds. Due from 1941 to 1957. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Prin. and int. payable at the First National Bank of St. Paul.

EAST CHAIN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Fairmont), Minn.—BONDS SOLD—It is reported by the District Clerk that \$19,000 building bonds approved by the voters on Aug. 1, have been purchased by the State of Minnesota.

Le SUEUR, Minn.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m., on Feb. 8, by C. A. Kampen, City Clerk, for the purchase of an \$11,000 issue of coupon improvement, general obligation bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 4%, payable semi-annually. Denom. \$500. Due in 1939 to 1944. Each of said bonds shall contain a clause reserving the right to the city at its option to call for payment and to pay in full such bonds at any interest payment date, and such bonds shall bear no interest from and after the date the same are so called for payment. Enclose a certified check for 10% of the amount bid.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—BOND SALE—The two issues of bonds aggregating \$1,810,000, offered for sale on Feb. 1—V. 149, p. 616—were awarded at public auction to a syndicate composed of Phelps, Fenn & Co., Stone & Webster and Blodgett, Inc., F. S. Moseley & Co., Paine, Webber & Co., all of New York, the Wells-Dickey Co. of Minneapolis, the First of Michigan Corp. of Detroit, Hannans, Ballin & Lee, and Campbell, Phelps & Co., both of New York, as 2s, paying a premium of \$2,725, equal to 100.1505 on a basis of about 1.97%. The bonds are described as follows: \$1,500,000 public relief, and \$310,000 work relief bonds. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Due from Feb. 1, 1940 to 1949, incl.

BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT—The successful bidders received the above bonds for public subscription at prices to yield from 0.40% to 2.05%, according to maturity.

The other bids were officially reported as follows:

Names of Other Bidders	Int. Rate	Premium
Stranahan, Harris & Co. & associates	2%	\$2,700.00
Lazard, Freres & Co. & associates	2%	1,325.00
Halsey, Stuart & Co., & associates	2.10%	2,100.00
The National City Bank of N. Y. & associates	2.20%	6,500.00
Bankers Trust Co., N. Y. & associates	2.20%	5,800.00

MOORHEAD, Minn.—CERTIFICATE OFFERING—It is reported that both sealed and open bids will be received until Feb. 20, at 8 p. m., by R. G. Price, City Clerk, for the purchase of an issue of \$100,000 3% semi-ann. Paving Improvement No. 26, certificates of indebtedness. Dated March 1, 1939. Denom. \$1,000. Due March 1, as follows: \$8,000 in 1941 to 1962 and \$4,000 in 1953. Prin. and int. payable at the First National Bank, Moorhead. The certificates are to be used and are issued in anticipation of the collection of special assessments and the levy and collection of taxes to pay the cost of construction and laying of pavement on certain streets of the City. The approving opinion of Junell, Fletcher, Dorsey, Barker & Colman, of Minneapolis, will be furnished. The city reserves the right to take any part of the above issue at the price bid. Enclose a certified check for \$500, payable to the city.

MOOSE LAKE, Minn.—BOND SALE—We are now informed by Norman L. Swanson, Village Clerk, that the \$21,000 issue of coupon sewage disposal plant bonds offered for sale on Dec. 12—V. 147, p. 3645—was purchased by M. H. Bishop & Co. of Minneapolis, as 3¼s at par. Dated Sept. 1, 1938. Due \$1,000 from Sept. 1, 1939 to 1959, incl.; callable on any interest payment date upon six months' prior notice.

VIRGINIA, Minn.—BOND OFFERING—It is stated that sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. on Feb. 14, by J. G. Milroy Jr., City Clerk, for the purchase of a \$450,000 issue of coupon general obligation community building bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 4%. Payable J-J. Dated Jan. 1, 1939. Due Jan. 1, as follows: \$25,000 in 1940 to 1943 and \$35,000 in 1944 to 1953. Principal and int. payable at the City Treasurer's office. No bid will be considered at less than par and accrued interest at the rate bid up to the time of the delivery of the bonds. The city will pay for the printing and lithographing of such bonds but each bidder must pay for the approving opinion, if any is desired. Enclose a certified check for \$10,000, payable to Henry W. S. Tillman, City Treasurer.

WRIGHT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 35 (P. O. Clayton), Minn.—BONDS SOLD—It is stated that \$10,000 3¼% semi-ann. building bonds have been sold to an undisclosed purchaser. Dated Nov. 1, 1938.

MISSISSIPPI

MISSISSIPPI, State of—BONDS OFFERED TO PUBLIC—R. W. Pressprich & Co. of New York, reoffered on Jan. 31, a block of \$1,500,000 3¼% highway bonds, representing the unsold portion of the \$5,000,000 issue awarded on Jan. 26 to a banking syndicate headed by them. The bonds offered are dated Feb. 1, 1939, due Feb. 1 and Aug. 1, 1950 to 1959, incl., and are priced to yield from 2.80% to 3.05%, according to maturity. These bonds are payable solely from the State Gasoline Tax.

OTHER BIDS—In connection with the sale of the total issue of \$5,000,000 bonds, which was described in detail in our issue of Jan. 28—V. 148, p. 616—the other bids received can be summarized as follows: The Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., account bid 100.011 for maturities through Feb. 1, 1956, as 3¼s and the balance as 3s, a price equal to a net annual average interest cost of 3.0846.

A. C. Allyn & Co., Inc., and associates bid 100.09 for maturities through August, 1950, as 3% obligations; due through 1951-58 as 3¼s and the balance as 3s, a price representing a net average annual interest cost of 3.1277%.

An account managed by John Nuveen & Co. named 100.0312 for a combination of 3¼s and 3s, or a net average interest cost of 3.14057.

Blyth & Co., Inc., and associates bid a premium of \$5,000 for a combination of 3¼ and 3% coupons, a price representing annual average net interest cost of 3.1474.

The sixth group, headed by Lazard Freres & Co., Inc., named a premium of \$5,300 for 3¼s and 3s, a price equal to a net average annual cost of 3.1947%.

NEW ALBANY, Miss.—MATURITY—It is stated by the City Clerk that the \$60,000 3% semi-annual paying bonds purchased by M. A. Saunders & Co. of Memphis at a price of 100.18, as noted in these columns last November, are due \$2,000 from Feb. 1, 1940 to 1969, giving a basis of about 2.99%.

MISSOURI

MEMPHIS SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Memphis) Mo.—BONDS SOLD—It is stated that \$42,500 3% semi-ann. school bonds were sold to Whitaker & Co. of St. Louis. Dated Dec. 1, 1938. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Due Feb. 1, as follows: \$500 in 1939, \$1,000 in 1940 to 1943, \$1,500 in 1944 to 1947, \$2,000 in 1948 to 1952, \$3,000 in 1953, \$4,000 in 1954 and 1955, \$5,000 in 1956, and \$6,000 in 1957. Prin. and int. payable at the Boatmen's National Bank, St. Louis. These bonds, authorized by popular vote, are, in the opinion of counsel, valid and legally binding general obligations of the district, payable, both principal and interest, from ad valorem taxes which may be levied, without limit as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property within the territorial limits of the district. Legality approved by Charles & Trauernicht of St. Louis.

RAYTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Raytown) Mo.—BOND SALE DETAILS—It is now reported by the Secretary of the Board of Education that the \$65,000 construction bonds sold recently, as noted here—V. 148, p. 617—were purchased by the Commerce Trust Co. of Kansas City as 2½s.

WEBSTER GROVES SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT, SUB-DISTRICT NO. 17 (P. O. Webster Groves), Mo.—PRICE PAID—It is stated by the Secretary of the Board of Trustees that the \$34,000 sewer bonds purchased by the Mississippi Valley Trust Co. of St. Louis as 5s, as noted in these columns—V. 148, p. 617—were sold at a price of 100.035, a basis of about 4.995%. Due from Feb. 1, 1940 to 1958, incl.

MONTANA

BAKER, Mont.—BOND SALE NOT CONSUMMATED—In connection with the report given in these columns last November that the State Board of Land Commissioners had purchased an issue of \$110,000 refunding sewerage and funding bonds as 4½s, it is now reported by L. S. Busch, City Clerk, that the sale has not as yet been approved by the Attorney-General, as the validity of the old refunding issue has been questioned.

CARBON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Bridger) Mont.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 3 p. m. on Feb. 8, by Olga V. Campbell, District Clerk, for the purchase of an \$8,000 issue of not to exceed 6% semi-ann. school bonds. Dated Jan. 1, 1939. Amortization bonds will be the first choice and serial bonds will be the second choice of the School Board. If amortization bonds are sold and issued, the entire issue may be put into one single bond or divided into several bonds, as the Board of Trustees may determine upon at the time of sale, both principal and interest to be payable in semi-annual instalments during a period of 20 years from the date of issue.

If serial bonds are issued and sold they will be in the amount of \$100 each, the sum of \$400 of the said serial bonds will become payable on the first day of July, 1939, and a like amount on the same day each year thereafter until all of such bonds are paid.

The bonds, whether amortization or serial bonds, will be redeemable in full on any interest payment date from and after five years from the day of issue. Enclose a certified check for \$800, payable to the District Clerk.

GALLATIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7 (P. O. Bozeman), Mont.—MATURITY—It is now reported by the District Clerk that the \$200,000 building bonds sold to a syndicate headed by the Wells-Dickey Co. of Minneapolis, as 2½s, at a price of 101.325, as noted in our issue of Oct. 26, are due \$10,000 from July 1, 1939 to 1958, giving a basis of about 2.60%.

GLASGOW, Mont.—BOND SALE DETAILS—In connection with the sales of the \$7,000 park, and the \$18,000 flood control bonds to the State Board of Land Commissioners, as noted in our columns—V. 148, p. 466—it is stated by the City Clerk that the bonds were sold as 3½s, at par, and they mature on the amortization plan.

NEBRASKA

CEDAR BLUFFS, Neb.—BONDS SOLD—It is stated by the Village Clerk that \$7,500 3¼% refunding bonds were purchased at par by the First National Bank of Wahoo. Due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$500 in 1940 to 1944, and \$5,000 in 1945; optional, on Jan. 1, 1944. Prin. and int. (J-J) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Legal approval by Walter Raynor of Omaha.

OMAHA, Neb.—MISSOURI RIVER BRIDGE BONDS SOLD—An Associated Press dispatch from Omaha reported as follows:

"T. E. Patterson, Vice-President of the Woodman of the World, Friday, said the insurance company purchased the entire \$1,289,000 bond issue of the South Omaha Missouri River Bridge. The company paid the Reconstruction Finance Corporation a small premium."

NEW HAMPSHIRE

CONWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT, N. H.—BOND SALE—The \$85,000 coupon high school bonds offered Feb. 2 were awarded to the Manufacturers Trust Co., New York, as 2s, at a price of 102.013, a basis of about 1.79%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Denom. \$1,000. Due Feb. 1 as follows: \$5,000 from 1941 to 1949 incl. and \$4,000 from 1950 to 1959 incl. Principal and interest (F-A) payable at the First National Bank of Boston. The bonds are payable from unlimited ad valorem taxes and have been approved as to legality by Storey, Thordike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston.

KEENE, N. H.—OTHER BIDS—The \$200,000 notes awarded to Perrin West & Winslow of Boston at 0.29% discount—V. 148, p. 617—were also bid for as follows:

Bidder	Discount Rate
R. L. Day & Co.	0.32%
F. W. Horne & Co.	0.324%
First National Bank of Boston	0.36%
Frederick M. Swan & Co.	0.38%
Merchants National Bank of Boston	0.39%

MANCHESTER, N. H.—NOTE OFFERING—F. D. McLaughlin City Treasurer, will receive bids until 11 a. m. on Feb. 8 for the purchase at discount of \$500,000 notes issued in anticipation of taxes for the year 1939. Dated Feb. 8, 1939 and mature \$300,000 July 19, 1939 and \$200,000 Dec. 6, 1939 at the First National Bank of Boston or at the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., New York City. Notes will be authenticated as to genuineness and validity by the First National Bank of Boston, under advice of Ropes Gray, Boyden & Perkins of Boston.

WOLFEBORO, N. H.—OTHER BIDS—The \$60,500 sewer bonds awarded to Bond & Goodwin, Inc., Boston, as 2½s, at 100.59, a basis of about 2.20%—V. 148, p. 617—were also bid for as follows:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
Ballou, Adams & Whittemore	2½%	100.519
Goldman, Sachs & Co.	2½%	100.299
Indian Head National Bank of Nashua	2½%	102.54
Perrin, West & Winslow	2½%	102.40
Frederick M. Swan & Co.	2½%	101.598
E. H. Rollins & Sons	2½%	101.337
Kidder, Peabody & Co.	2½%	101.289
Bond, Judge & Co.	2½%	101.269
F. W. Horne & Co.	2½%	100.798

NEW JERSEY

CUMBERLAND COUNTY (P. O. Bridgeton), N. J.—BONDS SOLD—An issue of \$10,000 building bonds was sold locally just June as 4s, at par. Due \$2,000 on May 1 from 1939 to 1943.

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Vienna), N. J.—BOND SALE—The Peoples National Bank of Hackettstown was successful bidder at the offering of \$35,200 coupon school bonds on Jan. 27—V. 148, p. 467, taking \$35,000 in principal amount as 3½s, at a price of \$35,200, equal to 100.57, a basis of about 3.19%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939 and due Feb. 1 as follows: \$1,500, 1940 to 1948, incl.; \$2,000 from 1949 to 1953, incl. and \$1,700 in 1959. The Hackettstown National Bank, second high bidder, offered to pay par for a block of \$15,000 to bear 3% interest.

IRVINGTON, N. J.—BOND SALE—The Chancellor Trust Co. of Irvington was the successful bidder at the offering of \$188,000 coupon or registered bonds on Jan. 26—V. 148, p. 467, taking \$186,000 principal amount as 2½s, at a price of 101.083, a basis of about 2.12%. The sale included issues for school, sewer improvement and general improvement

purposes. Dated Dec. 1, 1938 and due Dec. 1, as follows: \$8,000, 1939; \$15,000, 1940 to 1942 incl.; \$10,000, 1943 to 1948 incl.; \$5,000 from 1949 to 1962 incl. and \$3,000 in 1963. Other bids:

Bidder	No. Bonds Bid For	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
Colyer, Robinson & Co.	186	2½%	101.00
Minsch, Monell & Co. and Dougherty, Corkran & Co.	187	2½%	100.76
B. J. Van Ingen & Co. and MacBride, Miller & Co.	187	2½%	100.669
M. M. Freeman & Co. and West Side Trust Co., Newark	188	2½%	100.47
Campbell, Phelps & Co. and J. S. Rippe & Co.	188	2½%	100.41
Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Bancamerica-Blair Corp.	188	2½%	100.406
H. B. Boland & Co.	188	2½%	100.11
H. L. Allen & Co.	186	2½%	101.14
Peoples National Bank & Trust Co., Irvington	186	2½%	101.08
Adams & Mueller	187	2½%	100.896

(Above report of the sale supersedes that given in V. 148, p. 617.)

MOORESTOWN TOWNSHIP (P. O. Moorestown), N. J.—BOND SALE DETAILS—The \$18,000 3% road improvement bonds sold locally, at par—V. 148, p. 617—are dated Oct. 15, 1938 and mature \$2,000 on Oct. 15 from 1939 to 1947, incl. Denom. \$1,000. Interest A-O.

MOORESTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Moorestown), N. J.—BOND SALE—The \$68,000 coupon school bonds offered Jan. 30—V. 148, p. 467—were awarded to C. C. Collings & Co. of Philadelphia as 2½s at par plus a premium of \$727.67, equal to 101.07, a basis of about 2.64%. Dated Dec. 15, 1938, and due Dec. 15 as follows: \$3,000 from 1940 to 1947 incl., and \$4,000 from 1948 to 1958 incl. Other bids:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Premium
Dougherty, Corkran & Co., and Bucjley Bros.	2½%	\$373.32
Blyth & Co., Inc.	3%	782.00
M. M. Freeman & Co.	3%	829.60

NEW JERSEY (State of)—BOND SALE—The \$2,000,000 State highway improvement, series D, Act of 1930, offered for sale on Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 311—were awarded to a syndicate composed of Shields & Co., G. M.-P. Murphy & Co., both of New York; Stroud & Co., Philadelphia; Minsch, Monell & Co., Inc.; Washburn & Co., Inc., C. F. Childs & Co., Inc., H. B. Boland & Co., Charles Clark & Co. and Morse Bros. & Co., Inc., all of New York, as 2½s at a price of 103.31, a basis of about 2.04%. Dated Jan. 1, 1939 and due Jan. 1 as follows: \$40,000, 1941 to 1946, incl.; \$50,000, 1947 to 1955, incl.; \$60,000, 1956 to 1962, incl.; \$70,000 from 1963 to 1969, incl., and \$80,000 from 1970 to 1974, incl. Reoffered to yield from 0.40% to 2.10%, according to maturity. The bonds will, in the opinion of counsel, be direct and general obligations of the State, payable from the motor fuel tax or, if such funds are insufficient, from unlimited taxes on taxable real and personal property. They are regulated by the bankers as legal investment for savings banks in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts and other States.

Total assessed valuation (not official) for 1938 was \$5,901,277,636; gross funded debt as of Jan. 1, 1939, including the present issue, is \$165,306,000; and net debt is \$80,906,000. Debt service payable out of motor fuel taxes exclusive of that on the present loan, is stated at \$12,580,336 in 1939. Revenues from these taxes in recent years have been: 1938 (partly estimated), \$22,300,000; 1937, \$21,582,040; and 1936, \$19,523,752.

The following other bids, also naming an interest rate of 2½%, were submitted for the issue:

Syndicate Head	Rate Bid
First National Bank of New York	102.68
Lazard Freres & Co.	102.55
Bankers Trust Co. of New York	102.119
Lehman Bros.	102.10
Smith, Barney & Co.	101.777
Chase National Bank of New York	101.66
Julius A. Rippe, Inc.	101.348
National City Bank of New York	100.61

NORTH BERGEN TOWNSHIP, N. J.—FISCAL OPERATIONS DURING 1938—A complete report covering fiscal operations in the township during the year 1938 has just been issued by Josiah M. Hewitt, financial counsel, of 100 Broadway, N. Y., to the holders of some \$5,000,000 of these bonds whom he represents. In his report Mr. Hewitt points out that current taxes collected during 1938 amounted to \$1,815,209.52, compared with \$1,611,756.93 collected in 1937. Total cash collections, exclusive of receipts from sale of foreclosed properties, amounted to \$2,962,233.57 in 1938, compared with \$3,053,650.57 received in 1937. The report states that against actual cash requirements of \$2,569,578.71 for 1938, total cash receipts (exclusive of \$358,241.98 of miscellaneous revenues collected) during the year amounted to \$2,659,341.59. The report covers in detail the operation of the revolving fund, which ended the year with assets of \$1,396,409.46. This trust fund is handled entirely by the township's fiscal agent. Mr. Hewitt estimates that, when year-end adjustments are completed, there should be available for bond redemption an amount of approximately \$50,000.

BONDS NOT SOLD—No bids were submitted for the \$222,000 not to exceed 6% interest refunding bonds offered on Feb. 1—V. 148, p. 617. Dated Sept. 1, 1938 and due Sept. 1 as follows: \$32,000, 1940; \$40,000 in 1941 and \$50,000 from 1942 to 1944, inclusive.

PERTH AMBOY, N. J.—BOND SALE—B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Inc., New York, purchased on Jan. 12, in exchange for debt already outstanding, a total of \$3,775,000 refunding bonds, as 4s and 4½s, at a price of 91.655, a net interest cost of about 4.72%. The bonds were issued as follows: \$3,299,000 General bonds. For \$646,000 maturing Dec. 1; \$48,000 in 1943, \$74,000 in 1945, \$25,000 in 1946, \$119,000 in 1947, \$43,000 in 1948, \$135,000 in 1949 and \$102,000 in 1950, as 4s, and \$2,684,000 maturing Dec. 1, \$85,000 in 1951, \$90,000 in 1952, \$134,000 in 1953, \$146,000 in 1954, \$150,000 in 1955, \$163,000 in 1956, \$187,000 in 1957, \$244,000 in 1958, \$247,000 in 1959, \$256,000 in 1960, \$227,000 in 1961, \$268,000 in 1962, \$270,000 in 1963, \$186,000 in 1964, as 4½s.

198,000 School, as 4½s. Due Dec. 1, as follows: \$6,000 in 1951 and 1952, \$10,000 in 1953, \$11,000 in 1954 and 1955, \$12,000 in 1956, \$14,000 in 1957, \$19,000 in 1958 to 1960, \$17,000 in 1961, \$20,000 in 1962 and 1963 and \$14,000 in 1964.

76,000 Water, as 4½s. Due Dec. 1, as follows: \$2,000 in 1951 and 1952, \$3,000 in 1953 and 1954, \$10,000 in 1955, \$4,000 in 1956, \$5,000 in 1957, \$6,000 in 1958 and 1959 and \$7,000 in 1960 to 1964.

202,000 Water, series A, as 4s. Due Dec. 1, as follows: \$5,000 in 1940, \$11,000 in 1941, \$13,000 in 1942, \$15,000 in 1943, \$40,000 in 1944, \$15,000 in 1945 and 1946, \$3,000 in 1947, \$7,000 in 1948, \$10,000 in 1949, \$15,000 in 1950 to 1952, \$10,000 in 1953 and 1954 and \$3,000 in 1955.

Dated Dec. 1, 1938. Denom. \$1,000. Legality approved by Caldwell & Raymond, of New York.

SOUTH AMBOY, N. J.—BOND OFFERING—George A. Kress, City Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. on Feb. 7 for the purchase of \$75,000 not to exceed 6% interest coupon or registered sewage disposal plant bonds. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Denom. \$1,000. Due Feb. 1 as follows: \$2,000 from 1940 to 1942, incl., and \$3,000 from 1943 to 1965, incl. Bidder to name a single rate of interest, expressed in a multiple of ¼ or 1-10th of 1%. Principal and interest (F-A) payable at the First National Bank, South Amboy, or at the South Amboy Trust Co., South Amboy. A certified check for 2% of the bonds offered, payable to order of the city, must accompany each proposal. The bonds are payable from unlimited ad valorem taxes. Legal opinion of Caldwell & Raymond of New York City will be furnished the successful bidder.

TEANECK TOWNSHIP (P. O. Teaneck), N. J.—BOND OFFERING—Henry E. Diehl, Township Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8:30 p. m. on Feb. 7 for the purchase of \$82,000 not to exceed 5% interest coupon or registered bonds, divided as follows: \$24,000 improvement bonds. Dated Jan. 1, 1939, and due annually from 1940 to 1951, incl.

19,000 paving assessment bonds, series D, part of authorized issue of \$24,030. Due annually from 1941 to 1949, incl.

16,000 paving assessment bonds, series E, part of authorized issue of \$18,000. Dated Jan. 1, 1939, and due annually from 1941 to 1945, incl.

12,000 park bonds, part of authorized issue of \$13,500. Dated Jan. 1, 1938, and due annually from 1940 to 1951, incl.
 8,000 paving assessment bonds, part of authorized issue of \$11,500. Dated Jan. 1, 1939, and due annually from 1941 to 1948, incl.
 3,000 paving assessment bonds, series H. Dated Jan. 1, 1939, and due annually from 1941 to 1943, incl.
 Denom. \$1,000. Bonds will be due in yearly instalments on Jan. 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1940; \$12,000, 1941; \$10,000, 1942 and 1943; \$9,000, 1944 and 1945; \$6,000, 1946 to 1948, incl.; \$5,000 in 1949 and \$3,000 in 1950 and 1951. Principal and interest (J-J) payable at Bergen County National Bank, Hackensack. Bidder to name a single rate of interest, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. The sum required to be obtained at sale of the bonds is \$82,000. The bonds are payable from unlimited ad valorem taxes on all of the township's taxable property. A certified check for 2% of the bonds offered, payable to order of the township, is required. Legal opinion of Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York City will be furnished the successful bidder.

TRENTON, N. J.—BOND SALE—A syndicate composed of Graham, Parsons & Co., Blyth & Co., Inc., Bacon, Stevenson & Co., H. L. Allen & Co., Minsch, Monell & Co., Inc., Ritter & Co., Roosevelt & Weigold, Inc., and Equitable Securities Corp., all of New York, was the successful bidder at the offering of \$1,660,000 coupon or registered general funding and refunding bonds on Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 618. The group's offer was for \$1,654,000 principal amount, with interest at 2 3/4% and price of \$1,660,810, equal to 100.411, a basis of about 2.71%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939 and due Feb. 1 as follows: \$60,000 from 1940 to 1964, incl.; \$40,000 from 1965 to 1967, incl., and \$34,000 in 1968. Reoffered by the bankers to yield from 0.70% to 2.75% for the 1940 to 1964 maturities, and at a price of 99.75 for the subsequent maturing bonds. Of the proceeds, city will use \$500,000 to refund a similar amount of bonds maturing May 1, 1939, and apply the balance to the funding of tax revenue notes outstanding in the amount of \$1,160,000. The bond issue ordinance requires that the city hold an all-inclusive tax sale at least once each year, according to report. At a sale held just recently the city realized about \$300,000, it was said. Other bids at the bond sale were:

Syndicate Head—	No. Bonds Bid For	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
Lehman Bros.	1,635	3%	101.53
Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc.	1,637	3%	101.436
First National Bank of New York	1,647	3%	100.823
Smith, Barney & Co.	1,651	3%	100.559
National City Bank of New York	1,651	3%	100.553
Bancamerica-Blair Corp.	1,633	3 3/4%	101.70

VINELAND, N. J.—BOND SALE—C. C. Collings & Co. of Philadelphia purchased on Jan. 17 an issue of \$10,000 2 1/4% water system bonds. Dated Jan. 1, 1939 and due \$1,000 on Jan. 1 from 1940 to 1949 incl.

NEW YORK

ELMIRA, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING—Eleanor F. Conevery, City Chamberlain, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. on Feb. 7 for the purchase of \$80,000 not to exceed 5% interest coupon or registered, series of 1939, debt equalization bonds. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$20,000 on Feb. 1 from 1940 to 1943, incl. Bidder to name a single rate of interest, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 or 1-10th of 1%. Principal and interest (F-A) payable at the City Chamberlain's office. Purpose of the issue is to refund obligations maturing in the fiscal year beginning Jan. 1, 1939. The bonds are payable from unlimited ad valorem taxes on all of the city's taxable property. A certified check for \$1,600, payable to order of the city, must accompany each proposal. Legal opinion of Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York City will be furnished the successful bidder.

ITHACA, N. Y.—BOND SALE—The \$68,000 coupon or registered sewer bonds offered Feb. 1—V. 148, p. 618—were awarded to Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., New York, as 1.60s, at a price of 100.48, a basis of about 1.53%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939 and due Feb. 1 as follows: \$5,000 from 1940 to 1949, incl. and \$6,000 from 1950 to 1952, incl. C. F. Herb & Co., second high bidder, offered to pay 100.30 for 1.60s.

MASSENA (P. O. Massena), N. Y.—BOND SALE—The \$35,000 town hall building bonds offered Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 467—were awarded to E. H. Rollins & Sons, Inc., New York, as 1.90s, at par plus \$55.30 premium, equal to 100.15, a basis of about 1.87%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939, and due \$3,500 on Feb. 1 from 1940 to 1949 incl. The Bank of LeRoy, second high bidder, offered a premium of \$35 for 2.40s.

MOUNT VERNON, N. Y.—REPORT CITES LARGE REDUCTION IN BONDED DEBT—According to a survey of the financial condition of the above city, recently issued by Kidder, Peabody & Co., New York, there was a reduction of 28.68% in the gross municipal debt during the past six years. About 40% of the outstanding serial bonds come due in the next five years. The city, it was said, has not refunded any bonds and the only possible financing during 1939 may comprise a bond issue of \$325,000 for home and work relief. The city's per capita debt is stated to be the lowest among the larger municipalities in Westchester County.

NEW YORK, N. Y.—\$30,800,000 CORPORATE STOCK AND SERIAL BONDS SOLD—A syndicate headed by the National City Bank of New York was the successful bidder for the \$30,800,000 corporate stock and serial bonds offered Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 467, naming a price of 100.80 for the \$10,000,000 40-year loan as 3s and the remaining \$20,800,000 of serial securities as 3 1/4s, making a net interest cost to the city of 3.0839%. The obligations are described as follows:

- \$10,000,000 3% corporate stock for water supply. Due Feb. 1, 1979.
- 10,000,000 3 1/4% rapid transit railroad construction bonds. Due \$250,000 on Feb. 1 from 1940 to 1979, inclusive.
- 4,550,000 3 1/4% school construction and various municipal purposes bonds. Due \$130,000 on Feb. 1 from 1940 to 1974, inclusive.
- 3,300,000 3 1/4% school construction and various municipal purposes bonds. Due \$110,000 on Feb. 1 from 1940 to 1969, inclusive.
- 1,500,000 3 1/4% dock improvement, water supply and school construction bonds. Due \$155,000 on Feb. 1 from 1940 to 1949, incl.
- 900,000 3 1/4% various municipal purposes bonds. Due \$180,000 on Feb. 1 from 1940 to 1944, inclusive.
- 500,000 3 1/4% rapid transit railroad construction bonds. Due \$125,000 on Feb. 1 from 1940 to 1943, inclusive.

RE-OFFERING TO PUBLIC—The successful banking group, complete membership of which is given below, in reoffering the securities for general investment, priced the \$20,800,000 3 1/4% serials from a yield of 0.50% to a price of 101.75, according to maturity date, and the \$10,000,000 40-year 3s at a price of 98 and accrued interest. Formal offering notice appears on Page VIII. In view of the high calibre of the offering, there was an immediate heavy demand for the issue, with the result that the loan had been well distributed within a short period of time subsequent to acceptance of orders. The sale itself was featured by strikingly keen competition between the two powerful syndicates which competed for the loan. The offer of the second group, headed by the Chase National Bank of New York, reflected a net interest cost of 3.0875% as compared to that of 3.0839% at which the award was made. The unsuccessful account offered to pay a price of 100.3099 for the 40-year corporate stock issue as 2 1/4s and the balance of the offering as 3 1/4s, under which bid the city would have been required to pay only \$27,263.30 more in interest charges than is required on the basis of the winning offer. Leading members of the Chase National syndicate included Chemical Bank & Trust Co.; Lehman Brothers; Barr Bros. & Co., Inc.; R. W. Pressprich & Co.; Blyth & Co., Inc.; Bancamerica-Blair Corp.; Manufacturers Trust Co.; Hallgarten & Co.; Marine Trust Co. and Speyer & Co. After allowing for the longer average duration of the current award, the terms achieved by the city compare more than favorably with the results which attended the three long-term borrowing operations negotiated by the municipality during 1938. This was so, moreover, despite the lower levels which have prevailed recently in security markets generally, due to renewed concern over the trend of foreign political affairs.

In addition to their all or none bids each of the competing syndicates, in accordance with provisions of sale, tendered qualifying offers. The National City Bank group named a price of par for the entire offering as 3 1/4s, while the Chase National Bank and associates specified par for the 40-year corporate stock as 3 1/4s and the serial bonds as 3 1/4s. City Comptroller Joseph D. McGoldrick, who conducted the sale, commented on the outcome as follows: "The price obtained today is unusually satisfactory in view of general market conditions and the foreign situation. It warrants repetition that the credit of New York City is the envy of municipalities throughout the country. The average maturity of today's sale was 24.4 years which is the longest average maturity of any sale in the last 13 months. The rate therefore is more than ordinarily gratifying."

Underwriting Group—All of the members of the purchasing group are listed herewith:

- The Nat. City Bank of New York
- First National Bank, New York
- Smith, Barney & Co.
- The First Boston Corp.
- Harriman Ripley & Co., Inc.
- Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc.
- Lazard Freres & Co.
- Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co.
- Kidder, Peabody & Co.
- Stone & Webster and Blodget, Inc.
- Phelps, Fenn & Co.
- Kean, Taylor & Co.
- L. F. Rothschild & Co.
- Mercantile Com. Bk. & Tr. Co.
- B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Inc.
- B. H. Moulton & Co., Inc.
- Darby & Co., Inc.
- Manufacturers and Traders Trust Co.
- Geo. B. Gibbons & Co., Inc.
- G. M.-P. Murphy & Co.
- Eastman, Dillon & Co.
- The Anglo California Nat. Bank
- Bacon, Stevenson & Co.
- Eldredge & Co., Inc.
- Baker, Weeks & Harden
- The Union Trust Co. of Indianapolis
- C. F. Childs & Co., Inc.
- Hannans, Ballin & Lee
- Dominick & Dominick
- Otis & Co.
- First of Michigan Corp.
- Dean Witter & Co.
- Washburn & Co., Inc.
- W. E. Hutton & Co.
- Charles Clark & Co.
- Stern, Wampler & Co., Inc.
- Edward Lower Stokes & Co.
- McDonald-Coolidge & Co.
- Farwell, Chapman & Co.
- Field, Richards & Shepard, Inc.
- Francis I. duPont & Co.
- R. S. Dickson & Co., Inc.
- Merrill, Turben & Co.
- Minsch, Monell & Co., Inc.
- William R. Compton & Co., Inc.
- Ira Haupt & Co.
- Mullaney, Ross & Co.
- The First Cleveland Corp.
- Glenny, Roth & Doolittle.

SALE MARKED INITIAL FINANCING UNDER NEW CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—The recent sale, it was pointed out, was the first to be negotiated by the city under a little-noticed amendment to the State Constitution which became effective Jan. 1, 1939, the effect of which is to strengthen further the position of the city's bondholders. The provision follows:

"Provision shall be made annually by appropriation by every county, city, town, village, and school district for the payment of interest on all indebtedness and for the amounts required for (a) the amortization and redemption of term bonds, sinking fund bonds and serial bonds, (b) the redemption of certificates or other evidence of indebtedness (with certain exceptions), and those issued in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of the sale of bonds theretofore authorized, contracted to be paid in such year out of the tax levy or other revenues applicable to a reduction thereof, and (c) the redemption of certificates or other evidence of indebtedness issued in anticipation of the collection of taxes or other revenues, or renewals thereof, which are not retired within five years after their date of original issue.

"If at any time the respective appropriating authorities shall fail to make such appropriation, a sufficient sum shall be set apart from the first revenues thereafter received and shall be applied to such purposes. The fiscal officer of any county, city, town, village, or school district may be required to set apart and apply such revenues as aforesaid at the suit of any holder of obligations issued for any such indebtedness."

PORT CHESTER, N. Y.—CERTIFICATE OFFERING—Thomas L. Telesca, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. on Feb. 6, for the purchase of \$176,000 refunding certificates of indebtedness, to be issued for the following purposes:

- \$20,000 village's share Public Works Administration projects.
- 31,000 sewer and drain assessment.
- 39,000 street assessment.
- 72,000 police station and health center.
- 14,000 land acquisition.

The entire issue will be dated Feb. 10, 1939 and mature Aug. 10, 1939. Bidder to name the rate of interest. Legal opinion of Reed, Hoyt, Washburn & Clay of New York City will be furnished the successful bidder.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING—L. B. Cartwright, City Comptroller, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. on Feb. 6 for the purchase of \$1,340,000 not to exceed 4% interest coupon, registerable as to both principal and interest, general revenue bonds. Dated Feb. 15, 1939. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$335,000 on Feb. 15 from 1940 to 1943 incl. Bidder to name a single rate of interest, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 or 1-10th of 1%. Principal and interest (F-A 15) payable at the paying agent of the City of Rochester in New York City. The bonds are payable from unlimited ad valorem taxes and proceeds will be used to take up general revenue notes now outstanding. A certified check for \$26,800, payable to order of the City Comptroller, is required. Legal opinion of Reed, Hoyt, Washburn & Clay of New York City will be furnished the successful bidder.

NORTH CAROLINA

BLOWING ROCK, N. C.—MATURITY—It is now reported by the Town Clerk and Treasurer that the \$66,000 4% semi-annual street, sewer and water works bonds sold at par to the Public Works Administration, as noted here on Dec. 10, are due as follows: \$2,000, 1940 to 1960, and \$3,000 in 1961 to 1968.

SAMPSON COUNTY (P. O. Clinton), N. C.—BOND SALE—The \$54,500 issue of coupon court house addition bonds offered for sale on Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 618—was awarded to Breed & Harrison of Cincinnati as 4 1/4s, paying a premium of \$569.76, equal to 101.04, a basis of about 4.62%. Dated Feb. 15, 1939. Due from Feb. 15, 1941 to 1958 incl. The bids received are officially listed as follows:

Bidder—	Rate	Price
Wachovia Bank & Trust Co.; Lewis & Halter, Inc.; Vance, Young & Hardin—	First \$18,500 Balance 5%	\$54,505.45
Kirchoff & Arnold, Inc.; Fox, Einhorn & Co.	First \$36,500 Balance 4 1/4%	
R. S. Dickson & Co.; Southern Investment Co.	First \$36,500 Balance 4 1/4%	54,531.54
Breed & Harrison, Inc.*	Balance 4 1/4%	54,569.76
Chas. A. Hinsch & Co.; Seasongood & Mayer	First \$36,500 Balance 5 1/4%	54,559.95
John Nuveen & Co.	First \$12,500 Balance 5%	54,510.00

* Successful bid.
WILLIAMSTON, N. C.—BONDS NOT SOLD—It is stated by the Secretary of the Local Government Commission that the \$72,000 not to exceed 6% semi-annual public improvement and street paving bonds offered for sale without success on Nov. 1, have not been sold as yet.

NORTH DAKOTA

FINLEY, N. Dak.—BONDS SOLD—It is reported by the City Auditor that the \$7,000 water works bonds offered for sale without success on Dec. 19, as noted here—V. 147, p. 3949—have since been purchased by the State Workmen's Compensation Bureau as 4s. Due from Dec. 1, 1940 to 1958.

OHIO MUNICIPALS

MITCHELL, HERRICK & CO.

700 CUYAHOGA BUILDING, CLEVELAND

CANTON AKRON CINCINNATI COLUMBUS SPRINGFIELD

OHIO

BEDFORD, Ohio—BOND EXCHANGE PLANNED—O. E. Hutchinson, Director of Finance, reports that holders of the original indebtedness, will be asked to surrender the same in exchange for \$130,199.76 4% special assessment refunding bonds. It is expected that the offer will be made sometime in the present month. New bonds will be dated Oct. 1, 1938 and mature serially on Oct. 1 from 1943 to 1952, incl. Legality approved by Squire, Sanders & Dempsey of Cleveland.

BROOKLYN HEIGHTS (P. O. Cleveland), Ohio—BOND OFFERING—The Village Clerk will receive sealed bids until noon on Feb. 20, for the purchase of \$13,815 4% refunding bonds. Dated Nov. 1, 1938. Denoms.

\$1,000 and \$500, except one bond for \$815. Due Nov. 1 as follows: \$4,815 in 1951 and \$4,500 in 1952 and 1953. Bidder may name a different rate of interest provided that fractional rates are expressed in a multiple of $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1%. Principal and interest (M-N) payable at the Pearl Branch of the Cleveland Trust Co., Cleveland. A certified check for 10% of the bonds bid for, payable to order of the Village Treasurer, is required.

CAMPBELL, Ohio—BOND OFFERING—John B. Ross, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until noon on Feb. 13, for the purchase of \$2,351.92 not to exceed 5% interest judgment bonds. Dated Dec. 1, 1938. Denoms. \$1,000 (except one for \$351.92) or in such other sums as the purchaser may desire. Due Oct. 1, 1940. Principal and interest (A-O) payable at office of the Sinking Fund Trustees. The bonds are limited tax general obligations and are inside the existing 10-mill statutory limitations. A certified check for 2% of the amount of the bid, payable to order of the City Auditor, is required.

CHAGRIN FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BONDS SOLD—The \$190,000 school building bonds authorized at an election last September have been sold to the State Teachers' Retirement System.

CLAIBORNE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Richwood), Ohio—BONDS SOLD—The \$99,000 high school bonds authorized at the primary election last August have been sold.

CLEVELAND, Ohio—BONDS SOLD—The City Sinking Fund Commission purchased on Dec. 31 an issue of \$500,000 4% poor relief bonds. Dated Dec. 1, 1938. Denom. \$1,000. Due Dec 1 as follows: \$55,000 from 1940 to 1943, incl. and \$56,000 from 1944 to 1948, incl. Principal and interest (J-D) payable at the Irving Trust Co., New York. Legality approved by Peck, Shaffer & Williams of Cincinnati.

CLEVELAND, Ohio—MAY INCREASE TAX RATE—Higher tax rate for 1939 is presaged by City Council approval of the 7.4 mill special operating levy to be submitted to voters at special election March 22. While in 1938 voters approved a 5.7 mill special operating levy which brought tax rate for city to 28.3 mills, if the 7.4 mill levy issue receives the simple majority vote necessary for passage, total tax rate will be 30.3 mills, or two mills higher than last year. However, groups of taxpayers and property owners have opposed any increase in the tax rate. Estimated expenditures for 1939 of \$17,319,165 show an increase of \$618,452 over 1938 expenditures of \$16,700,713. Rise is largely accounted for by increase in city's share of Works Progress Administration project cost to \$700,000 in current year from \$436,419 in 1938 and the inclusion of a new item in 1939 budget, the \$106,845 representing city's contribution to newly created employees retirement fund.

CLEVELAND CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—COURT RULES VOTERS MUST APPROVE PROPOSED BOND ISSUE—The State Supreme Court on Jan. 25 ruled that the district could not undertake the sale of bonds to finance its share of a projected \$8,000,000 expansion program without first submitting the proposed bonds to the voters at a regular election. According to school authorities, the possibility of the issue receiving the necessary 65% majority vote in a district-wide election is decidedly remote. The district brought the matter before the court on its initiative, as previously reported in—V. 147, p. 3198. The court ruled that a vote would be necessary as the debt could not be serviced without exceeding the constitutional tax limitation on certain property in the district.

CLEVELAND CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—NOTES SOLD—The Banc Ohio Securities Co., Columbus, and White, Weld & Co., New York, jointly, purchased an issue of \$1,500,000 notes at 0.85%. Due Aug. 3, 1939. Paine, Webber & Co. of Cleveland, next highest bidder, named a rate of 0.90%.

COLDWATER, Ohio—BOND SALE—The \$30,000 sewage treatment plant bonds offered Jan. 30—V. 148, p. 468—were awarded to Browning, Van Duyn, Tischer & Co., Cincinnati, as 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ s, at a price of 100.13, a basis of about 2.72%. Dated March 1, 1939 and due \$500 March 1 and \$1,000 Sept. 1 from 1940 to 1959, incl. Charles A. Hirsch & Co., Inc., Cincinnati, second high bidder, offered to pay 100.77 for 3s.

COVINGTON, Ohio—BOND SALE DETAILS—The \$30,000 bonds sold to Walter, Woody & Heimerdinger of Cincinnati as reported in V. 147, p. 3054—were issued for water works, not sewer purposes, and bear interest at 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ %. Dated Nov. 1, 1938. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Nov. 1 from 1940 to 1969 incl. Principal and interest (M-N) payable at Village Treasurer's office. Payable from unlimited ad valorem taxes, according to report.

DAYTON, Ohio—NOTES SOLD—The Sinking Fund Trustees purchased last November an issue of \$352,960 3% relief notes, due on March 1 from 1939 to 1942, incl. They were issued in anticipation of collection of State levied taxes for poor relief purposes.

DILLONVALE, Ohio—BOND SALE DETAILS—The \$34,000 sewer bonds sold to Walter, Woody & Heimerdinger of Cincinnati—V. 147, p. 3054—bear 4% interest, are dated Nov. 1, 1938 and mature \$1,000 on April 1 and Oct. 1 from 1940 to 1956 incl. Denom. \$1,000. Principal and interest (A-O) payable at Village Treasurer's office. Bonds are said to be payable from unlimited ad valorem taxes. Legality approved by Peck, Shaffer & Williams of Cincinnati.

DOVER SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BONDS SOLD—The \$220,000 building bonds authorized at the primary election last August have been sold to Ryan, Sutherland & Co. of Toledo.

The above issue was sold on Nov. 1, 1938 as 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ s, at par plus \$3,726 premium, equal to 102.60, a basis of about 2.52%. Denom. \$5,000. Due \$10,000 annually on Nov. 1 from 1941 to 1962 incl. Interest M-N.

ERIE COUNTY (P. O. Sandusky), Ohio—BOND SALE—The \$58,300 court house improvement bonds offered Feb. 2—V. 148, p. 468—were awarded to Banc Ohio Securities Co., Columbus, as 2s, at par plus \$351 premium, equal to 100.60, a basis of about 1.88%. Dated Aug. 1, 1938 and due Sept. 1, as follows: \$5,000, 1939; \$5,300 in 1940 and \$6,000 from 1941 to 1948 incl. The First Cleveland Corp., second high bidder, offered to pay 100.57 for 2s.

GOSHEN TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Wapakoneta), Ohio—BONDS SOLD—The \$5,000 school bonds authorized at the general election last November have been sold to the State Teachers' Retirement System.

GREENWICH, Ohio—BONDS SOLD—An issue of \$12,000 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ % water revenue bonds was sold on Nov. 30 to Johnson, Kase & Co. of Cleveland. Dated Nov. 2, 1938. Denom. \$500. Due \$500 on Nov. 1 from 1941 to 1964, inclusive.

HAMILTON COUNTY (P. O. Cincinnati), Ohio—NOTE SALE DETAILS—The \$250,000 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ % notes sold to the County Sinking Fund—V. 148, p. 618—are dated Feb. 1, 1939 and mature Aug. 1, 1939.

HILLSBORO, Ohio—BONDS RESOLD—The issue of \$100,000 sewer system bonds originally understood to have been taken by Fox, Einhorn & Co., Inc., Cincinnati, was actually purchased by the BancOhio Securities Corp., Columbus. The bonds bear 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ % interest and the earlier report of the financing appeared in V. 147, p. 160.

HIRAM SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BONDS SOLD—The \$25,000 school bonds offered on Sept. 23 of last year were sold to the State Teachers' Retirement System.

IRONTON, Ohio—BOND OFFERING—Ralph F. Mittendorf, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until noon on Feb. 23 for the purchase of \$200,000 6% flood prevention bonds. Dated April 1, 1939. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Due April 1 as follows: \$6,500 from 1940 to 1959 incl. and \$7,000 from 1960 to 1969 incl. Bidder may name a different rate of interest provided that fractional rates are expressed in a multiple of $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1%. Principal and interest (A-O) payable at First National Bank of Ironton. They are unlimited tax bonds, the issuance and required levies therefor having been approved by the electorate. A certified check for \$2,000, payable to order of the city, must accompany each proposal.

JEFFERSON RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Adams), Ohio—BOND SALE DETAILS—The \$45,000 building bonds sold to the State Teachers' Retirement System—V. 147, p. 3054—were issued as 3s, at a price of 100.66, and mature on Nov. 15 from 1940 to 1963, inclusive.

LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Painesville), Ohio—BOND OFFERING—L. J. Spaulding, Clerk of Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. on Feb. 20 for the purchase of \$3,141.52 Willoughby Sewer District No. 1, Improvement No. 16 bonds. Dated April 1, 1938. Due as follows: \$341.52 April 1 and \$300, Oct. 1, 1939; \$300, April 1 and Oct. 1, 1940; \$300, April 1 and \$400, Oct. 1, 1941; \$300, April 1 and Oct. 1

in 1942 and 1943. Principal and interest (A-O) payable at County Treasurer's office. A certified check for \$20, payable to order of the County Treasurer, must accompany each proposal.

LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Massillon), Ohio—BOND SALE—An issue of \$30,000 3% school bonds was sold on Dec. 1 to the National Bank of Orville. Dated Dec. 1, 1938. Denom. \$750. Due \$750 on March 1 and Sept. 1 from 1940 to 1959 incl. Legal opinion of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey of Cleveland.

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Rudolph), Ohio—BOND SALE—The \$31,000 gymnasium-auditorium bonds authorized at the primary election last August were sold to Ryan, Sutherland & Co. of Toledo as 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ s, at a price of 100.117.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (P. O. Dayton), Ohio—BOND SUIT CALLED OFF—Injunction hearing which was scheduled for Jan. 24 in a suit of a local taxpayer seeking to enjoin the Board of Commissioners from selling privately \$425,000 refunding bonds to Stranahan, Harris & Co. of Toledo—V. 148, p. 468—was called off owing to failure of plaintiff to post a bond at the time a restraining order was issued by Common Pleas Court Judge Robert U. Martin, according to report. As a result of the suit and subsequent criticism levelled at county commissioners it has been decided that hereafter all bond and note issues will be offered at competitive bidding, it was said.

MOUNT VERNON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Ohio—BONDS SOLD—The \$198,000 school building bonds authorized at an election last Sept. 27 have been sold to Hawley, Huller & Co. of Cleveland.

PORT CLINTON, Ohio—BOND SALE—An issue of \$40,000 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ % water works mortgage revenue bonds was sold to Ryan, Sutherland & Co. of Toledo. Dated Sept. 2, 1938. Denom. \$1,000. Due Sept. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1941 to 1943, incl.; \$2,000 from 1944 to 1957, incl., and \$3,000 from 1958 to 1960, incl.

WAYNESFIELD, Ohio—BOND OFFERING—H. N. Babcock, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until noon on Feb. 18, for the purchase of \$3,000 4% sidewalk bonds. Dated Dec. 1, 1938. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$300 on June 1 and Dec. 1 from 1940 to 1944, incl. Interest J-D. A certified check for 1% of the bonds, payable to order of the village, is required.

WICKLIFFE, Ohio—TENDERS WANTED—Joseph C. Witz, Village Clerk, will receive sealed tenders of refunding bonds, dated Oct. 1, 1936, until noon on Feb. 28. Bonds will be purchased at the lowest price offered to the extent of about \$50,000 available for that purpose.

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CUSTER CITY, Okla.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on Feb. 7, by C. A. Kelley, Town Clerk, for the purchase of a \$7,500 issue of sewer extension bonds. The interest rate is to be specified by the bidder. Due as follows: \$1,000, 1944 to 1950, and \$500 in 1951. A certified check for 2% of the bid is required.

HARMON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Gould), Okla.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on Feb. 7, by Carl Snider, District Clerk, for the purchase of a \$5,500 issue of building bonds. Interest rate is to be specified by the bidder. Due \$500 from 1944 to 1954, incl. A certified check for 2% of the bid is required.

OKLAHOMA, State of—NOTE OFFERING—It is reported that subscriptions will be received by Carl Sebring, State Treasurer, until Feb. 9, for \$3,000,000 State Treasury, series D, 1938-39 notes, which are being issued under authority of Article 3, Chapter 27, Oklahoma Session Laws, 1937, for the purpose of acquiring money with which to pay any valid warrants issued against the general fund of the State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1939.

The said notes are issued in denomination of \$5,000 and mature on May 1, 1939. The notes bear interest at the rate of 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ % per annum from their date until paid, and will be dated the day they are delivered to the purchasers thereof. The notes are payable from any revenues accruing to the general fund of the State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1939, and the full faith, credit and resources of the State are pledged to their payment.

Subscriptions for said notes will be received by the State Treasurer in amounts of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof. If the issue is oversubscribed the State Treasurer will prorate the issue among the subscribers. Subscribers shall agree to pay par for the notes subscribed for, and each subscription shall be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check on a solvent bank for 1% of the amount of notes desired which shall be applied on the purchase price of said notes. In the event subscriber fails to accept and pay for the notes subscribed for within 10 days after notice from the State Treasurer by registered mail to do so, the proceeds of said check shall be credited to the general fund of the State as liquidated damages. The State Treasurer, with the approval of the State Auditor and Governor, has the authority to reject any subscription.

QUINLAN, Okla.—BOND OFFERING—It is reported that sealed bids will be received until 4 p. m. on Feb. 6 by H. Gifford, Town Clerk, for the purchase of a \$5,000 issue of not to exceed 6% semi-annual water system bonds. Due serially in from 5 to 20 years. These bonds were approved by the voters on Jan. 10. A certified check for 3% of the bid is required.

SEDAN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9 (P. O. Mountain View, Route 2), Okla.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on Feb. 14, by M. Wiley, District Clerk, for the purchase of a \$6,400 issue of building bonds. Interest rate to be specified by the bidder. Due as follows: \$1,000, 1942 to 1947, and \$400 in 1948. A certified check for 2% of the bid is required.

SHAWNEE, Okla.—BOND ELECTION—It is reported that an election has been called for March 7 in order to have the voters pass on the proposed issuance of four issues of bonds aggregating \$112,500, divided as follows: \$38,500 airport improvement, \$35,000 training school, \$26,000 street improvement, and \$13,000 fire department bonds.

OREGON

CLACKAMAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 64 (P. O. Clackamas) Ore.—BONDS SOLD—We are advised by the District Clerk that the \$2,500 coupon or registered school building bonds offered for sale on Dec. 9—V. 147, p. 3649—were sold on Dec. 20 to Tripp & McCreary, Inc. of Portland, as 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ s, paying a price of 100.07. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Due from 1945 to 1949.

COOS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9 (P. O. Marshfield), Ore.—BOND SALE—The \$165,000 issue of school bonds offered for sale on Jan. 26—V. 148, p. 469—was awarded to the Coos County National Bank of Marshfield, divided as follows: \$73,000 maturing Feb. 15, \$10,000 in 1943 to 1946, and \$11,000 in 1947 to 1949, as 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ s, and \$92,000 maturing \$12,000 in 1950 to 1952, \$13,000 in 1953 and 1954, \$14,000 in 1955, and 1956, and \$2,000 in 1947, as 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ s.

DUNDEE, Ore.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p. m. on Feb. 6, by Ellen Allen, Town Recorder, for the purchase of a \$2,500 issue of water improvement bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 5%, payable M-N. Dated Nov. 10, 1938. Denom. \$250. Due Nov. 10, as follows: \$1,250 in 1943 and \$250 in 1944 to 1948. Prin. and int. payable at the First National Bank of Portland, Newberg Branch, Newberg. The legal opinion of Teal, Winfree, McCulloch, Shuler & Kelley of Portland, approving the legality and sufficiency of the bonds will be furnished. Enclose a certified check for 2% of the par value of the bonds.

HILLSBORO, Ore.—BOND OFFERING—It is reported that sealed bids will be received until 5 p. m. on Feb. 10, by E. M. Bowman, City Recorder,

for the purchase of a \$7,500 issue of general fund airport bonds. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Denom. \$500. Due Feb. 1 as follows: \$500 in 1944 and 1945, \$1,000 in 1946 and 1947 and \$1,500 in 1948 to 1950. The approving opinion of Teal, Winfree, McCulloch, Shuler & Kelley of Portland, will be furnished. Enclose a certified check for 2% of the par value of the bonds payable to the city.

MARION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Route 1, Aurora) Ore.—BOND SALE—The \$9,000 issue of school bonds offered for sale on Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 619—was awarded to Jaxthelmer & Co. of Portland, as 2 1/4s, paying a price of 100.57, a basis of about 2.63%. Dated Feb. 10, 1939. Due \$1,000 from Feb. 10, 1940 to 1948 incl.

MT. ANGEL, Ore.—WARRANT SALE—The \$2,500 issue of interest-bearing warrants offered for sale on Jan. 28—V. 148, p. 619—was awarded to Tripp & McCleary of Portland as 3 1/4s, according to the City Recorder. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Due on Feb. 1, 1948.

POLK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 21 (P. O. Perrydale), Ore.—WARRANTS SOLD—It is reported by the District Clerk that a \$5,000 issue of interest bearing warrants was offered for sale on Jan. 31 and was awarded to the Baker, Fordyce, Tucker Co. of Portland, as 3s, paying a price of 100.26. Due from June 1, 1939 to 1943.

WICKIUP WATER DISTRICT (P. O. Route No. 2, Box 436, Astoria), Ore.—BOND SALE—The \$25,000 issue of 5% semi-ann water bonds offered for sale on Dec. 17—V. 147, p. 3902—was sold to local purchasers at par, according to the District Secretary. Dated Dec. 20, 1938. Due on Dec. 20 from 1941 to 1958.

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CLARION, Pa.—BOND SALE—The \$55,000 3% sewage disposal bonds offered Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 313—were awarded to S. K. Cunningham & Co., Inc., and Glover & Macgregor, Inc., both of Pittsburgh, jointly, at par plus a premium of \$2,403.50, equal to 104.36, a basis of about 2.64%. Dated Dec. 1, 1938, and due Dec. 1 as follows: \$1,000 in 1940 and \$2,000 from 1941 to 1967, incl. Other bids:

Bidder	Premium
Burr & Co., Inc.	\$1,874.95
Citizens Trust Co. of Clarion	1,859.00
First National Bank of Clarion	1,447.10
Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc.	1,285.90
E. H. Rollins & Sons, Inc.	1,253.45
Singer, Deane & Scribner	1,207.00
Bancamerica-Blair Corp.	696.63
Johnson & McLean, Inc.	351.45

ERIE, Pa.—CREDITORS PASS ON PLANS FOR SETTling SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BOND CLAIMS—Results of the voting on proposals for settling claims of holders of a large amount of special assessment paying bonds, liability for which is disclaimed by the city on the ground that they are not full faith and credit obligations—V. 147, p. 3803—showed that 10% of the bondholders will not agree to any plan which does not call for payment of face value, plus interest at 6% which has accrued during the past 10 years, according to report. The poll, it was said, was conducted by Attorney Jacob B. Held, Secretary of the bondholders' committee. Some of the smaller bondholders agreed to the proposal whereby the accrued interest would be waived and existing securities exchanged for full faith and credit obligations of the city bearing 3% interest. No action in the matter will be taken pending reaction to the several adjustment proposals by the Fire and Pension Fund Association of Erie, the Department, also Lawrence Nagle and T. R. Palmer, the combined holdings of which account for more than 50% of the total amount of bonds in question. Bondholders were requested to vote on four proposals, described as follows:

1. To have the city pay in full, plus 6% interest, which amounts to \$244,000 on the \$435,000 in outstanding bonds.
2. For the city to issue bonds for the interest that is due and pay the principal over a five-year period.
3. To accept the city's plan of paying face value for the bonds, without the accrued interest, and to accept in return full faith and credit bonds up to \$350,000 and a judgment of \$85,000 payable within two years.
4. To make no settlement until the T. R. Palmer case is settled in court and to have the city give the other bondholders the same settlement as decided by the courts, plus court costs of litigation.

FOX CHAPEL AUTHORITY (P. O. Pittsburgh), Pa.—BOND SALE DETAILS—The \$302,000 3 1/4% water works revenue bonds sold to Singer, Deane & Scribner of Pittsburgh and associates—V. 148, p. 619—are in \$1,000 denoms. and mature Jan. 1 as follows: \$15,000 from 1944 to 1962, incl., and \$17,000 in 1963. Callable on 30 days' notice in whole or in part in the inverse order of maturity and number at a price of 105 on Jan. 1, 1952, with the premium decreasing by 1/2 of 1% in the case of each succeeding Jan. 1. Prin. and int. (J-J) payable at the Peoples-Pittsburgh Trust Co., Pittsburgh, trustee. Legality approved by Burgwin, Scully & Churchill of Pittsburgh.

HANOVER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Wilkes-Barre), Pa.—NOTE SALE—The issue of \$30,000 notes offered Jan. 15—V. 148, p. 155—were awarded to the Miners National Bank of Wilkes-Barre as 4s. Due \$10,000 on Jan. 15 from 1940 to 1942, incl. Although Burr & Co. of Philadelphia bid for 3 1/4s, the award was made to the bank as it would result in a saving of State tax, according to report.

HATBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BOND SALE—The \$40,000 improvement bonds offered Feb. 1—V. 148, p. 313—were awarded to Barclay, Moore & Co. of Philadelphia as 2 1/4s, at 102.429, a basis of about 2.03%. Dated Jan. 2, 1939 and due \$2,000 on Jan. 1 from 1942 to 1961 incl. W. H. Newbold's Son & Co., second high bidder, offered a price of 101.66 for 2 1/4s.

INGRAM, Pa.—BOND OFFERING—W. McReynolds, Borough Secretary, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. on Feb. 17 for the purchase of \$25,000 coupon street improvement bonds. Dated March 1, 1939. Denomination \$1,000. Due March 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1940 to 1942, incl.; \$1,000, 1943 and 1944; \$3,000 from 1945 to 1947, incl., and \$4,000 in 1948 and 1949. Bidder to name a single rate of interest, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. Sale of bonds is subject to approval of proceedings by the Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs. A certified check for \$500, payable to order of the Borough Treasurer, is required. Legal opinion of Burgwin, Scully & Churchill of Pittsburgh will be furnished the successful bidder.

MANSFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BOND SALE—The \$22,500 school bonds offered Jan. 26—V. 148, p. 313—were awarded to the First National Bank of Mansfield as 2 1/4s at par. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Due \$500 in 1942 and \$1,000 from 1943 to 1964 incl. Callable on Feb. 1 of each year starting in 1941 on 60 days' notice to the address of the registered holder.

NORTH EAST, Pa.—BOND SALE—The \$20,000 3 1/4% funding bonds offered Jan. 30—V. 148, p. 313—were awarded to Singer, Deane & Scribner of Pittsburgh at par plus a premium of \$1,243, equal to 106.215, a basis of about 2.75%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939 and due Feb. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1946 and 1947; \$5,000 in 1948 and 1949, and \$6,000 in 1950. Other bids:

Bidder	Premium
E. H. Rollins & Sons, Inc.	\$1,107.60
Phillips, Schmetz & Co.	1,013.40
S. K. Cunningham & Co.	823.00
Burr & Co.	505.80
Johnson & McLean, Inc.	278.40

PENNSYLVANIA (State of)—LOCAL ISSUES APPROVED—Following is the most recent summary of local bond issues approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs. Information includes name of the municipality, amount and purpose of issue and date approved:

Municipality and Purpose of Issue—	Amount	Date Approved
Butler City, Butler Co.—Funding and paying for improvements to sewage treatment works	\$273,000	Jan. 23
North East Borough, Erie Co.—Providing funds for the construction of borough water works	20,000	Jan. 23
Amity Twp., S. D., Berks Co.—Making alterations in the district's existing school building	18,000	Jan. 23
Springdale Twp., Allegheny Co.—Purchasing materials for the improvement of Valley View and Butler Roads	6,000	Jan. 25
Portland Borough, Northampton Co.—Purchasing water works in excess of the boroughs councilmanic borrowing capacity	10,000	Jan. 26
Speers Borough, Washington Co.—Paying part of the cost of building and constructing a public water system to and along the streets, alleys and granted rights-of-way of said borough	16,000	Jan. 26

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—GROWTH OF DEFICIT OUTLINED IN FINANCIAL REVIEW—The Philadelphia Bureau of Municipal Research in a report just issued bearing the title "Time to Call a Halt," states that the "most serious aspect" of the city's present financial crisis is not its apparent inability to pay overdue obligations, representing an accumulated deficit of \$33,000,000, but rather its "apparent lack of will to bring to a halt its easy-going policy of spending beyond its revenues." In a brief review of the city's financing operations in the years 1933 to 1938, inclusive, the Bureau points out that the accumulated deficit is the direct result of the policy, followed in practically every year, of inflating the figures of estimated revenues in the annual budgets. It is also noted that the tax rate was reduced for 1934 from \$1,825 to \$1.75, which latter figure was continued in 1935. The rate was then reduced to \$1.70 and this level was maintained throughout the past three years. In each of the recent years expenditures were well in excess of total income and even in 1938, when a 2% sales tax was effective, there was a deficit of about \$4,000,000 and an accumulated budgetary deficiency at the close of the year amounting to \$33,400,000. In the case of 1939, it is noted that the city is trying to bridge an indicated deficit of almost \$9,000,000 between revenue estimates and proposed expenditures.

FUNDED DEBT LOWER—The city effected a net reduction of \$9,552,900 in its funded debt during 1938, according to the Sinking Fund Commission, which placed the total of outstanding bonds at the year-end at \$537,070,300, of which \$136,983,300 was held in the fund. Total debt at the close of 1937 was \$548,070,300, of which \$138,430,400 was in the sinking fund. Bonds retired in 1938 amounted to \$16,000,000, including \$6,862,693 of sinking fund holdings. Payments of bond interest reached \$23,145,878.

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—MUST PAY FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN ANNEXED UNITS—The State Supreme Court decided on Jan. 30 that the city must pay for street improvements in boroughs and townships it annexes. The decision, according to the Pittsburgh "Post Gazette," came in a case involving the former borough of Overbrook, annexed to the city in 1929. The Court refused the petition of the city for reargument of an appeal in the suit of the Iron and Glass Dollar Savings Bank of Birmingham, which was handling 16 certificates of indebtedness in behalf of the Pittsburgh Paving Co., a contractor firm that did work in the borough.

Justice H. Edgar Barnes' decision in October overruling Common Pleas Court and entering judgment against the city for \$44,790.31, plus interest, was made effective by the refusal of the petition for reargument.

WHITELAND TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. West Chester), Pa.—BOND SALE DETAILS—The \$28,500 building bonds sold to the National Bank of Malvern as 2 1/4s, at par—V. 148, p. 469—mature as follows: \$1,500 from 1940 to 1942 incl. and \$2,000 from 1943 to 1954 incl.

RHODE ISLAND

BARRINGTON, R. I.—BOND SALE—The issue of \$75,000 coupon municipal building bonds offered Feb. 2 was awarded to Foster & Co., Inc., New York, as 1 1/4s, at a price of 100.549, a basis of about 1.68%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939 and due \$5,000 on Feb. 1 from 1940 to 1954 incl. Principal and interest (F-A) payable at the First National Bank of Boston. Legality approved by Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston. The bonds will be valid general obligations of the town, and all taxable property in the town at the end of the fiscal year on June 30. The deficiency will result from over-estimates of receipts, including \$1,300,000 from inheritance taxes and \$200,000 from automobile registration and license receipts. In addition, the State proposed to refund \$1,000,000 of bonds in the present fiscal year, a plan which was defeated by the voters at the general election last November, according to report.

SINKING FUND BUYS ADDITIONAL \$25,000—In connection with the above sale, it is pointed out that the town intends to purchase for its sinking funds the \$25,000 balance of the authorized loan of \$100,000 maturing \$5,000 Feb. 1, 1955-1959 inclusive.

RHODE ISLAND (State of)—BOND ELECTION—An issue of \$2,250,000 bonds will be submitted for consideration of the voters at an election to be held on Feb. 16. Purpose of the loan is to fund the deficit of about the same amount which Governor William H. Vanderbilt estimates the State will have by the end of the fiscal year on June 30. The deficiency will result from over-estimates of receipts, including \$1,300,000 from inheritance taxes and \$200,000 from automobile registration and license receipts. In addition, the State proposed to refund \$1,000,000 of bonds in the present fiscal year, a plan which was defeated by the voters at the general election last November, according to report.

Rate of interest on the issue would be limited to 3 1/2% and all of the bonds would mature not later than 1959, with yearly instalments to be not less than \$150,000 or more than \$225,000. Unless the issue is voted, State services will have to be cut by one-third, the Governor said.

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SOUTH CAROLINA

UNION, S. C.—BOND CALL—W. D. Arthur, City Clerk and Treasurer, announces that, pursuant to authority contained in the issue, the city is calling for redemption, on Apr. 1, 1939, all of the \$25,000 5% water works bonds dated Apr. 1, 1915, due Apr. 1, 1935, and callable after 20 years from date of issue. Holders are requested to present the bonds for payment and redemption at the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., New York, on the aforementioned date. Interest on the bonds will cease to accrue after the call date.

SOUTH DAKOTA

STURGIS, S. Dak.—BOND OFFERING—It is reported that sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. on Feb. 20, by A. W. Devers, City Auditor, for the purchase of a \$70,000 issue of not to exceed 4% semi-annual sewer system bonds. Dated Dec. 15, 1938. Denom. \$1,000. Due Dec. 15, as follows: \$3,000 in 1941 to 1950 and \$5,000 in 1951 to 1958. Prin. and int. payable at the City Treasurer's office. No bid for less than par and accrued interest will be considered. Enclose a certified check for 5% of the bid.

TENNESSEE

GALLATIN, Tenn.—BOND SALE—The \$150,000 issue of electric bonds offered for sale on Jan 6—V 147, p 3951—was purchased by the Nashville Securities Co of Nashville, as 4s at par, according to the City Recorder. Dated Oct. 1, 1938. Due from Oct. 1, 1939 to 1958; optional after 10 years from date of issue.

MUNFORD, Tenn.—BONDS SOLD—It is stated by the Mayor that \$1,500 6% semi-annual street improvement bonds were sold recently at par to the Munford Union Bank.

TENNESSEE, State of—BOND TENDERS SUBMITTED—In connection with the call for tenders of Morgan County highway refunding bonds, series of 1935, dated Aug. 1, 1935, due on Feb. 1, 1949, callable at par on any interest payment date on or after Feb. 1, 1939, as noted here on Jan. 21—V. 148, p. 470—It is reported by the State Board of Claims that about 38% of the outstanding bonds have been retired.

TEXAS

AMARILLO, Texas—BONDS SOLD—A news report from Amarillo as of Jan. 21 had the following to say:
"Sale of an \$80,000 bond issue at an average interest rate of 3.154%—the lowest in the city's history—has been announced by the Amarillo City Commission.
"The issue for which the maturity dates are from 1946 to 1953, said Mayor Rogers, will 'level out' the heavy maturity payments the city faces.
"Through the refunding move, the city this year keeps intact a \$100,000 excess in the interest and sinking fund while taking advantage of what city officials believed attractively low interest rates offered at this time."

FLOYDADA, Texas—BOND TENDERS INVITED—It is announced by S. E. Duncan, State Treasurer, that he will receive sealed tenders until Feb. 14 of refunding bonds, series of 1935, dated March 1, 1935. The city has approximately \$5,000 with which to purchase bonds, and only tenders of less than par and accrued interest will be considered. The city will accept the lowest offer or offers sufficient to exhaust the funds on hand for such purpose, and reserves the right to accept or reject any portion of the amount of bonds that may be offered by any one person.

HILLSBORO, Texas—BOND SALE—The \$23,000 issue of refunding bonds offered for sale on Jan. 1—V. 148, p. 620—was awarded to Donald O'Neil & Co. of Dallas, as 2 3/4%, paying a price of 100.119, a basis of about 2.73%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Due from Feb. 1, 1940 to 1953 incl.

MARSHALL, Texas—BOND OFFERING—We are informed by Neuman Wells, City Secretary, that he will receive sealed bids until 7:30 p. m. on Feb. 7 for the purchase of a \$200,000 issue of school bonds. Dated Feb. 15, 1939. Due Feb. 15 as follows: \$500 in 1941, \$1,000 in 1942, \$1,500 in 1943 to 1945, \$2,000 in 1946 to 1953, \$2,500 in 1954 to 1960, \$3,000 in 1961 and 1962, \$22,000 in 1963 to 1968, and \$22,500 in 1969. Bidders are required to submit bids at the lowest coupon rate or rates not exceeding two interest rates, at which they will pay not less than par and accrued interest, plus a minimum cash premium of \$1,500. Interest rates must be in multiples of 1/4 of 1%. Prin. and int. (F-A) payable at the office of the City Secretary or at the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., New York. The bonds, together with the approving opinion of Chapman & Cutler, Chicago, and a complete transcript of legal proceedings authorizing the issuance of the bonds, will be furnished the purchaser free of expense at the date of delivery. Each proposal must be accompanied by a cashier's check made payable to the city in the amount of \$4,000. The city reserves the right to hold any and (or) all bids until 9 p. m. Feb. 9, before taking final action on same, and reserves the right to reject any and (or) all bids. Any bid or bids not complying with the terms of this notice will be rejected.

MONTPELIER, Vt.—BOND OFFERING—William H. Dyer, City Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 3 p. m. on Feb. 16 for the purchase of \$288,000 coupon bonds, divided as follows:
\$198,000 school bonds. Due Dec. 1 as follows: \$15,000 from 1943 to 1955 incl. and \$3,000 in 1956.
55,000 recreation field bonds. Due \$5,000 on Dec. 1 from 1943 to 1953 incl.
35,000 public improvement bonds. Due \$5,000 on Dec. 1 from 1943 to 1949 incl.
All of the bonds are dated Dec. 1, 1938. Denom. \$1,000. Bidder to name a single rate of interest, expressed in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. Principal and interest (J-D) payable at the First National Bank of Boston. These bonds will be valid general obligations of the city and all its taxable property will be subject to the levy of unlimited ad valorem taxes to pay both principal and interest. Each loan will be engraved under the supervision of and authenticated as to genuineness by the First National Bank of Boston; their legality will be approved by Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge, of Boston, 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 Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1939, at the First National Bank of Boston, 67 Milk St., Boston, against payment in Boston funds.

VERMONT

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Financial Statement, Jan. 20, 1939

Assessed valuation, 1938.....	\$8,407,837.00		
Outstanding bonded debt (due serially through 1946).....	190,000.00		
Outstanding notes, due 1940-1946.....	107,713.30		
Outstanding notes to be retired from proceeds of these bonds.....	273,000.00		
No water bonds or sinking funds.....			
Population, 1938—7,837.....			
Year.....			
1938.....	1937.....	1936.....	
Tax levy.....	\$302,452.88	\$299,911.01	\$291,863.62
Uncollected to date.....	6,730.97	3,556.29	2,379.71
Prior uncollected to 1936.....			4,859.04

VIRGINIA

ALEXANDRIA, Va.—LIST OF BIDS—The following listing of the other bids received for the \$195,000 3% coupon semi-annual public improvement and funding bonds that were sold on Jan. 26, as described in detail in our issue of Jan. 28—V. 148, p. 620—is furnished to us by Carl Budwesky, City Manager:

Names of Other Bidders—	Price Bid
Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc.....	\$203,777.10
Mason-Hagan, Inc. and Phelps, Fenn & Co.....	203,133.45
R. S. Dickson & Co., Inc.; Stein Bros. & Boyce and Investment Corp. of Norfolk.....	201,910.50
First of Michigan Corp. and Burr & Co., Inc.....	201,649.50
Frederick E. Nolting, Inc. and B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Inc.....	198,515.85
Citizens National Bank, Alexandria.....	196,797.71

* Peoples National Bank of Charlottesville bid \$207,327.27 but the bid was received by mail two hours too late for consideration.

WASHINGTON

DAYTON, Wash.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 7 p. m. on Feb. 14, by H. W. Newton, City Clerk, for the purchase of a \$60,000 issue of not to exceed 4% semi-annual funding bonds. The bonds are to run for a period of 20 years. The various annual maturities of said bonds will commence with the second year after the date of issue of the bonds and will (as near as practicable) be specified by the City Council by resolution, and be in such amount as will, together with interest on the outstanding bonds, be met by an equal annual tax levy for the payment of said bonds and interest, the City reserving the right to redeem any or all of the unamortized bonds five years from the respective dates thereof or on any interest payment date thereafter upon giving 30 days' previous notice of such intended redemption. 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 said bonds; or (b) the lowest rate of interest at which the bidder will purchase said bonds at par. Principal and interest payable at the City Treasurer's office, or at the fiscal agency of the State in New York, or at the State Treasurer's office in Olympia. The bonds are issued for the purpose of redeeming emergency current expense fund warrants in the same amount as authorized by Ordinance No. 949 of the City and the Laws of the State. Enclose a certified check for 5% of the amount of the bid.

SEATTLE, Wash.—SPECIAL SCHOOL LEVY TO BE VOTED UPON—We quote in part as follows from the San Francisco "Chronicle" of Jan. 28: "Seattle's electorate will vote March 14 on a proposal to levy a special tax of 3 mills for the construction and improvement of school buildings.
"Decision to place the proposition on the ballot was made at yesterday's meeting of the Seattle School Board. The vote of the directors was unanimous.

"Scores of community club leaders, Parent-Teacher Association officials and others vitally interested in the plan to modernize school structures attended the session and pledged their support in a campaign to advise the voters of the urgent need for a rehabilitation program.

"They were advised that a three-fifths majority will be required to pass the measure. In addition the minimum number of votes required will be 60,175, or 40% of the number cast at the last general election for Governor, according to Robert Macfarlane, Chairman of the Board.

"If the levy carries, it will provide approximately \$750,000. The school directors hope to obtain Federal matching funds which would bring the total to about \$1,500,000.

"The money would be available in March, 1940."

WEST VIRGINIA

MOUNDSVILLE, W. Va.—BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT—A new issue of \$178,000 4% coupon street paving revenue bonds is being offered by McGregor, Irvine & Co. of Wheeling, for public subscription at prices to yield from 3.00% to 4.00%, according to maturity. Dated Jan. 1, 1939. Bonds are registerable as to principal. Interest payable J-J. Denom. \$1,000. Redeemable on 30 days' published notice at 102 and accrued interest, in whole or in part, on any interest date. Prin. and int. payable at the First National Bank, Moundsville. Legality approved by Chapman & Cutler, of Chicago.

WISCONSIN

BALDWIN, Wis.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p. m. on Feb. 6, by Geo. H. Vande Berg, Village Clerk, for the purchase of a \$7,500 issue of 3% coupon semi-annual refunding bonds. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Denom. \$500. Due \$500, Feb. 1, 1940 to 1954, provided, however, that at the option of the Village each and all of such bonds are callable in any year at the time any instalment of principal on any of such bonds shall be made to fall due, on the payment of \$102 for each \$100 of principal thereof plus any interest then due and unpaid thereon. Principal and interest payable at the office of the Village Treasurer.

BONDUEL, Wis.—BOND SALE—The \$20,000 issue of 2 3/4% semi-ann sewer bonds offered for sale on Jan. 27—V. 148, p. 620—was awarded to Bell & Farrell of Madison, paying a premium of \$251, equal to 101.255, a basis of about 2.625%. Dated Dec. 1, 1938. Due from June 1, 1942 to 1957. The second highest bid was an offer of \$127 premium, tendered by T. E. Joiner & Co. of Chicago.

CUDAHY, Wis.—MATURITY—It is now reported that the \$100,000 school building bonds sold to the Milwaukee Co. of Milwaukee, as 2 1/2%, at a price of 101.575, as noted here—V. 148, p. 620—are due as follows: \$6,000, 1943 to 1954, and \$7,000, 1955 and 1958, giving a basis of about 2.34%.

DOUGLAS COUNTY (P. O. Superior), Wis.—BONDS OFFERED TO PUBLIC—The \$100,000 issue of general obligation relief bonds purchased by A. S. Huyck & Co. of Chicago, as 3 1/2%, at 100.70, a basis of about 3.36%, as noted here—V. 148, p. 470—was offered by the said firm and by Ballman & Main of Chicago, for general investment at prices to yield from 1.25% to 2.80%, according to maturity. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Jan. 2, 1939. Due \$10,000 from Jan. 1, 1949 to 1940, incl. Prin. and int. (J-J) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. Legality approved by Chapman & Cutler of Chicago.

KIMBERLY, Wis.—BOND OFFERING—It is reported that Paul Lochschmidt, Village Clerk, will offer for sale at public auction on Feb. 7 at 2 p. m. an \$85,000 issue of coupon sewerage disposal and water works improvement bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 2 1/2%, payable M-S. Denom. \$1,000. Due March 1 as follows: \$5,000 in 1944 to 1950 and \$10,000 in 1951 to 1955. Rate of interest to be in multiples of 1/4 of 1%. If more than one coupon is bid, the bidder shall specify the bond maturities of each of such coupon rates. Bidders will have the privilege of making more than one bid. The successful bidder will be required to furnish the blank bonds. The bonds are general obligations of the village and are to be issued subject to the examination and certification of the bonds by the Attorney General and all bids must be so conditioned. Prin. and int. payable at the Village Treasurer's office. A certified check of not less than 1% of the par value of the bonds, made payable to the Village Treasurer, is required.

MARINETTE, Wis.—BOND SALE—The \$100,000 issue of 3% semi-annual emergency relief replacement bonds offered for sale on Jan. 31—V. 148, p. 470—was awarded to Mullane, Ross & Co. of Chicago and Heronymus, Bollschmider & Co. of Sheboygan, paying a price of 105.585, a basis of about 2.10%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Due \$10,000 from Feb. 1, 1941 to 1950, inclusive.

WESTMORELAND SANITARY DISTRICT (P. O. Madison) Wis.—BONDS SOLD—It is stated by Gordon E. Dawson, Secretary of the Commissioners, that a \$25,000 issue of coupon special assessment sewer bonds was offered for sale on Jan. 31 and was purchased by the Northwestern Securities Co. of Madison, as 5 1/2%, paying a price of 95.00, a basis of about 6.52%. Dated March 1, 1939. Due on March 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1940 to 1943; \$2,500, 1944 and 1945, and \$3,000 in 1946 to 1949, all incl.

CANADA

CANADA (Dominion of)—CORPORATE AND MUNICIPAL FINANCING IN JANUARY—New Canadian Government, Provincial and municipal bond financing for the month of January totaled \$130,564,500 and consisted principally of \$55,000,000 of Government Treasury bills for refunding purposes; an issue of \$50,000,000 of 2 1/4% and 3% bonds by the Canadian National Ry., and \$20,000,000 of Dominion of Canada 1 1/2% notes due 1941, the latter being marketed in the United States, according to figures compiled by Wood, Gundy & Co., Ltd. In the Provincial field, the largest issue was \$4,500,000 Province of New Brunswick 3 1/2% bonds due 1949. Of the total for the month, \$117,800,000 was for refunding and \$12,764,500 for new money. In the same month last year total financing amounted to \$158,227,024 and in January, 1937, was \$196,006,500.

In the corporate field financing in Canada amounted to \$19,161,000, compared with only \$300,000 in the same month last year and \$10,225,000 in January, 1937. In the industrial field there was an issue of \$1,800,000 of Massey-Harris Co., Ltd., 3 1/2% and 4% serial bonds and \$7,000,000 of 4 1/2% bonds of the same company. Of the total for the month, \$18,800,000 was for refunding purposes and \$361,000 for new money.

CANADA (Dominion of)—TREASURY BILLS SOLD—An issue of \$25,000,000 Treasury bills dated Feb. 1, 1939 and due in three months, was marketed in the latter part of January at an average cost basis of 0.691%.

CHARLOTTEVILLE TOWNSHIP, Ont.—BOND SALE—An issue of \$19,000 4% bonds were sold to the Dominion Securities Corp. of Toronto at a price of 104.55, a basis of about 3.37%. Dated Jan. 2, 1939 and due in 15 equal instalments. The issue constitutes the only outstanding funded debt of the township and attracted the following other bids:

Bidder—	Rate Bid	Bidder—	Rate Bid
Harris, MacKeen, Goss & Co.....	104.52	Frank L. Craig.....	103.00
Dymitt, Anderson & Co.....	104.34	Wood, Gundy & Co.....	102.60
J. L. Graham & Co.....	104.317	Pezzack, Peppall, Hara & Co.....	102.57
Harrison & Co.....	103.90	Fairclough & Co.....	102.50
Harris, Ramsay & Co.....	103.59	Fry & Co.....	102.00
Bank of Commerce.....	103.25	C. H. Burgess & Co.....	101.03
Bartlett, Cayley & Co.....	103.14		

NEW BRUNSWICK (Province of)—BOND SALE—A syndicate headed by the Bank of Montreal and the Royal Bank of Canada purchased \$4,500,000 3 1/4% coupon, registerable as to principal on payment of registration fee, road paving, bridge construction and other new capital purposes bonds, and reoffered them for public investment at a price of 97.25 and accrued interest, to yield 3.56%. Dated Feb. 1, 1939. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Callable in whole, but not in part, at Province's option, on Aug. 1, 1947 or on any subsequent interest date, on at least 60 days' prior notice, at par and accrued interest to date of redemption. Due Aug. 1, 1949. Principal and interest (F-A) payable in lawful money of Canada in the Cities of Halifax, Charlottetown, Saint John, Fredericton, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg or Vancouver, at option of holder. Legal opinion of Long & Daly of Toronto.

Other members of the underwriting group were as follows: The Bank of Nova Scotia; The Dominion Bank; The Dominion Securities Corp.; A. E. Ames & Co.; Wood, Gundy & Co.; Bell, Guinlock & Co.; McLeod, Young, Weir & Co.; Mills, Spence & Co.; Cochran, Murray & Co.; Eastern Securities Co.; T. M. Bell & Co., and F. J. Brennan & Co.