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Stock and Bond Sales «» New York Stock Exchange DAILY - WEEKLY - YEARLY

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U. S. 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 coupon bonds on the New York Stock Exchange during the current week. Figures after decimal point represent one or more 32d of a point.

Table with columns for dates (Jan. 17-23) and rows for Treasury, Home Owners' Loan, and Federal Farm Mortgage bonds, showing high/low/close prices and total sales.

Also In This Issue State and City News Corporation News QUOTATIONS New York Curb Exchange Out-of-Town Listed Markets

Transactions at the New York Stock Exchange Daily, Weekly and Yearly. Table with columns for Week Ended, Stocks, Railroad and Miscell. Bonds, Foreign Bonds, United States Government Bonds, Total Bond Sales.

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 with columns for Date, Stocks (30 Industrials, 20 Railroads, 15 Utilities, Total 65), Bonds (10 Industrials, 10 First Grade Rails, 10 Second Grade Rails, 10 Utilities, Total 40 Bonds).

NEW YORK BOND RECORD. Table with columns for Bonds, N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE, Week Ended Jan. 23, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range or Friday's Bid & Asked, Range for Year 1941.

NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

Table with columns for Low and High Sale Prices (Saturday Jan. 17 to Friday Jan. 23), Sales for the Week, and Stocks New York Stocks Exchange (Abbott Laboratories, Adams Express, etc.).

NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES

Table with columns for dates (Saturday Jan. 17 to Friday Jan. 23) and stock prices for various companies like Alcoa, Alton, and American.

Table with columns for Stock Name, Par, Range for Year 1941 (Lowest, Highest), and Range for Previous Year (Lowest, Highest).

Table with columns for Bond Name, Interest, Maturity, and Bid/Ask prices.

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NEW YORK BOND RECORD

NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

Table of New York Bond Record. Columns include Bond Description, Interest Rate, Maturity Date, and Price. Sections are labeled E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P.

LOW AND HIGH SALES PRICES

Table of Low and High Sales Prices. Columns show dates from Saturday Jan. 17 to Friday Jan. 23, with corresponding price ranges for various securities.

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table of New York Stock Exchange. Columns include Stock Name, Price, and Range for Year 1941. Includes various industrial and utility stocks.

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NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table with columns for 'LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES' (Saturday to Friday) and 'STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE'. It lists various companies like Columbia Carbon Co., Consol Edison of N.Y., and others with their share prices and trading volumes.

Table titled 'NEW YORK BOND RECORD' showing 'N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE' bond data. It includes columns for 'Foreign Govt. & Mun. (Concl.)', 'Interest Period', 'Range for Year 1941', and 'Range for Previous Year 1940'. It lists various bond issues like 'Poland (Rent of) gold 68' and 'Prussia (Free State) extl 6 1/2'.

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NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table with columns for dates (Saturday Jan. 17 to Friday Jan. 23) and stock prices. Includes sub-sections for 'LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES' and 'STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE'.

Table listing various stocks such as Federal Motor Truck, Federated Dept Stores, Per-O-Smalt Corp, etc. Includes columns for 'Range for Year 1941' and 'Range for Previous Year 1940'.

Table listing various bonds such as Railroad & Indus. Cos., Atchafalaya & Santa Fe, etc. Includes columns for 'Friday Last Sale Price' and 'Week's Range or Friday's Bid & Asked'.

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For other footnotes see page 387.

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table of New York Bond Record. Columns include Bond Name, Maturity, Price, Bid, Asked, and Range for Year 1941. Includes sections for Railroad & Indus. Cos., Chicago & Eastern RR, Chicago & North Western Ry, and various municipal bonds.

NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

Table of New York Stock Record. Columns include Stock Name, Price, Sales for the Week, and Range for Year 1941. Includes sections for Low and High Sale Prices, and various stock listings under letters I, J, K, L, and M.

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NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table of New York Bond Record with columns for Bond Description, Interest, Friday Last Price, Week's Range, and Range for Year 1941.

NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

Table of New York Stock Record with columns for Stock Name, Low and High Sale Prices (Saturday to Friday), Sales for the Week, Range for Year 1941, and Range for Previous Year 1940.

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NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table with columns for 'LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES' (Saturday Jan. 17 to Friday Jan. 23), 'STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE', 'Range for Year 1941', and 'Range for Previous Year 1940'. Includes sub-sections for 'P', 'Q', and 'R'.

Table with columns for 'BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE', 'Railroad & Indus. Cos. (Cont.)', and 'Range for Year 1941'. Includes sub-sections for 'J', 'K', 'L', and 'M'.

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NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table of New York Bond Record with columns for Bonds, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range or Friday's Bid & Asked, Range for Year 1941, and various bond titles like Railroad & Indus. Cos. (Cont.), Michigan Central, etc.

NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

Table of New York Stock Record with columns for Low and High Sale Prices (Saturday Jan 17 to Friday Jan 23), Sales for the Week, Stocks New York Stock Exchange, and Range for Year 1941 and Range for Previous Year 1940. Includes companies like St. Louis Lead, St. Joseph-San Francisco, etc.

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NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table with columns for 'LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES' and 'Sales for the Week'. It lists various stock prices for different days of the week (Saturday to Friday) and weekly sales figures.

Table titled 'NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE' listing various stocks such as United Drug Inc., United Fruit Co., and others. It includes columns for 'Par', 'Range for Year 1941', and 'Range for Previous Year 1940'.

Table titled 'NEW YORK BOND EXCHANGE' listing various bonds such as Railroad & Indus. Cos. (Conv.), N.Y. Steam Corp, and others. It includes columns for 'Par', 'Range for Year 1941', and 'Range for Previous Year 1940'.

\*All market prices on this page are based on the closing prices of the preceding day. For a complete list of market prices, see page 387.

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Main table containing bond records for N.Y. Stock Exchange, categorized by Railroad & Indus. Cos., U.S. Govt. Bonds, and various municipal and corporate bonds. Includes columns for bond name, price, and range for 1941.

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. 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. 17, 1942) and ending the present Friday (Jan. 23, 1942). 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.

Table with three columns: STOCKS (A), STOCKS (Continued), and STOCKS (Continued). Each column lists stock names, prices, and weekly/yearly ranges.

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NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE

Main table containing stock market data with columns for Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range for Year 1941, and various price points.

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NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE

Main table containing stock listings with columns for Stock Name, Par, Last Sale Price, Week's Range, Sales for Week, and Range for Year 1941. Includes sections for Stocks (Continued), M, N, O, P, Q, and R.

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NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE

Main table containing stock and bond listings with columns for stock names, prices, and ranges. Includes sections for Stocks (Continued), Stocks (Concluded), Bonds (Continued), and Bonds (Concluded).

New York Curb Exchange - Bonds

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NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE

Table of bond sales for New York Curb Exchange, including columns for Bond (Continued), Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range for Year 1941.

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Foreign Governments & Municipalities

Table of foreign government and municipal bond sales, including columns for Bonds, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range for Year 1941.

OTHER STOCK EXCHANGES

Baltimore Stock Exchange table for Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, 1941, listing stocks and bonds with prices and ranges.

Boston Stock Exchange table for Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, 1941, listing stocks and bonds with prices and ranges.

Chicago Stock Exchange table for Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, 1941, listing stocks and bonds with prices and ranges.

Chicago Stock Exchange table for Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, 1941, listing stocks and bonds with prices and ranges.

Table of other stock exchanges, including columns for Stocks (Continued), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range for Year 1941.

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OTHER STOCK EXCHANGES

Cleveland Stock Exchange

Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Gen Amer Transp, General Electric, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Airway Electric, Amer Coach & Body, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Hancock Oil Co, Holly Develop Co, etc.

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Detroit Stock Exchange

Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Atlas Drop Forge, Baldwin Rubber, etc.

Philadelphia Stock Exchange

Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like American Stores, American Tel & Tel, etc.

Cincinnati Stock Exchange

Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Amer Laundry Mach, Curngold, etc.

Los Angeles Stock Exchange

Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Aircraft Accessories, Bandini Petroleum, etc.

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange

Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Blaw-Knox Co, Clark Oil & Gas, etc.

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OTHER STOCK EXCHANGES

St. Louis Stock Exchange

Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Includes stocks like American Inv com, Burkart Mfg common, Coca-Cola Bottling com, etc.

San Francisco Stock Exchange

Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Includes stocks like Aircraft Accessories, Anglo Calif Nat Bank, Assoc Ins Fund Inc, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks (Continued), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Includes stocks like Cl Ross Chemical Co, Cons Aircraft Corp, Creameries of Am Inc, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Includes stocks like Soundview Pulp Co, Southern Pacific Co, Spring Valley Co, etc.

CANADIAN MARKETS -- Listed and Unlisted

Montreal Stock Exchange

Jan. 10 to Jan. 16, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Includes stocks like Agnew Surpass Shoe, Algoma Steel, Amal Electric Corp, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Includes stocks like Power Corp of Canada, Price Bros & Co Ltd, Quebec Power, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Includes stocks like Int Paints 5% cum pf, Lake St John P & P, MacLaren Fr & Pav Co, etc.

Montreal Curb Market

Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Includes stocks like Abitibi Power & Paper, Aluminum Ltd, Bathurst Pow & Paper, etc.

Toronto Stock Exchange

Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1941 (Low, High). Includes stocks like Abitibi, 6% preferred, Ajax O & G, A P Cons, Aldermac, etc.

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CANADIAN MARKETS -- Listed and Unlisted

Main table containing stock market data for various Canadian companies, including columns for stock names, par values, and price ranges for 1941.

Toronto Stock Exchange-Curb Section

Jan. 17 to Jan. 23, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table of Toronto Stock Exchange-Curb Section data, listing various stocks and their prices.

OVER-THE-COUNTER SECURITIES

Quotations for Friday, Jan. 23

Large table of over-the-counter securities, categorized into Investing Companies, Insurance Companies, and Institutional Securities Ltd.

OVER-THE-COUNTER SECURITIES

Quotations for Friday, Jan. 23

New York Trust Companies

Par	Bid	Ask	Par	Bid	Ask		
Bank of New York	100	307	317	Guaranty	100	230	235
Bankers	10	42 3/4	44 3/4	Irving	10	9 1/2	10 1/2
Brooklyn	100	60 3/4	64 3/4	Kings County	100	1355	1405
Central Hanover	20	78 3/4	80 3/4	Lawyers	25	26	29
Chemical Bank & Trust	10	37 3/4	39 3/4	Manufacturers	20	51 1/4	53 1/4
Clinton	50	35	37 1/2	Preferred	25	65 3/4	68 3/4
Colonial	25	8 3/4	9 3/4	New York	100	1115	1155
Continental Bank & Tr.	10	10 1/4	11 1/4	Trade Bank & Trust	10	20	24
Corn Exchange Bk & Tr.	20	31 3/4	32 3/4	Underwriters	100	84	
Empire	50	4 1/2	4 5/8	United States	100	1115	1155
Fulton	100	170	195				

New York Bank Stocks

Par	Bid	Ask	Par	Bid	Ask		
Bank of Manhattan Co.	10	14 1/4	15 1/4	National Bronx	50	45	50
Bank of Yorktown	66 2-3	42		National City	12 1/2	24 1/2	25 1/2
Bensonhurst National	50	90		National Safety	12 1/2	10 1/2	12 1/2
Chase National	13.55	25 1/4	27 1/4	Penn Exchange	10	13	16
Commercial National	100	154	162	Peoples National	50	42	50
Fifth Avenue	100	620	650	Public National	17 1/2	27 1/2	28 3/4
First National of N.Y.	100	1160	1190	Sterling Nat Bank	25	26 1/2	28 1/2
Merchants	100	135	145				

United States Treasury Bills

Rates quoted are for discount at purchase.

	Bid	Asked		Bid	Asked
Treasury Bills—			Mar. 11, 1942	0.30%	
Jan. 28, 1942	0.30%		Mar. 16, 1942	0.30%	
Feb. 4, 1942	0.30%		Mar. 17, 1942	0.30%	
Feb. 11, 1942	0.30%		Mar. 18, 1942	0.30%	
Feb. 18, 1942	0.30%		Mar. 19, 1942	0.30%	
Feb. 25, 1942	0.30%		Apr. 15, 1942	0.25%	
Mar. 4, 1942	0.30%		Apr. 22, 1942	0.25%	

Obligations Of Governmental Agencies

	Bid	Asked		Bid	Asked
Commodity Credit Corp—			Reconstruction Finance Corp—		
3/4%—May 1, 1943	100.15	100.17	1%—July 1, 1942	100.15	100.17
1 1/4%—Feb. 15, 1945	103.11	103.13	1 1/2%—Oct. 15, 1942	100.15	100.17
Federal Home Loan Banks			1 1/2%—July 15, 1943	100.24	100.26
3/4%—Apr. 15, 1942	100	100.3	1 1/2%—Apr. 15, 1944	100.11	100.13
2%—Apr. 1, 1943	101.8	101.82	U S Housing Authority—		
Federal Natl Mtge Assn—			1 1/2% notes Feb. 1, 1944	101.7	101.10
2%—May 16, 1943			Other Issues		
Call May 16, '42 at 100 1/4	100.26	101	U S Co. version 3%—1946	103 3/4	109 1/4
1 3/4% Jan. 3, 1944			U S Conversion 3%—1947	110	110 3/4
Call July 3, '42 at 101	100.28	101.2	Panama Canal 3%—1961	126	128

†These bonds are subject to all Federal taxes. z Ex-Dividend.

Quotations For Recent Bond Issues

	Bid	Asked
Alabama Power 3 3/4% 1972	104 1/2	104 1/2
Central Illinois Public Service 3 3/4% 1971	101	101 1/2
Southern Natural Gas Pipe Line 3 3/4% 1956	101 1/2	102 1/2
Wisconsin Power & Light 3 3/4% 1971	103 1/2	104 1/2

Quotations For U. S. Treasury Notes

Figures after decimal point represent one or more 32nds of a point.

Maturity	Int. Rate	Bid	Asked	Maturity	Int. Rate	Bid	Asked
Sept. 15, 1942	2 7/8%	101.12	101.14	June 15, 1944	3 1/2%	100.28	100.30
Dec. 15, 1942	1 3/4%	101.22	101.24	Sept. 15, 1944	3 1/2%	101.20	101.24
Mar. 15, 1943	3 1/4%	100.11	100.14	Mar. 15, 1945	3 1/2%	100.28	100.30
June 15, 1943	1 3/4%	101.9	101.11	Mar. 15, 1946	1%	99.28	99.30
Sept. 15, 1943	1 1/4%	101.6	101.8	Nat. Defense Nts			
Dec. 15, 1943	1 1/4%	101.19	101.21	Sept. 15, 1944	3 1/4%	99.30	100
Mar. 15, 1944	1%	101.14	101.16	Dec. 15, 1945	3 1/4%	99.22	99.24

†These bonds are subject to all Federal taxes.

Transactions At The New York Curb

Daily, Weekly and Yearly

Week Ended Jan. 23, 1942	Stocks (Number of Shares)	Bonds (Par Value)			Total
		Domestic	Foreign Government	Foreign Corporate	
Saturday	51,695	\$319,000			\$319,000
Monday	96,195	716,000	\$8,000	\$2,000	726,000
Tuesday	98,415	911,000	17,000		928,000
Wednesday	116,090	1,263,000	23,000	8,000	1,300,000
Thursday	77,705	865,000	25,000	2,000	887,000
Friday	67,635	731,000	10,000		741,000
Total	510,635	\$4,836,000	\$83,000	\$12,000	\$4,931,000

  

New York Curb Exchange	Week Ended Jan. 23		Jan. 1 to Jan. 23	
	1942	1941	1942	1941
Stocks—No. of shares	510,635	481,453	1,588,795	1,934,158
Domestic Bonds	\$4,836,000	\$5,172,000	\$12,511,000	\$20,192,000
Foreign government	83,000	60,000	301,000	167,000
Foreign corporate	12,000	37,000	155,000	220,000
Total	\$4,931,000	\$5,269,000	\$12,997,000	\$20,579,000

General Corporation and Investment News

RAILROAD - PUBLIC UTILITY - INDUSTRIAL - INSURANCE - MISCELLANEOUS

(J. D.) Adams Mfg. Co.—20-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 20 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 28 to holders of record March 14. A like amount was paid on May 1, Aug. 1 and Nov. 1, last year, as compared with 15 cents in preceding quarters.—V. 152, p. 2227.

Aetna Life Insurance Co.—Annual Statements of Aetna Life Group—

The total premium income of the Aetna Life and its affiliated companies increased last year \$28,170,156 to \$193,110,867. Each company in the Aetna Life group showed an increase. The premiums in the Aetna Life Insurance Co. were \$123,051,950, in the Aetna Casualty & Surety Co. \$44,524,689, in the Automobile Insurance Co. \$17,019,859 and in the Standard Fire Insurance Co. \$2,514,369.

Aetna Life Insurance Co.

In the Ordinary Department of the Aetna Life new life insurance was \$142,231,105. This is an increase of \$1,303,441 over the new business for 1940. Total ordinary insurance in force increased during the year \$23,959,494 to \$1,846,010,447.

Owing to great industrial activity, group insurance expanded rapidly. New insurance on Group Life and Employee plans amounted to \$277,497,933. This new business, together with growth in policies already on the company's books, resulted in an increase in insurance in force of \$485,181,072. Total Group and Employee insurance in force at the end of the year was \$3,010,788,625.

The premium income of the Aetna Life Insurance Co. of \$123,051,950 includes annuity premiums of \$21,630,050 and Accident and Health premiums of \$18,300,407.

Interest and rents received by the company during the year were \$26,388,189, which, added to the premium income, gives a total income for the Aetna Life Insurance Co. of \$157,440,139.

The rate of interest earned in the Life Department is 3.42%. This compares with 3.51% in 1940.

The total amount paid policyholders in the Life Department was \$65,345,416. In addition, claims paid in the Accident and Liability Department amounted to \$12,448,458. The total amount paid policyholders since organization has now reached the sum of \$1,705,638,670.

Bonds in all the companies were valued upon the basis prescribed by the Insurance Department. Stocks have been valued at Dec. 1, 1941, market prices except stocks of affiliated companies, upon which a value has been placed upon their own book values.

Net depreciation in securities carried at market prices, adjusted for profits and losses on sales, has been charged to contingency reserve account up to the amount that that account was credited with net investment gains in the years 1938, 1939 and 1940. Any balance required to meet the full net investment loss in 1941 has been appropriated out of 1941 earnings.

Total earnings in the Stock Department of the Aetna Life Insurance Co. were \$10,037,319. These earnings include \$2,173,494, the Aetna Life's share of the undistributed earnings of its affiliates.

These earnings have been applied as follows: \$2,100,000 to dividends to stockholders, \$2,703,945 to strengthen the reserve basis for life insurance policies and annuity contracts. \$3,230,000 has been transferred to contingency reserve, and the balance of \$1,997,374 has been added to the surplus of the Stock Department, bringing it up to \$24,316,379.

The resulting contingency reserve in the Stock Department is \$9,850,000. Of this amount \$6,500,000 represents a special group insurance reserve. The balance of \$3,350,000 equals the fall in market values during December, 1941. This adjusts the surplus of the company to what it would have been if securities carried at market had been valued at Dec. 31 prices instead of Dec. 1 prices.

Similarly, in each affiliated company the contingency reserve equals the fall in market value during December of securities carried at Dec. 1, 1941, market prices.

The above earnings are after adjustments for profits and losses on sales, write downs, and all expenses and taxes on real estate.

In the Participating Department of the company the dividend scale for the payment of dividends in 1942 is the same as that for 1941. To accomplish this \$1,884,721 has been appropriated out of the earnings of the Participating Department in 1941. After this appropriation, the surplus in the participating Department is \$3,486,351, and this shows an increase of \$624,035 for the year. The contingency reserve in the Participating Department is \$530,000 as against \$300,000 at the beginning of the year.

For the entire company assets increased \$61,990,256 to \$778,237,039. The assets are distributed by class of investment as follows:

Cash on hand and in banks	4.25%
United States Government bonds	24.82
State, county, municipal bonds	7.41
Canadian Government and municipal bonds	3.49
Total government and municipal bonds	35.72
Railroad bonds	3.58
Public utility bonds	16.40
Industrial and miscellaneous bonds	3.27
Total bonds	58.97
Stocks of affiliated companies	3.24
Preferred and guaranteed stocks	1.38
Other stocks	1.78
Total stocks	6.40
Farm mortgage loans	3.71
City mortgage loans	12.53
Total mortgage loans	16.24
Home Office real estate	1.00
Real estate sold under contract	.66
Other real estate	1.85
Total real estate	3.51
Loans secured by policies	7.75
Premiums in course of collection	1.94
Accrued interest and miscellaneous	.94
Total admitted assets	100.00%
The total surplus of the company is \$27,602,730 and shows an increase for the year of \$2,621,403.	

The Aetna Casualty & Surety Co.

The Aetna Casualty & Surety Co. showed an underwriting profit of \$2,738,210, and net interest and rents were \$1,791,354. The unearned premium reserve increased from \$19,141,003 to \$20,655,877. The surplus of the company increased from \$19,223,608 to \$21,235,702, and its assets increased from \$70,999,579 to \$78,947,582.

The Automobile Insurance Co.

The underwriting profit in the Automobile Insurance Co. was \$403,433, and net interest and rents amounted to \$876,118. This income does not include the undistributed earnings of \$84,266 of the Standard Fire Insurance Co., whose stock is owned by the Automobile Insurance Co. On a consolidated basis, this amount should be included in the later company's earnings. The unearned premium reserve increased from \$10,512,905 to \$12,219,656. Surplus decreased from \$9,258,307 to \$9,108,000. Assets increased from \$28,981,276 to \$31,383,454.

Standard Fire Insurance Co.

The Standard Fire Insurance Co. had an underwriting profit of \$51,856, and interest and rents of \$182,410. The unearned premium reserve increased from \$2,424,903 to \$2,703,843. Surplus decreased from \$2,284,224 to \$2,100,664. Assets increased from \$6,163,992 to \$6,331,901.—V. 154, p. 1373.

Aetna-Standard Engineering Co.—Earnings—

Period—	6 Mos. End Year Ended	
Dec. 31, '41	June 30, '41	
Sales	\$4,221,190	\$3,374,014
*Net profit	304,667	367,196
†Earnings per share	\$1.44	\$1.66

\*After provision for taxes, depreciation and reserves. †On 185,876 shares of common stock, after preferred dividend requirements and provision for sinking fund.

Mr. Swartswelder, President, in his letter to the stockholders said: "Since the annual closing date, June 30, 1941, over \$100,000 has been added to the plant accounts for new facilities purchased. During the same period the advance from the U. S. Government has been reduced \$771,144. It should also be noted that expenses deferred at June 30, 1941, in the amount of \$227,148 have been charged to profit and loss during the six months' period.

"Sales for this period of six months were considerably over twice the amount of the sales for the corresponding period last year. Unfilled orders, as of Dec. 31, 1941, aggregated \$5,902,462 and, today, they are in excess of \$13,000,000, substantially all of which are for defense purposes, either directly or indirectly. The priorities on these orders are such that materials are expected to be available for continued operation for at least as good a rate as during the past six months.

"Due to the large increase in business being booked, certain plant improvements are being made which, when completed, will increase our operations every materially."—V. 154, p. 1145.

Affiliated Fund, Inc.—\$1,500,000 Purchases Made By Affiliated As Market Slid On War Declaration—

The management, which last month stated in a special communication to shareholders that it had reversed its policy of selling securities on rallies, which policy had been in effect for more than a year, and was beginning to buy stocks and bonds on market weakness, was able to employ about \$1,500,000 of its cash reserve in this manner before the year-end market rally carried prices substantially higher.

Referring to the special communication to Affiliated shareholders, dated Dec. 26, 1941, Andrew J. Lord, President, states in his annual report:

"In that letter we stated that purchases for the portfolio had commenced in December as the market made new lows on the declaration of war. There were thus presented favorable investment opportunities for the use of part of the cash which had been built up earlier. During that month, almost \$1,500,000 of our liquid assets were thus employed, but additional purchases were discontinued as the market rallied at the turn of the year. The audited statements show the composition of the portfolio at the year-end. Cash represented approximately 26%, having been reduced during the month of December from 34%.

"It will be clear, then, that we still have substantial reserve buying power; and this will be utilized, as stated in the special communication, on an accelerated basis in further market weakness."

Principal common stock holdings of the Fund, in terms of dollar valuation, were, at the year-end: 6,000 shares of American Cyanamid "B," 3,000 Hercules Powder, 2,500 Ingersoll-Rand, 2,500 Monsanto Chemical, 7,000 Phelps Dodge, 7,000 Phillips Petroleum, 4,000 Union Carbide, 5,000 U. S. Steel and 6,000 Youngstown Sheet & Tube.

Statement of Income For Calendar Years

(Exclusive of realized and unrealized profits or losses on securities)

	1941	1940
Dividends	\$786,262	\$905,270
Interest	153,175	137,134
Total income	\$939,437	\$1,042,405
Expenses	163,694	179,158
Taxes	8,538	25,767
Interest on debentures	400,000	403,423
Amortization of debenture discount	81,000	75,869
*Net income	\$286,205	\$358,188

\*Exclusive of security profits or losses.

Statement of Net Assets, Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—	
Investments (value based on closing market quotations)	\$13,407,334
Cash held by trustee	4,652,025
Cash on special deposit for payment of interest on debentures (contra)	200,000
Dividends and interest receivable	104,012
Due from brokers	1,694
Due from subscribers	48,851
Unamortized discount on debentures	532,312
Furniture and fixtures	1
Total	\$18,946,222

Liabilities—	
Interest on debentures, payable Jan. 1,	

**American Bonding Co. of Baltimore—New Director—**

John G. Yost, 1st Vice-President, has been elected a director.—V. 154, p. 536.

**American Eagle Fire Insurance Co.—Balance Sheet Dec. 31—**

	1941	1940
<b>Assets—</b>		
Bonds and stocks	\$11,883,828	\$12,484,106
Real estate	3,054,716	3,054,384
Mortgage loans on real estate	16,500	16,500
Premiums in course of collection	589,177	509,403
Interest and rents accrued	27,456	27,179
Cash on deposit and in office	2,347,015	1,878,946
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,918,691</b>	<b>\$17,970,519</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>		
Unearned premiums	\$3,723,707	\$3,173,518
Losses in process of adjustment	1,031,211	839,486
Reserve for taxes and expenses	183,100	212,750
Reserve for all other claims	200,000	200,000
Contingency reserve	95,055	—
Capital	1,000,000	1,000,000
Net surplus	11,685,618	12,544,765
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,918,691</b>	<b>\$17,970,519</b>

—V. 153, p. 1121.

**American Furniture Co., Inc.—Earnings—**

Earnings for the Year Ended Nov. 30, 1941	
Earnings, before depreciation and income taxes	\$553,364
Depreciation	45,623
Income taxes	230,134
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$277,607</b>
Dividends paid on preferred stock	57,043
Dividends paid on common stock	53,579
<b>Balance, surplus</b>	<b>\$166,985</b>

**Balance Sheet, Nov. 30, 1941**

Assets—Cash on hand and in banks, \$378,226; customers' accounts receivable (less reserve for bad debt \$15,000), \$537,350; employees accounts receivable, \$565; deposit with Liberty Mutual Insurance Co., \$1,517; notes receivable, current, \$8,293; inventories, \$601,921; other assets, \$68,124; fixed assets (less reserve for depreciation \$776,455), \$655,128; prepaid expenses, \$16,636; office supplies, \$950; total, \$2,266,709.

Liabilities—Accounts payable, trade creditors, \$11,641; customers' credit balances, \$11,784; notes payable (due Dec. 30, 1941), \$150,000; accrued payrolls and commissions, \$94,779; accrued taxes, \$262,582; deferred credit, \$475; 7% cumulative preferred stock (less in treasury \$90,000) \$814,900; common stock (\$1 par) (less in treasury \$8,008), \$446,492; capital surplus, \$174,286; earned surplus, \$299,769; total, \$2,266,709.—V. 152, p. 973.

**American Hide & Leather Co.—Earnings—**

6 Months Ended Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939
Net profit	\$522,527	loss \$25,953	\$345,846
Earnings per share	\$0.68	Nil	\$0.37

\*After repairs, depreciations, reserves for expenses and income taxes. †On common stock.—V. 154, p. 1100.

**American Superpower Corp. (Del.)—Report—**

Gordon Grand, President, in letter to stockholders states: The following purchases and sales of securities (in addition to those referred to below) were made by the corporation during 1941:

The corporation purchased:		Cost
Commodity Credit Corp. 1 1/2% notes, ser. G '45	\$20,000	\$20,000
U. S. Treasury 2 1/2% bonds, 1972-67	12,500	12,500
American Gas & Electric Co. common stock	11,184 shs.	248,414
Commonwealth & Southern Corp. \$6 pref.	1,100 shs.	51,192
Consolidated Edison Co. of N. Y., Inc., common	4,442 shs.	64,137
Pacific Gas & Electric Co. common	5,000 shs.	125,638
United Corp. \$3 preference	110,054 shs.	2,795,209
<b>Total cost</b>		<b>\$3,317,089</b>
The Corporation sold:	Proceeds	Cost
U. S. Treas. 3/4% notes, 1945	\$130,000	\$130,244
U. S. Treas. 2 1/2% bonds, 1972-67	12,500	12,871
Commonw. & Southern Corp. common	245,100 shs.	75,057
Consol. Edison Co. of N. Y. common	200 shs.	4,550
Georgia Power Co. \$6 preferred	3,300 shs.	336,196
Niag. Hudson Pwr. Corp. class A opt. warrts.	6,000 war.	34
Pacific Gas & Electric Co. common	100,000 shs.	2,682,000
United Corp. common	128,200 shs.	72,796
United Corp. \$3 pref.	1,000 shs.	27,749
United Corp. com. opt. warrants	33,300 war.	284
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,341,781</b>	<b>\$5,708,308</b>

\*Charged or credited to earned surplus. †Charged or credited to reserve.

During the year, 2,454 shares of United Corp. \$3 cumulative preference stock, 5,442 shares of Consolidated Edison Co. of New York, Inc., common stock and 12,684 shares of American Gas & Electric Co. common stock were disposed of by exchange for an aggregate amount of 7,623 shares of the first preferred stock of The American Superpower Corp. tendered for retirement in response to a public invitation for tenders. These shares of first preferred stock, together with 7,477 shares of such stock purchased for cash, were retired during the year. Capital surplus was credited with \$675,122, representing the difference between the cost of acquisition of the 15,100 shares of first preferred stock retired and the stated value of \$100 per share.

The management believes that in view of the present impracticability of working out a recapitalization plan along the lines referred to in the annual report for 1940, such retirement of the first preferred stock is in the best interests of all classes of shareholders. It therefore intends to continue the acquisition (by purchase or exchange) of additional shares of first preferred stock for retirement as suitable opportunities present themselves.

Income Account, Years Ended Dec. 31	1941	1940	1939	1938
Cash dividends	\$284,652	\$669,063	\$760,119	\$573,079
Int. on U. S. Govt. sec.	615	178	15,088	27,071
Int. on corp. bonds	20,000	20,000	93,485	123,519
<b>Total income</b>	<b>\$305,266</b>	<b>\$689,241</b>	<b>\$868,692</b>	<b>\$723,669</b>
Expenses in reissue and transfer of stocks & rights, legal exps., etc.	32,960	48,474	44,874	44,976
All other expenses	23,930	19,042	10,627	6,465
Taxes	35,792	61,156	64,927	70,731
Profit on sale of sec.	146,929	*61,332	387,645	8,174
Bal. applic. to divs.	\$359,507	\$499,237	\$1,135,909	\$609,669
Dividends on first pref.	—	—	1,003,551	1,056,141
<b>Balance, surplus</b>	<b>\$359,506</b>	<b>\$499,237</b>	<b>\$132,358</b>	<b>\$446,472</b>

Statement of Capital Surplus for the Year 1941	
Balance, Dec. 31, 1940	\$5,390,819
Excess of capital value over cost of 15,100 shs. of first preferred stock acquired and retired	675,122
<b>Balance, Dec. 31, 1941</b>	<b>\$6,065,941</b>

**Reserve for Decrease in Market Value of Securities**

Balance, Dec. 31, 1940	\$56,843,758
Adjustments applicable to prior years:	
Additional cost of 4,800 shares of Consol. Edison Co. of New York, Inc., common stock sold in 1940	\$13,862
Write-off of cost 1.7 scrip warrants of Gen. Telephone Corp. which expired July 22, 1940	349
Net losses on sales or exchanges, during the year of secur.	2,810,755
Profit on sale, during year, of 100,000 shs. of Pacific Gas & Electric Co. common	82,000
<b>Balance, Dec. 31, 1941</b>	<b>\$54,100,792</b>

Note—In 1934 a reserve of \$65,000,000 was created to provide for the decrease in the market value of common stocks and option warrants owned by the corporation by charging earned surplus with \$27,647,448 and capital surplus with \$37,352,552. Charges against this reserve made in prior years have been detailed in previous annual reports.

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31			
	1941	1940	1939
<b>Assets—</b>			
Cash	\$594,881	\$594,881	\$746,513
Interest and dividends receivable	12,942	12,942	64,951
U. S. Government securities	20,000	19,969	130,528
Corporate bonds	317,455	238,500	218,000
Preferred stocks	3,972,332	2,345,500	1,519,300
Com. stocks and option warrants	21,765,922	3,008,207	10,444,105
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$26,683,532</b>	<b>\$6,219,998</b>	<b>\$13,123,398</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>			
Reserves for taxes, expenses, etc.	\$9,849	\$9,849	\$40,713
Due on securities purchased	—	—	36,582
†First pref. stock, \$6 cum. (no par)	8,490,000	6,210,149	10,600,000
†Preference stock, \$6 cum. (no par)	235,207	—	2,446,102
†Common stock (no par)	5,272,379	—	—
Capital surplus	6,065,941	—	—
Earned surplus	6,610,156	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$26,683,532</b>	<b>\$6,219,998</b>	<b>\$13,123,398</b>

†The appraised value of net assets of the corporation on Dec. 31, 1941, was allocated to the capital stocks issued and outstanding on the basis hereof noted. The first preferred stock has priority to the extent of \$100 per share, plus accrued dividends of \$1,018,800 (\$12 per share) since Jan. 1, 1940. The preference stock has priority after providing for the first preferred stock, to the extent of \$100 per share, plus accrued dividends of \$13,759,609 (\$58.50 per share) since April 1, 1932. The net assets on Dec. 31, 1941, applicable to the first preferred stock amounted to \$6,210,149 or \$73.14 per share, leaving no value attributable to the preference and common stocks.—V. 154, p. 1589.

**American-Marietta Co.—Earnings—**

The company shows an increase in net income from \$105,145 in 1940 to \$244,311 last year, equivalent to a gain in common share earnings from 88 cents to \$2.44. Profits of the paint company before Federal and State income taxes were \$447,983; compared to \$138,021 for 1940. The head offices are in Chicago; the company has plants at Kankakee, Ill.; Marietta, Ohio; Lincoln, N. J., and High Point, N. C.

**American Stores Co.—December Sales—**

Period End. Dec. 31—	1941—Month—	1940—12 Mos.—	1940—12 Mos.—
Sales	\$16,287,803	\$11,297,768	\$157,677,475
At Dec. 31, 1941, there were 2,130 stores in operation, against 2,158 on Dec. 31, 1940.			

**To Pay 25-Cent Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable April 1 to holders of record Feb. 21. A like amount was paid on March 27, July 25 and Nov. 28, last year, and on March 25, July 27 and Dec. 27, 1940.—V. 154, p. 1589.

**American Surety Co. of New York—New Officers—**

James E. Gibbons has been elected a Vice-President, and John C. Barrows has been elected Deputy Comptroller.—V. 154, p. 1628.

**American Tobacco Co., Inc.—President To Recommend \$1 Dividend on Common Shares—**

George W. Hill, President, in letter to stockholders Jan. 24 states: Referring to my letter of Oct. 25, 1941 in which I explained my reasons for recommending a dividend payment on common shares of 75 cents for the final quarter of 1941, I take pleasure in stating that the results for the year, both as to volume and as to earnings per share, will be slightly in excess of the estimates mentioned in my letter.

Our business volume continues strong. Costs and taxes are steadily rising, and both items must be met before funds are available for dividends. But from operations thus far and the outlook for the first quarter, I am pleased to advise you that, after consulting individually with my fellow directors who are responsible with me for operations, I will recommend to the board at our meeting Jan. 28 the payment of a dividend of \$1 per share on the common and common B stock for the first quarter of 1942.

You will, of course, understand that the rate of common dividends will be dependent upon earnings, and with the uncertainties that confront us no prophecies can be indulged in.—V. 155, p. 187.

**American Viscose Corp.—Mr. Neren Retires As General Plant Manager—**

Henry C. Neren for the last three years General Plant Manager of this corporation and for 21 years prior to that Manager of the company's Roanoke, Va., plant will retire on Jan. 31, it was announced on Jan. 23. He will continue as Vice-President of the corporation and as a member of the board of directors. Upon his retirement, George M. Allen, Assistant General Plant Manager, will take over Mr. Neren's duties.—V. 155, p. 257.

**American Water Works & Electric Co., Inc.—Output—**

The power output of the electric subsidiaries of this company for the month of December totaled 320,715,810 kwh., against 265,317,044 kwh. for the corresponding month of 1940, an increase of 21%. For the 12 months ended Dec. 31, 1941, power output totaled 3,344,878,914 kwh., as against 2,815,964,515 kwh. for the previous year, an increase of 19%.—V. 155, p. 359.

**Asbestos Mfg. Co. of Indiana—35-Cent Dividend—**

The company on Dec. 22 paid a dividend of 35 cents per share on account of accumulations on the \$1.40 cumulative preferred stock to holders of record Dec. 12. This compares with 70 cents paid on Nov. 1, 1941; 35 cents each on June 13, Aug. 1 and Sept. 1, 1941; 70 cents on April 29, 1941; and 35 cents each on Feb. 1 and March 28, 1941, and on Nov. 15, 1940.—V. 154, p. 651.

**Aihey Truss Wheel Co.—Pays 25-Cent Dividend—**

The company on Dec. 30 paid a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, to holders of record Dec. 20. This compares with 30 cents per share paid on Dec. 15, 1939, 25 cents on July 3, 1939, and one of 35 cents on Dec. 15, 1938.—V. 152, p. 1738.

**Atlantic Rayon Corp., Providence, R. I.—New Subs.—**

This corporation announces the formation of a new company to manufacture nylon parachutes. The company, known as the Atlantic Parachute Corp. is setting up a plant in property owned by Atlantic Rayon Corp. in Lowell, Mass. While it will be a new and independent unit in its field, arrangements have been made with the Pioneer Parachute Co., Inc. of South Manchester, Conn., one of the outstanding manufacturers of 'chutes, to give the new company the technical and engineering assistance necessary to organization.

The directors of the Atlantic Rayon Corp. have authorized the investment of \$100,000 in the new company to provide the equipment necessary for this manufacturing operation. It is anticipated that working capital requirements will be provided through cash advances made by the Government with each contract received. Parachute work carries at present a priority rating of A-1-A. Contracts for sewing machinery and other equipment have already been placed and key personnel for the new company are being picked out and are receiving preliminary training at Pioneer's plant in Connecticut. The first machinery is expected to arrive within two or three weeks and de-

liveries should be completed within three months. If the equipment installed is operated on a continuous 24-hour basis the plant should employ 1,000 people.

New equipment has been purchased for Atlantic Rayon's Lowell plant for twisting, sizing and packaging nylon yarns to be used in parachute canopy cloth. After the war this new equipment will be used for twisting, sizing and packaging nylon yarns for the full fashioned hosiery and weaving trades.

At Providence the Atlantic Rayon Corp. is doing nylon twisting for shroud lines, twisting and packaging of nylon sewing threads and twisting and packaging of nylon yarns for tapes, all of which are used in the manufacture of nylon parachutes, the announcement concluded.—V. 155, p. 258.

**Autocar Co.—To Pay \$1 on Common Stock and \$3 on Preferred Stock—**

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on the common stock and a dividend of \$3 per share on the \$3 cum. and partic. pref. stock, both payable Feb. 16 to holders of record Feb. 5. Regular quarterly distributions of 75 cents per share have been paid on the pref. stock up to and incl. Jan. 1, 1942. The common dividend is the first on that issue since the company was recapitalized in 1936.

The pref. stock is cumulative to the extent of \$3 per share per annum and participates equally with the common stock as a class up to an additional \$3 per share per annum.—V. 154, p. 1258.

**Baltimore & Ohio RR.—Earnings—**

Period End. Dec. 31—	1941—Month—	1940—12 Mos.—	1941—12 Mos.—	1940—12 Mos.—
Ry. operating revenues	19,153,859	15,501,013	227,503,022	179,175,465
Maint. of way & struct.	1,920,517	1,563,429	21,148,023	17,769,083
Maint. of equipment	4,839,065	3,536,363	52,191,196	40,223,128
Traffic	404,860	427,183	5,158,868	4,969,121
Transportation	7,173,915	5,429,671	74,781,971	62,090,777
Miscellaneous operations	235,099	135,577	1,974,176	1,574,393
General expense	450,374	440,683	5,692,087	5,986,684
Transp. for invest—Cr.	12,902	344	27,903	12,387
<b>Net rev. from ry. oper.</b>	<b>4,142,931</b>	<b>3,968,451</b>	<b>66,584,604</b>	<b>46,574,666</b>
Ry. tax accruals	1,819,410	972,999	15,780,106	11,645,695
Equipment rents, net	283,156	156,293	2,692,030	2,644,440
Joint facility rents, net	128,355	22,408	1,815,343	1,666,000
<b>Net ry. oper. income</b>	<b>1,912,010</b>	<b>2,816,751</b>	<b>46,297,125</b>	<b>30,818,531</b>
Other income	2,499,822	1,307,235	8,306,748	8,244,714
<b>Total income</b>	<b>4,411,832</b>	<b>4,123,986</b>	<b>54,603,873</b>	<b>38,863,245</b>
Miscel. deduct. from inc.	305,000	275,951	2,004,181	1,688,203
Fixed charges	2,616,137	2,793,543	31,507,809	31,625,545
<b>Net income</b>	<b>1,490,695</b>	<b>1,054,492</b>	<b>21,091,883</b>	<b>5,549,497</b>

—V. 155, p. 359.

**Bankers Securities Corp.—Earnings—**

Calendar Years—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Profit and loss on sales	\$213,454	\$207,464	\$303,995	\$164,163
Int., divs., commissions, etc., income	627,161	631,477	604,689	661,366
<b>Total income</b>	<b>\$840,615</b>	<b>\$838,941</b>	<b>\$914,684</b>	<b>\$825,529</b>
Operating expenses	203,834	206,483	223,377	223,602
Extraord. exps. losses	67,306	—	—	12,870
Taxes	98,162	110,798	81,934	56,548
Adjust. of sec. values	300,600	307,567	417,598	429,297
<b>Profit for year</b>	<b>\$170,712</b>	<b>\$214,902</b>	<b>\$191,414</b>	<b>\$103,213</b>
Participating pref. div.	174,611			

**Bondholders Management Inc.—Earnings—**

Earnings for the Year Ended Dec. 31, 1941	
Gross earnings	\$471,736
Total expense	114,420
Interest paid	7,248
Net earnings	\$350,068
Reserve for taxes	114,387
Reserves for depreciation, insurance, contingencies and unrealized profits	61,181
Dividends paid	300,273
Net decrease undivided profits	\$125,774

**Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941**

Assets—Cash, \$1,000; Manufacturers National Bank (dividend account), \$73; Manufacturers National Bank, \$14,571; National Bank of Detroit, \$1,000; The Detroit Bank, \$1,495; Commonwealth Bank, \$1,841; stock, \$23,685; real estate (less reserve for depreciation, \$5,799), \$221,692; first mortgages, \$9,066; second mortgages, \$30,056; land contracts, \$506,787; Government bonds, \$68,718; bonds—Bankers Trust Co. of Detroit (par \$4,285,853), \$1,071,463; reorganization real estate mortgage bonds, \$198,265; other bonds, \$141,904; furniture and fixtures (less reserve for depreciation, \$2,911), \$5,402; automobile (less reserve for depreciation, \$59), \$412; accounts receivable, \$1,106; advances receivable, \$262,872; notes receivable, \$17,900; total, \$2,579,308.	
Liabilities—Capital stock—class A, \$1,492,074; capital stock—class A warrants, \$30,770; reserve for taxes, etc., \$100,580; reserve for unrealized profits, \$137,092; reserve for contingent losses, \$21,000; undivided profits, \$71,205; agency accounts, \$12,616; property management deposits, \$280,583; accounts payable, \$5,016; notes payable—Manufacturers National Bank, \$37,500; notes payable—7%, due Dec. 15, 1946, \$224,733; mortgages payable (not a liability of the company), \$166,066; dividends payable, \$73; total, \$2,579,308.—V. 151, p. 3387.	

**Broad Street Investing Corp.—Earnings—**

Calendar Years—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Cash dividends	\$359,860	\$379,706	\$340,937	\$212,846
Interest	4,843	—	468	31,851
Taxable security divs.	15,390	11,561	3,810	—
Total income	\$380,093	\$391,266	\$345,215	\$244,697
General exps., interest, taxes, etc.	49,415	56,228	69,353	62,575
Operating profit	\$330,678	\$335,038	\$275,861	\$182,122
Dividends	325,216	326,018	276,770	177,653

**Statement of Surplus, Dec. 31, 1941**

Capital surplus:	
Balance, Dec. 31, 1940	\$5,628,249
*Excess of proceeds of capital stock sold	77,748
Total	\$5,705,997
†Excess of cost of capital stock repurchased	560,911
Expenses in connection with registration of capital stock under Securities Act of 1933, as amended	927
Balance	\$5,144,159
Net loss on sales of investments	494,981
Balance	\$4,649,178
Ordinary distribution account from Jan. 1, 1936:	
Balance, Dec. 31, 1940	14,955
Net income	330,678
Total	\$345,633
†Net amount of undistributed net income	5,744
Ordinary dividends on capital stock	325,216
Balance	\$14,672
Surplus, Dec. 31, 1941	\$4,663,850

\*Over par value thereof (after giving effect to allocations to the ordinary distribution account), less cost of issuance. †Over par value thereof (after giving effect to allocations to the ordinary distribution account). ‡Included in the prices of shares of capital stock sold and repurchased.

Note—The unrealized depreciation of investments on Dec. 31, 1941, was \$1,325,962, or \$217,450 more than on Dec. 31, 1940.

**Summary of Net Assets (Based on Market Quotations as at Dec. 31, 1941, for Securities Owned)**

Cash and receivables, less liabilities	\$137,762	3.00%
Investments in U. S. Government securities	60,557	1.32
Investments in other securities	4,387,354	95.68
Net assets	\$4,585,693	100.00%

The net assets indicate a liquidating value as at Dec. 31, 1941, on the basis stated, of \$18.37 per share of capital stock outstanding.

**Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941**

Assets—Cash, \$168,167; investments in U. S. Government securities (at cost); \$60,500; investments in other securities (at cost), \$5,713,373; receivable for securities sold, \$4,150; interest and dividends receivable, etc., \$15,871; special deposits for dividends (contra), \$78,266; total, \$6,040,327.

Liabilities—Dividends payable, \$78,266; due for capital stock repurchased for retirement, \$46,047; reserves for expenses, taxes, etc., \$4,359; capital stock (\$5 par), \$1,247,805; surplus, \$4,663,850; total, \$6,040,327.—V. 154, p. 1529.

**Brooklyn Union Gas Co.—Stockholders to Vote—**

The stockholders will vote Feb. 19 on proposed adjustments in the company's accounts to meet recommendations of the New York Public Service Commission.—V. 155, p. 154.

**(A. M.) Byers Co.—Earnings—**

Years End. Sept. 30—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Sales (net)	\$11,960,839	\$7,106,192	\$6,710,524	\$4,243,738
Cost of sales	8,531,001	4,945,850	4,650,104	3,387,702
Gross mfg. profit	\$3,429,838	\$2,160,342	\$2,060,420	\$856,036
Other income	25,877	19,462	14,614	36,187
Total income	\$3,455,715	\$2,179,804	\$2,075,034	\$892,223
Adm., gen. & sell. exp.	949,681	839,576	749,934	720,227
Prov. for deprec., etc.	574,273	445,389	484,047	478,836
Amortization of patents	—	22,727	90,909	90,909
Idle plant exp. (net)	—	45,533	64,095	209,011
Prov. for Fed. and Pa. income taxes	548,000	171,411	149,800	—
Net profit	\$1,383,761	\$655,168	\$536,250	\$606,760
*Loss	—	—	—	—

**Statement of Paid-in Surplus Sept. 30, 1941**

*Balance, Sept. 30, 1940	\$7,694,199
†Preferred stock (345 shares) acquired through bequest	31,947
Total	\$7,726,146
‡Payment on account of cum. divs. in arrears on pref. stock	121,258
Balance, Sept. 30, 1941	\$7,604,888

\*After charges in prior years of \$1,376,531, representing payments on account of cumulative dividends in arrears on preferred stock with interest thereon declared payable out of paid-in surplus. †Stated at par, less inheritance tax thereon. ‡With interest thereon declared payable out of paid-in surplus.

**Statement of Earned Surplus Sept. 30, 1941**

Balance, Sept. 30, 1940	\$41,305
Profit for year ended Sept. 30, 1941	1,383,761
Total	\$1,425,066
*Payment on account of cum. divs. in arrears on pref. stock	1,058,068
Balance, Sept. 30, 1941	\$366,998
*With interest thereon declared payable out of earned surplus.	—

**Balance Sheet, Sept. 30**

Assets—	1941	1940
*Land, buildings, machinery and equipment	\$12,900,563	\$12,903,993
Goodwill	9,001	9,001
Inventories	2,232,797	2,103,980
Investments	—	—
Accounts and notes receivable	1,199,606	691,631
Cash in banks, etc.	1,199,167	960,668
Deferred charges	49,518	33,177
Total	\$17,590,653	\$16,702,450
Liabilities—		
7% preferred stock	\$6,307,300	\$6,307,300
*Common stock	2,666,350	2,666,350
Accounts payable	459,271	323,388
Accrued taxes	732,100	273,390
Wages payable	119,481	52,301
Reserves	144,956	120,408
Earned surplus	366,998	41,305
Paid-in surplus	7,604,888	7,694,199
†Treasury stock	Dr\$10,691	Dr\$7,192
Total	\$17,590,653	\$16,702,450

\*After deducting reserve for depreciation and depletion of \$5,646,667 in 1941 and \$5,086,790 in 1940. †Represented by 266,635 shares of no par value, including treasury stock. ‡Represented by 6,674 shares of preferred stock and 2,000 shares of common stock in 1941, and by 6,329 shares of preferred stock and 2,000 shares of common stock in 1940.—V. 155, p. 47.

**Brown Co. (Maine)—Repays \$1,660,056 On RFC Loan.**

H. P. Carruth, Vice-President in charge of operations announced Jan. 22 that the directors have voted to repay \$1,660,056 on the principal of the \$4,500,000 loan which the company received from the RFC on Nov. 29, 1941.

"When the loan was arranged, it appeared that \$4,500,000 would be required to put the reorganized company in a satisfactory financial condition," Mr. Carruth said. "However, the company's planned program of increased efficiency and economy of operation is now bearing fruit. The savings realized under this program plus a period of capacity production have improved the company's financial picture and made possible the sizeable prepayment to the RFC."

The \$1,660,056 payment will be applied to future sinking fund requirements. Mr. Carruth stated that the savings to the company in interest charges will amount to \$66,000 per year.—V. 155, p. 86.

**Bryant Paper Co., Kalamazoo, Mich.—Officers—**

The board of directors of this company on Jan. 22 named Ralph A. Hayward, President of Kalamazoo Vegetable Parchment Co., Chairman of the board, to succeed William J. Lawrence, who died last November. Other officers elected were Dr. S. R. Light, President, and Allan B. Milham, Executive Vice-President and Manager.—V. 152, p. 4117.

**Burlington Mills Corp.—To Call Pref. Stock—**

The corporation has notified the New York Stock Exchange of its intention to draw 3,787 shares of its cumulative convertible preferred stock, \$2.75 series, for redemption on March 2, 1942, at \$55 per share plus accrued dividends, in accordance with the sinking fund provisions. The record date for such stock to be drawn will be 3.00 P. M., Jan. 27, 1942, subject to action of directors. The books for transfer of called certificates will not be closed.—V. 155, p. 47.

**Canadian Bakeries, Ltd.—Accumulated Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.25 per share on account of accumulations on the 5% cumulative participating preferred stock, par \$100, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 19. A distribution of \$2.50 per share was made on this issue on Jan. 15, last, and on Oct. 1, last, which compares with \$2 paid on June 1, 1941, \$1 on May 31, 1940, and an initial of \$2 on April 1, 1940. See also V. 155, p. 258.

**Canadian National Ry.—Earnings—**

Week Ended Jan. 21—	1942	1941
Gross revenues	\$5,787,000	\$4,681,000
—V. 155, p. 305.		

**Canadian Pacific Ry.—Earnings—**

Week Ended Jan. 21—	1942	1941
Gross earnings	\$4,158,000	\$3,276,000
—V. 155, p. 305.		

**Capital Administration Co., Ltd.—Annual Report—**

At Dec. 31, 1940, the net assets of the company were equivalent to \$3,017 per \$1,000 bank debt, while at Dec. 31, 1941, the similar asset coverage was \$2,917. The preferred stock asset coverage changed from \$74 to \$64, while the class-A stock asset value declined from \$7.37 to \$4.25 per share.

**Income Account for Calendar Years**

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Interest earned	\$14,487	\$16,008	\$17,724	\$30,024
Cash dividends	249,221	240,463	231,562	163,558
Taxable security divs.	8,469	4,103	1,243	—
Total income	\$272,177	\$260,574	\$250,529	\$193,582
Interest	31,650	32,109	32,000	32,076
Compensation (management company)	12,964	14,251	26,356	28,039
Taxes	15,123	14,487	12,507	*7,997
Other expenses	20,107	23,037	14,884	15,193
Net income	\$192,333	\$176,690	\$164,782	\$110,278

\*After deducting \$1,509 prior year's over-accrual of capital stock tax.

**Statement of Surplus, Dec. 31, 1941**

Capital surplus:	
Balance, Dec. 31, 1940	\$2,677,654
Income and Profit and Loss Account from Jan. 1, 1936:	
Balance, Dec. 31, 1940	426,055
Net income	192,333
Total	\$3,295,042
Net loss on sales of investments	618,388
Federal income tax	50,052
Dividends on \$3 cumulative preferred stock	130,200
Balance	\$437,189
Balance	\$3,114,843
Provision for reserve as required by charter:	
Balance, Dec. 31, 1940	313,024
Reserve for year ended Dec. 31, 1941	4,408
Surplus, Dec. 31, 1941	\$2,797,411

Note—The unrealized depreciation of investments on Dec. 31, 1941, was \$913,918, or \$457,848 more than on Dec. 31, 1940.

**Balance Sheet, Dec. 31**

Assets—	1941	1940
Cash	\$555,124	\$816,517
Interest and dividends receivable	18,603	18,732
Investment in U. S. Government securities	113,500	—
Investment at cost	\$4,457,699	4,468,519
Special deposit for dividends	34,904	34,859
Total	\$5,197,829	\$5,338,628
Liabilities—		
Reserve for expenses, taxes, etc.	\$11,640	\$11,727
Bank loan, due Sept. 30, 1943	1,450,000	1,600,000
Dividends payable	34,904	34,859
Due for securities purchased	6,638	8,528
Preferred cumulative stock	434,000	434,000
†Class A stock	143,405	143,405
*Class B stock	2,400	2,400
Surplus	3,114,843	3,103,709
Total	\$5,197,829	\$5,338,628

\*Par one cent. †Shares of \$1 par value. ‡Investment, based on

market quotations as at Dec. 31, 1941, or in the absence thereof, on their then fair value in the opinion of the corporation, amounted to \$3,675,281, or \$913,918 less than cost.—V. 154, p. 746.

**Caribbean Sugar Co.—Annual Report—**

Years Ended Sept. 30—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Cane ground, arrobas	25,422,060	22,446,676	19,814,560	23,003,576
Shipments of sugar, syrup and molasses	\$1,222,294	\$1,016,739	\$736,410	\$1,063,412
Cost of shipments	985,240	894,822	627,885	820,018
Cost of administration	—	—	—	—
cane abandoned	10,985	19,338	55,654	40,352
Allowance for or write-off of colonos' accts.	1,000	1,000	8,104	2,000
*Profit fr. cane oper.	\$225,060	\$101,580	\$44,767	\$201,043
†Profit on co. store	8,560	10,461	9,317	11,167
Profit thru purchases & sales of sugar futures	47,221	†44,887	—	—
Int. and disc't income	22,503	55,944	18,281	7,631
Miscellaneous income	1,562	2,974	2,034	3,846
Inc. and exps. applic. to prior years, net	†1,195	4,938	704	†654
*Profit from oper.	\$303,710	\$131,009	\$75,103	\$223,033
Depreciation	134,229	131,668	131,845	131,896
Interest on bonds from June 5, 1940	31,889	10,575	—	—
Other interest	24,610	33,016	37,208	41,022
Amort. of leaseholds	—	13,775	13,775	13,775
Amort. of bond disc't	27,141	31,750	31,750	31,750
Amort. of reorg. exps.	26,658	—	—	50,115
Loss on fixed assets replaced or retired	54,218	—	—	—
Provision for taxes	9,519	—	—	3,537
Net loss	\$4,554	\$89,775	\$139,475	\$49,062

\*Before deducting depreciation, amortization, etc. †Loss.

**Statement of Common Stock Less Operating Deficit, Sept. 30**

Balance, operating deficit at begin. of period	1941	1940
Loss for the year ended Sept. 30	\$3,153,588	\$3,063,813
	4,554	89,775
Net operating deficit to Sept. 30	\$3,158,142	\$3,153,588
Common stock	3,523,971	3,523,971
Com. stock, less oper. deficit, per bal. sheet	\$365,828	\$370,383

**Balance Sheet, Sept. 30**

Assets—	1941	1940
Cash	\$146,0	

**Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.—Earnings—**

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$12,153,069	\$9,797,258	\$9,571,356	8,943,257
Net from railway	4,910,936	3,932,632	3,708,530	3,457,341
Net ry. oper. income	6,286,479	3,390,454	3,121,166	2,244,387
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	150,237,334	132,720,171	118,722,054	106,376,482
Net from railway	69,998,035	58,632,163	49,862,432	41,930,461
Net ry. oper. income	51,559,186	40,817,745	36,354,138	28,983,311

—V. 155, p. 360.

**Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific RR.—Loadings**

Revenue cars loaded on the Milwaukee Road and received from connections during the period:

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Jan. 2 to 21, 1942	89,949 cars (17 loading days)			
Jan. 2 to 21, 1941	79,746 cars (17 loading days)			
Dec. 1 to 21, 1941	96,249 cars (18 loading days)			

—V. 155, p. 360.

**Chile Copper Co.—50-Cent Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the capital stock, payable Feb. 25 to holders of record Feb. 6. A like amount has been paid each quarter since and including May 27, 1937, and, in addition, year-end dividends were paid as follows: Dec. 15, 1937, \$1; Dec. 16, 1938, Dec. 19, 1939, and Dec. 23, 1941, 50 cents each.—V. 154, p. 1300.

**City Title Insurance Co. (N. Y.)—Dividend Increased.**

The directors recently declared a quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock, par \$5, payable Jan. 20 to holders of record Jan. 15. Previously, the company paid quarterly dividends of 12½ cents each, and, in addition, paid extra dividends during 1941 as follows: July 20, 7½ cents; and Oct. 20, 17½ cents. Dividends in 1941 totaled 75 cents per share, as against 60 cents in 1940.—V. 150, p. 2250.

**Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co.—Expansion—**

This company will spend \$16,278,000 this year to expand its power facilities, against \$12,417,000 in 1941 and \$5,412,000 in 1940, according to Eben G. Crawford, President.—V. 155, p. 49.

**Commonwealth Utilities Corp.—Declaration Effective**

The SEC on Jan. 20 permitted to become effective declaration filed by company regarding the following transactions:

- To apply proceeds of \$1,667,000 received from the sale of its former ice and cold storage subsidiaries, to the redemption of all its outstanding 12,338 shares of \$6.50 preferred stock of series C (redeemable at \$105 per share), and all its outstanding 3,840 shares of \$6 preferred stock of series B (redeemable at \$102 per share) on March 1, 1942, and April 1, 1942, respectively.
- To eliminate the deficit resulting from the loss of approximately \$1,905,000 sustained in the sale of the properties by charging the deficit to earned surplus and contingent reserve aggregating \$767,012, and the balance to capital surplus of \$2,058,377 which is proposed to be created by the reduction in the stated value of the company's outstanding 288,873 shares of common stock of class B from the present average stated value of \$24,626 per share to \$17.50 per share.
- To further charge the capital surplus with the premium on the proposed redemption of both series of preferred stock, the excess of liquidating value over the stated value of said stocks, accrued and unpaid dividends on the stocks to the dates of redemption, and redemption expense, leaving a balance in the capital surplus of \$648,056 to provide for possible losses which may be sustained in the sale of any of the company's remaining assets.—V. 155, p. 188.

**Conduits National Co., Ltd.—25-Cent Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, par \$1, payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 24. This compares with 15 cents per share paid on Aug. 8, last, 25 cents on Feb. 1, 1941, and 15 cents on Aug. 8, 1940, and 25 cents on Feb. 1, 1940.—V. 153, p. 686.

**Consolidated Aircraft Corp.—Official Promoted—**

I. M. Laddon has been named Executive Vice-President and General Manager, second in command to the new President, Harry Woodhead. Mr. Laddon has been associated with the industry since 1917 and had served as Vice-President and Works Manager.—V. 155, p. 49.

**Container Corp. of America—25-Cent Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 3 to holders of record Feb. 5. This compares with 75 cents per share paid on this issue on Nov. 20, last, 25 cents each on March 3, May 20 and Aug. 20, 1941, Nov. 20, 1940, 75 cents per share and 25 cents in previous quarters.—V. 154, p. 795.

**Coos Bay Lumber Co.—Earnings—**

Period Ended Dec. 31, 1941—	3 Months	Year
Profit from operations	\$228,146	\$1,062,166
Profit from disposal of assets (net)	882	187
Total income	\$229,028	\$1,062,353
Interest paid (net)	2,055	26,861
Non-operating property expenses	392	769
Prov. for Oregon excise, California franchise and Federal income taxes	89,182	359,360
Net profit	\$137,399	\$675,363
Earnings per share of stock outstanding	\$2.16	\$10.64

Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—Cash, \$244,805; accounts and notes receivable (less reserve), \$312,148; inventories, \$157,441; timber and lands (less depletion), \$3,873,296; operating plants and equipment (net), \$2,547,840; non-operating property and equipment, \$28,194; deferred charges, \$58,128; total, \$7,221,852.

Liabilities—Note payable, \$250,000; accrued payrolls, \$36,827; accounts payable, etc., \$89,871; accrued property taxes, \$71,373; reserve for Oregon excise tax, \$33,000; reserve for Federal capital stock tax, \$13,800; reserve for Federal income taxes, \$320,000; accrued property taxes (due 1943 to 1954), \$174,759; capital stock (63,500 no par shares), \$6,350,000; deficit, \$117,779; total, \$7,221,852.—V. 154, p. 652.

**Coronet Phosphate Co.—Earnings—**

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939
Gross inc. from mining properties	\$907,633	\$396,381	\$430,281
General operating expenses	443,998	242,643	225,288
Depreciation	27,083	31,475	56,506
Depletion	37,673	25,065	20,249
General and admin. expenses	78,464	42,486	34,337
Retirement plan	14,000		
Taxes	28,600	30,675	33,143
Net profit from operations	\$277,816	\$24,037	\$60,778
Other income	3,203	1,243	3,634
Net profit before Fed. inc. tax	\$281,020	\$25,279	\$64,412
Federal income tax	89,564	3,495	9,323
Net profit	\$191,456	\$21,784	\$55,089
Dividends paid	125,000		93,750
Earns. per share on common stock	\$7.66	\$0.87	\$2.20

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—Phosphate lands, net after depletion, \$1,211,329; plant equipment, net after depreciation, \$315,235; initial payment on equipment, \$32,500; cash in banks and on hand, \$608,695; U. S. Government securities (at cost), \$100,000; accrued interest on securities, \$8; accounts receivable, \$32,027; notes receivable for land (less reserve for doubtful notes), \$3,848; inventories (phosphate, supplies and fuel), \$394,001; other assets, \$25,425; deferred charges, \$13,284; total, \$2,734,353.

Liabilities—Capital stock (\$50 par), \$1,250,000; capital surplus, \$1,250,000; earned surplus, \$97,223; reserve for contingencies, \$30,000; accounts payable, \$9,198; accrued wages, \$1,253; Federal income tax for year 1941, \$89,564; State and other Federal taxes, \$6,245; reserve for cost of drying phosphate, \$871; total, \$2,734,353.—V. 154, p. 242.

**Cosmos Imperial Mills, Ltd.—Extra Dividend—**

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 30 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of like amount on the common stock, no par value, both payable Feb. 14 to holders of record Jan. 31. An extra of 15 cents per share was paid on the issue on Feb. 15, last year.—V. 152, p. 674.

**Credit & Investment Corp.—\$1 Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per certificate on the 25% allotment certificates, payable Jan. 26 to holders of record Jan. 17. This compares with 40 cents paid on Aug. 1, last, 85 cents on Jan. 26, 1941, 40 cents on Aug. 1, 1940, and 75 cents on Jan. 26, 1940.—V. 154, p. 748.

**Curtis Mfg. Co., St. Louis—Earnings—**

Years End. Nov. 30—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross profit on sales	\$815,178	\$749,660	\$540,142	\$467,577
Selling expenses	338,972	337,658	319,540	247,898
Gen. and admin. exps.	185,182	144,625	142,096	195,536
Profit on operations	\$293,024	\$267,377	78,497	\$24,143
Other income	46,631	38,530	20,982	7,746
Total income	\$339,655	\$305,908	\$99,479	\$31,889
Other expenses			283	952
Prov. for Fed. & State income taxes	102,602	55,188	17,495	2,894
Prov. for Federal excess profits tax	45,261			
Net profit	\$191,792	\$250,720	\$81,700	\$28,043
Dividends paid	290,047	193,365	48,341	48,632
Shares of capital stock (par \$5)	193,365	193,365	193,365	194,536
Earnings per share	\$0.99	\$1.30	\$0.42	\$0.14

Balance Sheet, Nov. 30, 1941

Assets—Cash in banks and on hand, \$474,803; commercial paper, at cost and accrued interest, \$99,897; U. S. savings bonds, maturity value \$127,500; redemption value, \$98,950; U. S. Treasury notes, tax series, \$77,400; receivables, trade (less reserve for doubtful items and discounts, \$9,500), \$335,119; sundry receivables, \$2,349; inventories, at the lower of cost or market, \$795,930; land, \$64,921; buildings and improvements (less reserve, \$316,492), \$110,717; equipment (less reserve, \$500,843), \$241,397; patents and trade marks, amortized to date, \$6,822; deferred charges, \$36,725; total, \$2,345,029.

Liabilities—Accounts payable, etc., \$71,557; accrued salaries, wages, commissions, etc., \$42,864; accrued general taxes, \$25,594; Federal and State taxes on income—estimated, \$147,765; capital stock (\$5 par), \$1,000,000; surplus, \$1,381,842; dividends paid (Dr.), \$290,048; applied in acquisition of 6,635 shares of treasury stock (Dr.), \$34,545; total, \$2,345,029.—V. 152, p. 4120.

**Derby Gas & Electric Corp.—Initial Dividend—**

The directors have declared an initial dividend of 35 cents per share on the new common stock, payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 26. This stock was issued in exchange for the old preferred stock outstanding prior to giving effect to recent plan of recapitalization.—V. 155, p. 261.

**Diamond Match Co.—37½-Cent Common Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 37½ cents per share on the common stock, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 10. A like amount was paid on this issue on Sept. 2 and Dec. 1, last, as against 25 cents on June 1, 1941, and 50 cents on March 1, 1941. Dividends on the common stock in 1940 were as follows: March 1, 50 cents; June 1, 25 cents; Sept. 3, 50 cents; and Dec. 2, 25 cents.—V. 154, p. 1376.

**Discount Corp. of New York—Annual Report—**

Dudley H. Mills, President, states: After making provisions for taxes, the net profits for the year ended Dec. 31, 1941 were \$306,202. Dividends amounting to \$240,000 were declared during the year from the undivided profits. The capital funds now stand as follows: Capital \$2,000,000; surplus \$2,000,000; and undivided profits \$1,598,499.

	1941	1940
Assets—		
Acceptances	\$1,259,209	\$1,285,337
U. S. bonds, Treasury notes, bills and other		
U. S. Securities	45,381,348	30,816,674
Interest received accrued	184,107	155,898
Expenses paid in advance	43,017	58,469
Deposit with N. Y. State Banking Department	985	985
Security contracts	17,023,602	6,489,800
Cash	1,755,126	1,780,433
Total	\$65,647,394	\$40,587,595
Liabilities—		
Capital stock	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Surplus	2,000,000	2,000,000
Undivided profit	1,598,499	1,532,296
Unearned discount	855	1,116
Due to banks and customers	571,537	539,736
Reserves		
U. S. Government deposit account	33,230,785	23,079,100
Loans payable	9,700,000	5,500,000
Securities borrowed at par	6,545,719	5,930,000
U. S. Gov't secur. sold under purchase agree.	10,000,000	
Total	\$65,647,394	\$40,587,595

—V. 154, p. 1727.

**Divco-Twin Truck Co. (& Sub.)—Earnings—**

Years Ended Oct. 31—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Net sales	\$4,049,884	\$2,517,217	\$1,914,739	\$1,572,060
Cost of goods sold	2,839,104	1,749,439	1,340,687	1,208,978
Sell., shipping, service admin. and gen. exps.	456,052	352,907	313,099	280,514
Operating profit	\$754,728	\$414,871	\$260,953	\$83,468
Other income	37,681	29,553	19,162	18,019
Total income	\$792,409	\$444,424	\$280,115	\$101,487
Interest expense	6,077	9,787	4,946	1,076
Patent and patent litigation expense	10,515	7,698	7,422	5,668
Expenses of moving to new plant			15,397	
Miscell. deductions	521	157	745	222
Additional prov. for pr. year				107
Normal income tax for the current year	186,800	79,500	49,000	13,300
Excess profits tax	110,700			
Surtax on undist. profits				10,700
Net profit	\$477,796	\$347,281	\$202,605	\$70,414
Excess provis. for Fed. income taxes		944	3,521	
Balance, earn. surplus, at Nov. 1	488,463	308,988	191,861	151,147
Total	\$966,259	\$657,213	\$397,988	\$221,561
Divs. paid in cash on common stock	225,000	168,750	89,000	22,200
Miscell. deductions				\$7,500
Earn. surpl., Oct. 31	\$741,259	\$488,463	\$308,988	\$191,861
Shs. com. stk. (par \$1)	225,000	225,000	222,500	222,000
Earnings per share	\$2.12	\$1.54	\$0.91	\$0.31

\*Provision for reserve to cover possible liability for additional taxes on income of prior years.

Note—Provision of \$29,354 in 1941 and \$25,516 in 1940 is included in the above statement for depreciation of plant and equipment, and \$34,242 for amortization of dies, tools and patterns.

**Consolidated Balance Sheet, Oct. 31**

Assets—	1941	1940
Cash on deposit, in transit and on hand	\$340,252	\$201,357
Trade notes and accounts	362,640	143,250
Inventories	656,056	449,684
Other assets	18,586	14,706
Property and equipment	509,523	483,362
Patents—at nominal value	1	1
Deferred charges	4,754	12,127
Total	\$1,891,812	\$1,304,486
Liabilities—		
Accounts payable	\$213,417	\$83,410
Accrued wages, taxes, trade and other expenses	111,462	64,558
Federal taxes on income	297,500	79,500
13% notes payable to bank	150,000	210,000
Deferred income	11,975	12,356
Common stock (par \$1)	225,000	225,000
Capital surplus	141,199	141,199
Earned surplus	741,259	488,463
Total	\$1,891,812	\$1,304,486

\*After reserve for doubtful \$1,000. †Includes \$42,000 payment due within one year.—V. 154, p. 149.

**Dominion Bridge Co., Ltd. (& Subs.)—Earnings—**

Years Ended Oct. 31—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Total earnings	*\$4,641,421	*\$2,223,386	*\$1,028,345	*\$1,180,440
Directors' fees	24,340	23,640	23,830	22,181
Executive salaries and legal fees	95,139	86,054	76,608	76,771
Res. for income taxes	2,815,181	832,292	136,152	122,739
Depreciation	733,795	582,106	420,326	426,735
Net income	\$972,965	\$699,295	\$371,429	\$532,014
Dividends	616,741	616,741	616,741	616,741
Surplus	\$356,224	\$82,556	\$824,042	\$884,727
Profit and loss surplus	2,267,681	1,911,457	1,828,902	2,074,214
Shares capital stock outstanding (no par)	513,951	513,951	513,951	513,951
Earnings per share on capital stock	\$1.89	\$1.36	\$0.72	\$1.04

\*Includes revenue from investments of \$116,305 in 1941, \$133,250 in 1940, \$149,072 in 1939, and profit on bonds sold of \$22,657 in 1940 and \$46,464 in 1939. †Includes profits from contracts, interest and exchange and miscellaneous income of \$954,865 in 1938, revenue from investments of \$184,233 in 1938, profit of bonds sold of \$41,342 in 1938. ‡Includes profits from contracts, interest and exchange and miscellaneous

**Federal Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Co.—U. S. Contract**

L. H. Korndorff, President, on Jan. 24 announced that the U. S. Navy Department had awarded a large number of steel vessels to this company for immediate construction. This additional shipbuilding, added to the already heavy building schedule of the Kearny plant, will necessitate expansion of shipbuilding facilities.

To provide the additional shipbuilding facilities required, the company will construct facilities on a site in the vicinity of their present yard. Those facilities will be built at the expense of and will be the property of the U. S. Navy. The yard will be operated entirely by the Federal Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Co. organization. Mr. Korndorff announced that construction of the yard would begin at once and construction of the new vessels would begin in the coming summer. It is estimated that the new shipbuilding plant would require a maximum of 10,000 employees.

The company also announced that it has leased six tower floors in the National Newark Building, 744 Broad St., Newark, N. J. This action was made necessary by the company's increased participation in the Emergency Shipbuilding Program and the consequent overcrowding of its available office space at Kearny, N. J.

The company's engineering departments, which for several years have been located at 21 West St., N. Y. City, will occupy the Newark space in conjunction with its purchasing department.

The general executive offices will remain at Kearny. The new offices will be occupied by Feb. 2, 1942.

The company is a subsidiary of the United States Steel Corp.—V. 155, p. 361.

**Fidelity & Casualty Co. of New York—Annual Statement—**

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941

<b>Assets—</b>	
Bonds and stocks	\$35,551,438
Real estate	92,757
Premiums in course of collection (not 90 days overdue)	5,435,002
Interest accrued	181,164
Cash on deposit and in office	11,784,177
All other assets	944,843
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$53,989,382</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Unearned premiums	\$13,457,427
Reserve for claims	20,066,121
Reserve for taxes and expenses	2,201,188
Reserve for all other liabilities	1,200,000
Contingency reserve	376,517
Capital	2,250,000
Net surplus	14,438,128
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$53,989,382</b>

\*Valuations on basis approved by National Association of Insurance Commissioners. †Contingency reserve, representing difference between total values carried in assets for all bonds and stocks owned and total values based on Dec. 31, 1941, market quotations. ‡Securities carried at \$1,352,436 in the above statement are deposited for purposes required by law.—V. 153, p. 1129; V. 152, p. 677.

**Finance Co. of America at Baltimore—Earnings—**

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross inc. less charge-outs	\$672,309	\$531,277	\$486,592	\$546,535
Operating expenses	297,173	204,831	196,457	201,216
Net oper. income	\$375,136	\$326,446	\$290,135	\$345,319
Interest, etc.	83,836	77,853	77,423	96,957
Prov. for Fed. & State income taxes	91,779	59,695	36,963	42,339
Net profit	\$199,522	\$188,898	\$175,749	\$206,022
Cash divs. preferred	11,000	11,000	15,664	20,951
Cash divs. common	100,000	100,000	75,000	75,000
Stock dividends extra			52,646	

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941

<b>Assets—</b>	
Cash	\$1,129,914
Notes and accounts receivable (net)	\$5,922,642
Other assets	\$17,138
Deferred charges	\$27,677
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,097,372</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Registered short term notes (maturing within 9 months)	\$4,438,500
Accounts payable	\$26,592
Federal and State taxes on income for current year (est.)	\$92,697
Other Federal and State taxes	\$6,155
Accrued interest on 10-year notes	\$5,927
Funded debt	\$444,500
Deferred income	\$86,190
5 1/2% cumulative preferred stock (par \$5)	\$200,000
Class A common stock (non-voting, par \$5)	\$375,000
Class B common stock (voting, par \$5)	\$250,000
Paid-in surplus	\$513,005
Earned surplus	\$658,807
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,097,372</b>

**First American Fire Insurance Co.—Annual Statement**

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941

<b>Assets—</b>	
Bonds and stocks	\$3,671,125
Real estate	7,500
Premiums in course of collection (not 90 days overdue)	398,025
Interest and rents accrued	10,398
Cash on deposit and in office	509,813
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,596,860</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Unearned premiums	\$1,072,354
Losses in process of adjustment	173,765
Reserve for taxes and expenses	52,400
Reserve for all other claims	25,000
Contingency reserve	30,880
Capital	1,000,000
Net surplus	2,242,461
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,596,860</b>

\*Valuations on basis approved by National Association of Insurance Commissioners. †Contingency reserve, representing difference between total values carried in assets for all bonds and stocks owned and total values based on Dec. 31, 1941, market quotations. ‡Securities carried at \$398,675 in the above statement are deposited for purposes required by law.—V. 153, p. 1129.

**General Candy Corp., Chicago—75-Cent Dividend—**

The company on Dec. 23 paid a dividend of 75 cents per share on the \$2.50 non-cumulative class A stock, par \$25, to holders of record Dec. 19. This compares with 25 cents per share paid in each of the three preceding quarters.

On Dec. 24, 1940, the company paid an extra dividend of 25 cents per share and a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the class A stock, as against 25 cents regular in the three previous quarters.—V. 152, p. 1129.

**General Capital Corp.—Earnings—**

Calendar Years—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Int. and divs. received	\$209,610	\$178,574	\$178,439	\$131,547
Taxes and expenses	31,238	27,600	30,525	29,145
Net oper. income	\$178,372	\$150,974	\$147,914	\$102,402
Net loss on sale of inv.				112,587
Prov. for Fed. inc. tax			3,577	2,662
Net profit for period	\$178,372	\$150,974	\$144,337	\$12,147

\*Cash dividends and value at date of receipt of stocks received as taxable dividends. †Before gains or losses realized and unrealized securities. ‡Loss.

**Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets, Dec. 31, 1941**

Assets—Cash in bank, demand deposits, \$775,149; accounts receivable for stock of corporation sold, not delivered, \$114,259; accounts receivable for securities sold, not delivered, \$119; accounts receivable, miscellaneous, \$74; dividends receivable, cash, \$15,900; investments, \$2,880,070; total, \$3,785,572.

Liabilities—Accounts payable, management fee and other expenses, \$11,395; accounts payable for stock of corporation, purchased, not received, \$5,344; accounts payable for securities purchased, not received, \$4,529; provision for accrued State taxes, \$1,925; net assets

(represented by 159,021 shares of stock (no par), stated value, i.e., amount capitalized with respect to said shares, \$1,937,001), \$3,782,379. Statement of Net Asset Value per Share, Dec. 31 (based upon investments at quoted market value):

1941	\$23.66	1938	\$32.59
1940	26.58	1937	27.62
1939	30.76		

**General Shareholdings Corp.—Earnings—**

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939
Income	\$957,835	\$865,306	\$872,769
General expenses	77,358	92,985	88,484
Interest	73,206	75,687	75,280
Capital stock taxes		7,423	6,554
Federal income and other taxes	10,209	13,729	29,642
Refund of prior year's taxes	Cr6,750		Cr5,843

Net income \$803,812 \$675,482 \$678,641  
 \$6 cum. conv. pref. stock dividend \$54,819 \$543,862 \$544,500  
 Net loss on sale of investments 1,902,361 540,823 679,361

\*Consists of \$544,314 paid in cash and \$5 paid in common stock (5.46 shares at par value of \$1 per share). †Does not include \$90,750 paid on account of arrears. ‡Consists of \$543,843 paid in cash and \$19 paid in common stock (19,272 shares at par value of \$1 per share). †Does not include \$90,720 paid on account of arrears.

At Dec. 31, 1940, the net assets of the company were equivalent to \$2,662 per \$1,000 of debentures and bank debt, while at Dec. 31, 1941, the similar asset coverage was \$2,544. The preferred stock asset coverage changed from \$118 to \$101, while the common stock asset value declined from \$1.11 to seven cents per share.

At Dec. 31, 1940, the net assets of the company were equivalent to \$3,580 per \$1,000 of bank debt, while at Dec. 31, 1941, the similar asset coverage was \$3,115. The preferred stock asset coverage changed from \$105 to \$78 per share.

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

<b>Assets—</b>	
Cash	\$954,388
Investments in U. S. Government securities—	
at cost	*266,500
Investment in other securities	*17,163,654
Receivable for securities sold and called for redemption	24,951
Interest and dividends receivable, &c.	28,401
Special deposits for dividends, &c. (contra)	16,802
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$18,454,698</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Dividends payable, &c.	\$16,802
Due for securities purchased	28,365
Reserves for contingencies, expenses, taxes, &c.	45,808
Bank loans due Dec. 30, 1943	3,350,000
\$6 cumulative convertible preferred stock	2,268,750
Common stock (\$1 par)	1,602,423
Surplus	11,142,549
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$18,454,698</b>

\*Investments owned on Dec. 31, 1936, are carried at the lower of cost or market at that date. Subsequent purchases are carried at cost. Investments, based on market quotations as at Dec. 31, 1941, or, in the absence thereof, on their then fair value in the opinion of the corporation, amounted to \$9,503,810, or \$7,926,344 less than the amounts shown.—V. 154, p. 1148.

**Georgia Home Insurance Co. (Columbus, Ga.)—To Pay Extra Dividend—**

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 15 cents per share in addition to the regular semi-annual dividend of 50 cents per share on the capital stock, par \$10, both payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 22. Like amounts were paid on Feb. 1 and Aug. 1, 1940 and 1941.—V. 153, p. 550.

**Globe Indemnity Co.—Resignation—**

F. A. W. Ireland, Counsel during a major part of the company's existence, has retired from active service as of Jan. 1, it was announced on Jan. 21. Mr. Ireland is succeeded by James J. McGuirk, Jr.—V. 154, p. 1004.

**Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting & Power Co.—To Pay Special Dividend—**

The directors have declared a special dividend of 5 cents per share and the regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock, both payable in U. S. currency on March 2 to holders of record Feb. 13. During 1941, the company made four regular quarterly payments of 15 cents each, which compared with like amounts on Sept. 3 and Dec. 2, 1940, and 25 cents in each of the two first quarters of 1940.—V. 154, p. 655.

**Griess-Pfleger Co., Inc.—Initial Dividend—**

The company on Dec. 22 paid an initial dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock to holders of record Dec. 16.—V. 150, p. 2425.

**General Tire & Rubber Co.—Annual Report — W. O'Neil, President in his remarks to stockholders states:**

For the present fiscal year, we have changed our method of pricing inventories and have applied the "last-in, first-out" method to pricing of principal raw materials and raw material content of work in process and finished goods. This had the effect of reducing the total values of inventories on Nov. 30, 1941, approximately \$625,000 below what they would have been had the previous method of pricing been followed. The net profit shown, therefore, is approximately \$245,000 less than it would have been under the method previously used. We have also set aside \$700,000 for contingencies.

The demand for tires for military purposes has skyrocketed. In our Akron plant we expanded the production of tires for airplanes, cargo carriers, convoys, prime movers, bomb trailers, refuelers, anti-aircraft gun carriages, pontoon trailers, searchlight trailers, truck trailers and combat cars as rapidly as orders were received from the Government.

The Ordnance Department of the Army has selected us to construct and operate a munitions plant at Flora, Miss. This plant is now under construction and will be in operation early this Spring. In order to fulfill this assignment it is necessary for us to train thousands of new employees in the intricacies of powder bag loading and to enter into an entirely new manufacturing field.

We have set up in Akron a barrage balloon plant, entirely separate from our main factory, and are providing the Government with balloons in ever increasing quantities.

In our Wabash plant we are making gas masks, wind socks, tension units for radio antennae, airplane parts of molded rubber, and numerous other devices used by the military forces. We have conducted extensive research for Government agencies in many phases of war production.

In the five years that we have been manufacturing mechanical goods in the Wabash plant, sales of products manufactured there have shown a constant increase. In the year 1941, our operation at Wabash assumed even greater importance in our over-all picture.

Since introduction two years ago of the Kraft system of tire renewing, its popularity has steadily increased. When the war threatened to shut off supplies of rubber, our Kraft equipped distributors found themselves in an enviable position. With the curtailment of passenger car tire sales our dealers are particularly fortunate in that they will have more tire renewing than they can handle.

The importance to the rubber business of the progress of the war cannot be overestimated. Because of the danger that our rubber supply may be cut off entirely if Singapore falls, the policies in the year ahead must be governed by current events.

We have already taken steps to provide for contingencies which may arise. We believe that with the existing stock pile of rubber, reclaiming facilities, speeding up on synthetic production and the development of guayule as a domestic source of rubber, there is no occasion for fear and panic. We believe that with the proper use of the 140 million tires on the cars of America, limited speeds in the hot weather, and a sensible limitation of unnecessary driving in the Summer months, the existing tires will last the country for three years, if 40,000 tons of rubber a year is allocated for recapping.

**Consolidated Income Account for Years Ended Nov. 30**

Years Ended Nov. 30—	1941	1940	1939	1938
*Gross sales	\$37,353,022	\$23,214,314	\$24,048,829	\$20,088,354
†Cost of goods sold	33,447,821	22,197,109	20,771,359	18,179,410

Profit from ops.	\$3,905,200	\$1,017,205	\$3,277,470	\$1,908,944
Other income	284,836	289,340	269,248	242,034
Gross income	\$4,190,037	\$1,286,545	\$3,546,718	\$2,150,977
Depreciation	556,203	498,206	465,450	434,684
Prov. for contingencies	700,000		200,000	
Provision for possible loss on investments	60,000		60,595	
Int. on borrowed money	71,835	45,256	27,455	50,482
Miscellaneous charges	12,692		8,734	
Dividends on pref. stock of Aldora Mills	17,166	17,166	17,166	19,587
Prov. for Fed. inc. tax	900,000	130,000	630,000	270,000
Provision of Federal excess profits tax	635,000			
Provision for other income taxes	18,571			
Prov. for Fed. surtax				195,000

Net profit	\$1,218,570	\$595,917	\$2,137,318	\$1,181,224
Previous earned surplus	7,533,963	7,347,664	5,628,313	4,895,390
Total surplus	\$8,752,533	\$7,943,581	\$7,765,630	\$6,076,614
Preferred dividends	140,901	146,295	152,753	157,817
Common dividends	526,997	263,324	233,214	259,714
Prov. for Federal inc. taxes of prior years				32,771

Earned surplus	\$8,084,635	\$7,533,963	\$7,347,664	\$5,628,313
Shares common stock outstanding (par \$5)	527,147	526,847	523,427	519,627
Earnings per share	\$2.05	\$0.85	\$3.78	\$1.97

\*Net sales, after deducting discounts, returns and allowances and excise taxes. †Includes selling, general and administrative expenses.

<b>Assets—</b>	
Cash	\$1,149,902
Notes and accounts receivable	5,218,235
Inventories	6,679,455
Cash held under U. S. Gov't contract (contra)	89,689
Investment in stocks of other companies at cost	455,112
Miscellaneous advances	114,744
Due from employees	9,793
*Land, buildings, machinery, equipment, etc.	5,499,669
Patents	1
Deferred charges	105,464
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$19,320,303</b>

<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Notes payable	\$250,000
Accounts payable	\$1,321,845
Accrued payrolls	85,491
Accrued taxes	437,371
Income taxes	1,552,339
†Deposit	196,839
Advance under U. S. Gov't contract (contra)	89,689
Preferred stock of Aldora Mills	286,100
6% preferred stock	2,312,000
Common stock (par \$5)	2,635,735
Reserve for compensation insurance	150,000
Res. for contng & Fed. inc. taxes of prior years	945,066
Capital surplus	1,222,195
Earned surplus	8,084,635
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$19,320,303</b>

\*After reserve for depreciation of \$3,677,458 in 1941 and \$3,522,223 in 1940. †For purchase of rubber manufacturing equipment, less expenditures to date.—V. 154, p. 431.

**Hamilton Watch 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 16 to holders of record Feb. 27. This compares with 50 cents per share paid on Dec. 15, last, and 25 cents per share on March 15, June 16 and Sept. 15, 1941. (See also V. 154, p. 1492).

**Financing Plan Postponed—**

Calvin M. Kendig, President, states in letter to stockholders: We wrote on Dec. 22 that the company was considering the offering of new preferred shares to retire its present 6% preferred stock and to provide additional capital funds. On Jan. 9 we informed the holders of the 6% preferred stock that the company's articles of incorporation had been amended as required for the issue of the new preferred shares, but we warned that our plans were necessarily contingent upon market conditions.

It was then expected that the new shares would be offered on or about Jan. 19, but due to unsettled conditions, particularly as affecting the financial markets, the company has decided not to proceed with its plans at this time. Consequently no new preferred shares will now be offered, either for exchange or for sale, and no 6% preferred stock will be called for redemption on March 1.—V. 155, p. 361.

**Hart Schaffner & Marx—Annual Report—**

Years Ended
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**Hat Corp. of America—Annual Report—**

(Including wholly owned subsidiary companies)

Years Ended Oct. 31—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Net sales	\$11,222,463	\$9,812,905	\$9,720,838	\$8,809,201
Cost and expenses	9,957,795	8,664,235	8,512,412	8,157,490
Operating profit	\$1,264,668	\$1,148,671	\$1,208,426	\$651,711
Other income (net)	22,227	Dr5,765	Dr14,189	6,452
Total income	\$1,286,896	\$1,142,905	\$1,194,237	\$658,163
Depreciation	172,536	160,901	139,039	125,521
Federal income taxes	290,000	154,300	152,000	61,000
Fed. excess prof. taxes	70,000	—	—	—
Surtax undist. profits	—	—	—	5,000
Other charges	*163,622	*162,733	199,842	140,754
Net profit	\$590,738	\$664,971	\$703,356	\$325,888
Prov. for contingencies	200,000	—	—	—
Bal. to earned surp.	†\$390,738	\$664,971	\$703,356	\$325,888
Divs. on 6 1/2% cum. preferred stock	172,636	180,284	184,912	195,437
Class A and B dividends	234,660	375,456	516,252	93,864
Earnings per share on combined class A and B common stocks	\$0.89	\$1.03	\$1.10	\$0.28

\*Provision for Federal and State unemployment insurance and social security taxes. †Equal to 47 cents per share on combined class A and B common stocks.

**Consolidated Balance Sheet, Oct. 31**

	1941	1940
Assets—		
Cash	\$865,905	\$448,892
*Notes and accounts receivable	1,322,113	1,318,590
Life insurance policies	159,168	151,035
Merchandise inventory	2,182,195	2,069,633
Land	74,598	51,498
Buildings, machinery and equipment	1,280,771	1,354,314
Land for plant extension	800	21,900
Tenements on above land	2,093	4,967
Prepaid taxes, insurance, etc.	36,160	37,824
Goodwill, trademarks, etc.	1,565,100	1,565,100
Total	\$7,488,903	\$7,023,753
Liabilities—		
Accounts payable	\$130,246	\$161,187
Accrued salaries, wages and commissions	150,918	204,527
Provision for Federal and miscellaneous taxes	455,776	247,325
Dividend payable	234,660	—
Reserve for contingencies	200,000	—
6 1/2% preferred stock	2,555,500	2,677,800
Class A common stock (voting) (par \$1)	359,660	359,660
Class B common stock (non-voting) (par \$1)	109,660	109,660
Capital surplus	1,803,238	1,757,791
Earned surplus	1,489,246	1,505,803
Total	\$7,488,903	\$7,023,753

\*After reserve for bad debts, discounts and allowances of \$330,522 in 1941 and \$329,212 in 1940.  
†After reserve for depreciation of \$1,158,452 in 1941 and \$989,476 in 1940.  
‡After depreciation reserve of \$603 in 1941 and \$17,609 in 1940.  
§Upon the basis of treating \$14,500 (\$2,400 in 1940) par value of 6 1/2% cumulative preferred stock in treasury as though retired. The corporation may at any time apply the 6 1/2% cumulative preferred stock against its charter obligation to provide a sinking fund for the retirement of preferred stock.—V. 154, p. 1054.

**Signs With Union—**

The general executive board of the United Hatters, Cap and Millinery Workers International Union (A. F. of L.) on Jan. 9 announced the signing of an agreement with the above corporation, affecting 2,000 employees. Wage increases averaging 7 1/2% and retroactive to August and September, 1941, for most of workers in the plants at Norwalk, Conn., were included in the two-year contract.—V. 154, p. 1054.

**Havana Electric & Utilities Co.—Accumulated Div.**

The directors have declared a dividend of 75 cents per share on account of accumulations on the 6% cumulative first preferred stock, par \$100, payable Feb. 16 to holders of record Jan. 30. Similar distributions were made in previous quarters. Dividends are in arrears on this issue, and on Nov. 15, 1941, were said to total \$33.75 per share.—V. 154, p. 864.

**Haverhill Gas Light Co.—Earnings—**

Period End. Dec. 31—	1941—Month	1940	1941—12 Mos.—	1940
Operating revenues	\$47,618	\$47,671	\$550,033	\$553,726
Operation	32,564	27,064	349,065	349,931
Maintenance	2,001	2,994	30,392	34,479
Taxes	5,930	7,857	86,912	83,793
Net operat. revenues	\$7,124	\$9,756	\$83,664	\$85,517
Non-oper. income (net)	389	7	11,362	7,942
Balance	\$7,513	\$9,762	\$95,026	\$93,459
Retire. reserve accruals	2,917	2,917	35,000	35,000
Gross income	\$4,597	\$6,846	\$60,026	\$58,459
Interest charges	43	43	552	737
Net income	\$4,553	\$6,803	\$59,475	\$57,722
Dividends declared	—	—	44,226	39,312

**Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941**

Assets—Plant investment and general equipment, \$2,458,842; cash, \$43,800; consumers' accounts receivable, \$66,398; merchandise and jobbing, including instalment accounts receivable, \$52,059; appliances installed on consumers' premises accounts receivable, \$3,029; miscellaneous accounts receivable, \$5,139; materials and supplies (general, \$19,558; merchandise, \$30,551; manufacturing supplies—fuel, \$18,982; residuals and by-products, \$8,579); \$77,668; prepayments, \$5,832; unadjusted debts, \$3,812; total, \$2,716,579.  
Liabilities—Capital stock (\$25 par), \$1,228,500; premium on capital stock, \$260,910; accounts payable, \$24,551; consumers' deposits, \$17,611; miscellaneous liabilities, \$296; taxes accrued, \$18,817; interest accrued, \$450; retirement reserves, \$560,860; contributions for extensions, \$6,993; operating reserves, \$6,802; unadjusted credits, \$35; earned surplus, \$590,653; total, \$2,716,579.—V. 155, p. 52.

**Hayes Mfg. Corp.—Outlook—New Directors—**

The general outlook for this company appears encouraging, Rensselaer W. Clark, President, announced. Unfilled and pending orders for aircraft sub-assemblies now amount to approximately \$12,200,000 against \$6,500,000 a year ago.  
Approximately 1,500 persons now are employed compared with 547 last March, Mr. Clark stated.  
Certain departments are working two and three shifts a day and a similar basis undoubtedly will prevail throughout the entire factory very shortly, it was said.  
Two new members have been elected to the board of directors, increasing the number to nine. The newly added members are Charles W. Baker, Jr. and Thomas P. Durell.—V. 155, p. 362.

**(Walter E.) Heller Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—**

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1941	1940
Net income	\$535,030	\$581,177
Earnings per share	\$1.68	\$1.86

\*After all charges and provision for Federal income and excess profits taxes. †On 252,172 shares of common stock, after preferred dividend requirements.—V. 155, p. 52.

**Hercules Powder Co., Inc.—Earnings—**

For the year ended Dec. 31, 1941, the company reported earnings of \$6,098,712 after all charges including excess profits taxes. After payment of \$524,928 dividends on preferred stock, net earnings applicable to the common stock were equal to \$4.23 a share on 1,316,710 shares

outstanding. The reported earnings were after the provision of an additional reserve of \$500,000 for contingencies arising from the war. In 1940 net earnings of the company were \$5,807,769, equal after preferred dividends to \$4.01 a share on 1,316,710 shares of common stock then outstanding.

Net sales of goods and services for 1941 were \$85,612,161, an increase of 63.3% over the previous year, in addition to which the company was engaged on large projects for the construction and adoption of munitions plants for the Government.

Approximately \$4,887,000 was spent during the year in the improvement and extension of the company's plant facilities, consisting largely of completion of the reconstruction of the Kenvil, N. J., plant damaged by explosion in the previous year, and additions to capacity at various other plants for the production of cellulose acetate, ethyl cellulose, Parlon (Chlorinated rubber), nitric acid, purified cotton linters, and synthetic resins based on rosin and naval stores products.

In his report Charles A. Higgins, President of the company, called for an increase in war production to the limit.

Pointing out that during the past year a large ordnance plant has been brought into production at a rate greater than its planned capacity and that a further program of larger size has been placed upon the company, President Higgins said the war work is being pushed with all possible speed.

As one measure of the extent of the company's war effort, Mr. Higgins disclosed that the company now has about 20,000 employees or about three times the normal peace-time number.

Continuing, Mr. Higgins stated: "While your company's war work now represents a large part of its output, it is gratifying to report that the basic need for your company's commercial products shows no decline in a war economy. Decreases in usage by industries adversely affected by war priorities have been made up by increased demands from essential industries. At this time all departments are operating at or near capacity."

"However, the problems of future peace-time adjustment are too vital to be entirely overlooked even in time of war. Construction projects for your company's normal expansion, now sidetracked by the war, have been prepared and filed. A number of new and promising products resulting from many years of research are ready for peace-time development."

Among the company's regular chemical products being used by industry in the war program are: rubber reclaiming solvents; ethyl cellulose for insulating airplane ignition cables; pine oil for processing cloth for uniforms and blankets; dynamite for mining coal, stone, and minerals, and for war construction projects; Parlon for rendering tents and gun covers flameproof, waterproof, and mildewproof; chemical cotton and nitrocellulose for smokeless powder; cellulose acetate for gas masks, airplane parts and other military plastic uses; pine oil for recovering strategic minerals by flotation; core binders for metal castings; resins to replace tung oil in varnishes; nitrocellulose for quick-drying lacquers on shells and military equipment; and special resins for speeding highway construction.—V. 154, p. 1264.

**Hewitt Rubber Corp.—New Branch Manager—**

With his retirement from active duty as Boston Branch Manager, Fred G. Phillips completes 36 years of service with this corporation, manufacturers of industrial rubber products.  
Mr. Phillips is succeeded in this capacity by Andrew Thompson, formerly the company's Northern New England representative.—V. 154, p. 1529.

**(R) Hoe & Co., Inc.—Annual Report—**

Year End. Sept. 30—	1941	1940	1939	*1938
Sales (Billings) less discounts, returns and allowances	\$7,152,259	\$4,201,912	\$2,221,593	\$4,781,866
Cost of sales	4,880,488	3,165,091	1,721,382	4,397,706
Selling, general and administration expenses	638,995	642,084	481,319	657,638
Prov. for doubtful accts.	—	—	—	633
Net operating profit	\$1,632,776	\$394,737	\$18,893	\$1274,110
Other income	43,926	33,297	32,926	138,963
Total income	\$1,676,702	\$428,035	\$51,819	\$1,313,147
Int. on long-term debt	166,180	187,483	290,765	342,254
Idle facilities—Dunellen	29,274	27,714	10,711	4,722
Deprec., bldgs. and eqpn.	See †	See †	138,599	135,639
Miscell. deductions	2,206	56	5,862	3,370
Prov. for income tax	\$645,000	\$77,528	—	48,840
Extraord. income (net)	Cr39,507	Cr65,850	Cr248,840	—
Net profit	\$873,550	\$200,087	\$145,278	\$669,971

\*Consolidated figures. †Depreciation deducted through the above accounts amounted to \$145,209 in 1941 and to \$121,620 in 1940. ‡Includes \$2,528 additional for prior years. §Includes \$280,000 for Federal excess profits tax. †Loss.  
Unfilled Orders—Current unfilled orders total \$11,443,196 compared with \$6,069,329 a year ago.

**Balance Sheet, Sept. 30**

Assets—	1941	1940
Cash	\$1,260,810	\$453,238
*Notes and accounts receivable	1,021,957	1,010,417
Inventories	1,514,317	1,080,757
Notes and accounts receivable, due after one yr.	56,585	92,717
Other assets	6,149	8,976
Fixed assets (net)	2,127,563	2,230,379
Patents, less reserve for amortization	1	1
Deferred charges	117,652	87,055
Total	\$6,105,043	\$4,963,540
Liabilities—		
Accounts payable	\$371,315	\$184,554
Accrued accounts	932,541	323,383
Interest on bonds and notes	50,926	57,510
Other current liabilities	15,000	15,000
Deferred liabilities	176,396	149,585
Long-term debt	2,371,413	2,676,902
Reserve for contingencies	150,000	150,000
6 1/2% prior preferred stock	388,570	618,280
7% preferred stock	165,060	165,060
Class A stock (par \$10)	959,970	959,970
Common stock (par \$1)	180,000	180,000
Capital surplus	3,591,951	3,555,357
Deficit (earned)	3,228,098	4,052,062
Total	\$6,105,043	\$4,963,540

\*After reserve for doubtful notes and accounts of \$148,742 in 1941 and \$156,157 in 1940.—V. 155, p. 52.

**Illinois Zinc Co.—Earnings—**

(Including Wholly Owned Subsidiary)

3 Months Ended Dec. 31—	1941	1940
Sales	\$1,156,411	\$752,916
Cost of goods sold	897,561	571,107
Gross margin	\$258,850	\$181,808
Selling expense	13,286	14,512
Administration expense	32,140	25,421
Net profit from operations	\$213,425	\$141,875
Income charges (net)	4,177	1,541
Prov. for Fed. inc. & exc. prof. taxes & contng.	75,000	35,000
Net income	\$134,248	\$105,335
Earnings per share of capital stock	\$1.41	\$1.10

—V. 154, p. 1302.

**Institutional Securities Corp.—President Elected—**

The directors have elected August Ihlefeld as President of this corporation. Mr. Ihlefeld is also President of Savings Banks Trust Co. which, like Institutional, is wholly owned by the mutual savings banks in New York State.—V. 153, p. 694.

**Jewel Tea Co., Inc.—Sales Up 42.53%—**

Period—	53 Wks. End. Jan. 3, '42	52 Wks. End. Jan. 2, '41	Increase
Sales	\$41,614,584	\$29,197,297	\$12,417,287

Note—The extra week in the fiscal year 1941, incident to the com-

pany's operation on a 13-period calendar, keeps the fiscal year in practical agreement with the calendar year. Excluding the extra week, sales for the year 1941 were up 39.25%.—V. 155, p. 1529.

**Industrial Properties, Inc., Cleveland, O.—65-Cent Div.**

The company on Jan. 14 paid a dividend of 65 cents per share on the common stock, par \$10, to holders of record Jan. 7. This compares with 35 cents paid on Oct. 9, 1941; 50 cents on July 14, 1941; 40 cents on April 16, 1941; and 75 cents on Jan. 21, 1941. Total in 1941 was \$2.00, as compared with \$3.75 in 1940. The major part of these dividends represents return of capital.

**Kimberly-Clark Corp.—Earnings—**

Period—	3 Months Ended	9 Mos. End.		
	Mar. 31, '41	June 30, '41	Sept. 30, '41	Sept. 30, '41
Net sales (exclusive of interplant sales)	\$7,708,944	\$9,009,919	\$9,584,235	\$26,303,098
Cost of sales	6,394,293	7,267,331	7,352,543	21,014,222
Gross profit	\$1,314,651	\$1,742,588	\$2,231,687	\$5,288,875
Gen'l & selling expense	707,565	761,232	834,686	2,303,483
Profit from ops.	\$607,085	\$981,307	\$1,397,001	\$2,985,392
Other income	205,823	296,468	334,212	836,503
Total income	\$812,908	\$1,277,775	\$1,731,213	\$3,821,895
Bond interest	83,750	88,385	86,562	263,697
†Prov. for Fed. taxes	244,500	377,000	828,000	1,449,500
North Star Timber Co. (60% of loss)—est.	—	12,000	6,000	18,000
Net income	\$479,658	\$800,390	\$810,650	\$2,090,698
Provision for dividends on preferred stock	149,445	149,445	149,445	448,335
Net profit on common stock	\$330,213	\$650,945	\$661,205	\$1,642,363
*Profit per share	\$0.68	\$1.33	\$1.35	\$3.36
*Profit per share comparable periods 1940	\$1.22	\$0.98	\$0.74	\$2.94

\*Based on 488,173 shares. †The provision for Federal taxes which includes both normal and excess profits taxes has been adjusted so far as possible to give effect to the Revenue Act of 1941. The above statement is taken from the books of account of the company and includes provision for all reserves deemed necessary.

Note—This statement revises quarterly statements for 1941 so as to give effect to a change in charging raw materials to operations. Previously we were on a first-in, first-out basis which has been changed to the last in first-out method.

**Earnings for the 12 Months Ended Sept. 30, 1941**

Net sales (exclusive of interplant sales), \$33,647,696; cost of sales, \$27,161,771; gross profit, \$6,485,925; general and selling expense, \$2,950,680; profit from operations, \$3,535,245; other income, \$823,333; total income, \$4,358,578; bond interest, \$353,645; provision for Federal taxes, \$1,550,741; North Star Timber Co. (60% of loss)—estimate, \$24,000; provision for dividends on preferred stock, \$597,780; net profit on common stock, \$1,838,412.  
Note—See footnotes above.—V. 154, p. 1265.

**Lautaro Nitrate Co., Ltd.—Earnings—**

Years Ended June 30—	1941	1940	1939	1938
*Proceeds of sales	\$547,827	\$700,320	\$592,450	\$435,978
Other oper. income	11,081	9		



Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

Assets—	1941	1940
*Real estate, machinery and fixtures	9,831,129	10,125,531
Brands, trade marks, goodwill, etc.	1	1
Leaf tobacco, middling stock and op. sup.	156,044,670	134,868,208
Stocks in subsidiary companies	439,005	439,005
Securities	4,476,164	4,476,164
Preferred stocks	2,839,439	2,839,435
U. S. Government bonds	—	10,000,000
Cash	9,422,995	11,812,946
Accounts receivable	13,515,317	10,809,797
Interest and dividends receivable	137,769	47,505
Accounts receivable—subsidiary company	9,585	4,033
Notes receivable, due serially	2,350,000	2,450,000
Deferred charges	597,071	534,596
<b>Total</b>	<b>199,663,142</b>	<b>188,407,221</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>		
7% preferred stock	20,874,100	20,874,100
Common stock	21,496,400	21,496,400
Common stock B	56,927,075	56,927,075
Funded debt	22,089,250	22,209,300
Accrued interest payable	429,517	431,618
Preferred dividends payable January	365,297	365,297
Accounts payable	1,964,329	2,982,428
Notes payable	6,000,000	—
Accrued taxes	13,785,771	8,094,179
Special reserves	2,715,434	2,715,434
Earned surplus	53,015,969	52,311,390
<b>Total</b>	<b>199,663,142</b>	<b>188,407,221</b>

\*After deducting depreciation.—V. 154, p. 1265.

Lincoln Building Corp.—Earnings—

	1941	1940
6 Months Ended Dec. 31—		
Income, rental inc. after rebates, allow., etc.	\$847,984	\$812,791
Concession inc. and misc. inc., incl. int. earned	62,547	63,127
<b>Total income</b>	<b>\$910,531</b>	<b>\$875,918</b>
Oper. and adm. exps., incl. prov. for doubtful accounts	251,838	243,687
New York City real estate taxes	210,078	236,538
Depreciation of fixed assets	69,891	69,055
Interest on first mortgage loan	103,989	—
Amortization of first mortgage loan expense	2,355	—
Interest on 5½% cumulative income bonds	167,947	338,117
*Adjustment	36,355	22,323
<b>Profit before amortiz. of discount on bonds issued upon reorganization</b>	<b>\$68,079</b>	<b>\$133,801</b>

\*Upon surrender and retirement of corporation's income bonds after deduction of discount on bonds applicable thereto. †Loss.

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—Cash and bank balances, \$739,573; U. S. Government securities, \$255,000; other marketable securities, \$47,512; notes and accounts receivable (net), \$18,202; cash in bank for payment of 50% of principal of consented but un deposited income bonds, \$1,000; fixed assets, \$12,440,598; first mortgage loan expense, \$89,889; insurance and miscellaneous prepaid expenses, \$34,296; rental commissions, \$22,438; total, \$13,648,509.

Liabilities—Interest required to be paid Feb. 1, 1942, \$120,970; interest accrued (first mortgage loan), \$34,532; amortization of first mortgage loan payable within one year, \$110,282; accounts payable and accruals, \$40,782; 3½% first mortgage loan, \$5,809,492; 5½% cumulative income bonds, \$6,049,500; interest accrued thereon on income bonds, \$2,513,269; rentals collected in advance, \$8,131; advance rent (cancelled lease), \$208,916; reserve for Federal income taxes, \$25,000; capital stock (\$1 par), \$152,135; deficit before amortization of discount on bonds, \$1,424,501; total, \$13,648,509.—V. 153, p. 1134.

Luther Manufacturing Co.—\$2 Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$2 per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 20. This compares with \$3 per share paid on Sept. 27, last, which was the first disbursement since Sept. 24, 1937 when \$1.50 was paid.—V. 154, p. 544.

Malartic Gold Fields, Ltd.—Production—

Production for the final quarter of 1941—October, November and December—amounted to 4387,622 from 58,414 tons milled. This compares with production of 472,262 from 57,224 tons for the preceding quarter and 315,057 from 41,515 tons for the final quarter of 1940.—V. 154, p. 1415.

Mandel Brothers—To Pay 50-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, payable Jan. 31 to holders of record Jan. 27. This compares with 75 cents paid on Dec. 27, last, and 25 cents on April 18, 1941, a total of \$1 for that year, the same as in 1940.—V. 155, p. 60.

Maple Leaf Gardens Ltd.—Earnings—

	Earnings for the Year Ending Oct. 31, 1941
Revenue from operations after deducting operating expenses and taxes	\$213,100
Net revenue arising from purchase and sale of players	870
<b>Total income</b>	<b>\$214,000</b>
Interest on mortgage	12,853
Loss on sale of bonds	119
Provision for depreciation	53,330
*Amounts written off	8,921
Amount written off franchises, contracts, etc.	18,908
Provision for income and excess profits taxes	71,794
<b>Net profit</b>	<b>\$48,136</b>
Dividends on preference stock	31,687
*Preliminary expenses, commission on sale of capital stock and mortgage discount	—

Balance Sheet, Oct. 31, 1941

Assets—Cash, \$145,683; accounts receivable (net), \$10,150; cash surrender value of life insurance policies, \$42,251; deferred charges, \$20,685; land, building and equipment (net), \$1,090,585; franchises and contracts, etc. (less amounts written off), \$100,000; total, \$1,409,354.

Liabilities—Accounts payable and accrued liabilities, \$38,016; reserve for income and excess profits taxes, \$72,500; 6½% first mortgage, \$190,000; subscriptions received in advance for professional hockey games, etc., \$78,128; reserve for purchase of players, \$10,000; insurance reserve, \$10,285; reserve for preference stock redemption, \$2,387; 7% non-cumulative participating redeemable preference stock, \$792,180; common stock (36,779 par shares), \$36,779; earned surplus, \$179,079; total, \$1,409,354.—V. 148, p. 736.

Maryland Insurance Co.—Annual Statement—

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941	
<b>Assets—</b>	
*Bonds and stocks	\$2,711,574
Premiums in course of collection (net 90 days overdue)	253,631
Interest accrued	12,684
Cash on deposit and in office	310,461
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,288,350</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Unearned premiums	\$729,865
Losses in process of adjustment	96,391
Reserve for taxes and expenses	26,200
Reserve for all other claims	20,000
†Contingency reserve	37,832
Capital	1,000,000
Net surplus	1,378,012
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,288,350</b>

\*Valuations on basis approved by National Association of Insurance Commissioners. †Contingency reserve, representing difference between total values carried in assets for all bonds and stocks owned and total

values based on Dec. 31, 1941, market quotations. †Securities carried at \$385,917 in the above statement are deposited for purposes required by law.—V. 153, p. 1134.

Massachusetts Investors Second Fund, Inc.—Earnings

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1941	1940
Dividend income	\$435,775	\$420,415
Expenses	42,910	59,090
<b>*Net income</b>	<b>\$392,865</b>	<b>\$361,325</b>
Dividends paid	398,153	363,113
*Exclusive of gains or losses on securities.		

Statement of Net Assets, Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—	
Securities at market quotations—	
Income producing	\$5,867,255
Non-income producing (no divs. declared in last 12 mos.)	156,625
Cash on demand deposit	593,077
Dividends receivable	34,114
Receivable for capital stock sold—in process of delivery	59,071
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,710,142</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Accrued expenses and taxes	\$4,476
Payable for capital stock reacquired (not yet received)	27,506
Payable to brokers for securities purchased (not yet rec.)	36,426
<b>*Net assets</b>	<b>\$6,641,735</b>

\*Equivalent to \$7.33 per share for 905,872 shares of \$1 par value capital stock (exclusive of 105,741% shares in treasury) outstanding at Dec. 31, 1941.—V. 154, p. 246.

Massachusetts Investors Trust—Annual Report—

Net asset value of \$15.57 per share on the 5,870,592 shares outstanding at the close of 1941, which compares with \$18.10 per share on 5,846,857 shares outstanding at the end of 1940. Distributions declared during the year on account of 1941 investment income increased to \$6,009,328, equal to \$1.02 per share compared with distributions aggregating 94 cents a share declared out of 1940 investment income and 85 cents a share from investment income for 1939. Ninety-eight per cent in value of the trust's investments on Dec. 31, 1941, paid interest or dividends during the calendar year 1941.

Earnings for the Year Ended Dec. 31, 1941

*Cash dividends from domestic companies	\$5,837,809
†Cash dividends from foreign companies	317,675
Interest on bonds	239,127
<b>Gross income</b>	<b>\$6,394,611</b>
Expenses	436,874
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$5,957,736</b>
Distributions to shareholders	6,009,329

\*And \$127,265 proceeds from sale of stocks received as dividends on North America Co. †Less foreign income taxes thereon.

Statement of Net Assets, Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—	
Securities at market quotations	\$87,652,032
Cash in banks	6,337,788
Accounts receivable for securities sold	60,312
Accounts receivable for shares sold	29,348
Dividends due Dec. 31, 1941, not received on that date	60,000
Accrued interest receivable	839
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$94,140,320</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Distribution payable Jan. 20, 1942	\$2,350,929
Reserve for taxes	17,282
Accounts payable for purchase of securities	2,140
Accounts payable for repurchase of shares	331,700
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>\$91,438,269</b>

—V. 154, p. 1700.

Meier & Frank Co., Inc.—Extra Distribution—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 30 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock, both payable Jan. 29 to holders of record Jan. 23. An extra of 30 cents per share was also paid on Jan. 29, 1941, and on Jan. 29, 1940, as compared with extras of 15 cents each on Jan. 28, 1939, and on Jan. 29, 1938.—V. 152, p. 684.

(The) Mexican Light & Power Co., Ltd.—Earnings—

Period End. Nov. 30—	1941—Month—1940	1941—11 Mos.—1940
Gross earn. from oper.	\$920,922	\$769,613
Oper. exps. and deprec.	584,186	628,331
<b>Net earnings</b>	<b>\$336,736</b>	<b>\$141,282</b>

Note—The operating results as shown in Canadian dollars are taken at average rates of exchange. They have been approximated as closely as possible, but will be subject to final adjustment when the annual accounts are made up.—V. 155, p. 53.

Midland Properties, Inc.—Balance Sheet Dec. 31—

Assets—	1941	1940
Cash	\$5,131	\$15,740
Land, buildings and equipment (net)	1,309,570	1,286,334
Go-ahead	1	1
Deferred charges	12,328	11,804
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,327,030</b>	<b>\$1,313,879</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>		
Note payable to bank on demand	\$15,000	—
Accounts payable	2,872	\$1,705
Rent received in advance	—	10,000
Tenant's deposits on leases	400	600
Mortgages payable	434,000	440,000
8% preferred stock	920,000	920,000
Common stock (150,000 shares)	—	No assigned value
Operating deficit	45,242	58,427
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,327,030</b>	<b>\$1,313,879</b>

—V. 152, p. 684.

Mid-West Rubber Reclaiming Co.—50-Cent Dividend.

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, par \$5, payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 21. This compares with \$1.50 per share paid on Oct. 28, last, 50 cents each on May 1 and Aug. 1, 1941, and 25 cents on Feb. 1, 1941. See also V. 152, p. 2402.

Missouri Utilities Co.—Initial Common Dividend—

December—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$180,499	\$132,455	\$121,399	\$110,161
Net from railway	30,073	45,895	30,587	25,668
Net ry. oper. income	35,624	27,315	52,126	45,511
<b>From Jan. 1—</b>				
Gross from railway	2,492,647	2,222,563	1,940,055	1,678,482
Net from railway	987,927	915,735	777,195	570,503
Net ry. oper. income	826,403	875,040	843,516	660,273

—V. 154, p. 1700.

Montour RR.—Earnings—

December—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$180,499	\$132,455	\$121,399	\$110,161
Net from railway	30,073	45,895	30,587	25,668
Net ry. oper. income	35,624	27,315	52,126	45,511

National Investors Corp.—Earnings—

Earnings for the Year Ended Dec. 31, 1941	
Cash dividends and interest income	\$606,205
Management expenses	109,281
Corporate expenses	29,108
Taxes	9,453
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$458,362</b>
Dividends paid	480,781
<b>Excess of dividends over net income</b>	<b>\$22,419</b>

Statement of Assets, Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—	
Cash	\$1,528,789
Dividends receivable	8,420
Receivable on subscriptions to capital stock	782
Investments, at quoted market value	7,099,740
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,637,731</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Payable on capital stock repurchased	9,526
Accrued expenses	3,900
Provision for taxes	6,033
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>\$8,618,272</b>

—V. 155, p. 264.

Mutual Investment Fund, Inc.—Earnings—

Earnings for the Period Feb. 11, 1941, to Dec. 31, 1941	
Income: dividends	\$82,495
Expenses	16,800
<b>*Net income</b>	<b>\$65,695</b>
Dividend distribution	69,825
*Exclusive of profit or loss on sales of securities.	

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—Securities owned and held by custodian (market value, \$896,125) at cost, \$1,480,103; cash (in hands of custodian), \$98,033; due on subscriptions for capital shares, \$409; accrued dividends receivable, \$2,900; deferred charges, \$1,114; total, \$1,582,558.

Liabilities—Due on redemption of capital shares, \$14,238; accrued taxes and expenses, \$3,459; distribution payable Jan. 15, 1942, \$25,566; capital stock (\$1 par), \$127,831; paid-in surplus, \$1,492,108; security profit and loss account (Dr.), \$82,814; undistributed income, \$2,170; total, \$1,582,558.—V. 154, p. 659.

Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York—Inaugurates Payroll Savings Plan for Employee Purchase of Defense Bonds—

Lewis W. Douglas, President, on Jan. 22 submitted to the company's employees and field representatives a Voluntary Payroll Savings Plan whereby they may subscribe to U. S. Defense Bonds on a continuing basis, out of income. The plan is available to all salaried employees in the Home Office and at the agencies, to all building employees, and to certain field representatives as well, estimated to total more than 6,000 people. The plan is described in detail in a booklet entitled "For Victory, Buy United States Savings Bonds," being distributed to all Mutual Life employees.—V. 155, p. 264.

National Bearing Metals Corp.—Smaller Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 17. This compares with 30 cents per share paid each quarter from March 5, 1941, to and incl. Dec. 1, 1941, 50 cents on Dec. 19, 1940, and 25 cents each on March 1 and June 1, 1940.—V. 152, p. 1598.

National Bond & Share Corp.—Annual Report—

Years End. Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Cash dividends	\$384,139	\$367,540	\$367,841	\$275,605
Taxable divs. on sec.	11,175	5,992	9,335	—
Interest on bonds	9,492	1,495	10,707	27,413
Other income	—	1,232	1,749	—
<b>Total income</b>	<b>\$404,806</b>	<b>\$376,258</b>	<b>\$389,632</b>	<b>\$303,018</b>
Expenses	38,922	47,107	25,888	33,607
Prov. for Fed. inc. tax	7,300	10,000	24,347	22,752
<b>*Net income</b>	<b>\$358,584</b>	<b>\$319,152</b>	<b>\$339,396</b>	<b>\$246,659</b>

\*Without giving effect to results of securities transactions. Notes. (a) Realized net loss from sales of securities (computed on the basis of average costs) carried to profit and loss on securities sold \$372,908 (b) Aggregate unrealized depreciation in value of securities owned as compared with cost: At Dec. 31, 1941, 908,644 At Dec. 31, 1940, 339,122

Depreciation during the year ended Dec. 31, 1941

Capital surplus—balance Dec. 31, 1940 and Dec. 31, 1941	\$5,025,291
Surplus income:	
Balance Dec. 31, 1940	764,408
Net income for the year ended Dec. 31, 1941	358,584
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,122,992</b>
Dividends declared from surplus income	360,000
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Statement of Surplus

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Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

	1941	1940
Assets—		
Securities owned (at cost)	\$6,491,276	\$6,611,635
Cash in banks	1,506,206	1,817,378
Receivable for secur. sold but not delivered	18,68	

**National Oats Co.—To Pay 25-Cent Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 18. This compares with 40 cents per share paid on Dec. 1, last, and 25 cents each quarter from March 1, 1939, to and incl. Sept. 1, 1941.—V. 154, p. 1266.

**National Sugar Refining Co.—Pennsylvania Sugar Co. Becomes Wholly Owned Subsidiary—**

The company on Jan. 21 announced that it acquired as of Jan. 1 the Pennsylvania Sugar Co., which will be operated as a wholly owned subsidiary.—V. 154, p. 1729.

**Naumkeag Steam Cotton Co.—Annual Report—**

Henry P. Benson, President, states:

The year 1941 was a severe test of management in the textile industry. We faced all the problems of war time activity including higher cotton costs, higher labor costs, uncertain deliveries of supplies, and in addition a water shortage due to the prolonged drought. The Directors realize and I hope the shareholders and employees will also appreciate that these problems have been ably met by our Treasurer and Gen. Manager and his executives under him. Our place in the sheet and pillow case market has been well maintained and large and continuing Government orders contributed to make our output the largest in the history of the company. Despite this activity the mechanical equipment has been maintained in a high degree of efficiency.

It is gratifying to the management that we have been able to pay some small dividends to the shareholders who, too often in New England mills, have been the forgotten partner in the business.

We have not lost sight of the fact, however, that we must face a period of slackened production when the abnormal war demands let up. Then, more than ever, the management, labor and government will have to co-operate to keep this and other industries on an even keel during the process of stabilization.

**Income Account, Years Ended Nov. 30**

Years End Nov. 30—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Sales	\$10,090,268	\$5,306,046	\$5,592,994	\$6,215,972
*Net after dep. & taxes	749,915	182,976	24,445	125,424
Dividends	246,055	85,119		110,919

\*Equal to \$15.24 per share of capital stock in 1941 and \$3.72 in 1940.

Note—Reserves for city, state, Federal income tax, capital stock tax, social security, old age benefit, and unemployment insurance totaled to \$658,237 in 1941.

Assets—Cash, \$461,288; accounts—receivable, \$1,107,655; Inventories, \$2,539,661; investments, \$165,120; defense savings stamps, \$939; treas. stock, \$42,097; life insurance, cash surrender value, \$14,245; real estate & construction, less reserve for depreciation, \$4,032,672; supplies, \$188,389; city taxes, \$6,934; advertising, \$21,732; insurance, \$32,425; total, \$8,643,157.

Liabilities—Accounts—payable, \$109,294; accrued payroll, \$68,549; reserves, \$498,661; employees' social security contributions, \$5,832; capital stock, \$5,000,000; earned surplus, \$2,679,944; capital surplus, \$280,878; total, \$8,643,157.—V. 153, p. 105.

**New Brunswick Fire Insurance Co.—Extra Dividend—**

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 15 cents per share in addition to the usual semi-annual dividend of 75 cents per share on the capital stock, par \$10, both payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 16. Like amounts were paid on Feb. 1 and Aug. 1, 1940 and 1941.—V. 153, p. 557.

**Norfolk Southern Ry. Co.—Transfer Agent—**

The Guaranty Trust Co. of New York has been appointed transfer agent for the common stock.—V. 154, p. 1530.

**Northern Indiana Public Service Co.—Second Supplemental Order—**

The SEC on Jan. 19 issued its second supplemental order in connection with certain transactions. The Commission by its order of Nov. 25, 1941 (Holding Company Act Release No. 3145), having approved the sale by Gary Electric & Gas Co. of its principal asset, the common stock of Gary Heat, Light & Water Co. to Northern Indiana Public Service Co. for a consideration amounting to \$10,066,000 payable as follows:

(A) \$7,042,000 in cash; (B) \$2,268,000 in common stock of Northern (278,000 shares at a stated value of \$8.1575 per share); (C) The balance \$756,000 at the option of Gary Electric either in cash or additional shares of Northern (Maximum of \$92,675 at a stated value of \$8.1575 per share), the amount of cash to be determined by the cash required by Gary Electric to pay holders of its publicly held common stock who accept Gary Electric's invitation to tender common stock of Gary Electric at \$6.50 a share.

The Commission in its order having imposed a condition that Gary Electric shall notify Northern within 60 days from the date of said order as to how it would exercise the said option; and

The Commission in its order of Nov. 25, 1941, having also granted an exemption pursuant to Section 6 (b) of the Act with respect to the issue and sale by Northern to The Prudential Insurance Co. of America under an agreement dated Sept. 12, 1941, of \$5,000,000 serial notes dated Oct. 1, 1941, bearing interest at 2.75%, in order to raise part of the cash required to purchase the Gary Heat com. stock; and the agreement dated Sept. 12, 1941, having provided that Prudential would pay Northern a premium of \$15,500 and accrued interest from Oct. 1, 1941, to the date of the issuance and sale of the notes; and

The commitment, as extended, of Prudential to purchase the notes, having been about to expire on Jan. 15, 1942, and, through unavoidable delay, Northern being unable to avail itself of the commitment of Prudential by Jan. 15, 1942; and

Northern and Prudential having negotiated a modification of the agreement of Sept. 12, 1941, by a supplemental agreement dated Jan. 9, 1942, which extends the commitment of Prudential to Feb. 16, 1942, but provides that no premium shall be paid by Prudential and that Northern shall pay accrued interest to Prudential from Oct. 1, 1941, to the date of the issuance and sale of Northern's serial notes; and

Northern having filed a supplemental amendment herein requesting that the exemption granted for the issuance and sale of its serial notes by our order of Nov. 25, 1941, be extended to the issuance and sale of the notes as modified by the said supplemental agreement of Jan. 9, 1942; and

Gary Electric having filed a supplemental amendment herein requesting that the date on which it must notify Northern of how it will exercise its option referred to above be extended for at least 60 days from the date of this second supplemental order; and

It appearing to the Commission that the issuance and sale of Northern's serial notes pursuant to the agreement dated Sept. 12, 1941, as modified by the supplemental agreement dated Jan. 9, 1942, is entitled to the exemption set forth in the third sentence of Section 6 (b) and that a reasonable extension of the date on which Gary shall notify Northern as to how it will exercise the option referred to above should be granted;

It is ordered that the exemption pursuant to Section 6 (b) granted in order of Nov. 25, 1941, for the issuance and sale of Northern's serial notes pursuant to the agreement dated Sept. 12, 1941, between Prudential and Northern be and the same hereby is extended to the issuance and sale of Northern's serial notes pursuant to the agreement dated Sept. 12, 1941, as modified by the supplemental agreement dated Jan. 9, 1942; and that the period in which Gary Electric shall notify Northern as to how it will exercise its option to obtain the balance, \$756,000, of the purchase price of Gary Heat common stock either in cash, or in Northern common stock at \$8.1575 per share, or partly in cash and partly in Northern common stock, be and the same hereby is extended to and including Feb. 16, 1942, all subject, however, to the conditions contained in order dated Nov. 25, 1941, and supplemental order dated Jan. 2, 1942.—V. 155, p. 364.

**Ohio Bell Telephone Co.—Stations Gain—**

The gain in the number of stations of this company during 1941 amounted to 93,054 compared with 61,617 in 1940, an increase of 31,437.

During December the company had a gain of 7,173 stations, compared with 6,491 stations in November and with a gain of 6,824 in December a year ago.—V. 155, p. 159.

**Northern States Power Co. (Minn.) (& Subs.)—Earnings**

Years Ended Nov. 30—	1941	1940
Operating revenues	\$42,348,574	\$33,650,124
Operation	14,443,507	14,003,563
Maintenance	1,558,336	1,564,914
Depreciation	4,169,507	3,979,780
Taxes (other than income taxes)	5,158,181	4,834,200
Prov. for Fed. income & excess profits taxes & state income taxes	5,069,140	2,893,626
Net operating income	\$11,949,902	\$12,373,981
Total owner income	151,646	93,866

Gross income	\$12,101,548	\$12,467,843
Interest on funded debt	3,497,450	3,487,450
Interest on bank loans	80,300	96,828
Amortization of debt discount and expense	577,849	694,155
Other interest	36,544	63,275
Amortization of sundry fixed assets	41,843	41,843
Amort. of exp. on sales of capital stock of sub.	30,003	27,500
Interest charged to construction—Cr.	118,387	88,698
Miscellaneous	120,797	109,627
Balance	\$7,845,153	\$8,035,866

Dividends on capital stock of subs.—		
Cumulative preferred stock, 5%, of Northern States Power Co. (Wis.)	27,135	27,135
Common stock of Chippewa & Flambeau Improvement Co.	29,070	29,070

Net income \$7,788,948 \$7,979,661

Note—Provision for Federal income taxes for the year ended Nov. 30, 1941 includes \$1,140,150 for Federal excess profits tax under the 1941 Revenue Act.—V. 155, p. 54.

**Old Colony Trust Associates—Earnings—**

Years End. Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Divs. from bank stocks	\$469,945	\$447,315	\$506,282	\$417,759
Interest	2,094	1,352	1,257	2,109
Profit on sale of bonds		1,016	2,102	1,004
Miscellaneous income	6,164			

Total income	\$478,204	\$449,664	\$509,641	\$421,472
Oper. salaries & exps.	41,170	31,206	28,440	27,302
Trustees' fees	3,600	3,400	4,500	4,100
Interest paid			336	10,644
Provision for taxes	39,218	32,898	28,633	24,336

Net income	\$394,216	\$382,158	\$447,731	\$355,040
Previous balance	652,669	646,718	556,385	542,312

Total surplus	\$1,046,886	\$1,028,876	\$1,004,116	\$897,352
Dividends paid	376,208	376,208	357,398	300,966
Res. for conting. liabil. for tax. for prior yrs.				40,000

Undiv'd prof. Dec. 31 \$670,678 \$652,669 \$646,719 \$556,385

**Comparative Balance Sheet, Dec. 31**

	1941	1940
Assets—		
Investments in shares of capital stocks of 11 banks	\$9,171,564	\$9,007,361
Investment in capital stock of The First Nat'l Bank of Boston	700,000	950,000
United States obligations	190,100	7,500
Demand note and other investments (net)	33,820	33,396
Cash in Bank	339,078	427,605
Total	\$10,434,563	\$10,425,862

Liabilities—		
Capital shares	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
Balance arising from restatement of capital shares	4,618,170	4,632,217
Undivided profits	670,678	6,2,669
Provision for taxes	51,663	46,924
Dividend payable	94,052	94,052
Total	\$10,434,563	\$10,425,862

—V. 154, p. 1102.

**Ontario Manufacturing Co., Muncie, Ind.—Earnings—**

Earnings for the Year Ended Dec. 31, 1941	
Sales (net)	\$1,353,232
Cost of goods sold and commercial expenses	1,170,543
Depreciation	50,364
Federal taxes on profits	24,053
Net profit	\$108,255
Cash dividends on common stock	9,033
Earnings per share	\$1.80

\*On 60,218 no par shares of common stock.

**Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941**

Assets—Cash, \$114,714; customers' accounts, \$205,491; inventories, \$40,999; other assets, \$2; fixed assets (net), \$369,688; deferred assets, \$1,727; total, \$1,172,621.
Liabilities—Note payable—bank, \$25,000; accounts payable and accrued wages, \$131,152; accrued property, social security and capital stock taxes, \$11,736; accrued Federal taxes on profits, \$24,053; common stock (60,218 no par shares), \$615,600; surplus, \$365,080; total, \$1,172,621.—V. 154, p. 799.

**Oswego Falls Corp.—Extra Dividend—**

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 5 cents per share and the regular quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share on the common stock, par \$5, both payable Jan. 31 to holders of record Jan. 23. Like amounts were also paid in each quarter during 1941.—V. 154, p. 754.

**Outboard Marine & Mfg. Co.—50-Cent Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 20 to holders of record Feb. 3. This compares with 65 cents paid on Nov. 20, last, 60 cents on Aug. 15, last, and 40 cents each on Feb. 14 and May 15, 1941 (see also V. 154, p. 57).—V. 154, p. 1382.

**Overseas Securities Co., Inc.—Earnings—**

Income Account for Years Ended Dec. 31			
	1941	1940	1939
Income from invest.	\$105,413	\$90,795	\$79,707
Dividends	13,422	15,532	14,390
Interest	82		4,971
Miscellaneous			12
Total income	\$118,917	\$106,326	\$99,108
Expenses	23,841	22,711	26,420
Interest on debentures	42,600	43,621	45,159

Net profit	\$52,376	\$39,995	\$22,529
Net loss from sales of securities	67,103	244,756	70,721
Net loss for the year	\$14,727	\$204,761	\$48,192

\*Before loss from sales of securities. †Loss.

**Balance Sheet, Dec. 31**

	1941	1940
Assets—		
Cash	\$7,476	\$4,500
Due for securities sold but not delivered	51,952	25,150
Accrued interest and dividends receivable	4,537	4,323
Investment securities	1,549,123	1,639,508
Deposit	9,000	
Prepaid expenses	1,128	1,404
Total	\$1,623,215	\$1,674,886

**Liabilities—**

Due for securities bought but not received	\$64,213	\$14,500
Collateral loans payable	60,060	35,000
†Sundry accounts payable, accrued Fed. taxes and expenses	4,664	4,190
Accrued interest on 5% debentures	9,075	9,075
5% gold debentures, 1947	378,000	378,000
5% gold debentures, 1948	474,000	474,000
†Capital stock	141,151	750,000
Paid-in surplus	2,698,693	2,149,637
Profit and loss deficit	2,206,569	2,115,000
†Treasury stock		\$24,566
Total	\$1,623,215	\$1,674,886

\*Represented by 141,151 shares par \$1 in 1941 and by 150,000 no par shares in 1940. †Includes \$1,900 (\$1,750 in 1940) for matured debenture interest. ‡8,849 shares of no par value capital stock.—V. 154, p. 1193.

**Peninsular Grinding Wheel Co.—10-Cent Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 10 cents per share on the common stock, par \$1, payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Jan. 26. This compares with 20 cents per share paid on Nov. 14, last, and 10 cents per share in the three preceding quarters. Dividends paid in 1941 totaled 50 cents per share, as against 30 cents in 1940.

**Penn Investment Co. (Philadelphia)—Preferred Div.—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 40 cents per share on the \$4 non-cum. conv. preferred stock, no par value, payable Jan. 30 to holders of record Jan. 16. An initial distribution of like amount was made on this issue on July 30, 1941; none since.—V. 153, p. 107.

**Penn Valley Crude Oil Corp.—Earnings—**

(Including Subsidiary)			
6 Mos. Ended Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939
Oil sales and other rev.	\$119,874	\$104,091	\$137,747
Producing expenses	42,523	37,623	39,257
Development expenses	39,729	12,643	
Interest and taxes	8,379	14,293	12,104
Adm. & office expenses	9,355	7,976	9,447
Depr., depr. & amort.	39,893	105,394	90,433
Other charges	6,852		
Net oper. loss	\$26,858	\$73,842	\$13,993
Other revenue		1,592	1,387
Loss	\$26,858	\$72,250	\$12,606
Net drilling loss	2,277	2,303	1,491
Prov. for Fed. & State income taxes			2,829
Net loss	\$29,135	\$74,559	\$14,098

\*Profit.

**Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31**

	1941	1940
Cash	\$266	\$394
Accounts receivable	9,719	7,169
Crude oil inventory	4,753	3,594
Gas lease rentals		197
Sinking fund account	13	13
Securities	53	50
Depletion account (cash balance)		4,895
Land, buildings and equipment (net)	395,293	419,867
Oil reserves (net)	558,945	601,084
Intangible development		82,466
Prepaid expenses	3,611	5,717
Total	\$972,667	\$1,125,448

Liabilities—		
Notes payable	\$98,626	\$129,045
Accounts payable	7,278	7,740
Accrued insurance	24	
Accrued taxes	3,065	3,615
Contingent tax reserve	1,502	1,502
Long-term obligations	63,003	65,000
Deferred income	4,753	4,039
*Class A stock	714,738	748,488
*Class B stock	2,718	

Liabilities table with columns for item, 1941, and 1940. Includes 7% preferred stock, common stock, notes payable, etc.

Total \$5,710,249 \$4,411,207. After deducting depreciation of \$1,293,781 in 1941 and \$1,221,508 in 1940.

Privateer Mines, Ltd.—Extra Dividend—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of one cent per share and the regular quarterly dividend of three cents per share on the common stock, no par value, both payable Feb. 10 to holders of record Jan. 26.

Proprietary Mines, Ltd.—5-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 5 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable Feb. 28 to holders of record Feb. 14.

Public Service Co. of Indiana, Inc.—Earnings—

Earnings table for Public Service Co. of Indiana, Inc. with columns for 3 Months, Pro Forma, and 1940. Includes operating revenue, power purchased, gas purchased, etc.

Note—Pending final determination of depreciation requirements under the uniform systems of accounts prescribed by the regulatory commissions, the company has provided for depreciation of utility plant in amounts which represent an estimate of the reasonable requirements for depreciation, and which in the aggregate approximate the amount claimed or to be claimed for Federal income tax purposes.

Balance Sheet, Nov. 30, 1941

Balance Sheet for Public Service Co. of Indiana, Inc. as of Nov. 30, 1941. Includes assets like utility plant, construction fund, and liabilities like 5% cumulative preferred stock.

Dividends—

The directors on Jan. 23 declared regular quarterly dividends of \$1.25 on the 5% cum. pref. stock and 25 cents per share on the common stock, both payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 14.

Quaker State Oil Refining Co.—25-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 16 to holders of record Feb. 27.

Railway & Light Securities Co.—To Pay 15-Cent Common Dividend—

The directors have declared an interim dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock and the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.50 on the pref. stock, both payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 26.

Revere Copper & Brass, Inc.—Transfer Agent, etc.—

The corporation has notified the New York Stock Exchange of the appointment of Chase National Bank of the City of New York and Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co. as transfer agent and registrar, respectively, of its common stock, effective at the close of business on Jan. 21, 1942.

Railroads In Hands of Receivers or Trustees in 1941—The "Railway Age" in its issue of Jan. 3, 1942 states in part:

The general solvency of the railroad industry improved considerably in 1941. Only one small company entered bankruptcy during the year, and it also was reorganized during the year. On the other hand, several carriers, including two important ones, were reorganized during the year.

Railroads in the Hands of Receivers or Trustees on Dec. 31, 1941

Table listing railroads in receivership or trusteeship on Dec 31, 1941. Columns include Road, Mileage operated, Mileage owned, and Date of receivership or trusteeship.

\*Changed to trusteeship June 19, 1940. †Yard tracks and sidings. ‡Ceased operations March 26, 1939. ††Changed to trusteeship Feb. 1, 1941. §Yard switching tracks. ¶Changed to trusteeship May 16, 1933. \*\*Sale of road at public auction on Dec. 1 approved by Court on Dec. 15.—V. 152, p. 1292.

(The) Reliance Electric & Engineering Co.—Earnings.

Earnings table for Reliance Electric & Engineering Co. for 10 months ended Oct. 31, 1941. Includes net sales, cost of products sold, operating profit, etc.

Profit before taxes on income \$836,378. Provision for Federal normal income tax, surtax & declared value excess profits tax 180,500.

Net profit \$397,799. Dividends paid 150,000. The 10 months' earnings statement results from the change of fiscal year from December to October.

Note—Provision for depreciation and amortization of property, plant, and equipment for the period of 10 months ended Oct. 31, 1941, amounted to \$112,276.32.

Balance Sheet, Oct. 31, 1941

Balance Sheet for Reliance Electric & Engineering Co. as of Oct. 31, 1941. Includes assets like cash, receivables, and liabilities like notes payable.

term debt, \$392,000; reserves, \$75,000; common stock (\$5 par), \$750,000; capital surplus, \$476,588; earned surplus, \$804,207; total, \$3,902,659.—V. 155, p. 308.

Rockefeller Center, Inc.—New Director—

G. S. Eysell, managing director of Radio City Music Hall and of the Center Theater, has been elected a director of Rockefeller Center, Inc.—V. 135, p. 3705.

Rome Cable Corp.—Earnings—

Earnings table for Rome Cable Corp. for Period End. Dec. 31—1941—3 Mos.—1940 and 1941—9 Mos.—1940.

Schoellkopf, Hutton & Pomery, Inc.—Earnings—

Earnings table for Schoellkopf, Hutton & Pomery, Inc. for Years Ended Dec. 31—1941, 1940, and 1939.

Schumacher Wall Board Corp.—25-Cent Common Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock and the regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share on the \$2 cumulative participating preferred stock, both payable Feb. 16 to holders of record Feb. 5.

Selected Industries, Inc.—Earnings—

Earnings table for Selected Industries, Inc. for Calendar Years—1941, 1940, 1939, and 1938.

Net income \$1,562,531. Divs. \$5.50 pref. stock, 1,379,700. Net loss on sale of investments 462,603.

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

Balance Sheet for Selected Industries, Inc. as of Dec. 31. Includes cash in banks, investments, and liabilities.

Total \$32,676,186. Investments owned on March 31, 1931, are carried at the lower of cost or market at that date.

Sierra Pacific Power Co.—Earnings—

Earnings table for Sierra Pacific Power Co. for Period End. Dec. 31—1941—Month—1940 and 1941—12 Mos.—1940.

Operating revenues \$208,498. Gross income after retirement res. accruals 56,133.

Simpson's, Ltd.—Accumulated Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.82 per share on account of accumulations on the 6 1/2% cumulative preferred stock, par \$100, payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 23.

Tri-Continental Corp.—Annual Report—

At Dec. 31, 1940, the net assets of the company were equivalent to \$2,662 per \$1,000 of debentures and bank debt, while at Dec. 31, 1941, the similar asset coverage was \$2,544.

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941

Balance Sheet for Tri-Continental Corp. as of Dec. 31, 1941. Includes total income, expenses, and net income.

prior year's over-accrual of capital stock tax. †After deducting \$6,500 prior year's over-accrual for legal fees. ‡Deficit.

Statement of Surplus, Dec. 31, 1941

Capital surplus:		
Balance, Dec. 31, 1940	\$23,181,797	
*Excess of cost over stated value (\$25 per share)	102,473	
Balance	\$23,079,324	
Income and profit and loss account from Jan. 1, 1936:		
Balance, Dec. 31, 1940	\$2,551,104	
Net income	1,161,573	
Net loss on sales of investments	399,180	
Dividends on \$6 cumulative preferred stock	866,190	
Balance	\$2,447,309	
Surplus, Dec. 31, 1941	\$25,526,634	

Note—The unrealized depreciation of investments on Dec. 31, 1941, was \$17,076,795, or \$2,510,859 more than on Dec. 31, 1940.  
\*2,460 shares preferred stock repurchased and retired.

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

Assets—	1941	1940
Cash	\$1,970,152	\$2,758,950
Investment in U. S. Government secur., at cost	541,500	
Investment in other securities, at cost	38,263,210	39,373,349
Receivable for securities sold	97,207	165,614
Interest and dividends receivable, etc.	111,187	106,896
Special deposits for interest, dividends, etc.	338,337	329,345
Total	\$41,321,592	\$42,734,154
Liabilities—		
Dividends payable and interest accrued, etc.	\$325,937	\$329,345
Due for securities loaned against cash	14,400	
Due for securities purchased	47,619	202,736
Bank loan due Sept. 30, 1943	6,900,000	7,900,000
Reserve for expenses, taxes, etc.	49,184	49,854
5% convertible debentures	2,460,000	2,460,000
*\$6 cumulative preferred stock	3,568,500	3,630,000
†Common stock	2,429,318	2,429,318
Surplus	25,526,634	25,732,902
Total	\$41,321,592	\$42,734,154

\*Represented by 142,740 (145,200 in 1940) no par shares. †Represented by 2,429,318 shares of no par value. There are reserved unissued a total of 1,427,344 shares as follows: For the conversion of convertible debentures 196,800 shares on or before Jan. 1, 1953, at \$12.50 per share, for the exercise of warrants or options to subscribe to common stock, 1,230,544 shares at any time at \$18.46 per share. ‡Investments, based on market quotations as at Dec. 31, 1941, or in the absence thereof, on their then fair value in the opinion of the corporation, amounted to \$21,727,915 or \$17,076,795 less than cost.—V. 154, p. 758.

(A.) Stein & Co.—25-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 16 to holders of record Feb. 15. The last previous quarterly payment of 25 cents was made on Nov. 14, 1941, which was followed by a year-end dividend of like amount on Dec. 27, 1941.—V. 154, p. 1704.

Swift International Co., SAC—Special Dividend—

The directors on Jan. 23 declared a special dividend of 50 cents per share and the regular quarterly dividend of like amount on the capital stock, par \$15, both payable in U. S. currency on March 1 to holders of record Feb. 15. Regular quarterly distributions of 50 cents per share were made from June 1, 1937, to and incl. Dec. 1, 1941, with no extra or special payments.—V. 152, p. 3989.

United Specialties Co.—Omits Dividend—

At the meeting of the board of directors, held Jan. 23, 1942, the regular dividend for the second quarter was omitted. This is due to the heavy cash requirements for Federal taxes and also, to the desire to conserve cash with which to carry on defense work, the company announced.

During 1941, the company paid dividends as follows: A quarterly of 15 cents on March 20, May 28, Aug. 26 and Nov. 26, with an extra of 35 cents on May 28 and one of 85 cents on Nov. 26.—V. 155, p. 92.

United States & Foreign Securities Corp.—Annual Report—

Calendar Years—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Cash divs. received	\$1,611,464	\$1,637,038	\$1,447,145	\$1,231,654
Interest	154,311	161,318	168,874	162,349
Securities received as taxable dividends	29,541	3,396	8,833	
Total	\$1,795,316	\$1,801,753	\$1,624,853	\$1,394,002
Net realized profit on investments	15,930	†124,696	20,147	140,013
*Cash and securities received	Cr39,666	Cr28,777	Cr16,416	Cr18,968
Cap. stock & oth. taxes	79,444	45,462	34,310	71,422
Other expenses	184,185	208,780	171,588	161,386
Prov. for Fed. income taxes	64,500	55,000	37,000	29,500
Operating profit	\$1,522,782	\$1,396,592	\$1,418,518	\$1,290,675
First pref. dividends	1,033,914	1,167,102	1,470,000	1,260,000
Second pref. dividends		150,000		
Balance, surplus	\$488,868	\$79,490	\$51,482	\$30,675

\*Cash and securities received in settlement of reichsmark balances. †Loss. ‡Deficit.

On Dec. 31, 1941, the net assets of the corporation had an indicated value of approximately \$26,802,591, which is equivalent to approximately \$155 per share of first preferred stock. In making this calculation, the investments in the second preferred and common stocks of United States & International Securities Corp., in the second preferred stock of Credit & Investment Corp., and in the 15,000 shares of the corporation's own common stock were each included at the nominal value of \$1, securities without quoted market prices at cost of \$709,765, and all other securities on the basis of market quotations.

Comparative Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

Assets—	1941	1940
Cash	\$1,047,092	\$2,581,109
Dividends receivable, accrued interest, etc.	98,573	97,337
Securities at cost	29,785,205	29,705,809
†Investment in U. S. & Internat. Secur. Corp.	1	1
Total	\$30,931,771	\$32,384,255
Liabilities—		
Reserve for taxes and accrued expenses	\$112,500	\$80,000
Securities purchased but not received	31,608	
*First preferred stock	17,231,900	19,451,700
†Second preferred stock	50,000	50,000
‡General reserve	4,950,000	4,950,000
†Common stock	100,000	100,000
Capital surplus	1,381,453	1,028,285
Operation surplus	7,074,311	6,726,270
Total	\$30,931,771	\$32,384,255

\*Represented by 172,319 (194,517 in 1940) no par shares. †Represented by 50,000 no par shares. ‡Represented by 1,000,000 no par shares. †\$4,950 (194,100 in 1940) shares second preferred and 1,987,653 shares common stock. ‡Set up out of \$5,000,000 paid in cash by subscribers to second preferred stock.—V. 154, p. 696.

United States Pipe & Foundry Co.—Declares Four Quarterly Dividends of 50-Cents on Common Stock—

The directors on Jan. 22 declared four dividends of 50 cents each on the outstanding common stock, payable March 20, June 20, Sept. 19 and Dec. 19 to holders of record Feb. 28, May 29, Aug. 31 and Nov. 30, respectively. Four quarterly dividends of like amount were paid during 1941, and, in addition, an extra of 50 cents was paid on Dec. 20, 1941.—V. 154, p. 800.

United States & International Securities Corp.—Annual Report—

(Including Wholly Owned Subsidiary)

Calendar Years—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Cash dividends received	\$1,436,944	\$1,418,787	\$1,281,240	\$1,138,191
Interest	97,019	98,364	115,887	109,490
Securities received as taxable dividends	21,126	2,413	6,796	
Total income	\$1,555,089	\$1,519,564	\$1,403,923	\$1,247,681
Net realized loss on investments	1,690	392,607	219,572	*8,335
Profit	\$1,553,399	\$1,126,957	\$1,184,351	\$1,256,017
Cap. stock & oth. taxes	20,575	29,531	4,139	23,856
Prov. for Fed. inc. taxes	59,000	48,000	33,000	32,000
Expenses	162,622	179,777	162,188	150,484
Net income	\$1,311,201	\$869,648	\$985,023	\$1,049,677
Divs. on first pref.	897,000	1,196,000	1,196,000	1,016,600
*Net realized profit on investments				

On Dec. 31, 1941, the net assets of the corporation had an indicated value, based on market quotations, of approximately \$23,814,530, which is equivalent to approximately \$99 per share of first preferred stock.

Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

Assets—	1941	1940
Cash	\$2,490,591	\$2,196,854
Dividends received, interest accrued, etc.	108,460	130,741
Securities, at cost	*41,223,595	41,123,463
Total	\$43,819,646	\$43,451,059
Liabilities—		
Reserve for taxes and accrued expenses	\$81,000	\$71,100
Securities purchased but not received		55,515
†First preferred stock	23,920,000	23,920,000
‡Second preferred stock	500,000	500,000
§Special reserve	9,475,000	9,475,000
††Common stock	24,855	24,855
Capital surplus	9,346,831	9,346,831
Operating surplus	471,959	57,758
Total	\$43,819,646	\$43,451,059

\*Indicated value \$21,299,480. †Represented by 239,200 no par shares. ‡Represented by 100,000 no par shares. §Set up out of amount paid in cash by subscribers to second preferred stock. ††Represented by 2,485,543 no par shares.—V. 154, p. 696.

United States Steel Corp.—Subsidiaries Establish New Records—

To meet the unprecedented requirements of the American war program, the corporation's subsidiaries have established a series of all-time records in the production and movement of iron ore and in the shipment of limestone and coal during the 1941 season.

The Oliver Iron Mining Co. of Duluth, Minn., last year produced a record iron ore tonnage of 34,127,982 net tons compared with 26,193,055 net tons in 1940. Of this amount the vessels of Pittsburgh Steamship Co., the United States Steel Corp.'s Great Lakes subsidiary, brought to lower lake ports 23,542,751 gross tons of iron ore. In addition to this Pittsburgh ships and other subsidiary vessels established 7,418,607 tons of limestone and coal. These records were established between the period of April 4, 1941, when the first vessels left their winter berths, and Dec. 12, 1941, when they closed their season.

The Pittsburgh Steamship Co.'s iron ore tonnage record compares with a movement of 18,713,382 gross tons in 1940 and exceeds the previous record year of 1916 by 3,900,222 gross tons. Of the total iron ore moved during 1941 season on the Great Lakes (80,116,360 gross tons) the Pittsburgh Steamship Co. alone was responsible for approximately 30%.

To provide for a still greater movement in 1942, the Pittsburgh Steamship Co. now has under construction five vessels which will be placed in operation sometime during 1942 season.—V. 155, p. 271.

Universal Pictures Co., Inc.—Annual Report—

Consolidated net income from operations, after all charges except income and excess profits taxes, of company for the 52 weeks ended Nov. 1, 1941, amounted to \$4,396,499 as compared to \$2,861,472 in the preceding fiscal year, according to the annual report to stockholders by J. Cheever Cowdin, Chairman of the Board. After all charges, including income and excess profits taxes, net profits for the year were \$2,673,249, an increase of \$282,477 over the preceding year.

Mr. Cowdin points out that although gross income from operations rose to \$30,283,523 from \$27,677,627 in 1940, the company and its subsidiaries set aside total taxes of \$2,630,426 last year, or more than double the tax provisions of \$1,210,648 for the previous fiscal year. Taxes last year were equivalent to \$10.52 per share of outstanding common stock.

In his discussion of the tax situation Mr. Cowdin says that Universal is proud to contribute its proper share to national defense. Stating that taxes are heavier than ever before, and that they appear certain to increase, Mr. Cowdin also says:

"Consideration should be given to allowing reasonable tax credits for the payment of debts heretofore contracted in good faith. Otherwise, many taxpayers may be unable to meet the increasing tax burden and at the same time meet obligations which they had undertaken prior to the emergency and on an entirely sound basis. Such a condition might very easily have the effect of destroying large potential sources of taxes and of impairing the ability to pay.

In the case of your company, for example, what percentage of earnings is it safe to take and still enable the company to function properly and to meet its obligations heretofore contracted? This is the kind of problem that must be most thoughtfully weighed, bearing in mind that increases in earnings will no doubt be represented by increased inventories, plants and receivables rather than by cash."

It is too early to gauge the full effect upon the motion picture industry of our participation in the war, Mr. Cowdin states. "Immediately following the unexpected attack on Hawaii by the Japanese, attendance at motion picture theatres experienced a very sharp falling off. However, such a decline is not unusual during periods of intense public anxiety or interest in news happenings—a similar decline was noted at the outbreak of the war in Europe in 1939. Your management believes the current drop will prove only temporary, and is confident that business will shortly return to normal, if it does not exceed it."

"The working capital position of your company continues to improve," Mr. Cowdin reports. Current and working assets, excluding blocked sterling, amounted to \$14,139,817, with current liabilities of \$3,651,592, a ratio of 3.9 to 1. In the previous fiscal year current and working assets were \$11,065,337, and current liabilities were \$4,241,774, a ratio of 2.6 to 1.

Mr. Cowdin points out that the company's management has stressed the desirability and need of building up domestic and Canadian revenues sufficiently to maintain profitable operations without reliance on foreign receipts. "Substantial headway has been made toward this objective, with the prospect of its attainment reasonably soon. The rapid growth of Universal's business in the domestic and Canadian markets is shown by the fact that combined revenues from these two markets last year were approximately equal to Universal's world-wide revenues three years ago." The company's domestic revenues last year totaled \$19,008,495, compared with \$17,554,261 in the 1940 fiscal year.

The company's foreign business last year was larger than the year before, amounting to \$11,275,028 against \$10,123,366, and the amount of dollars received from foreign territories was greater. The volume of business done in Great Britain was the largest in the company's history, and now comprises approximately half of Universal's foreign business. Gross revenues in Great Britain were £1,499,907, which was a gain of 14.8% over the 1940 fiscal year, and which was 250% of the 1937 British business.

After deducting the blocked sterling estimated to be remittable on March 31, 1942, under the new agreement between eight major American companies and the British exchange authorities, Universal's sterling balance at the end of the fiscal year, including accounts receivable was approximately \$504,000. This is equivalent at the present exchange rate to \$2,030,000, and compares with \$379,000 and \$1,524,000, respectively, at the close of the previous year.

The volume of Universal's business last year in China, the Philippines, India, Japan, Java, Dutch East Indies, Straits Settlement and

French Indo-China, now in the war zone, represented 2.3% of the company's gross revenues. Certain assets in foreign countries with which we are now at war or in countries occupied by enemies are being written off during the current year, and Universal has set up a 100% reserve against its investments in Germany, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Norway, Denmark and Japan totaling approximately \$230,000.

Universal continued to purchase its first preferred stock for the sinking fund during the year, and at present there are 9,229 shares outstanding. Dividends on this stock were resumed on July 1, 1941, after a lapse of nearly nine years.

New Banking Agreement

While your company has enjoyed credit facilities under various banking agreements in the past, most of these have been subject to termination on very short notice. This condition has been a handicap to the management of your company in planning for the future, in view of the relatively small working capital of your company in relation to the dollar requirements of its business.

Consequently, considerable importance attaches to the conclusion on June 30, last, of a term loan agreement with The First National Bank of Boston and the Bank of the Manhattan Co., which places your company's credit facilities on a more satisfactory and sounder basis.

This agreement, which runs for three years and is renewable for a fourth year at the option of your company if certain requirements are fulfilled, made available to Universal a total credit of \$5,654,000, only part of which has been used. One part of this credit, amounting to \$3,154,000, is being reduced by a sinking fund of \$10,000 a week with an additional yearly contingent sinking fund of up to \$200,000, depending upon earnings. The second part of the credit is available up to \$2,500,000.

The arrangement of this banking agreement is in line with the policy of your management to build up and safeguard the dollar cash resources of your company. This is of the utmost importance in order to protect the production requirements of the business and to provide for the organization's necessities as well as to meet current obligations.

Your company continues to operate on the budget system with all elements of the business budgeted 12 months in advance on the basis of probable income and allowable expenditures.

Consolidated Income Account—

Period Ended—	52 Weeks Nov. 1, '41	53 Weeks Nov. 2, '40	52 Weeks Oct. 28, '39	52 Weeks Oct. 29, '38
Film rentals & sales—				
Domestic	\$18,655,100	\$17,177,535	\$14,535,801	\$12,048,124
Foreign	11,097,073	9,927,610	8,760,708	7,562,928
Sales of accessories	468,143	502,623	503,034	465,392
Theater & comm. bldg. income	63,207	69,860	79,235	113,673
Total revenues	\$30,283,523	\$27,677,627	\$23,878,868	\$20,190,116
Amort. of film costs, &c.	16,132,600	16,355,233	14,377,176	13,244,594
Cost of accessories	379,430	426,273	437,577	422,285
Theater expenses	120,923	123,922	127,496	123,465
Sell. & branch expenses, domestic & foreign	7,348,037	6,656,686	6,250,256	5,634,081
Gen. & admin. expenses, domestic & foreign	1,453,900	1,161,046	1,057,448	1,156,514
Operating profit	\$4,843,633	\$2,954,467	\$1,628,733	*\$391,462
Other income	215,691	314,142	203,592	189,017
Profit	\$5,064,324	\$3,268,609	\$1,832,325	*\$201,545
Interest	334,467	340,748	374,538	312,977
Minority interest		105	38	
Income taxes	††1,765,964	406,378	238,756	40,739
Other deductions	††290,643	*40,876	165,671	‡35,918
Net profit	\$3,673,249	\$2,390,772	\$1,153,321	††\$591,178

\*Loss. †Including provision for losses (net) \$27,537 of subsidiaries operating in foreign territories; 1938, \$27,537. ‡Includes \$25,669 amortization of financing expenses; \$5,593 adjustment in respect of prior year's income taxes; \$1,478 provision for advances to Spanish subsidiary and \$3,178 miscellaneous investment in foreign territories of \$279,063 in 1941; \$219,177 in 1940, and \$274,111 in 1939. ††Includes amortization of financing expenses of \$50,655 and provision for loss of investment in Foreign Theatres Co. of \$15,017. ‡†Includes amortization of financing expenses of \$2,161 and write-off of investments (net) in subsidiary companies in France, Belgium and Poland, and in a Swiss subsidiary of \$38,715. †††Includes amortization of financing expenses of \$15,731; write-off of investment in a foreign affiliated company, \$1,673; adjustments in respect to prior year income taxes, \$2,938, and \$270,301 the participation of certain officers and employees in profits. †††Includes \$711,000 for excess profits tax.

Consolidated Balance Sheet

Assets—	Nov. 1, '41	Nov. 2, '40
*Fixed assets	\$2,039,229	\$1,950,889
Trade marks, goodwill, &c.	137,501	137,501
†Investments in foreign subsidiaries	496,750	354,282
Other investments	214,001	31,673
Lease deposits, &c.	16,953	14,238
Advances to producers, &c.	432,692	79,137
Cash	2,823,763	1,428,284
Accounts and notes (net)	579,935	669,411
Uncompleted film	2,123,063	1,894,956
Film completed, not released	1,800,864	1,562,149
Released films	5,437,247	4,661,694

# STATE AND CITY DEPARTMENT

## BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS

### CALIFORNIA

#### Tulare County (P. O. Visalia) Calif.

**School Bond Offering**—Gladys Stewart, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, states that she will receive sealed bids until 10 a.m. on Feb. 3, for the purchase of \$6,000 Alta Vista School District building, improvement and equipment bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 5%, payable F-A. Denom. \$600. Dated Feb. 1, 1942. Due \$600 from Feb. 1, 1944 to 1953. Prin. and int. payable at the County Treasurer's office. The bonds will be sold for cash only, and at not less than par and accrued interest to the date of delivery. Each bid must state that the bidder offers par and accrued interest to the date of delivery, and state separately the premium, if any, offered, and the rate the bonds shall bear. A transcript of the proceedings will be furnished the purchaser immediately after the sale, and the successful bidder will pay for the legal opinion on the proceedings. Enclose a certified check for not less than 5% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Chairman Board of Supervisors.

### COLORADO

#### Norwood, Colo.

**Bonds Authorized**—The City Council is said to have passed an ordinance calling for the issuance of \$24,000 refunding bonds.

### FLORIDA

#### Florida (State of)

**Municipal Situation Discussed**—The following information is taken from the January issue of the municipal bond bulletin published by A. B. Morrison & Co., Congress Building, Miami, Fla.: During the past thirty days, price trends in Florida Municipals have been rather mixed. The better grade bonds have been in good demand and there has been no trouble in putting them away. Dollar bonds, on the other hand, have, on the whole, softened somewhat, although this is not universally true. Apparently there has been very little distress selling and, while the supply of bonds is somewhat more plentiful, there is no disposition on the part of sellers to accept sacrifice prices. New issues have sold at good prices. How much real strength the market has to absorb sizeable amounts of dollar bonds, particularly, has not been demonstrated as no large blocks of these have appeared. On the whole, we feel that the behavior of Florida bonds during the past thirty days has been satisfactory.

It is becoming more and more apparent that the tourist business is going to be quite badly off from what it was last year. The expected crowds aren't here yet, houses and apartments are not renting as expected and hotels can still accommodate plenty of guests. Neither reservations nor actual guests are up to expectations. Florida, we feel, must make up its mind that the tourist crop will be smaller than hoped and plan accordingly. With restrictions on tires, it is very evident that gas tax receipts will be very decidedly lessened. This had its effect on prices of some of the weaker counties which lean heavily on gas receipts for debt service. The effect of gas tax reduction will be felt more several months from now than at present, but it is undeniably true that the gas tax will be much less than the optimistic estimates put out previously by the State Road Department.

Building permits, as a whole, are, of course, decidedly off.

Tax collections throughout the State are generally satisfactory. There are spasmodic instances of objections to the 100% valuation instituted this year on the County rolls, but it is to be expected that inequalities will creep in here and there and they can be corrected on future rolls. The State is bearing down pretty hard to get all intangible tax property money possible. This question of taxing intangibles is creating a good deal of feeling in some locations. The tax assessors, except in a few of the larger counties, have never made any effort heretofore to put intangible tax property on the tax roll, but State authorities are insisting on taxing them now. There is no income tax in Florida and the tax on intangibles is low, so there is no real reason why intangibles should not be taxed.

#### Homestead, Fla.

**Certificates Sold**—Ira C. Haycock, City Attorney, states that \$100,000 3 1/4% semi-ann. light plant revenue certificates have been purchased by Robson, Link & Co. of Miami, at a price of 101.00, a basis of about 3.16%. Dated Jan. 1, 1942. Due as follows: \$1,000 in 1943; \$2,000, 1944 and 1945; \$3,000, 1946 and 1947; \$4,000, 1948 to 1960; \$5,000, 1961 to 1965, and \$6,000, 1966 and 1967. These certificates were validated recently by the Circuit Court—V. 155, p. 353.

### ILLINOIS

**Barr Township (P. O. Hettick), Ill.**  
**Bonds Sold**—The issue of \$18,000 road improvement bonds authorized at an election on Dec. 10, have been sold, according to Joseph I. Crum, Township Clerk. The bonds mature in 10 years.

#### Lincoln, Ill.

**Bond Offering**—James C. Greenslate, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 5 p.m. on Feb. 2, for the purchase of \$15,750 judgment funding bonds. Due Jan. 2, as follows: \$750 in 1944, and \$1,000 in 1945 to 1959. The bonds are to be general obligations of the city, issued to pay judgments against the city for salaries of firemen and policemen under State minimum salary acts. The bids received will be opened by the Committee of Finance at a regular meeting of the City Council convening at 7:30 p.m., on the date of sale, and will be referred to the City Council for determination as to the best bid and its formal action thereon. Such action to result in passage of an ordinance establishing the amounts, maturities, rate of interest, etc., accordingly.

### KENTUCKY

#### Buechel Water District (P. O. Buechel), Ky.

**Bond Sale**—The \$185,000 semi-ann. assessment and revenue bonds offered on Jan. 22, the sale of which was deferred—v. 155, p. 354—were awarded on Jan. 23 to a syndicate composed of W. L. Lyons & Co., O'Neal, Alden & Co., both of Louisville, and Stifel, Nicolaus & Co. of St. Louis, as 3 1/2% at par, according to L. D. Steenman, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners. Dated Jan. 1, 1942. Due on Jan. 1 in 1945 to 1962; callable prior to final maturity.

#### Fulton County (P. O. Hickman), Ky.

**Debt Refinancing Plan Approved**—The Court of Appeals recently approved a refinancing plan to meet part of the county's

floating debt. The high tribunal once had turned down a similar plan because it held some of the county's indebtedness was invalid. These claims were omitted from the newer proposal on which the Court acted.

The Court sanctioned issuance of \$72,150 in funding bonds by the county to pay \$45,872 in debts and \$26,278 in interest charges. The amount was less than the \$88,805, for which the county was denied permission to issue funding bonds in 1940. At that time, the Court held that part of the debt was invalid. The floating debt was amassed prior to 1933.

In its previous opinion, the Court declared the county had exceeded its constitutional debt limit prior to 1934 and for 15 years before that had spent an average of \$20,000 a year more than its revenue. Failure of the County Fiscal Court to authorize other expenditures had invalidated them, it said. Since that time, the tribunal said, county officials have been "trying to bring order out of chaos."

Harry R. Lynn, Assistant State Local Finance Officer, said that Fulton County officials, hoping for appellate Court approval, already had petitioned his office for Appellate Court approval, all-fund the floating debt and also to refund approximately \$115,000 worth of old bonds at a lower rate of interest than the 5 1/4% it is paying now.

#### Kentucky (State of)

**Current Debt Status**—The Bankers Bond Co., Inc. of Louisville, has prepared a Municipal Bond Review as of Jan. 1, which contains a wealth of information regarding the financial standing of the State and its local units. In this issue we give their findings on the State's indebtedness, and, in subsequent issues, we will carry their report on the related data. The opening remarks of the review are as follows:

The Commonwealth of Kentucky as of Jan. 6, 1936, had outstanding \$21,408,827.35 of 5% General Fund Warrants and \$3,675,815.82 of 5% Highway Road Warrants; a total of \$25,084,643.17. The Road Warrants were all paid in the year 1936. The General Fund Warrants represented accumulated deficits over a period of thirty years which had been legalized by the Court of Appeals as "valid evidences of a casual deficit." As of Jan. 1, 1942, the Commonwealth had outstanding \$495,000 of 1% General Fund Warrants and a balance in the General Fund of \$3,077,115.39. The total balance of all funds in various State depositories, including the Road Fund, on the same date was \$12,849,912.17. It is the announced intention of the present administration to prepare a bill that would prohibit the issuance of Warrants which would run the State debt above the constitutional limit and then ask the Court of Appeals to reconsider the previous decision regarding the issuance of Warrants, so that the State can get "back to the Constitution"; namely, to restrict without a vote of the people the direct indebtedness of the Commonwealth to an aggregate of \$500,000. Kentucky is especially fortunate in the year it is celebrating the 150th anniversary of its entrance into the Union, to be in such a splendid financial condition. The General Fund of Kentucky for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941, had an excess of revenue over allotment charges of \$5,265,943. The only other state in the South ap-

proaching this record was Virginia, which had a surplus of approximately \$6,500,000 for the same period.

The Commonwealth has issued a total of \$17,280,000 Bridge Revenue bonds since 1930, of which \$12,793,500 have been paid, leaving a balance as of Jan. 1, 1942, of \$4,486,500 outstanding. The Institutional Revenue and Mortgage debt of various State institutions amounted to a net of \$3,153,500 as of Jan. 1, 1942. The plan suggested by the Legislative Council to have a central State Agency formed with the power to review any future issues of these types of bonds before being issued and sold is an excellent one, and not only in the public interest, but for the protection of investors. The present war emergency has caused considerable burdens in some of the State institutions as affecting their bond issues, which increases the financial problems of the Administration during the emergency. The total indebtedness of the State, direct and indirect, on Jan. 1, 1942, was \$8,135,000.

State 1% General Fund Warrants	\$495,000
State Bridge Revenue Bonds (Ten Projects)	4,486,500
University of Kentucky 3 1/2-4%	1,050,500
Morhead State Teachers College 4%	354,000
Kentucky State Industrial College	
3 1/2-4%	136,000
Murray State Teachers' College 3-4%	233,000
Kentucky State Fair 3%-6%	355,000
Kentucky State Board of Health 2%	159,000
2 1/2%-2 1/2%	
Kentucky Children's Home Corporation 3%	60,000
Western State Teachers' College 3%	266,000
Eastern State Teachers' College 2.80%-3.50%-4.00%	344,000
Kentucky State Armory Corporation 3 1/2%	196,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,135,000</b>

### LOUISIANA

#### Lafayette, La.

**Bond Sale Details**—The City Clerk now reports that the \$58,807.50 refunding bonds sold to a group headed by the Equitable Securities Corp. of Nashville, at par—v. 155, p. 42—were purchased as follows: \$11,807.50 as 3 1/2%, due on Jan. 1; \$1,807.50 in 1943, \$2,000 in 1944 to 1948; the remaining \$47,000 as 4s, due on Jan. 1; \$2,000 in 1949 to 1958, and \$3,000 in 1959 to 1967. Interest payable J-J.

#### Louisiana (State of)

**Highway Bond Status Under Possible Reduced Traffic**—The following memorandum was recently prepared by Scharff & Jones, Inc., Whitney Building, New Orleans, La.:

Louisiana Highway Bonds are payable primarily from the State tax of 4 cents per gallon on "gasoline, benzine, naphtha and other motor fuels." In addition, should revenue from this source prove insufficient, then the State Treasurer is directed and authorized to use such other revenues of the Highway Commission as may be necessary to pay the bonds and interest.

An analysis of these revenues for the year 1941 shows that they could decline 49%, and there would still be sufficient income to provide for the maximum requirement of principal and interest, which occurs in 1943:

Highway Bonds are outstanding as of this date as follows:		
Series "A" to "Q", incl. ....	\$72,044,000	
Series "R" to "Y", incl. ....	24,371,000	
Series "AA" to "CC", incl. ....	5,000,000	
<b>Total outstanding</b> .....	<b>\$101,415,000</b>	
The annual requirements for service of principal and interest on all bonds for the next four years is as follows: (cents omitted):		
1942	1943	
Ser. A to Q (1st charge) ..	\$8,369,488	\$8,378,955
Ser. R to Y (2nd charge) ..	1,048,100	1,095,265
Series AA to CC (3rd charge) ..	1,519,500	1,986,000
<b>Total requirements</b> ....	<b>\$8,937,088</b>	<b>\$9,460,221</b>
1944	1945	
Ser. A to Q (1st charge) ..	\$6,435,831	\$6,475,636
Ser. R to Y (2nd charge) ..	1,095,442	1,040,257
Series AA to CC (3rd charge) ..	942,500	420,250
<b>Total requirements</b> ....	<b>\$8,473,773</b>	<b>\$7,936,143</b>

The principal revenues of the Highway Commission were as follows, for the year 1941:

Motor fuels tax of 4 cents per gal.	\$12,211,817.88
Motor vehicle license fees, excl. of amounts dedicated to Highway Fund No. 2	2,557,306.68
Lubricating oil tax	841,499.52
Motor fuels tax of 1 cent per gal.	3,095,150.70

Total revenue Highway Comm. \$18,705,774.76

After 1945, requirements decline to an average of approximately \$7,500,000 per year. A reduction of 49% in total revenues of \$18,705,774.76 would leave \$9,539,945; more than amount due on 1943 maturities.

Highway bonds are well protected by dedicated revenues, as shown above. However, in judging their investment value the following should also be taken into consideration:

#### Highway Bonds Reserve Fund

—Act 66 of 1936 and Act 39 of 1938 provide that the State Treasurer shall use surplus revenues of the Louisiana Highway Commission to create a fund equivalent to the next year's requirements for principal and interest on Highway bonds. The amount in this fund as of Dec. 31, 1941, was \$9,059,169.92, as officially reported.

#### Obligations of State of Louisiana

—In opinion of Messrs. Thomson, Wood and Hoffman, attorneys, New York City, Louisiana Highway bonds are "valid and legally binding obligations" of the State. Therefore, should the specifically dedicated revenues prove insufficient at any time, the State is obligated (to maintain its credit) to provide the necessary funds from other sources.

To summarize, it is our opinion that Louisiana Highway bonds are now and will continue to be, through good times or bad, war or no war, one of the soundest investments available in the current market.

### MARYLAND

#### Maryland (State of)

**Certificate Offering**—Hooper C. Miles, State Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until noon on Feb. 10 for the purchase of \$522,000 general of 1941 certificates of indebtedness.

Dated Jan. 15, 1942. Denomination \$1,000. Due Jan. 15, as follows: \$61,000 in 1950, \$62,000 in 1951, \$63,000 in 1952, \$64,000 in 1953, \$66,000 in 1954, \$67,000 in 1955, \$68,000 in 1956, and \$71,000 in 1957. The bidders are requested to indicate in their bids the rate of interest to be paid on the bonds, on which rate their bids are to be based and submitted. The rate must be a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. Principal and interest payable (J. & J. 15) in lawful money in Baltimore. The certificates are subject to registration as to principal, and all will be issued with interest coupons attached. This loan and the interest payable thereon is exempt from the Federal Income Tax and from State, County and Municipal taxation in the State. On the opening of the proposals as many of the certificates as have been bid for, not exceeding, however, the amount for which proposals are invited, may be awarded by the Governor, the Comptroller of the Treasury and the Treasurer, or a majority of them to the highest responsible bidder or bidders therefor for cash, and if two or more responsible bidders have made the same bid and such bid is the highest and the certificates so bid for by such highest responsible bidders are in excess of the whole amount of certificates as offered for sale, then such certificates may be awarded in a ratable proportion to such responsi-

ble bidders bidding the same price. The Governor, the Comptroller of the Treasury, and the Treasurer, may, in their discretion, accept one bid for all of said loan or separate bids for parts of said loan as may produce the largest amount, and they may, in their discretion, accept bids which may be for parts of said loan, but are not for all, and they reserve the right in their discretion to reject all bids or any bids. The certificates awarded will be delivered to the successful bidder or bidders upon receipt of the amount of the successful bid or bids and any accrued interest due on Feb. 25 at the State Treasurer's office. Issued pursuant to Chapter 854 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, Session of 1941, providing for the issue of the Certificates of Indebtedness, and pursuant also to a resolution of the Board of Works of Maryland, passed on Jan. 16, 1942, and on file and open to inspection at the office of said Board. Bidders are referred to said Chapter 854 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1941, as containing the full terms and provisions of this loan. It is one of the terms of this offering that the certificates when issued will be legal and valid binding obligations of the State. The opinions of the Attorney-General of Maryland and of Bartlett, Poe & Claggett, of Baltimore, to this effect will be delivered to the successful bidder. Bidders may, if they wish, make the legality and validity of the bonds one of the terms of the bid by making the bid "subject to legality" or using any equivalent form of expression, but without leaving this question to the decision of the bidders or their counsel. All bids conditioned upon the approval of bidders or counsel, whether named or unnamed, will be treated as conditional bids and rejected unless the condition is waived by the bidder to the satisfaction of the Board before the award has been made. A certified check for 5% of the amount bid for, payable to order of the State Treasurer, is required.

#### MASSACHUSETTS

##### Dedham, Mass.

**Note Offering**—John Gaynor, Town Treasurer, will receive bids until noon on Jan. 28 for the purchase at discount of \$200,000 tax anticipation notes, dated Jan. 29, 1942 and due \$100,000 each on Nov. 13 and Nov. 27, 1942. Notes offered subject to certification by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

##### Gloucester, Mass.

**Note Sale**—The issue of \$600,000 notes offered Jan. 23 was awarded to the Cape Ann National Bank of Gloucester, at 0.26% discount. Denomination \$25,000. Due Dec. 15, 1942. Issued in anticipation of revenue for the year 1942. Payable at the Merchants National Bank, Boston, or at the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., New York. The merchants National Bank 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, that the signatures thereon are genuine. Delivery at the above Boston bank for Boston funds.

Other bids were as follows: Merchants National Bank of Salem, 0.29%; Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., 0.299%; Gloucester National Bank, 0.32%.

##### Lynn, Mass.

**Additional Notes Sold**—The Manufacturers-Central National Bank of Lynn exercised its option to purchase an additional \$500,000 notes, maturing Nov. 9, 1942, at 0.378% discount, the same rate paid on a similar amount awarded Jan. 20.—v. 155, p. 354.

#### Massachusetts (State of)

**Changes In List of Legal Investments**—The following bulletin (No. 2), issued by the Commissioner of Banks on Jan. 23, shows the latest revisions in the list of investments considered eligible for savings banks in this State:

**Added to the List of Dec. 1, 1941**  
**Municipal Obligations**—As of Dec. 30, 1941, City of Berlin, New Hamp.

As of Jan. 21, 1942, County of Belknap, New Hamp.; County of Carroll, New Hamp.; City of Ellsworth, Me.; City of Glens Falls, N. Y.; County of Lewis, N. Y.; County of Onondaga, N. Y.; Town of Stafford, Conn.; County of Suffolk, N. Y.; Town of West Hartford, Conn.; Town of Wethersfield, Conn.; Town of Winslow, Me.

**Municipal Obligations (Serials only)**—As of Jan. 21, 1942, City of Clarksburg, W. Va.; City of Tulsa, Okla.

**Railroad Equipment Trusts**—As of Jan. 20, 1942, Pennsylvania Railroad Co. Equip. Trust, Series M (serially) 2½s, 1957.

**Public Utilities**—As of Dec. 31, 1941, Pacific Gas & Electric Co. First and Ref. Mtge. bonds, Series K, 3s, due June 1, 1971.

#### Removed From the List

**Municipal Obligations**—Town Farmington, Me.; City of Providence, R. I.; City of Sidney, N. Y.; City of Duluth, Minn.; City of San Antonio, Tex.

**Railroad Bonds (Pennsylvania System)**—Cleveland & Pittsburgh R. R. General, Series A, 4½s, 1942. Matured Jan. 1, 1942.

**Norfolk County (P. O. Dedham), Mass.**

**Note Offering**—Ralph D. Pettigell, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 11 a.m. on Feb. 3 for the purchase at discount of \$450,000 notes issued in anticipation of taxes for the current year. Dated Feb. 3, 1942 and payable Nov. 10, 1942 at the First National Bank of Boston, or at the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., New York City. Delivery will be made on or about Feb. 4 at the Boston bank against payment in Boston funds. Denoms. \$50,000, \$25,000 and \$10,000. The notes will be authenticated as to genuineness and validity by The First National Bank of Boston, under advice of Ropes, Gray, Best, Coolidge & Rugg, of Boston, and all legal papers incident to this issue will be filed with said bank, where they may be inspected.

##### Taunton, Mass.

**Note Offering**—Howard A. Briggs, City Treasurer, will receive bids until 11 a.m. on Jan. 27 for the purchase at discount of \$300,000 notes issued in anticipation of revenue for the current year. Dated Jan. 28, 1942 and payable Nov. 10, 1942. Notes will be prepared under the supervision of the First National Bank of Boston, which will guarantee the signatures and will certify that the notes are issued by virtue and in pursuance of an order of the Municipal Council, the validity of which order has been approved by Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston. Notes will be delivered on or about Jan. 28, 1942, at The First National Bank of Boston, Boston, for Boston funds, and are payable in Boston at maturity. Upon written request to the City Treasurer, arrangements will be made for the payment of these notes in New York City.

#### MICHIGAN

**Huron-Clinton Parkway Authority, Mich.**

**Validity Upheld**—The State Supreme Court ruled Jan. 5 that the 1939 legislative act creating the above agency is constitutional and the authority's tax levying powers are valid delegations from the legislature. The opinion, it was reported, cleared the way for

launching a "master plan" of transportation development which members of the authority sponsor. The court also held that the Supervisors of Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Livingston and Monroe Counties must levy and collect the taxes demanded by the five-county board.

#### MINNESOTA

##### Belle Plaine, Minn.

**Warrant Offering**—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p.m. on Feb. 2, by F. E. Logelin, Borough Clerk, for the purchase of \$12,000 street improvement warrants. Denominations \$1,000 and \$500.

##### Hopkins, Minn.

**Certificate Sale**—The four issues of certificates of indebtedness aggregating \$10,317.93, offered for sale on Jan. 20—v. 155, p. 147—were awarded to the First National Bank of Hopkins, as 2¼s and 2½s, according to the Village Clerk. Dated Feb. 1, 1942. Due on Feb. 1 in 1943 to 1947.

##### Itasca County (P. O. Grand Rapids), Minn.

**Certificates Sold**—An issue of \$195,000 certificates of indebtedness was offered for sale on Jan. 22 and awarded to the First National Bank & Trust Co. of Minneapolis, at public auction, at 1¼%, plus a premium of \$225, according to the County Auditor. Due \$100,000 on July 1, and \$95,000 on Dec. 15, 1942.

#### Minnesota (State of)

**Rural Credit Department Seeks Dissolution**—The St. Paul "Dispatch" of Jan. 15 carried the following article:

Ever hear of a state department trying to abolish itself?

Minnesota has one. It's the State Rural Credit department. Under the direction of George C. Jones, its sales-minded boss, this organization is pushing rapidly toward the permanent completion of its major duties.

That will mean a sharp reduction in the department's size within six months, with the added possibility that the next Legislature may consider abolishing the bureau and transferring its few remaining duties to some other state department.

Governor Stassen received a report today from Jones on the 1941 operations of the Rural Credit bureau.

It shows that by July 1 the bureau will have sold virtually all its farms, except a few which are so poor they are classed as non-agricultural land.

After that, unless there is an entirely unexpected change in present trends, the long important work of managing and selling foreclosed farms will be at an end.

There will remain many years of collecting payments defraying interest and principal on bond issues and otherwise handling the financial cleanup process of the department's liquidation. This work will be similar to that of the State Banking department.

It would not be surprising therefore, if the 1943 Legislature finds before it a proposal for doing away with the last remnants of the Rural Credit bureau and turning the unfinished business over to the banking department.

Minnesota taxpayers will sustain a total loss of about 40 million dollars on the state's rural credit venture, which began in 1923. Inflated land values in the first World War resulted in larger mortgage loans than farms could pay off after the war. The resulting wholesale loss of farms by their owners influenced the state to go into the mortgage business in an effort to stave off disaster for the farmers.

The loss to date from this venture has been: Loss on sale of land, \$9,824,806; loss on loans settled by cash compromise, \$2,189,780; administration costs, \$4,420,296; interest loss, \$16,883,569; total, \$33,318,453.

For years bond interest and

principal deficits were met by borrowing, which piled up higher and higher debts and interest charges. Last year the Legislature finally set about providing money from tax levies to meet interest obligations and begin the paying off of debt principal at the rate of \$1,500,000 yearly.

However, Jones was able to make a net reduction in the rural credit debt of \$9,795,000 from Jan. 1, 1939, when he took office, to Jan. 1, 1942. The outstanding debt is now \$51,195,000.

In 1939 the state had for sale 3,886 foreclosed farms. Jones has sold them so rapidly that now only 778 remain, and he expects these to be disposed of by July 1.

These sales have placed 590,234 acres of land back on the tax rolls, increasing tax revenue \$354,861 a year. Nearly 90% of the farms were sold to farmers living in the same county, many to former owners or their children. The average cash-down payment was more than 26% of the selling price.

##### Watwan County (P. O. St. James), Minn.

**Bond Sale**—The \$45,000 semi-ann. refunding bonds offered for sale on Jan. 22—v. 155, p. 251—were purchased by the C. S. Ashman Co. of Minneapolis, as 1¼s, paying a premium of \$202.50, equal to 100.45, a basis of about 1.10%. Dated Feb. 1, 1942. Due \$9,000 from Feb. 1, 1943 to 1947 incl.

##### Willmar, Minn.

**Bonds Voted**—At the election held on Jan. 20 the voters approved the proposal to amend the City Charter to authorize the city's issuance of bonds not exceeding \$125,000, for the constructing and equipping an addition to the municipal hospital. The count is said to have been 517 to 224.

#### MISSISSIPPI

##### Biloxi, Miss.

**Bonds Voted**—At the election held on Jan. 20 the voters are said to have approved the issuance of the \$153,000 water works revenue bonds by a wide margin.

#### MISSOURI

##### Inter-River Drainage District (P. O. Poplar Bluff), Mo.

**Dividend Authorized**—Holders of certificates of deposit for bonds of the above district are being notified that a 4% liquidating dividend, amounting to \$40 per \$1,000 bond, represented by outstanding certificates of deposit, was authorized at a recent meeting of the Bondholders' Protective Committee and may be obtained upon presentation of certificates of deposit to the Trust Department of the Mississippi Valley Trust Company, St. Louis, Mo., for payment and endorsement on and after Jan. 21, 1942. Total distributions to date (including this dividend) aggregate \$430 per \$1,000 bond.

Wyllis K. Bliss, 323 North Broadway, St. Louis, Mo., is secretary of the committee.

##### Joplin, Mo.

**Bond Election Contemplated**—J. J. Saunders, City Commissioner, reports that the voters soon will pass on the proposed issuance of \$300,000 in bonds for the construction of a sewage disposal plant, which will cost \$570,000.

#### MONTANA

##### Ravalli County (P. O. Hamilton), Mont.

**Warrants Called**—F. O. Burrell, County Treasurer, called for payment on Dec. 20, the following county, School District and Irrigation District warrants:

All County General Fund, now outstanding.

All County Road Fund, to and including No. 29041.

All County Poor Fund, now outstanding.

All County Bridge Fund, now outstanding.

All County Fair Fund, registered prior to Oct. 16, 1941, to 1860.

All County Gopher Fund, now outstanding.

All outstanding in all Sch. Dist., except Dist. No. 37.

Sch. Dist. No. 37, No. 86.

All Sunset Irr. Dist. General Fund, registered prior to Feb. 7, 1940.

All Charlos Heights Irr. Dist., registered prior to Oct. 18, 1940.

All Canyon Creek Irr. Dist., registered prior to Sept. 3, 1941.

Interest ceased on above warrants after Dec. 20, 1941.

#### NEBRASKA

##### Scottsbluff, Neb.

**Maturity**—The City Clerk now states that the \$215,000 refunding bonds being exchanged with the holders of the original bonds, as noted here on Dec. 23, mature as follows:

\$52,000 1¼% refunding bonds.

Due \$5,000 on June and Dec. 1 in 1942 to 1945, and \$6,000 on June and Dec. 1, 1946.

66,000 2% refunding bonds. Due \$6,000 on June and Dec. 1 in 1947 and 1948, and \$7,000 on June and Dec. 1 in 1949 to 1951.

97,000 2¼% refunding bonds.

Due \$7,000 on June 1 and \$8,000, Dec. 1, 1952, \$8,000, June 1 and Dec. 1, 1953 to 1956, and \$9,000 on June 1 and Dec. 1, 1957.

Interest payable J-D.

#### NEW JERSEY

##### Atlantic County (P. O. Atlantic City), N. J.

**Plans Lower Tax Rate**—The 1942 budget provides for a tax rate of 99 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation, a reduction of 18.9 cents from last year's levy. The cut, according to report, was made possible by appropriating \$189,000 of a surplus of \$239,804 from 1941 fiscal operations. The balance of the surplus will be held in reserve to stabilize the tax rate at approximately \$1 in the future, it was reported.

##### Glen Rock, N. J.

**Report On Proposed Bond Issue**—In connection with the \$240,000 2¼% water system bonds authorized by the voters at the November, 1941, general election—v. 154, p. 997—Charles P. Van Allen, Borough Clerk, reports that no definite action has been taken in connection with the project. A number of committees are studying the various phases of the proposed water system purchase and the results of these investigations are not expected to be made available for at least several months.

#### NEW YORK

##### Albany, N. Y.

**Tax Collections Higher In 1941**—The city collected \$7,451,292.60 in taxes during 1941, an increase of approximately \$80,000 over the previous year, according to Treasurer Frank J. O'Brien.

The figure represented a 93.09% collection on the levy of slightly over \$8,000,000, and bettered 1940's percentage of 92.48%.

Unpaid taxes totalling \$552,281.83 were turned over to the County Treasurer's office for collection, with an added 10% fine. Taxes returned to the county in 1940 totaled \$598,892.36.

Collections for last year were well over the city budget figure of \$5,671,494.04, but fell short of the levy of \$8,003,574.43, which includes county, State and Federal taxes on city money.

An indication that taxpayers were more prompt in handing over their money during 1941 than in 1940 could be seen in figures for December. The 1941 collection for the month was \$687,395.50, about \$30,000 less than in the previous year.

Mr. O'Brien stated that tax payments thus far in 1942 have been heavy, with many people taking advantage of the reduced

rates on early payments. The 1942 city budget is \$5,980,162.88.

**Glen Cove, N. Y.**

**Bonds Authorized**—The City Council recently authorized an issue of \$75,000 refunding bonds.

**Massena, N. Y.**

**Bond Election**—An election will be held Jan. 27 on the question of issuing \$150,000 bonds to pay the town's share of the cost of constructing a \$300,000 hospital.

**New York (State of)**

**Bulk of \$90,000,000 Highway Program To Be Deferred**—The major part of a \$10,000,000 Albany area highway construction program, scheduled for 1942 and 1943, will be postponed until after the war, it was reported recently.

Scheduled deferment of the area projects, involving nearly 175 miles of highway, is part of a plan to put off, for war reasons, the bulk of the \$90,000,000 highway and parkway construction program announced several months ago by Capt. Arthur W. Brandt, State Superintendent of Public Works.

The program was to have been financed largely from the \$60,000,000 which, under a Constitutional amendment approved by the voters last November, can be diverted from the grade crossing elimination fund to highways and parkways.

Four factors entered into the decision to postpone most of this vast highway building program until after the war. They are:

1. Determination of Governor Lehman and the Legislature to curtail non-essential and capital expenditures.

2. Their decision to set up a large post-war program of public works to ease the post-war employment slump.

3. Lack of materials.

4. Lack of labor caused by the demands of war production plants.

Military necessity will determine which highway projects will go on the extremely limited list which will be set up. Army engineers have been asked to make a survey and report on that matter. They are said to have informed legislative leaders and State officials that two of the major parkway projects, Bronx River and Eastern States, should be undertaken to facilitate troop movements in the metropolitan area.

The bulk of the up-State parkway projects, however, will be deferred.

**NORTH CAROLINA**

**Winton, N. C.**

**Bonds Offered**—Sealed bids were received until 11 a. m. on Jan. 27 (today), by W. E. Easterling, Secretary of the Local Government Commission, for the purchase of \$3,500 not exceeding 6% coupon semi-ann. water and sewer bonds. Dated Feb. 1, 1942. Due \$500 from Feb. 1, 1945 to 1951 incl., without option of prior payment.

**OHIO**

**Cleveland, Ohio**

**Public Hearings Started On Railway Purchase**—Public hearings on legislation authorizing the city to borrow \$18,500,000 on a bond issue to purchase the Cleveland Railway Co. and provide for new equipment were started recently. Unless the projected acquisition of the traction system is consummated by April 1, the Board of Directors of the company can rescind the city's purchase offer which was approved by the stockholders—v. 155, p. 199. In connection with the program, it is reported that the question of issuing the bonds may be subject to a referendum. In a decision issued in November, 1941, the State Supreme Court held that the bond issue is subject to a referendum if one is demanded by the voters. The decision, rendered in a case involving the proposed acquisition by the City of Middletown,

Ohio, of a municipal power production system, is said to have cleared the way for Cleveland to issue mortgage revenue bonds for the purchase of the traction company without regard to the limitations imposed by the State Constitution and the Uniform Bond Act.—v. 154, p. 1198.

**Cuyahoga County (P. O. Cleveland), Ohio**

**Note Issue Approved**—The State Board of Tax Appeals on Jan. 22 approved an issue of \$320,000 poor relief notes in anticipation of delinquent tax collections.

**Dillonvale, Ohio**

**Bond Offering**—Cecil Neely, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. on Feb. 16 for the purchase of \$9,000 not to exceed 6% interest property owner's portion improvement bonds. Dated Feb. 2, 1942 and due Nov. 1 as follows: \$2,000 from 1942 to 1945 incl. and \$1,000 in 1946. Principal and semi-annual interest payable at the Village Clerk's office. A certified check for \$100, payable to order of the Village Treasurer, is required.

**Ironton, Ohio**

**Bond Sale**—The issue of \$20,000 flood prevention bonds offered Jan. 22—v. 155, p. 149—was awarded to the Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co., Cincinnati, as 2½s, at par plus a premium of \$332, equal to 101.66, a basis of about 2.45%. Dated Feb. 1, 1942 and due \$1,000 on Feb. 1 from 1947 to 1966 incl. Second high bid of 100.645 for 2½s was made by J. A. White & Co. of Cincinnati.

**Miami Township (P. O. Yellow Springs), Ohio**

**Bond Offering Details**—The \$10,000 3% fire department equipment bonds being offered for sale on Feb. 7, as noted in v. 155, p. 311, were authorized by the voters at the November, 1941, general election and will be payable from a tax levied outside the 10-mill limitation.

**Osgood Village School District (P. O. Osgood), Ohio**

**Bond Offering**—William Brackman, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until noon on Feb. 10 for the purchase of \$20,000 4% school building addition bonds. Dated March 1, 1942. Denom. \$500. Due \$500 on May 1 and Nov. 1 from 1943 to 1962 incl. Interest payable semi-annually. Bidder may name a different rate of interest provided that fractional rates are expressed in a multiple of ¼ of 1%. A certified check for \$200, payable to order of the Board of Education, must accompany each proposal.

**Wapakoneta City School District, Ohio**

**Bond Election**—Edwin J. Stroh, Clerk of the Board of Education, reports that an election will be held Feb. 10 on the question of issuing \$140,000 building bonds.

**Waynesfield, Ohio**

**Bond Sale—Details**—The \$50,000 4% first mortgage water works revenue bonds sold last August to Fullerton & Co. of Columbus, at a price of 92—v. 153, p. 1310—are dated Oct. 1, 1941, in denoms. of \$1,000 and \$500, and mature Oct. 1, as follows: \$500 from 1943 to 1945 incl.; \$1,000, 1946 to 1949 incl.; \$1,500, 1950 to 1955 incl.; \$2,000, 1956 to 1964 incl., and \$2,500 from 1965 to 1971 incl. Bonds maturing on and after Oct. 1, 1951, are callable at 105 on Oct. 1, 1951, or on any subsequent interest date, in inverse order of maturity by lot. Prin. and int. (A-O) payable at the Huntington National Bank, Columbus.

**West Liberty, Ohio**

**Bond Sale**—The \$45,000 sanitary sewer system and sewerage treatment plant construction assessment bonds offered Jan. 23—v. 155, p. 254—were awarded to Stranahan, Harris & Co., Inc., of Toledo, as 2s. Dated Jan. 15, 1942, and due \$3,000 on Jan. 15 from 1944 to 1958 incl. Second high

bidder was J. A. White & Co. of Cincinnati, which named a rate of 2¼%.

**OKLAHOMA**

**Muskogee, Okla.**

**Bond Election Contemplated**—The City Council is said to have been requested by the Chamber of Commerce to schedule an election in order to have the voters pass on the issuance of various improvement bonds aggregating \$901,000.

**Vinita, Okla.**

**Proposed Bond Issue Canceled**—An Associated Press dispatch from this city on Jan. 15 reported as follows: A controversy which flared after the City Council voted to abandon a \$160,000 municipal power bond issue was climaxed today with the calling of a grand jury to investigate city government affairs.

District Judge N. B. Johnson ordered the jury to convene Jan. 26 in response to a petition bearing 135 names.

The bond issue was approved in a city election for the purpose of buying the Public Service Company's power transmission system and setting up a municipal system with power from the Grand River Dam. The Council voted 4 to 3 to abandon the bonds.

**OREGON**

**Harney County School District No. 13 (P. O. Dreusey), Ore.**

**Bond Sale**—The \$3,000 semi-ann. refunding bonds offered for sale on Jan. 22—v. 155, p. 199—were awarded to the State Bond Commission, as 2¼s, at 100.12, a basis of about 2.22%. Due \$1,000 on Dec. 1 in 1945 to 1947.

**Lane County Union High School District No. 14 (P. O. Cottage Grove), Ore.**

**Bond Sale**—The \$6,000 semi-ann. school bonds offered for sale on Jan. 23—v. 155, p. 356—were awarded to Fordyce & Co. of Portland, as 2s, at a price of 100.20 a basis of about 1.97%. Dated Feb. 2, 1942. Due \$500 from Feb. 2, 1945 to 1956 incl.

**Salem, Ore.**

**Bond Offering**—Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p. m. on Feb. 16, by Hannah Martin, City Recorder, for the purchase of \$19,000 street improvement bonds, Issue 3 F. Denom. \$500. Dated March 1, 1942. Due as follows: \$1,500 in 1943 and 1944, and \$2,000 in 1945 to 1952, incl. The city reserves the option to redeem said bonds, in numerical order, upon the payment of the face value thereof with accrued interest on any interest paying date at or after three years from the date of issue of said bonds. Both principal and interest shall be payable at the office of the City Treasurer. The bonds will be sold to the bidder offering the best price, considering the interest rate bid and premium, if any, on the par value. None of the bonds will be sold for less than par and accrued interest. Each bidder should name the rate of interest at which the bidder is willing to accept the bonds at par. The bonds will bear the rate of interest designated in the bid accepted. Each bid, except bids submitted by the State of Oregon, or any sinking fund of the City of Salem, must be accompanied by a certified check for 2% of the par value of the bonds, made payable to the city.

The bidder will be required to add to his bid a statement of the net cost to the city if his bid is accepted. The prior legal approving opinion of Teal, Winfree, McCulloch, Shuler & Kelly will be furnished the successful bidder.

**PENNSYLVANIA**

**Allegheny County (P. O. Pittsburgh), Pa.**

**1941 Tax Collections Set Record**—The rate of County tax collection during 1941 was the highest in its history, according to the report completed recently by

County Treasurer John J. McLean. The taxpayers paid 93.29% of the total \$17,586,820 levy on real estate for county and poor taxes, leaving but 6.71%, or a total of \$1,170,580, delinquent. Collection of the \$1,814,365 personal property tax reached a percentage of 99.24, leaving but .76 of 1% still to be collected, the report showed.

**Allentown School District, Pa.**

**Bonds Authorized**—The School Board has authorized the Solicitor, Reuben J. Butz, to draw up necessary resolutions for the floating of a \$150,000 20-year bond issue, the money to be used for the construction of vocational training shops under the south stands at Coffield Stadium.

Attorney Robert E. Haas, a member of the Board, raised the question as to whether necessary materials could be secured for the construction of the buildings and a bond guaranteeing completion secured.

H. F. Everett, the architect, said he felt certain that a priority for materials needed could be secured from the Government. The building will house machines which are being furnished to the district, without cost, by the Federal Government in the interest of national defense vocational training.

Mr. Haas, after Mr. Butz explained the new State Act governing loans by districts which is designed to have the loans amortized over a sufficient period that the loans are not a deep burden on the taxpayers, said he was in favor of a 20-year loan.

**Philadelphia, Pa.**

**Bond Exchange Offer Extended**—The city, through ordinance of its City Council, has extended to June 15, 1942, the offer of bond exchange through the original Nation-wide banking group, comprising 39 leading investment firms and banks headed by Drexel & Co., Philadelphia, and Lehman Brothers, New York, under which certain of the city's bonds, optional for redemption up to 1947, can be exchanged for refunding bonds of 1941. Formal notice of the action was issued on Jan. 26.

The offer, which has been in effect since June 9, 1941, would otherwise have terminated on Jan. 31, 1942.

To date \$81,656,000 of the bonds have been tendered for exchange out of a total of \$131,064,000 originally eligible for exchange. The bonds thus far tendered include all of the bonds eligible for exchange for Series "A," "B," "J," "L," "M," and "N" new refunding bonds, and no further old bonds of the issues exchangeable for these series can be accepted.

The offer of bond exchange when originally made in June of last year by Drexel & Co. and Lehman Brothers was described as one of the largest municipal refinancing operations on record. The volume of bonds exchanged to date is regarded as highly satisfactory, and the extension of time has been arranged to permit further exchanges.

**Debt Reduction**—Funded debt of the city outstanding Dec. 31, 1941, amounted to \$506,660,600, a decrease of \$10,809,000 from 1940, exclusive of cash advance at end of 1941 of \$5,563,548, according to a report of the City Sinking Fund Commission, of which Herbert W. Goodall, is Chairman.

During 1941 \$16,105,000 matured city debt was paid, including serial maturities, and the city called, in October, 1941, \$8,804,000 5½% bonds and, after deducting the accumulated sinking fund reserve, issued refunding bonds in the amount of \$7,100,000 and, in addition, sold \$7,000,000 serial bonds.

Interest paid on the city debt during 1941 amounted to \$21,545,477, which was \$744,082 less than the amount necessary for interest requirements in the year 1940.

Under the voluntary refunding plan offered by the city in 1941 a total of \$80,791,700 city bonds

have been converted into bonds bearing lower interest coupons. The saving in interest on this exchange will be available to the city starting in 1942, but is not reflected in the figures of 1941, the Commission points out.

During the year sinking fund received interest on bonds owned amounting to \$5,908,827, making a return on invested funds of 3.92%.

As of Dec. 31, 1941, the sinking fund owned par value of city bonds amounting to \$136,428,200, representing 26.92% of the outstanding city debt.

The City of Philadelphia has called for redemption on March 16, an issue of \$1,050,000 4¼% bonds issued in connection with construction of the Delaware River bridge. They are dated March 16, 1922, and are being paid off at par. All the bonds are held by the City Sinking Fund Commission.

**Pittsburgh, Pa.**

**Proposed Bond Issue**—City is making preparations for the issuance of \$150,000 fire department equipment bonds.

**RHODE ISLAND**

**Warwick (P. O. Apponaug), R. I.**

**Proposed Financing**—A resolution covering either a long-term issue or short tax anticipation bonds was passed by the City Council on Jan. 15.

The first part of the resolution authorizes the floating of bonds aggregating \$105,000, while the second section passed by the Council foresaw the possibility of enactment of the pay-as-you-go policy by providing that the City Treasurer may use tax anticipation bonds with which to pay relief expenditures. Loans made under the short-term plan could not run for more than one year from the date of the original borrowing.

The \$105,000 authorization is divided as follows: \$20,000 in water bonds and \$85,000 in public works bonds. The water bonds, should they be issued on a long-term basis, would be payable in \$5,000 annual amounts from 1943 to 1946, inclusive, and the public works bonds in \$5,000 sums, yearly, from 1947 to 1963.

Mayor Ruerat pointed out that the rate of interest on tax anticipation bonds would be much less than on the long-term issue.

The Council also authorized the issuance of \$700,000 in tax anticipation notes for the payment of routine city expenditures. The notes will be issued in anticipation of the collection of taxes assessed as of June 15, 1942.

**SOUTH DAKOTA**

**Onida, S. Dak.**

**Bonds Sold**—The \$7,000 3% semi-ann. water works refunding of 1941 bonds offered for sale on Oct. 6, were purchased at par by the State Board of School and Public Lands, according to the City Auditor. Dated July 1, 1941. Due \$500 from July 1, 1943 to 1956 incl.

**Pennington County Independent School District No. 1 (P. O. Wasta), S. Dak.**

**Bonds Sold**—Mildred Bruce, District Clerk, states that the \$8,500 3% semi-ann. refunding bonds offered on Nov. 28—v. 154, p. 1311—were purchased locally at par. Due \$500 on Jan. 1 in 1943 to 1959 incl.

**Yankton, S. Dak.**

**Bonds Voted**—At the election held on Jan. 20 the voters are said to have approved the issuance of the \$45,000 airport bonds by a wide margin.

**TENNESSEE**

**Henry County (P. O. Paris), Tenn.**

**Maturity**—The County Judge now states that the \$50,000 semi-ann. school bus bonds sold to the Union Planters National Bank & Trust Co. of Memphis, as 1½s, at 101.04, as noted here on Dec. 10, are due \$5,000 from Dec. 1, 1942

to 1951, giving a basis of about 1.31%.

### TEXAS

#### Brownwood, Texas

**Bonds Sold**—The following 3% semi-ann. revenue bonds aggregating \$180,000, offered for sale without success on Jan. 5—v. 155, p. 200—were purchased on Jan. 19 at par by Mahan, Dittmar & Co. of San Antonio: \$130,000 water, and \$50,000 sewer bonds. Due in 25 years, optional after 15 years.

#### Pasadena, Texas

**Bond Issuance Deferred**—In connection with the 4½% tunnel revenue bonds contracted for purchase at par by a syndicate composed of McClung & Knickerbocker, Milton R. Underwood & Co., both of Houston, and Stifel, Nicolaus & Co. of St. Louis, as noted here last August, it is now reported that because of the national emergency, nothing is expected to be done in connection with the proposed tunnel in the near future.

#### Temple, Texas

**Bond Election Contemplated**—We understand that an election is to be called in the near future to submit to the voters an issue of army hospital bonds in connection with a \$2,500,000 government project.

### WASHINGTON

#### King County Sewerage and Drainage Improvement District No. 3 (P. O. Seattle), Wash.

**Bond Offering**—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a.m. on Jan. 29, by J. R. Heath, District Supervisor, for the purchase of \$45,000 5% semi-ann. coupon assessment bonds. Deaom. \$500. The bonds shall state that they are secured to be paid by assessment upon the property of the district and that they are not a general obligation of the county, but shall be payable in their serial order on any semi-annual coupon date on the call of the County Treasurer whenever there shall be sufficient money in the bond redemption fund of the district, over and above that necessary for the payment of interest on all outstanding bonds, to pay the principal of one or more bonds at the next coupon date; provided that the proportionate amount of the entire issue of bonds called in the respective years shall not be in excess of the following redemption schedule: For the first to seventh year 10%; For the eighth and ninth years 15%. The bonds shall be awarded to the bidder making the highest and best bid, but no bid for less than the entire issue will be considered. No bid may be withdrawn after the hour set for the opening thereof or before the award unless the award is delayed for a period exceeding 90 days. Enclose a certified check for 2% of the bid.

#### Okanogan County School District No. 113 (P. O. Okanogan), Wash.

**Bond Sale**—The \$5,881 building bonds offered for sale on Jan. 17—v. 155, p. 61—were purchased by the State of Washington, the only bidder, as 3s, at par, according to the County Treasurer.

### WEST VIRGINIA

#### West Virginia (State of)

**Bridge Bond Payments Expected on Normal Basis**—The following information was sent to us on Jan. 24 by Charles A. Hirsch & Co., Inc. of Cincinnati:

Gentlemen:  
You will find enclosed herewith a circular describing an issue of—  
**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA**  
3% Bridge Project No. 5 Bonds  
The attached copy of a letter just received from the State of West Virginia by its Road Commissioner, the Honorable Ernest L. Bailey clearly establishes a basis for the conclusion that we can expect not only that the normal amount of revenue will be derived

from the operation of the bridge as set forth in the enclosed circular but in addition a very definite and substantial increase in income will be forthcoming from the sources referred to in Mr. Bailey's letter.

We invite your immediate consideration of the enclosed information and would be glad to have you communicate with us if we can be of further service to you.

Jan. 19, 1942

Gentlemen:

Referring to your inquiry as to what effect the general war situation, including the present restriction in the purchase of automobile tires, will have on the payment of State of West Virginia 3% Bridge Revenue Project No. 5 Bonds, dated Dec. 1, 1941, I wish to reply and advise as follows:

The opinions expressed in my letter of Dec. 18, 1941 are changed to the extent that the expected earnings of the Silver Bridge will be substantially in excess of what we anticipated at that time. Mason County is the site of a considerable amount of industrial activity made necessary by the rearmament program. There is already located in this county a shipbuilding plant constructing mine layers and mine sweepers and there is now in process of construction a \$55,000,000 TNT plant which is to be one of the four largest in the world and will take approximately eighteen (18) months to complete. We have in the past few days had a conference with a staff of engineers of the U. S. Army relative to the additional traffic and income to this bridge by reason of the construction of this plant. We are advised the construction of it will require 7,500 employees. The Federal Government for the past few weeks has been making a survey and check of the sources from which labor can be obtained for the construction of this plant. We have been informed that there will be a minimum of 900 additional passenger cars from the Ohio side of the river crossing and returning each day over the Silver Bridge. This will make a total of 1,800 crossings and produce for the next eighteen (18) months a minimum amount of additional revenue over and above the general normal income in excess of \$400 per day or approximately \$144,000 additional income each year until the plant is completely constructed, which, as before stated, is expected to take eighteen (18) months.

The State of West Virginia, through the Road Commission, is putting all roads leading to the Silver Bridge in first class condition to take care of the large additional traffic that will result. The foregoing applies only to the additional income from passenger cars and does not give consideration to the large increase in income that will be derived from trucks. For the next eighteen (18) months period, I would conservatively estimate an annual operating income from all sources of \$250,000 against maximum requirements for interest of \$31,200 and the sum of \$60,000 needed to service all principal and interest requirements as and when due.

The State of West Virginia has completed arrangements with the Federal Government to sell to them books for the above 900 passenger cars per day and we have been advised that the Government will in turn sell these books at cost to the passenger car operators and their passengers.

After this plant has been constructed, it is estimated by the Government that the number of employees needed to operate that plant will be approximately 30% of those required to construct it, which would produce after the eighteen months period an additional income over and above the general usage of the bridge of approximately \$45,000 in additional revenue. I have further been advised that at the conclusion of the war this plant will be readily

adaptable to conversion into a plant to produce peace time products, particularly synthetic rubber. It is therefore my opinion that as a result of this tremendous enterprise the revenues of the Silver Bridge should be permanently increased to a considerable amount in excess of the past record of earnings which have averaged for the past three (3) years in excess of \$105,000.

While the large increase in traffic and revenues has not yet actually started, I call your attention to the fact that the State of West Virginia acquired this bridge on Dec. 26, 1941, and the revenues from that time up to the present have averaged \$301 per day. For the same period of the previous year the daily average was \$227. You will therefore note that notwithstanding the present restrictions and confusion in regard to automobile tires, the revenues have increased over 32% for the time the State has owned and operated this bridge as compared with the previous year. On the basis of \$301 per day from Dec. 26, 1941 to date the annual income would be \$109,865. This period, during the winter months, in ordinary times would be considerably less than the general average for the year. During this period also, the hysteria regarding automobile tires and the rationing thereof was at its height. You will however note that on the basis of this most unfavorable time the average income for the year was on the basis of \$109,865 in contrast to my original estimate in my letter of Dec. 18, 1941 of an income of \$105,195. This will give you some indication of the conservativeness of our estimates.

I wish to advise that the State of West Virginia has always, with justifiable pride, maintained an unblemished record in the payment of principal and interest on all bonds of the State and its subdivisions since the creation of the State Sinking Fund Commission in 1921. I cannot conceive of any bonds issued in the name of the State of West Virginia, signed by the Governor, Secretary of State, and the State Road Commissioner, with the great seal of the State affixed thereon at any time being less desirable in the future than they have been in the past. The State will continue its same policy of maintaining a balance with the National City Bank of New York City sufficient in amount to service all of its obligations.

As you and all holders of the State of West Virginia Bridge Revenue Bonds and others that have followed this financing know, the State Road Commission has at all times operated on a very efficient and economical basis the bridges under its jurisdiction. This policy likewise remains unchanged and we intend to see that all bridges under our supervision and jurisdiction are operated as economically and efficiently as the times require to the end that there will be at all times sufficient funds available for the payment of all principal and interest requirements on outstanding bonds.

In the case of the Silver Bridge permit me to call your attention to the fact that there is no competing bridges or ferries that could be used in lieu thereof. There are no ferries operating and all ferry rights have been conveyed to the State by proper deed. The nearest bridge to the south is at Huntington, approximately fifty (50) miles distant and the nearest bridge to the north, being the one connecting Mason, West Virginia and Pomeroy, Ohio fifteen (15) miles distant. It is likely that these bridges will continue to be subject to toll for at least five (5) years after the Silver Bridge becomes toll free and hence there will be no diversion of traffic from this bridge to other sources.

Under the trust agreement adopted by the State Road Com-

mission as security for payment of these bonds, it is provided that adequate and sufficient charges and rates shall at all times be maintained for the payment of principal and interest on the bonds and the proper operation and maintenance of the bridge. The State not only will, but, under the trust agreement, is obligated to adjust the toll rates to the point that the net revenues available will at all times be sufficient to properly and promptly service the outstanding bonds and the interest thereon.

The issue of bonds about which you inquire—Project No. 5—has been set up on a very conservative basis as to income and it may be of interest to you and holders of these bonds to know that all principal and interest on the bonds could be met without the necessity of any refunding on a net income of merely \$60,000. This would represent a decrease of 37% in the revenues from the average income for the last three (3) fiscal year periods. As before stated, however, no decrease, but a substantial increase is expected and the information just given is merely for the purpose of showing how conservative the State of West Virginia is at all times in its financing.

In conclusion I wish to again assure you, as well as the holders of any State of West Virginia Bridge Revenue Bonds, that the State in the future, as they have in the past, shall continue to take steps to insure at all times an amount on deposit with the State Sinking Fund Commission to provide not less than 110% of one year's advance principal and interest requirements as required by the Trust Agreement and to safeguard the interests of all holders of our bridge revenue bonds.

### WISCONSIN

#### Milwaukee, Wis.

**Installment Tax Payment Plan Instituted**—The city of Milwaukee is placing in effect this year an installment plan for paying taxes which, it is expected, will simplify procedure for the taxpayer and contribute to an orderly flow of collections. Starting this month, taxpayers may pay real estate levies in monthly installments without interest.

Commenting on this plan, William H. Wendt, City Comptroller, notes that "it has long been my hope that with city affairs on a cash basis, the taxpayer could also be placed on a cash basis with respect to the payment of taxes. By paying installments promptly when due, those availing themselves of this privilege will be relieved of the interest charge and they will be enabled to pay their taxes as they pay their current obligations."

The new system provides that city real estate taxes, except certain special assessments, may be paid in ten equal installments on or before the last day of each month, January to October, inclusive. State and county real estate taxes may be paid in seven equal installments on or before the last day of each month, January to July inclusive.

If any installment is not paid when due, the entire remaining balance of taxes becomes delinquent and subject to interest at the rate of 8/10 of 1 per cent a month, dating from the preceding January. The taxpayer may still pay his taxes in full in January if he desires.

"Improvement in business and increased employment have been reflected in real estate tax payments," according to Mr. Wendt. "While tax delinquency has declined steadily since 1933, very likely a substantial amount of the delinquent taxes of the depression years will remain unpaid and eventually have to be assumed by the city."

## CANADA

### ALBERTA

#### Alberta (Province of)

**Enacts One-Month Debt Moratorium**—The "Financial Post" of Toronto of Jan. 24 carried the following Edmonton dispatch: "Alberta's confusing debt legislation picture was confused further" by last week's government declaration of a one-month moratorium on debts incurred prior to July 1, 1936, and by the hint that negotiations on a debt refunding plan may have come to an end.

"The moratorium, effective Feb. 15, appeared to be a direct answer to recent court rulings which wiped out more of the government's debt legislation on the ground that it was beyond provincial powers. It also gave definite indication that Premier Aberhart and his cabinet are authorizing further debt statutes to come before the legislative session which opens here Jan. 29.

"In recent weeks the Supreme Court of Canada declared the Alberta Debt Adjustment Act ultra vires and the Supreme Court of Alberta judgment of Mr. Justice O'Connor gave a similar verdict on the Orderly Payment of Land Debts Act. The province has announced it will appeal the Supreme Court of Canada ruling to the Privy Council.

"The moratorium was made to apply to all debts incurred prior to July 1, 1936, with the exception of those owing to governments, farm loan or soldier settlement boards and other specific exemptions.

"Many regarded as more important the rumor that the Alberta Debt Refunding Committee may not resume its sittings. It was reported the provincial cabinet was considering reconvening the group, representing the province and bondholders, but no announcement had been made."

## CANADA

#### Canada (Dominion of)

**Provinces And Municipalities Suspend Corporation Taxes**—Provincial and municipal corporation and income taxes in Canada will be withdrawn until one year after the war, allowing the Federal Government a complete monopoly of this field, it was announced Jan. 15 by J. L. Ilesley, Minister of Finance.

Mr. Ilesley told a press conference that, after months of negotiations, between the Dominion and the Provinces, the latter had agreed not to tax personal and corporation incomes earned after Dec. 31, 1940.

An annual amount of \$84,521,466.91 will be paid as compensation to the Provinces by the Dominion for vacating the income tax field.

Nearly \$57,000,000 also will be guaranteed the Provinces by the Government in the form of gasoline tax revenue, in compensation for the Federal invasion of this field when a Federal gasoline tax was first applied at the last budget.

### QUEBEC

#### Megantic, Que.

**Bond Sale**—The issue of \$80,000 4% improvement bonds offered Jan. 19 was awarded to Credit International, Ltd., of Montreal, at a price of 98.80, a basis of about 4.25%. Dated Dec. 1, 1941, and due serially from 1942 to 1951 incl. Prin. and int. payable at the Provincial Bank of Canada, Lake Megantic. Second high bid of 98.75 was made by Paul Gonthier & Co. of Montreal.