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STATE AND CITY DEPARTMENT BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS

ARKANSAS

Arkansas, State of

Refunding Bond Interest Payment — Semi-annual interest of \$2,192,000, the first due on the \$136,000,000 highway refunding issue sold to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, will be made October 1, by the paying agents, the Guaranty Trust Co., New York, Mercantile - Commerce Bank & Trust Co., St. Louis, and State Treasurer Earl Page.

Lon A. Coates, deputy treasurer, said that payments in 1942 will fully reflect the interest adjustment achieved by the refund as the total payable in the current year is calculated, in part, at the higher rates carried by the former issues.

On bonds callable July 1, after the first delivery April 1, the RFC refunded accrued interest.

CALIFORNIA

Fresno, Calif.

Notes Sold — A \$250,000 issue of tax anticipation notes is said to have been purchased recently by the California Bank of Los Angeles, at a rate of 0.26%. Due on Dec. 31 1941.

FLORIDA

De Soto County (P. O. Arcadia), Fla.

Bond Refunding Contract Signed — At a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held on Sept. 2, the contract with B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Inc., of New York, for refunding the county-wide road and bridge bonds, is said to have been approved.

Florida (State of)

Bond and Note Tenders Invited — Pursuant to Chapter 15,891, Laws of Florida, the State Board of Administration, through J. Edwin Larson, State Treasurer, will receive until 10 a.m. (EST) on Oct. 3 in Tallahassee, sealed offerings of matured or unmatured original or refunding road and bridge or highway bonds, time warrants, certificates of indebtedness and (or) negotiable notes of the counties, and special road and bridge districts therein, as follows:

Brevard, Charlotte, De Soto (except Districts No. 7, County-wide and Charlotte Harbor), Glades, Hardee, Hernando, Indian River District No. 4, Levy District No. 7, Martin, Monroe, Palm Beach, Districts Nos. 4, 8, 12, 16, 17 and 18 only, and St. Lucie, including Jensen R. & B. District and excepting County-wide R. & B. Refunding and Districts Nos. 2 and 3.

All offerings submitted must be firm for 10 days subsequent to the date of opening, i.e., though Oct. 13, and must state full name, description and serial numbers of bonds, interest rate, date of issue, date of maturity, and price asked. The offer must specifically state exactly what coupons are attached and will be delivered with the bonds for the price asked.

Sealed envelopes containing

offerings of bonds pursuant to this notice shall plainly state on its face that it is a proposal for sale of road and bridge bonds. Separate tenders shall be submitted covering the bonds of each county, but any number of such sealed offerings may be enclosed in one mailing envelope.

Osceola County (P. O. Kissimmee), Fla.

Bond Sale — The 3½% coupon semi-ann. refunding bonds aggregating \$1,734,000, offered for sale on Sept. 16—v. 154, p. 81—were awarded to a syndicate composed of Stifel, Nicolaus & Co. of St. Louis, B. J. Van Ingen & Co. of New York, Wolkling, Higgins & Co. of Orlando, Welsh, Davis & Co. of Chicago, and Robert H. Cook, Inc. of Miami, as follows:

\$1,608,000 county bonds at a price of 103.87, a basis of about 3.22%. Due on Oct. 1 in 1942 to 1971 incl.

87,000 Special Road and Bridge District No. 4 bonds at 103.26, a basis of about 3.06%. Due on Oct. 1 in 1942 to 1956 incl.

39,000 Special Road and Bridge District No. 4 bonds at 103.26, a basis of about 3.06%. Due on Oct. 1 in 1942 to 1956 incl.

ILLINOIS

Chicago, Ill.

Water Certificate Offering — R. B. Upham, City Comptroller, will receive sealed bids until 11 A.M. (DST) on Sept. 24 for the purchase of \$2,000,000 not to exceed 3% interest water works system revenue certificates of indebtedness. Dated May 1 1941. Denom. \$1,000. Due May 1 1961. Rate of interest to be expressed in multiples of ¼ of 1%. No bid will be considered that does not offer to purchase the entire amount of the issue and otherwise conform to the specifications set out in the official notice of sale. Prin. and int. (M-N) payable at the City Treasurer's office, or at the office of the fiscal agent of the City in New York City. The certificates are issued in coupon form and are registerable as to principal at the City Comptroller's office. They are payable solely from revenue derived from operation of the municipal waterworks system. Delivery of the certificates will be made in Chicago on or about Oct. 10 1941. Legal opinion of Chapman & Cutler, of Chicago, and engraved certificates will be furnished by the city. A certified check for 2% of the par value of the certificates, payable to order of the City Comptroller, is required.

INDIANA

Gary, Ind.

Warrant Sale — The \$142,000 temporary loan warrants offered Sept. 15—v. 153, p. 869—were awarded to the Albert McGann Securities Co. of South Bend, to

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New York Curb Exchange Out-of-Town Listed Markets

bear interest at 0.50%. Sale consisted of \$120,000 corporation fund and \$22,000 park fund warrants, all dated Aug. 15 1941 and due Nov. 15 1941. Harvey Fisk & Sons submitted the next highest bid, naming an interest rate of 0.54%.

Marion County (P. O. Indianapolis), Ind.

Warrant Sale — An issue of \$200,000 tax anticipation warrants was awarded Sept. 13 to Campbell & Co. of Indianapolis, to bear 0.30% interest and mature in 2½ months.

Union County (P. O. Liberty), Ind.

Bond Sale — The \$25,000 bridge and dry ford construction bonds offered Sept. 15—v. 153, p. 1304—were awarded to the Union County National Bank of Liberty, as 1¼s, at a price of 100.64. Dated Aug. 1 1941. Second high bid of 100.32 for 1¼s was made by Hemphill, Noyes & Co. and Kenneth S. Johnson, of Indianapolis, jointly.

IOWA

Clay County (P. O. Spencer), Iowa

Bond Sale — The \$218,000 issue of semi-ann. primary road bonds offered for sale on Sept. 15—v. 154, p. 34—was awarded at public auction to Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc. of Chicago, as 1¼s, paying a premium of \$2,226, equal to 101.021, a basis of about 1.12%.

KANSAS

Wichita, Kan.

Bond Sale — The following 1¼% semi-ann. bonds aggregating \$307,138.59, offered for sale on Sept. 15, were awarded to the First Boston Corporation, at 101.31, a basis of about 1.01%: \$30,000 park, series No. 482 bonds. Due on Sept. 1 1942 to 1951 incl. 276,173.59 paving and sewer, series No. 483 bonds. Due on Sept. 1 in 1942 to 1951 incl.

Bonds Offered for Investment — The purchaser reoffered the 1947 to 1951 maturities for public subscription at prices to yield from 0.90% to 1.10%, according to date desired.

Wyandotte Township (P. O. Kansas City), Kan.

Bonds Offered to Public — Estes, Snyder & Co., Inc. of Topeka, are offering \$175,000 4% coupon first

extension water works revenue bonds for general investment. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Sept. 1 1941. Due on Sept. 1 in 1944 to 1971; bonds maturing from 1961 to 1971, callable on and after Sept. 1 1952. Prin. and int. (M-S) payable at the State Treasurer's office in Topeka.

LOUISIANA

Leesville, La.

Bond Offering — Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 14, by J. R. Ferguson, Town Clerk, for the purchase of the following 4% semi-ann. bonds aggregating \$20,000:

\$10,000 improvement bonds. Denom. \$250. Due in 1942 to 1951.

10,000 improvement bonds. Denom. \$200. Due in 1942 to 1946.

Dated Nov. 1 1941. No bid will be received for the depository. A certified check for 5% of the amount of the bid, payable to the town, is required.

MASSACHUSETTS

Lenox, Mass.

Note Sale — The Merchants National Bank of Boston purchased on Sept. 15 an issue of \$7,500 notes at 0.18% discount. Due Sept. 1 1942.

Massachusetts (State of)

Legal Investment List Amended — The following bulletin (No. 1), showing the most recent changes in the list of investments legal for savings banks, was issued by the Commissioner of Banks on Sept. 15:

Added to the List of July 1, 1941:

Municipal Bonds and Notes
As of July 1, 1941
County of Hartford, Connecticut
Railroad Equipment Trusts
As of July 17, 1941
Southern Pacific Company
Equip. Trust, Series R (serially)
2¼s, 1956

Public Utilities
As of Sept. 11, 1941
Wisconsin Power and Light Co.
First Mtg., Series A, 3¼s, 1971

Removed from the List:

Public Utilities
New York State Electric and Gas Corp.
First Mtg. Gold, 4½s, 1960
First Mtg. 4s, 1965
First Mtg. 4½s, 1980

Called 8-7-41

Peoples Gas Light and Coke Company

First and Ref. Mtg., Series D, 4s, 1961

Called 9-2-41

Wakefield, Mass.

Note Sale — The Second National Bank of Boston was awarded on Sept. 16 an issue of \$100,000 notes at 0.136% discount. Due in payments on March 13 and April 10, 1942.

MICHIGAN

Comstock Township Fractional School District No. 1 (P. O. Comstock), Mich.

Bond Sale — The \$111,000 coupon school bonds offered Sept. 16—v. 154, p. 82—were awarded to E. H. Schneider & Co. of Kalamazoo, as 1s, at par plus a premium of \$635.30, equal to 100.572, a basis of about 0.83%. Dated Oct. 1 1941 and due April 1 as follows: \$21,000 in 1943; \$22,000 from 1944 to 1946 incl. and \$24,000 in 1947. Second high bid of 100.421 for 1s was made by the First of Michigan Corp., Detroit.

South Haven, Mich.

Bond Sale — The \$53,000 2½% coupon water revenue bonds offered Sept. 15—v. 153, p. 1306—were awarded to the Peninsular State Co. of Detroit, at a price of 103.539, a basis of about 1.58%. Dated Sept. 1 1941 and due Sept. 1 as follows: \$10,000 from 1943 to 1946 incl. and \$13,000 in 1947. Optional on any interest date after two years. Second high bid of 103.086 was made by John Nuveen & Co. of Chicago.

MINNESOTA

Mountain Iron, Minn.

Bond Offering — Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 30, by Anton Cerkenik, Village Recorder, for the purchase of the following bonds aggregating \$85,000: \$55,000 refunding, and \$30,000 funding bonds. Dated Oct. 1, 1941. Denom. \$1,000. The bonds shall mature and be payable pursuant to resolution adopted by the Village Council on Sept. 3, 1941, which resolution and schedule of maturity of payments are on file in the office of the Village Recorder. Interest payable April and October 1, of each year. The bonds will be sold to the highest bidder for cash for not less than par and accrued interest. All bids for the purchase of said bonds must be for both issues. Bids for the purchase of only one issue will be rejected. Enclose a certified check for 3% of bid, payable to Hjalmer Lundgren, Village Treasurer.

Tracy, Minn.

Bond Offering — Sealed and oral bids will be received until Sept. 26, at 8 p.m., by H. M. Alger, City Recorder, for the purchase of \$33,000 street improvement, general obligation bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Oct. 1 1941 as follows: \$2,000 in 1942 to 1953 and \$3,000 in 1954 to 1956. Bidder to name the rate of interest. Prin. and int. (A & O.) payable at any suitable bank or trust company designated by the successful bidder. Issued for the purpose of paying the costs of

NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE WEEKLY AND YEARLY RECORD

NOTICE—Cash and deferred delivery sales are disregarded in the week's range unless they are the only transactions of the week, and when selling outside the regular weekly range are shown in a footnote in the week in which they occur.

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 (Sept. 6, 1941) and ending the present Friday (Sept. 12, 1941). 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 have occurred during the current year.

Main table containing stock listings with columns for Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low/High), Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low/High), and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low/High). Includes sub-sections for 'STOCKS' and 'STOCKS (Continued)'.

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Main table containing stock listings with columns for Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941, and various other financial details.

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Main table containing stock listings with columns for Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Shares for Week, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941, and various price points.

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Table with columns for STOCKS (Continued), Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941, and Par. Includes various stock listings such as Pennsylvania Gas & Elec., Singer Mfg. Co., Ltd., and others.

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NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE

Table with columns: STOCKS (Continued), Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941, BONDS (Continued), Bank Ellg. & Rating, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Range Since Jan. 1.

New York Curb Exchange - Bonds

Table with columns: BONDS, Interest Period, Bank Ellg. & Rating, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Range Since Jan. 1, Low, High.

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BONDS (Continued) table with columns for Bond Name, Interest, Rating, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, and Range Since Jan. 1.

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Foreign Governments and Municipalities

BONDS (Continued) table for Foreign Governments and Municipalities with columns for Bond Name, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941.

* No par value. a Deferred delivery sale. d Ex-interest. e Odd-lot-sale. n Under-the-rule sale. r Cash sale. z Ex-dividend. ...

OTHER STOCK EXCHANGES

Baltimore Stock Exchange

STOCKS table for Baltimore Stock Exchange with columns for Stock Name, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941.

STOCKS

STOCKS (Continued) table with columns for Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941.

Boston Stock Exchange

STOCKS table for Boston Stock Exchange with columns for Stock Name, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941.

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Boston Stock Exchange

Table of Boston Stock Exchange stocks including Quincy Mining Co., Reece Fold Mach. Co., and others, with columns for Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941.

Chicago Stock Exchange

Table of Chicago Stock Exchange stocks including Abbott Laboratories, Acome Steel Co., and others, with columns for Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941.

STOCKS (Continued)

Table of various stocks including Inland Steel Co., Interlake Iron Corp., and others, with columns for Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941.

Cincinnati Stock Exchange

Table of Cincinnati Stock Exchange stocks including Am. Laundry Mach., Baldwin pfd., and others, with columns for Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941.

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Table with columns: STOCKS (Continued), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low, High).

Cleveland Stock Exchange

Table with columns: STOCKS, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low, High).

Detroit Stock Exchange

Table with columns: STOCKS, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low, High).

Los Angeles Stock Exchange

Table with columns: STOCKS, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low, High).

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Philadelphia Stock Exchange

Table with columns: STOCKS, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low, High), and various stock entries like American Stores, American Tel. & Tel., etc.

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange

Table with columns: STOCKS, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low, High), and various stock entries like Allegheny Lud. Steel com., Auto Finance com., etc.

St. Louis Stock Exchange

Table with columns: STOCKS, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low, High), and various stock entries like Burkart Mfg. com., International Electric Co., etc.

San Francisco Stock Exchange

Table with columns: STOCKS, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low, High), and various stock entries like Aircraft Accessories, Anglo Calif. Natl Bank, etc.

STOCKS (Continued)

Large table with columns: Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low, High), and various stock entries like Clorox Chemical Co., Coast Counties G. & E. Ist Pfd., etc.

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CANADIAN MARKETS - - LISTED AND UNLISTED

Montreal Stock Exchange

Table of Montreal Stock Exchange listings including Acme Glove Works, Algoma Steel, Asbestos Corp., and various mining and industrial companies. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941.

Montreal Curb Market

Table of Montreal Curb Market listings including Abitibi Power & Paper Co., Bagamac, Bankfield, and Bank of Montreal. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941.

STOCKS (Continued)

Table of Toronto Stock Exchange listings including Abitibi 7% cum. pref., Aluminum Ltd., Bathurst P & F class B, and various mining and industrial companies. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941.

Toronto Stock Exchange

Table of Toronto Stock Exchange listings including Abitibi pref. 6%, Acme Gas, A. P. Grain pfd., and various mining and industrial companies. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941.

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CANADIAN MARKETS - LISTED AND UNLISTED

Table with columns for STOCKS (Continued), Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low, High), and another set of columns for STOCKS (Continued) with similar metrics. The table lists various companies and their stock prices and historical ranges.

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CANADIAN MARKETS - - LISTED AND UNLISTED

Toronto Stock Exchange-Curb Section

Table of Toronto Stock Exchange-Curb Section. Columns include STOCKS, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low, High).

Table of STOCKS (Continued). Columns include STOCKS, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, and Range Since Jan. 1, 1941 (Low, High).

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 of Stock and Bond Averages. Columns include Date, Stocks (Indus., Railroads, Util., Total), Bonds (10, 15, 20, 30, Total), and various price points.

Transactions at the New York Stock Exchange, Daily, Weekly and Yearly

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Quotations for U. S. Treasury Notes-Friday, Sept. 12

Table of Quotations for U. S. Treasury Notes. Columns include Maturity, Rate, Bid, Asked, and various price points.

United States Treasury Bills-Friday, Sept. 12

Table of United States Treasury Bills. Columns include Maturity, Rate, Bid, Asked, and various price points.

Obligations of Governmental Agencies

Table of Obligations of Governmental Agencies. Columns include Agency Name, Bid, Asked, and various price points.

General Investment and Corporation News

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equipment, etc. No underwriter named. Filed Sept. 3, 1941. John B. White is President.

Punta Alegre Sugar Corp.—To Adjust Debt—

A program of debt readjustment has been concluded by the corporation through negotiations with noteholders representing \$2,645,658 of subsidiaries' income notes involving extension of the notes for four years, reduction in the interest rate from 6% to 4%, and substantial payments against accumulated interest, a letter from William C. Douglas, president, to stockholders and holders of Baragua Sugar Estates income debentures reveals.

As a result of the modifications made and in view of current earnings and the net current assets position, it is expected that on Jan. 1, 1942, the subsidiary, Baragua Sugar Estates, will pay all accumulated and current interest at the reduced rate on its Series A and B notes, and Compania Asucarrera Punta Alegre, S. A. and Compania Asucarrera Florida will pay all or substantially all of the accumulated interest at 4% on their Series A notes, no action being taken on the B notes.

It also is expected that Baragua Sugar states will in 1942 pay 1 1/2% "additional interest" on its \$2,738,600 principal amount of 15-year participating income debentures, making a total of 7 1/2% for that year payable out of earnings for the current fiscal year.

The modified agreement was concluded Sept. 9, 1941, and in effect extends the notes issues, all of which mature on July 1, 1942, to July 1, 1946. The reduction in interest applies to all unpaid accumulations.

The noteholders have released the subsidiaries from their obligations to pay one-third of the interest accrued and unpaid to and including Sept. 30, 1941, a saving of \$46,779 in the case of the Baragua notes and \$309,674 on the joint notes of Punta Alegre and Florida, equivalent to \$4.35 a share on the common stock.

Restrictions on the payment of note interest by Punta Alegre and Florida have been relaxed to the extent interest is to be paid out of consolidated net current assets in excess of \$1,500,000 compared with \$2,000,000 formerly required. The method of valuing the companies' products in inventory has also been changed from a valuation at cost or market, whichever is lower, to market valuation.

The total outlay in interest payments will be close to \$760,000 to be made on the various due dates, comprising accrued and current interest on the note issues at the reduced rate and the 7 1/2% interest on the debentures.—V. 151, p. 3754.

Republic Investors Fund, Inc.—Asset Value—

The company reports asset value as of June 30, 1941, of its common stock, with securities owned at market valuations, was \$3.13 a share, comparing with \$2.91 on June 30, 1940.—V. 152, p. 3195.

Southern Natural Gas Co.—Stock Subscriptions—

Stockholders of the company exercised rights to subscribe to a total of 208,244 of the 234,868 additional shares of common stock offered at \$12.50 a share for each five shares held. Of this total subscribed, Federal Water Service Corp. purchased 123,066 additional shares of stock and public owners of Southern Natural Gas Co. common bought 85,178 shares. Accordingly, in line with its expressed intention, Federal Water Service will exercise its option to purchase the 26,624 shares offered to public shareholders which were not sold.

Southern Natural Gas will apply the \$2,935,000 proceeds received from sale of the additional common stock for extending its lines to strengthen its gas reserves to finance new construction, increasing transmission capacity of its system and for development work. See also V. 154, p. 59.

Southern Ry.—Earnings—

First week of Sept. 1941 1940 Jan. 1 to Sept. 6 1941 1940

Gross earnings (est.) \$3,206,248 \$2,520,886 \$120,151,209 \$92,350,135

—V. 154, p. 96.

Thompson Automatic Arms Corp. — To Merge with Unit—

A meeting of stockholders of the corporation has been called for Oct. 9, to consider a merger with its subsidiary, Auto-Ordnance Corp. Under the proposed merger, the Auto-Ordnance Corp. will acquire all of the assets and assume all of the liabilities of the Thompson corporation and the latter is to be dissolved and liquidated.

Upon consummation of the merger, each stockholder of Thompson will receive four shares of the newly authorized \$1 par value common stock of Auto-Ordnance Corp. in exchange for each share of Thompson \$1 par value stock.

The capital stock of Auto-Ordnance Corp. is to be increased from 40,000 shares (no par), of which 29,630 are presently outstanding to 1,500,000 shares (par \$1).

The merger agreement also provides for the adoption of new by-laws and the amendment of the certificate of incorporation of Auto-Ordnance.

Auto-Ordnance Corp., which was organized in 1916, is the manufacturer of the famous Thompson submachine gun, popularly known as the "Tommy Gun." The Thompson corporation was formed in March, 1939, and shortly thereafter acquired all of the capital stock of Auto-Ordnance Corp. which is now a wholly owned subsidiary of Thompson.

In a letter to stockholders, Russell Maguire, president of both corporations, announced that the merger is proposed in order to simplify the organization of these corporations by the maintenance of a single rather than a dual corporate structure and also to erect, where possible, savings in Federal, state and local taxes by the maintenance of one corporation instead of two.

Summary of Earnings Eight Months Ended Aug. 31, 1941 (Thompson) Net income before taxes \$7,925,557 Federal income and excess profits taxes (est.) and state franchise taxes 4,205,553

Net income \$3,720,004 Earnings per sh. on 252,955 shs. outstanding \$14.70 —V. 153, p. 1289.

United Illuminating Co.—Stock Offered—Public offering of 28,336 shares of capital stock (no par) at \$100 per share was made Sept. 10 by an underwriting group headed by Chas. W. Scranton & Co., New Haven; Putnam & Co., Hartford and Estabrook & Co., Boston. The offering does not represent new financing by the company but is for the account of the United Gas Improvement Co. The action is part of the UGI plan of elimination of certain of its utility interests as required under the Public Utility Holding Co. Act of 1935.

Company—Chartered by the State of Connecticut in 1899, the company is solely an electric operating public utility. It is the second largest power and light company in Connecticut and its business is conducted entirely within that State. Company has no subsidiaries and is not itself a subsidiary of any company. It has been locally owned and locally managed since incorporation.

Company provides electric service at retail in New Haven, Bridgeport and 12 surrounding towns. This territory contains a population of almost 448,000 or 26% of the State's total.

Company owns and operates two steam electric power plants which supply all the electricity sold by the company. The present aggregate generator capacity of these plants is 160,000 kilowatts. At the close of 1940 the company had in service 137,027 electric meters.

Capitalization—The entire capital of the company is represented by a single class of capital stock. There are 650,000 shares of stock (no par) authorized of which 623,114 shares are issued and outstanding. As of Dec. 14, 1940 there were 7,208 stockholders of record. Of this number 6,593 were resident in Connecticut and were the company's own customers, employees and neighbors.

EARNINGS AND DIVIDENDS FOR CALENDAR YEARS

Table of Earnings and Dividends for Calendar Years. Columns include Year, Operating Revenues, Net Income, and Dividends Per Share.

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1940

Table of Balance Sheet—December 31, 1940. Columns include Assets (Total plant & prop., Cash in banks & on hand, Marketable securities, Accounts receivable, Interest & dividends, Inventories, Prepayments, Misc. invest. at cost, Loans to employees, Deferred debits) and Liabilities (Capital stock, Accounts payable, Customers' deposits, Taxes accrued, Interest accrued, Other accrued lab., Reserves: Depreciation, Contingent, Contrl. in aid of const., Earned surplus).

Total \$43,898,924 Total \$43,898,924 —V. 151, p. 3257.

United Gas Improvement Co.—Weekly Output—

The electric output for the UGI system companies for the week ended Sept. 6 and the figures for the same week last year are as follows: week ending September 6, 1941, 99,569,940 kwh.; same week last year, 85,109,250 kwh., an increase of 14,460,690 kwh. or 17.0%.—V. 154, p. 60.

White Rock Mineral Springs Co.—Earnings—

6 months ended June 30— 1941 1940 1939 *Net profit \$77,304 \$90,378 \$121,804 †Earnings per sh. on 250,000 shs. com. \$0.12 \$0.20 \$0.32 * After charges and provision for Federal income taxes. † Which will be outstanding when all the 2d pref. stock has been converted into common stock.—V. 153, p. 1292.

Zenith Radio Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

3 Months Ended July 31— 1941 1940 1939 *Consolidated profit \$302,956 \$651,136 \$29,321 * After depreciation, excise taxes and reserves, but before Federal income taxes.—V. 152, p. 3835.